

Redesigning the Medicare Advantage quality bonus program

ISSUE: As discussed in the June 2019 report to the Congress, the current Medicare Advantage (MA) quality bonus program (QBP) has led to unwarranted bonus payments without meaningfully measuring or incentivizing quality of care provided by plans.

KEY POINTS: To replace the QBP, policymakers could consider an outcomes-based Medicare Advantage value incentive program (MA-VIP) that is consistent with the Commission's principles.

ACTION: At the meeting Commissioners will discuss the design of the MA-VIP.