

Office of Financial Management/Financial Services Group

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Opportunity to Comment on Section 111 of the Medicare, Medicaid, and SCHIP Extension Act of 2007 (See 42 U.S.C. 1395v(b)(7)&(b)(8))

Ongoing informal opportunity:

The Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services has implemented Section 111, by program instruction. The Secretary has published instructions at a website established for such purpose. The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is providing an opportunity for public comment as it moves forward with its implementation efforts.

Consequently, CMS has established the following e-mail address for comments: PL110-173SEC111-comments@cms.hhs.gov

- Please make the title in the subject line of your comments as specific as possible (example: GHP data elements). Specificity will allow CMS to sort and address incoming e-mails more readily.
- If you have multiple issues, splitting your issues into multiple e-mails will again allow CMS to sort and address incoming issues more readily.
- Comments will be acknowledged through an automated reply but will not receive individualized responses.
- This e-mail address will allow CMS to receive the widest input possible. CMS will use the comments received, in part, in evaluating pending instructions and deciding if there are additional issues that CMS should address on the website containing instructions for Section 111 (www.cms.hhs.gov/MandatoryInsRep).