



**Introducing the Medicare Administrative
Contractor (MAC) for Jurisdiction 12**

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Welcome to Highmark Medicare Services!

On October 24, 2007, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) announced that Highmark Medicare Services was awarded the Jurisdiction 12 (J12) Medicare contract to provide the Medicare Fee-for-Services Part A and Part B administrative services for the states of Pennsylvania (PA), Maryland (MD), New Jersey (NJ), Delaware (DE) and the District of Columbia (DC), which includes the northern Virginia counties of Fairfax and Arlington as well as the city of Alexandria for Part B Providers.

The scheduled J12 MAC implementation date for the **New Jersey Part B and Delaware Part A workload** is scheduled for November 14, 2008. Our goal is to ensure a smooth transition of your services from your current contractor to Highmark Medicare Services.

Please be sure to visit our website at <http://www.highmarkmedicare.com/transition/j12/index.html> for important transition information and to become a member of our listserv to receive timely transition updates and alerts.

If there are other members of your organization who need to receive timely transition updates and alerts, we encourage you to have them join our listserv as well.

As part of the transition, we are required to obtain a new CMS-588 EFT Agreement (Electronic Funds Transfer Authorization Agreement) from each provider/supplier who is currently receiving Medicare payments electronically before we may make payment to you via electronic funds transfer. Letters regarding submitting the CMS-588 EFT Agreement will be issued in early July.

