

## CLIENT ALERT

### CMS Releases Retiree Plan Drug Subsidy Guidance

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On Friday, June 3, 2005, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) published for public review and comment a proposed Retiree Drug Subsidy Application and Instructions.

On June 1, 2005 CMS launched the Retiree Drug Subsidy (RDS) Center web site, with information for employer and union plan sponsors and others seeking information about the retiree drug subsidy program created pursuant to the Medicare Modernization Act (MMA).

Information about the RDS Center's first two national outreach events - a RDS Customer Conference Call on Wednesday, June 15, 2005 at 3:00pm EDT, and a RDS National Conference on July 12 & 13, 2005 in Dallas, TX – is available on the RDS Center web site.

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