

August 2, 2011

RE: Annual Fraud, Waste, and Abuse Training

Dear Administrator:

This letter is to inform you of a requirement from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) for annual education and training related to fraud, waste, and abuse. In accordance with Title 42 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 422.503(b)(4)(vi)(C) and 423.504(b)(4)(vi)(C), this training requirement applies to all organizations that provide health care or administrative services for Medicare-eligible individuals under Medicare Advantage or Medicare Part D programs, such as PrimeWest Health\*. As a result of this CMS requirement, all of your organization's employees need to complete the required education and training related to fraud, waste, and abuse.

You can download annual fraud, waste, and abuse training materials by going to [www.primewest.org/compliance](http://www.primewest.org/compliance) and clicking on *Compliance Training*.

Your organization will be responsible for administering the training and tracking your organization's completion of it. Although you may choose how to monitor your employees' completion of the training, there is a sample employee training log on our website. Go to [www.primewest.org/compliance](http://www.primewest.org/compliance) and click on *Sample Training Log*. Upon completion of your organization's training, an authorized representative from your organization will need to attest to the completion by filling out and returning the enclosed attestation form to PrimeWest Health **no later than December 31, 2011**. You can return the form via any of the following methods:

- Fax: **1-320-762-8750**, Attn: Rebecca Fuller
- Email: [rebecca.fuller@primewest.org](mailto:rebecca.fuller@primewest.org)
- Mail: Attn: Rebecca Fuller  
PrimeWest Health  
2209 Jefferson St, Ste 101  
Alexandria, MN 56308

You may be asked to provide copies of your training logs in the future. Please retain photocopies of all documentation related to this training for the required record retention period of 10 years.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this training requirement, please feel free to contact me at **1-320-335-5240**.

Sincerely,



Rebecca Fuller  
Corporate Compliance Officer

Enclosure: Attestation for Completion of Fraud, Waste, and Abuse Training

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*\*In accordance with the CMS guidance, providers who have enrolled in the Medicare program are deemed to have met the requirement for the fraud, waste, and abuse training. If you are a Medicare-enrolled provider, please contact Rebecca Fuller with your Medicare number or Medicare enrollment verification to waive the training requirement.*