

## Special Enrollment Details for Members Whose Medicaid Coverage Is Ending

### Medicaid Members: Are you an older adult or an adult with a disability?

Since March 2020, Medicaid has been keeping everyone enrolled. Normal enrollment rules will start again soon. When that happens, you will get a letter from the Wisconsin Department of Health Services asking you to update your information and complete a renewal. Your health insurance could end if you no longer meet the rules for Medicaid.

### If your Medicaid benefits end, you may be able to get Medicare if you:

- Are age 65 or older
- Have a qualifying disability
- Have been getting disability benefits for two years

### Special Enrollment Timing

**After Medicaid ends, you have six months to enroll in Medicare.** To get started:

- Call Social Security at 800-772-1213 (TTY 800-325-0778) or visit [ssa.gov/medicare/sign-up](https://ssa.gov/medicare/sign-up).
- Call the ADRC of Columbia County Elder Benefit Specialist 888-742-9233.

**If you already have Medicare and your Medicaid benefits end**, you will have a limited time to change your Medicare plan:

- **Three months** for a Medicare Advantage health plan (Part C)
- **Three months** for a Medicare Part D drug plan
- **Two months** for Medicare Supplemental Insurance (Medigap), during which you cannot be denied coverage based on your health

**Are you worried about Medicare late enrollment fees?** You won't have late enrollment fees if you enroll in Medicare within **six months** after your Medicaid ends. You may have late enrollment fees in the future if you miss this enrollment opportunity or go without drug coverage.

**Free, expert help is available.** If you have questions about Medicare, including how to pay for it, a benefits counselor can help. Contact the [State Health Insurance Assistance Program \(SHIP\)](#) by calling:

- Wisconsin's Medigap Helpline: 800-242-1060
- Disability Rights Wisconsin Part D Helpline: 800-926-4862
- ADRC of Columbia County Elder Benefit Specialist 888-742-9233