How to complete required Medicare questionnaire

If you have Medicare, the federal government requires that you answer certain questions every 30 days. It is important to complete this form so your services are billed correctly. You can answer these questions in your MyChart account on the website (mychart.mdanderson.org) or by using the mobile app.

Please complete the form before your visit as it will make your check-in faster.

Here is a guide to help you understand the questions on the Medicare Secondary Payer Questionnaire (MSPQ).

Part 1

- Are you receiving Black Lung benefits?
  This is asking if you are getting benefits relating to coal workers’ exposure to coal dust.

- Are the services to be paid by a government research program?
  This is asking if services are going to be funded by the government (not a MD Anderson clinical trial). Documentation is required. For example, you would answer yes if you are in a clinical trial through the National Cancer Institute or National Institute of Health.

- Are you entitled to benefits through the Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA)?
  To answer yes, the DVA must authorize and agree to pay for care at MD Anderson. Documentation is required (You have 83 characters to give an explanation.)

Part 3

- Are you entitled to Medicare based on Age?
  You must be 65 or older to answer yes.

- Are you entitled to Medicare based on Disability?
  This is asking if you have received Social Security disability benefits or Railroad Retirement benefits for at least 24 months to be eligible for Medicare based on disability. (You have 90 characters to give an explanation)

- Are you entitled to Medicare based on End-Stage Renal Disease (ESRD)?
  This is asking if you have permanent kidney failure, requiring dialysis or a kidney transplant.

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Part 4
• Do you have group health plan (GHP) coverage based on your own current employment?
  This is asking if you currently have health insurance provided by your employer.

• Do you have group health plan (GHP) coverage based on your spouse’s current employment?
  This is asking if you currently have health insurance provided by your spouse’s employer.

• If you have GHP coverage based on your own current employment, does your employer that
  sponsors or contributes to the GHP employ 20 or more employees?
  This is asking if your current employer has 20 or more employees.

• If you have GHP coverage based on your spouse’s current employment, does your spouse’s
  employer that sponsors or contributes to the GHP, employ 20 or more employees?
  This is asking if your spouse’s employer has 20 or more employees.

Part 5
• If you have GHP coverage based on your own current employment, does your employer that
  sponsors or contributes to the GHP employ 100 or more employees?
  This is asking if your current employer has 100 or more employees.

• If you have GHP coverage based on your spouse's current employment, does your spouse’s
  employer that sponsors or contributes to the GHP, employ 100 or more employees?
  This is asking if your spouse’s current employer has 100 or more employees.

Part 6
• Do you have GHP coverage based on your own current or former employment?
  This is asking if you have health insurance provided by your current or former employer.

• Do you have GHP coverage through your spouse?
  This is asking if you have health insurance provided by your spouse’s employer.

• Do you have GHP coverage through a family member other than your spouse?
  This is asking if you have health insurance provided by another family member’s employer.

If you have any questions concerning the questions on the MSPQ, please ask your Patient Services Coordinator at check-in. You also can send the Financial Clearance Center a message in MyChart.