



MEDICARE DRUG & HEALTH PLAN CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION GROUP

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TO: All Medicare Advantage Organizations Offering a Dual Eligible Special Needs Plan in Contract Year 2015

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SUBJECT: Guidance for Submitting MIPPA-Compliant State Medicaid Agency Contracts and Requesting Fully Integrated Dual Eligible Special Needs Plan Status

The purpose of this memorandum is to (1) remind Medicare Advantage Organizations (MAOs) seeking to offer new or continuing to offer existing Dual Eligible Special Needs Plan (D-SNP) in contract year (CY) 2015 of the continuing requirement to have a MIPPA-compliant contract with the state Medicaid agency(ies) in each state they seek to operate in order to continue as D-SNPs; and (2) clarify the process for requesting Fully Integrated Dual Eligible (FIDE) SNP status.

(1) Dual Eligible SNPs and Medicaid Contracting Requirements

All D-SNPs (new, continuing, and those applying for SAEs) **are required** to complete the two State Medicaid Agency Contract (SMAC) attestation questions in the SMAC Module of HPMS by **8PM EST on February 25, 2014**. Please note: All applicants must hit final submit, prior to this deadline, in order for the application to be complete.

All D-SNPs **must** submit their MIPPA-compliant SMAC(s) and their corresponding SMAC Matrix (Matrices) electronically in HPMS by **8PM EST on July 1, 2014**, even those that have signed multi-year or evergreen contracts with their States covering CY 2015. Please note: All applicants must hit final submit, prior to this deadline, in order for the application to be complete.

(2) Fully Integrated Dual Eligible SNPs Qualification Process

All D-SNPs that would like to be considered for Fully Integrated Dual Eligible (FIDE) SNP status are required to affirmatively attest in the HPMS SMAC module by **8PM EST on February 25, 2014** that they would like their State Medicaid Agency Contract reviewed for FIDE status. D-SNPs requesting FIDE review are also required to complete and upload the FIDE SNP Matrix by **8PM EST on July 1, 2014**.

Please refer to the April 2, 2012 Call Letter, which gives a more thorough explanation of the requirements for D-SNPs to be eligible for FIDE status.

Please direct any questions regarding this memorandum to <https://dmao.lmi.org/> and submit questions by clicking on the MA Applications tab.