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## **CENTER FOR BENEFICIARY CHOICES**

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### **MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** November 3, 2006

**TO:** Medicare Advantage Medical Savings Account Organizations

**FROM:** Abby L. Block /s/  
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**SUBJECT:** Enrollment and Payment Processes for Medicare Advantage Medical Savings Accounts

#### Enrollment

Medicare Advantage (MA) Medical Savings Account (MSA) organizations will process their enrollments and disenrollments through the Medicare Advantage Prescription Drug System (MARx). MARx maintains the membership data for all Medicare Advantage and prescription drug plans. The enrollments and disenrollments are submitted electronically in a required format. Information regarding this process is contained in the Plan Communications Users Guide and Appendices found on <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/medicaremangcaresys/>.

MARx will process your enrollments and provide the results of this processing on transaction reply reports. MARx will also provide a monthly membership report that can be used to reconcile your member records.

#### Payment

MSA plan payments for 2007 will not be paid from MARx; therefore, the Monthly Membership Reports (MMRs) generated by MARx will show zero dollar amounts. The transaction reply report and the MMR formats are also contained in the appendices of the Plan Communications Users Guide.

For 2007, CMS is developing an alternative MSA plan payment system for making the annual lump sum deposit payment and the monthly prospective plan payments. You will receive your monthly payments at the same time as the other MA plans. Further guidance on the payment system and reports is forthcoming.

If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact Yolanda Robinson at [Yolanda.Robinson@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:Yolanda.Robinson@cms.hhs.gov) or (410) 786-7627.