

Approaching Medicare?

If you have coverage under the Retiree Welfare Plan and are approaching Medicare, this information is for you! Medicare retirees have prescription drug coverage under the RWP, but it is a Medicare Part D prescription drug plan, referred to as the **RWP Medicare PDP**, administered by OptumRx, the plan's Pharmacy Benefit Manager. **It is imperative that you enroll in Medicare timely and provide the Fund Office with a copy of your Medicare card as soon as you receive it, so you get automatically enrolled in the RWP Medicare PDP.**

You can provide this information by doing either of the following:

- Fax a copy of your Medicare card to the Fund Office's Pharmacy Benefit Department at (630) 490-0027
- Mail a copy of your Medicare card to the Fund Office, Attention: Pharmacy Benefit Department 6150 Joliet Road, Countryside, IL 60525

Failure to enroll in Medicare timely and provide a copy of your Medicare card to the Fund Office will result in a loss of your prescription drug coverage under the Retiree Welfare Plan. You will continue to have RWP medical and dental coverage, but you will pay the full RWP premium amount.

Once you have been successfully enrolled in the RWP Medicare PDP you will begin receiving various communication pieces from OptumRx regarding the RWP Medicare PDP. It is critical that you open and read everything you receive from the Fund Office and OptumRx. Included in the communication materials will be a Welcome Kit and a Welcome Letter containing your new OptumRx MedicareRx ID card. The Welcome Letter will also have the effective date of your RWP Medicare PDP coverage. Please do not present your new OptumRx MedicareRx ID card until on or after the date indicated.

If you are Medicare age but still have coverage under an Active plan, then please be sure to send the Fund Office a copy of your Medicare card as soon as you make the decision to retire, if the Fund Office doesn't already have that information on file.

If you have any questions regarding any of this information, please contact the Pharmacy Benefit Department at (708) 387-8331 and select option 1.

