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Hospice News: HOPE Tool Alpha Testing Still On Schedule For Fall

COVID-19 isn't derailing the development of Medicare's Hospice Outcomes & Patient Evaluation assessment tool.

The **Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services** and HOPE tool contractor **Abt Associates** "anticipate starting the alpha test in fall of 2020," says Abt's **Jennifer Riggs** in a recently posted Hospice Quality Reporting Program forum for June.



More details are at

www.cms.gov/Medicare/Quality-Initiatives-Patient-Assessment-Instruments/Hospice-Quality-Reporting/HOPE - download slides, a recording, and a transcript about the HOPE tool via the "HQRP Forum June 2020 Materials" link in the "Downloads" section at the bottom of the webpage.