



New Drug Coverage For Florida's Seniors

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Silver Saver Prescription Drug Program

- **Resulting From HB 59E (2002 Legislative Session)**
- **Replaced The State Only Prescription Program (PAPS)**
- **Provides Prescription Assistance To Low Income Elders**
- **Funded By State GR, Manufacturer Rebates And Federal Match Through A Pharmacy Plus Waiver**
- **Implementation Date – August 1, 2002**



Organizational Structure

- **Agency For Health Care Administration (AHCA)**
 - **Administer Silver Saver**
 - **Benefit Management**
 - **Claims Processing (ACS/Consultec)**
 - **Reporting**
- **Department Of Children And Families**
 - **Process Applications**
 - **Determine Eligibility**
 - **Transmit Eligibility Data To AHCA Through Florida Medicaid Management Information System (FMMIS)**
- **Department Of Elderly Affairs**
 - **Assist in Marketing And Outreach**
 - **SHINE Program (Serving Health Insurance Needs Of Elders)**



Eligibility Requirements

- **Medicare Eligible Florida Resident**
- **Age 65+**
- **Income Between 88-120% FPL**
 - ***1) \$650 - \$906 per month**
 - ***2) \$876 - \$1,214 per month**

***Based On 2002 Federal Poverty Level Guidelines**
- **Cannot Be Enrolled In A Medicare HMO That Is Providing Them With A Prescription Benefit**
- **Enrollment Limited to 58,472**
- **No Asset Test Required**



Application

- **Processed By The Department Of Children And Families**
- **Modified The Current QMB/SLMB Simplified Application**
- **Requires No Face To Face Interview**
- **Use Current Data Match Systems For Income Verification**



Customer Service

- **Toll Free AHCA Hotline 1-888-419-3456**
 - **Provides Program Information**
 - **Fields General Questions**
 - **Mails Applications, Brochures**
 - **Connects Recipients To Technical Personnel**

- **Silver Saver Contacts**
 - **Located In Every Medicaid Area Office**
 - **Trained For Silver Saver Program**
 - **Field Technical Questions And Resolves Problems**



Comparison

	Silver Saver	PAPS
# Eligibles	58,472	30,000
Funding	State / Fed	State GR
Benefit	\$160 / Month	\$80 / Month
Beneficiaries:	Age 65+	Age 65+
	Florida Resident	Florida Resident
	Medicare Eligible	Must be Eligible for both Medicare & Medicaid
Income Limit	88 – 120% FPL	90 – 120% FPL



Benefit

- **Prescription Drug Benefit For Low Income Elders**
- **\$160 per month**
 - **Monthly Benefit**
 - **Benefit Does Not Carry Over From Month To Month**
- **Access To All FDA Approved Branded And Generic Products Excluding Over The Counter Drugs**



Benefit (Continued)

- **Once Enrolled, Recipients Will Receive A Medicaid Gold Card**
- **Use At Any Medicaid Participating Pharmacy**
- **Present Prescription With Medicaid Card**



Cost Sharing

- **\$2 Generic**
- **\$5 PDL**
- **\$15 Non PDL**
- **Co-Payments Reduce The Medicaid Allowable Cost Of Each Prescription**
- **PDCS Has Been Modified To Adopt The Current Cost Sharing**



Current Silver Saver Balance (\$160)

- (Medicaid Allowable Cost – Beneficiaries Co-Pay)

= Remaining Silver Saver Balance



Benefit Management

- **Silver Saver Beneficiaries Are Be Subject To Current Medicaid Pharmacy Benefit Management Tools**
- **Therapeutic Consultation Program (TCP)**
- **4 Brand Limit**
- **Intensified Benefit Management Program (IBM)**
- **Non PDL Prior Authorization**



Statistics

- **Current Enrollment: 40,093**
- **Current Users: 18,460**
- **Number Of Users Depleting The Full Benefit Amount Each Month: 2,249**
- **Average Amount Of Benefit Depleted Per User Per Month: \$84.10**
- **Weekly Enrollment Rate: 400**



Statistics (Continued)

- **Weekly Application Requests: 634**
- **Average Rx Price: \$30.25**
- **Total Brand Name Drugs: 43 Percent**
- **Total Generic Drugs: 56 Percent**
- **Other: 1 Percent**



Challenges/Changes

- **Removing The Restriction Of Medicaid HMO Enrolled Status**
- **Increasing The Range From 88 – 120 Percent Of The FPL To 0 – 120 Percent Of The FPL**
- **Include All Eligible Applicants**