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Final Policy, Payment, and Quality Provisions in the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule for Calendar Year 2018

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On Nov. 2, 2017, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) issued a final rule that includes updates to payment policies, payment rates, and quality provisions for services furnished under the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule (PFS) on or after January 1, 2018. The calendar year (CY) 2018 PFS final rule is one of several final rules that reflect a broader Administration-wide strategy to create a healthcare system that results in better accessibility, quality, affordability, empowerment, and innovation. READ MORE

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Lawmakers move to strengthen Congress' oversight of VA's EHR implementation

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A group of bipartisan lawmakers from the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs introduced legislation recently to give Congress additional oversight to monitor the Department of Veterans Affairs transition to its new Cerner electronic health record system. Chairman Phil Roe, M.D. R- Tennessee, and Ranking Member Tim Walz, D-Minnesotta, along with Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations Committee Chairman Jack Bergman, R- Michigan, and Ranking Member Annie Kuster, D- New Hampshire, introduced the Veterans' Electronic Health Record Modernization Oversight Act of 2017. READ MORE

Commission calls for integrated data environment to combat opioid crisis
The federal government should create an integrated data environment that brings together publicly available data with agency-specific data to help address the nation’s opioid epidemic. That’s among the 56 recommendations made by the President’s Commission on Combating Drug Addiction and the Opioid Crisis in its final report released recently. In addition, the commission recommends a federal effort to strengthen data collection activities enabling real-time surveillance of the opioid crisis at the national, state, local and tribal levels, as well as reinstituting the Drug Abuse Warning Network.

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