

# Unified Program Integrity Contractors (UPIC)

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) has awarded contracts on a potential ten-year, to seven companies for its Unified Program Integrity Contract (UPIC). Under this contract, the UPICs shall perform numerous functions to detect, prevent, and deter specific risks and broader vulnerabilities to the integrity of the Medicare and Medicaid programs. They will also coordinate activities with CMS and other agencies at the federal, state, and local government levels, as well as with other CMS partners and contractors.

CMS established the UPIC program to consolidate the work carried out by

- Zone Program Integrity Contractors (ZPICs)
- Program Safeguard Contractors (PSCs)
- Medicare-Medicaid Data Match (Medi-Medi) programs
- Medicaid Integrity Contractors (MICs)

The UPIC will combine and integrate these existing functions into a single contractor in a defined geographic area (UPIC Jurisdiction) performing Medicare and Medicaid program integrity work on behalf of CMS.

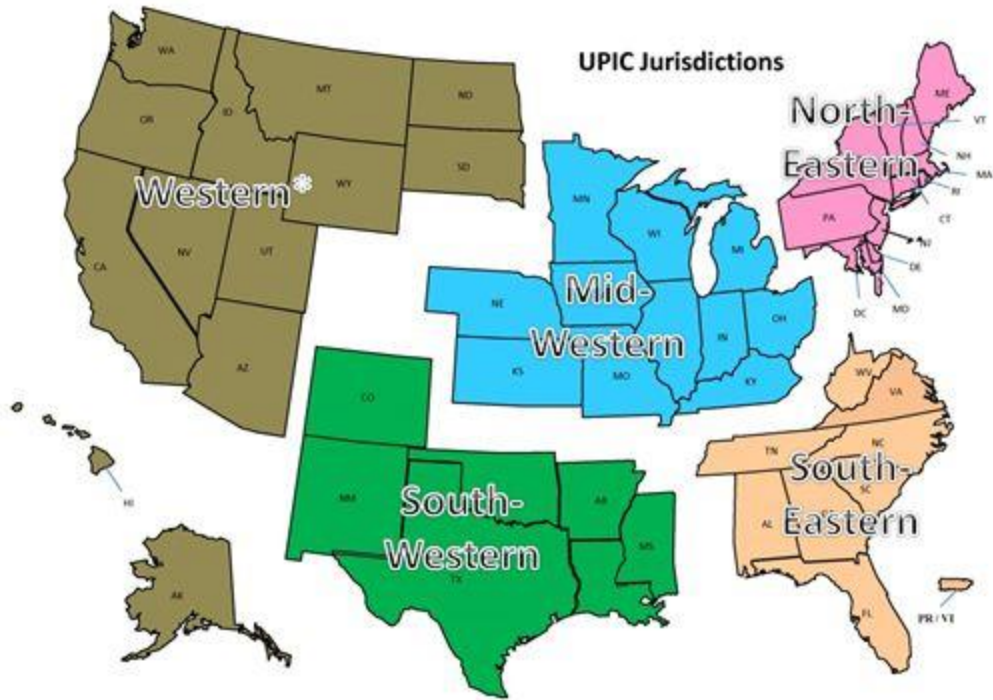
## Updates

- **CMS Announces Region 1 Unified Program Integrity Contractor...** CMS has awarded the first Unified Program Integrity Contractor jurisdiction, Midwestern, to AdvanceMed, a wholly owned subsidiary of NCI, Inc. The UPIC statement of work combines and integrates the functions of the former Zone Program Integrity Contractor, Program Safeguard Contractor and Medicaid Integrity Contractor contracts into a single contract. UPIC Midwestern Jurisdiction is scheduled to be fully operational on **October 20, 2016**.

## Contract awardees include:

Contractor	Jurisdiction	States	Operational Date
AdvanceMed, Reston, Virginia	1 Midwest	IA, IN, KS, KY, MI, MN, MO, OH, NE, WI	10/20/16

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Health Integrity, Easton, Maryland	TBD		
IntegriGuard dba HMS Federal, Omaha, Nebraska	TBD		
Noridian Healthcare Solutions, Fargo, North Dakota	TBD		
Safeguard Services, Plano, Texas	TBD		
StrategicHealthSolutions, Omaha	TBD		
TriCenturion, Columbia, South	TBD		



\*Other territories of the Western Jurisdiction to include American Samoa, Northern Marianas Islands and Guam