

Spotlight: New Summary of Benefits Model Document for Plans Integrating Medicare and Medicaid

Earlier this month, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) released an integrated [Summary of Benefits \(SB\) model document](#) that was developed in collaboration with the state of Minnesota for its demonstration program to integrate care for dually eligible individuals.

The model blends the consumer-friendly SB document used by Medicare-Medicaid Plans in the Financial Alignment Initiative demonstrations with the SB requirements for D-SNPs and other Medicare Advantage plans.

CMS recently issued the [2018 Medicare Marketing Guidelines](#), which include instructions for SB documents in Appendix 4 (pp. 109-112).

The model document can be used by other states and their D-SNPs to develop SB documents that better integrate Medicare and Medicaid benefits information for enrollees. State and plan-specific adjustments can be made to the descriptions of benefits and cost sharing to make the SB document accurately reflect the benefits offered by a specific integrated D-SNP.

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