

## What do I need to apply?

When you apply, you will be asked to provide copies of several documents. Use this checklist to ensure that you have everything you need.

- Proof of identity and Nebraska residence
- Proof of citizenship or alien status
- Proof that you have Medicare Part A
- Recent bank statements
- Property deeds
- Life insurance policies
- Financial statements from stocks and bonds
- Proof of funeral and burial funds or contracts
- Proof of your burial plot (if you have one)
- Proof of all income (pension checks, social security payments, etc.)

Contact the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services Medicaid Program at 1-800-685-5456 if you have any questions.

## SHIIP

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## Savings

for people with Medicare



Save over \$1,100 in Medical Expenses.

Find out if you qualify.

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## Get Help Paying Medicare Expenses

A specialized program could help you save at least \$1,156 each year. The Medicare Savings Program could help you pay your:

- ◆ **Premiums:** The periodic payment to Medicare for health care coverage. The Part B premium is \$96.40 per month in 2008.\*
- ◆ **Deductibles:** The amount you must pay for health care before Medicare begins to pay.
- ◆ **Coinsurance:** The percent of the Medicare approved amount that you have to pay after you pay the deductible. In the Original Medicare Plan, the coinsurance payment is 20%.

\* The Part B premium could be more for those with increased income and resources.

## How Do I Know If I Qualify?

If you answer "Yes" to the three following questions, you may qualify.

1. Do you have Medicare Part A (Hospital Insurance)?
2. Are you an **individual** with income of **less than \$887 per month** or a **couple** with income of **less than \$1,187 per month**? If you are, you may be eligible for full Medicaid services, including Medicare Part D prescription drug assistance.

- OR -

Are you an **individual** with income of **less than \$1,190 per month** or a **couple** with income of **less than \$1,595 per month**? If you are, you may be eligible for Medicaid to pay your Medicare Part B premium.

3. Are you an **individual** with **less than \$4,000** in financial resources or a **couple** with **less than \$6,000** in financial resources?

### Financial Resources Included:

- ✓ bank accounts
- ✓ stocks and bonds

### Financial Resources Not Included:

- ✓ the home in which you live
- ✓ burial plot/some burial funds
- ✓ up to one automobile
- ✓ furniture
- ✓ some life insurance

### Does it Cost Anything to Apply?

No. The application and support assistance are free.

