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To: All Part D Plan Sponsors and MA Organizations

From: Abby L. Block, Director
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Subject: Conference Call on Monday, June 12th at 1:00 p.m. EDT to Discuss Transitioning Enrollment of Low Income Subsidy Beneficiaries

On Friday, June 8th, CMS released guidance concerning an alternative policy for determining the calculation of the Part D low-income benchmark premium amounts for 2007 and subsequent years.

Additional Time for Bid Modification. In the June 8th guidance, we noted that any organization that believes that the announced policy is inconsistent with the basis of their bid development may request to resubmit their bid and that this request must be received within 72 hours. To clarify, the deadline for submission of bid modification requests is Tuesday, June 13th at 11:59 p.m. EDT.

Conference Call on Monday, June 12th. A follow-up conference call will be held on Monday, June 12th at 1:00 p.m. EDT to discuss the new guidance and answer any outstanding questions that Part D sponsors might have.

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Further Information

If you have questions, please contact Meghan Elrington at (410) 786-8675.