

Medicare enrolled providers, physicians, treating practitioners, discharge planners, social workers, pharmacists and other health care professionals who refer beneficiaries for services in a competitive bidding area.



DMEPOS Competitive Bidding Webinars — Registration Now Open

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

- June 11 at 11am ET
- June 13 at 4pm ET
- June 17 at 2pm ET
- June 19 at 5pm 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 announced the contract suppliers in the spring of 2013.

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

Registration Information

[Registration](#) is now open. All four webinars will include the same presentation and are limited to 250 participants, so please register early. Given the limited space, CMS asks that you only register if you plan to attend, so we can accommodate as many registrants as possible. *Note:* This webinar will be presented in a lecture format only. Questions may be asked using the webinar chat feature.

If you have any questions about these webinars or are unable to attend due to the webinar reaching maximum attendance, please contact Jon Langmead at Jon.Langmead@cms.hhs.gov.

A previous webinar, "[CMS Presents: The DMEPOS Competitive Bidding Program: What You Need to Know](#)" that reviews the program in its entirety is available on the CMS YouTube channel.



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