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TO: Current and Future Medicare Advantage Organizations, Part D Sponsors, and Medicare-Medicaid Plans

FROM: Danielle R. Moon, J.D., M.P.A., Director, Medicare Drug & Health Plan Contract Administration Group

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RE: Industry Training Teleconference Calls for 2014 Part C, Part D, Employer/Union-Only Group Waiver Plan (EGWP), Special Needs Plan, and Medicare-Medicaid Plan Applications

**JOIN THE CMS APPLICATION TRAININGS
Overview of Applications and Submission Processes**

Date & Time	Topic	Details
Wednesday, January 9, 2013 3:30-5:00 PM (Eastern)	Training for the MA, MA-PD, PDP, EGWP Applications and SNP Proposals	Medicare Part C and D User Group teleconference call – You must register to participate (see Technical Information)
Wednesday, January 16, 2013 3:30-5:00 PM (Eastern)	Continuation of training and Questions & Answers for the MA, MA-PD, PDP, EGWP Applications and SNP Proposals	Medicare Part C and D User Group teleconference call – You must register to participate (see Technical Information)
Thursday, January 17, 2013 1:00-4:00 PM (Eastern)	Training for the Medicare-Medicaid Plan Applications	CMS will conduct a webinar with details forthcoming

Goal

The goal of these broadcasts are to provide Health Plans, Drug Sponsors, Employers and Unions, Special Needs Plan and other potential applicants with an overview of the upcoming application and submission process, highlighting changes and/or revisions from last year's cycle, including:

- Overview of the Medicare Part C application requirements and process for the 2014 contract year for Coordinated Care Plans (CCP), Private Fee-For-Service (PFFS), Service Area Expansions (SAE), and Medical Savings Accounts (MSA).
- Overview of the Medicare Part D application process for the 2014 contract year.
- Overview of the EGWP application process for the 2014 contract year.
- Overview of the SNP proposal process.
- Overview of the MMP application process.

Target Audience

New and existing health plans, employers, unions, Part D sponsors, those sponsors adding or expanding a Special Needs Plan, and other interested parties, including Medicare compliance officers and information technology staff seeking to submit Part C, Part D, EGWP, or MMP applications for the 2014 contract year should participate in this training.

Technical Information

Call-in information will be sent out prior to the meeting dates by Management Solutions Consulting Group, the CMS Part C&D User Call contractor for the January 9, 2013 and January 16, 2013 calls. To subscribe to the CMS Part C&D User Calls, potential applicants must register at www.msccginc.com/registration. NOTE: You will need your contract ID to register. Handouts for the conference calls will be distributed by MSCG prior to each teleconference, and will be available on the MSCG website. If you have any questions regarding the technical aspects of the Part C&D User Calls, please call Winsome Higgins (410) 786-1835.

Webinar information will be sent out prior to the January 17, 2013 call for the Medicare-Medicaid Plan applicants.

If you have any questions regarding the programmatic content, please call one of the following contacts:

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