Noridian Healthcare Solutions, LLC, Claimed Some Unallowable Medicare Postretirement Benefit Costs

What OIG Found
NHS claimed FYs 2011 through 2013 PRB costs of negative $159,399 for Medicare reimbursement; however, we determined that the allowable PRB costs during this period were negative $263,130. The difference, negative $103,731, represented unallowable Medicare PRB costs that NHS claimed on its FACPs for FYs 2011 through 2013. NHS claimed these unallowable Medicare PRB costs primarily because it incorrectly calculated the assignable PRB costs for this time period.

What OIG Recommends and Auditee Comments
We recommend that NHS revise its FACPs for FYs 2011 through 2013 to decrease its Medicare PRB costs by $103,731.

NHS concurred with our recommendation. NHS stated that it would work with CMS to decrease its Medicare PRB costs by $103,731 in the closeout agreement for FYs 2011 through 2013.