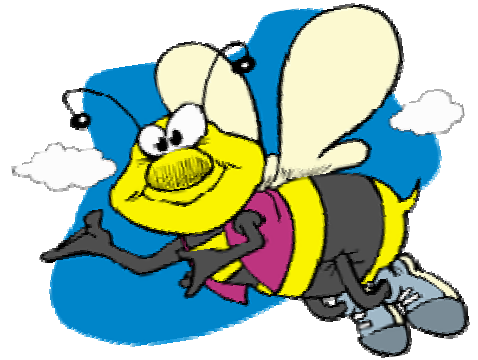


# THE MCBOSS BUZZ



## **What's New – What's Now – What's Happening In addition, how it affects you!**

### ***MEDICARE PART D PRESCRIPTION CO-PAYS***

The new 2012 fiscal budget affects the Medicare Part D Prescription co-pay benefit. Funding for the Medicare Part D Prescription co-pay benefit was removed from the 2012 fiscal budget. If you are receiving both Medicare and Medicaid you will see only a minor change in your benefit. The Social Security Administration (SSA) offers co-pay recovery programs for citizens who are receiving Medicaid and are identified as an "Essential Person" (EP) by the SSA. If you have a higher Medicare Part D Prescription co-pay and/or you are receiving Medicaid/EP you should apply for the Low Income Subsidy Program (LIS) through SSA. Citizens who are not Medicaid eligible can apply for other Medicare Savings Programs such as; (QMBs) Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries, (SLMB) Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiary Program and (PAAD) Pharmaceutical Assistance for the Aged and Disabled. For answers to any questions about the 2012 budget changes and how it may affect you or to apply for any of the above programs listed you may contact;

**SSA:**

Web <https://secure.ssa.gov/apps6z/i1020/main.html>  
Toll-Free @ 1-800-772-1213 and (TTY 1-800-325-0778)

**MEDICARE Part D Plans:**

Toll-Free @ 1-800-MEDICARE

**SLMB & PAAD:**

Toll-Free @ 1-800-792-9745

**QMB:**

Toll-Free @ 1-800-564-1595



### ***WIC Farmers' Market Nutrition Program***

The WIC Farmers' Market Nutrition Program (FMNP) provides unprepared, locally grown fresh fruits, vegetables, and herbs for the nutritional health to New Jersey's women, infants, children (WIC), and it expands awareness and use of local farmers' markets. Each eligible WIC participant receives a total of \$20.00 for the season to purchase fruits, vegetable, and herbs from authorized farmers. Participants receive their FMNP checks during their regular WIC visit to the local WIC agency. Grocery stores and other food markets cannot accept WIC FMNP checks (farmers' markets only). The FMNP checks are issued one time for the entire season, starting from June 1 to September 30, and the Program operates from June 1 to November 30 each year. For additional information regarding WIC Farmers' Market Nutrition Program, please call toll free; 1-866-44 NJ WIC (446-5942) or (609) 498-7755.

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## **GIVE US A CALL**

**TOLL FREE INFORMATION-ALL PROGRAMS**  
1-800-564-1595

**MCBOSS CONSUMER INFORMATION**  
609-989-4320  
609-989-4491

**MCBOSS FAIR HEARING OFFICE**  
609-989-4590

**APPLICATION INFORMATION-ALL PROGRAMS**  
609-989-4664

**CHILD SUPPORT-GENERAL INFORMATION**  
609-989-4600 or 609-989-4351

**MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS**  
609-394-6631  
609-989-4667  
609-989-4405

**WORK FIRST NJ (TANF)**  
609-9894491

**WORK FIRST NJ (GA)**  
609-989-4491

**WORK FIRST NJ REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT PROGRAM**  
609-989-4491

**FOOD STAMPS**  
609-989-4491

**WORK FIRST NJ CASE MANAGEMENT UNIT**  
609-989-6248

**SOCIAL SERVICE INTAKE**  
609-989-4451

**PAYMENT OF FUNERAL AND BURIAL EXPENSES**  
609-989-4343

**FAMILY FIRST EBT HELP DESK**  
1-800-997-3333

**FRAUD COMPLAINT**  
609-989-4400

**MEDICAL FRAUD AND ABUSE HOTLINE**  
1-888-973-2835

**CHILD SUPPORT HOTLINE**  
1-877-655-4371

## **NEED TO CONTACT YOUR HMO?**

**AMERIGROUP**  
1-800-600-4441

**UNITED HEALTH CARE COMMUNITY PLAN**  
1-800-941-4647

**HORIZON MERCY**  
1-800-656-3729

**HEALTH NET OF NEW JERSEY**  
1-800-555-2604

**UNIVERSITY HEALTH PLAN**  
1-800-564-6847

# APPOINTMENT TIME



Our goal at MCBoss is to make your visit prompt and agreeable. Customers who are on time for their appointments will be given top priority and seen promptly by their worker. Your appointment will be confirmed in a letter sent to your home. Upon arrival to the agency simply check in at the Customer Service Desk, and then proceed to Appointment Window 6 or 7, the appointment staff will be ready to serve you, it's that easy. Do you need to reschedule or cancel an appointment? No problem, just call us at 609-989-4491. Mercer County Board of Social Services is open Monday through Friday 8:30AM until 4:30PM, and now for your convenience we are open until 8:30PM on Tuesday evenings.

**We can help!**  
**For more information,**  
**MCBOSS.ORG.**



## **HELPFUL REMINDER** **CASE SUSPENSION** **SANCTION - CLOSURES**

### **Return Your Interim Reporting Form!**

Clients are no longer required to come into MCBoss every six months for their redetermination or recertification's! **INSTEAD** clients will receive in the mail an "Interim Reporting Form" (IRF). The IRF is used to update changes in a household. To **AVOID** a case going into suspended status and ultimately case closure the IRF **MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED** with any change verifications to MCBoss by the date listed on the form. It's that **EASY...just review, complete and return** your next IRF in the mail! Please do not come into MCBoss when you receive your next IRF in the mail! For more information and answers to questions about the IRF call (609) 989-4318.

**MCBOSS IS OPEN EVERY TUESDAY EVENING UNTIL 8:30pm**