

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is hosting a PERM Provider education Webinar/Listening Session to provide an opportunity for the providers of the Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) communities in the Cycle 3 (FY2011) States. The webinar will be held **Wednesday, October 5, 2011** at 3:00pm to 4:00pm, EST, details are below.

The Payment Error Rate Measurement (PERM) program is designed to measure improper payments in the Medicaid and CHIP programs, as required by the Improper Payments Information Act (IPIA) of 2002 (amended in 2010 by the Improper Payments Elimination and Recovery Act or IPERA). The purpose of this webinar/listening session is to educate Medicaid and CHIP providers about PERM and their specific responsibilities during the PERM process.

Webinar/Listening Session participants will learn from PERM related presentations such as;

- An overview of the PERM Program
- The PERM process and provider responsibilities during a PERM review
- The medical records/service records request letter
- Frequent mistakes and best practices

The following materials will be discussed and are available on the PERM Providers page of the CMS Website, <http://www.cms.gov/PERM/>.

- PERM Overview for Providers
- Sample medical records/service records request letter

To join the **PERM Cycle 3 Provider Education Webinar/Listening Session:**

Participants dial **1-877-267-1577**, Enter Meeting ID: **7858**

There will be a limited number of lines available.

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Information for upcoming Webinar/Listening Sessions will be found at; http://www.cms.gov/PERM/07_Providers.asp#TopOfPage . Access the "**Cycle 3 Provider Education Webinars**" link.

There will be time available for Q&A's through the webinar however; CMS encourages all participants to submit questions in advance to our designated PERM Provider email address at; PERMProviders@cms.hhs.gov or, you may also contact **your** State PERM Representatives with any questions and for information about education and training.

Please check the CMS Website and PERM Provider's page regularly for additional updates and education information at <http://www.cms.gov/PERM/>.