

# **The Way You Get Your Medicine is Changing**

**If you need help**

**Call 1-800-MEDICARE \* TTY users call 1-877-486-2048**

**Or a HICAP counselor 1-800-434-0222**

Beginning on January 1, 2006, there will be a new Medicare prescription drug program. This new program will affect all Medi-Cal beneficiaries who also have Medicare. Medicare, *not Medi-Cal*, will pay for most of your prescription drugs. If you are in a Medicare HMO that provides drug benefits, you will continue to receive prescription drugs from the HMO. If you are not in a Medicare HMO with drug benefits, Medicare will send you a letter in November to tell you the name of your drug plan. If you do not like this drug plan, you may choose another one. Talk to your doctor or pharmacist about which drug plan is right for you. Keep this and future mailings about the new drug plan for reference. If you are now a member of a Medi-Cal managed care plan or a Program of All Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) plan, you may receive more information from your health plan as well as from the State of California.

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