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## IHCP will require home health agencies to be enrolled with Medicare by July 1, 2026

The Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) will begin requiring home health agencies to be recognized and enrolled as a Medicare provider. This requirement will be for brand new and existing IHCP-enrolled home health agencies (provider type 05) starting July 1, 2026.

Applications for Medicare participation can be completed online through the [Medicare Provider Enrollment, Chain, and Ownership System \(PECOS\)](#).

Providers may also apply using a paper [CMS-855A Home Health Enrollment Application](#).



Applications are reviewed by a Medicare Administrative Contractor (MAC). Indiana's MAC for home health and hospice is Palmetto GBA. This entity will provide the initial review of a home health agency's request for Medicare participation, including the completion of all necessary screening activities.

Upon completion of this initial review, the MAC will refer the application to the state surveying agency – the Indiana Department of Health (IDOH) – or to a provider's accrediting organization (AO). All home health agencies must receive a certification survey from either IDOH or an AO.

Home health agencies may use the following Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)-approved AOs:

- [Accreditation Commission for Health Care \(ACHC\)](#)
- [Community Health Accreditation Partner \(CHAP\)](#)
- [The Joint Commission \(TJC\)](#)

Providers that have questions throughout the process should use the points of contact as shown in Table 1.

*Table 1 – Contact information for enrollment assistance*

Need for assistance	Contact information
For general enrollment assistance with Medicare	Palmetto GBA 855-696-0705
For enrollment assistance with the IHCP	Gainwell Technologies 800-457-4584, Option 2

**QUESTIONS?**

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