



Civil Monetary Penalties **Final Rule Increases Penalties**

The Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services ([CMS](#)) published a [final rule](#) earlier this year that increases Civil Monetary Penalties for a number of program violations. CMS said that the rule complies with a 2015 federal law requiring it and other federal agencies to adjust their CMPs annually for inflation. The new penalty schedule will apply to CMPs issued on or after February 3, 2017, for violations that took place after November 2, 2015.

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