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Dear HEDIS Colleague,

In response to your constructive feedback on the HEDIS[®] *October Update*, we are modifying the rotation schedule for HEDIS 2009. Plans who choose not to collect the new HbA1c <8 and HbA1c <7 indicators may rotate the *Comprehensive Diabetes Care* measure.

Additionally, plans may rotate the *Cholesterol Management for Patients With Cardiovascular Conditions* measure when reporting the corresponding *Relative Resource Use for People With Cardiovascular Conditions* measure.

NCQA realizes rotation is an effort for plans to reduce their data collection burden and is an active part of the HEDIS data collection and budgeting process. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "L. Gregory Pawlson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

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