



Q4CY21 Home Health Agencies PEPPER Review Webinar Questions and Answers

GENERAL

Q: What does the percentile number on the compare tab mean?

A: Percentiles indicate how a hospital's target area percent compares to the target percents for all hospitals in the respective comparison group. For example, if a hospital's jurisdiction percentile is 80.0, 80% of the hospitals in the Medicare Administrative Contractor (MAC) comparison group have a lower percent value than that hospital.

**Q: Which departments can utilize the Program for Evaluating Payment Patterns
Electronic Report (PEPPER) data?**

A: PEPPER can be shared with any department within your facility that may be interested in the data or find the data useful. Most often, contacts in the quality assurance, medical coding, billing, or administration departments will download the report initially.

Q: What claims are included in the target area numerator counts for each target area?

A: PEPPER analyzes claims for traditional Medicare Part A Fee-for-Service beneficiaries.