

Doctors have extra two weeks to preview performance data

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(HealthDay)—Physicians have two extra weeks to preview their 2016

performance information as a result of a mistake related to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services' Physician Compare online resource, according to a report published by the American Academy of Family Physicians.

The CMS opened a preview period on Oct. 18 to allow physicians to view their data and catch errors in advance of consumer viewing. This period, which was scheduled to end on Nov. 17, has been extended to Dec. 1.

Physician Compare was launched by the CMS in late 2010 to fulfill a provision of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act. It has been promoted as an online resource allowing consumers to search for [health care professionals](#) who participate in Medicare and to help patients make informed decisions when choosing their health care team.

"Due to a technical issue preventing the data from properly displaying in the preview portal, all data were not viewable for the first week of preview. This display issue has now been resolved," the CMS noted in its online message.

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