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### **CMS announces the Prior Authorization of Power Mobility Devices (PMDs) Demonstration and the Recovery Audit Prepayment Review Demonstration**

On November 15, 2011 Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS) announced three demonstration projects that aim to strengthen Medicare by eliminating fraud, waste, and abuse. Reductions in improper payments will help ensure the sustainability of the Medicare Trust Funds and protect beneficiaries who depend upon the Medicare program.

CMS is pleased to announce that the Prior Authorization of Power Mobility Devices (PMDs) Demonstration and the Recovery Audit Prepayment Review Demonstration which were delayed from their initial January 1, 2012 start date are expected to move forward on or after June 1, 2012. For additional information on these demonstrations please visit <http://go.cms.gov/cert-demos>

These demonstrations will begin after receipt of a paperwork reduction act (PRA) Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number. The CMS posted a PRA notification from these demonstrations on February 3, 2012 at <http://www.cms.gov/PaperworkReductionActof1995/PRAL/list.asp>

The CMS significantly revised the Prior Authorization of PMDs demonstration in response to provider and supplier concerns. For more information on the adopted changes please visit <http://go.cms.gov/PAdemo>

The Part A to Part B Rebilling Demonstration began on January 1, 2012.

Click here to view Federal Register notice: <https://s3.amazonaws.com/public-inspection.federalregister.gov/2012-02821.pdf>

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