

## Change to National Coverage Determination may affect your Medicare coverage

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) sometimes change the coverage rules that apply to an item or service under Medicare. When this happens, CMS issues a National Coverage Determination, or NCD.

## NCDs tell us:

- What benefits and services are covered
- What benefits and services are changing
- What Medicare will pay for an item or service

CMS recently issued an update to the NCD that applies to the following service:

**Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)** 

Here is a description of the change to the NCD. This affects services given **on or after April 28**<sup>th</sup>, **2018** 

Services affected	Additional information
The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) issued an NCD to update Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)	CMS determined that MRI for Medicare beneficiaries with the below devices is reasonable and necessary under certain circumstances. Implanted Pacemaker (PM)
	<ul> <li>Implantable Cardioverter Defibrillator (ICD)</li> <li>Cardiac Resynchronization Therapy Pacemaker (CRT-P)</li> <li>Cardiac Resynchronization Therapy Defibrillator (CRT-D)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>cMS will expand coverage:</li> <li>to include CRT-P or CRT-D devices</li> <li>for beneficiaries who have an implanted FDA-approved, ICD, CRT-P, or CRT-D</li> <li>for beneficiaries with an implanted PM, ICD, CRT-P, or CRT-D device without FDA labeling specific to use in an MRI environment if certain conditions are met</li> </ul>
	CMS will also remove the Coverage with Evidence Development (CED) requirement.

## We're here to help you

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