**ERRATA: Reinstated Decision Rule for Accreditation with Follow-up Survey in 2012**

**Effective January 1, 2012.** The Joint Commission has reinstated a 2011 decision rule in the Accreditation with Follow-up Survey (AFS) category for **all accreditation programs.** The 2011 Update 2 to the Comprehensive Accreditation Manuals, which included the 2012 accreditation decision rules, changed AFS02 from a finding involving compliance with indirect impact standards to one involving the identification of possible fraud and/or abuse (for example, relating to marketing and/or billing practices) in an organization.

As announced in the January 2012 Perspectives®, the Accreditation Committee of the Joint Commission’s Board of Commissioners has since determined that a finding of fraud and abuse will now result in a decision of Contingent Accreditation (CONT) under new decision rule CONT03 (see January 2012 Perspectives, pages 8–9).

In addition, The Joint Commission will be reinstating the former AFS02, shown in the box at right. The reinstated AFS02—as well as revisions to the Contingent Accreditation decision rules—will appear in both the 2012 Update 1 to the Comprehensive Accreditation Manuals and the E-dition®, scheduled for publication in spring 2012. Given the timing of these decisions, the decision rules that appeared in 2011 Update 2 do not include these revisions.

The Joint Commission has also reinstated the corresponding 2011 decision rule in the Certification with Follow-up Review (CFR) category for **all certification programs.** In effect, 2011 decision rule CFR02 has been reinstated as CFR06 for 2012. Although it is **effective January 1, 2012,** CFR06 does not appear in the 2012 certification manuals. It will appear in the 2013 certification manuals, scheduled for publication in fall 2012.