



MEDICARE PART D FAST FACTS: **MONTANA 2009**

MEDICARE BENEFICIARIES IN MONTANA

- 157,265 Medicare beneficiaries.¹
- 130,059 Medicare Part D enrollees.¹
- 13,200 Dual Eligibles (Medicare beneficiaries who also receive Medi-Cal).¹
- 25,210 Low Income Subsidy recipients (including Dual Eligibles).¹
- 6,793 Medicare beneficiaries with no drug coverage who could be eligible for the Low Income Subsidy.²

CHANGES TO FULL SUBSIDY PLANS FROM 2008

- 9 of the 16 plans available to low-income beneficiaries for no monthly premium in 2008 will not be available for no monthly premium in 2009.³
- Over 8,000 low income beneficiaries will have to change plans to maintain a \$0 premium.⁴
 - Approximately 5,500 will be reassigned to a new plan by CMS.⁴
 - Approximately 2,500 will have to switch plans on their own to avoid a premium in 2009.⁴

FULL SUBSIDY PLANS IN 2009

- 9 plans available to low-income beneficiaries for no monthly premium in 2009.³

2009 PLAN OFFERINGS

- In 2008, the least expensive plan in Montana cost \$13.90 (First Health Part D-Secure). In 2009 that plans premium will rise to \$15.20 – a 9% increase.³
- In 2009, the least expensive plan in Montana (First Health Part D-Secure) will cost \$15.20.⁵

¹ “2008 PDP Enrollment Information” available at: www.cms.hhs.gov/PrescriptionDrugCovGenIn.

² “Low Income Subsidy 2008 Targeting Estimates” available at: www.cms.hhs.gov/Partnerships/Toolkits/itemdetail.asp?itemID=CMS1188820.

³ Comparison of “2009 PDP Landscape Source” and “2008 PDP Landscape Source.” Source data available at: www.cms.hhs.gov/PrescriptionDrugCovGenIn.

⁴ Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, “Year 2008 Re-Assignment Data – Premium Increases,” “Year 2008 Re-Assignment Data – Terminating Plans,” and “Year 2008 Chooser Data,” November 2008. www.cms.hhs.gov/limitedincomeandresources/.

⁵ “2009 PDP Landscape Source” Source data available at: www.cms.hhs.gov/PrescriptionDrugCovGenIn.