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**DATE:** December 5, 2012

**TO:** All Part D Plan Sponsors

**FROM:** Cheri Rice, Director  
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**SUBJECT: Error in NSDE file for November PDE editing**

An error in the NSDE file used for PDE editing during the month of November has been discovered. Only PDEs submitted during November may have been affected. The error has been corrected as of December 1, 2012 with the implementation of the NSDE file for December editing.

The error affected only those NDCs that were newly listed on the NSDE file for November editing and started with zeros (e.g., 0000X-XXXX-XX, 000XX-XXXX-XX, 00XXX-XXXX-XX). A formatting issue in the file caused these PDEs to incorrectly receive Edit 746 – “This NDC is not found on the current FDA NDC SPL Data Element file.” This error is expected to have affected approximately 171 NDCs and 627,000 PDEs.

Please resubmit at this time any PDEs for such NDCs that may have inaccurately received Edit 746.