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**DATE:** September 30, 2005

**TO:** Medicare Eligible ADAP Clients

**FROM:** Nancy K. Abraham  
ADAP Administrator

**REG:** Information about Your Prescription Drug Coverage through the  
AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP)

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**Please read this carefully:**

Currently, you are receiving prescription drugs through the AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP), which are dispensed by PharmaCare Specialty Pharmacy in Pittsburgh, PA. According to our records, you are eligible for Medicare; therefore this information is important to you.

The Medicare Modernization Act of 2003 (MMA), Prescription Drug Plan (PDP) called “Medicare Part-D” will take effect January 1, 2006. You may have already received or will soon receive information regarding this program. Medicare and Social Security Administration are sending you information about this new prescription coverage.

Therefore:

- You must complete an application for this coverage and choose a prescription plan beginning November 15, 2005. Call MEDICARE at (1-800-633-4227) for this application. The website is [www.medicare.gov](http://www.medicare.gov).
- You are also encouraged to apply for the Low Income Subsidy (LIS), which provides additional assistance referred to as “extra help”. We have enclosed an application for your convenience.

You cannot assume that you will continue to receive your prescription drugs through ADAP after January 2006. Although the Medicare PDP is a voluntary program, ADAP is considered a payer of last resort, which means applicants must first apply for any other prescription drug benefit for which they may be eligible. The federal funding agency guidelines state that ADAP must require individuals eligible for Medicare to apply for this new prescription coverage.

If you have questions regarding this memo, please contact us at 800-825-3518, 217-524-5983 or TTY 800-547-0466 (hearing impaired only).