



## Timely Topics

### Objective

To provide you with current Medicare information. We update this document quarterly.

### Coverage

#### Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Revalidation

The Medicare Enrollment Application - Institutional Providers (CMS-855A), 09/24 version, includes a new section, New Attachment 1: Skilled Nursing Facility Ownership Disclosures. This attachment collects information for CMS regarding SNF ownership, managing control and Additional Disclosable Parties (ADP).

With the release of this CMS 855A (09/24), CMS is revalidating all enrolled Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNF) to collect the information contained in the new attachment.

MACs sent revalidation request letters to enrolled SNFs between October and December of 2024. SNFs have until May 2025 to comply with the revalidation requests.

CMS will not be updating the Medicare Revalidation List (<https://data.cms.gov/tools/medicare-revalidation-list>) to reflect these off cycle SNF revalidations.

To learn more, attend one of our upcoming webinars specific to the SNF revalidation effort. To find webinar dates and times, check out our Live Events (<https://www.wpsgha.com/training/live-events>) webpage.

#### Annual Wellness Visit (AWV)

AWVs are an opportunity for healthcare providers to gather important information regarding their patient's health and make recommendations when needed. The AWV is a service available at no cost to beneficiaries entitled to Medicare Part B for at least 12 months.

Annual Wellness Visits can be delivered through telehealth. This requirement can be met through telephone-only interaction.

If you are interested in getting more information on these topics, please review the following links:

- Medicare Wellness Visits (<https://www.cms.gov/Outreach-and-Education/Medicare-Learning-Network-MLN/MLNProducts/preventive-services/medicare-wellness-visits.html#AWV>)
- CMS List of Telehealth Services (<https://www.cms.gov/medicare/coverage/telehealth/list-services>)



## **Education**

### **Speaker Requests**

We want to partner with you. This is an opportunity to invite us to a live training, record a message, or provide written material. You can choose the topic of the training. To view the details of partnering with us, visit our We Want to Partner with You webpage (<https://med.wpsgha.com/training/view/260>)

## **General Information**

### **Health Equity**

CMS strives to identify and remedy systematic barriers to health equity. On the CMS Framework for Health Equity webpage (<https://www.cms.gov/priorities/health-equity/minority-health/equity-programs/framework>), you can find details on policies and programs to attain the highest level of health for all people.