



# Provider Bulletin

## **RE: Processing of Hospice Claims**

In accordance with the Medicare Managed Care Manual, Chapter 4 Section 10.4 and the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 11 Section 30.4, when a Medicare Advantage (MA) member has been certified as hospice, the financial responsibility for that member shifts from Sunrise Advantage Plan to Original Medicare. Original Medicare retains payment responsibility for all hospice and nonhospice related claims for traditional Medicare benefits beginning on the date of the hospice election.

The only services Sunrise Advantage Plan is financially responsible for during this time include any supplemental benefits Sunrise Advantage Plan offers in addition to Original Medicare benefits.

Members can revoke hospice elections at any time. If so revoked and once notified by CMS, the Plan will resume coverage for the member the first of the following month. These rules apply for both professional and facility charges.