

Important Information: DMEPOS Provider Reminder

To obtain or retain your Medicare Part B billing privileges, all DMEPOS suppliers (except for exempted professionals and other persons as specified by the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services) must comply with the Medicare program's supplier standards and quality standards and become accredited. These standards can be found in **42 CFR 424.57** or on page 36 & 37 of the **CMS 855S**. A DMEPOS supplier's Medicare Part B billing privileges will be revoked on or after **October 1, 2009**, if the DMEPOS supplier fails to obtain accreditation unless the DMEPOS supplier submits a voluntary termination to the NSC by **September 30, 2009**.

For those DMEPOS suppliers, who **choose not to become accredited at this time**, will need to submit an amended CMS-855S application which reflects their voluntary termination. **This will prevent the supplier from being revoked and subsequently barred from the Medicare program, as cited in 42 CFR Section 424.535(c)**. For pharmacies that **choose not to become accredited but wish to remain a DMEPOS supplier in order to continue to bill Medicare for drugs and biologicals only, an amended CMS 855S will have to be completed**. In addition to updating their application, the supplier must ensure that they have checked the appropriate boxes in Section 2 (C) to reflect which drugs and biological will be provided to the beneficiaries. Providers and suppliers can find the latest version of CMS 855S at:

<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/cmsforms/downloads/cms855s.pdf>