

# Helping Medicare beneficiaries save money

The Medicare Improvement for Patients and Providers Act (MIPPA) helps Medicare beneficiaries with limited income and assets save money on their Medicare costs.

Through MIPPA, ACL provides funding to states and tribes to support outreach and assistance to eligible Medicare beneficiaries. We work with:

- State Health Insurance Assistance Programs (SHIPs)
- Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs)
- Aging and Disability Resource Centers (ADRCs)/No Wrong Door (NWD)

We help beneficiaries to apply for existing programs that can save them money:

- **Medicare Savings Programs (MSPs)** help pay some Medicare costs for health care, including Medicare Part B premiums.
- **Medicare Part D Low-Income Subsidy (LIS)/Extra Help** helps pay for prescription drug costs and coverage.

We also educate beneficiaries on Medicare Preventive Services and how to use them.

- **Medicare Preventive Services** are available to all Medicare beneficiaries and cover many preventive health services such as immunizations, screenings, and annual “Wellness” visits.

We conduct outreach and provide education in communities across the country to reach Medicare beneficiaries who are most in need, including older adults and people with disabilities.

## We conduct targeted outreach to beneficiaries who are:

- Low-income with limited resources
- Residents of rural areas
- Members of American Indian, Alaskan Native, and Native Hawaiian communities
- People with disabilities under age 65
- Speakers of English as a secondary language

Learn more at the *National Council on Aging's Center for Benefits Access* also known as the *National Center for Benefits Outreach and Enrollment*.

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