

Important Information

About

Medicare's Prescription Drug Coverage

Since you have Medicare, and now get help from the state Medicaid program to pay your Medicare Part B premium, **you automatically qualify for Extra Help to pay for Medicare's prescription drug coverage (Part D)**. You don't need to apply for it.

What do you need to do?

- Join a Medicare prescription drug plan (if you are not already in one); **or**
- Contact your drug plan to let them know you are now on Medicaid. Being on Medicaid may lower what you are paying for the drug plan.

Where can you get help in choosing a Medicare prescription drug plan?

- Call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227), TTY users: 1-877-486-2048; **or**
- Go to Medicare's Web site at www.Medicare.gov; **or**
- Call your State Health Insurance Assistance Program at 1-800-259-5301.

Have your Medicare (red, white, and blue) card and **all** of your prescriptions on hand when you call. The representative will help you find a plan based on the prescriptions you take.

What will you get from Extra Help?

This Extra Help will pay the Medicare prescription drug plan monthly premium (up to \$35 per month) and the \$250 yearly deductible.

For prescriptions that are covered by the plan you choose, all you will pay is \$1 or \$2 for generics and \$3 or \$5 for brand name prescriptions.

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