

## **Medication Therapy Management**

Federal Employee Program.



# Working to ensure the safety and effectiveness of your medications

The FEP Medicare Prescription Drug Program (MPDP) Medication Therapy Management (MTM) Program is all about you and your health. The MTM Program helps you get the most out of your medications by:

- Preventing or reducing drug-related risks
- Supporting good lifestyle habits
- Providing information for safe medication disposal options

## How will I know if I qualify for the MTM Program?

If you qualify, we will mail you a letter. You may also receive a call to set up your one-on-one medication review.

Your participation in the MTM Program is voluntary and does not affect your coverage. This is not a plan benefit and is open only to those who qualify. There is no extra cost to you for the MTM Program.

### How can I get more information about the MTM Program?

Please contact us if you would like more information about the FEP Medicare D MTM Program or if you do not want to participate. Our number is **1-844-285-8589**, open 8 AM to 8 PM ET Monday through Friday (TTY users, call 711).

## Who qualifies for the MTM Program?

You will be enrolled in the FEP MPDP MTM Program if you meet one of the following:

- 1. Have coverage limitation(s) in place for medication(s) with a high risk for dependence and/or abuse, or
- 2. Meet the following criteria:
  - You have three or more of these conditions:
    - Alzheimer's disease
    - Bone disease arthritis (osteoarthritis, osteoporosis, rheumatoid arthritis)
    - Chronic congestive heart failure
    - Diabetes
    - Dyslipidemia
    - End-stage renal disease
    - HIV/AIDS
    - Hypertension
    - Mental health (depression, schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, chronic/disabling mental health conditions)
    - Respiratory disease (asthma, COPD, chronic lung disorders)
  - You take eight or more routine medications covered by your plan
  - You are likely to spend more than \$1,623 in Part D prescription drug costs in 2025



### What services are included in the MTM Program?

In the MTM Program, you will receive the following services from a health care provider:

- Comprehensive medication review
- Targeted medication review

## Who will contact me about completing the review?

You may receive a call from a pharmacy where you recently filled one or more of your prescriptions. You can choose to complete the review in person or over the phone.

A health care provider from the CVS Caremark MPDP MTM Team may also call you to complete your review over the phone. When they call, you can schedule your review at a time that is best for you.

## Why is this review important?

Different prescribers may write prescriptions for you without knowing all the medications you take. For that reason, the MTM Program health care provider will:



#### **Medication review**

Make sure they're safe, effective, and necessary

#### Interaction review

Discuss how your medications may affect each other



#### **Cost Savings**

Discuss lower cost alternatives



#### **Side Effects**

Identify any side effects from your medications



## What is a comprehensive medication review?

The comprehensive medication review is completed with a health care provider over the phone. This review is a discussion that includes all your medications:

- Prescriptions
- Over the counter (OTC)
- Herbal therapies
- Dietary supplements

This review usually takes 20 minutes or less to complete. During the review, you may ask any questions about your medications or health conditions. The

health care provider may offer ways to help you manage your health and get the most out of your medications. If more information is needed, the health care provider may contact your prescriber.

After your review, you will receive a summary of what was discussed. The summary will include the following:

#### **Recommended To-Do List**

Your to-do list may include suggestions for you and your prescriber to discuss during your next visit.

#### **Medication List**

This is a list of all the medications discussed during your review. You can keep this list and share it with your prescribers and/or caregivers. Here is a blank copy of the <u>Medication List</u> for tracking your medications

# How do I benefit from talking with a health care provider?

By completing the medication review with a health care provider, you will:

- Understand how to safely take your medications
- Get answers to any questions you may have about your medications or health conditions
- Review ways to help you save money on your drug costs
- Receive a *Recommended To-Do List* and *Medication List* for your records and to share with your prescribers and/or caregivers



#### What is a targeted medication review?

The targeted medication review is completed by a health care provider who reviews your medications at least once every three months. With this review, we mail, fax, or call your prescriber with suggestions about prescription drugs that may be safer or work better for you. As always, your prescriber will decide whether to consider our suggestions. Your prescription drugs will not change unless you and your prescriber decide to change them. We may also contact you by mail or phone with suggestions about your medications.

## How do I safely dispose of medications I don't need?

The FEP MPDP MTM Program is dedicated to providing you with information about safe medication disposal. Medications that are safe for you may not be safe for someone else. Unneeded medications should be disposed of as soon as possible. You can discard your unneeded medications through a local safe disposal program or at home for some medications.

#### • Locating a community safe drug disposal site

A drug take back site is the best way to safely dispose of medications. To find drug take back sites near you, visit the website below and enter your location:

#### https://apps2.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/pubdispsearch/spring/main?execution=e2s1

Some pharmacies and police stations offer on-site drop-off boxes, mail-back programs, and other ways for safe disposal. Call your pharmacy or local police department (non-emergency number) for disposal options near you.

#### • Mailing medications to accepting drug disposal sites

Medications may be mailed to authorized sites using approved packages. Information on mail-back sites can be found at <u>www.deatakeback.com</u>

#### • Safe at-home medication disposal

You can safely dispose of many medications through the trash or by flushing them down the toilet. Visit the following website **first** to learn what medications are safe to dispose of at home: <u>https://www.hhs.gov/opioids/prevention/safely-dispose-drugs/index.html</u>

Steps for medication disposal in the trash:

- Remove medication labels to protect your personal information
- o Mix medications with undesirable substances, such as dirt or used coffee grounds
- o Place mixture in a sealed container, such as an empty margarine tub