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§ 484.245 Accelerated payments for home health agencies.

(a) General rule. Upon request, an accelerated payment may be made to an HHA that is receiving payment under the home health prospective payment system if the HHA is experiencing financial difficulties because there is a delay by the intermediary in making payment to the HHA.

(b) Approval of payment. An HHA’s request for an accelerated payment must be approved by the intermediary and CMS.

(c) Amount of payment. The amount of the accelerated payment is computed as a percentage of the net payment for unbilled or unpaid covered services.

(d) Recovery of payment. Recovery of the accelerated payment is made by recoupment as HHA bills are processed or by direct payment by the HHA.

§ 484.250 Patient assessment data.

An HHA must submit to CMS the OASIS data described at §484.55(b)(1) and (d)(1) in order for CMS to administer the payment rate methodologies described in §§484.215, 484.230, and 484.235.

§ 484.260 Limitation on review.

An HHA is not entitled to judicial or administrative review under sections 1869 or 1878 of the Act, or otherwise, with regard to the establishment of the payment unit, including the national 60-day prospective episode payment rate, adjustments and outlier payments. An HHA is not entitled to the review regarding the establishment of the transition period, definition and application of the unit of payments, the computation of initial standard prospective payment amounts, the establishment of the adjustment for outliers, and the establishment of case-mix and area wage adjustment factors.

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