



Do You Know...



Medicare Part D is coming!

All persons eligible to Medicare Part A and/or Medicare Part B will be eligible for prescription drug coverage through a new program, Medicare Part D, effective January 1, 2006.

The following is important basic information:

- Medi-Cal customers that are not receiving Medicare are not affected by this program.
- Medi-Cal (including CalWORKs and SSI) / Medicare customers, called dual eligibles or Medi-Medi, will be auto-enrolled in a prescription drug plan.
 - Dual eligibles who have a share of cost will be auto-enrolled for the remainder of the calendar year only after meeting their share of cost at least once during the year.
- Medicare only customers must enroll in a drug plan for prescription drug coverage through Medicare Part D.
- Prescription drug coverage for Veteran's Administration (VA) beneficiaries is not changing.
 - Advantageous for veterans to keep current coverage.

If you are contacted for information concerning Medicare Part D, refer to the chart below:

If question concerns...	Then refer to...
Medicare Part D Benefits	Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227) • www.medicare.gov
Low Income Subsidy (LIS) Application	Social Security Administration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1-800-772-1213 • www.ssa.gov
Assistance selecting a drug plan	Health Insurance and Advocacy Program (HICAP) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1-800-434-0222, or • 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227)
Plan Formulary Finder (Drug Finder)	www.medicare.gov <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can enter name of a prescription drug and the website will identify drug plans that cover that drug.