

12/2/11 "Revalidation of Medicare Provider Enrollment" Information

Forwarded from the American Optometric Association for your information:

This message relates to information that CMS provided in November about Medicare enrollment and revalidation, which will impact every member. Some – perhaps most – of you have already seen this material. In Part 1 below, some members might be among the 89,000 on the “Revalidation Phase 1 Listing” if they did not have a complete enrollment record in PECOS. Hopefully not too many optometrists are on there, as they would have been expected to turn in their paperwork around now. I would not recommend searching the list unless you have reason to suspect you do not have an enrollment record in PECOS, or that your Medicare contractor might have sent you a revalidation notice earlier this fall. The transcript in the second part of this message may be of interest – I think it might have been the most widely attended CMS conference call in history. The improvements CMS promises include some that AOA has long advocated for, and hopefully will begin to make the enrollment process smoother.

Part 1:

In response to provider requests, CMS has posted a listing of providers who have been sent a request to revalidate their Medicare enrollment information. The listing contains the name and national provider identifier (NPI) of each provider sent a letter, as well as the date the letter was sent. To see the listing, click on “Revalidation Phase 1 Listing” in the Downloads section of the [Medicare Provider Supplier Enrollment Revalidation Page](#). NOTE: You must widen each column in the spreadsheet to view the contents. CMS will be updating this list monthly.

If you are listed, and have not received the request, please contact your Medicare contractor. Their toll free number may be found at [Medicare Fee-For-Service Contact Information](#).

For more information on revalidation of Medicare provider enrollment, see MLN article 1126 [Further Details on the Revalidation of Provider Enrollment Information](#).

Part 2:

All providers and suppliers who enrolled in the Medicare program prior to Friday, March 25, 2011, will be required to revalidate their enrollment under new risk screening criteria required by the *Affordable Care Act* (section 6401a). CMS hosted a National Provider Call on Thursday, October 27, 2011 to discuss:

- The Revalidation Process
- Improvements to the Provider Enrollment, Chain and Ownership System (PECOS)
- Advanced Diagnostic Imaging and Accreditation

- Application Fees
- Changes to the 855A Form

Don't miss this opportunity to hear from CMS experts on this important topic. Click on [National Provider Call on Revalidation of Medicare Provider Enrollment](#) to view the transcript. This transcript contains a number of post call clarifications – such as where to find the listing of providers which have received a notice to revalidate. The audio file will be posted in the near future.