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Antitrust Guidance (PDF, PDF - 95 KB)	08/16/2012
The antitrust laws protect competition and prohibit collusion. Price fixing, bid rigging, and other forms of collusion, including agreements to allocate customers or divide markets, are illegal.	
Billing Procedures for Upgrades	04/09/2013
Medicare payment for upgrades will be based upon the payment amount applicable to the item in the area in which the beneficiary resides...	
Change of Ownership (PDF, PDF - 122 KB)	01/24/2014
A DMEPOS supplier participating in the competitive bidding program that is negotiating a change of ownership (CHOW) must notify CMS 60 days before the anticipated date of the change.	
Common Ownership and Control (PDF, PDF - 166 KB)	08/16/2012
Suppliers are prohibited from competing against themselves when submitting bids in the DMEPOS Competitive Bidding Program. Therefore, suppliers that are commonly owned or commonly controlled must submit one bid for the same product category in the same CBA.	
Competitive Bidding Areas (CBAs) (PDF, PDF - 98 KB)	04/17/2012
Fact sheet about the nine CBAs included in the Round 1 Recompete.	
Contract Supplier Obligations (PDF, PDF - 98 KB)	03/19/2014
Contract suppliers are responsible for fulfilling all terms of their contracts, starting on the very first day of the contract period, for the duration of the contract period. Here are key contract terms with which contract suppliers must comply throughout the contract period.	

 Covered Document Review Date (PDF, PDF - 125 KB)	08/16/2012
Information about the process that allows bidders to be notified of missing financial documents.	
DMEPOS Quality Standards 	03/15/2016
Medicare enrolled DMEPOS suppliers, including DMEPOS Competitive Bidding Program contract suppliers, must meet the DMEPOS quality standards.	
 Eligibility Requirements (PDF, PDF - 161 KB)	08/16/2012
A supplier must meet certain eligibility requirements before it can submit a bid and be awarded a contract under the DMEPOS Competitive Bidding Program.	
 Enteral Nutrition (PDF, PDF - 114 KB)	08/09/2012
With the exception of SNFs and NFs that become specialty suppliers, suppliers that are contract suppliers for the enteral nutrition product category must furnish services to beneficiaries throughout the competitive bidding area (CBA), regardless of whether a beneficiary lives in a private residence or institutional setting.	
 Exemptions from the Requirement to Be a Contract Supplier for Competitively Bid Items and Services (PDF, PDF - 131 KB)	08/16/2012
Non-contract suppliers that furnish competitively bid items in a CBA are not eligible for Medicare Part B payment for the competitively bid items for that CBA unless one or more of the exceptions listed applies.	
 Grandfathering for Oxygen and Oxygen Equipment (PDF, PDF - 106 KB)	08/16/2012
Suppliers that are not awarded a competitive bidding contract for furnishing oxygen and oxygen equipment in a CBA can decide to be grandfathered suppliers for beneficiaries to whom they are furnishing these items at the time the competitive bidding program is implemented.	
 Grandfathering for Rented DME (PDF, PDF - 97 KB)	08/16/2012
Suppliers that are not awarded a competitive bidding contract for furnishing rented DME in a CBA can decide to be grandfathered suppliers for beneficiaries to whom they are furnishing these items at the time the competitive bidding program is implemented.	
Grandfathering Requirements for Non-Contract Suppliers Fact Sheet 	11/12/2013
Suppliers that are not awarded a competitive bidding contract for furnishing rented DME and/or oxygen and oxygen equipment in a CBA can decide to be grandfathered suppliers for beneficiaries to whom they are furnishing these items at the time the competitive bidding program is implemented.	
Hospitals That Are Not Contract Suppliers 	04/25/2016
For the first phase of competitive bidding, one exception allows hospitals to furnish competitively bid walkers in a CBA to their own patients without submitting a bid and being selected as a contract supplier.	
 Items and Services (PDF, PDF - 98 KB)	04/17/2012
Fact sheet about the six categories of competitively bid items and services included in the Round 1 Recompete.	

 Licensure for Bidding Suppliers (PDF, PDF - 94 KB) Suppliers submitting a bid for a product category in a competitive bidding area (CBA) must meet all DMEPOS state licensure requirements and other applicable state licensure requirements, if any, for that product category for every state in that CBA...	04/17/2012
 Licensure for Contract Suppliers (PDF, PDF - 102 KB) As a contract supplier for the Medicare DMEPOS Competitive Bidding Program, you must comply with all applicable state and local laws. This includes maintaining compliance with all applicable state and local licensing requirements pertaining to functions under your contract throughout the duration of the contract period.	10/01/2013
Physicians and Other Treating Practitioners Who Are Enrolled as Medicare DMEPOS Suppliers  Physicians and other treating practitioners who are enrolled as Medicare DMEPOS suppliers may furnish certain competitively bid items in a CBA to their own patients without submitting a bid and being selected as a contract supplier if specific requirements are met.	04/25/2016
 Prescription for Specific Brand or Mode of Delivery to Avoid an Adverse Medical Outcome (PDF, PDF - 112 KB) The Medicare DMEPOS Competitive Bidding Program includes a special beneficiary safeguard to ensure that beneficiaries have access to specific brands or modes of delivery of competitively bid items when needed to avoid an adverse medical outcome.	08/16/2012
Repairs and Replacements  This fact sheet contains important information about repairs and replacements of beneficiary-owned equipment under the DMEPOS Competitive Bidding Program.	01/01/2018
 Required Financial Documents (PDF, PDF - 202 KB) Detailed instructions about how to submit the required hardcopy financial documents.	08/16/2012
 Requirement to Submit a Bona Fide Bid (PDF, PDF - 389 KB) The DMEPOS Competitive Bidding Program regulations require that each bidder must submit a bona fide bid that complies with all the terms and conditions specified in the request for bids (RFB).	08/16/2012
 Review of Supplier Capacity and Expansion Plans (PDF, PDF - 103 KB) This fact sheet describes how CMS conducts its review of supplier capacity and expansion plans during the bid evaluation process.	08/16/2012
 Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNFs) and Nursing Facilities (NFs) (PDF, PDF - 111 KB) Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNFs) and Nursing Facilities (NFs) are subject to the Medicare DMEPOS Competitive Bidding Program to the extent that competitively bid items and services are furnished to their residents under Medicare Part B.	08/16/2012

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