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Subject: Plan Call on Recently Released Notices of Proposed Rulemaking

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services will host a plan call on Friday, December 7, 2018 at 1 pm EST to provide an overview on two recently-released Part C and D proposed rules: CMS-4185-P and CMS-4180-P.

CMS-4185-P was published on Thursday, November 1, 2018, and is available via this link: <https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2018-11-01/pdf/2018-23599.pdf>. This proposed rule entitled “Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Policy and Technical Changes to the Medicare Advantage, Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit, Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE), Medicaid Fee-For-Service, and Medicaid Managed Care Programs for Years 2020 and 2021”. The comment period for this regulation closes on December 31, 2018.

CMS-4180-P entitled: “Modernizing Part D and Medicare Advantage to Lower Drug Prices and Reduce Out-of-Pocket Expenses” was published in the Federal Register on Friday, November 30, 2018, and is available via this link: <https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2018-11-30/pdf/2018-25945.pdf>. This proposed rule would amend the Part C and D regulations to support health and drug plans’ negotiation for lower drug prices and reduce out-of-pocket costs for Part C and D enrollees. The comment period for this regulation closes on January 25, 2019.

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