

Competitive Bidding Areas (CBAs)

The Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act of 2008 (MIPPA) requires that the Round 1 Rebid be conducted in the same areas as the Round 1 competition, excluding Puerto Rico. Therefore, the Round 1 Rebid will occur in the following nine Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs):

- Cincinnati – Middletown (Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana)
- Cleveland – Elyria – Mentor (Ohio)
- Charlotte – Gastonia – Concord (North Carolina and South Carolina)
- Dallas – Fort Worth – Arlington (Texas)
- Kansas City (Missouri and Kansas)
- Miami – Fort Lauderdale – Pompano Beach (Florida)
- Orlando – Kissimmee (Florida)
- Pittsburgh (Pennsylvania)
- Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario (California)

It is important to note that in the Round 1 competition, competitive bidding areas (CBAs) within these MSAs were identified by counties and ZIP codes in order to identify the boundary of each CBA clearly. Therefore, we will conduct the Round 1 Rebid for essentially the same ZIP codes that were bid in Round 1. This is necessary to comply with the competitive bidding final rule published on April 10, 2007 (72 FR 17992) and MIPPA's mandate to conduct the Round 1 Rebid Competitive Bidding Program in the same areas as the prior competition.

We anticipated, however, that certain ZIP codes could have changed since the first competition. As a result, we have reviewed the ZIP code changes made since 2007 and incorporated applicable updates to these ZIP codes. For example, if a ZIP code was split into two new ZIP codes, we have included both new ZIP codes in the CBA. Also, if a ZIP code was deleted from an area, we have removed that ZIP code from the CBA. We have not added any new ZIP codes that expanded the geographic area of the CBAs.

Lists of the Round 1 Rebid ZIP codes are available on the Competitive Bidding Implementation Contractor website, dmecompetitivebid.com, under Contract Suppliers > Competitive Bidding Areas.