

Medicare Part D and C – Update



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Dental Practice Management Bulletin, *Medicare Part D Prescription Changes Effective January 1, 2019* (March 2017), outlined the requirements for compliance with Medicare Part D and C for providers. Following extensive advocacy efforts from the American Dental Association, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) has announced a proposed rule rescinding specific Medicare Part D and C requirements for providers.

finalized in 2018. Here are the things you need to know about the proposed Medicare changes:

- Dentists do not need to enroll in or opt out of Medicare to continue providing dental care and prescriptions for Part C (Medicare Advantage plans) and Part D drug plan beneficiaries.
- Dentists do not need to enroll in Medicare to provide supplemental services to patients enrolled in Medicare Advantage plans.

CMS has not rescinded the two-year opt-out period. Dentists who have opted out of Medicare cannot accept Medicare Part B or Medicare Advantage plan service payments.

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