

# Licensure, Accreditation & Subcontracting

DMEPOS Competitive Bidding  
Program



# Licensure Requirements - General

- Supplier Standard 1 requires every location of a supplier (10-digit NSC #) to comply with all applicable Federal and State Licensure Requirements.
- Copies of required licenses must be on file with the National Supplier Clearinghouse(NSC).
- Suppliers must have their licensure information up-to-date with the NSC.

# Licensure Requirements – Competitive Bidding

- Suppliers must have a record of all applicable state licenses on file with the NSC prior to submitting a bid.
- We will verify licenses directly with the NSC files.
- Bidders who do not have applicable state licenses will be disqualified.
- For a complete listing of the required licenses for the 9 CBAs, visit the NSC website at:  
<http://www.palmettogba.com/palmetto/statelicensure.nsf>

# Licensure Requirements

Supplier Type	Sales Tax Permit Exception Document?	DME Supplier License	Pharmacy License	Oxygen License Controlled Substances License	Medical License	Respiratory Therapist License
<u>DME Supplier</u>	Y	N	Y	N	N	N
<u>DME Supplier with Orthotic/Prosthetic Personnel</u>	Y	N	Y	N	N	N
<u>DME Supplier with Respiratory Therapist</u>	Y	N	Y	N	N	N
<u>Enteral Nutrition Supplier</u>	Y	N	Y	N	N	N
<u>Oxygen Supplier</u>	N	N	Y	N	Y	N

# Licensure Requirements – Competitive Bidding

- Every supplier location must be licensed in the state in which it provides services. Suppliers bidding in a multi-state CBA must meet licensure requirements for all states in the CBA.
- Example: *Supplier with One Location in a Multiple State CBA*

A supplier bidding in the Cincinnati—Middletown CBA, which includes Ohio, Kentucky, and Indiana, that only has one location must be licensed to provide services in Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana.

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**Example:    *Supplier with More than One Location in a Multiple State CBA***

A supplier bidding in the Charlotte-Gastonia-Concord CBA ,which includes North Carolina and South Carolina, must have the applicable state licenses as follows:

1. All locations of the supplier providing services in NC must have all required NC license(s) to provide competitive bidding items in NC. In addition, all locations providing services in SC must have all required SC licenses to provide competitive bidding items in SC.
2. A location does not have to be licensed for both states unless it is providing items in both states.
3. The supplier must have at least one licensed location for each state within the CBA,  
and every location must be licensed in the state(s) where it provides services.

# Accreditation Requirement – Competitive Bidding

- All locations of a supplier (10-digit NSC#) that furnish competitive bid items must be accredited by a CMS approved accreditation organization before the supplier can submit a bid.
- CMS will not accept a bid from a supplier with pending accreditation.

# Subcontracting - Competitive Bidding

## Subcontracting

- MIPPA requires subcontractors to be accredited.
- MIPPA also requires that contract suppliers notify CMS within 10 days of contract award of any subcontracting relationship they have entered into for the purposes of furnishing of items and services under the contract.
- Contract suppliers must also disclose whether the subcontractor meets the accreditation and state licensure requirements.