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TO: All Part D Plans

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SUBJECT: Application Programming Interface (API) Testing Opportunity for the HPMS Part

D Pricing File Submission Module

Beginning with Contract Year (CY) 2021, Part D sponsors and their contracted third party vendors and consultants will have the ability to use an API to submit their Part D pricing files to CMS.

CMS is currently administering a pilot for organizations that responded to our February 10, 2020 memo entitled "Health Plan Management System Application Programming Interface Testing Opportunity - Responses Due by February 19, 2020."

CMS is now inviting all Part D sponsors and their contracted third party vendors and consultants to participate in a pilot of the new Part D pricing file submission API from Monday, June 8, 2020 through Friday, June 19, 2020.

Appendix A contains important operational guidance for the pilot process. Some topics include:

- What is an API
- An Overview of the API pilot
- Roles and Responsibilities for the API Pilot
- API Key Management
- Supporting Materials (e.g., code snippets)

While participation is voluntary, CMS encourages all interested sponsors to consider taking part in the June 2020 pilot.

For questions regarding this memo, please contact the HPMS Help Desk at either hpms@cms.hhs.gov or 1-800-220-2028.