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In order to assist in the procurement of business associate agreements (BAA) related to the Hospice Notice of Election (NOE) Pilot and future implementation, this email provides guidance in the use of the standard Part D Transaction Facilitator BAA.

CMS appreciates hospice entities that will be participating in the Hospice NOE pilot. For those participating entities, the Part D Transaction Facilitator will be providing reports on the status of the hospice's transactions.

As part of the participation requirement all entities will need to have a BAA in place with the CMS-contracted Part D Transaction Facilitator.

The Part D transaction Facilitator will provide a BAA to be executed by Hospice providers. CMS strongly encourages all parties to sign the CMS-approved standard language business associate agreement without modification unless there is a State rule or regulation requiring the modification. The standard language agreement was created to facilitate the process and minimize the costs associated with executing the agreement for both Hospice providers and the Part D transaction Facilitator.