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### MEMORANDUM

To: Current and New Medicare Advantage (MA) Organizations,  
Medicare Cost-based Plans, and Health Plan Demonstrations

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Subject: 2008 MA Model Annual Notice of Change

Date: August 31, 2007

On July 25, 2007, CMS released the 2008 Annual Notice of Change. This memorandum provides clarification on the model language provided in the MA-only ANOC. The section titled “**How will my benefits and cost-sharing change for <year>**” requires the following revision to the last sentence in the second paragraph: “If you *don’t* want to change your coverage, you don’t need to do anything. You will still be a member of [*insert plan name*] for the coming year”.

Organizations that have already submitted the Model/Non-Model ANOC via the HPMS Marketing Module and have a pending status or received an approval must insert the revised sentence prior to print and mailing.

Organizations that have not submitted Model/Non-Model ANOC via the HPMS Marketing Module must insert the revised sentence prior to submitting for review and approval.

Questions regarding clarifications to the 2008 model ANOC should be referred to your CMS Regional Office.