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Hospice News: Tap These Tools For PEPPER Report

Trying to figure out how to use the new hospice comparative billing report Medicare has sent you? The **Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services** issued a Program for Evaluating Payment Patterns Electronic Report (PEPPER) report to every Medicare hospice via PEPPER contractor **TMF Health Quality Institute**.

TMF offered a Sept. 13 training session on the report, but the session was already full weeks before the event, the contractor said on its PEPPER website.

Second chance: TMF will post a recording of the training session by Sept. 27, it promises. Plus, you can attend a hospice PEPPER question-and-answer session Oct. 4 at 1 p.m. CT. Dial-in information is online at <http://pepperresources.org/TrainingResources/Hospice.aspx>, along with a user's guide, demo report, and other information.