

5615 and Medicare Part B Premium

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Medicare Part B premium payments

- How to handle 5615 discrepancies
- Best Practices for avoiding unnecessary audit recoveries



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- Resident since May 2, 2012
- June 1, 2012 became Medicaid eligible
 - Gross Monthly Income = \$820 from Social Security
 - Medicare Part B Premium

Receive and Process 5615

- You work with the eligibility site to complete:
 - 5615
 - ULTC 100.2 and
 - Other documentation
- Send to MASSPRO to initiate PAR



Receive and Process 5615

- Make changes in your billing system reflecting this information
- Issue a bill to the client
 - Admit month = 670.10
 - 1st full month = 670.10
 - 2nd month = 770.10



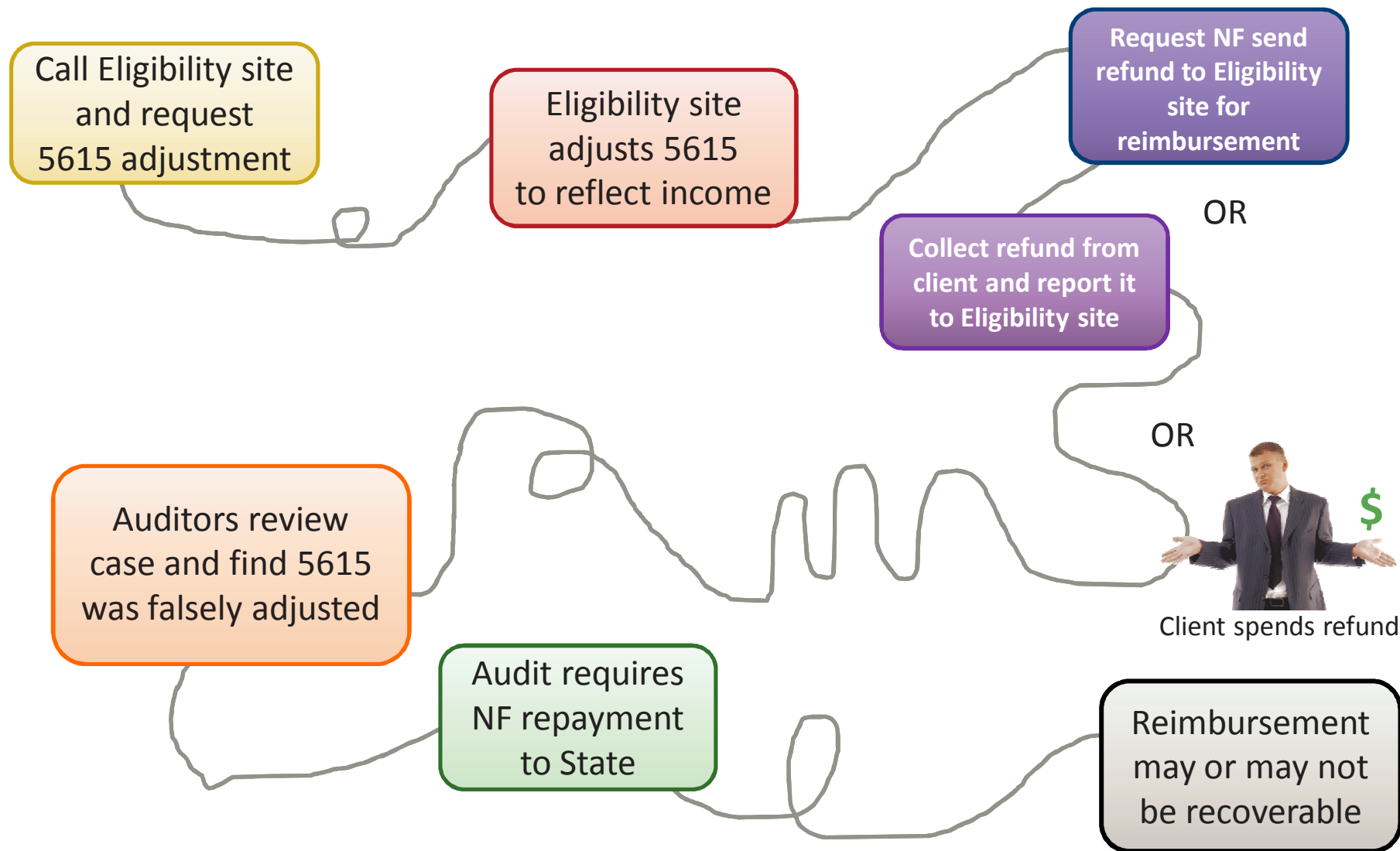
Problem in Second Month

- Client's check is less than what is owed
- Client/family asks what can be done?



Which Way?





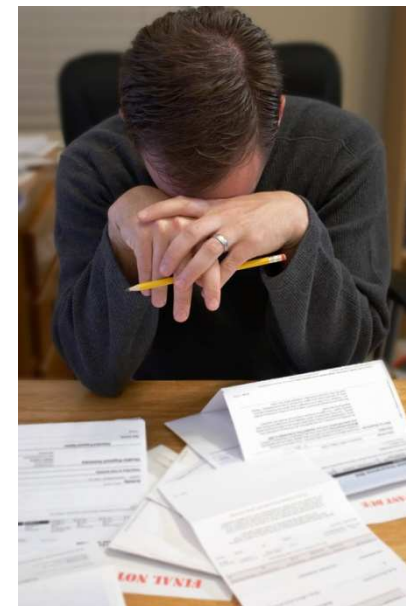
This route takes longer, is not cost-effective, and creates more paperwork



Client/Family



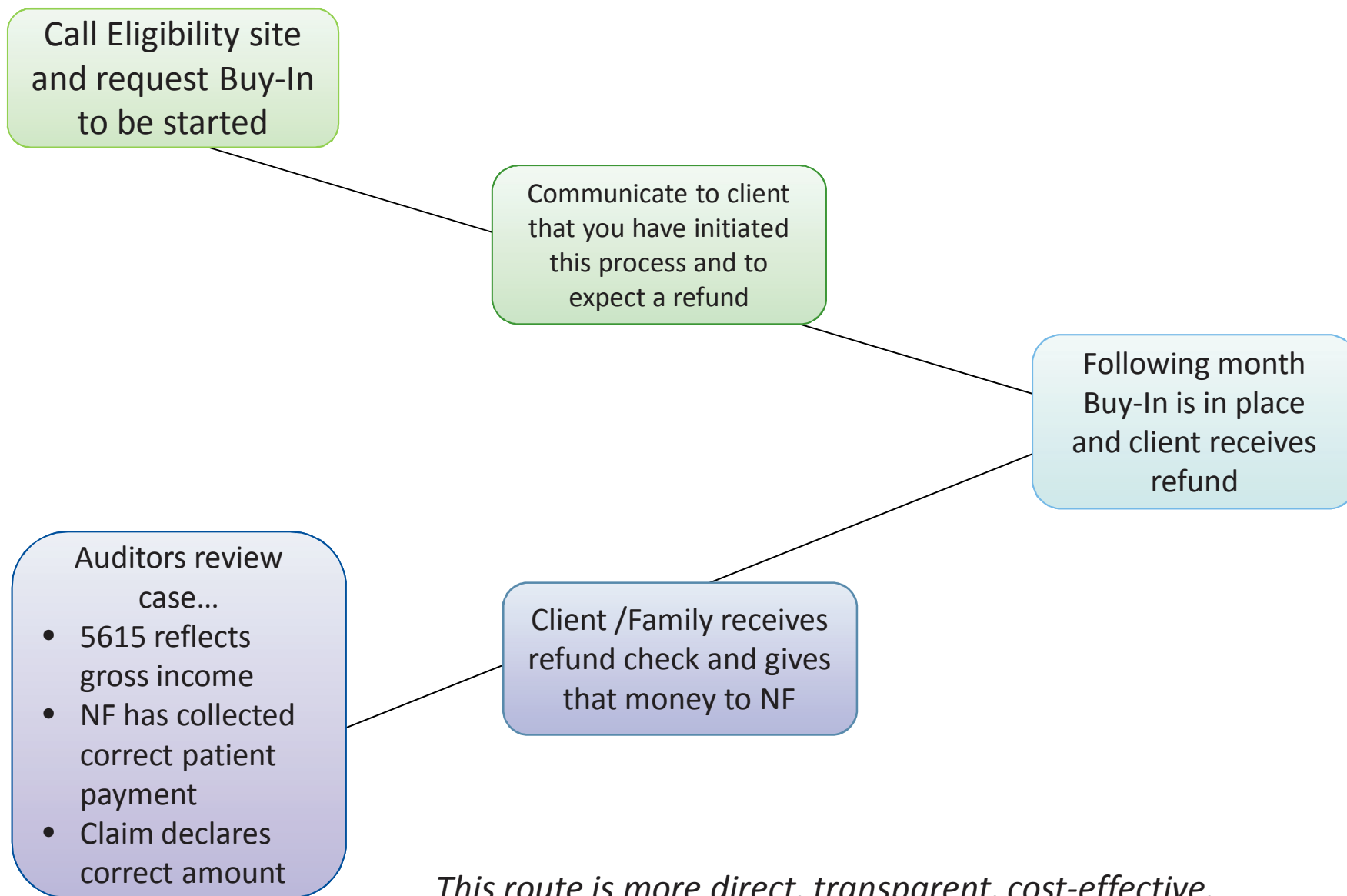
Eligibility Site Staff



Nursing Facility Staff

Which Way?





This route is more direct, transparent, cost-effective, and involves less paperwork





Client/Family



Eligibility Site
Staff

Nursing
Facility Staff



Best Practices

- Have conversation with client/family about billing process and potential issues
- Communicate
- NF have the right to question specific figures on 5615
 - Provide documentation



Questions

