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MEMO 24-21

To: Administrator, Owners, DNS, MDS Coordinator and QA Committee

From: Mary Gracey-White RN, Director of Regulatory Compliance

Date: September 20, 2024

Re: Medicare A Audits and Revised Medicare SNF-Advance Beneficiary Notice of Non-coverage (ABN)

To assist you in preparing records for all Med A audits including the 5 Claim Pre-pay Probe our colleagues at the CHARTS Group have shared an exceptional checklist to ensure preparedness for these audits. Our members will be able to locate this checklist on our website (Once logged in, member resources - tools and resources – PDPM Medicare Resources).

In addition, you may be aware that in August CMS revised the SNF ABN, Form CMS-10055, and the form instructions. The revised form will be mandatory for use as of **10/31/2024**.

Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNFs) must issue a notice to Original Medicare (fee for service - FFS) beneficiaries to transfer potential financial liability before the SNF provides:

- an item or service that is usually paid for by Medicare, but may not be paid for in this instance because it is not medically reasonable and necessary, or
- custodial care.

For Part A items and services: SNFs use the SNF ABN as the liability notice."

For your convenience, we have attached a copy of the new SNF-ABN form and the Instructions in completing the form.

Please refer to the link below for further information:

https://www.cms.gov/medicare/forms-notices/beneficiary-notices-initiative/ffs-snf-abn

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