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Do you have Medicare?

Do you live on a limited income?

Do you need help to pay for your prescriptions?

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If so...

you may qualify for the Medicare Low Income Subsidy (LIS) Program... also known as Extra Help.

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How the LIS Program can help you...

If you <u>APPLY</u> and <u>QUALIFY</u> for the LIS Program:

- 1. You may not have to pay your Medicare Part D premiums, deductibles, co-payments.
- 2. Your prescriptions will be discounted.

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Income and resource limits have changed!

If you did not qualify before, you might qualify now.

Find out...call us today!!! 1-855-937-2372







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Welcome to Medicare 2015

An Opportunity for Central Texans to learn about Social Security benefits, Medicare benefits and Healthcare choices.

FREE TO THE PUBLIC

SEPTEMBER 10, 2015 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.

LOCATION:

Central Texas Council of Governments 2180 North Main Street Belton, Texas 76513 Conference Room D9

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The State of Texas can help you pay your Medicare premiums.

In some cases, these savings programs may also pay Medicare Part A (hospital insurance) and Medicare Part B (medical insurance) if you meet certain conditions.

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The Medicaid-sponsored Medicare Savings Programs (MSP) may pay

- Medicare Premiums
- Deductibles
- Co-insurance Amounts

for eligible Medicare beneficiaries. These programs allow you to better direct your savings to cover health care expenses.

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There are 4 kinds of Medicare Savings Programs:

- 1. QMB (Qualified Medicare Beneficiary)
- 2. SLMB (Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiary)
- 3. QI (Qualifying Individual)
- 4. QDWI (Qualified Disabled Working Individuals)

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QMB (Qualified Medicare Beneficiary)

Program helps pay for:

- Part A premiums
- Part B premiums
- Deductibles
- Co-insurance
- Co-Payments

Program	Gross Monthly Income Limit		Countable Resource Limit	
	Individual	Couple	Individual	Couple
QMB	\$1,001	\$1,348	\$7,280	\$10,930

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SLMB (Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiary)

Program helps pay for:

• Part B premiums only

Program	Gross Monthly Income Limit		Countable Resource Limit	
	Individual	Couple	Individual	Couple
SLMB	\$1,197	\$1,613	\$7,280	\$10,930

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QI (Qualifying Individual)

Program helps pay for

Part B premiums only.



Program	Gross Monthly Income Limit		Countable Resource Limit	
	Individual	Couple	Individual	Couple
QI	\$1,345	\$1,813	\$7,280	\$10,930

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QDWI (Qualified Disabled Working Individuals)

Program helps pay the Part A premium. You may qualify if <u>ANY</u> of these apply to you:

- ✓ You're a working disabled person under 65.
- ✓ You lost your premium-free Part A when you went back to work.
- ✓ You are not receiving medical assistance from the state.
- ✓ You meet the income and resource limits required by the state.

Program	Gross Monthly Income Limit		Countable Resource Limit	
	Individual	Couple	Individual	Couple
QDWI	\$1,962	\$2,655	\$4,000	\$6,000

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If you qualify for QMB, SLMB, OR QI, you automatically qualify for the Extra Help Program paying for Medicare prescription drug coverage.

Income and resource amounts may increase in 2016.

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Countable resources include:

- 1. Bank accounts
- 2. Stocks/Bonds
- 3. Property (other than your home)
- 4. Life insurance

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Countable resources do <u>not</u> include:

- 1. Your home
- 2. One vehicle
- 3. Burial plot
- 4. Up to \$1,500 for burial expenses (if you have already put that money aside)
- 5. Life insurance with a cash value of less than \$1,500
- 6. Furniture
- 7. Other household and personal items

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How do I apply for these Medicare Savings Programs?

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Your opportunity to review your health and prescription drug plan options for the following year begins October 15th!

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Each year there are new health and prescription drug plan choices.

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We can help you locate plans that may:

- Cost less
- Cover your drugs
- Let you go to the providers you want, like your doctor or pharmacy

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During the Medicare Open Enrollment period (Oct 15 - Dec 7), we can help you review and compare your current health and prescription drug plan with those plans offered in 2016.

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Important Dates:

Oct 15: Medicare Open Enrollment begins

Dec 7: Medicare Open Enrollment ends

Jan 1: Coverage begins

Call us, we can answer your questions!

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Your Point of Access for Information and Assistance

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Let us help you navigate the Medicare and Medicaid paperwork.

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