

# ABN Mandatory and Voluntary Form Requirements

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In 2019, Medicare is paying even closer attention to when and how you have your patients sign an Advance Beneficiary Notice (ABN). Specifically, whether you utilized a mandatory or voluntary ABN form correctly or not. If done incorrectly, your practice could be headed for a costly, time-consuming audit, which can lead to hefty recoupments, penalties and fines.

Your patients must sign the **RIGHT** version of the ABN form for you to be compliant. Figuring out whether you need a mandatory or voluntary ABN form is where many practices fall short in complying with the requirements. Submitting incorrect forms can get you on Medicare's radar, and even threaten your standing as a Medicare provider.

Click on link below to download current ABN form:

<http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare-General-Information/BNI/ABN.html>