

# Medicare Annual Wellness Visit Scheduling for Clinical and Clerical Staff

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### **Medicare Annual Wellness Visit Types**

#### Welcome to Medicare Visit

- Provider visit only
- Occurs within 12 months of first Medicare Part B enrollment
- Covered once per lifetime

#### **Initial Medicare Wellness Visit**

- RN visit preferred
- Occurs 12 months after the Welcome to Medicare provider visit **OR** after first 12 months of Medicare Part B enrollment (after the patient is no longer eligible for the Welcome to Medicare visit)
- Covered only once per lifetime

### **Subsequent Medicare Wellness Visit**

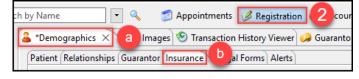
- RN visit preferred
- Completed 12 months after Initial Medicare Wellness visit and every 12 months thereafter

#### **Health Maintenance Exam**

- Not covered by Straight Medicare
- Medicare Advantage Plan perform insurance verification to verify eligibility for this visit type

## **Verify Insurance Coverage and Visit Type Eligibility**

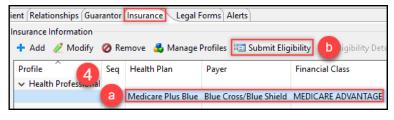
- 1. In Revenue Cycle, search for and select the appropriate patient.
- 2. Within the **Registration** patient perspective:
  - a. Select the **Demographics** tab.
  - b. Select the **Insurance** tab.



- 3. If the patient has Straight Medicare listed as the primary payer (no advantage plan):
  - a. Proceed to the Verify Prior Medicare Annual Wellness Visits section below.



- 4. If the patient has a Medicare Advantage plan:
  - a. Click the health plan to highlight.
  - b. Click Submit Eligibility.
  - Proceed to the Verify Prior Medicare Annual Wellness Visits section below.
  - d. Verify that the patient has coverage for the specified visit type.
- 5. If the patient has any other insurance listed or if Medicare is not primary, Medicare Annual Wellness visits **cannot** be scheduled.







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### Verify Prior Medicare Annual Wellness Visits

- 1. Navigate to the **Appointments** patient perspective.
- 2. Select the Past Appointments tab.
  - a. Remove filters by unchecking the box if needed.
- 3. Review past appointments using the criteria above to determine the appropriate Medicare Wellness visit type.



## **Scheduling Medicare Annual Wellness Visits**

- 1. Navigate to the **Appointments** patient perspective.
- 2. Select the Add Appointment Plus tab.
- 3. Select **Appointment Type** from the Add Appointment by: drop-down menu.
- 4. Search for and select the appropriate appointment type (see below for criteria).
- 5. Search for and select the appropriate location.
- 6. Click Next.



- 7. On the subsequent screens:
  - a. Enter the appointment details.
  - b. Click First Available or Schedule.
  - c. Select the appropriate date/time.
  - d. Confirm the appointment.



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If no prior Medicare Wellness visits have been scheduled and the patient is within 12 months of Medicare enrollment:

- 1. Select Appointment Type as **Welcome to Medicare**.
- 2. Select the appropriate resource and location.
- 3. Schedule with a provider.

If no prior Medicare Wellness visits have been scheduled and the patient is NOT within 12 months of Medicare enrollment:

- 1. Select Appointment Type as Initial Medicare Wellness.
- 2. Select the appropriate **nurse visit** (or provider) **schedule** and location.

If the patient has had a Welcome to Medicare visit and it has been more than 366 days:

- 1. Select Appointment Type as **Initial Medicare Wellness**.
- 2. Select the appropriate **nurse visit** (or provider) **schedule** and location.

If the patient has had an Initial Medicare Wellness visit and it has been more than 366 days:

- 1. Select Appointment Type as **Subsequent Medicare Wellness**.
- 2. Select appropriate nurse visit (or provider) schedule and location.

**Note:** Patients with a Medicare Advantage plan may be eligible for both a Medicare Wellness visit and a Health Maintenance visit. Please submit eligibility and verify coverage to determine which visit type is appropriate.