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Subject: CMS Webinar on Primary Prescription Drug Coverage Reporting

As you may be aware, 42 U.S.C. 1395y(b)(7) mandates reporting of primary coverage under a Group Health Plan (GHP) arrangement for Medicare beneficiaries, as was added by Section 111 of the Medicare, Medicaid, and SCHIP Extension Act of 2007. Section 4002 of the Substance Use-Disorder Prevention that Promotes Opioid Recovery and Treatment for Patients and Communities Act (SUPPORT Act), amended these “Section 111 Reporting” requirements to include primary prescription drug coverage reporting, effective January 1, 2020. Many Pharmacy Benefit Managers (PBMs) may not be aware that they could be considered the Responsible Reporting Entities (RREs) under this new reporting requirement.

The CMS has hosted two webinars, one on April 18, 2019 and the second webinar on June 20, 2019 to discuss these impacts. Please reference our GHP Section 111 page (<https://go.cms.gov/mirghp>) which includes helpful documents including SUPPORT Act FAQs and the Group Health Plan User Guide. Additionally, we will be hosting more webinars in the near future, and our next webinar is scheduled for Wednesday, September 25, 2019 at 1:00pm ET. Full webinar details will be available on our What’s New page (<https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coordination-of-Benefits-and-Recovery/Mandatory-Insurer-Reporting-For-Group-Health-Plans/Whats-New/Whats-New.html>). To receive notifications of updates to the pages, please subscribe to alerts. See the Related Links section at the bottom of the page.

We would also like to take the opportunity to ask that if you have any questions or concerns about the SUPPORT Act that you let us know. You may submit questions via the Section 111 Resource Mailbox, at PL110-173SEC111-comments@cms.hhs.gov. This will give us the opportunity to address these items in future webinars.

