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TO: All Medicare Advantage, Prescription Drug Plan, Cost, PACE, and
Demonstration Organizations

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SUBJECT: Closing the Drug Data Processing System (DDPS) for benefit year 2012

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) will close DDPS to Prescription Drug Event (PDE) data with dates of service (DOS) for benefit year 2012. This change will take effect on July 1, 2019, and will affect all Part D sponsors, with the exception of the Limited Income Newly Eligible Transition (LI NET) plans. DDPS is currently closed to PDE data with DOS in 2006 through 2011.¹

DDPS will reject PDE data with DOS for 2012 after June 30, 2019. Part D sponsors that submit PDE data with DOS prior to January 1, 2013, will receive reject edit code 788. The messaging associated with that edit code will be updated to the following, "DDPS no longer accepts PDEs with dates of service before 1/1/2013." An updated edit spreadsheet will be posted to the CSSC website prior to the effective date of this change.

CMS will announce the future closure of DDPS for other benefit years through HPMS memoranda. Send questions regarding this announcement to PDEJan2011@cms.hhs.gov.

Thank you.

¹ See HPMS memorandum, *Closing the Drug Data Processing System (DDPS) for benefit year 2011*, March 22, 2018.