

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
Special Open Door Forum:

Medicare's Prior Authorization for Power Mobility Devices Demonstration

Wednesday, September 26, 2012
2:00pm - 3:00pm Eastern Time
Conference Call Only

The purpose of this Special Open Door Forum (ODF) is to provide an opportunity for **suppliers and providers** to hear more and ask questions about the Demonstration. **This demonstration has started for orders written on or after September 1, 2012.**

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) will conduct a demonstration that will implement a prior authorization process for certain medical equipment for all people with Medicare who reside in seven states with high populations of fraud- and error-prone providers (California, Florida, Illinois, Michigan, New York, North Carolina, and Texas). This is an important step toward paying appropriately for certain medical equipment that has a high error rate. This demonstration will help ensure that a beneficiary's medical condition warrants their medical equipment under existing coverage guidelines. Moreover, the program will assist in preserving a Medicare beneficiary's right to receive quality products from accredited suppliers.

CMS has received an OMB control number 0938-1169 associated with the information collection for this demonstration. CMS displayed a Federal Register (FR) Notice on August 1, 2012 announcing a September 1, 2012 start date of the demonstration (see download below). The start date of the demonstration is based on the date of the written order.

To read more about the Demonstration visit: go.cms.gov/PADemo

Participants may submit questions prior to the Special ODF to pademo@cms.hhs.gov .

We look forward to your participation.

Special Open Door Participation Instructions:

Dial: (800) 837-1935 & Conference ID: 34258271

Note: TTY Communications Relay Services are available for the Hearing Impaired. For TTY services dial 7-1-1 or 1-800-855-2880. A Relay Communications Assistant will help.

A transcript and audio recording of this Special ODF will be posted to the Special Open Door Forum website at http://www.cms.gov/OpenDoorForums/05_ODF_SpecialODF.asp and will be accessible for downloading.

For automatic emails of Open Door Forum schedule updates, please visit our website at <http://www.cms.gov/opendoorforums/> .

An additional Special Open Door Forum for Medicare's Prior Authorization for Power Mobility Devices Demonstration is scheduled on October 24, 2012 2:00pm - 3:00pm Eastern Time.

Thank you for your interest in CMS Open Door Forums.