

## **Bernalillo County Income Support Division Offices**

If you live in the Northeast part of the county/city:

4330 Cutler NE  
P.O. Box 36090  
Albuquerque, NM 87125  
Telephone: 222-9200 Fax: 222-9650

If you live in the Northwest part of the county/city:

1041 Lamberton NE  
PO Box 25287  
Albuquerque, NM 87125  
Telephone: 841-7700 Fax: 841-7757

If you live in the Southeast part of the county/city:

1711 Randolph, SE  
P.O. Box 543  
Albuquerque, NM 87106  
Telephone: 841-2600 Fax: 841-2105

If you live in the Southwest part of the county/city:

1401 Old Coors Rd, SW  
P.O. Box 12355  
Albuquerque, NM 87195  
Telephone: 841-2300 Fax: 841-2381

## **Bernalillo County Social Security Office**

4300 Cutler NE  
Albuquerque, NM 87110  
(800) 772-1213  
TTY: (800) 325-0778

### **Questions about Health Benefits?**

**Call SCLO at (505) 265-1244 or (505) 265-2300**



## Got Medicare? Get Help with Costs



If you are single and your income is less than \$ **1,353\*** a month, you might qualify for extra financial help in paying for your Medicare drug plan's out of pocket costs.

\* (\$1,821 for married couples)

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## What Type of Help is Available?

Extra financial help with Medicare drug plan expenses (“Extra Help”) is available through two separate programs: a Medicare Savings Program (QMB, SLMB, or QI) or the Low Income Subsidy.

Under both programs, you save a lot of money on the cost of your prescriptions. Monthly drug plan payments are greatly reduced and, if you currently pay a deductible, it may be significantly less—possibly nothing at all.

If you qualify for a Medicare Savings Program, you will have the extra benefit of no longer having to pay the \$96.40 monthly Medicare part B premium. Depending on income, you may also not have to make co-payments for visits to the doctor and stays in the hospital.

The amount of Extra Help you receive depends upon your income and the value of your assets.

## Who Qualifies for Extra Help?

You qualify for a **Medicare Savings Program** and Extra Help if your income is below **\$1,219** a month (**\$1,640** for a married couple) and your assets are worth less than \$8,100 (\$12,910 if married). **This number changes every April.**

You qualify for Extra Help through the **Low Income Subsidy** only if your income is below **\$1,353** a month (**\$1,821** for a married couple) and your assets are worth less than \$12,500 (\$25,010 if married).

Not all types of income and assets are counted in deciding whether you qualify. Use this chart as a guide:

## Not All Income and Assets Count in Determining Eligibility

<b>Count</b>	<b>Don't Count</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Your and your spouse's income	<input type="checkbox"/> Income of other dependents in your household
<input type="checkbox"/> Cash and items readily converted to cash	<input type="checkbox"/> Your primary residence or home
<input type="checkbox"/> Stocks and bonds	<input type="checkbox"/> Your car
<input type="checkbox"/> Checking and saving accounts	<input type="checkbox"/> A burial space
<input type="checkbox"/> Retirement accounts	<input type="checkbox"/> Personal items (e.g., jewelry, household goods)
<input type="checkbox"/> Whole life insurance with face value above \$1,500	<input type="checkbox"/> Funeral and burial expenses up to \$1,500
<input type="checkbox"/> Property (other than the home you live in)	<input type="checkbox"/> In kind gifts or contributions from others (e.g. food, rent/mortgage, utility bills)

## How Do I Get the Extra Financial Help?

If you think you might qualify for Extra Help through a **Medicare Savings Program**, you may apply by mail or in person at your local Income Support Division Office. You may also get help by phone by leaving a message at (505) 222-4508.

If you think that you might qualify for Extra Help through the **Low Income Subsidy**, you may apply with Social Security: online at <http://www.socialsecurity.gov>; in person at your local Social Security office; or by phone at 1-800-772-1213. You may also get help by phone by leaving a message at (505) 222-4508.