



## **MEDICARE PART D FAST FACTS:** **PENNSYLVANIA 2009**

### **MEDICARE BENEFICIARIES IN PENNSYLVANIA**

- 2,195,478 Medicare beneficiaries.<sup>1</sup>
- 1,873,667 Medicare Part D enrollees.<sup>1</sup>
- 277,684 Dual Eligibles (Medicare beneficiaries who also receive Medi-Cal).<sup>1</sup>
- 394,456 Low Income Subsidy recipients (including Dual Eligibles).<sup>1</sup>
- 112,914 Medicare beneficiaries with no drug coverage who could be eligible for the Low Income Subsidy.<sup>2</sup>

### **CHANGES TO FULL SUBSIDY PLANS FROM 2008**

- 11 of the 18 plans available to low-income beneficiaries for no monthly premium in 2008 will not be available for no monthly premium in 2009.<sup>3</sup>
- Over 78,000 low income beneficiaries will have to change plans to maintain a \$0 premium.<sup>4</sup>
  - Approximately 60,000 will be reassigned to a new plan by CMS.<sup>4</sup>
  - Approximately 18,000 will have to switch plans on their own to avoid a premium in 2009.<sup>4</sup>

### **FULL SUBSIDY PLANS IN 2009**

- 9 plans available to low-income beneficiaries for no monthly premium in 2009.<sup>3</sup>

### **2009 PLAN OFFERINGS**

- In 2008, the least expensive plan in Pennsylvania cost \$15.40 (First Health Part D-Secure). In 2009 that plans premium will fall to \$13.70.<sup>3</sup>
- In 2009, the least expensive plan in Pennsylvania (First Health Part D-Secure) will cost \$13.70.<sup>5</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> “2008 PDP Enrollment Information” available at: [www.cms.hhs.gov/PrescriptionDrugCovGenIn](http://www.cms.hhs.gov/PrescriptionDrugCovGenIn).

<sup>2</sup> “Low Income Subsidy 2008 Targeting Estimates” available at: [www.cms.hhs.gov/Partnerships/Toolkits/itemdetail.asp?itemID=CMS1188820](http://www.cms.hhs.gov/Partnerships/Toolkits/itemdetail.asp?itemID=CMS1188820).

<sup>3</sup> Comparison of “2009 PDP Landscape Source” and “2008 PDP Landscape Source.” Source data available at: [www.cms.hhs.gov/PrescriptionDrugCovGenIn](http://www.cms.hhs.gov/PrescriptionDrugCovGenIn).

<sup>4</sup> 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/](http://www.cms.hhs.gov/limitedincomeandresources/).

<sup>5</sup> “2009 PDP Landscape Source” Source data available at: [www.cms.hhs.gov/PrescriptionDrugCovGenIn](http://www.cms.hhs.gov/PrescriptionDrugCovGenIn).