

A/B MAC SOW



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Origins of MIP

- The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act:
 - Provided specific contracting authority under the Federal Acquisition Regulation to enter into contracts with entities to promote the integrity of the Medicare program

Based on MIP

- 1999 – CMS issued Indefinite Delivery-Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) Program Safeguard Contractors (PSCs)
 - Umbrella PSC Statement of Work (SOW) includes these MIP functions:
 - ▶ Medical Review
 - ▶ Cost Report Audit
 - ▶ Data Analysis
 - ▶ Provider Education
 - ▶ Fraud Detection and Prevention

Under the Umbrella PSC Statement of Work (SOW)

- CMS competes individual task orders among the 12 PSCs and can issue tasks for:
 - Very limited functions
 - More comprehensive functions
 - Limited geographical jurisdictions or
 - The national focus as a whole

Why the Task Order Approach

- Configure work differently
- Address specific vulnerabilities
- Customize task orders
- Coordinate with current Medicare contractors

Task Order Approach: Configure Work Differently

- Perform certain work in a given region of the country or for certain claim or provider types
 - CMS could issue a task order for a PSC to do cost report audits in a particular region or for a certain kind of provider

Task Order Approach: Address Specific Vulnerabilities

- CMS could issue a task order to do more claims review in a specific benefit category or to educate providers on a specific topic

Task Order Approach: Customize Task Orders

- CMS can customize the length and type of contract, as well as, the individual task order performance measures according to the work CMS defines and the PSC performs under each individual task order

Task Order Approach: Coordinate with Current Medicare Contractors

- CMS has the flexibility to customize its approach to working with the affected Medicare contractor(s) to ensure consistency and to avoid duplication of effort between the PSC and the Medicare contractor(s)

DME MAC Strategy

- PSC jurisdictions to align with DME MAC jurisdictions
- BI and MR work to transition from 3 remaining DMERCs to PSCs
- LCDs and CMD (undecided)
- Region A PSC remains

DME MAC Strategy (cont.)

- PSC liaison position created at MACs
- MAC liaison position created at PSCs
- JOAs utilized for interaction and coordination between DME MACs and PSCs

A/B MAC

- BI work remains with PSCs
- 3 PSC MR contracts transitioned to a MAC
- PSCs not performing MR for Parts A/B
- PSC liaison position created at MACs

A/B MAC (cont.)

- MAC liaison position created at PSCs
- JOAs utilized for interaction and coordination between A/B MACS and PSCs
- PSCs to be aligned with A/B MAC jurisdictions