

Employer Forum Agenda

Thursday, November 9, 2006
1 PM to 2 PM (Eastern)

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1:00 PM Start! Welcome! – Spencer Schron

Nancy DeLew, Senior Advisor in the CMS Office of Research, Development and Information and Alissa Deboy, Director of the Division of Drug Plan Policy and Analysis in the CMS Center for Beneficiary Choices, will discuss a new rule on using Medicare Part D prescription drug claims data for research and quality initiatives. This proposed rule will improve the health care and health of seniors and persons with disabilities. Medicare drug claims would be linked to other Medicare information on patient care such as hospitalizations and physician visits, and made available to researchers and Federal agencies for studies with appropriate protections and safeguards.

2:00 PM End!

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