

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
Special Open Door Forum:
Part A to Part B Rebilling Demonstration
For Eligible Medicare Fee-for-Service Hospitals
Thursday, December 8, 2011
2pm – 3:30pm ET
Conference Call Only

Please note: The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services is conducting two identical ODFs to ensure that all hospitals interested in participating in this demonstration are granted the opportunity to learn the details of this demonstration, and more specifically, its request for participation process. This Special ODF is the second session, and will repeat all information provided to dial-in participants during the November 30, 2011 Special ODF.

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) will hold a Special Open Door Forum (ODF) to announce the Part A to Part B Rebilling Demonstration that will go into effect January 1, 2012.

This Special Open Door Forum is designed specifically for Medicare-participating hospitals as defined by the Social Security Act §1886(d). This demonstration may include hospitals paid under the Medicare Inpatient Prospective Payment System, but excludes facilities receiving periodic interim payments from CMS, psychiatric hospitals paid under the Inpatient Psychiatric Facilities Prospective Payment System (IPF PPS), Inpatient Rehabilitation Facilities (IRFs), Long-Term Care Hospitals (LTCHs), cancer hospitals, Critical Access Hospitals (CAHs), and children's hospitals.

This demonstration will accept up to 380 volunteer participants on a first-come, first-serve basis. The participant pool will be stratified by size to ensure adequate representation among hospitals. The stratified categories are small hospitals (less than 100 beds), moderate hospitals (100-299 beds), and large hospitals (300 or more beds). The Part A to Part B Rebilling Demonstration will permit volunteer provider participants to rebill inpatient short stay claims denied under Part A on the basis that the inpatient admission was not reasonable and necessary for 90% of the payable Part B amount. In addition, participants will not be permitted to charge beneficiaries for any additional co-pay or out-of-pocket costs. This forum will introduce the demonstration, explain participation request procedures and restrictions, and provide additional sources of information.

During this Special Open Door Forum, CMS will provide an overview of the Part A to Part B Rebilling Demonstration, including:

- Why the Part A to Part B Rebilling Demonstration is being implemented;
- How it will impact voluntary provider participants;
- How to request participation in the demonstration;
- Beneficiary and Trust Fund protections; and
- Where to find additional information (i.e. Participation Requests, Demonstration website).

After CMS' presentation, participants will have an opportunity to ask questions.

Discussion materials for this Special Open Door Forum will be available to download at <http://go.cms.gov/cert-demos> .

We look forward to your participation and comments.

Special Open Door Forum Participation Instructions:
Please dial in at least 15 minutes prior to call start time.
Dial: 1-866-501-5502 Reference Conference ID#: 28779067.

Note: TTY Communications Relay Services are available for the Hearing Impaired. For TTY services dial 7-1-1 or 1-800-855-2880. A Relay Communications Assistant will help.

An audio recording and transcript of this Special Open Door Forum will be posted to the Special Open Door Forum website on or around December 19, 2011:
https://www.cms.gov/OpenDoorForums/05_ODF_SpecialODF.asp#TopOfPage .

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