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**Re: CMS August 9, 2011 Letter Regarding IMD Exclusion  
And October 24, 2011 Telephone Conference**

Dear Mr. McGreal:

Thank you for taking the time to talk with us October 24. During that phone call, you requested a timeline of how long a scattered site/IMD analysis would take the Department to complete. We estimate a comprehensive analysis would take approximately 6 months, and we would have the results to you by May 7, 2012.

Again, thank you for your time and thoughtful consideration of our questions regarding this complicated issue. We look forward to working with you, as I expect we will have questions for you as we proceed through this process.

Sincerely,

Mary C. Mayhew  
Commissioner

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