



**DELAWARE MEDICAL
ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

Notice About Your Prescription Drug Coverage And Medicare

Letter Heading Date

client name

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Dear client full name,

Your prescription drug coverage is changing. Beginning January 1, 2006, Medicaid will not cover your prescription drugs. The Federal law that created the Medicare prescription drug coverage does not allow Medicaid to pay for your drugs. Medicare will now pay for your prescription drugs.

To get Medicare prescription drug coverage, you need to join a Medicare Prescription Drug Plan. Information about the Medicare Prescription Drug Plans will be sent to you. You need to join a Medicare Prescription Drug Plan that works for you. If you do not join a Medicare Prescription Drug Plan by December 31, 2005, Medicare will automatically enroll you with a Prescription Drug Plan. You can change your Prescription Drug Plan at any time and the change will take place the following month. You must call the Prescription Drug Plan to make the change.

You do not have to pay a premium or deductible for the Medicare Prescription Drug Plan. You will have co-payments for your prescriptions. The co-payments will be between \$1.00 and \$5.00 based on your income. There is no monthly limit or cap on Medicare co-payments.

Medicaid will continue to pay for your over-the-counter drugs, benzodiazepines (anti-anxiety) and barbiturates (sleeping pills). There will be a Medicaid co-payment for these drugs. You will not have to pay more than \$15.00 a month in Medicaid co-payments. Medicaid recipients in nursing homes will have no prescription co-payments.

For questions about the Medicare prescription drug coverage, call 1-800-MEDICARE.

For questions about your limited Medicaid prescription drug coverage, call 1-800-372-2022.

You can ask for a fair hearing if you do not agree with what we have told you in this notice. A hearing will give you a chance to explain why you do not agree. If you want to have a hearing, you must ask for it in writing. You can mail your fair hearing request to the Division of Social Services Hearing Office at P.O. Box. 906, New Castle, De. 19720. You can ask for a hearing for 90 days from the date of this notice. You may have someone, such as a lawyer or a friend, help you with your fair hearing. If you want free legal advice, you can call Community Legal Aid Society, Inc., at their toll free number in New Castle County, 1-800-292-7980; in Kent County, 1-800-537-8383; or in Sussex County, 1-800-462-7070.

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