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To: Programs of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly Organizations

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Subject: 2026 Programs of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly Organizations Application
Quarterly and Waiver Request Submission Dates

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) announces the 2026 Calendar Year Programs of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) Organizations Application and Waiver Request Submission Windows and Deadlines. CMS advises all PACE Organizations and applicants that it will only consider Initial and Service Area Expansion Applications submitted to CMS that are supported by the applicable State Administering Agency include a signed and dated state assurance form (§ 460.12(b)). **All applications must be complete with all required documentation at the time of submission.** The only exception to this requirement is the state readiness review of a proposed center site, which may be submitted as part of a response to a CMS Request for Additional Information.

All PACE applicants are encouraged to review our PACE Application training posted at:
<https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/HealthPlans/PACE/Overview.html> prior to submission.

2026 Calendar Year PACE Application and Waiver Request Submission Windows and Deadlines

Action	Calendar Quarter	Submission Window and Deadlines
Notice of Intent to Apply (NOIA) for new PACE Organizations NOIA form is available on our website: https://www.cms.gov/files/document/noticeofintenttoapply-noia-pace-form.pdf	1 st	January 1 to 31, 2026
	2 nd	April 1 to 30, 2026
	3 rd	July 1 to 31, 2026
	4 th	October 1 to 31, 2026
Request for HPMS Access Instructions for requesting access to HPMS are available on our website: https://www.cms.gov/Research-Statistics-Data-and-Systems/Computer-Data-and-Systems/HPMS/UserIDProcess.html	1 st	January 1 to 31, 2026
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Initial/SAE Application & Waiver Request Submission Applicants must hit “Final Submit” in HPMS <u>by 8:00 p.m., ET on the quarterly deadline</u> for the application to be considered by CMS. PACE Application is available on our website: https://www.cms.gov/medicare/medicaid-coordination/pace The Part D PACE Application is available on our website: https://www.cms.gov/medicare/coverage/prescription-drug-coverage-contracting/application-guidance	1 st	March 27, 2026
	2 nd	June 26, 2026
	3 rd	September 25, 2026
	4 th	December 28, 2026