

OASIS Alert

Quality Improvement: ARE YOU READY FOR THESE HOME HEALTH COMPARE CHANGES?

With agencies showing steady progress, the **Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services** raises the bar. Incontinence, dyspnea and remaining in the community take center stage.

In the Sept. update, CMS makes the first changes to Home Health Compare since its beginnings, adding three new measures and deleting four. This chart includes the three new measures and their national averages as well as data from the remaining old measures.

Source: CMS Web site at www.cms.hhs.gov/quality/hhqi/default.asp.