



MEDICARE-MEDICAID COORDINATION OFFICE

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TO: California Applicable Integrated Plan (AIP) D-SNPs

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SUBJECT: California AIP D-SNPs: Release of Final Contract Year 2026 Model Materials

Accompanying this memorandum are model materials for Contract Year (CY) 2026 developed jointly by CMS and California for applicable integrated plan (AIP) D-SNPs operating in California. California AIP D-SNPs may only use these CY 2026 models for CY 2026 as directed by CMS and the state.

We are issuing the following integrated D-SNP model materials on behalf of the states as outlined in their State Medicaid Agency Contracts:

- **Annual Notice of Change (ANOC):** The ANOC must be received by current enrollees by September 30, 2025, and posted on plan websites by October 15, 2025.
- **Member Handbook/Evidence of Coverage (EOC) - Chapters 1-12:** The Member Handbook (or a separate notice to alert enrollees how to access or receive the Member Handbook) must be received by current enrollees by October 15, 2025, and posted on plan websites by October 15, 2025.
- **Summary of Benefits (SB):** The SB must be available by October 15, 2025, but can be released as early as October 1, 2025, and posted on plan websites by October 15, 2025.
- **Provider and Pharmacy Directory:** The directory (or a separate notice to alert enrollees how to access or receive the directory) must be received by current enrollees no later than October 15, 2025. The directory must be available to current and prospective enrollees and posted on plan websites by October 15, 2025.
- **List of Covered Drugs (Formulary):** The formulary (or a separate notice to alert enrollees how to access or receive the formulary) must be received by current enrollees no later than October 15, 2025, and available to current and prospective enrollees and posted on plan websites by October 15, 2025.

- **Member ID Card**

This memorandum and the attached models will also be posted to the Medicare-Medicaid Coordination Office's "D-SNPs: Integration & Unified Appeals & Grievance Requirements" webpage at <https://www.cms.gov/medicaid-chip/medicare-coordination/qualified-beneficiary-program/d-snps-integration-unified-appeals-grievance-requirements> grouped alphabetically by state under the "Model Materials" heading.

For the remainder of the required materials described at 45 CFR § 422.2267(e), California AIP D-SNPs should follow the regulatory guidance outlined in this section as well as any guidance provided by the state in the State Medicaid Agency Contract.

We encourage all plans to work closely with their CMS and state marketing reviewers to ensure timely submission and approval of all required CY 2026 materials, as well as timely and complete entry of Actual Mail Dates for ANOCs. If you have any questions about the contents of this memorandum, please contact the Medicare-Medicaid Coordination Office at MMCO_DSNPOperations@cms.hhs.gov.