MIPPA 2014 Training

Thank you for participating in this training and grant!

Topics Covered

- What is Low Income Subsidy (LIS)?
- How LIS works with Part D
- Screening Clients for LIS Eligibility
- What is Medicare Savings Program (MSP)?
- How MSP works with Medicare
- Screening Clients for MSP Eligibility
- Processing an LIS application using Benefits Check Up.org
- Entering a Client Contact
- State 1-800 application line
- When to refer a client



What is Low Income Subsidy (LIS)?

- LIS is <u>federal</u> financial assistance with the cost of prescription drug insurance, deductible and copayments / coinsurance
- SSA processes the application and determines eligibility
- Average value of LIS for an eligible person is \$4,000 per year

How Does LIS work with Part D?

- Provides access to prescription drug insurance which may otherwise be unaffordable
- Protects people from the Part D Coverage Gap
- Waives any late-enrollment penalty premium for Part D
- Allows continuous Special Enrollment Period (SEP)
 - Can change plans as often as every month (not recommended)
 - No need to wait until the next Open Enrollment Period

How Does LIS work with Part D?

- Two levels of help from LIS:
 - Full Help (full subsidy) for those with lower incomes/fewer resources
 - Partial Help (partial subsidy) for those with slightly higher incomes/resources
- Both full and partial help eliminate the Part D coverage gap
- Any late-enrollment penalty premium is waived for anyone with LIS/Extra Help or MSP

Screening Clients for LIS Eligibility

- Person must have Medicare Part A or Part B for LIS
- Most people must meet financial eligibility criteria:
 - Income test based on the annual Federal Poverty Levels (FPLs) and
 - Resource test (also called "asset" test)
- Once determined eligible, LIS is good for the remainder of the calendar year
- Some people are "deemed" eligible (automatically get LIS) because they receive another needs-based benefit:
 - People who get any kind of
 - Medicaid (community or institutional),
 - Supplemental Security Income (SSI), or
 - Medicare Savings Program (i.e., QMB, SLMB, QI)
 - These 3 groups do not need to apply for LIS

Screening Clients for LIS Eligibility

Federal Poverty Level	Family Size	Monthly Income 2014*	Resources** 2014
100%	Individual	\$973	\$8,660
"Full subsidy"	Couple	\$1,311	\$13,750
135%	Individual	\$1,313	\$8,660
"Full subsidy"	Couple	\$1,770	\$13,750
135%-150%	Individual	\$1,459	\$13,440
"Partial subsidy" aka "Level 4"	Couple	\$1,966 *Effective 1/22/2014	\$26,860 **Excludes home and car

What is Medicare Savings Program (MSP)?

- A <u>state</u> benefit program available to lowincome Medicare beneficiaries
- Administered by Oregon Department of Human Services, Aging and People with Disabilities offices
 - Pays the Part B premium and possibly the deductible/coinsurance costs after Medicare pays
 - Waives any late-enrollment penalty premium for Part B
- Automatically deems beneficiaries eligible for the LIS subsidy

How does MSP work with Medicare?

- Provides financial assistance with the costs associated with Medicare (Part B premium, deductibles, coinsurances)
- Two levels of help from MSP:
 - Full help (QMB)
 - Partial help (SMB or SMF)
- Part B late-enrollment penalty premium is waived for anyone with QMB, SMB or SMF
- Automatically deemed eligible for LIS
 - May require manual processing

Screening Clients for MSP Eligibility

Program: % of FPL	Income limits* One/couple	Resources** One/couple	Rx Premium 2014***	Rx Deductible 2014	Rx Copay 2014
QMB: 100%	\$973/ \$1,311	\$7,160/ \$10,750	\$O	\$O	\$2.55/ \$6.35 NO GAP
SMB: 120%	\$1,167/ \$1,573	\$7,160/ \$10,750	\$ 0	\$O	\$2.55/ \$6.35 NO GAP
SMF(QI): 135%	\$1,313/ \$1,770	\$7,160/ \$10,750	\$ 0	\$O	\$2.55/ \$6.35 NO GAP

^{*} Income limits effective 3/1/14

^{**} An additional, separate, \$1500 pp burial fund account is allowed

^{***} If enrolled in a benchmark plan

Sample Self-Screening tool for clients

If your monthly income and your resources (savings) match the guidelines, you might be able to get help with Medicare costs.

<u>Fo</u>	r a single person	For a couple
Part B help		
Maximum Monthly Income (BEFORE deduction	s) \$1,313*	\$1,770*
Resources below	\$7 <i>,</i> 160	\$10,750
(An additional, separate, \$1500 per person burial fund	account is allowed)	

NOTE: There is NO Estate Recovery (claim against your estate) for help with Part B costs.

<u>Part D help</u>

Maximum Monthly Income (BEFORE deductions)	\$1,459	\$1,966
Resources below	\$13,440	\$26,860

The SHIBA Volunteer may be able to help you apply for these programs today.

To apply later, or refer a friend, please call Oregon Medicare Savings Connect at 1-855 447-0155

^{*} Part B income limits effective 3/14

Go to www.BenefitsCheckUp.org/Oregon







Medicare Rx Extra Help Online Application

Should You Use This Application?

Need Help?

Since not everyone will be able to use the online Application for Extra Help with Medicare Prescription Drug Plan Costs, we need you to answer a few questions to help us figure out if you should use this application form. Any time there is a link at the end of a question that says "HELP," you can follow that link to get help with that question.

- 1. Are you assisting someone (other than your spouse who lives with you) with this application?

 Note: If you are completing this form for someone else other than your spouse, it is important that you answer Yes here. By answering Yes, we will be able to collect contact information from you later so someone can contact you if there are problems with this application. If you are helping another person fill out this application, answer the following questions as if you were the person.
 - Your choice whether you answer yes or no.
- 2. Did you (or your spouse, if married and living together) get an application in the mail from the Social Security Administration? HELP
 - 🗗 Yes 🏿 🖷 No
- 3. Do you (or your spouse, if married and living together) have Medicare? HELP
 - Yes No





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About the Person Completing the Form and the Person You Are Helping

Need Help?

We need some basic information about how to contact you and the person you are helping in case Social Security has any questions about this application.

As part of the application on this site, you must provide NCOA the Name and Social Security Number (SSN) for the person you are helping. NCOA will securely transmit his/her application to Social Security and will temporarily retain his/her information to obtain reports regarding the success of this site. If the person you are helping would prefer the privacy of providing his/her SSN and Name to only the Social Security Administration, please go to http://www.ssa.gov/, where you can complete a SSA Form i1020 for Extra Help with Prescription Drugs.

10.	Form Completer's Name:
	Donna Delikat
	First Name M.I. Last Name
11.	Relationship to Applicant: HELP
	Other (Specify)
	Please indicate Oregon SHIP
12.	Form Completer's Phone Number (Enter in 000-000-0000, if there is no phone number): HELP
	800 722 4134
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13.	Form Completer's Address: HELP
	Line 1 PO Box 14480
	Line 2
	Line 3
	Line 4
	City Salem
	State OR - Oregon
	Zip 97148





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 - Yes O No

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17.	Has the applicant worked	l in 2013 or 2	014? <u>HELP</u>	
	🗗 Yes 🍜 No			
18.	Please check the box if the	ne applicant l	ias changei	d his/her address within the last three months.
19.	Applicant's Mailing Addre	SS: <u>HELP</u>		
	Line 1 123 Anywhe	ere St		
	Line 2			
	Line 3			
	Line 4			
	City Your Town			
	State OR - Orego	n 🔻		
	Zip 97006			
20.	Applicant's Phone Numbe	r (Enter in O	0-000-000	0, if there is no phone number): негр
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22. Does the applicant have combined savings, investments, and real estate (other than the home he or she lives in) worth more than \$13,440? Include the things the applicant owns separately or with another person. DO NOT include the home he or she lives in, vehicles, personal possessions, life insurance, burial plots, irrevocable burial contracts or back payments from Social Security or SSI.

Note: Social Security excludes many different types of resources when figuring out a person's eligibility for the Extra Help. For a list of these exclusions, click on the HELP link. HELP

Yes • No or Not Sure

23. Information about Medicare Savings Programs: The applicant may be able to get help from his or her state with his or her Medicare costs under the Medicare Savings Programs, even if they selected YES to the question above and, as a result, are not eligible for the Extra Help. To start his or her application process for the Medicare Savings Programs, Social Security will send information from this form to his or her state unless the applicant tells them not to. If the applicant wants help from the Medicare Savings Programs, do not complete the question below. Just complete and submit the application and the state will contact the applicant.

If the applicant is **<u>not</u>** interested in filing for the Medicare Savings Programs, please select below:



Next

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About Your Living Situation

Need Help?

- 24. For this question, a relative is someone related to you by blood, adoption, or marriage. How many relatives live with you and depend on you for at least one-half of their financial support from you? Do NOT include yourself in the number you enter. If your household consists only of you, please enter 0. We ask this because your household size may affect the amount of help you can get. HELP
- 25. Are you receiving benefits from the following program(s)? HELP
 - Oregon Prescription Drug Assistance
 - Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)

Next

Resources Need Help?

Please enter the total value (dollar amounts) of bank accounts, investments or cash that you own. Include items that you own with another person.

26.	Do you have any of the following resources? If Yes, enter the combined total (dollar amount) for those items. HELP
	Combined total of all bank accounts (checking, savings and certificates of deposit):
	Combined total of all stocks, bonds, savings bonds, mutual funds, Individual Retirement Accounts or other similar investments: © Yes © No
	Any other cash at home or anywhere else: 🔘 Yes 🔘 No
27.	Will some money from any of the sources listed above be used to pay for funeral or burial expenses? This includes any bank accounts, investments, and cash that you listed.
	If Yes, skip to the next question. If no, select No and then go to the next question. HELP No
28.	Other than your home and the property on which it is located, do you own any real estate? Examples of other real estate are summer homes, rental properties, or undeveloped land you own which is separate from your home.
	C Yes C No
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If you receive income from any of the sources listed below, please enter the total amount you receive EACH MONTH. If the amount changes from month-to-month or you do not receive it every month, enter the average monthly income for the past year for each type in the appropriate fields.

Do NOT list wages and self-employment, interest income, public assistance, medical reimbursements, or foster care payments here. If you do not receive income from a source listed below, select No for that source.

29. Do you receive Social Security (Retirement/Survivor or Disability Benefits) income? HELP

Per month (before deductions): \$ 1250

30. Do you receive Railroad Retirement benefits? HELP

O Yes @ No.

31. Do you receive Veterans benefits? HELP

O Yes © No.

32. Do you receive income from other pensions or annuities? (Do NOT include annuities from certificates of deposit, stocks, bonds, mutual funds, Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs), or any other investments.) HELP

O Yes @ No.

33. Do you receive other income not listed above, including alimony, net rental income, workers' compensation, unemployment, private or State disability payments, etc.? (Do NOT include help with rent or utilities; money you have in bank accounts, stocks, bonds, savings bonds, mutual funds, Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs) or any similar investments; or any cash at home or anywhere else.)

O Yes ⊙ No

34. Has any of the income from these sources decreased in the last two years? HELP

○ Yes 💿 No





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Review Your Information

Review the items you completed below before you submit this application. You can print this summary before you submit it. Once you submit it, you will also be able to print a receipt that shows exactly what is on your application.

About the Person Completing the Form and the Person You Are Helping

Completer's first name Donna

Completer's middle initial

Completer's last name Delikat

Relationship to applicant Other (Specify)

Other relationship Oregon SHIP

Completer's area code 800

Completer's phone exchange 722

Completer's phone number 4134

Completer's address PO Box 14480





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Ready to Submit?

Need Help?

39. If you are ready to submit your Application for Extra Help With Medicare Prescription Drug Plan Costs, read the statement below. Checking the box next to your name means that you agree with the statement and have signed your application.

Terms of Agreement

I, Carlon Dan Dan understand that the Social Security Administration (SSA) will check my statements and compare its records with records from Federal, State, and local government agencies, including the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) to make sure the determination is correct.

By submitting this application, I am authorizing SSA to obtain and disclose information related to my income, resources, and assets, foreign and domestic, consistent with applicable privacy laws. This information may include, but is not limited to, information about my wages, account balances, investments, benefits, and pensions.

Unless otherwise indicated on this application, I am authorizing SSA to disclose the financial information entered earlier from my file, such as my name, date of birth, gender, Social Security number, etc., to the State to start the application process for Medicare Savings Programs.

I am declaring under penalty of perjury that I have examined all the information on this form, and it is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Terms of Agreement

I, **Donna F. Delikat**, declare under the penalty of perjury that the applicant(s) above have authorized me to complete this form on their behalf. I have accurately reflected in completing this form the information that was provided by the applicant(s).

Successful Submission

Print This Page Now For Your Records

BenefitsCheckUp Results





Medicare Rx Extra Help Online Application

View Your Submission Receipt

BenefitsCheckUp Results

Congratulations!

You have completed the Application for Extra Help with Medicare Prescription Drug Plan Costs. Here is what you should do next after reading this page:

- View and Print your Successful Submission Receipt from Social Security. Click on the "View Your Submission Receipt" button at the bottom of this page. You should your application.
- View "Our Recommendations" to find other programs you may be eligible for. We are able to provide "Our Recommendations" based on the questions you have answere button on the Receipt page.

Social Security will process your application as quickly as possible. They will contact you by phone and/or letter if they need more information. After processing your application, So for the Extra Help. They will also send you information about the Medicare Prescription Drug Coverage. If you qualify for the Extra Help you can enroll in a Medicare prescription d

If you do not hear back from Social Security within the next month, you can contact them at 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778) to check on your application. They should be Social Security number.

What you need to do:

Carefully read the letter Social Security sends you. The information they provide will tell you what you should do next. You also should hold onto the Successful Submission Receipt drug plan.

Submission Receipt

- Print and give a copy to the client
- Print and <u>FAX</u>
 page 1 (client info)
 to the state office
 1-503-947-7092
 - This allows us to check back to see if and what level of subsidy was awarded
- DO NOT EMAIL

Medicare Rx Extra Help Online Application

Successful Submission

The Application For Extra Help With Medicare Prescription Drug Plan Costs was received by Social Security on January 14, 2014, 4:49:36 PM.

Successful Submission - Print Or Save Your Receipt

We recommend that you print or save this page for your records. We have included the exact details of your submitted application.

About the Form Completer

Name:DONNA F DELIKAT Relationship:STATE SHIP OFFICE Phone:8007224134

Address:PO BOX 14480, SALEM, Oregon 97148

About You

You-

Name: JOHN D DOE

Social Security Number: XXXXX1212

Date of Birth MAY 5, 1945

Have you worked in 2013 or 2014? No

Mailing Address: 123 ANYWHERE ST, YOUR TOWN, OR 97006

I have not changed my address within the last three months

Telephone Number: 000-000-0000

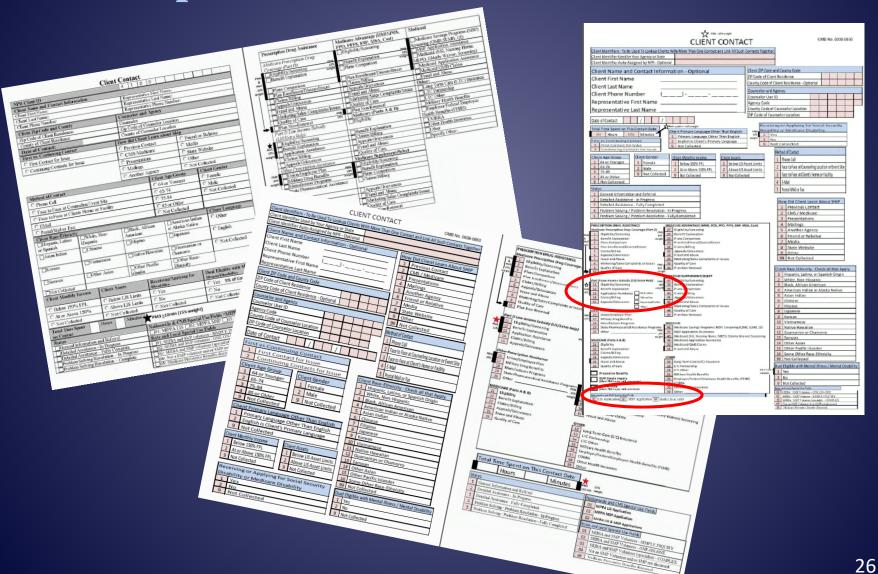
Do you have combined savings, investments, and real estate worth more

than \$13,440?No or Not Sure

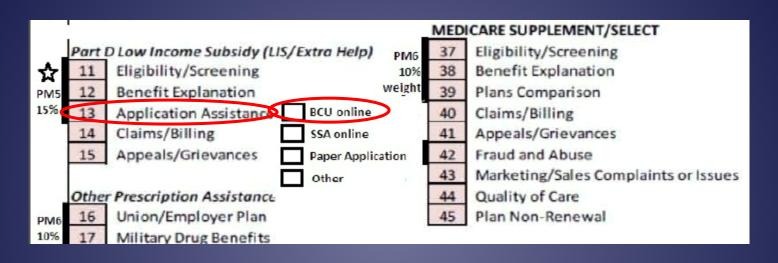
Client Contacts

- Several layouts from which to choose sponsors may prefer one over another for their purposes
- Enter into SHIPtalk by the 10th of each month for the month prior
- Captures all the time spent on a client, including;
 - Time waiting for appointment
 - Counseling time
 - Researching an issue or talking with others
 - Drive time to and from an appointment

Paper Client Contact Forms



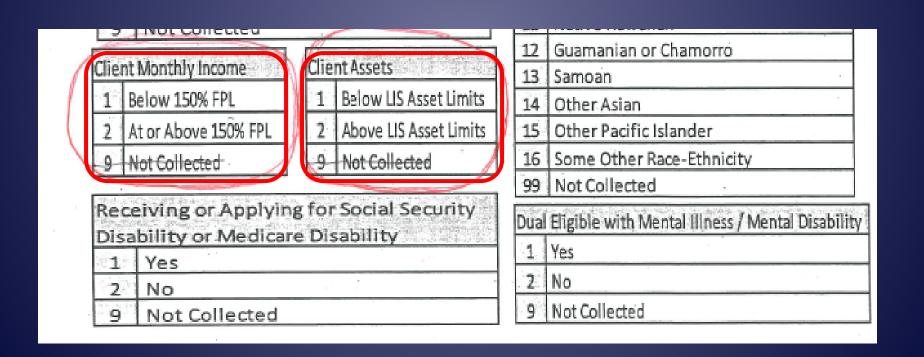
Documentation on the Client Contact



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Don't forget

Once you've screened (or client has self-screened) income and resources, record that on the CCF:



And don't stop there....

 Also record that you have screened for LIS and MSP – because you have.

		
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6	Date Sligibility/Screening	38 Benefit Explanation
_	12 Benefit explanation	39 Plans Comparison
	13 Application Assistance → □ BCU.	40 Claims/Billing
	34 Claims/Billing 13 55 A	41 Appeals/Grievances
	15 Appeals/Grievances C other	42 Fraud and Abuse
	POB1	43 Marketing/Sales Complaints or Issues
	Other Prescription Assistance	44 Quality of Care
	15 Union/Employer Plan	45 Plan Non-Renewal
	17 Military Drug Benefits	-
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The rest of the MIPPA Grant

Remember the "opt out" box?

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If the applicant is **not** interested in filing for the Medicare Savings Programs, please select below:

No, do not send the information to the state.

Next

The State DOES follow up

- DHS/APD Branches get the information from Social Security every month.
- They send letters inviting the person to apply for more benefits.
- MIPPA Grant staff follow up 30 days later with those who seem eligible but have not applied, to see if we can assist. If so, we start an application by phone and send it to the local branch.

State 1-800 application line

Oregon Medicare Savings Connect: TOLL FREE 1-855-447-0155

- Brochures, advertising, events, flyers in food banks, and your outreach will publicize this number.
- It is answered 9 5, M F by trained staff. There is an answering machine for nights/weekends.
- Callers have LIS applications entered online during the call. MSP screenings can also be started and transferred to the local APD branch.

When To Refer Clients

- When you do not have enough time remaining in your SHIBA appointment to enroll your client
- At outreach events or other venues where you do not have an internet connection
- When your client needs encouragement and coaching to continue the process or find information

 we can do 3-way calls to help
- In situations where phone contact works better for the client

Questions?

 Please re-mute your phone (#01) after asking your question so others on the call can hear clearly. Don't put us on hold, or we will all hear "hold music"!

