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**CMS HONORS DIRECTOR OF THE BUREAU OF BENEFITS AND HEALTH
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The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) yesterday honored Ann Krull, director of the Bureau of Benefits and Health Insurance of the New York State Office for Aging, for providing outstanding service to Medicare beneficiaries.

Ms. Krull was presented the Beneficiary Services Certificate of Merit at the CMS Customer Service Conference in Scottsdale, Ariz. She is from New York, which is included in CMS' Region II.

Ms. Krull is recognized for her exemplary efforts that led to the development of a program that provides assistance and education to Medicare beneficiaries in New York State. The Bureau of Benefits and Health Insurance of the New York State Office for Aging is based in Albany, New York.

The Certificate of Merit is awarded to volunteers, health professionals, organizations or government agencies that demonstrate exceptional commitment to assisting beneficiaries.

"I congratulate these individuals and organizations who have devoted many hours to providing the most reliable information to Medicare, Medicaid and SCHIP (State Children's Health Program) beneficiaries throughout the nation," CMS Administrator Tom Scully said. "They represent hundreds of others who also are dedicated to providing quality services and responsiveness on behalf of the beneficiaries in these three programs."

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