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Center for Program Integrity

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To: All Medicare Part D Sponsors

From: John Spiegel
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Re: Medicare Part D Fraud: Submitting Claims for Beneficiaries after their Date of Death and Billing for Non-Controlled Medications

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) was notified by the Office of Investigations, Office of Inspector General of allegations that Sunshine Pharmacy, Sunshine Solutions Pharmacy, Gulfshore Pharmacy, and Sunshine Pharmacy Medical, along with the owner Delmer "Del" Parrish are engaged in a scheme to defraud Medicare Part D. We are alerting you to this information so that you can take the appropriate actions regarding this pharmacy and the Part D prescription drug benefit you offer. These actions should be focused on the appropriate detection and identification of fraud, waste, and abuse as required under Part D.

The pharmacies are alleged to have billed Medicare Part D for undispensed medications and submitting claims after a beneficiary's date of death. The four subjects' NPI's, DBA's, NSC's, and locations are listed below:

Pharmacy/Owner	DBA	Mailing Address	Location Address	NPI Number	NSC Number
Sunshine Pharmacy/ Del Parrish		5482 RATTLESNAKE HAMMOCK RD NAPLES, FL 34113-7454	5482 RATTLESNAKE HAMMOCK RD NAPLES, FL 34113-7454	1487763264	1270260001
Sunshine Solutions Pharmacy/ Del Parrish		5480 RATTLESNAKE HAMMOCK RD NAPLES, FL 34113-7454	5480 RATTLESNAKE HAMMOCK RD NAPLES, FL 34113-7454	1972607265	8197010001
Gulfshore Pharmacy/ Del Parrish	Sunshine Pharmacy Downtown	421 9TH STREET N NAPLES, FL 34102-5806	421 9TH STREET N NAPLES, FL 34102-5806	1346359114	4811120001
Sunshine Pharmacy Medical Inc./ Del Parrish	Sunshine Pharmacy at Davis	6350 DAVIS BLVD NAPLES, FL 34104-5323	6350 DAVIS BLVD NAPLES, FL 34104-5323	1215978275	5667400001

Scheme: It has been alleged that Del Parrish and his mother, Patricia Parrish, have submitted claims to Medicare, Medicaid, and Tricare for medications that were not dispensed in addition to other illegal narcotic related activities. These allegations were reported on behalf of former and current employees. A preliminary investigation revealed that Del Parrish and his mother have submitted claims to Medicare for beneficiaries after their date of death, and a multitude of non-controlled medications that includes Megace (625mg).

If you identify aberrant billing from the four pharmacies listed in the table above, or have information related to this scheme, please contact Health Integrity, CMS' National Benefit Integrity Medicare Drug Integrity Contractor (NBI MEDIC) or CMS. Any questions you may have on this subject should be directed to your CMS Account Manager and Pat Doyle of the National Benefit Integrity MEDIC at doylep@healthintegrity.org . The MEDIC may also be reached at 1-877-7SAFERX (1-877-772-3379).