Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Special Open Door Forum:

Medicare Fee-For-Service Recovery Auditor Prepayment Review Demonstration Wednesday, December 21, 2011
2:00PM – 3:30PM ET
Conference Call Only

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) will hold a Special Open Door Forum (ODF) to discuss the recently approved Recovery Auditor Prepayment Review Demonstration that will begin January 1, 2012.

This Special ODF is designed specifically for Medicare Fee-For-Service providers who may be subject to Recovery Auditor review in the 11 approved demonstration states: CA, FL, IL, LA, MI, MO, NC, NY, OH, PA, and TX. Recovery Auditors will review claims before they are paid to ensure that the provider complied with all Medicare payment rules. These reviews will focus on certain types of claims that historically result in high rates of improper payments. Initially, Recovery Auditors will review short stay inpatient hospital claims. This demonstration will also help lower the error rate by preventing improper payments, rather than the traditional "pay and chase" methods of looking for improper payments after they have been made.

During this ODF, CMS will provide an overview of the Recovery Auditor Prepayment Review Demonstration, including:

- Why the Demonstration is being implemented;
- How it will impact providers in the affected states;
- Specific operational details regarding the reviews; and
- Where to find additional information.

After CMS' presentation, participants will have an opportunity to ask questions.

Discussion materials for this Special ODF will be available to download at http://go.cms.gov/cert-demos on December 19, 2011.

We look forward to your participation and comments.

Special Open Door Forum Participation Instructions:

Dial: 1-866-778-8325

Reference Conference ID#: 36846735

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An audio recording and transcript of this Special Open Door Forum will be posted to the Special Open Door Forum website: http://www.cms.gov/OpenDoorForums/05_ODF_SpecialODF.asp and will be accessible for downloading beginning on or around December 29 and will be available for 30 days.

For automatic emails of Open Door Forum schedule updates (E-Mailing list subscriptions) and to view Frequently Asked Questions please visit our website at http://www.cms.gov/opendoorforums.

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