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TO: Medicare Advantage Organizations
1876 Cost Plans
Demonstrations

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SUBJECT: Annual Notice of Change

Today we are releasing for comment the 2007 draft Annual Notice of Change (ANOC) for Medicare Advantage Organizations, Demonstrations and Medicare Cost plans. The draft ANOCs includes specific changes in Medicare and plan benefits, plan premiums and plan rules effective January 1, 2007. In particular, the revised draft ANOCs contains information specific to the Medicare Part D Benefit, Open Enrollment Period limitations and important information for beneficiaries receiving extra help.

Comments on the revised ANOCs must be received by CMS no later than 5:00 p.m. EST, Monday July 10, 2006. Comments must be submitted via e-mail to cms_marketing@cms.hhs.gov, with "CY 07 ANOC Comments" in the subject line of the email.

To assist CMS in the review of comments received, please utilize the attached comments template (in Microsoft Word).

Important Note: The email box will only be available to receive ANOC comments until July 10, 2006.

