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TO: All Medicare Advantage Organizations, Prescription Drug Plans, Cost Plans, PACE Organizations, and Demonstrations

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SUBJECT: Medicare Advantage/Prescription Drug System (MARx) September 2015 Payment – INFORMATION

This letter provides information about the September payment, which is scheduled for receipt on September 1, 2015, and other payment related items that may require plan action.

Risk Adjustment Overpayment Re-Runs for 2010 Through 2013

The overpayment adjustments for payment years 2010, 2011, 2012, and 2013 will occur in the September 2015 payment. The results will appear on the Monthly Membership Reports (MMRs) with adjustment reason codes (ARCs) 60 – Part C Payment Adjustments created as a result of the RAS overpayment file processing and 61 – Part D Payment Adjustments created as a result of the RAS overpayment file processing. The associated cleanup identifier will be the CMS-assigned master remedy ticket number for each re-run.

Cleanup Identifier	Re-run Year
RT3524525	2010
RT3524522	2011
RT3524519	2012
RT3524410	2013

Change in FY 2015 User Fee Collection Rates

September is the last month to collect the FY 2015 user fees. The percentages for the National Medicare Education Campaign (NMEC) user fees are estimates based on expected enrollment throughout the year. The rate percentages are adjusted in September to ensure CMS collects the total user fee amount required by law. For September 2015, the MA-PD NMEC rate decreased from .044% to .029% in order to collect the required \$59 million. The PDP NMEC rate increased from .041% to .14% in order to collect the required \$17.5 million. The Coordination of Benefits (COB) user fee rate does not change.

Missing Records on the Late Enrollment Penalty Report (LEPR)

Plans reported that the late enrollment penalty (LEP) amounts did not match between the LEPRs and the Plan Payment Reports (PPRs). The cause was a system issue that prevented some LEP records from populating to the LEPR. The amounts on the PPR were correct.

MARx processed a cleanup and the missing records from January 2015 through August 2015 will appear on a Special LEPR that will be available with the other September monthly reports. There will also be the usual September monthly LEPR.

The naming convention for the special LEPR is:

[P#MMA.@BGD5050.PLNxxxxx.R092015.SPECLLEP](#)

X-Reference Cleanup

MARx processed a cleanup to correct payments for a small population of beneficiaries that had a X-reference merge. Payments for these beneficiaries were computed with the incorrect risk adjustment factors. Impacted plans will see the results on the MMRs with ARC 50 – Payment Adjustment Due to Beneficiary Merge and a cleanup ID of RT3246886

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