

42 C.F.R. § 423.668

Reopening of a contract determination or decision of a hearing officer or the Administrator.

- (a) CMS may reopen and revise an initial determination upon its own motion.
- (b) *Contract determination.* A decision of a hearing officer that is unfavorable to any party and is otherwise final may be reopened and revised by the hearing officer upon the officer's own motion within 1 year of the notice of the hearing decision. Another hearing officer designated by CMS may reopen and revise the decision if the hearing officer who issued the decision is unavailable.

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