

NEW! Observation Status Appeals Resources

Thank you for joining the Center for Medicare Advocacy's 12/17/2024 webinar on the upcoming appeals processes for certain observation status hospital stays. Our office can be contacted at (860) 456-7790 or Communications@medicareadvocacy.org.

Resources:

- **[Request for Retrospective Appeal of Medicare Part A Coverage](#)** – to request a **retrospective** appeal.
- **[Medicare Change of Status Notice](#)** – to be issued by hospitals to patients eligible to submit **prospective** appeals.
- **[Instructions from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Service \(CMS\) on Patient Status Appeals](#)**.
- **[Appointment of Representative](#)** form – to appoint someone to act on your behalf for a Medicare appeal.
- CMS booklet on **[Medicare Appeals](#)**.
- **[State Health Insurance Assistance Program](#)** (SHIP) – free, personalized Medicare counseling and help filing complaints. Find your local SHIP on the website. Some programs assist with appeals.
- **[LawHelp.org](#)** – free legal aid and other low-cost legal help. Some programs assist with Medicare appeals. Eligibility requirements may apply.
- **Information on requesting medical records:** **<https://trriagecancer.org/state-laws/medical-records>**
- **1-800-MEDICARE** – to request Medicare forms, ask for information about appeals.