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General Comment

The new coverage for preventive services is a great opportunity to decrease the morbidity and mortality associated with tobacco use. Unfortunately the interim final rules are too vague regarding coverage of treatment for tobacco dependence. Specifically, it is my recommendation that the final regulations be amended to include all seven FDA-approved medications and all three forms of counseling outlined in the 2008 U.S. Public Health Service Guideline. Thank you for your consideration.