

42 C.F.R. § 421.100

Intermediary functions.

An agreement between CMS and an intermediary specifies the functions to be performed by the intermediary.

(a) *Mandatory functions.* The contract must include the following functions:

- (1) Determining the amount of payments to be made to providers for covered services furnished to Medicare beneficiaries.
- (2) Making the payments.

(b) *Additional functions.* The contract may include any or all of the following functions:

- (1) Any or all of the program integrity functions described in § 421.304, provided the intermediary is continuing those functions under an agreement entered into under section 1816 of the Act that was in effect on August 21, 1996, and they do not duplicate work being performed under a Medicare integrity program contract.

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