

provider is no longer operational to furnish Medicare covered items or services, or the provider fails to satisfy any of the Medicare enrollment requirements.

(2) *Medicare Part B suppliers.* CMS determines, upon review that the supplier is no longer operational to furnish Medicare covered items or services, or the supplier has failed to satisfy any or all of the Medicare enrollment requirements, or has failed to furnish Medicare covered items or services as required by the statute or regulations.

(d) *Off Cycle revalidations.* (1) CMS reserves the right to perform off cycle revalidations in addition to the regular 5-year revalidations and may request that a provider or supplier recertify the accuracy of the enrollment information when warranted to assess and confirm the validity of the enrollment information maintained by CMS. Off cycle revalidations may be triggered as a result of random checks, information indicating local health care fraud problems, national initiatives, complaints, or other reasons that cause CMS to question the compliance of the provider or supplier with Medicare enrollment requirements. Off cycle revalidations may be accompanied by site visits.

(2) CMS reserve the right to adjust the routine 5-year revalidation schedule if we determine that revalidation should occur on a more frequent basis due to complaints or evidence we receive indicating noncompliance with the statute or regulations by specific provider or supplier types. The schedule may also be on a less frequent basis if we determine that the integrity of and compliance with the statute and regulations by specific provider or supplier types indicates that less frequent validation is justified. If a change occurs, CMS notifies all affected providers and suppliers at least 90 days in advance of implementing the change.

(3) CMS revalidates enrollment information for ambulance service suppliers in accordance with § 410.41(c)(2) of this chapter (Requirements for ambulance suppliers), and DMEPOS suppliers renews enrollment in accordance with § 424.57(e) (Special payment rules for items furnished by DMEPOS suppliers

and issuance of DMEPOS supplier billing numbers).

(e) *Additional off-cycle revalidation.* On or after March 23, 2012, Medicare providers and suppliers, including DMEPOS suppliers, may be required to revalidate their enrollment outside the routine 5-year revalidation cycle (3-year DMEPOS supplier revalidation cycle).

(1) CMS will contact providers or suppliers to revalidate their enrollment for off-cycle revalidation.

(2) As with all revalidations, revalidations described in this paragraph are conducted in accordance with the screening procedures specified at § 424.518.

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**§ 424.516 Additional provider and supplier requirements for enrolling and maintaining active enrollment status in the Medicare program.**

(a) *Certifying compliance.* CMS enrolls and maintains an active enrollment status for a provider or supplier when that provider or supplier certifies that it meets, and continues to meet, and CMS verifies that it meets, and continues to meet, all of the following requirements:

(1) Compliance with title XVIII of the Act and applicable Medicare regulations.

(2) Compliance with Federal and State licensure, certification, and regulatory requirements, as required, based on the type of services or supplies the provider or supplier type will furnish and bill Medicare.

(3) Not employing or contracting with individuals or entities that meet either of the following conditions:

(i) Excluded from participation in any Federal health care programs, for the provision of items and services covered under the programs, in violation of section 1128A(a)(6) of the Act.

(ii) Debarred by the General Services Administration (GSA) from any other Executive Branch procurement or non-procurement programs or activities, in accordance with the Federal Acquisition and Streamlining Act of 1994, and with the HHS Common Rule at 45 CFR part 76.

(b) *Reporting requirements Independent Diagnostic Testing Facilities (IDTFs).* IDTF reporting requirements are specified in § 410.33(g)(2) of this chapter.

(c) *Reporting requirements DMEPOS suppliers.* DMEPOS reporting requirements are specified in § 424.57(c)(2).

(d) *Reporting requirements for physicians, nonphysician practitioners, and physician and nonphysician practitioner organizations.* Physicians, nonphysician practitioners, and physician and nonphysician practitioner organizations must report the following reportable events to their Medicare contractor within the specified timeframes:

- (1) Within 30 days—
  - (i) A change of ownership;
  - (ii) Any adverse legal action; or
  - (iii) A change in practice location.

(2) All other changes in enrollment must be reported within 90 days.

(e) *Reporting requirements for all other providers and suppliers.* Reporting requirements for all other providers and suppliers not identified in paragraphs (a) through (d) of this section, must report to CMS the following information within the specified timeframes:

(1) Within 30 days for a change of ownership or control, including changes in authorized official(s) or delegated official(s);

(2) All other changes to enrollment must be reported within 90 days.

(3) Within 30 days of any revocation or suspension of a Federal or State license or certification including Federal Aviation Administration certifications, an air ambulance supplier must report a revocation or suspension of its license or certification to the applicable Medicare contractor. The following FAA certifications must be reported:

- (i) Specific pilot certifications including but not limited to instrument and medical certifications.
- (ii) Airworthiness certification.

(f) *Maintaining and providing access to documentation.* (1) A provider or a supplier who furnishes covered ordered DMEPOS or referred home health, laboratory, imaging, or specialist services is required to maintain documentation for 7 years from the date of service and, upon the request of CMS or a Medicare contractor, to provide access to that documentation. The documentation in-

cludes written and electronic documents (including the NPI of the physician who ordered the home health services and the NPI of the physician or the eligible professional who ordered or referred the DMEPOS, laboratory, imaging, or specialist services) relating to written orders and requests for payments for items of DMEPOS and home health, laboratory, imaging, and specialist services.

(2) A physician who ordered home health services and a physician and an eligible professional who ordered or referred items of DMEPOS or laboratory, imaging, and specialist services is required to maintain documentation for 7 years from the date of the order, certification, or referral and, upon request of CMS or a Medicare contractor, to provide access to that documentation. The documentation includes written and electronic documents (including the NPI of the physician who ordered the home health services and the NPI of the physician or the eligible professional who ordered or referred the DMEPOS, laboratory, imaging, or specialist services) relating to written orders or requests for payments for items of DMEPOS and home health, laboratory, imaging, and specialist services.

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**§ 424.517 Onsite review.**

(a) CMS reserves the right, when deemed necessary, to perform onsite review of a provider or supplier to verify that the enrollment information submitted to CMS or its agents is accurate and to determine compliance with Medicare enrollment requirements. Site visits for enrollment purposes do not affect those site visits performed for establishing compliance with conditions of participation. Based upon the results of CMS's onsite review, the provider may be subject to denial or revocation of Medicare billing privileges as specified in § 424.530 or § 424.535 of this part.

(1) *Medicare Part A providers.* CMS determines, upon on-site review, that the provider meets either of the following conditions:

- (i) Is unable to furnish Medicare-covered items or services.