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**HIGHLIGHTS**

**Medicaid Transfer Strategies.**

- Chapter 7 has been substantially revised.

**2008 Benefit Rates.**

- Tables, charts, and examples have been updated throughout to reflect current rates.

**Medicaid.**

- Coverage of estate recovery has been expanded.

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Chapter 3, Retirement and Disability Income and Benefits: New section discusses Roth 401(k) Plans, including description of plan terms, rollovers to nonspouse beneficiaries, and proposed rules regarding automatic contribution agreements. See § 3.08(f)(2).

Chapter 4, Paying for Health Care.

- New material explains Medicare's

“Welcome to Medicare” physical exam. See § 4.05(e).

- Discussion of prescription drug coverage fully revised. See § 4.06(d), (e).
- New section explores Medicare Advantage Special Needs Plans. See § 4.17(d).
- New section added on TRICARE Retiree Dental Program. See § 4.21(c).

Chapter 5, Medicaid. Coverage of estate recovery has been expanded. See § 5.12.

Chapter 7, Medicaid Transfer Strategies, has been substantially revised to reflect the effects of the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005 and other legislation and regulations.

Chapter 8, Medicaid Planning for the Married Client. New cases added regarding spousal allowances. See § 8.03(c).

Chapter 9, Asset Management. New section added on Consensual Termination or Modification of Irrevocable Trust. See § 9.06(4)(f).

Chapter 13, Nursing Homes. New cases added regarding enforcement and remedies

for violations. See § 13.06(b).

Appendix 2—Public Benefits Figures updated for 2008.

Appendix 3—Social Security Period Life Tables added.

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