

Employer Forum Agenda

Thursday, July 13, 2006

1 PM to 2 PM (Eastern)

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1:00 PM Start! Welcome! – Spencer Schron

What is ahead for 2007 for the Retiree Drug Subsidy (RDS)? What are the deadlines? What will be required? ...and other relevant RDS issues.

Jim Mayhew, Employer Policy and Operations Group, CMS

In order to be sure your questions can be answered on the call rather than requiring research and follow up after the call, **please submit questions ahead of time to Spencer Schron at Spencer.Schron@cms.hhs.gov**. Jim will also try and answer questions asked on the call.

1:30 PM

What hath the Medicare Modernization Act (MMA) wrought beyond Part D?

Leah Kegler, Special Assistant, Office of the Administrator, CMS

Leah will discuss the other changes included in MMA besides the Prescription Drug Coverage that are major Medicare modifications that will affect coverage and costs for retirees and retiree health plans.

2:00 PM End!

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