Revisions to CMS-359 - Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facility Report For Certification to Participate In the Medicare Program

Issue #	Page	Section	Action to be performed	Changes to the Application	Reasons for the Change
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1	1	General Instructions	Reformatting of instructions	The General Instruction section was reformatted from a double column format in 9 font to a standards page view format in 11 font. This has extended the instructions onto a second page.	The instructions were difficult to read and follow in the previous format. This change was made to make the instructions much easier to read and follow.
2	1	General Instructions	Edits to the text of the 2 nd sentence of the 2 nd paragraph of this section, titled "Instructions"	Add the word "Survey" between the words "State" and "agency".	To provide the proper terminology for the State Survey Agency.
3	1	General Instructions	Edits to the text of the 3rd sentence of the 2 nd paragraph of this section, titled "Instructions"	Add the word <i>"Survey"</i> between the words <i>"State"</i> and <i>"agency"</i> .	To provide the proper terminology for the State Survey Agency.
4	1	General Instructions	Edits to the text of the 3 rd bullet under question #1	 Insert the word <i>"appropriate"</i> before the acronym <i>"CMS"</i>. Delete the words <i>"Regional Office"</i> and replace it with the word <i>"Location"</i> 	To provide the new terminology for the CMS Regional Offices, which are now referred to as "Locations".
5	1	General Instructions	Edits to the text of the the 3 rd bullet under question #2	Add the word <i>"Survey"</i> between the words <i>"State"</i> and <i>"agency"</i> .	To provide the proper terminology for the State Survey Agency.
6	2	General Instructions / PRA Disclosure Statement	Edit to the placement of the PRA disclosure form	 The PRA disclosure statement has been moved from page 1 to page 2 of the revised instructions. Also, the PRA disclosure statement was labeled with a title and the font was increased to 12 point making it easy to identify and read. 	 This change was necessary due to the reformatting of the General Instructions section. Also, the PRA disclosure statement was wedged into a small box at the end of the instructions on the

					existing CMS-359 form and printed in very small font. This made the PRA disclosure statement very hard to identify and read.
7	2	General Instructions / PRA Disclosure Statement	Edit to the time estimate stated in the PRA disclosure statement	 Correction of an error and update of the time estimate for the completion of the CMS-359 form. Remove the existing time estimate of 3 hours and replace it with 30 minutes. 	The time estimate for the completion of the CMS-359 form stated in the last PRA package Supporting Statement A was only 15 minutes. However, on the CMS-359 form that was published, the time estimated stated in the PRA disclosure statement is 3 hours. This is an error. This is the time estimate for the CMS-360 form and not the CMS- 359 form. Also, in this PRA package, we are increasing this time estimate to 30 minutes. So, we need to edit the time estimate in the PRA disclosure statement for the CMS-359 form to reflect this.