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Re: Important News About Your Prescription Drug Benefit

Dear DEL Member:

As of April 1, 2007, DHHS has enrolled you in the Medicare Buy-in Program (also called Medicare Savings Program). You should have received a letter from DHHS, Office of Integrated Support and Services explaining this change.

Because you now are enrolled in this program, you will save money on your prescription drugs. Here is what you will now pay under your Medicare Prescription Drug Plan:

1. At the drug store, you will pay \$0 (nothing) for generic brand drugs and up to \$2.68 for brand name drugs. These drugs must be covered under your Medicare Prescription Drug Plan to get the savings. The help desk (number below) can tell you if your drug plan covers a drug.
2. You will not have a monthly premium as long as you stay in any standard Medicare Prescription Drug Plan.
3. Finally, you will not have an annual deductible or a coverage gap (donut hole).

If you pay more than these amounts on or after April 1, 2007, your Medicare Prescription Drug Plan must pay you back the difference. To get your money back, you must:

Our vision is Maine people enjoying safe, healthy and productive lives.

Fax: (207) 287-8601 – Pharmacy Unit
(207) 287-7643 – MaineCare Authorization Unit
(207) 287-1864 – Quality Management Unit
(207) 287-6533 – Classification/Case Mix Unit

Phone: 1-866-796-2463
(207) 287-7131

TTY: 1-800-423-4331
(207) 287-1828

4. Save your receipts from the drug store – both the cash register receipt and the pharmacy receipt.
5. Fill in spaces marked with a star (*) on the enclosed form.
6. Send the form and your receipts to your Medicare Prescription Drug Plan.

It is important that you keep a copy of everything you send and mark the date that you mailed it.

The State has NOT changed your Medicare Prescription Drug Plan. You are staying in the same plan for 2007. You can switch to any standard Medicare Prescription Drug Plan and get these benefits. Since you are now in the Medicare Buy-in Program, you are allowed to change your plan at any time.

If you have questions about this change or reimbursement, please contact the State's Pharmacy help desk at 1-866-796-2463 (TTY 1-800-423-4331).

Sincerely,



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