

10.1 - Introduction

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This chapter deals with Part D sponsor requirements with regard to Part D benefits and a number of beneficiary protections for Part D enrollees, including:

- The establishment of prescription drug plan (PDP) service areas;
- Access standards with regard to covered Part D drugs;
- Disclosure to beneficiaries of pricing information for generic versions of covered Part D drugs; and
- Privacy, confidentiality, and accuracy of PDP sponsors' enrollee records.

Except where specifically noted, these requirements apply to all Part D sponsors, including PDPs, MA-PD plans, and cost plans offering Part D coverage. Other requirements related to beneficiary protections are contained in other chapters of the Prescription Drug Benefit Manual, which can be accessed at:

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