Other Programs

The Ohio Senior Health Insurance Information Program (OSHIIP) is a division of the Ohio Department of Insurance that provides free information and education to people covered by Medicare and their caregivers.

- Email oshiipmail@insurance.ohio.gov or call call 1-800-686-1578.
- Visit the Ohio Department of Insurance's Medicare Services/OSHIIP at insurance.ohio.gov.

The Ohio Department of Medicaid (ODM) provides health care coverage to individuals with limited income.

- Visit the Ohio Department of Medicaid at medicaid.ohio.gov.
- To start an application go to benefits.ohio.gov or call the Ohio Medicaid Consumer Hotline at 1-800-324-8680.

The Ohio Benefit Bank (OBB) is an initiative that connects people with low and moderate incomes to supports such as public benefits and tax credits.

- Visit the Ohio Benefit Bank at ohiobenefits.org.
- For help using the Ohio Benefit Bank call 1-800-648-1176.



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Ohio Medicare Savings Programs

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Medicare Savings Programs

Also known as Medicare Premium Assistance Programs (MPAP)

If you do not qualify for full Medicaid, you may qualify for other assistance programs. There are four kinds of Medicare Savings Programs that help those with low income and asset levels pay for health care coverage. Note: You must meet certain income and asset limits to qualify for these programs. QMB, SLMB, QI and QDWI programs are not subject to Estate Recovery.

Medicaid

The Medicaid program helps with medical costs and other services for some people with limited income and resources.

- All deductibles and coinsurance that Medicare does not pay.
- Medicare Part B premium: \$134/month for most people in 2017.

Medicaid Eligibility

Single Married
Monthly income: \$ 755 \$ 1,123
Total resources: \$ 2,000 \$ 3,000

Qualified Medicare Beneficiary (QMB)

The QMB program serves as a free Medicare supplement policy. QMB pays:

- All deductibles and coinsurance that Medicare does not pay.
- Medicare Part B premium: \$134/month for most people in 2017.

QMB Eligibility

Monthly income: \$1,025 \$1,374
Total resources: \$7,390 \$11,090

Specified Low Income Medicare Beneficiary (SLMB)

The SLMB program has higher limits than QMB. Once you qualify, SLMB pays:

- Medicare Part B premium: \$134/month for most people in 2017.
- Retroactive Part B premium amounts for each of the past three months.

SLMB Eligibility

Monthly income: Single Married \$1,226 \$1,644 Total resources: \$7,390 \$11,090

Qualified Individual (QI)

Medicaid, QMB and SLMB are guaranteed for those who qualify, but QI benefits are limited.

QI pays the Medicare Part B premium: \$134/month for most people in 2017.

QI Eligibility

Monthly income: \$1,377 \$1,847 Total resources: \$7,390 \$11,090

Qualified Disabled and Working Individuals (QDWI)

The QDWI program helps pay the Part A premium if you are under 65, disabled and no longer entitled to free Part A solely because you return to work.

QDWI Eligibility

Single Married
Monthly income: \$ 2,030 \$ 2,727
Total resources: \$ 7,390 \$ 11,090

Applying for Benefits

The Medicaid application determines eligibility to receive benefits from any of the programs listed on this brochure.

- Get the application from the County Department of Job & Family Services.
 Complete and return it in person or by mail.
- An interview may be required. A friend or family member can accompany you.
- An authorized representative can go to the interview in your place.
- Benefits cannot be denied due to nonattendance at the interview.