



DMEPOS Competitive Bidding Webinars — Save the Date

CMS will host several webinars for referral agents and other providers on the Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics, and Supplies (DMEPOS) Competitive Bidding Program.

- January 28 at 11am ET
- January 29 at 2pm ET
- January 30 at 4pm ET
- January 31 at 6pm ET
- February 5 at 2pm ET

The DMEPOS Competitive Bidding Program is a change to the Medicare program that is scheduled to go into effect for Medicare beneficiaries with Original Medicare in [91 competitive bidding areas](#) (CBAs) across the country starting on July 1, 2013. Under this program, CMS will be awarding contracts to suppliers for certain categories of DMEPOS in the CBAs.

It is important that physicians, social workers, discharge planners, and anyone else who refers beneficiaries for DMEPOS supplies understand this new program so that they can help Medicare patients get covered medical equipment and supplies. Once the program begins, patients with Original Medicare who live in or travel to a competitive bidding area and who need certain medical equipment and supplies will have to get the equipment or supplies from a DMEPOS Medicare contract supplier. To ensure that Medicare patients' medical equipment and supplies will be covered, providers will have to help beneficiaries find a supplier that is a Medicare contract supplier. Medicare plans to announce the contract suppliers in the spring of 2013.

Please forward this message to anyone who may benefit from this educational session. We look forward to your participation and the opportunity to educate you about the program.

If you have any questions about this webinar please contact Lynne Tierney at lynne.tierney@cms.hhs.gov or Renee Richard at renee.richard@cms.hhs.gov.



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