

## 42 C.F.R. § 438.52

## Choice of MCOs, PIHPs, PAHPs, PCCMs, and PCCM entities.

- (a) *General rule.* Except as specified in paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section, a State that requires Medicaid beneficiaries to:
- (1) Enroll in an MCO, PIHP, or PAHP, must give those beneficiaries a choice of at least two MCOs, PIHPs, or PAHPs.
- (2) Enroll in a primary care case management system, must give those beneficiaries a choice from at least two primary care case managers employed or contracted with the State.
- (3) Enroll in a PCCM entity, may limit a beneficiary to a single PCCM entity. Beneficiaries must be permitted to choose from at least two primary care case managers employed by or contracted with the PCCM entity.
  - (b) Exception for rural area residents. (1) Under any managed care program authorized by any of the following, and subject to the requirements of paragraph (b)(2) of this section, a State may limit a rural area resident to a single MCO, PIHP, or PAHP:

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