

Infinedi Set to Send Retired Railroad Medicare Claims Electronically

Infinedi's Enrollment Department recently mailed Railroad Medicare electronic enrollment forms to all clients filing electronic claims. If you received one, you may be wondering if Railroad Medicare is the same as your state Medicare plan. The answer is "no". Railroad Medicare is a *Medicare plan* created for employees in the railroad industry. The plan is set-up similar to Medicare and follows standards of the Social Security Administration. Palmetto GBA is the carrier for Railroad Medicare nationwide. To find out more about Railroad Medicare and the Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) you can visit their website at www.palmettogba.com <<http://www.palmettogba.com>>. The RRB is an independent federal agency that administers comprehensive retirement-survivor and unemployment-sickness benefit programs for railroad workers and their families. This coverage is insured under the Railroad Retirement and Railroad Unemployment Insurance Acts.

To file Railroad Medicare claims electronically you must have a Railroad Medicare Provider number assigned by Railroad Medicare. This number is NOT the same as your Medicare Provider number. If you are unsure if you have a Railroad Medicare Provider number or if you have questions regarding Railroad Medicare, you may contact Railroad Medicare's Provider Enrollment Department at 866-899-5227.

Railroad Medicare Provider Number requirements:

Group Provider Number:

- * Nine numerics (Independent Lab)
- * C or D followed by five numerics
- * C or D followed by one alpha followed by four numerics

Rendering Provider Number:

- * Nine numerics (cannot be tax ID or social security number)
- * P followed by 8 numerics