

## **Award of DME MAC Front End Common Electronic Data Interchange (CEDI) Contract**

- On November 20, 2017, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) announced that National Government Services has been awarded a contract for the administration of the DME MAC Front End Common Electronic Data Interchange (CEDI) contract for Jurisdictions A, B, C and D.
- The CEDI contract will perform the required functions to operate as the “front end” processing of all HIPAA Medicare electronic transactions for DME claims processing, and to provide other related services, including providing an Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) Help Desk and Trading Partner management services.
- CEDI processes over 69 million HIPAA claims-related transactions; and provides EDI services and support to 128,000 DME suppliers and over 6,000 trading partners.
- The new CEDI contract includes a base year and four option years, for a maximum duration of five years. The contract is a “firm fixed price” contract.
- Inclusive of all options, the awarded CEDI contract has a total estimated value of \$19 million.
- As National Government Services is the incumbent contractor for this CEDI contract, CMS anticipates that implementation of the new contract will go smoothly, with few (if any) disruptions in service for Medicare beneficiaries, suppliers and trading partners.
- National Government Services will perform the work for this contract in its Indianapolis, Indiana headquarters, with support from its Louisville, Kentucky, Portland, Maine, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, Shelbyville, Tennessee, and Syracuse, New York facilities.
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