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**Subject:** REMINDER - ACTION NEEDED: Medicare Prescription Drug Inflation Rebate Program Onboarding  
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Dear Drug Manufacturer,

This email is to remind you of the expectations set forth in our **November 21, 2024** memo sent to drug manufacturers, [Action Needed: Medicare Prescription Drug Inflation Rebate Program Onboarding](#). As described in that memorandum and emphasized in the reminder sent on December 16, 2024, manufacturers were expected to take specific steps in the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Health Plan Management System (CMS HPMS) by January 15, 2025, to support timely access to information for manufacturer compliance with the Medicare Prescription Drug Inflation Rebate Program (Inflation Rebate Program). If you are in receipt of this email and are not your organization's contact for the Inflation Rebate Program, please forward as appropriate.

If your organization has completed these steps, thank you. The Inflation Rebate Program Points of Contact you identified in CMS HPMS will receive communications in the coming weeks, including from the Manufacturer Payment Portal (MPP) system administrator, Palmetto, with information on how to access the online MPP that will be used for the Inflation Rebate Program.

***If your organization has not completed the steps in the November 21, 2024 memo, inclusive of assigning Inflation Rebate Program Points of Contact within CMS HPMS, you must do so by March 14, 2025.*** Your timely designation of Inflation Rebate Program Points of Contact will help enable your organization's timely onboarding to the MPP where manufacturers will view information and make payments necessary for compliance with Inflation Rebate Program requirements. For more information, please see the applicable regulations at 42 CFR Parts 427 & 428.

If you have questions about CMS HPMS, please email the CMS HPMS Help Desk at [HPMS@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:HPMS@cms.hhs.gov).

Please direct any questions regarding Inflation Rebate Program Manufacturer Onboarding, including questions about how to establish a P number for purposes of accessing CMS HPMS, to [IRAREbateandNegotiation@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:IRAREbateandNegotiation@cms.hhs.gov).

Thank you,

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