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## 42 C.F.R. § 424.526

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### Return of a provider's or supplier's enrollment application.

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(a) *Reasons for return.* CMS may return a provider's or supplier's enrollment application for any of the following reasons:

- (1) The provider or supplier sent its paper Form CMS-855, Form CMS-588, or Form CMS-20134 application to the incorrect Medicare contractor for processing.
- (2) The Medicare contractor received the application more than 60 days prior to the effective date listed on the application. (This paragraph (a)(2) does not apply to providers and suppliers submitting a Form CMS-855A application, ambulatory surgical centers, or portable x-ray suppliers.)
- (3) The seller or buyer in a change of ownership submitted its Form CMS-855A or Form CMS-855B application more than 90 days prior to the anticipated date of the sale.
- (4) The Medicare contractor received an initial application more than 180 days prior to the effective date listed on the application from a provider or supplier submitting a Form CMS-855A application, an ambulatory surgical center, or a portable x-ray supplier.

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