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**DATE:** October 18, 2006

**TO:** All Part D Plan Sponsors

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**SUBJECT:** CMS Webcast on Part D Reconsideration Case Studies with the  
Independent Review Contractor – November 7, 2006

CMS is pleased to announce that it will host a webcast on November 7, 2006 at 1 p.m. EST for Part D plans that will focus on how the Part D independent review contractor processes specific types of cases, particularly those involving medical necessity determinations. The webcast will include case scenarios and how they are managed through the appeals process. Examples include:

- Cases involving drugs subject to PA requirements;
- Cases involving drugs prescribed for an indication that is not medically accepted;
- Cases involving formulary exceptions; and
- Cases involving dosing issues.

Program content will be presented by the Part D independent review contractor, Maximus Federal Services. This webcast is the second in a two-part series.

CMS strongly encourages plans, especially staff responsible for processing coverage determination and appeal requests, to participate in this informative session and asks that plans register two weeks prior to the webcast.

To register for the November 7, 2006 session, please go to:  
<http://cms.distributedclassroom.org>

Case studies will be posted to this website prior to November 7. On the day of the webcast, log onto the same website and follow the instructions for viewing the webcast. For technical questions, please contact Duva Clyburn at 410-786-2161.