

OMB Approval No. 0938-0685

D. Consolidations (including the CHOW)

Furnish the effective date of the consolidation in the space provided. Two copies of the sales or other asset transfer agreement, in its current form, must be submitted with this application, and a copy of the final agreement must be submitted once the sale is executed.

This section should be completed when a consolidation of providers will result in issuance of a **new** provider number. This usually results from the creation of a **new** provider organization, which has been issued a **new** TIN from the IRS. All applicable sections of this application should be completed for the **new** provider organization (this is similar to being an initial enrollment).

Consolidations that result in **two** or more provider (OSCAR) numbers being deactivated from the Medicare program should be reported in this section. In general, a provider number is deactivated when a TIN is removed from the IRS tax rolls. If a transaction results in an existing provider having new owners but keeping its current provider number, then the instructions in Section 1B above for a Change of Ownership (CHOW) should be used. If a transaction results in an existing provider having new owners that will be using the provider number of the acquiring provider, then the instructions in Section 1C (Acquisitions/Merger) should be used.

1. 1st Consolidating Provider

Complete this section about the 1st currently enrolled provider that, as a result of this consolidation, will no longer retain its current Medicare provider number.

- a) Furnish the legal business name and TIN of the 1st provider involved in this consolidation.
- b) Furnish the name of this provider's fiscal intermediary and its Medicare identification number.
- c) Report all sub-units of the provider being consolidated that currently have an active Medicare identification number but have not entered into separate provider agreements, and furnish the sub-unit's Medicare identification number. Do not report sub-units of the provider being consolidated that have separate provider agreements. If these sub-units are also being consolidated in this transaction, a separate CMS 855A must be submitted for each.

2. 2nd Consolidating Provider

Complete this section about the 2nd currently enrolled provider that, as a result of this consolidation, will also no longer retain its current Medicare provider number.

- a) Furnish the legal business name and TIN of the 2nd provider involved in this consolidation.
- b) Furnish the name of this provider's fiscal intermediary and its Medicare identification number.
- c) Report all sub-units of the provider being consolidated that currently have an active Medicare identification number but have not entered into separate provider agreements, and furnish the sub-unit's Medicare identification number. Do not report sub-units of the provider being consolidated that have separate provider agreements. If these sub-units are also being consolidated in this transaction, a separate CMS 855A must be submitted for each.

3. Newly Created Provider Identification Information

Complete this section with information about the newly created provider.

- a) Furnish the legal business name and TIN of the newly created provider organization that resulted from this consolidation.
- b) Furnish the new provider organization's fiscal intermediary preference.