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To: Congressional Health Staff

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Re: New and Easier to Use Version of Medicare.gov

Today, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) posted a new and easier to use version of www.medicare.gov, the Medicare consumer-focused Web site. The updated Web site is part of the steps Medicare is taking to make using www.medicare.gov easier for seniors and people who care for them to find the information they need about Medicare. The improved Web site provides users with a summary of Medicare benefits, coverage options, rights and protections, and answers to the most frequently asked questions about Medicare.

The updated Web site reflects new design principles and concepts and was focus tested with the most frequent users of www.medicare.gov which include seniors, caregivers and operators at Medicare's helpline, 1-800-MEDICARE. The new design gives Medicare more flexibility to quickly update information that is important to users, especially people with Medicare and family members who care for them.

Take a tour of the new online face of Medicare by clicking on www.medicare.gov.

If you have any questions about this announcement, please contact the CMS Office of Legislation. Thank you.