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TO: All Part D Plan Sponsors and Medicare Advantage Organizations

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SUBJECT: NDC Edit Corrections

CMS has completed another review and update of NDC edits corrections. The list of approximately 8,500 NDCs will be posted on the CSSC website www.csscoperations.com. The list contains associated edits and effective dates for each corrected or updated NDC. Please note that the list is divided into two worksheets. The first worksheet, tab “2006”, contains NDCs with an edit effective date of January 1, 2006. The second worksheet, tab “2007”, contains NDCs with an edit effective date of June 1, 2007. If the status of a NDC changed in contract year 2007, the new status will be displayed in tab “2007”. Plans should resubmit a PDE if the NDC is identified on the attached list and received an incorrect PDE edit.

NDC error correction is a process that should commence with the receipt of every PDE return file from the Drug Data Processing System (DDPS). Plans should assess the types of errors received and determine whether the plan is responsible for correcting the data or whether the plan needs to bring a specific data issue to CMS’ attention for assistance with resolution. Please forward specific NDC questions to merri-ellen.james@cms.hhs.gov.