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TO: All Medicare Advantage Organizations

FROM: Cheri Rice

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DATE: December 22, 2010

SUBJECT: Invitation to Comment on Risk Adjustment Data Validation (RADV) Sampling

and Payment Error-Calculation Methodology

As stated in the preamble of the new regulation on 'Risk Adjustment Data Validation –Dispute and Appeal Procedures' at 42 CFR 422.311, CMS intends to provide an annual notice of the RADV payment error calculation methodology with the opportunity for MA organizations to comment on the methodology. On Tuesday, December 21, 2010, CMS posted a description of the Agency's RADV sampling and payment error calculation methodology on our website at https://www.cms.gov/HealthPlansGenInfo/. CMS is pleased to invite public comment on this document. CMS will review all timely comments and may revise or modify the RADV sampling and payment error calculation methodology based on the comments received. Once all comments have been reviewed and considered, CMS will post a final version of the RADV sampling and payment error calculation methodology at https://www.cms.gov/HealthPlansGenInfo/.

Comments must be submitted in writing by Friday, January 21, 2011 to the following email address:

RADV@cms.hhs.gov

Please specify "Comment on RADV sampling and error calculation methodology" in the subject line of your email.