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## CMS Now Reporting 30-day Readmission Data

Hospital users of Pharos Innovations' Tel-Assurance® show significantly lower 30-day readmission rates

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The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) started reporting data on 30-day hospital readmissions on its [Hospital Compare website](#).

Public tracking and reporting of this data puts many hospitals in a vulnerable position. Add to this the inevitable reduction in payment for readmissions and it is clear that healthcare providers must make process changes to better ensure a successful transition of patients from hospital to home. According to the CMS data, one of every four heart failure patients and slightly less than one in five heart attack patients return to the hospital within 30 days of discharge.



### What can be done?

Fortunately, there is a proven solution. Healthcare providers using Tel-Assurance, Pharos' device-free remote patient monitoring platform, show very different results with 60 percent (those with the highest proportion of patients enrolled in Tel-Assurance) ranking in the best performing quartile of hospitals national readmission rates following an admission for heart failure. These client's rates were on average a full 2 percentage points lower than the national average.

Read the article, [Patterns of hospital performance in acute myocardial infarction and heart failure 30-day mortality and readmission](#), for more information on the CMS readmission data, click the Hospital Compare website screen shot to compare your hospital to others in your area or contact Pharos for more information about what you can do to begin reducing your 30-day readmissions.

