## Purpose
This Policy Alert notifies contractors of two programs that impact the CACFP-ADC. These programs include:
- STAR+PLUS; and
- Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Medical Adult Day Care Facility Demonstration Program

## Implementation
Immediately

## Background
### STAR+PLUS
STAR+PLUS is a Texas Medicaid managed care program. Participants of STAR+PLUS receive Medicaid services through Health Management Organizations (HMO). On January 1, 2007, adult day care centers began contracting with HMOs to obtain their Medicaid (i.e., Title XIX) funds for services provided to STAR+PLUS participants.

### CMS Medical Adult Day Care Facility Demonstration Program
CMS launched a three-year pilot project that was implemented in July 2005 titled “Medical Adult Day Care Facility Demonstration Program” referred to hereafter as the “Demonstration Program.” The Demonstration Program encourages home health agencies to partner with medical adult day care centers to provide services to Medicare beneficiaries as a substitute for a portion of home health services that would otherwise be provided in the home.

The only Texas-based home health agency participating in the Demonstration Program is Doctor’s Care Home Health located in McAllen, Texas, which was awarded funds to serve 2,000 clients in the area.

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This Policy Remains in Effect Until Further Notice
Procedure

**STAR+PLUS**

STAR+PLUS participants are Title XIX clients and have full Medicaid coverage; therefore, when participants complete Form H1652, Application for Meals in Adult Day Care Centers, they must provide their Medicaid case number. STAR+PLUS participants are automatically eligible for free meals.

For-profit centers will include STAR+PLUS participants receiving Title XIX benefits in their monthly determination of the 25% criteria using Form H4535, *Title XIX/XX Certification – Adult Day Care Centers*, as long as the participant was enrolled in the center for at least one day during the claim month.

The Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services (DADS) will not automatically terminate Day Activity and Health Services (DAHS) contracts for those contractors participating in the STAR+PLUS Program.

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**Demonstration Program**

Demonstration Program participants:

- May be:
  - Medicare recipients only;
  - Medicare recipients and receiving Title XIX benefits; or
  - Medicare recipients and receiving Title XX benefits.
- Must meet all of the same enrollment and eligibility requirements as other CACFP adult day care enrollees to participate in the CACFP.
- Are not automatically eligible for free or reduced-price meals.

For-profit centers will include those Demonstration Program participants receiving Title XIX or XX benefits in their monthly determination of the 25% criteria using Form H4535 as long as the participant was enrolled in the center for at least one day during the claim month.

Contact

If you have any questions please contact your Area Program Office.