

AB Rebilling Demonstration: Q&A

Q1. When will more information be available?

A1. By November 18, 2011 CMS will announce two special Open Door Forums. During the Open Door Forums CMS will discuss the demonstration requirements and the enrollment process.

Q2. When will the special Open Door Forum(s) be held?

A2. There will be two Open Door Forums. They will be held on November 30, 2011 and December 8, 2011. Both will be conducted at 2pm EST.

Q3. When will enrollment begin?

A3. Enrollment will begin December 12, 2011 at 2pm EST.

Q4. What providers are eligible to participate in the demonstration?

A4. To participate in the demonstration, a facility must not be receiving periodic interim payments from CMS, and must be a Medicare-participating hospital as defined by the Social Security Act §1886(d), a category which includes all hospitals paid under the Medicare Inpatient Prospective Payment System, but **excludes** 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.

Q5. When will the demonstration begin?

A5. The demonstration will begin January 1, 2012.

Q6. What claims can be re-submitted in the demonstration?

A6. Inpatient claims denied during the audit process after January 1, 2012 that are denied because the services were provided in the incorrect setting can be resubmitted as a new claim for the outpatient services provided. Participants may also self-identify improper claims, cancel the original claim and resubmit a new claim for the outpatient services.

Q7. I have additional questions. Where can I send additional questions?

A7. Additional questions can be sent to CMS ABRebillingDemo@cms.hhs.gov.