

Claimant's Responsibility to Report Changes Medicare Savings Programs

If you report a change in your situation to the Social Security Office, you must also report the change to Medicaid. It is your responsibility to notify the **Medicaid District Office** of changes, such as the following:

1. ADDRESS

- Notify Medicaid if your address changes, especially if you move out of Alabama. If you have a Post Office Box, a street address or 911 address is needed.

NOTE: A Review Form will be mailed to you yearly. Failure to report a change of address will prevent you from receiving your Annual Review Form. In most cases, if the form is not completed and returned to Medicaid, your eligibility for Medicaid will stop and your Social Security Check will decrease.

2. INCOME – Report the Following and Provide Proof:

- If there is a change in the amount of any check or money you get. (For example, the rent you receive on your house increases or decreases, or you get an increase or decrease in your Social Security, VA, pension check, etc.)
- If you start getting any new type of check or money. (For example, you start getting a VA or pension check, or you get a job and receive wages.)
- If someone starts giving you money, even by putting money in your bank account.
- If you win any money, for instance, at the race track, casino, from a contest you entered, the lottery, etc.
- If someone dies and leaves you money.
- If you receive money from a lawsuit, settlement, insurance policy or alimony.
- If Social Security stops your disability check for any reason.

If you are married, you must report your spouse's income changes also.

3. OTHER

- Let us know if you marry or if your marriage ends due to death, divorce or separation. (If separated, please include the name, street address and SSN of spouse.)
- Report if you or your spouse enter a nursing home, jail, prison or mental health facility for 30 days or more.

4. MEDICARE AND OTHER HEALTH INSURANCE

- Let Medicaid know if your Medicare Part A and/or Medicare Part B stops for any reason.
- Report to Medicaid if you add, drop or change health insurance. Health insurance includes Medicare supplements, cancer insurance, etc. (For example, AARP, C+, United Health Care, AFLAC, etc.)

REMEMBER: The law requires that you report these changes to Medicaid. **Failure to do so could cause termination of Medicaid benefits and/or an obligation to repay benefits to the Alabama Medicaid Agency.** If you cannot decide whether or not to report something, call your District Office within 10 days of the change just to be sure.