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Strategies in Responding to the CMS Contingency Guidance

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General Observations

- Original Deadline Reconfirmed
- Required Standards Did Not Change
- Guidance Offers Flexibility
- Guidance Not a Mandate
- Payer Choices Will Vary
- Timeframe Not Forever



Payer Concerns

- Dropping to Paper
- Using 'Junk' Data
 - Bad Data Is Not a Good Solution



Outreach and Testing

- Burden Placed on Payers to Demonstrate
- Many Methods Available
- Keep Track of Measures Taken
- Submitter Testing May Not Mean Each Provider
- Don't Rely on Payers Alone



Closing Comments

- Keep Working Together
- Avoid Paper or 'Junk' Data
- Payers Will Monitor Other Payers
- Critical Volume Will Govern



Question and Answer Session

