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DATE: January 13, 2012

TO: All Part D Plan Sponsors

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SUBJECT: Suspension of Pharmaceutical Manufacturer Rebates, Discounts, and Other Price

Concessions Reporting Requirement for Contract Year (CY) 2011

This memo is to announce that the collection of the Pharmaceutical Manufacturer Rebates, Discounts, and Other Price Concessions report, as outlined in the Part D Reporting Requirements, is suspended for Contract Year (CY) 2011.

CMS requires Part D sponsors to submit rebate and other direct and indirect remuneration (DIR) in the following three reports via the Health Plan Management System:

- Pharmaceutical Manufacturer Rebates, Discounts, and Other Price Concessions report, as outlined in the Part D Reporting Requirements;
- Medicare Part D DIR Report for Payment Reconciliation: Summary Report; and
- Medicare Part D DIR Report for Payment Reconciliation: Detailed Report.

Because CMS will continue to collect the Summary and Detailed DIR Report from Part D sponsors for payment reconciliation, we no longer require the data to also be collected as part of the Part D Reporting Requirements. This suspension is effective immediately and will prevent duplicative reporting and reduce burden on Part D Sponsors. Please be advised that this suspension only refers to the Pharmaceutical Manufacturer Rebates, Discounts, and Other Price Concessions report of the CY2011 Part D reporting requirements. The reporting of other Part D information, as well as the Summary and Detailed DIR Reports, continues to be required.

Questions regarding the Medicare Part D Reporting Requirements for CY2011 should be directed to CMS via email to <a href="mailto:partd-planreporting@cms.hhs.gov">partd-planreporting@cms.hhs.gov</a>. Questions regarding the Summary and Detailed DIR reporting requirements should be directed to CMS via e-mail to <a href="mailto:DIR\_Reporting\_Reqts@cms.hhs.gov">DIR\_Reporting\_Reqts@cms.hhs.gov</a>.