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*****Attention Providers*****

A memorandum was mailed out to you on September 15, 2016 regarding section S of the comprehensive Minimum Data Set (MDS) assessments. This memo gave instructions on how to answer or code section S questions after a label change was made to question S0511 by Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). Unfortunately, the pre-programmed skip patterns in section S were not anticipated, and as a result providers are having difficulty with their software accepting the answers per the memorandum's instruction. I apologize for any confusion or inconvenience this may have caused.

If you have any problems answering section S, please contact me (Michelle Hudecek), Adult Services & Aging (ASA) Nurse Consultant Program Manager, at 605-773-6917 and I will provide you with assistance.