

## 42 C.F.R. § 417.911

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### Definitions.

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As used in this subpart—

*Any 12-month period* means the 12-month period beginning on the first day of any month.

*Expansion of services* means—

- (1) The addition of any health service not previously provided by or through the HMO, that requires an increase in the facilities, equipment, or health professionals of the HMO; or
- (2) The improvement or upgrading of existing facilities or equipment, or an increase in the number of categories of health professionals, of the HMO so that the HMO could provide directly services that it previously provided through contract or referral or which it could not previously provide with its existing facilities or equipment.

*First 60 months of operation or expansion* means the 60-month period beginning on the first day of the month during which the HMO first provided services to enrollees, or in the case of significant expansion, first provided services in accordance with its expansion plan.

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