

**SHINE NEWS...**  
**Need help with prescription drug costs?**  
**Prescription Advantage may be your answer!**

Prescription Advantage is a state-run program which assists many elders with the costs of their medications. Eligibility is based on *income only* and there is *no asset limit*!

**Who can join?**

If you are a **Massachusetts resident, eligible for Medicare**, and are:

- 65 years or older with an annual income at or less than \$59,400 for a single person or \$80,100 for a married couple
- OR
- Under 65 years and disabled, with an annual income at or less than \$22,334 for a single person or \$30,118 for a married couple.

You may also join... if you are 65 years or older and **not eligible for Medicare**. **There is no income limit.**

There is **no charge** for joining Prescription Advantage, if you have an annual income at or less than \$35,640 for a single person and \$48,060 for a married couple. There is a \$200 per person annual enrollment fee for those with higher incomes.

Call Prescription Advantage today to enroll on the phone. You can reach Prescription Advantage at 1-800-AGE-INFO (1-800-243-4636), then press or say **2**. You may also apply on line by going to [www.prescriptionadvantagemma.org](http://www.prescriptionadvantagemma.org) .

Medicare also has a program to help with the cost of your medications. For more information or assistance with any Medicare issue, contact the SHINE Program. Trained SHINE volunteers offer free, confidential counseling on all aspects of Medicare and related health insurance programs. Please call your local Senior Center or the Regional SHINE office at 508/375-6762 to schedule a SHINE appointment.