



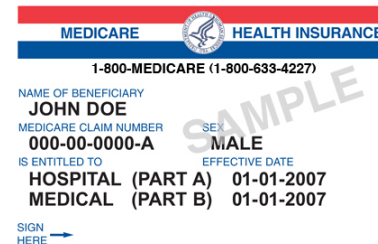
MI Health Link for Dually Eligible Beneficiaries Demonstration

An Orientation

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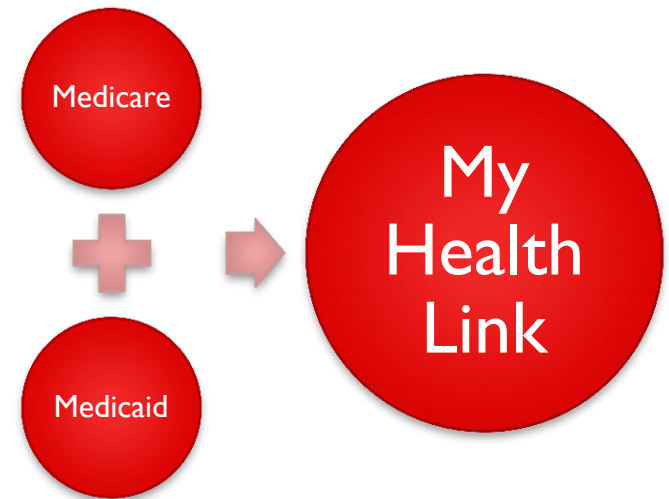
Michigan Medicare & Medicaid Eligible

- Roughly 240,000 Michiganders have eligibility for both Medicare and Medicaid.
- 60% are over the age of 65
- 40% are under the age of 65
- Beneficiaries with dual eligibility have greater health and long term support services needs.



What is MI Health Link?

MI Health Link has a goal to combine Medicare and Medicaid into a single health care system for people who are on both programs.



MI Health Link

Will start in

- **Eight Counties in Southwest Michigan (Barry, Berrien, Branch, Calhoun, Cass, Kalamazoo, St. Joseph, Van Buren Counties) and**
- **All of the Upper Peninsula**

Then 3 to 4 months later in

- **Wayne County**
- **Macomb County**

MI Health Link

- **Your Doctors, Specialists, Hospitals, Equipment, and Medications**
- **Long Term Supports and Services – nursing homes and home care.**

MI Health Link

- **If you have both Medicare and Medicaid you can sign-up and pick a MI Health Link plan or you will later be assigned a MI Health Link plan.**
- **You can “opt-out” or change plans monthly.**
- **Some people cannot sign-up at all if you:**
 - **are on Medicaid spend-down,**
 - **or you don’t have both Medicare and Medicaid**
- **Some people can choose to sign-up but won’t be assigned**
 - **MI Choice Home and Community Based Waiver**
 - **PACE**
 - **Have insurance through an employer retirement**
 - **Native Americans**

MI Health Link Plans in Wayne and Macomb Counties



MI Health Link Plan Will Cover and Provide Services

MI Health Link Health Plans will arrange for the following health care services:

- Primary Care; i.e. regular doctors visits, follow up appointments
- Acute Care; i.e. treatment for an accident or trauma
- Long Term Supports and Services; i.e. assistance with preparing meals, bathing, and dressing

Prepaid Inpatient Health Plans (PIHPs) will provide:

- Behavioral Health/Mental and Developmental Disabilities services and supports

How Do I Make a Choice

May want a trusted person to help you.



Will need to figure out what plans your doctors, specialists, druggists, hospitals, equipment place are with.

If you currently have home care or other long-term support services.



Opportunities with MI Health Link

- **There may be no co-pays or deductibles with MI Health Link**
- **A care coordinator may help cut through bureaucracy, overcome barriers, and resolve problems**
- **Person-centered services starting with what the person wants**
- **May have improved access to some services (home care, equipment)**
- **More opportunities to shape health care practice and some rules**

An MI Health Link Project

...introducing...

***Michigan Voices for Better Health ...
a project to ensure strong and
meaningful real persons' voices and
presence in MI Health Link
implementation and MI Health Link
policies and practices to support
inclusion, choice and quality.***

What Can You Do?

- **Everyone has a story and experiences with health care, supports, and services and those stories have *power!***
- **Real experiences need to be communicated. We want to find ways for you to feel comfortable to give input and feedback.**
 - **Serve on an advisory committee**
 - **Tell us your story about what is working well with your healthcare services and what is not**

Thank you & Questions?

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