CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS

Designation and Certification of CAH					
Self-Assessment Questions	YES	NO	N/A	Date/Initials	Comments
Criteria for State designation					
 (1) A State that has established a Medicare rural hospital flexibility program described in section 1820(c) of the Act may designate one or more facilities as CAHs if each facility meets the CAH conditions of participation in this subpart F. (2) The State must not deny any hospital that is otherwise eligible for designation as a CAH solely because the hospital has entered into an agreement under which the hospital may provide 					
posthospital SNF care as defined C0808§485.606 (a)					
Criteria for CMS certification. CMS certifies a facility as a CAH if—					
(1) The facility is designated as a CAH by the State in which it is located and has been surveyed by the State survey agency or by CMS and found to meet all conditions of participation in this part and all other applicable requirements for participation in <u>part 489 of this chapter</u> .					
(2) The facility is a medical assistance facility operating in Montana or a rural primary care hospital designated by CMS before August 5, 1997, and is otherwise eligible to be designated as a CAH by the State under the rules in this subpart. C0808§485.606 (b)					

Key Resources and Links

- <u>CMS Conditions of Participation and Interpretative Guidelines</u>
- CMS CAH Page (including crosswalk)
- CMS CAH Basic Training