



# NGSConnex: Part B Redetermination Electronic Notification Letters

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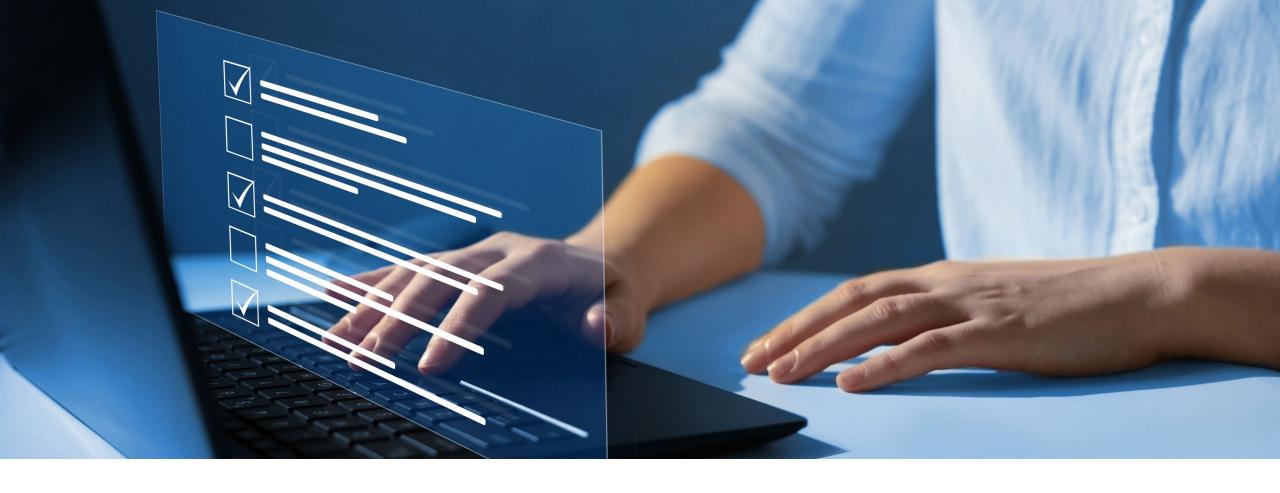
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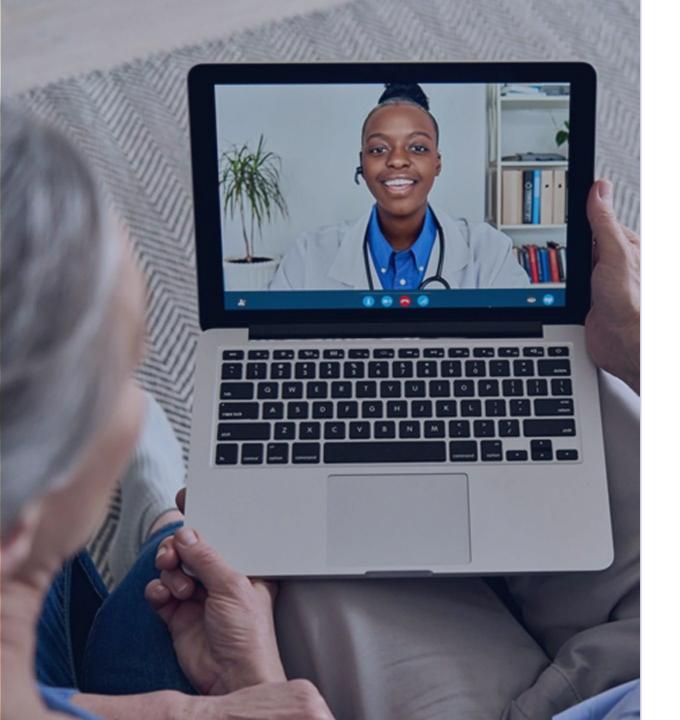


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#### Objective

Bringing together information about redetermination decisions into one place making information more visible providing customized access for specific users to view and print redetermination notifications in NGSConnex portal.







### Agenda

- NGSConnex Login
- NGSConnex User Guide
- Initiate Redetermination
- Redetermination Results
- Notification After Redetermination Submissions
- Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)



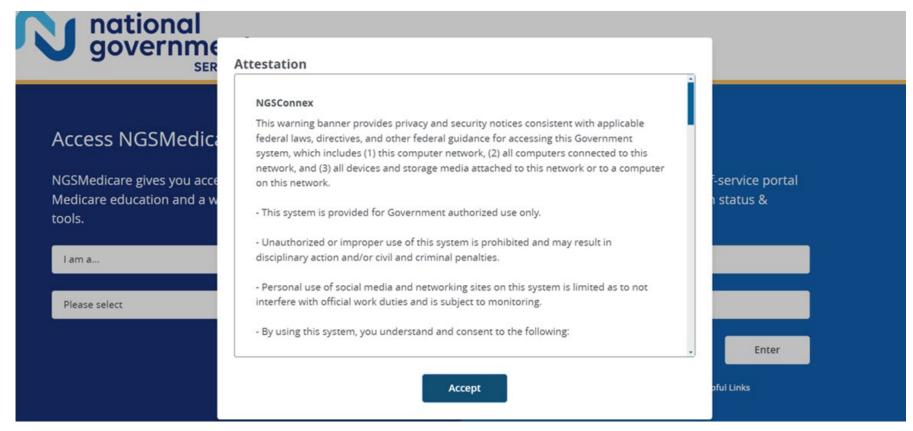




## NGSConnex Login

#### **NGS Medicare Website**

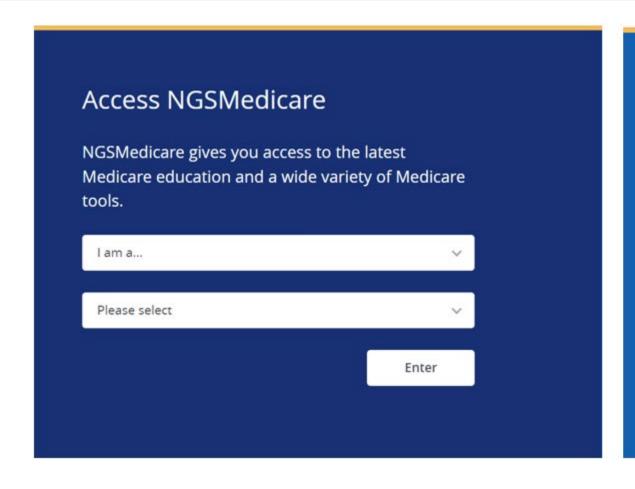
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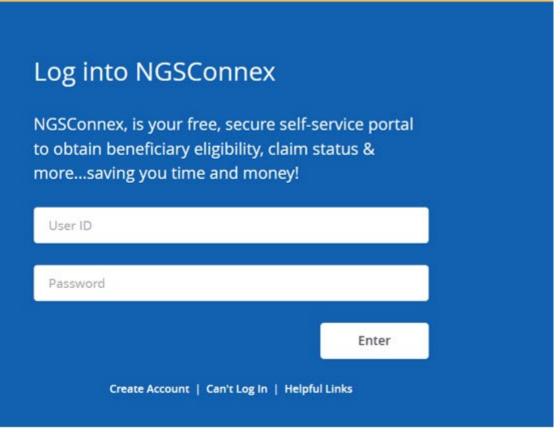






#### NGSMedicare Website and NGSConnex

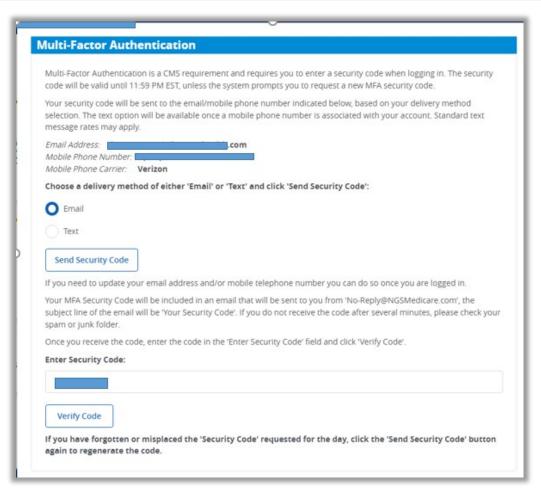








#### Multi-Factor Authentication



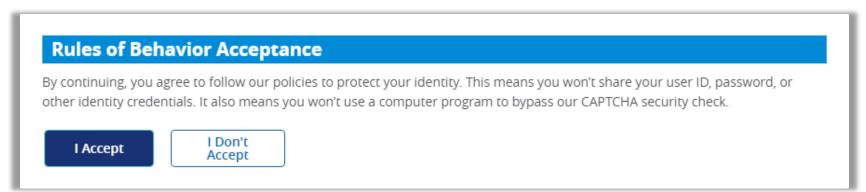
- Daily NGSConnex user ID and password
  - Providers are prompted to request daily unique MFA security code per CMS security standards
- Four-digit security code sent via email or text message
- Select method you would like to receive your MFA security code, email or text
  - Providers may change method to receive MFA security code each time they login
  - Security code will be sent to email address or mobile telephone number associated with your user profile
- Click the Send Security Code button and message will display indicating Security Code has been sent





### Logging Into NGSConnex

- Timeout after 15 minutes of inactivity will occur
- Providers can use previously requested MFA security code, valid until 11:59 p.m. ET on the day requested
- MFA security code may be used to login throughout the day unless you are prompted to request a new MFA security code
- MFA security code is unique to User ID and may not be shared





## NGSConnex User Guide

#### User Guide Reference

- User guide is specific to your line of business and state
- To ensure you are viewing correct user guide, check your information in the top right corner
- Providers may change line of business and state
- Providers may need to regularly refer to user guide via Education, Manuals then select NGSConnex User Guide





## Initiate Redetermination

### **Appeal Rights**

- Providers have appeal rights to claim determinations made by National Government Services
- Purpose of appeals process is to ensure correct adjudication of claims
- First level of appeal is called redetermination and activities for redeterminations are conducted by National Government Services for JK and J6 providers
- There are other levels of the appeal process that are conducted by outside parties contracted by CMS
- Levels of Appeals and Time Limits for Filing



## Why Submit an Appeal (Redetermination)?

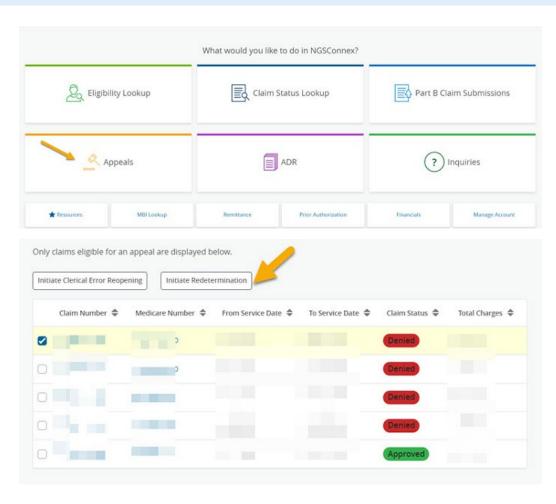
- For partially paid or denied claim(s) resulting from more complex issues that require analysis of documentation
  - Coverage of furnished items and service
  - Medical necessity claim denials
  - Determination on limitation of liability provision
  - Overpayment determinations
- Documentation shall be submitted with redetermination request when using NGSConnex







### Initiating Redetermination First Level Appeal



- Initial determination is communicated on provider's remittance advice
- Requests for redetermination shall be submitted within 120 days from date of receipt of initial claim determination
- Submit only documentation relevant to specific service(s) and date(s) and submit as few attachments as possible



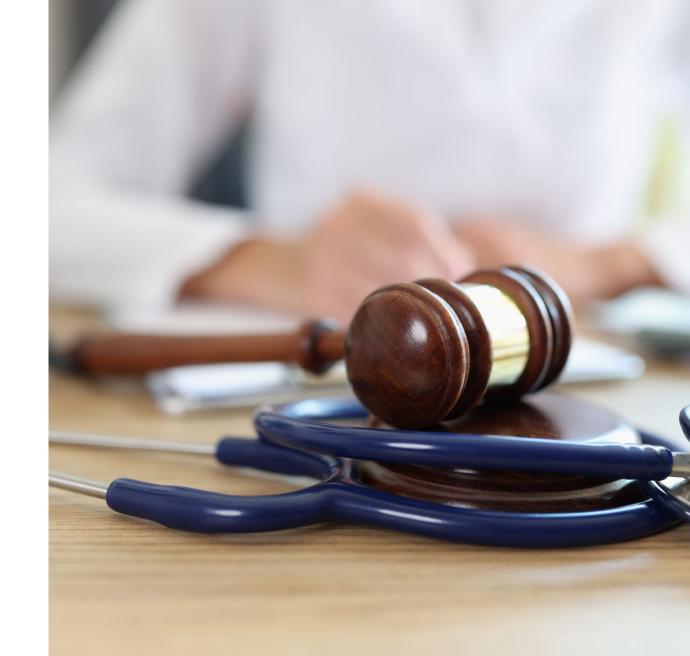
## Redetermination Results

## Appeal Determinations

- Dismissed redetermination
  - Late or incomplete requests
  - Letter with reason(s) redetermination was dismissed
- Unfavorable redetermination
  - Letter notification is sent with explanation why appeal is upheld
- Partially favorable
  - Letter notification is sent with explanation what service(s) allowed and explanation on services upheld
- Fully favorable
  - No letter notification
  - Remittance advice showing full claim adjustment
- All NGSConnex submissions will be shown in NGSConnex







## Notification After Redetermination Submission



#### Redetermination Notification

- Streamlined Part B Medicare redetermination decisions and remittance notices
- Starting 3/3/2025, NGS will discontinue issuing paper redetermination decision letters for Medicare Part B redetermination requests that are submitted electronically through our NGSConnex portal
- MRN and decision letters will be sent electronically making it easier for providers to access final redetermination determination





## Frequently Asked Questions

#### FAQ Number One

- When must providers file redetermination requests?
  - Providers shall file request for redetermination within 120 days from initial claim determination
- How to Avoid Costly Appeals





#### FAQ Number Two

- Shall providers include documentation with redetermination?
  - When claim(s) deny or partially deny, appeal should include office records, test results, operative notes and hospital records to substantiate any extenuating circumstance
  - Submit only documentation relevant to specific service(s) and date(s) and submit as few attachments as possible
- What Documents are Needed?





#### FAQ Number Three

- How long does it take NGS to render decision?
  - Decisions are conducted within 60 days of receipt of request for redetermination
  - Providers will receive notice of decision via redetermination notifications
    - If initial decision is reversed and claim is allowed, providers will receive revised remittance advice (RA)
    - If initial decision is partially allowed, providers will receive redetermination notification and RA
    - If initial decision is unfavorable, provider will receive redetermination notification
- **Note:** NGSConnex electronically submitted redeterminations will be responded electronically to provider beginning 3/3/2025

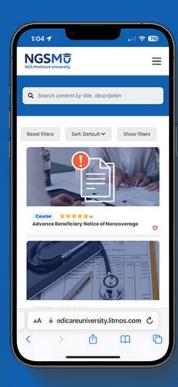


## Questions?

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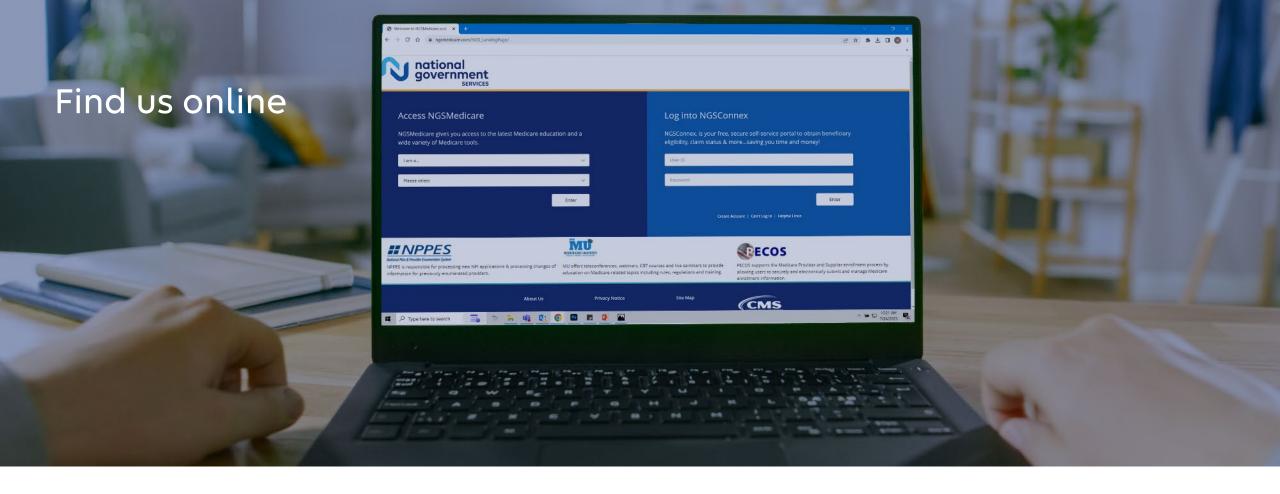














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#### **IVR System**

The interactive voice response system (IVR) is available 24-hours a day, seven days a week to answer general inquiries



#### **NGSConnex**

Web portal for claim information



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