Dear District of Columbia Promoting Interoperability Program Participants:

In preparation for Program Year 2021, please note a system modification for attesting to Objective 7: Health Information Exchange, which includes 3 measures.

It was brought to our attention that the grouping on the exclusions and measures within the objective was preventing some providers from proceeding with their attestation. As a result, for Program Year 2021, exclusions 1-3 will require separate entries, as applicable, to each measure.

As a reminder, Eligible Providers (EPs) must attest to <u>all three measures</u> but must meet two (2) of the three (3) measure thresholds to fully satisfy Objective 7. If the EP meets the criteria for exclusion for two (2) of the measures for Objective 7, they must meet the threshold for the remaining one (1) measure. If they meet the criteria for exclusion for all three (3) measures for Objective 7, they may be excluded from meeting this objective altogether. For additional details, please refer to the CMS <u>Specification</u> Sheet.

The District is anticipating that Program Year 2021 will open on June 1 and will close promptly on August 31, 2021. In the instance any issues are encountered, or providers have questions, please submit those to DHCF program staff and we will work together to ensure a timely response. Contact information for DHCF staff are listed below:

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Thank you,

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