

## CMS Complaint Data and Enforcement Report on Health Insurance Market Reforms

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The CMS Complaint Data and Enforcement Report presents information on complaints<sup>1</sup> and enforcement efforts related to the applicable provisions of title XXVII of the PHS Act with a focus on those over which CMS has jurisdiction. As of December 31, 2023, CMS has received over 12,291 of such complaints, most of which have been related to alleged violations of NSA requirements. Because CMS does not disclose information regarding open investigations, the data within the CMS Complaints Data and Enforcement Report is limited to complaints closed by CMS. This report also indicates the number of complaints that are not within CMS jurisdiction and that were subsequently referred to the appropriate enforcement entity, but does not include any additional information on the outcome of those complaints.

Through the CMS investigation process, CMS has directed plans, issuers, providers, health care facilities, or providers of air ambulance services to take remedial and corrective actions to address instances of non-compliance, which has resulted in approximately \$3,036,421 in monetary relief paid to consumers or providers. Information regarding complaints that CMS has received are summarized in the table below.

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Total complaints received*	12,291	
Total complaints currently open	3,178	
Total complaints closed*	9,113	
Total complaints closed with no violation found	3,263	
Total complaints closed with violation found	303	
Monetary relief resulting from closed complaints investigations	\$3,036,421	
Total MHPAEA Compliance Complaints	22	
Total ACA Compliance Complaints	220	
Total NSA Compliance Complaints	8,692	
NSA complaints against non-federal governmental plans and issuers	1,214	
NSA complaints against providers, facilities, and providers of air ambulance services	7,478	
Top 3 most common complaints against providers, facilities, and providers of air ambulance services	3,352	Surprise Billing for non-Emergency Services at an In- Network Facility
	2,106	Surprise Billing for Emergency Services
	1,642	Good-Faith Estimate
Top 3 most common complaints against non- federal governmental plans and issuers	988	Non-compliance with Qualifying Payment Amount (QPA) requirements
	351	Late Payment after IDR determination
	267	Surprise Billing for non-Emergency Services at an In- Network Facility

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For purposes of this report, the term "complaints" includes information regarding potential violations of federal law, including information from stakeholder feedback; referrals from Congress, states, or territories; No Surprises Help Desk complaints; and news articles.

<sup>\*</sup> Note: This number includes complaints CMS received that were not within the agency's jurisdiction and that were subsequently referred to the appropriate enforcement entity.