

April 15, 2026

RELEASE OF THE UPDATED IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM MEDICARE (IM) AND DETAILED NOTICE OF DISCHARGE (DND)

BACKGROUND

The Office of Management and Budget approved the updated Important Message from Medicare (IM) and Detailed Notice of Discharge (DND) for 3 years. CMS improved the notices' readability and design. The new forms are posted in English and Spanish on CMS' [BNI webpage](#).

KEY DETAILS

The updated IM and DND forms are effective now and expire March 31, 2029.

Providers may continue to use the expired version of the notices until May 15, 2026, but must transition to the approved forms no later than that date.

Hospitals are required to deliver the Important Message from Medicare (IM), formerly CMS-R-193 and now CMS-10065, to all Medicare beneficiaries (Original Medicare beneficiaries and Medicare Advantage plan enrollees) who are hospital inpatients. The IM informs hospitalized inpatient beneficiaries of their hospital discharge appeal rights.

A Detailed Notice of Discharge (DND) is given only if a beneficiary requests an appeal. The DND explains the specific reasons for the discharge. For additional instructions, see Section 200, of Chapter 30 of the CMS Claims Processing Manual, available at: [/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/Downloads/clm104c30.pdf \(PDF\)](#)

QUESTIONS

For any questions regarding this notice, please contact your Community Provider Performance Manager (provider representative). E-mail: ProviderRelationsInquiries@CommunityHealthChoice.org