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Medical Research Consultants Introduces RADV Audit Preparation Services

Medical Research Consultants (MRC), a nurse-owned medical records collection and analysis company, recently introduced Risk Assessment Data Validation (RADV) Audit Services geared to Medicare providers. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS) will soon commence audits of selected Medicare Advantage plans. Over the next few years, it is expected that most Medicare Advantage plans will undergo at least one Risk Adjustment Data Validation (RADV) audit to identify overpayments to providers. Providers will be expected to produce members' charts and other records on very short notice and to comply with coding audits. If errors in coding are detected that resulted in overpayment to providers, plans will be financially responsible and CMS will recover monies.

Medicare providers may wish to take pre-RADV audit measures to ensure the integrity of their member data. MRC is prepared to coordinate pre-emptive retrieval, review, and coding audit of members' charts so that providers can correct potential problems prior to the arrival of the Recovery Audit Contractors.

MRC has provided records collection and analysis to the medical, legal and insurance industries since 1983, and has a history of success accommodating chart pulls and record retrieval under tight deadlines. "We welcome this opportunity to leverage our experience into this developing market," says Doreen J. Wise, RN, EdD, MRC's Founder and CEO. "MRC's customer-centric approach, combined with our Lean Sigma business model, will allow us to provide clients with a valuable service as well as peace of mind."

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*Founded in 1983, MRC offers a comprehensive support solution for legal, healthcare, and insurance professionals, including **nurse review of medical records, record retrieval and management, lien research and resolution, coding audit and education, and call center services**. MRC has supported some of the largest mass torts on record, including toxic tort and products liability litigations, but also offers expertise in Pharmacovigilance, HCC Management, and individual personal injury cases. MRC is a certified woman-owned business, and is a preferred vendor for several major manufacturers and pharmaceutical companies. MRC has been a Primary Service Provider for the DuPont Company since 2005.*