

**SHICK counseling is free, unbiased, confidential and available to anyone with questions about Medicare.**

**Trained counselors are available statewide to assist with:**

- Claims and appeals
- Fraud
- Prescription drug plans
- Medicare Advantage plans
- Supplemental Insurance (Medigap)
- Employer group plans as supplemental insurance
- Medicaid
- Other health insurance options
- Long-term care options
- Medicare Savings Programs
- Extra Help with prescription drug plans



## Contact Us

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**NEED EXTRA HELP  
WITH  
PRESCRIPTION  
DRUG COSTS?**

**You may qualify for Extra Help  
from Medicare**



## What is Medicare?

Medicare is a federal health insurance program that covers:

- More than 35 million individuals ages 65 and older
- More than 6 million individuals younger than age 65 years with disabilities
- Individuals with End-Stage Renal Disease (ESRD)

## What is Medicare Part D?

Medicare Part D\* Prescription Drug Coverage:

- Insurance that covers both generic and brand-name prescriptions
- Coverage is provided through private insurance companies

*\*Many individuals will pay a monthly premium for Part D*



## Are you on a limited income? Are you having trouble paying for your medication?

**Extra Help is available if:**

- Your income is less than 150% of the federal poverty level\*
- You have limited resources. For example, bank accounts, stocks and bonds. Your home, car and any life insurance policy do not count as resources.

*\*Income and resource limits change each year. Please contact your SHICK counselor for current year limits.*

**If you qualify for Extra Help:**

- Medicare will pay for 75% or more of your prescription drug costs
- You will automatically receive help paying for:
  - ▶ Premiums
  - ▶ Deductibles
  - ▶ Co-pays of Medicare prescription drug coverage
- There is no coverage gap or late enrollment penalty

## Questions About Medicare?

**Call 1-800-860-5260**

A SHICK counselor will be happy to help.  
<https://www.kdads.ks.gov/SHICK>

## Ask for **EXTRA HELP** by contacting:

**Senior Health Insurance Counseling  
for Kansas (SHICK)**

1-800-860-5260  
[www.kdads.ks.gov](http://www.kdads.ks.gov)

**Social Security Administration**

1-800-772-1213  
[www.ssa.gov](http://www.ssa.gov)

