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**CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES  
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- Provides analytic support and information to the Administrator and the Executive Council needed to establish Agency goals and directions.
- Performs environmental scanning, identifying, evaluating, and reporting emerging trends in health care delivery and financing and their interactions with Agency programs.
- Manages strategic, crosscutting initiatives.
- Designs and conducts research and evaluations of health care programs, studying their impacts on beneficiaries, providers, plans, States and other partners and customers, designing and assessing potential improvements, and developing new measurement tools.
- Coordinates all Agency demonstration activities, including development of the research and demonstration annual plan, evaluation of all Agency demonstrations, and assistance to other components in the design of demonstrations and studies.
- Manages assigned demonstrations, including Federal review, approval, and oversight; coordinates and participates with departmental components in experimental health care delivery projects.
- Develops research, demonstration, and other publications and papers related to health care issues.
- Designs and conducts payment, purchasing, and benefits demonstrations.