



GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS

Quick Reference Guide

This guide provides terms, tips and resources all in one place to help you stay compliant with applicable government regulations and requirements.

Please note that ABC has compiled the following information to provide you with commonly referenced information about Medicare and your facility's accreditation. We are not responsible for the accuracy of the CMS website.

According to CMS rules and regulations, several supplier types are exempt from accreditation requirements.

These include:

**Physicians • Opticians • Occupational Therapists • Orthotists • Optometrists
• Physical Therapists • Prosthetists • Audiologists • Ocularists**

Keep in mind that accreditation exemptions only extend to the normal scope of practice for each credential. Any products or services provided outside the normal range of services will require accreditation to obtain/maintain Medicare billing privileges.



For example, if you provide Durable Medical Equipment (DME) outside of your specialty, your facility will be required to be accredited in order to bill Medicare.

For more information regarding exempt status, please visit the National Supplier Clearinghouse's website.

Working with CMS – Important things to Remember

Medicare's Supplier Standards

ABC's accreditation standards include all 30 of Medicare's supplier standards. For a complete list of these standards, refer to the CMS website.

National Supplier Clearinghouse (NSC) numbers

You do not need a NSC number to apply for accreditation. All non-exempt suppliers enrolling with NSC must be accredited prior to submission of CMS-855S to the NSC.

Affiliate Locations

All affiliate locations need a separate PTAN (CMS supplier number) and NPI number.

Updating contact and business ownership information with CMS

You are required to keep all information related to your facility current with CMS.



Helpful Links

Supplier Standards

Facilities should be familiar with this document as they are required to offer it to all Medicare patients. Most offer the abbreviated version.

DMEPOS Quality Standards

These are also requirements for facilities but pertain to both business and specific product requirements.

Medicare Claims Processing Manual

This manual assists those involved with billing and claims at your facility.

Medicare Program Integrity Manual

Guide to assist with coding, billing and identifying/correcting any issues related to payments, claims, etc.

PECOS Website

Internet-based PECOS CMS Website

- *Getting Started with Internet Based PECOS*

Noridian Healthcare Solutions

Access the fee schedule for your jurisdiction as well as forms and the latest updates from CMS

OSHA Safety Data Sheets (SDS)

The SDS format and required training of staff were mandated by both OSHA and the Globally Harmonized System (GHS). This GHS standardization was created by the United Nations to allow all partner chemical publications to have uniform titles and order for the 16 sections of the SDS.

OSHA's Quickcard on Hazard Communication Data Sheets

Create each SDS according to the 16 section format

Listing of Accreditation and Surety Bond Exemptions

CPT Licenses and Notices

CMS Guidelines on Subcontracting or Space Sharing

NSC/Medicare Supplied Accreditation FAQs

