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**Re: Medicare and Medicaid and S-CHP Extension Act of 2007, Section 111**

Dear Client:

Recent Medicare legislation passed by Congress will have a dramatic impact on insurance carriers and self-insured companies.

This new legislation will allow Medicare/Medicaid Services (CMS) to correctly pay for Medicare covered items and services provided to Medicare Beneficiaries by determining primary vs. secondary payer responsibility and to ensure that Medicare makes payment in the proper order and/or takes necessary recovery actions. Medicare is the secondary payer to all Non-Group Health Plan ((GHP) carriers. The group encompassing liability (including self-insurance), no fault and Workers' Compensation plans (non-GHP) will be required to submit information electronically on injured parties who are Medicare Beneficiaries.

As a self-insured employer, you are designated as the Responsible Reporting Entity (RRE) and are required to register on the Coordination of Benefits Secure Website (COBSW) between May 1, 2009 and June 30, 2009. At that time, you will have the option to designate an "agent" to be responsible for the mandatory reporting required in the fourth quarter of 2009. Hunter Consulting Company can assist you with these reporting requirements by becoming your agent.

We will be sending you more specific information and instructions toward the middle of May about this new service.

If you have any questions in the meantime, do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

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