

**JK** Jennifer Kerber 10:40 AM

Do I need to apply for medi-cal in order to get medi-cal rx

Medi-Cal doesn't cover Rx if you are enrolled in Medicare. You need Part D for Rx coverage. If eligible, Medi-Cal, the Medicare Savings Program and Extra Help give you subsidies to lower the Rx costs.

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**Anonymous Attendee** 10:41 AM

If a client wants to disenroll from a D-SNP plan from April onward, will it be effective on the next quarter rather than the next month?

When one enrolls in a Part D plan, it cancels the D-SNP coincident with the effective date of the Part D. Example: So if you enroll in a Part D using Medicare's Plan Finder in March, the effective date is 4/1, and the D-SNP cancellation is effective 3/31.

Answer

**JK** Jennifer Kerber 10:43 AM

I have brain damage and great difficulty understanding everything. Is there any way to have one person/case worker to help me?

Yes, HICAP can set up an in-person appointment to go over your Medicare coverage needs.

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**Anonymous Attendee** 10:43 AM

What are some Pro's and Con's to being on a DSNP rather than a Medi-Medi 100% Medical on a Original Medicare plan?

Technically when you have Medicare & Medi-Cal, regardless of how you get the coverage, e.g. Original Medicare and a Medi-Cal plan, or Medicare D-SNP and Medi-Cal, you are always a medi-medi.

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**JK** Jennifer Kerber 10:44 AM

If I apply for medi-cal will I lose my specialists I will need forever so they don't take medi-cal

One always has to check with their providers if they accept Medi-Cal – primary care, specialists, etc.

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**DR** Denise Raposa 10:45 AM

If you are fully Medicare-Medi Cal, if you choose original Medicare, do you have to get a Medigap plan to be fully covered? Is that included and paid for by Medi Cal?

If you lose your Medi-Cal benefits or you have been notified you have a share of cost and want to buy a Medigap policy, you have **6 months** to apply for it. If you have a share of cost you must submit the application before you have met your share of cost for the month in which you are applying for coverage. In addition, many companies require proof of loss of Medi-Cal benefits or a share-of-cost notification.

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**SS** Salvador Sahagun 10:46 AM

Can you be on a DSNP if you've been disenrolled from Medical. If so, do you have Special Enrollment Period since Medical has been dropped?

Depending.... Go to <https://www.medicareinteractive.org/get-answers/types-of-medicare-advantage-coverage/medicare-special-needs-plans-snps/losing-snp-eligibility>

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**LM** lydia missaelides 10:48 AM

Why is it that the SNPs can offer cash cards and it is not considered an inducement, because if a provider did this it would be illegal. Thank you for this webinar Tatiana.

That's a good question.... CMS allows cash cards to be offered as a supplemental benefit. Technically it's funded by the payments they get from Medicare, but it is not considered a Medicare benefit. I think that's something to bring up to Congress. Some non-D-SNP MA plans also offer this.

Answer

**JK** Jennifer Kerber 10:51 AM

Do I need to apply for medi-cal to get medi-cal RX?

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**JK** Jennifer Kerber 10:52 AM

I am permanently disabled and have great difficulty understanding, is there any programs that provide a case worker

HICAP can help you understand your Medicare options. They can set up an in-person counseling appointment.

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**JK** Jennifer Kerber 10:53 AM

I don't understand the acronyms will the slides be available

Yes the slides are emailed to you

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**JK** Jennifer Kerber 10:54 AM

If I do get medi-cal will I lose abilities to have all of the specialists I require for as long as I'm alive

You have to ask all your providers if they accept Medi-Cal.

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**RH** Robel haile 10:54 AM

Could I receive a copy of this recording? It was very helpful, thank you

Yes, it has been shared, and will be posted on our website: [www.cahealthadvocates.org](http://www.cahealthadvocates.org)

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