

42 C.F.R. § 421.404

Assignment of providers and suppliers to MACs.

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this section—

Chain provider means a group of two or more providers under common ownership or control.

Common control exists when an individual, a group of individuals, or an organization has the power, directly or indirectly, to significantly influence or direct the actions or policies of the group of suppliers or eligible providers.

Common ownership exists when an individual, a group of individuals, or an organization possesses significant equity in the group of suppliers or eligible providers.

Durable medical equipment, prosthetics, orthotics, and supplies (DMEPOS) means the types of services specified in § 421.210(b).

Eligible provider means a hospital, skilled nursing facility, or critical access hospital that meets the definition of a provider under § 400.202 of this chapter.

Home office means the entity that provides centralized management and administrative services to the individual providers or suppliers under common ownership and common control, such as centralized accounting, purchasing, personnel services, management direction and control, and other similar services.

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