



# Open Payments Review Dispute & Corrections Webinar

## O P E N P A Y M E N T S

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# Program Year 2017 Timeline



# Timeline Reminders – Review, Dispute & Corrections

- Review and Dispute for covered recipients will begin on Sunday April 1, 2018 and continue through May 15, 2018
  - In order for the dispute or correction to be reflected in the June 2018 publication, the dispute must be initiated by May 15, 2018
- Extended correction period continues from May 16, 2018 – May 30, 2018
- Dispute resolution takes place outside of the Open Payments System
  - Reporting entities should work directly with the covered recipient or the authorized representatives/ authorized officials to reach a resolution
- **CMS does not mediate disputes**

# Review and Dispute Statuses

- Records in the review and dispute process will have one of the following statuses:
  - **Initiated** – the dispute has been initiated by a covered recipient
  - **Acknowledged** – the dispute has been acknowledged by the reporting entity
  - **Resolved** – the reporting entity and covered recipient have worked together and reached a dispute resolution
  - **Resolved No Change** – the reporting entity and covered recipient have resolved the dispute in accordance with the Final Rule and no changes to the record were made
  - **Withdrawn** – the dispute has been withdrawn by the covered recipient; no further action required by the reporting entity

# Review and Dispute – Impact on Publication

- Disputes initiated within the initial 45-day review, dispute, and correction period and resolved by the end of the correction period (May 30, 2018) will be published and identified as non-disputed in the initial data publication (June 2018)
- If a dispute is not resolved by the end of the correction period, the record will be published and identified as disputed
- Disputes initiated or resolved after the full 60-day review, dispute, and correction period will not be reflected in the initial publication of data and will be published as original attested-to data.
  - Those disputes and any related data changes will be published in the next publication which may be a refresh publication or the next program year data publication

# Review and Dispute System Enhancements

- Covered recipients will be able to see and will receive notifications when previously attested records available for review and dispute are deleted or being updated by a reporting entity
- If a reporting entity user edits or deletes a disputed record, an email notification will be sent to the covered recipient who created the dispute.

# Question & Answer Session

- To ask a question:
  - Raise your hand and the presenter will call on you and unmute your line
  - Submit your question via the Q&A box
  - Please note:
    - the Open Payments team will refer all questions with specific and/or detailed scenarios to the help desk.



# Available Resources

- Stay connected through the Open Payments listserv!
  - Subscribe at our Contact Us page on the Open Payments website.
- Learn more about the Open Payments Program at <http://www.cms.gov/openpayments>
- Have more Questions?
  - Contact our Help Desk at [openpayments@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:openpayments@cms.hhs.gov) or by calling 1-855-326-8366

