



Q4FY21 Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) 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: I am new to PEPPER. How many years are covered in PEPPER?

A: The Q4FY21 PEPPER presents data from 2019, 2020, and 2021.

Q: When are PEPPERS released?

A: PEPPERS are released every spring, usually at the beginning of April.