



## Effective Health Care

### CMS Repayment Restriction on Mortality Nomination Summary Document

#### Results of Topic Selection Process & Next Steps

- *CMS repayment restriction on mortality* does not fit within the domain of the Effective Health Care (EHC) Program because the topic does not address a specific therapeutic or diagnostic intervention. No further activity will be undertaken on this topic.

#### Topic Description

**Nominator(s):** Individual

**Nomination Summary:** The nominator is interested whether CMS incentives/diagnosis-related group (DRGs) affects the quality of care and patient outcomes such as rehospitalization and mortality.

#### Considerations

- The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), through its Evidence-based Practice Centers (EPCs), sponsors the development of systematic reviews to assist public- and private-sector organizations in their efforts to improve the quality of health care in the United States. These reviews focus attention on the evidence from research studies about the effectiveness and safety of a clinical intervention.
- The topic does not meet EHC Program appropriateness criteria. (For more information, see <http://effectivehealthcare.ahrq.gov/index.cfm/submit-a-suggestion-for-research/how-are-research-topics-chosen/>.)