

Summary of HPMS Releases
For the week ending November 23, 2007

Title: New requirement that PFFS Plans Give Beneficiaries Notice of Sales Event Cancellations

Date: 11/19/07

Summary: CMS is concerned about how PFFS plans are notifying beneficiaries about sales event cancellations. Consequently, CMS has established requirements that are described in this memo on how PFFS plans should notify beneficiaries when the advertised scheduled sales events have been cancelled.

Title: PDP Sponsor Responsibility in Establishing Retroactive Enrollment Dates

Date: 11/19/07

Summary: The purpose of this memorandum is to reiterate CMS' policy requiring PDP sponsors to correct the effective date of enrollment in the Part D plan to cover uncovered months upon the request of a full-benefit dual eligible enrollee.

Title: Suppressible File Errors for Medicare Prescription Drug Plan Finder

Date: 11/20/07

Summary: This memo provides additional information supporting the October 31, 2007 memo regarding the Pricing File Suppression from the Medicare Prescription Drug Plan Finder (MPDPF).

Title: Prescription Drug Event (PDE) Reports and Website: Summary and Detailed Reports

Date: 11/20/07

Summary: This is a reminder notice to plans to return contact information to access Acumen's PDE website. The original notice was sent through HPMS on Thursday, November 15, 2007.

Title: Continuation of the Low Income Subsidy Match Rate Project

Date: 11/20/07

Summary: This memo is to inform Part D sponsors that CMS will continue the LIS match rate project for the 2008 benefit year and Acumen, LLC will continue to assist CMS and Part D sponsors in this process. All Part D sponsors will participate in this process, with the following exceptions: PACE contracts and any contracts that exclusively service U.S. territories will not be required to participate.

Title: Medicare Advantage Prescription Drug System (MARx) December 2007 Payment – INFORMATION

Date: 11/20/07

Summary: This letter provides information related to the December 1, 2007 payment which you will receive on November 30, 2007. It also includes a reminder related to the processing of 2007/2008 PBP rollovers.

Title: Timing and 2008 Enrollment Transactions Requiring 4Rx Submission & Updating of 2008 Payer Sheets

Date: 11/20/07

Summary: This memorandum is a follow-up to the October 29, 2007 letter entitled “4Rx Data in 2007 Open Enrollment Transactions” to advise Part D plan sponsors on the timing of CMS-generated enrollment transactions. Its purpose is to further facilitate plan readiness to submit 4Rx data in response to these transactions and to communicate the expected availability of 2008 4Rx data in enhanced E1 queries for pharmacies. This letter also serves to remind plan sponsors to update their payer sheets with their trading partners for any billing changes associated with their 2008 Part D benefits.

Title: Medicare and Medicaid Integrated Care Website

Date: 11/20/07

Summary: This memo announces a CMS website that contains an overview and downloads for organizations seeking to develop an integrated care model for dually-eligible beneficiaries.