



Spring Updates to MA



Changes coming to the Medicare Savings Program

2024

MSP changes starting June 1, 2024

In the past the state followed a “buy-in” agreement with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). Under federal changes the agreements are being rolled into the Social Security Act.

In a nutshell there will be a new category for MSP eligibility in addition to the current QMB,SLMB,and ALMB categories.

The new category will use the initials NMB which stands for Not categorically eligible Michigan Beneficiary.

NMB eligibility criteria

- Individuals who are eligible for Medicare and full coverage Medicaid may be eligible under the new NMB category for state payment of the Medicare part A/B premiums.
- Facilities should expect to see adjustments to the PPAs starting in June 2024.
- Connected to this change is the enforcement of the Medicaid state plan which requires an individual who is potentially eligible for Medicare to apply for Medicare as a condition of Medicaid eligibility.

Plan First

- Will be assigned to almost everyone as there is no age or asset test for the program, only an income test.
- It is not full coverage Medicaid however a person enrolled in Plan First is considered a Medicaid beneficiary.
- As a Medicaid beneficiary any negative changes to their coverage must have timely (10 days) notice.

Thank you

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