



City of Baltimore  
Department of Human  
Employee Benefits Division

## **Attention: FUTURE PRESCRIPTION DRUG PLAN CHANGE FOR 2020**

Important Information You Need to Know:

- The City of Baltimore will no longer offer a Medicare Prescription Drug Plan **after December 31, 2019.**
- During Medicare's annual enrollment period for 2020, October 15- December 7, 2019, City of Baltimore Medicare Eligible retirees and their Medicare Eligible dependents will be required to enroll in an individual market Medicare Part D plan offered through Medicare and private insurers.
- This change will only affect the prescription drug portion of City coverage. As of this notification (provided during the Open Enrollment period October 30, 2015 to November 13, 2015), there are no changes planned for the Medicare Supplemental medical plans offered by the City.
- This change is possible because of the greater subsidies provided by the federal government through the Affordable Care Act. Retirees will have more flexibility to choose the Medicare Part D plan that best suits their needs.

This announcement will be provided to you every year leading up to the conclusion of the City's Medicare Part D Plan. As we approach 2020, notifications will be sent that will provide you with additional information on how to sign up for a Medicare Part D Plan during the Medicare Open enrollment period (October 15 – December 7, 2019).

You may visit the City of Baltimore's Benefits Website, <https://www.baltimorecity.essbenefits.com/essenroll.asp> to review the Medicare Part D, Question and Answer section. For additional questions, please contact the City of Baltimore, Employee Benefits Division at: 410 396-5830 or 410 396-1780.