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Clarification
Guidance Statement: Specialty Plans

Pursuant to section 409.966 (3)(b), F.S., the Agency for Health Care Administration may not select plans in the same region for the same managed care program that have a business relationship with each other.

Q: Can a managed care plan that operates as a Specialty Plan under the Statewide Medicaid Managed Care program also operate a Managed Medical Assistance plan within the same region?

A: Yes, managed care plans that are awarded a bid and contract with the Agency under the Statewide Medicaid Managed Care program as a Medical Assistance plan in a particular region may also be awarded a bid and contract with the Agency to participate as a Specialty plan in the same region.

Q: Can a managed care plan that operates as a Specialty Plan under the Statewide Medicaid Managed Care program also operate a Long-term Care plan within the same region?

A: Yes, managed care plans that are awarded a bid and contract with the Agency under the Statewide Medicaid Managed Care program as a Long-term Care plan in a particular region may also be awarded a bid and contract with the Agency to participate as a Specialty plan in the same region.

Q: If a managed care plan is awarded a bid and contracts with the Agency as a Specialty plan under the Statewide Medicaid Managed Care program would the plan be allowed to subcontract to provide particular services with another managed care plan in the same region?

A: Yes, a managed care plan contracted with the Agency as a Specialty plan under the Statewide Medicaid Managed Care program may subcontract to provide particular services with another managed care plan in the same region, provided the relationship cannot be deemed a joint venture.

Q: Can a managed care plan bid on and be awarded contracts for two different types of Specialty plans in the same region?

A: No.

For more information about the Statewide Medicaid Managed Care program, visit
http://ahca.myflorida.com/Medicaid/statewide_mc/index.shtml.

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