



NEWS

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Medicare drug coverage assistance

If you or someone you know is on Medicaid (Title 19) or ConnPACE AND also on Medicare

To get your medications:

- Bring your grey state card to the drug store
- Bring your Medicare card with you if you have one – it is red, white and blue
- Bring your new Medicare drug card if you got one in the mail
- If you got a letter that says you will get a new Medicare drug card, bring that letter

You do not have to have a new drug card to get your medicine, but **you must have identification**

The drug store must:

- Give you a full supply of your medication for January
- If you are on Medicaid (Title 19) – the drug store must give your medications at NO cost– you cannot be charged a “co-pay” for your medications if you are on Medicaid

- If you are on ConnPACE – the drug store must give you your medication for no more than \$16.25 per medication

If you experience any of these problems, call legal services for help:

- You are told that you cannot get your medicine because you are “not on a Medicare Part D plan” or
- You are on Medicaid and are asked to pay any co-pays for your medications, or
- You are on ConnPACE and you are asked to pay more than \$16.25 for any of your medications, or
- You are told that you can’t get your medications because you don’t have a new Medicare drug card, or
- You are told you can’t get your medication because your Medicare Part D plan won’t pay for it.

If you have any of these problems, call Legal Services for help toll-free at 1-800-453-332

Tips for taking your medications

- Ask your doctor to go over the prescription with you. Know how to take the medicine and why you are taking it.
- Know the brand and generic names of your medicines.
- Write them down if you need to.
- Read the label on the prescription container.
- **If you have ANY questions, ask the pharmacist.**

Si usted prefiere recibir este boletín en Español, llámenos gratis, al 1-888-873-4585.



If you have high medical bills, a Hartford Courant reporter is interested in your story. If you are willing to talk with her, call us toll-free at 1-888-875-4585 to learn more.

The state will be filming some videos on how to enroll in HUSKY and how to get care once you are in the program. If you are interested in being in the video, give us a call to learn more.

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