

Important Information About Your Medicaid Benefits

We are sending you this letter because our records show that you are getting or are going to start getting **Medicare**. If you think this is wrong, please call Member Services at 1-800-338-8366, or in the Des Moines area at 256-4606.

The Iowa **Medicaid** program will **STOP** paying for most of your prescriptions drugs when your **Medicare** starts. You will need to enroll in a **Medicare** Part D prescription drug plan so that **Medicare** can begin paying for your prescription drugs.

What does it cost? Because you get **Medicaid** you will get help from **Medicare** to pay for the following Part D costs:

- The premium
- The deductible; and
- Drug co-payments

What if I don't enroll? If you do not enroll in a Part D plan, **Medicare** will assign you to a plan. If that plan does not cover all your prescriptions, you may change plans.

What if I have drug coverage through my employer/union? If you have an employer/union plan that has drug coverage and:

- If coverage is as good as, or better than **Medicare**, you may keep employer/union plan.
- If you keep the employer/union plan, you must let **Medicare** know so that **Medicare** will not enroll you in a Part D plan.

Questions?? If you need help choosing a **Medicare** Part D plan or if you have questions:

- Call **Medicare** at **1-800-633-4227**; or
- Call the Senior Health Insurance Information Program (**SHIIP**) at **1-800-351-4664**. SHIIP volunteers are trained to help you with your **Medicare** question and can help you choose a **Medicare** Part D plan that meets your prescriptions drug needs.

The information in this letter is based on the following laws: 42 CFR Part 431 Subpart E and the Social Security Act under Section 1935 (d)(1).