

Summary of HPMS Releases
For the week ending April 18, 2008

Title: Common User Interface (UI) Upgrade Request

Date: 4/14/08

Summary: CMS is planning to replace the Common User Interface (UI), the on-line system that is used to research beneficiary enrollments and payments, with the “Integrated User Interface” (IUI). The IUI will include all of the data elements currently available in the Common UI and in some cases, it may include additional information that the plans require. Please provide the following information utilizing the “On-line Historical Data Utilization” Tool (instructions for accessing the tool are below). Realizing that you may not track this specific data, CMS will accept an estimate from your expert in this area. Please submit your responses no later than April 16, 2008.

Title: Notification of a Proposed Amendment to 42 C.F.R. 422.310 on Risk Adjustment Data in CMS’ Proposed Inpatient Rule CMS-1390-P

Date: 4/14/08

Summary: This memo is being issued to inform you that CMS is proposing an amendment to 42 C.F.R. 422.310 on Risk Adjustment Data to reinstate our regulatory authority to collect encounter data from MA organizations and other contractors that submit risk adjustment data to us.

Title: Bidding, Enrollment and Payment Policies for Exclusive ESRD SNPs in 2009

Date: 4/16/08

Summary: The letter provides direction on enrollment rules, information on the special bidding tool for ESRD-only bids for CY 2009, operational instructions for bid submission, and information on the payment rules applied to this type of contract. Note: This memo was sent to MA organizations offering exclusive ESRD SNPs in 2009.

Title: Draft Medicare Part D DIR Reporting Requirements for 2007 Payment Reconciliation

Date: 4/16/08

Summary: Each year, Part D sponsors are required to report their direct and indirect remuneration (DIR) data to CMS for the Medicare Part D. In the attached document, “Medicare Part D DIR Reporting Requirements for Payment Reconciliation”, CMS is providing proposed guidance for Part D sponsors on reporting DIR data for contract year 2007. CMS will accept comments on this proposed guidance until Friday, May 9, 2008.

Title: REVISED Patient-level Data information available in HPMS HEDIS Module

Date: 4/16/08

Summary: This memo is a follow-up to the memo sent out a couple of weeks ago on the patient level HEDIS files.

Title: HPMS Technical Plan Bidding Instructions for Organizations Offering Part D Employer/Union-Only Group Waiver Plans in Contract Year 2009

Date: 4/17/08

Summary: CMS has modified the corresponding Plan Benefit Package (PBP) submission requirement for all EGWPs offering Part D.

Title: 2006 Attestations of Prescription Drug Event Data, Direct and Indirect Remuneration Data, and Monthly Plan-to-Plan Reconciliation Payments

Date: 4/18/08

Summary: Part D sponsors are required to attest to the data submitted for Part D payment reconciliation each year. Attached are two attestations, the “Attestation of Data Relating to CMS Payment to a Medicare Part D Sponsor” and the “Attestation of Plan-to-Plan Reconciliation Payment Data”, which must be submitted to CMS by May 2, 2008 and May 15, 2008 respectively. In the first attestation, Part D sponsor certifies that the Prescription Drug Event data and direct and indirect remuneration (DIR) data submitted to CMS for contract year 2006 is accurate, complete, and truthful. In the second attestation, Part D sponsors attest that accurate and complete plan-to-plan (P2P) reconciliation payments have been made for contract year 2006 in accordance with the P2P Payable Report and the P2P Receivable Report.