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General Comment

1. Clarify the meaning of the term "substantially" in reference to the elimination of benefits (page 20).
2. Regulation does not provide a time period for maintaining grandfathering records (page 15)—suggest require plans/employers/insurers to maintain records documenting grandfather status for five years.
3. Clarify whether a grandfathered plan is the health benefit plan issued to an individual or group health plan, or if it is an insurance product marketed by an insurer as of March 23, 2010. Or, whether it is all of the above.
4. Clarify whether insurer/employer should maintain documentation that verifies an individual or employer (or bona fide association) elected to retain the health benefit plan in effect on March 23, 2010.