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*News for Immediate Release*

***Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Awards  
New Contract to EDS and subcontractor HDM Government Services***

**King of Prussia, PA** (September 30, 2006) – The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) awarded a new contract to Electronic Data Systems (EDS) and its subcontractor HDM Government Services (HDMGS) for detecting, preventing and effectively dealing with Medicare Part D fraud and abuse. This contract is known as the Medicare Drug Integrity Contractor (MEDIC) North. The states included in the MEDIC North jurisdiction are Montana, Wyoming, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Minnesota, Iowa, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Kentucky, Ohio, West Virginia, Pennsylvania, New York, Vermont, Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New Jersey, Delaware and Maryland, the District of Columbia and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

MEDIC North assumed responsibility for the above functions December 1, 2006. MEDIC North performs data analysis, investigation, case development, and benefit integrity functions (fraud and abuse). HDM Government Services, LLC performs specific audits of Part D plans.

**About CMS**

CMS is the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services. Formerly known as the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA), CMS is the federal agency responsible for administering Medicare. Medicare Part D went into effect on January 1, 2006. It was made possible by the passage of the Medicare Prescription Drug Improvement, and Modernization Act. In order to receive this benefit, a person with Medicare must enroll in a stand-alone Prescription Drug Plan (PDP) or Medicare Advantage plan with prescription drug coverage (MA-PD). These plans are approved and regulated by the Medicare program, but are actually designed and administered by private health insurance companies. Additional information regarding CMS and its programs is available at [www.cms.hhs.gov](http://www.cms.hhs.gov).

**About HDMGS**

An affiliate of Healthcare Data Management, Inc. (HDM), HDM Government Services, LLC (HDMGS) is an independent source for the public sector to maximize the value and accountability of government sponsored health benefits programs. HDMGS is a Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business (SDVOSB). To learn more, call 800-859-51190 or visit [www.hdmgs.com](http://www.hdmgs.com).

**About EDS**

Electronic Data Systems (EDS) is a leading global technology services company delivering business solutions to its clients. EDS founded the information technology outsourcing industry more than 40 years ago. Today, EDS delivers a broad portfolio of information technology and business process outsourcing services to clients in the manufacturing, financial services, healthcare, communications, energy, transportation, and consumer and retail industries and to governments around the world. Learn more at [www.eds.com](http://www.eds.com).