

42 C.F.R. § 422.501

Application requirements.

- (a) *Scope.* This section sets forth application requirements for entities that seek a contract as an MA organization offering an MA plan and additional application requirements for MA organizations seeking to offer a Specialized MA Plan for Special Needs Individuals.
- (b) *Completion of a notice of intent to apply.* (1) An organization submitting an application under this section for a particular contract year must first submit a completed Notice of Intent to Apply by the date established by CMS. CMS will not accept applications from organizations that do not first submit a timely Notice of Intent to Apply.
- (2) Submitting a Notice of Intent to Apply does not bind that organization to submit an application for the applicable contract year.
- (3) An organization's decision not to submit an application after submitting a Notice of Intent To Apply will not form the basis of any action taken against the organization by CMS.

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