Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
Special Open Door Forum:
Medicaid Integrity Provider Audit Program

Wednesday, July 15, 2009
1:00PM – 2:30PM ET
Conference Call Only

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) will hold a Special Open Door Forum (ODF) to discuss the Medicaid Integrity Program (MIP) provider audit program. This primary audience for this Special ODF is provider groups. Section 1936 of the Social Security Act requires CMS to enter into contracts to perform four key Medicaid program integrity activities:

1. Review of provider actions to determine whether fraud, waste, or abuse occurred or may have occurred;

2. Audit provider claims;

3. Identify overpayments; and

4. Educate State or local employees involved in Medicaid administration, providers, managed care entities, beneficiaries and others with respect to payment integrity and quality of care.

CMS has awarded umbrella contracts with several contractors to perform these functions. These firms are known as the Medicaid Integrity Contractors (MICs). There are three types of MICs: Review MICs, Audit MICs, and Education MICs. The Review MICs use advanced data mining and analysis techniques to identify provider targets for the Audit MICs to pursue. The Audit MICs conduct audits of these Medicaid providers and identify overpayments. The Education MICs provide education to Medicaid providers and others with respect to Medicaid payment integrity and quality of care issues.

During this ODF, CMS staff will discuss the:
- The MIP audit process;
- Audit timelines;
- Web site information;
- Future meetings/calls.

Afterwards, there will be an opportunity for the public to ask questions.
We look forward to your participation.
Special Open Door Forum Participation Instructions:
Dial: 1-800-837-1935
Reference Conference ID#: 17763217
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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.hhs.gov/OpenDoorForums/05_ODF_SpecialODF.asp and will be accessible for downloading beginning July 24, 2009 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.hhs.gov/opendoorforums/.

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