

## Provider Enrollment, Chain and Ownership System

APPLY AND MANAGE

PECOS is the CMS system of record for all Medicare provider and supplier enrollment data, which includes Part A, Part B, and Durable Medical Equipment (DME).

To ensure health care providers are eligible to serve Medicare beneficiaries, the PECOS system:

In addition to playing a critical role in CMS's program integrity strategy, PECOS eases provider and supplier burden by eliminating the need to mail paper applications and forms.

- Stores all information furnished by providers and suppliers
- Tracks all enrollment processing by Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs)
- Provides information to the Medicare Fee-for-Service (FFS) claims payment systems which is critical to processing all FFS claims
- Interacts with multiple sources through a sophisticated data exchange network to facilitate communication between stakeholders and ensure that information is accurate across systems
- Supports State Medicaid programs' data-sharing efforts and requirements for screening providers

### **PECOS Administrative Interface**

CMS and MACs use the PECOS administrative interface to view all Medicare activity associated with enrolled providers and suppliers.

- MACs can create enrollments for paper submissions as well as monitor and maintain existing enrollments
- CMS and MACs can access a wide array of r eports to check provider or supplier's enrollment status as well as contractor workloads.
- MACs can check providers when matching against external data sources such as the Medicare Exclusion Database (MED) and the Social Security Administration's Death Master File (DMF)

#### **PECOS Provider Interface**

As the online Medicare enrollment management system, PECOS has a robust provider interface which allows providers and suppliers to:

- Enroll as a Medicare provider or supplier
- Revalidate (renew) their enrollment
- Withdraw from the Medicare program
- Review and update information in their enrollment record
- Report changes to their enrollment record
- Electronically sign and submit documents



# PECOS



#### **FUTURE GOALS**

PECOS 2.0 is currently in development and is expected to launch in fall 2023. As a ground-up redesign of the current system, PECOS 2.0 is part of CMS's vision to create an enterprise resource that will serve as a platform for all enrollments across Medicare, Medicaid, and emerging provider programs.

The PECOS 2.0 administrative interface will function as a centralized system to support the collection, screening, and processing of multiple types of enrollments, as well as operational oversight and program management functions associated with enrollment.

The PECOS 2.0 provider interface will make the Medicare enrollment and revalidation processes faster and more efficient. Here are some of the new features currently being designed with providers and suppliers in mind:

- One Application, Multiple Enrollments Providers and suppliers will be able to enroll in multiple states, or update information across multiple enrollments, with a single application.
- Faster Application Time Using Pre-Populated Information PECOS 2.0 will pre-populate much of applicants' information, speeding up the application process.
- **Tailored Application Process** PECOS 2.0 will adapt based on application type, only showing information that's relevant to each enrollee.
- Ability to Manage Group Members
  More Efficiently

A simplified application will allow group practices to quickly add or remove individual providers. Group practices will also have the option to download the complete list of their group's members for their records.

- Quick and Easy Revalidation Process PECOS 2.0 will remind providers and suppliers when it's time to revalidate (renew their enrollment) and will guide them through the information they need to review and confirm.
- **Rapid Application Review** The smart error-checking features will help to ensure that the information applicants enter is accurate, and will validate information as applicants go along.
- **Real-Time Status Tracking** PECOS 2.0 will allow applicants to track the real-time status of all their submitted applications in one convenient view.

Visit the Introducing PECOS 2.0 page for more information.