

Getting your Patients Ready for the New Drug Benefit

1. Write down the names and dosages of all prescription drugs that you are taking. This information will be important to decide on the right plan for you.
2. Do you have drug coverage through a former employer; union; or Medigap? If so, you should have gotten a letter explaining the drug coverage. Make sure you keep the letter so that you can compare the current coverage to the new plans.
3. List the cost and what you currently pay for drugs (if you have drug coverage through the above organizations).
4. List the name, address and phone number for pharmacies you like to use.
5. If you have a limited income or modest means, you can call the Social Security Administration at 1-800-772-1213 to apply for extra help. You may also have gotten a letter from the SSA asking you to apply.