BPCI Advanced, which will start in October, is different in several important respects from the older model, according to Carter Paine, chief operating officer of naviHealth, a Brentwood, Tennessee-based company that helps manage patients' transition to post-acute care and has participated in the older model. For one thing, CMS is incentivizing providers to reduce costs by 3% for each episode of care, rather than 2% as in the old model. "It's going to be interesting to see how that plays out," he said during an interview at which a public relations person was present.

In addition, "it lasts longer, up to 2023, which we think is a good thing," he said.

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