

**Summary of HPMS Releases**  
For the week ending April 4, 2008

**Title: Medicare Advantage Prescription Drug System (MARx) April 2008 Payment - INFORMATION**

**Date: 3/31/08**

**Summary:** This letter provides information related to the April 2008 payment scheduled April 1, 2008.

**Title: New Health Plan Management System (HPMS) User Administration Reports**

**Date: 3/31/08**

**Summary:** This memo announces the availability of new user administration reports in HPMS for plan organizations. These reports provide plan organizations with tools to monitor user access to their contract and plan data in HPMS.

**Title: Extension of May 31 Deadline for 2007 Prescription Drug Event data**

**Date: 3/31/08**

**Summary:** This memo gives plans additional time to submit and correct 2007 PDE data. CMS will extend the May 31 submission deadline to July 30, 2008.

**Title: CMS Annual Bidding Conference – Satellite Broadcast/Webcast**

**Date: 3/31/08**

**Summary:** CMS will transmit the upcoming Annual Bidding conference live via Satellite Broadcast and Webcast for those who cannot attend in person. Instructions for registering are included.

**Title: Release of the HPMS Fiscal Soundness Module**

**Date: 4/1/08**

**Summary:** This memo announces the release of the HPMS Fiscal Soundness Module.

**Title: CY 2009 Formulary Submission Outlier Justification Module**

**Date: 4/1/08**

**Summary:** As previously mentioned in the CY 2009 Formulary Training Video Streaming/Podcast

([http://www.cms.hhs.gov/apps/events/docs/Conference\\_ID\\_356/bidconference.html](http://www.cms.hhs.gov/apps/events/docs/Conference_ID_356/bidconference.html)),

Part D sponsors will utilize HPMS for the review of potential formulary issues and submission of clinical justifications. The new Outlier Justification Submission (OJS) module provides a coordinated approach for Part D Sponsors to submit HPMS Formulary Outlier Justifications subsequent to the identification of potential issues during CMS' review of the CY 2009 formulary submissions. This module serves as a replacement for CMS' previous process of providing notification of potential formulary issues and receiving Part D sponsor justifications for these issues via email. The same justification information previously submitted to CMS using MS Excel documents will now be directly entered into HPMS.

**Title: UPDATED Patient-level Data information available in HPMS HEDIS Module**

**Date: 4/2/08**

**Summary:** CMS is pleased to announce that updated information and instructions for submitting 2008 patient-level data are now available in the HPMS HEDIS module.

**Title: REMINDER – CMS Annual Bidding Conference – Registration Still Open and Space Available for In-Person Training Sessions**

**Date: 4/2/08**

**Summary:** The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) invites you to participate in the Contract Year (CY) 2009 Annual Bidding Conference. CMS' Annual Bidding Conference will encompass training on the proper completion and submission of the Formulary, Bid Pricing Tool (BPT), and Plan Benefit Package (PBP) into the Health Plan Management System (HPMS), as well as a discussion about the Medicare Options Compare (MOC) website. The CY 2009 Conference will be delivered via three methods: In-person, Conference Call, and Video Steaming/Podcast. Additionally, space is still available for in-person attendance at hands-on PBP training in all sites.

**Title: Conference Call with Abby L. Block on Announcement of Calendar Year (CY) 2009 Medicare Advantage Capitation Rates and Medicare Advantage and Part D Payment Policies**

**Date: 4/3/08**

**Summary:** Please join Abby L. Block, Director, Center for Beneficiary Choices, for a conference call on Monday, April 7, 2008 from 4:15 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. EST, to discuss issues in the Announcement of Calendar Year (CY) 2009 Medicare Advantage Capitation Rates and Medicare Advantage and Part D Payment Policies.

**Title: Week-at-a-Glance March 30<sup>th</sup> through April 6<sup>th</sup>**

**Date: 4/4/08**

**Summary:** The Week-at-a-Glance memo describes the cleanups that CMS is preparing to transmit along with Plan-submitted transactions to Plans over the next two weeks.