

Revisions to CMS-643 Form
HOSPICE SURVEY AND DEFICIENCIES REPORT (CMS-643)

Page #	Section, Row & Column	Changes Made to the CMS-643 Form	Reasons for the Change
NA	Entire document	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have converted the CMS-643 form to a .pdf fillable format, however the change is also reflected in the surveyor database 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have made this change so that the survey team completing the form can complete the form electronically, if the surveyor database is unavailable. The fillable form will also be used by Accrediting Organizations
1	Top of document	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have reorganized the content slightly based on survey process and procedures. Removed Question #5 of original form 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minor formatting revision for ease of use. Question 5 was removed as this was a duplicative question found on the CMS 417 form.
1	Part I header	Add a header row titled: “Part 1 – Survey Details”	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Added header for clarity in information gathering. No impact as this is a minor formatting change.
1	Part II header	Add a header row titled: “Part II – Additional Operating Details” Removed Question 12 and Replaced with new Question 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Added header for clarity in information gathering. No impact as this is a minor formatting change. Question 12 was removed as this did not appropriately collect needed information and added no value for collection. We added new Question 11 to prompt surveyors to verify locations reported with the survey record. This question is to ensure forms and surveyor databases accurately reflect the hospice operations.
1	Question 13	Removed original question 13 form the form.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Question was duplicative collection item from CMS 417 hospice form.
1	Surveyor Signature	Removed surveyor signature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not a necessary collection and this form is built electronically in our surveyor database which annotates the surveyor who conducted the survey.
2	Part III header and information	Add a header row titled: “Part III – Multiple Locations”	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Added section consistent with new Question 11. This section provides the surveyor with an area to add locations operating under the hospice that are inconsistent with the electronic surveyor database.

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2	Deficiencies	Removed original page 2 which collected Tag, CFR and deficiency details.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Surveyors use the CMS2567 form and this information is duplicative and not required.
3	Attestation	Removed section on original form which required attestation by the surveyors	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Not required. Not a necessary collection and this form is built electronically in our surveyor database which annotates the surveyor who conducted the survey.
3	NA	No Change to disclosure	<ul style="list-style-type: none">NA
4	Instructions	Added instructions for use of the new form and fields added.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Provide instructions to surveyors on what information to collect on the form during the survey process as the current form did not have instructions