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To: All Current and Prospective Medicare Advantage Organizations and Medicare Prescription Drug Plan Sponsors

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Subject: Timeline for Rebate Reallocation and De Minimis

On July 29, 2013, CMS plans to release the Part D Base Beneficiary Premium, the Part D National Average Monthly Bid Amount, the Part D Regional Low-Income Premium Subsidy Amounts, the De Minimis Amount, and the Medicare Advantage Regional Benchmarks.

Plans will have from Monday, July 29, 2013 until 11:59 PM Pacific Daylight Time on Monday, August 5, 2013 to complete rebate reallocation and, thereafter, from Tuesday, August 6, 2013 until 11:59 PM Pacific Daylight Time on Monday, August 12, 2013 to inform CMS of their intent to participate in the voluntary de minimis program.

Plans will find the release on the CMS website at <http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Health-Plans/MedicareAdvtgSpecRateStats/Ratebooks-and-Supporting-Data.html> at the link to "2014."

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