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TO: All Medicare Advantage Organizations, Prescription Drug Plans, and 1876 Cost Plans

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SUBJECT: Release of Contract Year (CY) 2013 Plan Correction Module

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has released the CY 2013 Plan Correction module in the Health Plan Management System (HPMS). Only approved contracts are eligible to submit a plan correction request. To check the approval status of your contract, you may use the Bid Status History Report, which can be found using the following navigation path: HPMS Homepage > Plan Bids > Bid Reports > CY 2013 > Bid Status History Report.

The Plan Correction module will be available until **September 30, 2012 at 11:59 p.m. EDT**. The only changes permitted to the Plan Benefit Package (PBP) are those that are supported by the corresponding Bid Pricing Tool (BPT). The 2013 Plan Correction module is available at the following path: HPMS Homepage > Plan Bids > Plan Correction Requests > Contract Year 2013.

As a reminder, CMS expects that requests for plan corrections will be minimal. Please refer to the Final CY 2013 Call Letter issued on April 2, 2012 as well as the HPMS memorandum entitled "CY 2013 Medicare Advantage Bid Review and Operations Guidance" issued on April 12, 2012. As required by 42 CFR §422.254, submission of the final actuarial certification and bid attestation serve as documentation that the final bid submission was verified as complete and accurate at the time of submission. As a result, a plan correction request indicates the presence of inaccuracies and/or the incompleteness of a bid, which thereby calls into question an organization's ability to submit correct bids and the validity of the final actuarial certification and the bid attestation. Please be advised that an organization requesting a plan correction will receive a corrective action warning letter. An organization that received a warning letter for CY 2012 may receive a corrective action plan if it requests a plan correction for CY 2013.

Please contact the individuals listed below with questions regarding the plan correction process:

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