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To: All Medicare+Choice Organizations

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Subject: Updates to & Shutdown of the QAPI module of HPMS

As a follow-up to the February 5, 2003 memo regarding an upcoming new release of the QAPI module in HPMS, please be advised the QAPI module will be shut down on February 28, 2003 at 7 pm EST. The QAPI module will be unavailable for approximately 15 days. M+COs should not use the QAPI module to input their QAPI projects after the new release is out. The new version of this module will be released during the week of March 10, 2003.

This new release will incorporate changes to the module. A list of the changes will be provided to all M+C organizations at the time of the new release.

Medicare+Choice Organizations will need to ensure that any partially entered project completion reports are fully submitted into the HPMS system by February 28, 2003. If your submission into HPMS is not complete under the old module, you will have to re-submit the project, in its entirety, in the new module.

Questions about this memorandum may be directed to Michelle Giovanni at 410-786-3418 or mgiovanni@cms.hhs.gov. Thank you.