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TO: All Part D Employer Group Waiver Plans

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SUBJECT: PDE Processing Error impacting Employer Group Waiver Plans

In the February 6, 2012, memo “Drug Data Processing System (DDPS) Updates for February 2012,” CMS announced PDE edit changes impacting Employer Group Waiver Plans (EGWPs). We have identified a coding error affecting a small percentage (about 15%) of PDEs for claims processed from February 27, 2012 through March 6, 2012. This error generally resulted in inappropriate 870 and 871 edits being triggered. The issue has been resolved. Accordingly, EGWPs should resubmit all rejected PDEs from February 27, 2012 through March 6, 2012.