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# 42 C.F.R. § 488.1135

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## Hospice Special Focus Program (SFP).

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- (a) *Applicability.* (1) The provisions of this section are effective on or after January 1, 2024. ; and
- (2) SFP selection begins in CY 2024.
- (b) *Selection criteria.* (1) Selection of hospices for the SFP is made based on the highest aggregate scores based on the algorithm used by CMS.
- (2) Hospice programs with accrediting organization deemed status placed in the SFP—
- (i) Do not retain deemed status; and

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