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Update On Medicare Part D Retiree Drug Subsidy Audits

In [Research Memo 2009-09](#), we wrote about the fact that the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) has begun auditing group health plans (Plans or Plan) that participate in the Medicare Part D Retiree Drug Subsidy (RDS) program. Since that time such audits have proceeded. A reader sent us a set of documents that was received as part of a Medicare Part D audit. A copy of each document is available by "clicking" on the document name below. The six documents (with identifiers redacted) are:

- [Authorized Representative Representation Letter](#)
- [Authorized Representative Assertion Letter](#)
- [Document Request List](#)
- [Planning Survey Questionnaire](#)
- [Supplement To Planning Survey Questionnaire - Plan Sponsor Key Personnel Contact List](#)
- [Supplement To Planning Survey - Third Party Vendor Contact List](#)

The documents ask for detailed information and representations about the health plan's involvement in the Part D subsidy. Health plan administrators participating in the Medicare Part D retiree prescription drug subsidy should read over the documents and take steps to verify the availability of the requested documents and information and then put this *Benefit News Brief* and attachments and [Research Memo 2009-09](#) in their Medicare Part D compliance file.

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