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CMS Information for the Medicare Fee-For-Service Provider Community

CMS asks that you share the following important information with all of your association members and state and local chapters. Thank you!

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Attention Health Professionals: 2012 Annual Participation Enrollment Program Extension

CMS is anticipating Congressional action to avert the negative update for the 2012 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule. Therefore, CMS is extending the 2012 Annual Participation Enrollment Period through Tue Feb 14, 2012. The enrollment period now runs Mon Nov 14, 2011 through Tue Feb 14, 2012.

The effective date for any participation status change during the extension, however, remains Sun Jan 1, 2012, and will be in force for the entire year.

Contractors will accept and process any participation elections or withdrawals made during the extended enrollment period that are post-marked on or before Tue Feb 14, 2012.

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