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**DATE:** March 29, 2023

**TO:** All Medicare Advantage Organizations, Prescription Drug Plans,  
Cost Plans, PACE Organizations, and Demonstrations

**FROM:** Jennifer R. Shapiro, Medicare Plan Payment Group

**SUBJECT:** Medicare Advantage/Prescription Drug System (MARx) April 2023  
Payment – INFORMATION

This letter provides information about the April 2023 Medicare Advantage/Prescription Drug payment, which is scheduled for receipt on March 31, 2023.

**CY2021 Coverage Gap Discount (CGD) Reconciliation**

The CGD reconciliation payment adjustment for 2021 is included in the April 2023 payment. The payment adjustments will be displayed on the Plan Payment Report (PPR) as Special CMS Adjustments with the TYPE “PRS.”

**Sequestration Suspension**

While the suspension of sequestration has ended, as required by the statute, we continue to apply the suspension of sequestration for retroactive payment adjustments made for the months of May 2020 through March 2022 and will sequester 1 percent of retroactive payment adjustments made for the months of April 2022 through June 2022 and 2 percent of payments and adjustments for months beginning with July 2022.

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