

Social Security Administration
Retirement, Survivors, and Disability Insurance
Important Information

Northeastern Program Service Center
1 Jamaica Center Plaza
Jamaica, New York 11432-3898
Date: April 1, 2014
Claim Number: 504-XX-XXXX T

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You have Medicare hospital insurance (Part A) because you are medically affected from exposure to an environmental health hazard. You do not have Medicare medical insurance (Part B). We are writing to offer you Medicare Part B enrollment without a late enrollment penalty.

Starting this month, Medicare is offering a special enrollment period to residents in certain counties of Idaho, Montana and Washington who have Medicare Part A because of exposure to an environmental health hazard. You can sign up for Medicare Part B without a late enrollment penalty from now until March 31, 2015. You also can enroll in a Medicare prescription drug plan without a late enrollment penalty during this period. For information about prescription drug coverage, call 1-800-MEDICARE.

If you want Medicare Part B

If you want Part B, you need to fill out the enclosed form (CMS-40B) and mail it to us in the enclosed envelope. Your Part B will start the month after you sign up.

There is a monthly premium cost for Part B and certain coinsurance costs. Most people will pay the standard premium amount of \$104.90 each month in 2014. However, if your modified adjusted gross income as reported on your IRS tax return from 2 years ago is above a certain amount, you may pay more. If you are not sure you can afford your premiums, please call your state Medicaid program about help paying for your Part B premiums.

Medicare program for people with Asbestos Related Disease

When you get Part B, you will be able to join a Medicare pilot program designed for people with Asbestos Related Disease. The pilot program covers help that Medicare usually does not cover, like special home care services and medical equipment, nutritional supplements, and prescription drugs not covered by Medicare. You cannot join the pilot program unless you have both Medicare Part A and Part B and live in one of the specified counties in Idaho, Montana or Washington. Enclosed is a brochure that explains more about the pilot program.

You should receive more information about the pilot shortly from Noridian Administrative Services, the contractor that is running the pilot for Medicare. You can also get more information about the pilot program by calling 1-888-469-9464 or visiting www.noridianmedicare.com/ard on the Internet.

Fill out the enclosed form to get Part B

If you want Medicare Part B coverage, you need to fill out the enclosed form (CMS 40-B) and mail it to us at:

*NEPSC
Attention: OAS-PH
155-10 Jamaica Avenue
Jamaica, NY 11432*

A self-addressed envelope is enclosed for your convenience.

If you have general questions about your Part B enrollment, please contact your local Social Security field office or visit us on the Internet at www.socialsecurity.gov.

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Enclosures:

- CMS-40B
- Brochure
- Return Envelope