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TO: All Drug Manufacturers

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SUBJECT: Invitation from CMS – May 2025 Drug Manufacturer Call on Implementation of

the Medicare Drug Price Negotiation Program

The purpose of this communication is to notify drug manufacturer trade associations that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) hosts calls on an ad hoc basis on implementation of the Medicare Drug Price Negotiation and Inflation Rebate programs. The next call will be held on Thursday, May 29 from 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM EST.

CMS is committed to greater transparency with our partners and the communities we serve. CMS created this forum to provide drug manufacturers the opportunity to ask questions and provide feedback to CMS on issues related to the implementation of the Medicare Drug Price Negotiation and Inflation Rebate programs.

The May 29, 2025, call will focus on updates on the Medicare Transaction Facilitator and Initial Price Applicability Year 2028 Draft Guidance. CMS welcomes submitted questions before the call, which can be emailed to IRARebateandNegotiation@cms.hhs.gov, indicating "5/29 Discussion Question - Manufacturer" in the subject line.

To register for the call, <u>please click here</u>. Registration will close at 5:00 PM EST on Friday, May 23. The Zoom link and an agenda with additional details will be sent to registrants in advance of the meeting. Please allow some time to receive the email with this information; Zoom links will not be sent automatically after registering and will come from Zoom.

Please note that the registration link for this event is associated with one email address and device.

Note, this call is limited to drug manufacturers. Manufacturers with HPMS access should use their P# (i.e., HPMS Contract ID) to register for this call. Manufacturers having issues accessing HPMS or recalling their P# can reach out to the HPMS Access Help Desk (hpms.access@cms.hhs.gov) for assistance. Manufacturers who wish to join this call but are currently not participating in the Medicare Coverage Gap Discount Program or awaiting a P# as a drug manufacturer of drugs covered under Part B only should reach out to IRARebateandNegotiation@cms.hhs.gov to request access.