What papers do I need to furnish?

The FSD office will need to be sure you qualify for these programs. Some of the information you will need is listed below. If you don’t have this information now, you can get it later.

☐ Your Medicare card
☐ Proof of all income. This includes pension checks, veterans benefit, etc.
☐ Recent bank statement
☐ Financial statements from any stocks or bonds you own
☐ Insurance policies, Trusts, Annuities
☐ Proof of any funeral or burial policies you may have

Hearings-Eligibility

If you think that you have been denied eligibility unfairly for any reason, you can call, write or come in to the Family Support Division office and request a hearing within 90 days after the decision. You will get a letter telling you the time, date and place of the hearing at which you can tell your story or have it told by an attorney, a relative or a friend.

How Can I Get More Information?

1. Call your nearest FSD office. You can find the number in the phone book under government offices or in the white pages.

2. Call 1-800-392-1261. Someone there can help you find the right office.

or

3. Go to http://dss.mo.gov

There are programs that may help you pay part of your medical expenses. If you qualify, you may not have to pay your Medicare premiums or out of pocket expenses.
Medicare Premium Payment for Qualified Beneficiaries

The Missouri Department of Social Services will pay Medicare premiums for the Supplemental Medical Insurance portion of Medicare (Part B) for Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries. The Department will also pay premiums, if any for Medicare Hospital Insurance (Part A) for Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries, and in some cases the deductibles and co-insurance. The Department will also pay all or a portion of the Part B premium for Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiaries and Qualifying Individuals. (See table)

How Do I Know If I Qualify?

1. You must have Medicare Hospital Insurance (Part A). If you’re not sure whether you have it, call Social Security toll free, at 1-800-772-1213.

   AND

2. Your income is below certain limits. (Look at the table to the right to see if you might be able to qualify)

   AND

3. Your resources, or the things you own, are below $7,390 for an individual and $11,090 for a couple. Resources are things like bank accounts, stocks, bonds, and some life insurance. Your home and one vehicle are exempt.

How Do I Apply?

If you think you qualify, you should do the following:

1. Call your nearest Family Support Division (FSD) office

And ask about programs that help pay for your Medicare premiums and other costs.

2. Ask them to mail an application or you can download an application as http://dss.mo.gov.

3. Complete an return the application to the nearest FSD office.

4. When FSD receives your application, it will be reviewed and if additional information is needed, you will be contacted.

Programs That Help Pay Medical Expenses

(Choose your monthly income limit. Read chart from left to right)

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