



NOTICE OF TERMINATION OF ILLINOIS CARES RX BENEFIT

Dear Illinois Cares Rx Member:

We regret to inform you that the Illinois Cares Rx program is ending June 30, 2012. Due to Illinois state budget reductions, funding for the program is being eliminated. This means beginning July 1, 2012, Illinois Cares Rx will no longer help you pay for your prescription drugs and Medicare Part D plan premium. **It is important that you contact your Medicare Part D prescription drug plan to find out what your premium and prescription drug costs will be beginning July 1, 2012.** See page 4 for phone numbers for the Part D plans that were coordinating with Illinois Cares Rx.

Section 1. If You Have Medicare, the following information applies to you. If you do not have Medicare, please skip to Section 2 (page 2).

If you are enrolled in a Medicare Part D plan, **you will continue to receive prescription drug coverage through that plan.** You will **not** be dropped from your Part D plan because the Illinois Cares Rx program is ending.

Beginning July 1, 2012, if your Part D plan has a monthly premium, you will have to pay it. If you don't pay your premium, you may lose your Part D Coverage. Contact your plan to find out how much your premium will be and how you will pay it. In most cases, your Part D plan will send you a booklet of premium payment coupons to send in with your checks. However, some plans don't have premiums or your premium may be automatically deducted from your bank account or social security check.

Also beginning July 1, **the amount you pay at the pharmacy for each prescription you fill may change.** In addition, you will have to pay any remaining deductible (if your Medicare Part D plan has a deductible).

However, if you have Low Income Subsidy (LIS) assistance from the federal government (also known as Extra Help) the amounts that you will pay for each prescription you fill may remain the same. If you do not currently have LIS, you can see if you qualify and complete an application by visiting <https://secure.ssa.gov/i1020/start> or by calling 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778).

You can choose a different Medicare Part D plan. Since you no longer have Illinois Cares Rx, you can switch to a different Medicare drug plan for the rest of 2012 if you wish. You may choose either a stand-alone Medicare Part D plan or a Medicare Advantage plan with costs and coverage that better meet your needs. If you decide to change plans, you must enroll in the new plan between June 1, 2012 and August 31, 2012.

For assistance comparing drug plan options in your area or enrolling in a different plan, contact one of the agencies listed at the end of this letter (on page 3). If you are in a Medicare Advantage plan that also covers your doctor and hospital care, you may wish to contact the Senior Health Insurance Program (SHIP) at 1-800-548-9034. Or you may visit www.medicare.gov or call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227); TTY/TDD users should call 1-877-486-2048.

Even if you choose to change your plan now, you will still have another chance to change plans for 2013 along with everyone else during the Part D annual enrollment period (October 15-December 7, 2012).

Section 2. If You Do NOT Have Medicare, the following information applies to you.

You will no longer receive prescription drug coverage through Illinois Cares Rx. Beginning July 1, 2012, you will be responsible for paying the full costs for your medicines.

However, if you have discount programs, private health insurance, or get help through the V.A. that pays your prescription drugs, that coverage will not change.

Section 3. If you have Medicaid, the following information applies to you.

If you have Medicaid and are enrolled in a Medicare Part D plan, you will continue to receive prescription drug coverage through that plan and Medicaid will continue to provide assistance paying for the cost of your Medicare Part D excluded drugs. You will also continue to pay the same co-payment for your prescription drugs through your Part D plan because you are automatically qualified for the LIS assistance from the federal government.

If you have Medicaid and no Medicare, you will continue to receive your prescription drug coverage through Medicaid.

Section 4. Assistance for Individuals with HIV or AIDS

If you have HIV or AIDS, a program offered by the Illinois Department of Public Health that assists with prescription medicines and health insurance premiums may be able to assist you. For help paying for your prescription drugs, the AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) offers 80 FDA approved drugs for the primary treatment of HIV and AIDS. The ADAP application is available online at www.idph.state.il.us and www.hivcareconnect.com. Questions and concerns can be directed to the ADAP office at 1-800-825-3518.

Section 5. Help is Available

- For questions about your Illinois Cares Rx drug coverage, contact the Health Benefits Hotline at 1-800-226-0768 (TTY 877-204-1012); Senior HelpLine at 1-800-252-8966 (TTY 888-206-1327); or
- For Medicare counseling, contact the Senior Health Insurance Program (SHIP) at 1-800-548-9034 (TTY 217-524-4872); or
- For assistance comparing Medicare Part D plans, contact one of the local agencies listed on page 3; or
- You may qualify for assistance from a private discount program. Following are links to two websites that might be helpful:

<http://rxassist.org/default.cfm>

<http://www.rxoutreach.org/>

- Visit the following websites for additional information:

www.illinoiscaresrx.com

www.cbrx.il.gov

**Help is available! Please call to schedule your appointment.
Our SHAP Outreach Sites will help you compare Medicare Part D plans.**

Call to schedule an appointment ▲ <i>accepts local calls only</i>		SHAP Outreach Sites help <i>older adults and persons with disabilities</i> file the IL-1363 application	
Adams	800-252-9027	<u>Cook Suburban North</u>	
Alexander	618-734-1050	Barrington	847-253-5500
Bond	618-664-1465	Elk Grove	847-524-8800
Boone	815-544-9893	Evanston	847-864-3721
Brown	800-252-9027	Hanover	847-253-5500
Bureau	800-554-5955	Maine	847-784-6000
Calhoun	800-252-9027	New Trier	847-784-6000
Carroll	866-214-1959 ▲	Niles	847-864-3721
Cass	800-252-2918 ▲	Northfield	847-784-6000
Champaign	217-352-5100	Palatine	847-991-1112
Christian	800-252-2918 ▲	Schaumburg	847-524-8800
Clark	217-382-4126	Wheeling	847-253-5500
Clay	618-532-1853	Crawford	618-544-8811
Clinton	618-594-2321	Cumberland	217-849-3965
Coles	217-639-5166	Dekalb	815-758-6550
Cook		DeWitt	217-935-9411
Chicago- Age 60 and older		Douglas	800-967-6552 ▲
	312-744-4016	DuPage	800-528-2000
Chicago Persons with Disabilities		Edgar	217-465-8143
Age 59 and under		Edwards	618-445-2017
Garfield Center	312-746-5400	Effingham	618-532-1853
North Area Center	312-744-2580	Fayette	618-532-1853
Trina Davila Center	312-744-2014	Ford	217-379-9281
King Center	312-747-2300	Franklin	618-937-3511
South Chicago Center	312-747-0500	Fulton	309-674-2071
Englewood	312-747-0200	Gallatin	618-272-7570
Cook – Suburban	800-699-9043	Greene	800-252-2918 ▲
<u>Cook Suburban South</u>		Grundy	800-528-2000
Bloom	708-754-9400	Hamilton	618-643-2676
Bremen	708-596-2222	Hancock	800-252-9027
Calumet	708-596-2222	Hardin	618-287-2501
Lemont	708-361-0219	Henderson	800-708-9968
Orland	708-361-0219	Henry	800-659-9952
Palos	708-361-0219	Iroquois	815-432-5785
Rich	708-596-2222	Jackson	618-457-4151
Stickney	708-636-8850	Jasper	618-783-3660 or 618-783-3145
Thornton	708-596-2222	Jefferson	618-532-1853
Worth	708-361-0219	Jersey	800-252-2918 ▲
<u>Cook Suburban West</u>		JoDaviss	800-424-6696 ▲
Berwyn	708-447-2448	Johnson	618-658-8140
Cicero	708-447-2448	Kane	800-528-2000
Leyden	847-455-3929	Kankakee	800-528-2000
North Proviso	708-547-5600	Kendall	800-528-2000
South Proviso	708-354-1323	Knox	877-638-4683
Village of Brookfield	708-354-1323	Lake	800-528-2000
Village of LaGrange	708-354-1323	LaSalle (upper)	800-535-5970
Norwood Park	708-456-7979	LaSalle (lower)	866-331-8034
Oak Park	708-383-8060	Lawrence	618-943-2177
River Forest	708-383-8060	Lee	888-239-9228 ▲
Riverside	708-354-1323	Livingston	815-842-3484
		Logan	800-252-2918 ▲
		Macon	217-423-6550
		Macoupin	800-252-2918 ▲
		Madison	800-326-3221
		Marion	618-532-1853
		Marshall	309-674-2071
		Mason	800-252-2918 ▲
		Massac	618-524-9755
		McDonough	877-837-5733
		McHenry	800-528-2000
		McLean	800-570-7284 ▲
		Menard	800-252-2918 ▲
		Mercer	888-825-1050
		Monroe	618-939-8880
		Montgomery	800-252-2918 ▲
		Morgan	800-252-2918 ▲
		Moultrie	800-736-4675 ▲
		Ogle	800-541-5479 ▲
		Peoria	309-674-2071
		Perry	618-542-3511
		Piatt	217-762-7575
		Pike	800-252-9027
		Pope	618-683-7741
		Pulaski	618-745-6149
		Putnam	800-757-4579
		Randolph	618-826-5108
		Richland	618-395-3223
		Rock Island	800-788-6308
		Saline	618-252-7940
		Sangamon	800-252-2918 ▲
		Schuyler	800-252-9027
		Scott	800-252-2918 ▲
		Shelby	888-299-9553 ▲
		St. Clair	800-326-3221
		Stark	309-674-2071
		Stephenson	800-424-6696 ▲
		Tazewell	309-674-2071
		Union	618-833-4197
		Vermilion	217-443-2999
		Wabash	618-262-7403
		Warren	866-734-5677
		Washington	618-243-6533
		Wayne	618-842-2261
		White	618-382-3111
		Whiteside	888-622-9230 ▲
		Will	800-528-2000
		Williamson	618-988-1585
		Winnebago	800-779-1189 ▲
		Woodford	309-674-2071

2012 Illinois Cares Rx Coordinating Plans

Coordinating Stand-Alone Medicare Part D Prescription Drug Plans

<p>AARP Medicare Rx Preferred Enrollment and Customer Service: (877) 710-5083; 711 (TTY)</p>	<p>CVS Caremark Value Enrollment: (866) 634-6557; (866) 552-6288 (TTY) Customer Service: (866) 235-5660; (866) 236-1069 (TTY)</p>
<p>First Health Part D – Premier Enrollment and Customer Service: (866) 865-0662; 711 (TTY)</p>	<p>WellCare Classic Enrollment: (888) 293-5151 (888) 816-5252 (TTY) Customer Service: (888) 550-5252; (888) 816-5252 (TTY)</p>

Coordinating Medicare Advantage Part D Drug Plans

<p>Care Improvement Plus Customer Service and Enrollment (800) 204-1002; 771 (TTY)</p>	<p>Group Health Plan, Inc. (GHP) Enrollment: (877) 409-8047; 711 (TTY) Customer Service: (800) 533-0367; 711 (TTY)</p>
<p>Essence Healthcare Customer Service and Enrollment: (866) 597-9560; 711 (TTY)</p>	<p>Health Alliance Medical Plans Customer Service and Enrollment: (800) 965-4022; (866) 883-8551 (TTY)</p>
<p>HealthSpring Customer Service: (888) 588-4827; (866) 206-5565 (TTY) Enrollment: (888) 886-1993; (866) 206-5565 (TTY)</p>	<p>WellCare Enrollment: (877) 232-7119; (877) 247-6272 (TTY) Customer Service: (866) 334-6876; (877) 247-6272 (TTY)</p>
<p>Humana Customer Service and Enrollment: (888) 445-8678; 711 (TTY)</p>	<p>Personal Care Advantra Customer Service and Enrollment: (866) 784-4916; 711 (TTY)</p>
<p>SecureHorizons by United Healthcare - AARP Medicare Complete Enrollment: (800) 577-5623 Customer Service: (800) 643-4845; 771 (TTY)</p>	