The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) disclosed that 117 hospitals (14 percent) and 135 physician practices (19 percent) left Medicare's Bundled Payments for Care Improvement Advanced (BPCI Advanced) program by March 1.

As part of the five-year payment model, the 1,299 hospitals and practices that joined for the Oct. 1, 2018, launch had a one-time opportunity to drop out at the beginning of this month for any reason.

Gina Bruno, vice president of clinical strategy at naviHealth, which manages 150 hospitals across 12 health systems in BPCI Advanced, said the program's overall hospital departure rate was reflected in her company's clients.

"I think that's a pretty low number," Bruno said in an interview. "I look at that as evidence that those participants that are working today are doing so with that commitment to care redesign."

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