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**Concerned about Medicare Costs?  
There may be help!**



Medicare premiums, deductibles and co-payments can add up. Luckily, there are several programs that can help a beneficiary with Medicare cost-sharing. Below is a list of these programs, their eligibility requirements, information about applying, and the benefits they provide. If you have any questions regarding these programs, you may contact a SHINE Counselor at MassOptions at (1-800-243-4636).

**Income and Asset Limits as of March 1, 2022**

	<b>Gross Monthly Income Limit</b>	<b>Asset Limit</b>	<b>Application</b>	<b>Benefits</b>
<b>MassHealth (65+ years old)</b>	\$1,133 (individual) <sup>1</sup>	\$2,000 (individual) <sup>2</sup>	MassHealth SACA-2 form 1-800-841-2900	Supplemental health and drug coverage Automatic enrollment in Senior Buy-in
	\$1,526 (couple) <sup>1</sup>	\$3,000 (couple) <sup>2</sup>		Automatic enrollment in Extra Help
<b>MassHealth Senior Buy-in (QMB)</b>	\$1,473 (individual)	\$16,800 (individual)	MassHealth SACA-2 form or Mass Buy-In form 1-800-841-2900	Pays Medicare Part A & B premiums
	\$1,984 (couple)	\$25,200 (couple) <sup>2</sup>		Pays Medicare Part A & B deductibles & copays Automatic enrollment in Extra Help
<b>MassHealth Buy-in (QI-1)</b>	\$1,869 (individual)	\$16,800 (individual) <sup>2</sup>	MassHealth Buy-in Application 1-800-841-2900	Pays Medicare Part B premium
	\$2,518 (couple)	\$25,200 (couple) <sup>2</sup>		Automatic enrollment in Extra Help
<b>Extra Help Full</b>	\$1,529 (individual)	\$9,900 (individual) <sup>3</sup>	Social Security Application for Extra Help 1-800-772-1213	Reduces Part D premium Eliminates Part D deductible
	\$2,060 (couple)	\$15,600 (couple) <sup>3</sup>		Lowers Part D copays to \$3.95/\$9.85
<b>Extra Help Partial</b>	\$1,699 (individual)	\$15,510 (individual) <sup>3</sup>	Social Security Application for Extra Help 1-800-772-1213	Reduces Part D premium Reduces Part D deductible Lowers Part D copays to 15%
	\$2,289 (couple)	\$30,950 (couple) <sup>3</sup>		
<b>Prescription Advantage (65+ years old) (no enrollment fee)</b>	\$3,398 (individual)	NONE	Prescription Advantage Application 1-800-243-4636	Supplemental prescription coverage that reduces copays once the total retail costs of covered prescription drugs reaches \$4,430
	\$4,578 (couple)		Prescription Advantage Application 1-800-243-4636	Supplemental prescription coverage that pays prescription copays once out-of-pocket drug costs reach \$3,865
<b>Health Safety Net</b>	\$5,663 (individual)	NONE	MassHealth SACA-2 form (65+ years old) 1-800-841-2900	Pays Hospital portion of billing in full ONLY or Community Health Center (CHC). Rx & dental available at some CHC's
	\$7,629 (couple)			
	<b>Full: \$1,699 (individual) \$2,289 (couple)</b>			
	<b>Partial: \$3,398 (individual) \$4,578 (couple)</b>			

<sup>1</sup> If over the income limit, may qualify by meeting a deductible

<sup>2</sup> Primary residence and one vehicle are not counted

<sup>3</sup> Primary residence, vehicles, and life insurance are not counted