

Medicare Part D – Federal Prescription Drug Benefit

Medicare offers prescription drug coverage to everyone with Medicare.

To get Medicare prescription drug coverage, you must join a plan run by an insurance company or other private company approved by Medicare.

To learn more about Medicare drug plans, visit the Medicare.gov site at www.medicare.gov or call: 1-800-Medicare (1-800-633-4227)

This number is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The Medicare agent can also tell a caller which plans include more of the prescription drugs a beneficiary may be taking.

Additional help for consumers:

Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program (HICAP) at 1-800-434-0222

HICAP provides free, impartial help in dealing with Medicare and long-term care insurance issues. Because of the high volume of calls that HICAP receives, callers will be asked to leave a message for a return call.

When contacting these resources, beneficiaries should have their Medicare card, Medi-Cal card, enrollment letter they received, and a list of the prescription drugs they are taking.

Resources for pharmacists:

For Medi-Cal billing tips, go to www.medi-cal.ca.gov.