

**Revisions to CMS-437B Form  
Rehabilitation Hospital Criteria Worksheet (CMS-437B)**

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**NOTES:**

Revised and new text is identified in **bolded and yellow** highlighted text.  
Deleted text is identified on **bolded and green** highlighted text

**IRF Hospital Demographic Information Section of CMS-437B**

<p><b>Existing Page Number:</b> 1</p> <p><b>Existing Section Number:</b> NA</p> <p><b>Existing Section:</b> IRF Hospital Demographic Information</p> <p><b>Existing Data Field Text:</b> “Related Provider Medicare Number”</p> <p><b>Existing Locations:</b> Row 1, column 1</p>	<p><b>Revised Page Number:</b> 1</p> <p><b>Revised Section Number:</b> NA</p> <p><b>Revised Section:</b> IRF Hospital Demographic Information</p> <p><b>Revised Data Field Text:</b> “IRF Hospital’s Name”</p> <p><b>Revised Location:</b> Row 1, column 1</p>	<p>1. We have changed the following text:</p> <p><b>“Related Provider Medicare Number”</b> in the existing CMS-437B form</p> <p align="center">to</p> <p><b>“Name of IRF Hospital”</b> in the revised CMS-437B form</p> <p>2. We have added a new data field for “IRF Hospital CCN #” at row 1, column 2</p>	<p>The existing CMS-437B form does not request the CCN number for the IRF hospital, but only requests the “Related Medicare Provider Number.</p> <p>We have made this change because we do not believe that it would be confusing to ask for a related Medicare provider number. For example, is this asking for the Medicare number of the IRF hospital or for another related facility? We believe that it is important to have the Medicare number for IRF hospital and that the data field specify this.</p> <p>Therefore, we have deleted the text in row 1, column 1 of this section and added <b>“IRF Hospital’s Name”</b> instead.</p> <p>We have also added a new data field for “IRF Hospital CCN # in row 1, column 2.</p>
<p><b>Existing Page Number:</b> 1</p>	<p><b>Revised Page Number:</b> 1</p>	<p>1. We have changed the following text:</p>	<p>In the existing CMS-437B form, there is no data field</p>

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<p><b>Existing Page Number:</b> 1</p> <p><b>Existing Section Number:</b> NA</p> <p><b>Existing Section:</b> IRF Hospital Demographic Information</p> <p><b>Existing Data Field Text:</b> “Facility Name and Address (City, State, Zip Code)”</p> <p><b>Existing Locations:</b> Rows 1 &amp; 2, Column 3</p>	<p><b>Revised Page Number:</b> 1</p> <p><b>Revised Section Number:</b> NA</p> <p><b>Revised Section:</b> IRF Hospital Demographic Information</p> <p><b>Revised Data Field Text:</b> “Date of Last Survey”</p> <p><b>Revised Location:</b> Row 1, Column 3</p>	<p>1. We have changed the following text: <b>“Facility Name and Address (City, State, Zip Code)”</b> in the existing CMS-437B form to <b>“Date of Last IRF Hospital Survey”</b> in the revised CMS-437B form</p> <p>2. We have also made the following changes in the revised CMS-437B form:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. added a separate data field for the IRF’s name at row 1, column 1;</li> <li>b. added a new separate data field for Street address for the IRF hospital at row 2, columns 1 &amp; 2;</li> <li>c. added additional new separate data fields for the IRFs city, state &amp; zip code at row 3, columns 1,2 and 3.</li> </ol>	<p>The CMS-437B form provides only a small space in which the person completing the for must fill in the name and location (city, state and zip code ) of the IRF.</p> <p>We have converted the CMS-437B form to a .pdf fillable format. This will allow for the data to be exported from the form. However, if several types of data are combined into one data field, it cannot be exported into an Excel spreadsheet and the data searched by these pieces of data separately. For example, with the name and location are combined in the same data field and exported as one data field into a spread sheet, one would not be able to search by IRF name or IRF location separately.</p> <p>Also, we believe that it is important to collect the complete address for the IRF, and not only the city, state and zip code,</p>

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			<p>To correct these issues, we have added separate data fields for the name of the IRF, street address, city, state and zip code.</p> <p>We have changed the text of the data field which is intended to collect the date of the last IRF hospital survey date from <b>“Survey Date”</b> in the existing CMS-437B form to <b>“Date of Last IRF Hospital Survey”</b> in the revised CMS-437 form.</p> <p>We made this change because we believe that the existing title of <b>“Survey Date”</b> is vague and does not clearly communicate what data is being sought. For example, is this data field requesting a date the hospital, in which the IRF hospital is located was surveyed? Or, is it requesting a date the IRF was surveyed? Also, it does not specify which survey this information is requested. For example, does it address the most recent survey, or a previous survey? We have removed these questions with the revised data field title of <b>“Date of Last IRF Hospital Survey.”</b></p>
<b>Existing Page Number: 1</b>	<b>Revised Page Number: 1</b>	1. We have changed the following text:	See the explanation above for the change made.

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<p><b>Existing Page Number:</b> 1</p> <p><b>Existing Section Number:</b> NA</p> <p><b>Existing Section:</b> IRF Hospital Demographic Information</p> <p><b>Existing Data Field Text:</b> “Survey Date:”</p> <p><b>Existing Locations:</b> Row 2, Column 2</p>	<p><b>Revised Page Number:</b> 1</p> <p><b>Revised Section Number:</b> NA</p> <p><b>Revised Section:</b> IRF Hospital Demographic Information</p> <p><b>Revised Data Field Text:</b> “IRF Hospital’s Street Address”</p> <p><b>Revised Location:</b> Row 2, columns 1 &amp; 2</p>	<p>1. We have changed the following text:  “<b>Survey Date:</b>” in the existing CMS-437B form  to  “<b>IRF Hospital’s Street Address</b>” in the revised CMS-437B form</p> <p>2. We have also added a new data field for “<b>Date of Last Survey</b>” at row 1, column 3 in the revised CMS-437B form,</p>	See the explanation above for the change made

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<p><b>Existing Page Number:</b> 1</p> <p><b>Existing Section Number:</b> NA</p> <p><b>Existing Section:</b> IRF Hospital Demographic Information</p> <p><b>Existing Data Field Text:</b> “Verified By:”</p> <p><b>Existing Locations:</b> Row 3, Column 2</p>	<p><b>Revised Page Number:</b> 1</p> <p><b>Revised Section Number:</b> NA</p> <p><b>Revised Section:</b> IRF Hospital Demographic Information</p> <p><b>Revised Data Field Text:</b> “Telephone Number”</p> <p><b>Revised Location:</b> Row 3, column 4</p>	<p>We have changed the following text:</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>“Verified By:”</b> in the existing CMS-437B form</p> <p style="text-align: center;">to</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>“IRF Hospital’s Telephone Number”</b> in the revised CMS-437B form</p>	<p>We do not believe that it is necessary to have the data field “verified by” because there is a signature line at the end of the form and the person signing the form must attest to the following:</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>“I hereby certify that the responses in this form are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief. Whoever knowingly and willfully makes or causes to be made a false statement or representation on this statement, may be prosecuted under applicable federal and state laws.”</i></p> <p>We have replaced <b>“Verified by”</b> with <b>“Telephone Number”</b> because we believe it is important to have the full contact information for the IRF.</p>
<p><b>Existing Page Number:</b> 1</p>	<p><b>Revised Page Number:</b> 1</p>	<p>We have added a new data field for</p>	<p>The existing CMS-437B does not request the</p>

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<b>Worksheet Checklist Section of CMS-437B form</b>			
<p><b>Existing Page Number:</b> 2</p> <p><b>Existing Section Number:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tag A3600– Surveyor Guidance</li> <li>• §412.29(a)</li> </ul> <p><b>Existing Section:</b> Worksheet checklist section</p> <p><b>Existing Data Field Text:</b> “<b>The</b> surveyor will verify, through the regional office (RO), that the hospital has an agreement to participate in the Medicare program.</p> <p><b>Existing Locations:</b> Row 4, column 3</p>	<p><b>Revised Page Number:</b> 2</p> <p><b>Revised Section Number:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tag A3600– Surveyor Guidance</li> <li>• §412.29(a)</li> </ul> <p><b>Revised Section:</b> Worksheet checklist section</p> <p><b>Revised Data Field Text:</b> <b>A</b> surveyor <b>or IRF hospital representative</b> will verify, through the <b>CMS</b> regional office (RO), that the <b>IRF</b> hospital has an agreement to participate in the Medicare program.</p> <p><b>Revised Location:</b> Row 4, column 3</p>	<p>We have made the changes identified in the yellow bolded text in the 2 left hand columns</p>	<p>We have made these changes to better reflect and clarify the regulatory requirements.</p> <p>We have added that either the surveyor or the IRF hospital representative could make this verification because this is a self-attestation that is submitted by IRF hospitals every 3 years. If this form is due to be submitted either before or after the time of the IRF hospital’s triennial survey, a surveyor would not be available to assist the facility with this verification. Therefore, a representative from the IRF hospital would have to perform this verification.</p>
<p><b>Existing Page Number:</b> 2</p>	<p><b>Revised Page Number:</b> 2</p>	<p>We have made the changes identified in yellow highlighted and bolded text in the 2 left hand</p>	<p>We made some minor changes to the text of this section for clarity.</p>

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<p><b>Existing Section Number:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tag A3600– Actions Required</li> <li>• §412.29(a)</li> </ul> <p><b>Existing Section:</b> Worksheet checklist section</p> <p><b>Existing Data Field Text:</b> “Representative to ensure the hospital has a Medicare provider agreement. “</p> <p><b>Existing Locations:</b> Row 4, column 4</p>	<p><b>Revised Section Number:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tag A3600– Actions Required</li> <li>• §412.29(a)</li> </ul> <p><b>Revised Section:</b> Worksheet checklist section</p> <p><b>Revised Data Field Text:</b> “<b>“The IRF hospital</b> representative <b>will verify that</b> the <b>IRF</b> hospital has a Medicare provider agreement. “</p> <p><b>Revised Location:</b> Row 4, column 4</p>	<p>columns.</p>	
<p><b>Existing Page Number:</b> 2</p> <p><b>Existing Section Number:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tag A3601 – Surveyor Guidance</li> <li>• §412.29(b)</li> </ul> <p><b>Existing Section:</b> Worksheet checklist section</p> <p><b>Existing Data Field Text:</b> 412.29(b)“The MAC/FI reviews the inpatient population of the IRF. If the hospital has not demonstrated that it served the appropriate inpatient population as defined in § 412.29 (b) (2), the MAC notifies the RO.” §412.29(b)(1) For cost reporting periods beginning on or after July 1, 2004, and before July 1, 2005, the IRF served an inpatient population of whom at least 50 percent, and</p>	<p><b>Revised Page Number:</b> 2</p> <p><b>Revised Section Number:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tag A3601 – Surveyor Guidance</li> <li>• §412.29(b)</li> </ul> <p><b>Revised Section:</b> Worksheet checklist section</p> <p><b>Revised Data Field Text:</b> “The MAC/FI reviews the inpatient population of the IRF. If the hospital has not demonstrated that it served the appropriate inpatient population as defined in § 412.29 (b)(2), the MAC notifies the RO.  <b>After July 1, 2005, the IRF patient</b></p>	<p>We have made the changes identified in the yellow bolded text in the 2 left hand columns</p>	<p>We have made these changes to better reflect and clarify the regulatory requirements.</p> <p>We have also made these changes to state the requirements is a more logical order.</p>

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<p>for cost reporting periods beginning on or after July 1, 2005, the IRF served an inpatient population of whom at least 60 percent required intensive rehabilitation services for treatment of one or more of the conditions specified at <a href="#">paragraph (b)(2)</a> of this section. A patient with a comorbidity, as defined at <a href="#">§ 412.602 of this part</a>, may be included in the inpatient population that counts toward the required applicable percentage if—</p> <p>(i) The patient is admitted for inpatient rehabilitation for a condition that is not one of the conditions specified in <a href="#">paragraph (b)(2)</a> of this section;</p> <p>(ii) The patient has a comorbidity that falls in one of the conditions specified in <a href="#">paragraph (b)(2)</a> of this section; and</p> <p>(iii) The comorbidity has caused significant decline in functional ability in the individual that, even in the absence of the admitting condition, the individual would require the intensive rehabilitation treatment that is unique to inpatient rehabilitation facilities paid under <a href="#">subpart P of this part</a> and that cannot be appropriately performed in another care setting covered under this title.</p> <p><b>Existing Locations:</b> Row 5, column 3</p>	<p><b>population must meet the 60% rule.”</b></p> <p><b>Revised Location:</b> Row 5, column 3</p>		



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<p><b>Existing Page Number:</b> 2</p> <p><b>Existing Section Number:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tag A3602– Actions Required</li> <li>• §412.29(c)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Revised Page Number:</b> 3</p> <p><b>Revised Section Number:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tag A3602– Actions Required</li> <li>• §412.29(c)</li> </ul>	<p>We have made the changes identified in the yellow bolded text in the 2 left hand columns</p>	<p>We have made these changes to better reflect and clarify the regulatory requirements.</p>

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<p><b>Existing Page Number:</b> 5</p> <p><b>Existing Section Number:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tag A3603 – Actions Required</li> <li>§412.29(c)(1)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Revised Page Number:</b> 11</p> <p><b>Revised Section Number:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tag A3603 – Actions Required</li> <li>§412.29(c)(1)</li> </ul>	<p>We have made the changes identified in the yellow bolded text in the 2 left hand columns</p>	<p>We have made these changes to better reflect and clarify the regulatory requirements.</p>

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<p><b>Existing Page Number:</b> 3</p> <p><b>Existing Section Number:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tag A3604 – Actions Required</li> <li>• §412.29(c)(2)</li> </ul> <p><b>Existing Section:</b> Worksheet checklist section</p> <p><b>Existing Data Field Text:</b> “The representative completes this form (Form CMS 437B) as well as a signed attestation statement attesting that the rehab patients it intends to serve meets the requirements outlined</p>	<p><b>Revised Page Number:</b> 4</p> <p><b>Revised Section Number:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tag A3604 – Actions Required</li> <li>• §412.29(c)(2)</li> </ul> <p><b>Revised Section:</b> Worksheet checklist section</p> <p><b>Revised Data Field Text:</b> “If new IRF beds were added during the previous 12 months, the IRF hospital representative will verify that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The IRF hospital received State</li> </ul>	<p>We have deleted the existing text in this section and replaced it with new text.</p>	<p>In the existing CMS-437B form, the text in row 8, column 4 (“Actions Required”) corresponds to The language provided is the existing CMS-437B form corresponds to §412.29(c). However, Tag A3604 corresponds to §412.29(c)(2). Therefore, the text in the Actions required section is incorrect.</p> <p>We have corrected this error by adding text that states the correct actions required.</p>

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<p><b>in § 412.29(b)(2)."</b></p> <p>Existing Locations: Row 8, Column 4</p>	<p>approval (certification of need or State licensure) prior to any IRF hospital bed increase, if prior approval is required by the State;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The IRF hospital received written approval from the applicable CMS Location before the new beds were added to the IRF hospital; and</li> <li>The IRF hospital didn't have more than one increase in beds during a single cost reporting period.</li> </ul> <p>If IRF hospital removed or decertified beds, the IRF hospital representative will that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The IRF hospital didn't thereafter add any additional beds until after a full 12-month cost reporting period had elapsed; and</li> <li>The IRF hospital didn't have more than one increase in beds during a single cost reporting period.</li> </ul> <p>Revised Location: Row 8, Column 4</p>		
<p>Existing Page Number: 3</p> <p>Existing Section Number:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tag A3605 – Actions Required</li> <li>§412.29(c)(3)</li> </ul>	<p>Revised Page Number: 5</p> <p>Revised Section Number:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tag A3605– Actions Required</li> <li>§412.29(c)(3)</li> </ul>	<p>We have made the changes identified in the yellow bolded text in the 2 left hand columns</p>	<p>We have made these changes to better reflect and clarify the regulatory requirements.</p>

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<p><b>Existing Page Number:</b> 5</p> <p><b>Existing Section Number:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tag A3606 – Actions Required</li> <li>• §412.29(c)(4)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Revised Page Number:</b> 6</p> <p><b>Revised Section Number:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tag A3606 – Actions Required</li> <li>• §412.29(c)(4)</li> </ul>	<p>We have made the changes identified in the yellow bolded text in the 2 left hand columns</p>	<p>We have made these changes to better reflect and clarify the regulatory requirements.</p>

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<p><b>Existing Page Number:</b> 4</p> <p><b>Existing Section Number:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tag A3607– Actions Required</li> <li>• §412.29(d)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Revised Page Number:</b> 7</p> <p><b>Revised Section Number:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tag A3607 – Actions Required</li> <li>• §412.29(d)</li> </ul>	<p>We have made the changes identified in the yellow bolded text in the 2 left hand columns</p>	<p>We have made these changes to better reflect and clarify the regulatory requirements.</p>

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<p><b>Existing Page Number:</b> 4</p> <p><b>Existing Section Number:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tag A3608 – Actions Required</li> <li>• §412.29(e)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Revised Page Number:</b> 7</p> <p><b>Revised Section Number:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tag A3608 – Actions Required</li> <li>• §412.29(e)</li> </ul>	<p>We have made the changes identified in the yellow bolded text in the 2 left hand columns</p>	<p>We have made these changes to better reflect and clarify the regulatory requirements.</p>

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<p><b>Existing Page Number:</b> 5</p> <p><b>Existing Section Number:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tag A3609 – Actions Required</li> <li>• §412.29(f)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Revised Page Number:</b> 9</p> <p><b>Revised Section Number:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tag A3609– Actions Required</li> <li>• §412.29(f)</li> </ul>	<p>We have made the changes identified in the yellow bolded text in the 2 left hand columns</p>	<p>We have made these changes to better reflect and clarify the regulatory requirements.</p>



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<p><b>Existing Page Number:</b></p> <p><b>Existing Section Number:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tag A3616 – Actions Required</li> <li>• §412.29(h)(i)</li> </ul> <p><b>Existing Section:</b> Worksheet checklist section</p> <p><b>Existing Data Field Text:</b> “The representative will <b>determine whether</b> interdisciplinary teams are meeting once weekly to review patient progress and that documentation is in the medical records.”</p> <p><b>Existing Locations:</b> Row 20, column 4</p>	<p><b>Revised Page Number:</b> 12</p> <p><b>Revised Section Number:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tag A3616 – Actions Required</li> <li>• §412.29(h)(i)</li> </ul> <p><b>Revised Section:</b> Worksheet checklist section</p> <p><b>Revised Data Field Text:</b> “The <b>IRF hospital</b> representative will <b>verify that the IRF hospital has an</b> interdisciplinary team, that meets no less than once weekly to review patient progress <b>and that</b> documentation is in the medical records.”</p> <p><b>Revised Location:</b> Row 20, column 4</p>	<p>We have made the changes identified in the yellow bolded text in the 2 left hand columns</p>	<p>We have made these changes to better reflect and clarify the regulatory requirements.</p>