



# How to Submit a Notice of Intent to Apply in ACO-MS

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#### **OVERVIEW**

ACOs must submit a Notice of Intent to Apply (NOIA) to participate in the Medicare Shared Savings Program (Shared Savings Program). If your ACO does not submit a NOIA before the deadline, it **cannot** apply to the Shared Savings Program for the upcoming performance year.

- Each ACO can only submit only one NOIA.
- ACOs must submit the NOIA through the <u>ACO Management System (ACO-MS)</u>. CMS does not accept NOIAs submitted via email or mail.

# **COMPLETING AN INITIAL NOIA**

- 1 Go to ACO-MS and select "Submit your Notice of Intent to Apply (NOIA)"
- 2 Enter your ACO legal entity information including the following:
  - ACO taxpayer identification number (TIN),
  - ACO full legal entity name,
  - Trade name/doing business as name (DBA) (optional), and
  - ACO address
- 3 Enter the contact information for your ACO's
  - ACO Executive,
  - Application Contact (primary), and
  - Application Contact (secondary) (optional)
- 4 Review and submit

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#### **Tip for Success**

Confirm that the information entered is accurate. Verify the TIN is correct and the legal entity name matches legal documentation.

## Renewing ACOs

Currently participating ACOs with an agreement period end date of December 31, 2022 can navigate to the Agreement Details subtab in ACO-MS and select

"Renew NOIA" to submit a NOIA for a new agreement period

#### **Currently Participating ACOs**

You do not need to submit a NOIA to stay in your current ACO Participation Agreement.

Only submit an Early Renewal NOIA if your ACO intends to submit an application as an Early Renewal Applicant for a new agreement period.

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# **NEXT STEPS**

Each ACO will receive a confirmation email upon the approval of its NOIA. The approval email for initial and re-entering applicants will include information on how to obtain a user ID for logging into ACO-MS. Please reference the <u>ACO-MS: Initial Access Information</u> tip sheet for help setting up an ACO-MS account.

## **RESOURCES**

RESOURCE	DESCRIPTION
Program Statutes & Regulations webpage	Shared Savings Program regulations
Application Types & Timeline webpage	Key application cycle deadlines and additional resources to help complete the application
Application Toolkit webpage	Materials to help applicants complete the application(s); the toolkit serves as a reference page for quick access to the Application Reference Manual and guidance documents

## **Questions?**

If you have any questions about ACO-MS or require technical assistance, click the ACO-MS Helpdesk icon (located within the ACO-MS banner) or call 1-888-734-6433 (select Option 1) or TTY/TDD 1-888-734-6563.

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