

Summary of HPMS Releases
For the week ending December 1, 2006

Title: Revised – Posting of Draft 2008 Prescription Drug Plan Solicitations for Public Comment

Date: 11/17/06

Summary: We have posted draft 2008 Prescription Drug Plan solicitations for public comment. CMS welcomes comments from the public on all items set forth in these documents. Comments on these materials must be received via email at the indicated addresses no later than 5:00 PM EST, November 20, 2006.

Title: Final 2007 Model Evidence of Coverage (EOC) and related documents

Date: 11/20/06

Summary: This memo is to assist Organizations with the development and release of the Evidence of Coverage (EOC), and related documents (Low Income Subsidy (LIS) Rider, Model Premium Summary Sheet for Web site, LIS Model Termination Letters to the EOC, and EOC Checklists), CMS is issuing the 2007 model EOC documents for HMOs, Local and Regional PPOs, Private Fee-for-Service Plans, Medicare Cost Plans, and Prescription Drug Plans (PDPs).

Title: Final MA-PD and PDP Part D Audit Guides for Part D Program Audits

Date: 11/20/06

Summary: The Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is preparing to begin regularly scheduled desk and onsite program audits of Part D sponsors to assess their compliance with the Part D regulations found at 42 CFR 423 and other appropriate CMS standards.

Title: Coordination with Medicare Health Support Organizations

Date: 11/21/06

Summary: The Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003 established chronic care improvement organizations (now known as Medicare Health Support Organizations (“MHSO”)) under §1807 of the Social Security Act (“SSA”).

Title: Medicare Advantage Prescription Drug System (MARx) December Payment - INFORMATION

Date: 11/21/06

Summary: The correspondence provides information related to the plan's December payment and related MARx processing issues.

Title: 2007 Annual Enrollment Period (AEP) Processing Information

Date: 11/22/2006

Summary: The purpose of this letter is to focus on several key issues related to end-of-year enrollment processing.

Title: New Model Notice of Disenrollments Due to Re-Assignment to Another PDP Contract, and Updated Model Notices to Confirm Auto/Facilitated Enrollments

Date: 11/27/06

Summary: The purpose of this letter is to provide you with a new model disenrollment notice and updated model confirmation notices.

Title: Existing Contractor Adding or Changing a SNP for the 2008 Contract Year

Date: 11/27/06

Summary: This memo contains instructions on filing a Notice of Intent (NOI) for existing contractors seeking to make changes to, or adding, a new Special Needs Plan for 2008.

Title: Replacement for November 24, 2006 Guidance: New Model Notice for Disenrollments Due to Re-Assignment to Another PDP Contract, and Updated Model Notices to Confirm Auto/Facilitated Enrollments

Date: 11/29/06

Summary: The purpose of this letter is to provide you with a new model disenrollment notice and updated model confirmation notices. There were minor errors in the updated auto/facilitated enrollment confirmation notices, which have been corrected in this memo. Please disregard the versions in the November 24 memo.