

# Feedback, Assessing New Hospitals, and Rebase Period

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# Hospital Assessment Feedback

- Support for the principle that no hospital system faces a loss
- Mixed feedback on assessing currently exempt hospitals
- One hospital suggested collapsing the Pediatric Intensive and Medium Pediatric categories into one category and assessing at the lower rate
- Concern that Legislature could revise the assessment to support additional policy proposals
- One suggestion to update discharge data at least every three years with a more thorough review every five years

# Future Hospital Assessment Rebases

- AHCCCS intends to rebase the hospital assessment every 3 years
  - Update discharge data to more current year
  - Review exemptions
  - Ensure that no hospital system will be negatively impacted

# New Hospitals

- New hospitals are added to the assessment model on an annual basis
- AHCCCS currently assesses new hospitals based on the first MCR with a full 12 months worth of data or by annualizing self-reported data if no such MCR data exists
- AHCCCS intends to clarify the Rule
  - Specify which data to be used if not using MCR data
  - Define how the data will be annualized

# Timeline

- July – Sept 2017 Analysis
- 9/15/17 First workgroup meeting
- Sept/Oct Analysis based on feedback
- 11/7/17 Second workgroup meeting
- Jan-Mar 2018 Analysis/address workgroup feedback
- Feb/Mar 2018 Third workgroup if necessary
- By 5/1/18 Submit assessment waiver to CMS
- May 2018 Post proposed Rule
- June/July 2018 Post final Rule
- 7/15/18 Invoices available for 8/15/18 payment
- 8/15/18 First SFY 19 payment due