



The Maine Low Cost Drug Program for the Elderly and Disabled and Maine Rx Plus

What Is DEL ?

A state funded program that helps pay for prescription drugs and Over the Counter drugs for people who meet certain conditions.

What Are the Financial Eligibility Limits for the Program?

- **Income Test:** In general, your income must be below 175% of the Federal Poverty Limit for your family size. However, if you spend over 40% of your income on prescription drugs the income level is increased by 25%, to 218% of the Federal Poverty Limit.
- **Asset Test:** Liquid Assets Must Be Below \$50,000 for a single individual and \$75,000 for a couple. Your assets do not count savings of \$8,000 for a single person or \$12,000 for a couple, a house, vehicles, income producing property, tools of the trade, or furniture.

Who Is Eligible for DEL?

- Must be age 62 or disabled.
- The Department uses the same test as the Social Security Administration uses in deciding if you are disabled for SSI or Social Security benefits.
- If eligible you may be required to apply for Medicare Part D in order to be eligible to receive DEL coverage

What Does DEL Cover?

- **Basic Coverage:** DEL covers prescription brand name and generic drugs for 13 listed conditions: heart disease, diabetes, high blood pressure, arthritis, chronic lung disease (including emphysema and asthma), anticoagulation, hyperlipidemia (high cholesterol), incontinence, thyroid disease, osteoporosis (bone density loss), Parkinson's disease, glaucoma, and multiple sclerosis/ amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (Lou Gehrig's Disease)
- **Supplemental Coverage:** DEL covers some drugs for non-listed conditions.
 - The list of covered drugs can be found at <http://mainecarepdl.org/pdl>. (Restrictions, e.g. prior authorization, step-therapy, etc. may apply.)

You can contact the Pharmacy Health Desk at 1-800-977-6740 for a complete information on what medications are covered by DEL

How Much Does DEL Pay?

DEL will pay 80% of the cost of the drug, after the recipient first pays \$2.00, plus 20% of the cost.

If I Have DEL and Medicare Part D, Can DEL Help Me?

Yes. For MaineCare Members who have full MaineCare (not just MSP), DEL can help reduce your Medicare Part D drug co-payment to \$0 for generics and to \$1.80 for brand-name drugs.

How Do I Apply for DEL?

To apply for DEL, you can do one of the following:

- Go to My Maine Connection to apply at:
<https://www1.maine.gov/benefits/account/login.html>.
- Print an application from this webpage:
<http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/ofl/publicassistance/index.html>. Then, mail it to: 114 Corn Shop Lane, Farmington, ME 04938. ▪ Call 1-855-797-4357. TTY users, dial 711.
- Visit your local OFI office. For office locations, go to OFI's webpage:
<http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/ofl/offices/index.html> (If you have Medicare, apply for MSP. You will then automatically get DEL.)

Questions/Problems:

- Call the Pharmacy Help Desk at 1-800-977-6740
- If you have questions or need assistance, call the [Legal Services for the Elderly](#) HelpLine at 1-800-750-5353.
- Call Maine Equal Justice Partners at (207) 626-7058.