

**State of New Jersey
Division of Pensions and Benefits**

February 2021

TO: Medicare Retirees
FROM: New Jersey Division of Pensions & Benefits (NJDPB)
SUBJECT: **Reimbursement of 2020 Medicare Part D Premiums for Retirees Whose Medicare Part B Reimbursement is Capped at \$46.10**

This notice is for eligible retirees whose reimbursement for the cost of Medicare Part B coverage is capped by law or by bargaining agreement at \$46.10 but may have paid an income related monthly adjustment for Medicare Part D coverage during 2020.

If you did not pay an additional premium to Medicare for Part D coverage, you are not owed any additional reimbursement and should disregard this letter.

The cost of coverage under Medicare Part D is based on an eligible individual's or couple's modified adjusted gross income. Some people may have paid a higher Medicare Part D premium based on their modified adjusted gross income.

Social Security used the income reported two years ago on your federal income tax return to determine your Medicare Part D premiums (if unavailable, SSA used income from three years ago). For example, the income reported on your 2018 tax return was used to determine your monthly Part D premiums in 2020.

If you or your eligible spouse/partner paid an additional premium for Part D coverage, you must provide verification for the extra amount you paid in 2020. To do so, forward the following two (2) documents to the NJDPB no later than April 1, 2021:

1. A copy of the Cost-of-Living Adjustment letter(s) you received from Social Security in November of 2019 notifying you of your 2020 Medicare Part D premium increases and the income-related premiums. If you are unable to locate the Cost-of-Living Adjustment letter, please forward a copy of the first two pages of your 2018 federal tax return; **and**
2. A copy of your 2020 Social Security Form SSA-1099 (or Form RRB-1099 if in the Railroad Retirement System). If you do not receive a Form SSA-1099, you must submit other proof of Medicare Part D premium payments for 2020. Proof of payment may be shown by forwarding copies of monthly billing statements or canceled checks. **Please do not staple.**

Electronic documents can now be submitted through Online Document Submission in your Member Benefits Online System (MBOS) account. Once the documents are reviewed, an update will show if the documents are accepted or rejected. Please ensure your correct email address is listed in MBOS so we can notify you in case a document is rejected.

If you are already registered for MBOS, you can log on through your MyNewJersey account: <https://my.state.nj.us/openam/UI/Login>

If you are new to MBOS, you must register with both MBOS and the myNewJersey website. Read and follow the MBOS registration instructions at: <https://www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions/mbos-register.shtml>

Instructions and a step-by-step video can be found on our website at: www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions/

Online document submission is the quickest and easiest way to ensure your documents are received in a timely fashion by the NJDPB. If using this method, documents must be received no later than April 1, 2021.

Alternatively, you may send all required documentation to the following address no later than April 1, 2021:

Division of Pensions & Benefits
Health Benefits Financial Section
P.O. Box 295
Trenton, NJ 08625-0295

If you wish to use a delivery service other than the USPS, please send all required documentation to:

Division of Pensions & Benefits
Health Benefits Financial Section
50 West State St
Trenton, NJ 08608-1220

If you are eligible for reimbursement of Medicare Part D premiums, you will receive a check representing the unreimbursed balance you paid in 2020. Reimbursement checks will be issued beginning April 30, 2021.

You must forward the requested information by April 1, 2021, in order to receive a reimbursement check. No 2020 reimbursements will be issued if requested after the April 1, 2021 filing deadline.

If you or your eligible spouse/partner did not pay an additional premium for Part D coverage, you are **not** eligible for any additional reimbursements. In addition, if you pay a higher Medicare Part D premium due to a late enrollment penalty, you will not be reimbursed for the penalty.

Due to high mail volume, please allow a minimum of four months to process your reimbursement from the time received in to our office.

If you have any questions about the Medicare Part D premium reimbursement, please contact the NJDPB Office of Client Services at (609) 292-7524.

For more information about Medicare Part D premiums based on income, visit the Social Security Administration's Web site at www.socialsecurity.gov/ or call Social Security at 1-800-772-1213. TTY users should call 1-800-325-0778.