

Medicare Revalidations

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As of this year, all Medicare part B providers and DME suppliers were subject to a revalidation of their credentials in order to maintain their billing privileges with the program as part of the Accountable Care Act. At this point, providers should have already revalidated their enrollment with their respective Medicare carriers. Going forward, revalidations will be on a set schedule:

- For DME suppliers, a revalidation is scheduled three years from the date of the last update

For Medicare part B physicians, revalidation is scheduled five years from the last update

Providers will still have the options to update their information in two ways:

- Using PECOS, facilitates the process for providers with regards to filling out all necessary applications and uploading pertinent information online rather than submitting paper forms to a Medicare carrier

Providers can still opt to submit paper forms for revalidation (Optional)

If any updates are made to an existing practice, such as change of address, ownership, EIN numbers, etc., updates are still required to be completed within an acceptable timeframe as outlined by CMS. Whether or not changes are reported for your practice, revalidations will still be completed within a fixed schedule. Please see the following publications from CMS and the Medicare Learning Network for more information regarding the details with provider revalidation:

<https://www.cms.gov/medicare/provider-enrollment-and-certification/medicareprovidersupenroll/revalidations.html>

<https://www.cms.gov/Outreach-and-Education/Medicare-Learning-Network-MLN/MLNMattersArticles/Downloads/SE1605.pdf>