

A Message to Patients: How You May Be Eligible to Get Help With Your Prescription Drug Costs

Sanofi created this educational resource to help patients and medical professionals understand Medicare's Low-income Subsidy (LIS), or "Extra Help," program.

What is The "Extra Help" Program?

If you meet certain income and resource limits for the LIS program, which is most commonly called "Extra Help," you may pay less for medications that are covered under the Medicare Part D prescription drug program. Extra Help offers reduced Part D plan premiums, no coverage gap or "donut hole," and lower drug copayments. In order to qualify, your income must be \leq \$18,210 for singles or \leq \$24,690 for married couples. Asset limits also apply: singles with assets \leq \$13,820 or couples with assets \leq \$27,600 may qualify for assistance. Contact Medicare for more details at **1-800-MEDICARE**.

Am I Eligible for Extra Help?

To qualify for Extra Help, you must be eligible to enroll in a Medicare Part D plan. **Some people will automatically qualify for Extra Help, while others must apply in order to receive assistance.**



Am I automatically eligible for Extra Help?

You may be automatically eligible for Extra Help if you:

- Are eligible for both Medicare and Medicaid
- Have Medicare and also receive Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- Are enrolled in a Medicare Savings Program



How do I apply to get assistance from the Extra Help program if I'm not automatically eligible?

If you are not automatically deemed eligible, you may still apply for Extra Help and file an application at any time. Applications are available in print and online.

You can apply by doing any of the following:

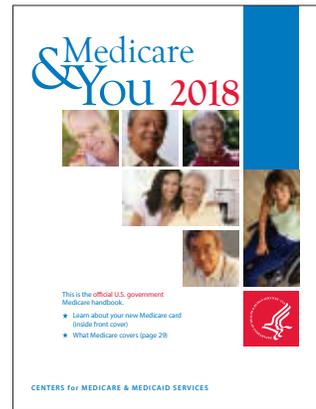
- Visiting the website of the Social Security Administration and accessing the application at www.ssa.gov/forms/ssa-1020b-ocr-sm-inst.pdf
- Visiting your state's Medicaid office
- Calling Social Security (toll free) at **1-800-772-1213** to apply by phone or request that a paper application be mailed to your home
- Calling Medicare (toll free) at **1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227)** and asking for the telephone number to your state's Medicaid office

What Information Is Considered When Someone Applies for Extra Help?

The Social Security Administration will look at your income and the income of anyone living in your home, such as your spouse. The agency will also assess your resources, including savings accounts. Some things are excluded from resources, such as the value of life insurance policies.

Want More Information?

For more information on Medicare, refer to the *Medicare & You* guide that is updated annually. It is available at this link: <https://www.medicare.gov/pubs/pdf/10050-Medicare-and-You.pdf>



Forms for Extra Help may be found by:



Visiting the Social Security Administration website at <https://www.ssa.gov/medicare/prescriptionhelp/forms.html>



Calling the Social Security Administration at **1-800-772-1213** (TTY **1-800-325-0778**) to apply over the phone or to request an original paper application



Applying at your local Social Security office



If you have paid for prescriptions since becoming eligible for Extra Help, you may be able to get money back. To find out if you are eligible for reimbursement of overpayment for prescriptions, keep your receipts and call your insurance plan or contact Medicare's Limited Income Newly Eligible Transition (NET) Program at 1-800-783-1307 for more information.