



NOTICE OF TERMINATION OF ILLINOIS CARES RX BENEFIT

Dear Illinois Cares Rx Member:

We regret to inform you that your Illinois Cares Rx coverage is ending September 1, 2011. However, if you have HIV or AIDS, the Illinois Department of Public Health's AIDS Drug Assistance Program may be able to assist you and you should immediately apply for this program if you meet the eligibility criteria (see section 2 below). Please read this letter carefully for more information.

Due to Illinois state budget reductions, funding for the Illinois Cares Rx drug coverage program has been significantly reduced. One of the changes is that the income limits to qualify for the program have been lowered. According to our records, your income is too high to continue to qualify for Illinois Cares Rx. This means that **beginning September 1, 2011 you will no longer receive benefits through Illinois Cares Rx.**

The table below shows the new income limits. To qualify for the program, your income would need to be **equal to or less than** these amounts. If your income has changed since you applied and you expect your 2011 income to meet these new limits, you may still qualify for the program. Contact one of the agencies listed at the end of this letter for assistance to file the necessary form (called Schedule P). You may find the Schedule P form at http://www.state.il.us/aging/1rx/cbrx/cbrx_forms.htm.

Household Size 1 (Income Limit)	Household Size 2 (Income Limit)	Household Size 3 (+) (Income Limit)
\$21,780	\$29,420	\$37,060

You will continue to receive prescription drug coverage through your Medicare Part D plan. You will **not** be dropped from your Part D plan because of the change in Illinois Cares Rx.

Beginning September 1, 2011, if your Part D plan has a monthly premium, you will have to pay it. If you don't pay your premium, you may lose your Part D coverage. In most cases, your Part D plan will send you a booklet of premium payment coupons to send in with your checks. However, some plans don't have premiums or your premium may be automatically deducted from your bank account or social security check. Contact your plan with any questions about your premium or to set up an automatic deduction.

Beginning September 1, 2011, **the amount you pay for each prescription you fill may change.** In addition, you will have to pay any remaining deductible (if your Medicare Part D plan has a deductible).

Contact your Medicare Part D prescription drug plan for specific information regarding your premium and prescription costs. See page 4 for Medicare Part D phone numbers.

You can choose a different Medicare Part D plan. Since you no longer have Illinois Cares Rx, you can switch to a different Medicare drug plan for the rest of 2011 if you wish. You may choose a plan with costs and coverage that better meet your needs. However, if you

decide to change plans, you must enroll in the new plan between July 1, 2011 and October 31, 2011.

For assistance comparing drug plan options in your area or enrolling in a different plan, contact one of the agencies listed at the end of this letter or on page 3. If you are in a Medicare Advantage plan that also covers your doctor and hospital care, you may wish to contact the Senior Health Insurance Program (SHIP) at 1-800-548-9034. Or you may visit www.medicare.gov on the web or call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227); TTY/TDD users should call 1-877-486-2048.

You will have another chance to change plans for 2012 along with everyone else during the regular annual enrollment period (October 15-December 7, 2011.)

Section 1. Illinois Cares Rx \$25.00 Rebate

If you currently get the monthly rebate, **your checks will stop**. Your August check (sent in September 2011) will be the last one you receive from the program.

Section 2. Assistance for Individual with HIV or AIDS

If you have HIV or AIDS, two programs offered by the Illinois Department of Public Health that assist with prescription medicines and health insurance premiums may be able to assist you. For help paying for your prescription drugs, the AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) offers 80 FDA approved drugs for the primary treatment of HIV and AIDS. The ADAP applications is available online at www.idph.state.il.us and www.hivcareconnect.com. Questions and concerns can be directed to the ADAP office at 1-800-825-3518.

Section 3. Help is Available

- For questions about your Illinois Cares Rx drug coverage, contact the Health Benefits Hotline at 1-800-226-0768 (TTY 877-204-1012); Senior HelpLine at 1-800-252-8966 (TTY 888-206-1327); or
- For Medicare counseling, contact the Senior Health Insurance Program (SHIP) at 1-800-548-9034 (TTY 217-524-4872); or
- For assistance with Illinois Cares Rx or comparing Medicare Part D plans, contact one of the local agencies listed on page 3; or
- For assistance with your HIV or AIDS drugs, call 1-800-825-3518, or through the following two websites: www.idph.state.il.us and www.hivcareconnect.com
- You may qualify for assistance from a private discount program. Following are links to two websites that might be helpful:

<http://rxassist.org/default.cfm>
<http://www.rxoutreach.org/>

- Visit the following websites for additional information:

www.illinoiscaresrx.com
www.cbrx.il.gov

**Help is available! Please call to schedule your appointment.
Our SHAP Outreach Sites will help you with Illinois Cares Rx and comparing
Medicare Part D plans.**

Call to schedule an appointment ▲ <i>accepts local calls only</i>	SHAP Outreach Sites help <i>older adults and persons with disabilities</i> file the IL-1363 application	
Adams 800-252-9027	<u>Cook Suburban North</u>	
Alexander 618-734-1050	Barrington 847-253-5500	Livingston 815-842-3484
Bond 618-664-1465	Elk Grove 847-524-8800	Logan 800-252-2918 ▲
Boone 815-544-9893	Evanston 847-864-3721	Macon 217-423-6550
Brown 800-252-9027	Hanover 847-253-5500	Macoupin 800-252-2918 ▲
Bureau 800-554-5955	Maine 847-784-6000	Madison 800-326-3221
Calhoun 800-252-9027	New Trier 847-784-6000	Marion 618-532-1853
Carroll 866-214-1959 ▲	Niles 847-864-3721	Marshall 309-674-2071
Cass 800-252-2918 ▲	Northfield 847-784-6000	Mason 800-252-2918 ▲
Champaign 217-352-5100	Palatine 847-991-1112	Massac 618-524-9755
Christian 800-252-2918 ▲	Schaumburg 847-524-8800	McDonough 877-837-5733
Clark 217-382-4126	Wheeling 847-253-5500	McHenry 800-528-2000
Clay 618-532-1853	Crawford 618-544-8811	McLean 800-570-7284 ▲
Clinton 618-594-2321	Cumberland 217-849-3965	Menard 800-252-2918 ▲
Coles 217-639-5166	Dekalb 815-758-6550	Mercer 888-825-1050
Cook	DeWitt 217-935-9411	Monroe 618-939-8880
Chicago- Age 60 and older	Douglas 800-967-6552 ▲	Montgomery 800-252-2918 ▲
312-744-4016	DuPage 800-528-2000	Morgan 800-252-2918 ▲
Chicago Persons with Disabilities	Edgar 217-465-8143	Moultrie 800-736-4675 ▲
Age 59 and under	Edwards 618-445-2017	Ogle 800-541-5479 ▲
Garfield Center 312-746-5400	Effingham 618-532-1853	Peoria 309-674-2071
North Area Center 312-744-2580	Fayette 618-532-1853	Perry 618-542-3511
Trina Davila Center 312-744-2014	Ford 217-379-9281	Piatt 217-762-7575
King Center 312-747-2300	Franklin 618-937-3511	Pike 800-252-9027
South Chicago Center 312-747-0500	Fulton 309-674-2071	Pope 618-683-7741
Englewood 312-747-0200	Gallatin 618-272-7570	Pulaski 618-745-6149
Cook – Suburban 800-699-9043	Greene 800-252-2918 ▲	Putnam 800-757-4579
<u>Cook Suburban South</u>	Grundy 800-528-2000	Randolph 618-826-5108
Bloom 708-754-9400	Hamilton 618-643-2676	Richland 618-395-3223
Bremen 708-596-2222	Hancock 800-252-9027	Rock Island 800-788-6308
Calumet 708-596-2222	Hardin 618-287-2501	Saline 618-252-7940
Lemont 708-361-0219	Henderson 800-708-9968	Sangamon 800-252-2918 ▲
Orland 708-361-0219	Henry 800-659-9952	Schuyler 800-252-9027
Palos 708-361-0219	Iroquois 815-432-5785	Scott 800-252-2918 ▲
Rich 708-596-2222	Jackson 618-457-4151	Shelby 888-299-9553 ▲
Stickney 708-636-8850	Jasper 618-783-3660 or	St. Clair 800-326-3221
Thornton 708-596-2222	618-783-3145	Stark 309-674-2071
Worth 708-361-0219	Jefferson 618-532-1853	Stephenson 800-424-6696 ▲
<u>Cook Suburban West</u>	Jersey 800-252-2918 ▲	Tazewell 309-674-2071
Berwyn 708-447-2448	JoDaviess 800-424-6696 ▲	Union 618-833-4197
Cicero 708-447-2448	Johnson 618-658-8140	Vermilion 217-443-2999
Leyden 847-455-3929	Kane 800-528-2000	Wabash 618-262-7403
North Proviso 708-547-5600	Kankakee 800-528-2000	Warren 866-734-5677
South Proviso 708-354-1323	Kendall 800-528-2000	Washington 618-243-6533
Village of Brookfield 708-354-1323	Knox 877-638-4683	Wayne 618-842-2261
Village of LaGrange 708-354-1323	Lake 800-528-2000	White 618-382-3111
Norwood Park 708-456-7979	LaSalle (upper) 800-535-5970	Whiteside 888-622-9230 ▲
Oak Park 708-383-8060	LaSalle (lower) 866-331-8034	Will 800-528-2000
River Forest 708-383-8060	Lawrence 618-943-2177	Williamson 618-988-1585
Riverside 708-354-1323	Lee 888-239-9228▲	Winnebago 800-779-1189 ▲
		Woodford 309-674-2071

2011 Illinois Cares Rx Coordinating Plans

Coordinating Stand-Alone Medicare Part D Prescription Drug Plans

AARP Medicare Rx Preferred
Enrollment and Customer Service:
(877) 710-5083; 711 (TTY)

SilverScript Value
Enrollment: (866) 634-6557;
(866) 552-6288 (TTY)
Customer Service: (866) 235-5660;
(866) 236-1069 (TTY)

First Health Part D – Premier
Enrollment and Customer Service:
(866) 865-0662; 711 (TTY)

WellCare Classic
Enrollment: (888) 293-5151
(888) 816-5252 (TTY)
Customer Service: (888) 550-5252;
(888) 816-5252 (TTY)

Coordinating Medicare Advantage Part D Drug Plans

These companies offer many Medicare Advantage plans that coordinate with Illinois Cares Rx. Some plans are only available in certain counties. Contact the company about which plans coordinate with Illinois Cares Rx. When you enroll, tell the plan you are an Illinois Cares Rx member.

Erickson Advantage
Enrollment: (800) 989-1389
Customer Service: (866) 314-8188;
771 (TTY)

Group Health Plan, Inc. (GHP)
Enrollment: (877) 409-8047; 711 (TTY)
Customer Service: (800) 533-0367; 711 (TTY)

Essence Healthcare
Customer Service and Enrollment:
(866) 597-9560; 711 (TTY)

Health Alliance Medical Plans
Customer Service and Enrollment:
(800) 965-4022; (866) 883-8551 (TTY)

HealthSpring
Customer Service: (888) 588-4827;
(866) 206-5565 (TTY)
Enrollment: (888) 886-1993;
(866) 206-5565 (TTY)

SecureHorizons by United Healthcare - Evercare
Enrollment: (800) 905-8671
Customer Service: (877) 702-5110;
771 (TTY)

Humana
Customer Service and Enrollment:
(888) 445-8678; 711 (TTY)

Personal Care Advantra
Customer Service and Enrollment:
(866) 784-4916; 711 (TTY)

SecureHorizons by United Healthcare - AARP Medicare Complete
Enrollment: (800) 577-5623
Customer Service: (800) 643-4845;
771 (TTY)

WellCare
Enrollment: (877) 232-7119;
(877) 247-6272 (TTY)
Customer Service: (866) 334-6876;
(877) 247-6272 (TTY)