

Spring 2023

Merrimack County, NH

Call or visit our office: Monday - Friday 8:30am - 4:30pm

Or catch us in the community at these locations:

1st Tuesday of each month: TRIP Senior Center - 10:30am (12 Rowell Dr, Franklin)

1st Thursday of each month: Horseshoe Pond Place - 10am (26 Commercial St, Concord)

2nd Thursday of each month: Suncook Senior Center - 11am (8 Whitten St, Allenstown)

3rd Thursday of each month: Pittsfield Senior Center - 11 am (55 Barnstead, Pittsfield)

4th Thursday of each month: Bradford Senior Center - 11am (134 E. Main, Bradford)

### **ABOUT US**

ServiceLink is an Aging and Disability
Resource Center that provides people of all
ages, abilities, and income levels:

- Information on Services and supports for long-term needs
- Education and access to state assistance including Medicaid and Medicaid Waiver Programs
- Information, Referral, and Assistance
- Access to NH Family Caregiver Program
- Education and counseling for Medicare and Medicare Fraud



ServiceLink of Merrimack County is a program of the NH Department of Health and Human Services which is administered by Community Action Program Belknap Merrimack Counties.







## **New To Medicare Workshops**

Live Virtual Instruction: 9-11am and 2-4pm

April 13th May 18th June 8th

Call to Register (603) 228-6625



Remember the three steps from the Senior Medicare Patrol: Prevent, Detect, Report!

Prevent: Open and read your Medicare statements.

<u>Detect</u>: Look for things like double charges or services you don't recognize.

<u>Report</u>: Contact the SMP for questions or concerns. ServiceLink is your local SMP!

# Do You Need Help With Your Medicare Costs?

Medicare Savings Program	Monthly Income Limit		Resource Limits	Benefits	To Apply
QMB (Qualified Medicare Beneficiary)	Single:	\$1,235	\$9,090	Pays Part A & B premiums, deductibles, and co-pays. Part D extra help is automatically added	Use " Application for Assistance" (BFA Form 800) or go to: www.NHEasy.NH.gov
	Married:	\$1,663	\$13,630		
SLMB-120 — Specified Low Income Medicare Beneficiary	Single:	\$1,478	\$9,090	Pays Part B Premium Part D extra help is automatically added	
	Married:	\$1,992	\$13,630		
SLMB-135 or QI – Qualifying Individual	Single:	\$1,660	\$9,090	Pays Part B Premium Part D extra help is automatically added	
	Married:	\$2,239	\$13,630		
Low Income Subsidy	Monthly Income Up To		Resource Limits	Benefits	To Apply
Extra Help	Single:	\$1,843	\$16,660 <b>*</b>	Helps with Part D premiums, deductibles and co-pays	" Medicare →Apply for Part D cost assistance" www.ssa.gov
	Married:	\$2,485	\$33,240 <b>*</b>		

Notes: Medicare Savings Programs also eliminate the Part B Late Enrollment Penalty Low Income Subsidy also eliminates the Part D Late Enrollment Penalty

### You'll get Extra Help automatically if you get:

- Full Medicaid coverage
- Help from your state paying your Part B premiums (from a Medicare Savings Program)
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits from Social Security

You'll get a letter about your Extra Help. It tells you things like how much you'll pay, and your new Medicare drug plan, if you don't have one already.

If you don't automatically get Extra Help, you can apply for it online at www.ssa.gov

Or call Social Security at 1-800-772-1213. TTY users can call 1-800-325-0778.

<sup>\*</sup>Resource limits displayed for "extra help" include \$1,500 per person for final expenses.

### Public Health Emergency UNWIND

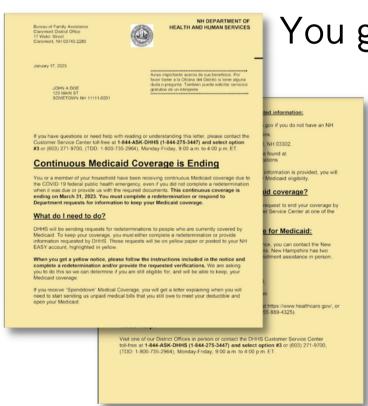
The COVID Public Health Emergency has been DECOUPLED with continuous coverage of Medicaid and Expanded SNAP benefits.

March 1st - Families on SNAP (Food Stamps) will only receive their eligible amount of SNAP benefits. Families WILL NOT receive the EXTRA \$\$ benefit they were receving during the COVID PHE.

April 1st - Regular Medicaid Eligibility practices resume. Cases can now be closed due to missed redetermination or exceeding income guidelines.

CALL SERVICELINK If you are struggling with the changes brought on by the UNWIND.

1-866-634-9412



You got a yellow letter.

Now What?

- Make sure your contact information is correct and up to date with DHHS.
- Open any mail you get from DHHS
- Respond to any requests for verification documents or redetermination applications.