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Hospice News: CMS Introduces New Survey Methodology

Guidance the **Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services** has issued for 2020 "includes a revised method of evaluation and revised criteria associated with the Documentation of Deficiencies for ... Home Health Agencies (HHAs), Hospice," and other providers' "scoring measure for standard and complaint surveys to reduce subjectivity and burden," CMS says in a memo dated Oct. 17.

Details are in the memo at

 $\underline{www.cms.gov/Medicare/Provider-Enrollment-and-Certification/SurveyCertificationGenInfo/Downloads/AdminInfo-20-02-AL}\\ \underline{L.pdf}.$