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TO: Current and Future Medicare Advantage Organizations, Part D Sponsors, and Medicare-Medicaid Plans

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SUBJECT: Industry Training Teleconference Calls for 2015 Part C, Part D, Employer/Union-Only Group Waiver Plan (EGWP), Special Needs Plan, and Medicare-Medicaid Plan (MMP) Applications

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Overview of Applications and Submission Processes

Date & Time	Topic	Details
Wednesday, January 15, 2014 3:30-5:00 PM (Eastern)	Training for the Medicare Advantage (MA), Medicare Advantage-Prescription Drug (MA-PD), Prescription Drug Plan (PDP), Employer Group Waiver Plan (EGWP), Medicare-Medicaid Plan (MMP) Applications and Special Needs Plan (SNP) Proposals	Medicare Part C and D User Group teleconference call – You must register to participate (see Technical Information)
Wednesday, January 22, 2014 3:30-5:00 PM (Eastern)	Continuation of training and Questions & Answers for the MA, MA-PD, PDP, EGWP, MMP Applications and SNP Proposals	Medicare Part C and D User Group teleconference call – You must register to participate (see Technical Information)

Goal

The goal of these broadcasts is to provide Medicare Advantage organizations, health plans, drug sponsors, employers, unions and other potential applicants with an overview of the upcoming application and submission process, highlighting changes and/or revisions from last year's cycle, including overview of the:

- Medicare Part C application requirements and process for the 2015 contract year for Coordinated Care Plans (CCP), Private Fee-For-Service (PFFS), Service Area Expansions (SAE), and Medical Savings Accounts (MSA);
- Medicare Part D application process for the 2015 contract year;
- EGWP application process for the 2015 contract year;
- SNP proposal process; and
- MMP 2015 application process.

Target Audience

New and existing Medicare Advantage organizations, health plans, employers, unions, Part D sponsors, those organizations adding or expanding a SNP, and other interested parties, including Medicare compliance officers and information technology staff seeking to submit Part C, Part D, EGWP, or MMP applications for the 2015 contract year should participate in this training.

Technical Information

Call-in information will be sent out prior to the meeting dates by Management Solutions Consulting Group (MSCG), the CMS Part C&D User Call contractor for the January 15, 2014 and January 22, 2014 calls. To subscribe to the CMS Part C&D User Calls, potential applicants must register at www.msccinc.com/registration. NOTE: You will need your contract ID to register. Handouts for the conference calls will be distributed by MSCG prior to each teleconference and will be available on the MSCG website. If you have any questions regarding the technical aspects of the Part C&D User Calls, please call Winsome Higgins (410) 786-1835.

If you have any questions regarding the programmatic content, please call one of the following contacts:

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