



## CMS Medicare Diabetes Prevention Program (MDPP) Interim Preliminary Recognition Process

CMS established a Medicare Diabetes Prevention Program (MDPP) Interim Preliminary Recognition standard to permit DPP organizations who meet this standard to enroll in Medicare even if they do not have full Centers for Disease Prevention and Control (CDC) recognition. This policy bridges the gap until any CDC preliminary recognition standards are established following the expected publication of CDC's Diabetes Prevention Recognition Program (DPRP) Standards in 2018. The MDPP interim preliminary recognition application period, outlined at 42 CFR 424.205(c)(2)(i), stipulates that, "entities may apply to CDC for CMS' MDPP interim preliminary recognition by submitting information at the time and in the form and manner specified by CMS." Here, CMS is describing the process for the application period, the manner in which an entity would submit information to the CDC in order to obtain MDPP Interim Preliminary Recognition, and the transition to any preliminary recognition established by CDC's for purposes of the DPRP Standards:

- **Application period:** CMS will begin issuing MDPP Interim Preliminary Recognition to organizations who meet the criteria established at 42 CFR 424.205(c)(2), which includes CDC pending recognition, after January 1, 2018, and will continue to issue MDPP Interim Preliminary Recognition until the date when CDC's 2018 DPRP standards take effect, which are expected to include a CDC preliminary recognition standard.
- **Form and manner an organization would submit information:** To determine whether or not an organization with CDC pending recognition meets the MDPP Interim Preliminary Recognition standards, CMS will assess existing performance data already submitted as part of CDC recognition; these performance data will be used to demonstrate whether or not an organization successfully met the standards for MDPP Interim Preliminary Recognition. Organizations do not need submit additional data beyond what they already provide to CDC as part of the DPRP [process].
- **Obtaining MDPP Interim Preliminary Recognition:** CMS will notify organizations (via email from [mdpp@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:mdpp@cms.hhs.gov)) that meet this recognition status on a rolling basis starting after January 1, 2018, and will continue to notify organizations that meet this standard until the date when CDC begins issuing preliminary recognition status under its updated 2018 DPRP standards.
- **Transition to CDC Standards:** After the updated CDC 2018 DPRP standards go into effect, CMS will stop issuing MDPP Interim Preliminary Recognition if the CDC preliminary recognition standard is finalized. If the requirements for MDPP Interim Preliminary Recognition and the finalized CDC preliminary recognition are the same, any organization that received MDPP Interim Preliminary Recognition would automatically qualify as having CDC preliminary recognition. Organizations that have MDPP Interim Preliminary Recognition would not have to take any action to apply for CDC Preliminary Recognition. In the event the CDC Preliminary Recognition standard differs, CMS will release additional guidance on the transition to CDC standards. Organizations that obtain preliminary recognition established by CDC for the purposes of DPRP will be considered to have MDPP Interim Preliminary Recognition (per 42 CFR 424.205(c)(1)) and therefore meet the condition for enrollment as an MDPP supplier at 42 CFR 424.205(b)(1).

For any additional questions on the MDPP expanded model and the final rules establishing the policies for the model, please visit our website <https://go.cms.gov/mdpp>