



DME Competitive Bidding Round 1 & 2 Areas

Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs)

MSAs are areas designated by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) that include major cities and the suburban areas surrounding them.

Competitive Bidding Areas (CBAs)

A CBA is defined by specific zip codes related to an MSA. The CBA may be concurrent with, larger than or smaller than the related MSA, depending on a variety of considerations, for example, the exclusion of low population-density areas within an MSA or the inclusion of areas outside of an MSA that are part of a normal service area for suppliers in that MSA. The CBA will be the area wherein only contract suppliers may furnish certain Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics, and Supplies (DMEPOS) items to beneficiaries unless an exception is permitted by regulations.

MSAs for Round 1 Rebid

The Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act of 2008 (MIPPA) designated the MSAs for the Round 1 Rebid of the competitive bidding program. Please note that these are the MSAs that were selected for the initial Round 1 in 2007 except for Puerto Rico, which is excluded from the Round 1 Rebid.

The Round 1 Rebid will occur in the following MSAs:

- Cincinnati – Middletown (Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana)
- Cleveland – Elyria – Mentor (Ohio)
- Charlotte – Gastonia – Concord (North Carolina and South Carolina)

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- Dallas – Fort Worth – Arlington (Texas)
- Kansas City (Missouri and Kansas)
- Miami – Fort Lauderdale – Pompano Beach (Florida)
- Orlando (Florida)
- Pittsburgh (Pennsylvania)
- Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario (California)

CBA's and Zip Codes for Round 1 Rebid

The zip codes included in each CBA are posted on the Competitive Bidding Implementation Contractor (CBIC) web site.

MSAs for Round 2

On January 8, 2008, CMS announced the MSAs for Round 2. MIPPA provides that the delayed Round 2 competition will occur in these MSAs in 2011. The MSAs for Round 2 are:

West

- Albuquerque, NM
- Bakersfield, CA
- Colorado Springs, CO
- Denver-Aurora, CO
- Fresno, CA
- Las Vegas-Paradise, NV
- Los Angeles-Long Beach-Santa Ana, CA
- Sacramento--Arden-Arcade--Roseville, CA
- Salt Lake City, UT
- San Diego-Carlsbad-San Marcos, CA
- San Francisco-Oakland-Fremont, CA
- San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara, CA
- Visalia-Porterville, CA

Midwest

- Akron, OH
- Chicago-Naperville-Joliet, IL-IN-WI
- Columbus, OH
- Dayton, OH
- Detroit-Warren-Livonia, MI
- Flint, MI
- Grand Rapids-Wyoming, MI

Huntington-Ashland, WV-KY-OH
Indianapolis-Carmel, IN
Milwaukee-Waukesha-West Allis, WI
Minneapolis-St. Paul-Bloomington, MN-WI
Omaha-Council Bluffs, NE-IA
Toledo, OH
Wichita, KS
Youngstown-Warren-Boardman, OH-PA

South

Asheville, NC
Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Marietta, GA
Augusta-Richmond County, GA-SC
Austin-Round Rock, TX
Baton Rouge, LA
Beaumont-Port Arthur, TX
Birmingham-Hoover, AL
Cape Coral-Fort Myers, FL
Charleston-North Charleston, SC
Chattanooga, TN-GA
Columbia, SC
Deltona-Daytona Beach-Ormond Beach, FL
El Paso, TX
Greensboro-High Point, NC
Greenville-Mauldin-Easley, SC
Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown, TX
Jackson, MS
Jacksonville, FL
Knoxville, TN
Lakeland, FL
Little Rock-North Little Rock-Conway, AR
Louisville/Jefferson County, KY-IN
McAllen-Edinburg-Mission, TX
Memphis, TN-MS-AR
Nashville-Davidson--Murfreesboro--Franklin, TN
New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner, LA
Ocala, FL
Oklahoma City, OK
Palm Bay-Melbourne-Titusville, FL
Raleigh-Cary, NC
Richmond, VA
San Antonio, TX
Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL
Tulsa, OK
Virginia Beach-Norfolk-Newport News, VA-NC

Northeast

Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton, PA-NJ
Bridgeport-Stamford-Norwalk, CT
Hartford-West Hartford-East Hartford, CT
New Haven-Milford, CT
New York-Northern New Jersey-Long Island, NY-NJ-PA
Scranton--Wilkes-Barre, PA
Syracuse, NY

Senate Health Care Reform bill Competitive Bidding Expansion

Sec. 6410. Adjustments to the Medicare durable medical equipment, prosthetics, orthotics, and supplies competitive acquisition program. Requires the Secretary to expand the number of areas to be included in round two of the competitive bidding program from 79 of the largest metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs) to 100 of the largest MSAs, and to use competitively bid prices in all areas by 2016.

CMS released the list of the additional 21 MSAs that will be added to Round Two in the CY 2011 Physician Fee Schedule proposed rule, which was issued on June 25, 2010. The additional MSAs that will be added are as follows:

Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington, PA-NJ-DE-MD
Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV
Boston-Cambridge-Quincy, MA-NH
Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale, AZ
Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, WA
St. Louis, MO-IL
Baltimore, MD
Portland-Vancouver-Beaverton, OR
Providence-New Bedford-Fall River, RI-MA
Buffalo-Niagara Falls, NY
Rochester, NY
Tucson, AZ
Honolulu, HI
Albany-Schenectady-Troy, NY
Oxnard-Thousand Oaks-Ventura, CA
Worcester, MA
Springfield, MA
Sarasota-Bradenton-Venice, FL
Stockton, CA
Poughkeepsie-Newburgh-Middletown, NY
Boise City, ID