

CMS Adopts Updated Notice of Non-Coverage Form



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The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services recently adopted an updated Advance Beneficiary Notice of Noncoverage (ABN) Form, [Form CMS-R-131](#). Providers, including independent laboratories, home health agencies, skilled nursing facilities, hospices, physicians, practitioners, and suppliers to Medicare fee for service beneficiaries, typically issue this Form to patients in situations where Medicare payment is expected to be denied. The Form serves as a means to transfer potential financial liability to the Medicare beneficiary in certain instances. The Form must be provided to a patient prior to the commencement of services, and if the patient chooses to proceed with the service and signs the Form, the Provider may bill the patient if Medicare does not cover the cost of the service.

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