

You or Someone You Know May Be Eligible for TRICARE For Life and TRICARE Senior Pharmacy Benefits!



Deadline extended for verifying TFL eligibility

Who is Eligible?

- Medicare-eligible Uniformed Services* (military) retirees enrolled in Medicare Part B**
- Their Medicare-eligible family members, including certain unremarried widows/widowers
- Certain former spouses if they were eligible for TRICARE before age 65

* Army, Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, Public Health Service, or the National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration, National Guard, Reservists

** Generally, those who served at least 20 years, with a few exceptions.

What Should You Do?

- If you think you, or someone you know, is eligible for these benefits, your expired family member military identification card needs to be renewed, and eligibility information in DEERS (Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System) must be updated. TRICARE may initially pay your claims if you are enrolled in Medicare Part B, but if you fail to immediately update your eligibility, you will not be able to continue using your military health benefit after **Sept. 1, 2002 (one month deadline extension)**.
- Be sure you are Medicare-eligible and enrolled in Medicare Part B.
- To update or reverify eligibility information, visit a nearby ID card issuing facility. For information on locating the nearest facility, visit the Web at www.dmdc.osd.mil/rsl, or call 1-800-538-9552.
- For additional information, contact the TRICARE



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How Does it Work?

- TRICARE acts as second payer to Medicare; beneficiaries must be enrolled in Medicare Part B
- Eligible beneficiaries have little or no out-of-pocket costs (Except monthly Part B payments, minimal pharmacy co-pays, and care not covered by Medicare or TRICARE)
- There are no TRICARE enrollment fees for age-65 and older beneficiaries

Pass it On!

You could make a big difference in somebody's life.