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HIPAA Administrative Simplification Information Bulletin

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Provider Pilot Program

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) National Standards Group, on behalf of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), is launching a volunteer Provider Pilot Program to test the process for reviewing compliance with HIPAA [Administrative Simplification rules](#) among providers. This follows a successful pilot program for health plans and clearinghouses completed in 2018.

Any providers who conduct [electronic health care transactions](#) can volunteer for the pilot program on behalf of themselves, not their group practice or hospital, unless authorized by their group practice or hospital to do so. In April 2019, HHS will select 3 health care providers from the pool of volunteers to participate. Participants will be able to test their electronic transactions for compliance with standards for:

- [Transaction formats](#)
- [Code sets](#)
- [Unique identifiers](#)

Participants will also be able to test whether they comply with [operating rules](#). During the pilot program, participants will work one-on-one with HHS to identify and resolve compliance issues. Upon completion of the pilot program, participants will receive a certificate and will be exempt from compliance reviews for 1 year.

To volunteer, please email us at AdministrativeSimplification@cms.hhs.gov by April 24.

Questions?

For more information about HIPAA Administrative Simplification requirements, visit Go.CMS.gov/AdminSimp. HHS will release more information about the Pilot Program in the coming weeks.

For the latest news about Administrative Simplification and the Provider Pilot Program, [sign up for Email Updates](#).