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To: Medicare Advantage Organizations (MAOs), Risk Adjustment Data Validation Eligible Plans

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Re: Payment Year 2018 Contract-Specific Risk Adjustment Data Validation Audits

The purpose of this memorandum is to announce that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is planning to initiate Payment Year (PY) 2018 Medicare Advantage (MA) Contract-Specific Risk Adjustment Data Validation (RADV) audits in July 2024. These audits will be performed on MA risk adjusted payments that were derived from dates of service from January 1, 2017, through December 31, 2017.

The following types of MA contracts may be selected for audit:

- Coordinated Care Plans (CCPs)
- Demonstrations
- Medical Savings Account (MSA) contracts
- Private Fee-For-Service (PFFS) contracts
- Employer/Union Only Direct Contract PFFS contracts

In July 2024, CMS will notify the Chief Executive Officer and Medicare Compliance Officer associated with each MA contract selected for a PY 2018 Contract-Specific RADV audit. The notices will provide more specific information regarding audit timelines and other topics, such as how to assign points of contact that will access the Central Data Abstraction Tool - Modernized (CDAT-M), access enrollee sample lists, and submit medical records.

If you have questions related to this memorandum, please e-mail radv@cms.hhs.gov.