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TO: Minnesota Senior Health Options (MSHO) D-SNPs

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SUBJECT: Minnesota Senior Health Options (MSHO) D-SNPs: Release of Final Contract Year 2018 Model Materials

Attached to this memorandum are the new model materials for Contract Year (CY) 2018 developed jointly by CMS and Minnesota for Minnesota Senior Health Options (MSHO) D-SNPs operating in the Minnesota Demonstration to Align Administrative Functions for Improvements in Beneficiary Experience. Models are consistent with the administrative and marketing related flexibilities incorporated into the September 12, 2013 memorandum of understanding.

CMS and Minnesota jointly updated these models based on feedback received from plans, states, and other stakeholders and changes to CY 2018 Medicare Advantage and Part D model materials. Minnesota Senior Health Options (MSHO) D-SNPs may only use the CY 2018 models for CY 2018. Materials must be distributed or otherwise made available to current and prospective enrollees in accordance with requirements of the Contract Year 2018 Medicare Marketing Guidelines (MMG) and the supplemental Marketing Guidance for Minnesota Senior Health Options (MSHO) Plans.

The following materials are included with this guidance:

- Low Income Subsidy (LIS) Rider
- Enrollment Form
- Annual Notice of Change
- Member Handbook/Evidence of Coverage (EOC) - Chapters 1-12
- Summary of Benefits
- Provider and Pharmacy Directory
- List of Covered Drugs (Formulary)

The attached guidance and models will also be posted to the Financial Alignment Initiative website at <http://cms.gov/Medicare-Medicaid-Coordination/Medicare-and-Medicaid-Coordination/Medicare.-Medicaid-Coordination-Office/FinancialAlignmentInitiative/InformationandGuidanceforPlans.html>.

We encourage all plans to work closely with their marketing reviewers to ensure timely submission and approval of all required CY 2018 materials, as well as timely and complete entry of Actual Mail Dates for ANOCs and Member Handbooks/EOCs. If you have any questions about the contents of this memorandum, please contact the Medicare-Medicaid Coordination Office at MMCOCapsModel@cms.hhs.gov.