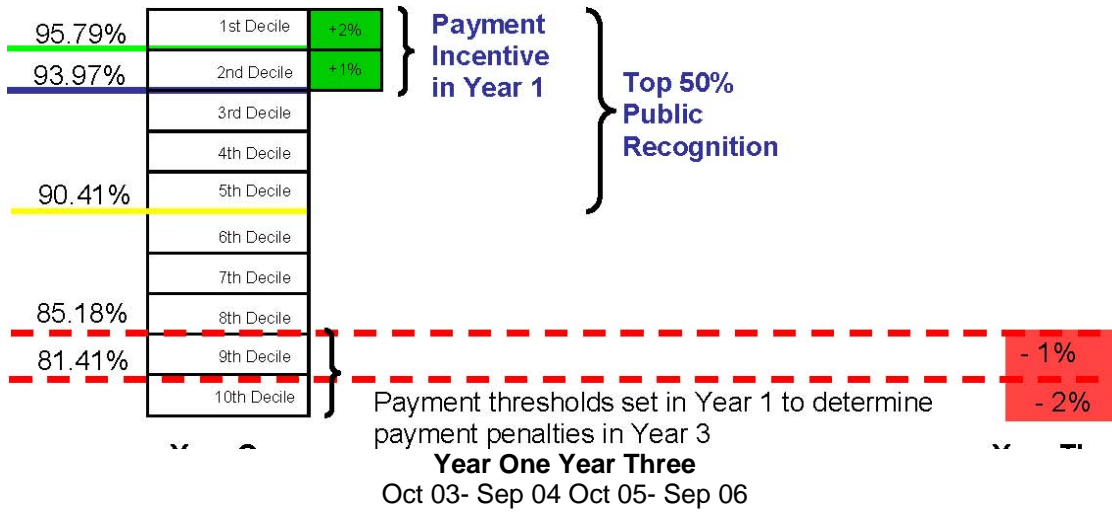


Decile Thresholds: Example Year 1 AMI Payment Scenario

A decile threshold is the Composite Quality Score (CQS) that defines the lower limit of the particular decile. Note that there is no “upper limit” for decile 1, nor “lower limit” for decile 10. Each decile by definition contains 10% of the hospitals, so approximately the same number of hospitals are in each decile. This example shows the thresholds for Year 1 in the AMI clinical focus area. Note that in both Year 1 & Year 2, hospitals in the 1st decile were awarded a 2% incentive bonus on their Medicare payments for patients in that clinical area. Hospitals in the 2nd decile were awarded a 1% bonus. The thresholds for the 9th and 10th deciles are now established at these values, based on Year 1 data. Any hospital whose CQS in Year 3 falls below the 9th decile threshold (would fall into the 10th decile as defined by Year 1) will receive a 2% penalty on their Medicare payments for patients in this clinical area. Hospitals whose CQS in Year 3 falls between the 8th and 9th decile threshold established in Year 1 will receive a 1% penalty.

Figure 1. Decile Threshold Example, AMI



Decile Thresholds (lower CQS for decile)

Following are the lower thresholds for each decile as defined by final Year 2 data.

Providers must have a score above the threshold to be in that decile.

Example: AMI

1st decile providers CQS is above 97.6564%

2nd decile provides CQS is above 96.7152%

Decile Thresholds Year 1

AMI	
1st	
2nd	95.7993%
3rd	93.9746%
4th	93.0312%
5th	91.7770%
6th	90.4151%
7th	89.2355%
8th	87.6061%
9th	85.1781%
10th	81.4153%

HF	
1st	
2nd	86.1458%
3rd	81.8452%
4th	78.5714%
5th	75.3580%
6th	69.5991%
7th	65.6250%
8th	62.1512%
9th	57.8947%
10th	52.8193%

PN	
1st	
2nd	83.5178%
3rd	80.3158%
4th	77.8213%
5th	75.9481%
6th	74.6145%
7th	72.1841%
8th	70.1599%
9th	65.8009%
10th	63.1517%

CABG	
1st	
2nd	96.2956%
3rd	94.4749%
4th	91.9715%
5th	89.0560%
6th	87.9009%
7th	85.5120%
8th	83.8319%
9th	81.4316%
10th	77.0183%

Hip / Knee	
1st	
2nd	94.7840%
3rd	93.6343%
4th	92.1137%
5th	90.1044%
6th	88.2607%
7th	86.1856%
8th	83.6126%
9th	81.7377%
10th	78.6855%

Decile Thresholds Year 2

AMI	
1st	
2nd	97.6564%
3rd	96.7152%
4th	96.0115%
5th	94.8882%
6th	93.8202%
7th	92.6893%
8th	91.7722%
9th	89.4631%
10th	85.6730%

HF	
1st	
2nd	93.8063%
3rd	90.3581%
4th	87.7551%
5th	85.3968%
6th	81.9178%
7th	78.7097%
8th	74.1117%
9th	70.1677%
10th	62.7326%

PN	
1st	
2nd	90.5395%
3rd	88.6792%
4th	86.4831%
5th	85.4028%
6th	83.5366%
7th	82.3773%
8th	80.8219%
9th	78.5714%
10th	75.8868%

CABG	
1st	
2nd	98.7850%
3rd	98.0934%
4th	97.6542%
5th	96.3105%
6th	94.7883%
7th	93.1537%
8th	91.1406%
9th	86.7501%
10th	82.4677%

Hip / Knee	
1st	
2nd	98.2031%
3rd	97.1267%
4th	96.2283%
5th	95.3262%
6th	93.9114%
7th	92.2317%
8th	90.5970%
9th	87.1353%
10th	82.3636%