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Extra Help With Medicare Prescription Drug Plan Costs

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Welcome!

The Medicare Prescription Drug program gives you a choice of prescription plans that offer various types of coverage

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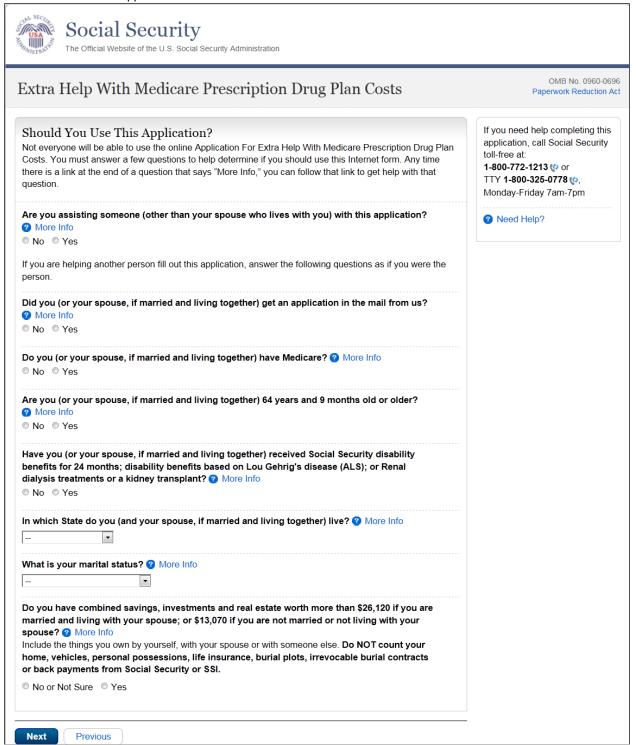
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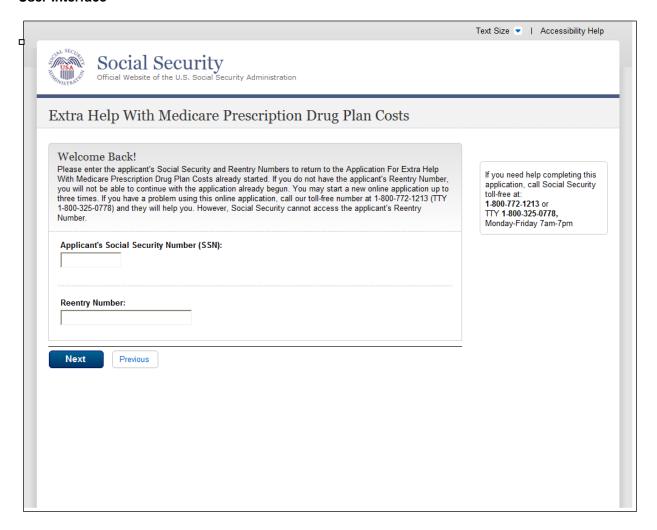
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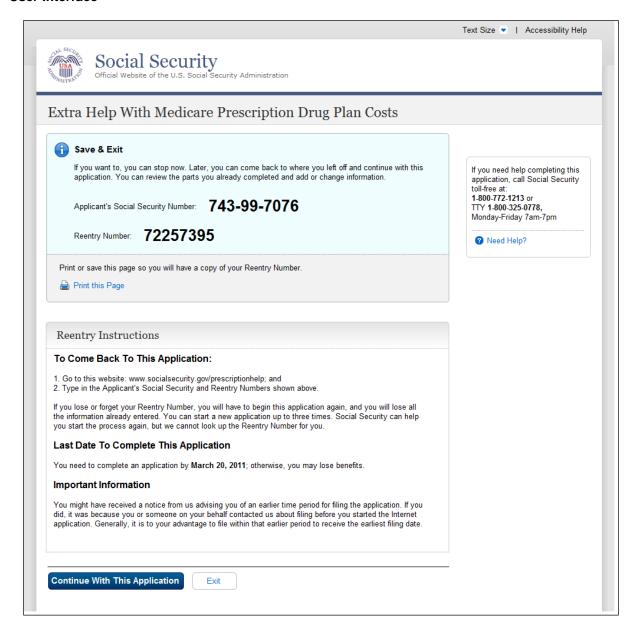
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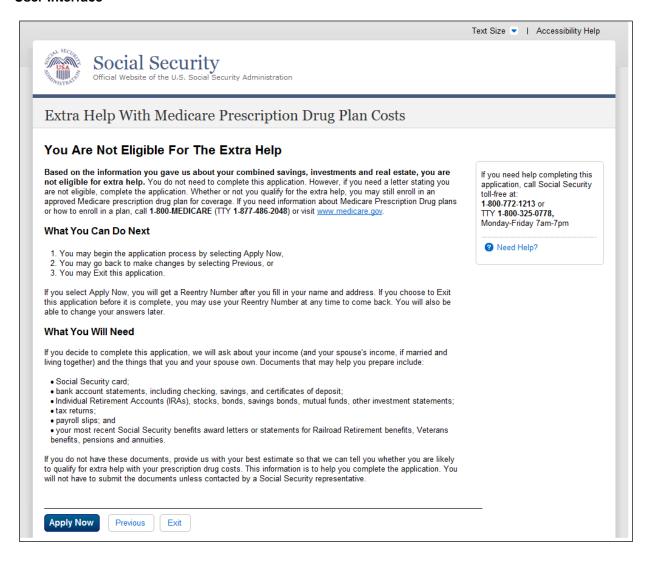
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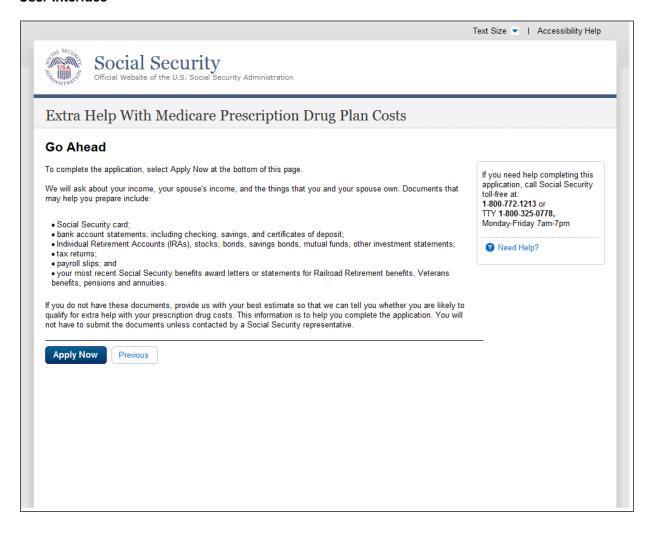
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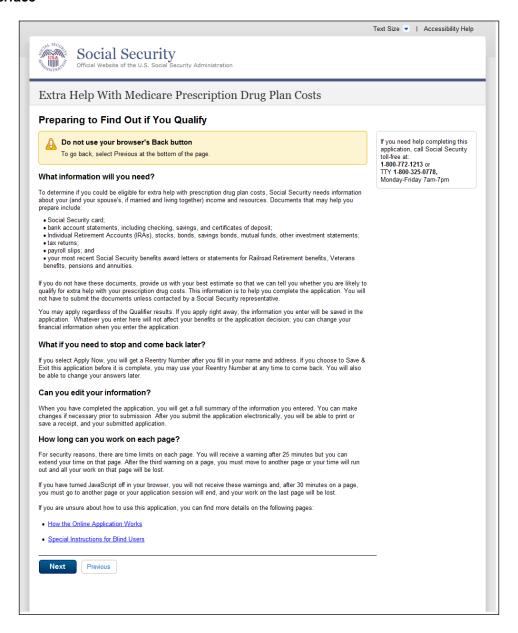
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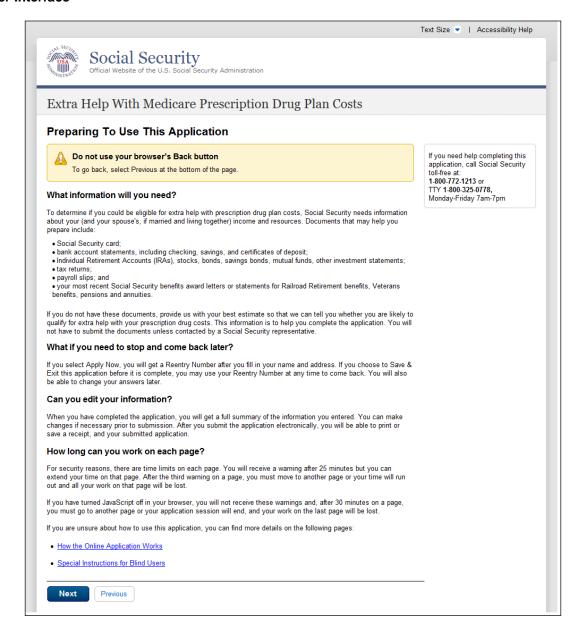
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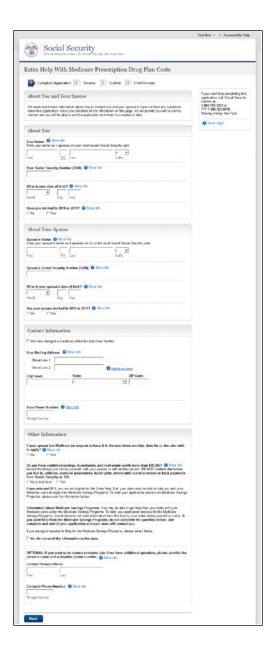


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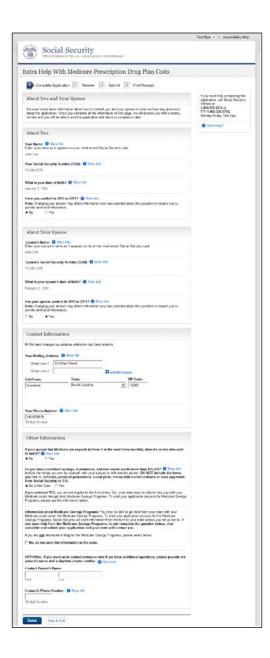


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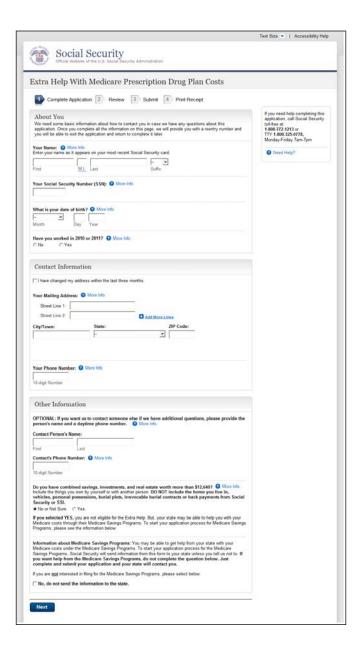
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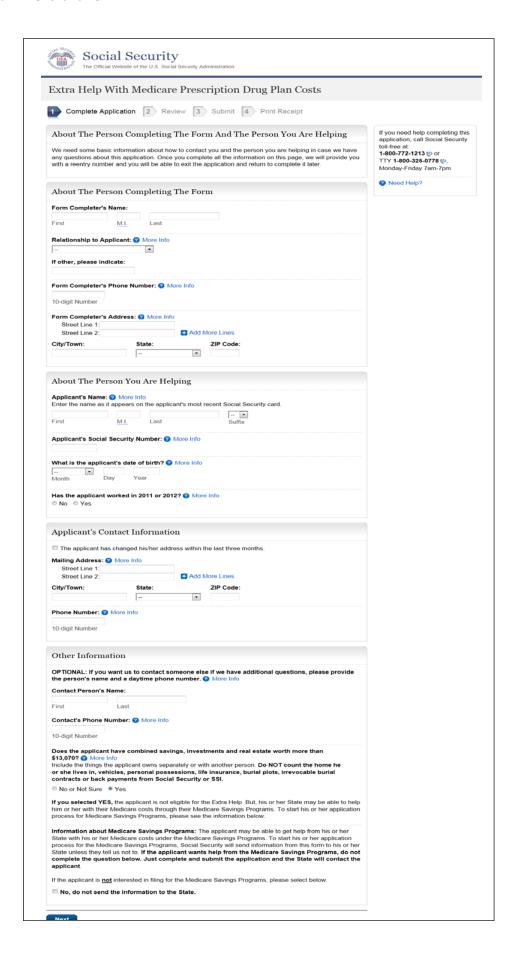


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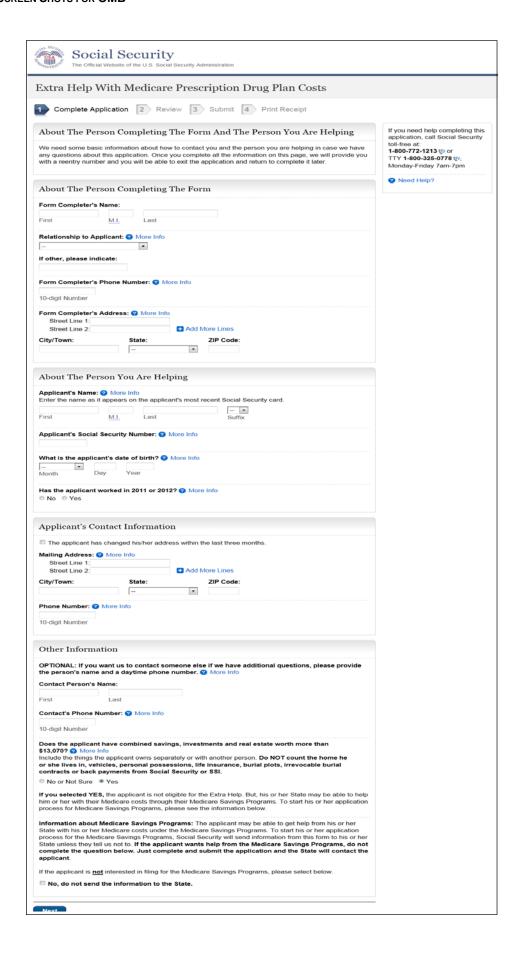


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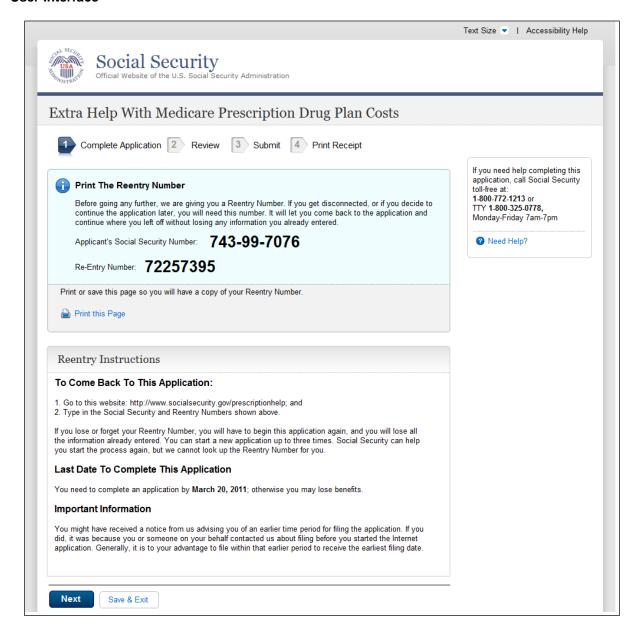


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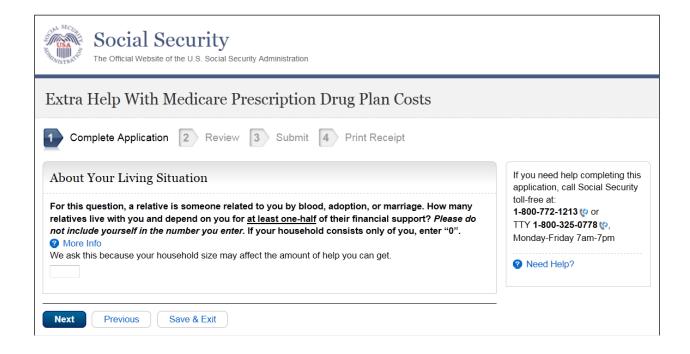


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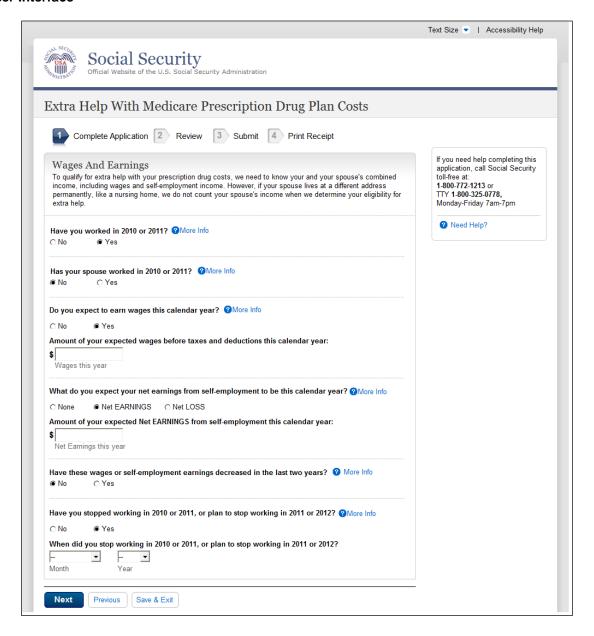


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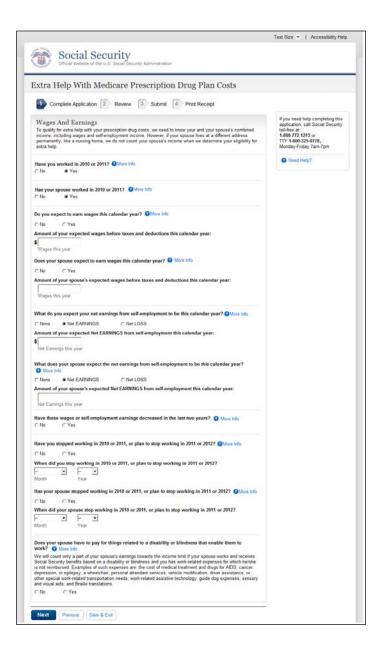
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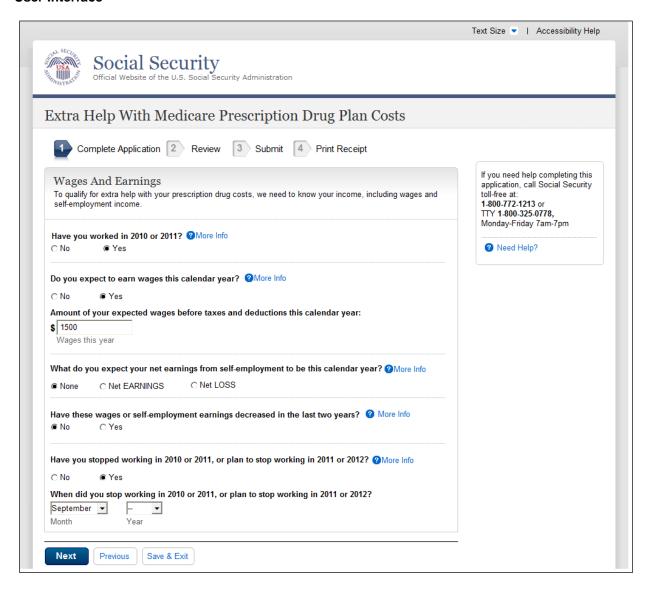
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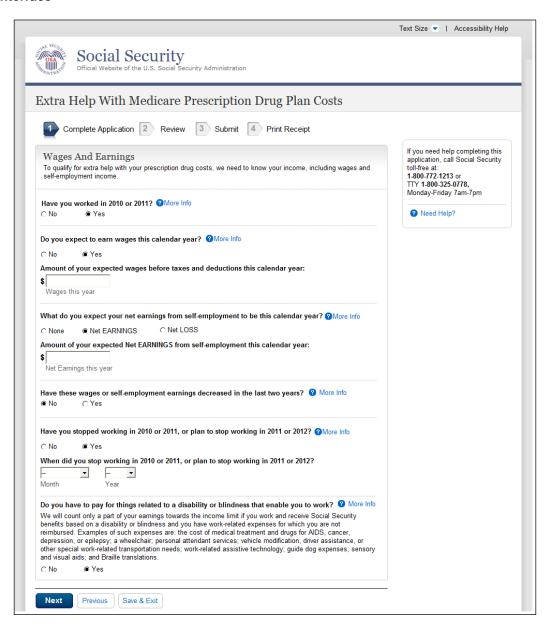
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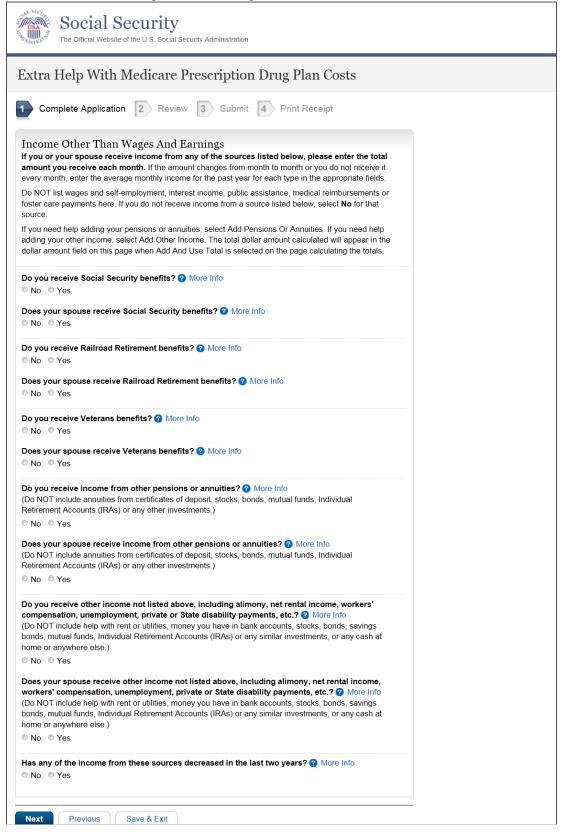
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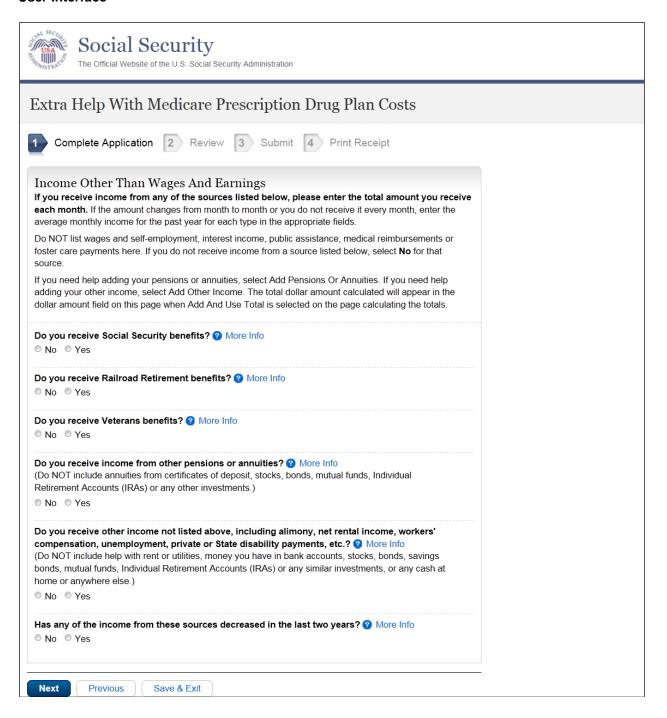
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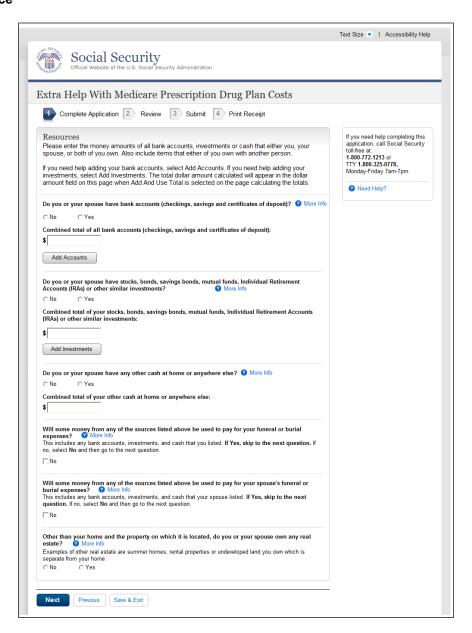
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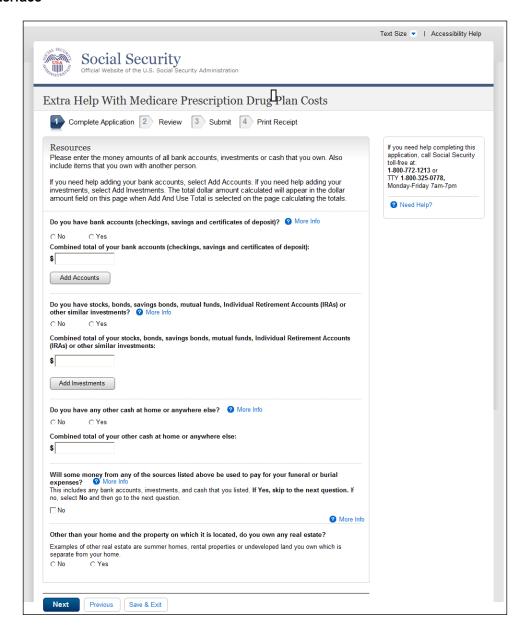
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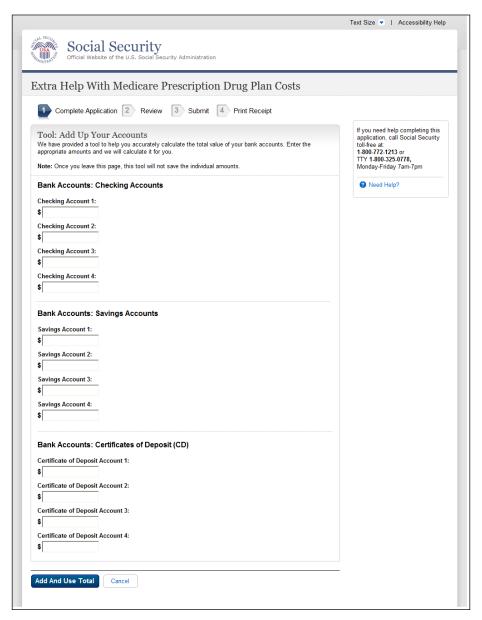


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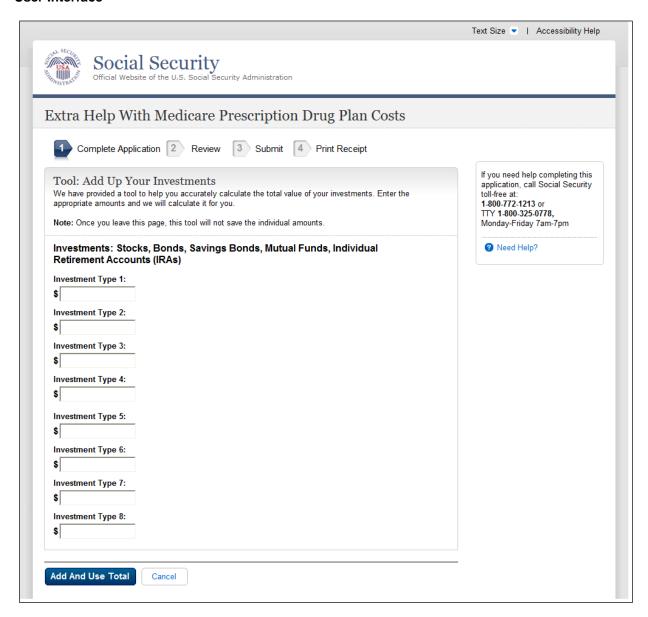


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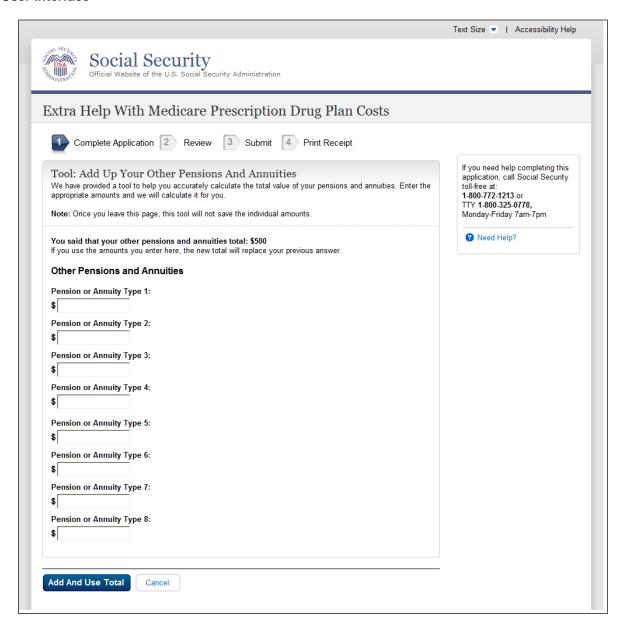
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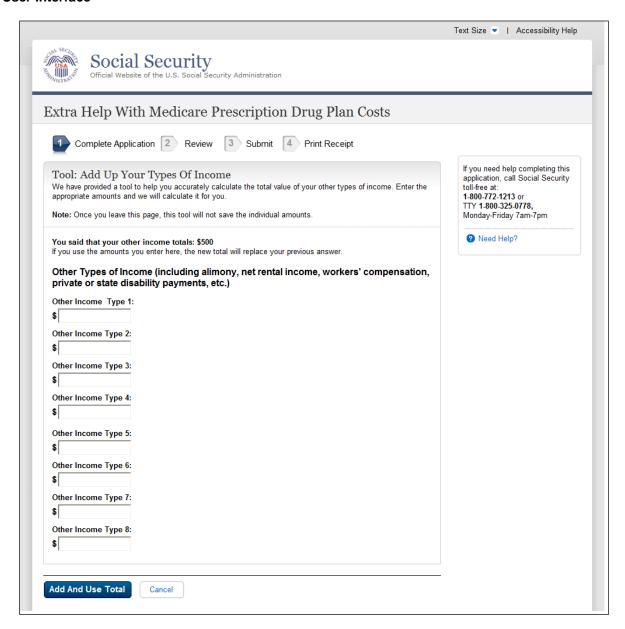
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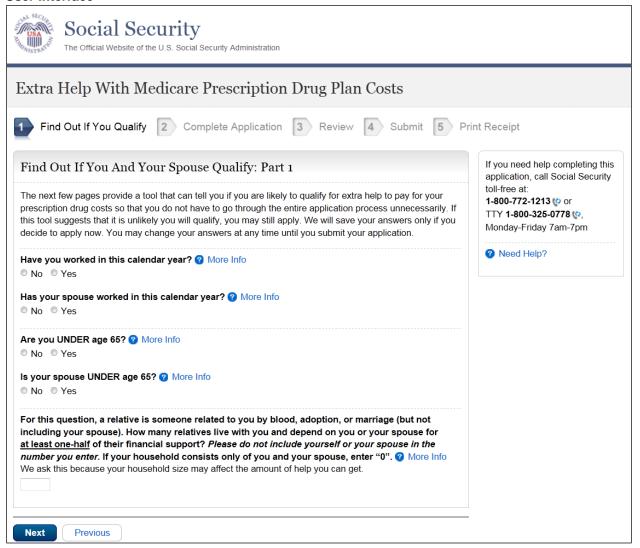
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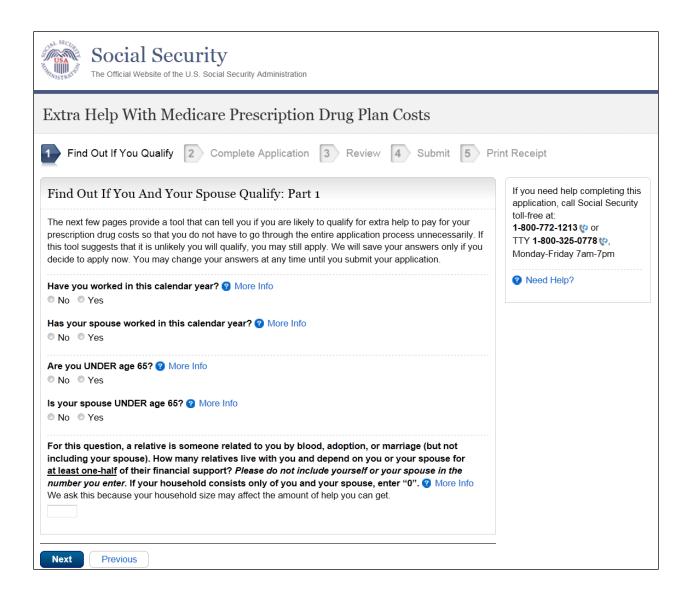


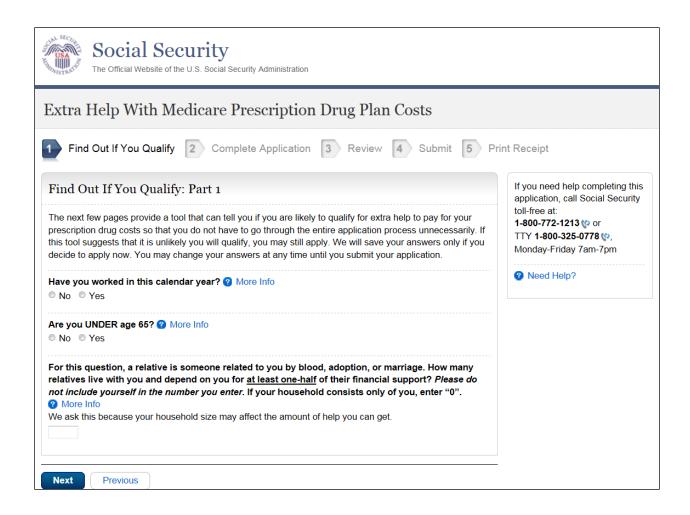
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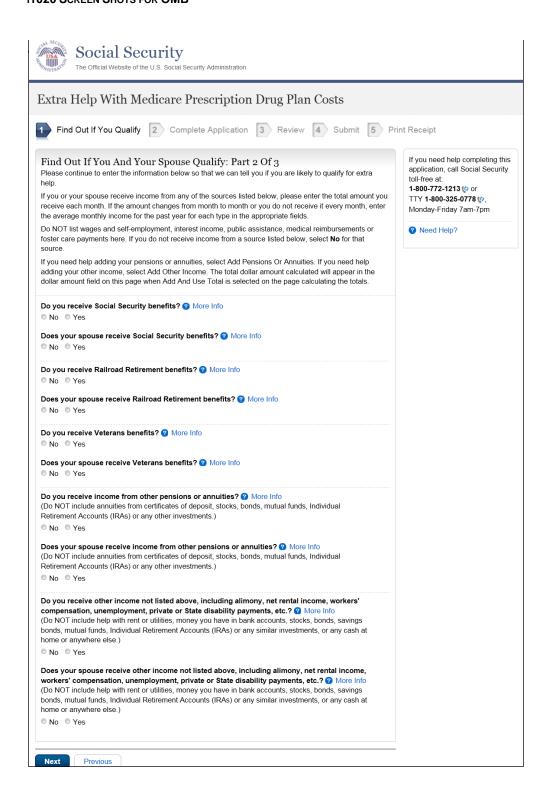
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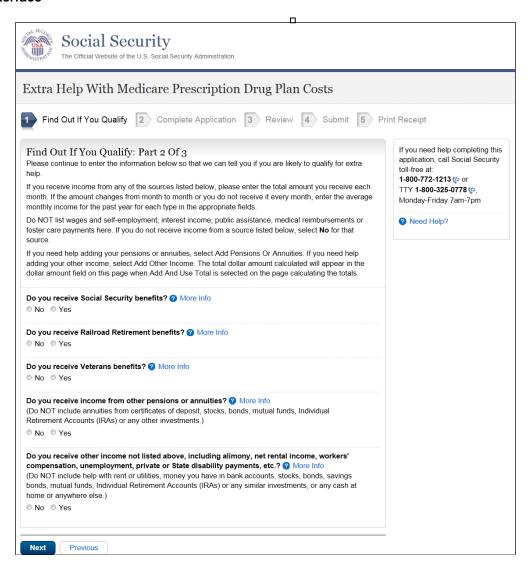




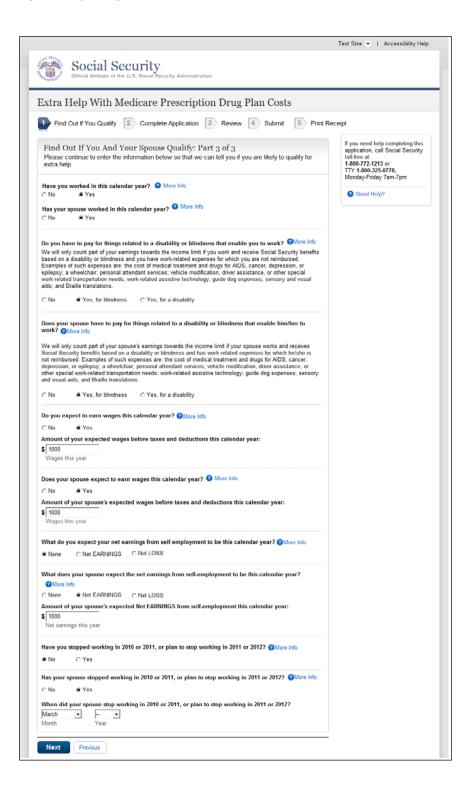




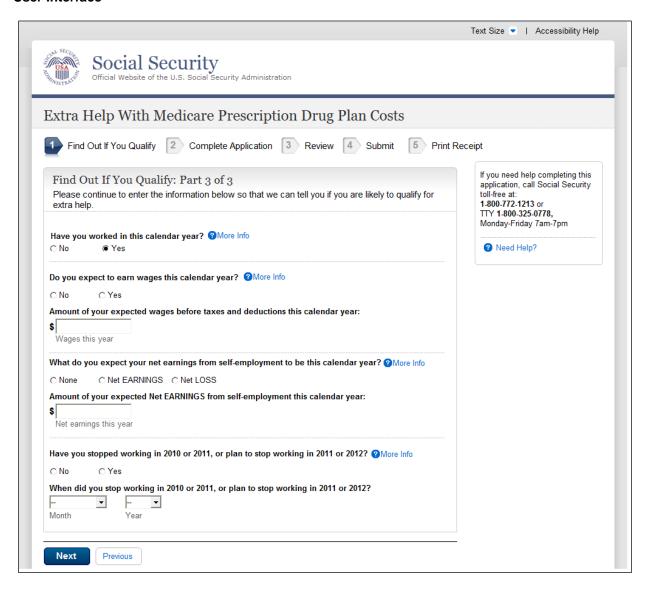
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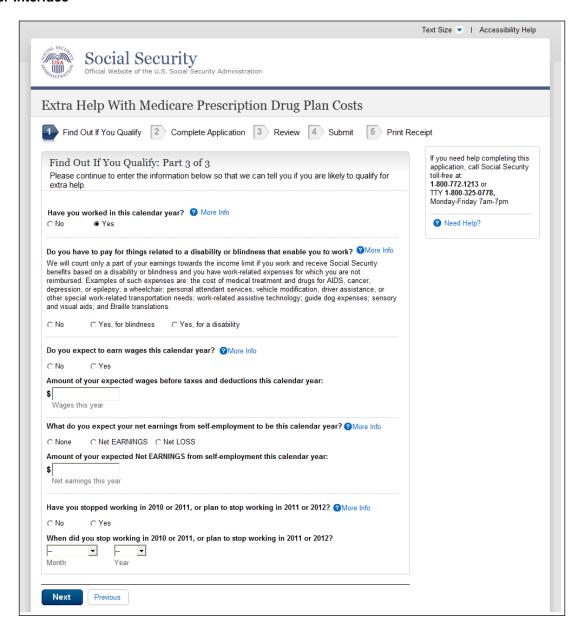
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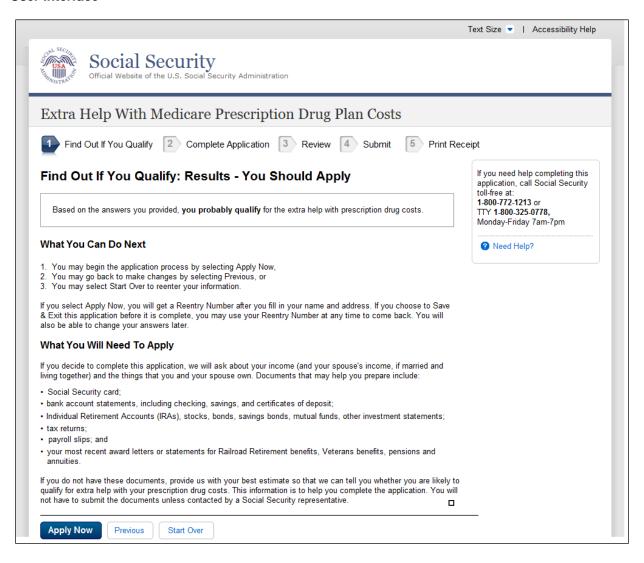
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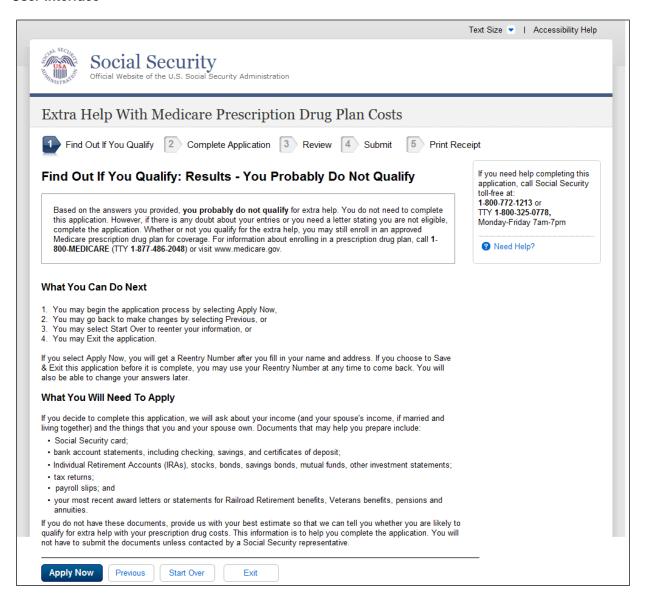
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Find Out If You Qualify (You Should Apply)



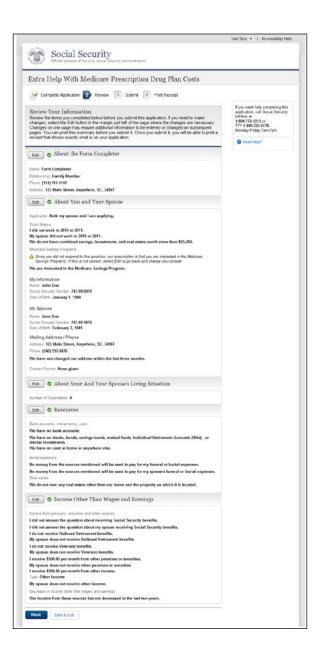
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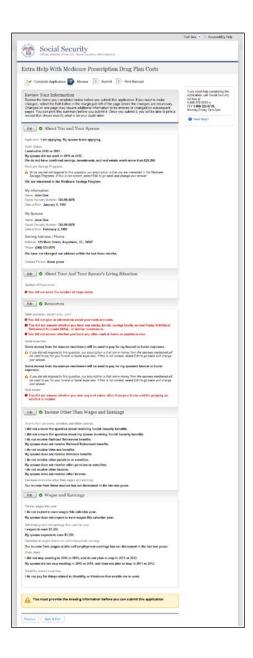
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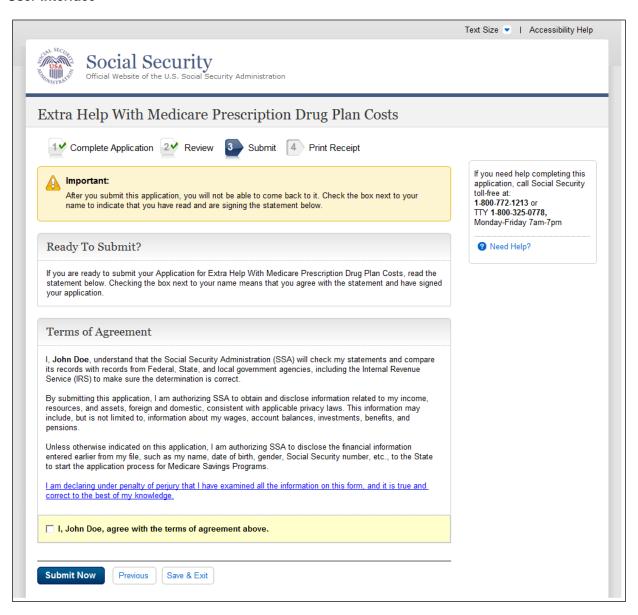
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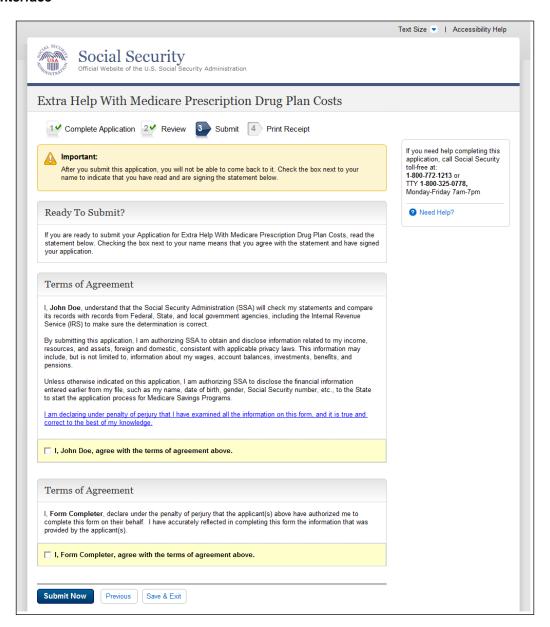
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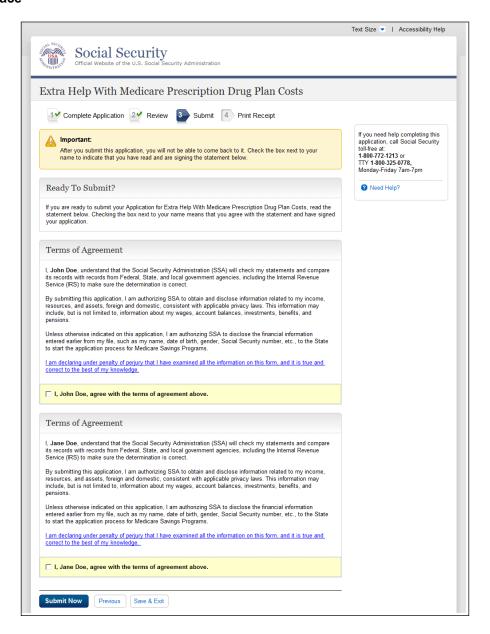


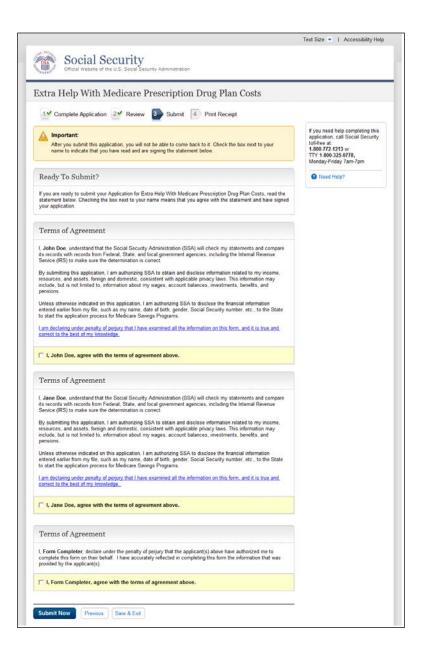
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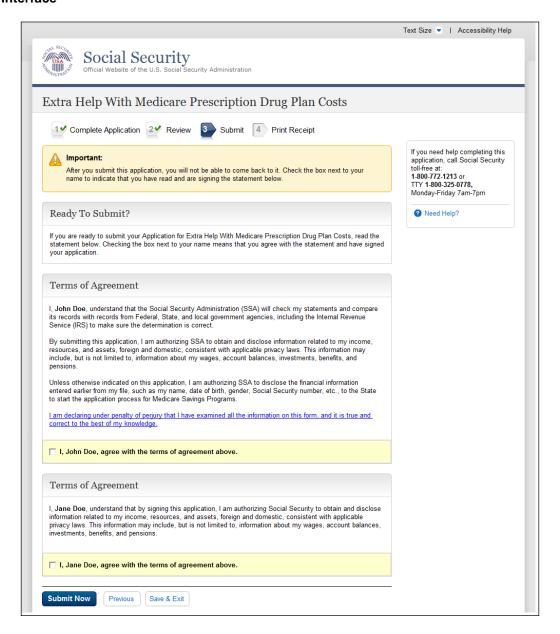


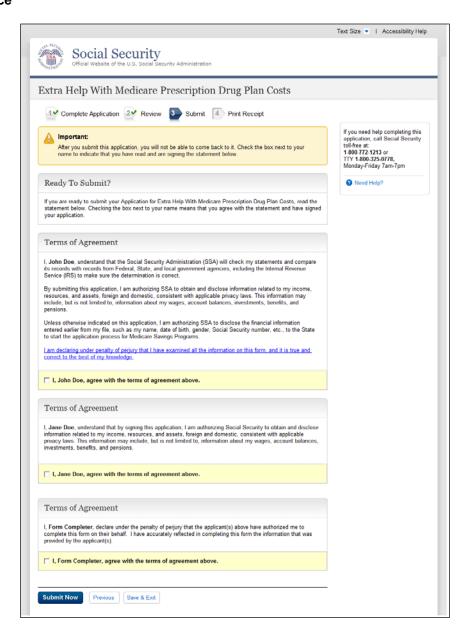








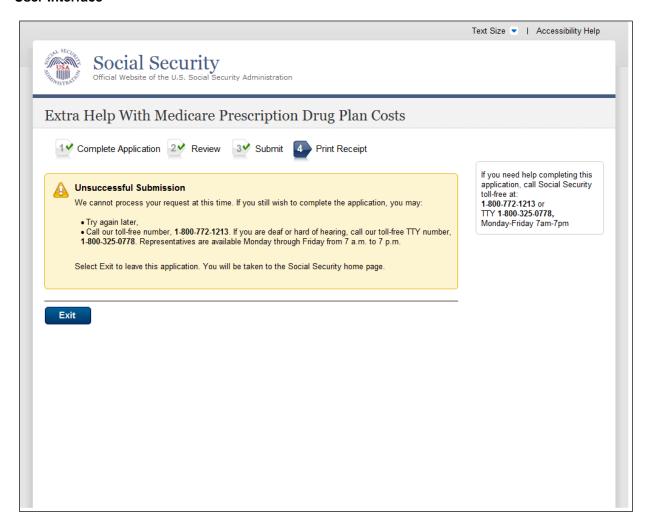




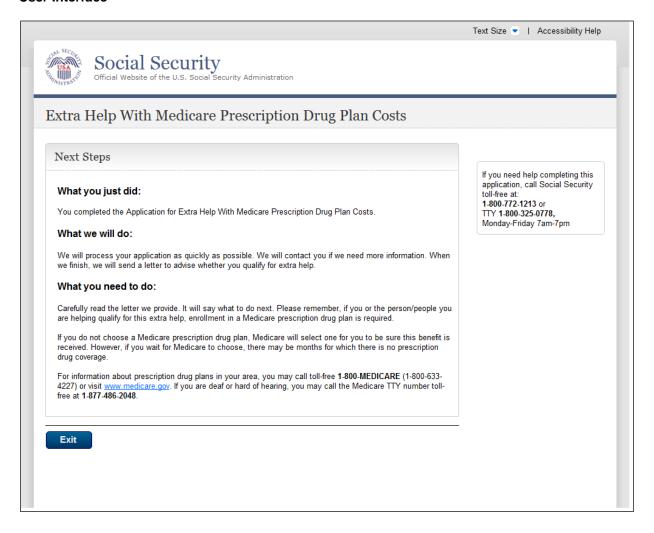
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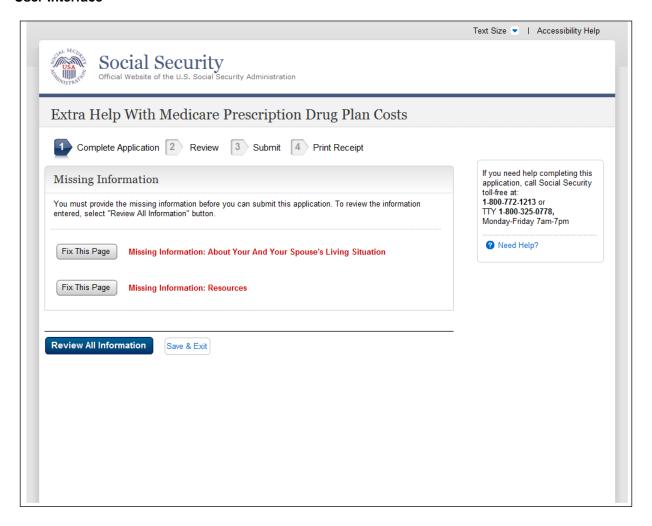
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Next Steps



Missing Information (Fix Errors)



Successful Submission - Print Or Save Your Receipt (print)

User Interface



Unsuccessful Submission

User Interface



Unsuccessful Submission

We cannot process your request at this time. If you still wish to complete the application, you may:

- Try again later,
 Call our toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213. If you are deaf or hard of hearing, call our toll-free TTY number,
 1-800-325-0778. Representatives are available Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

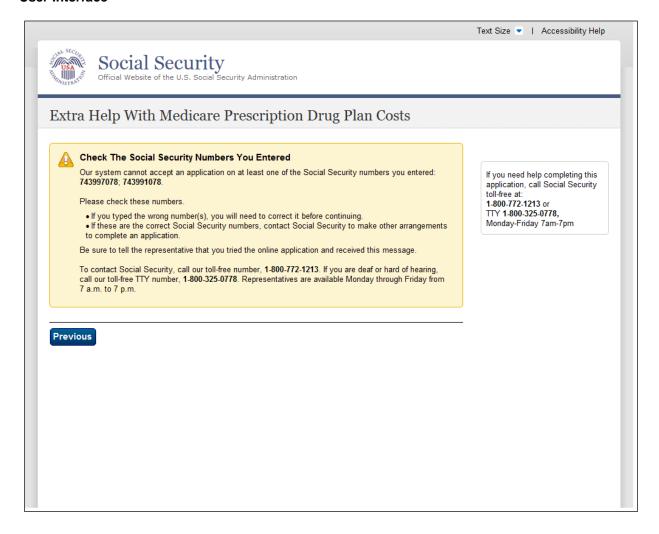
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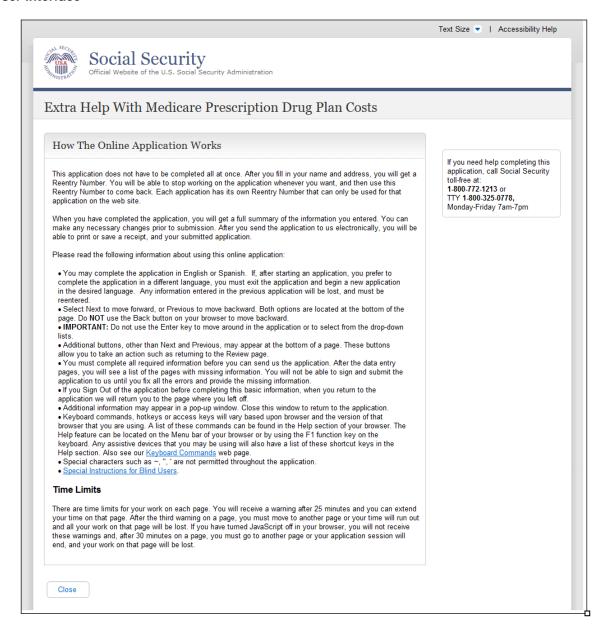
Authentication - Medicare Part D Database Not Eligible Or SSI Recipient



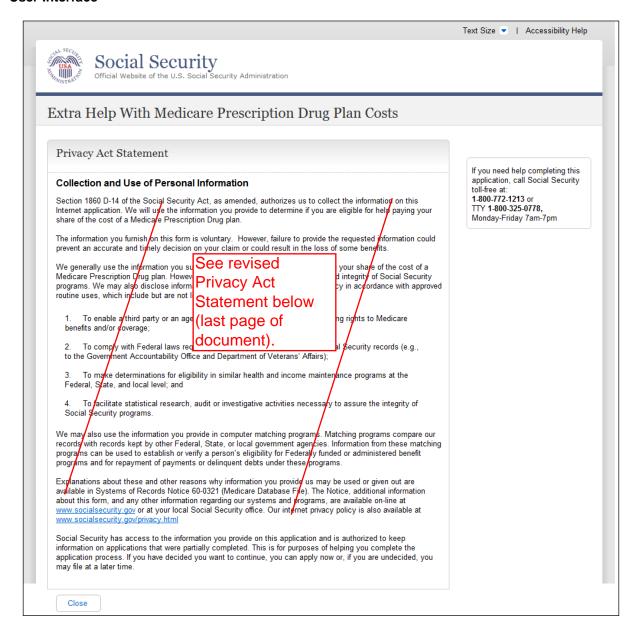
Check The Social Security Number You Entered



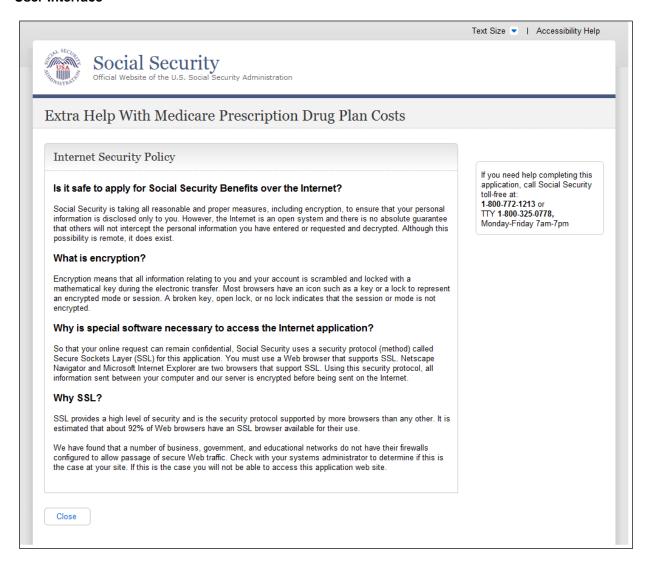
How The Online Application Works



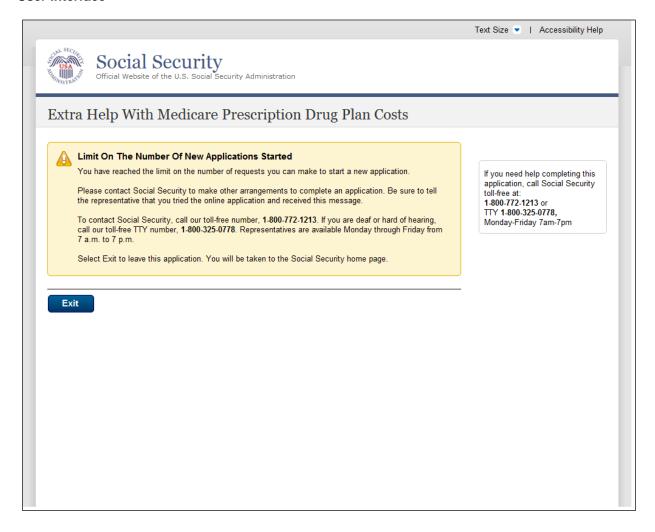
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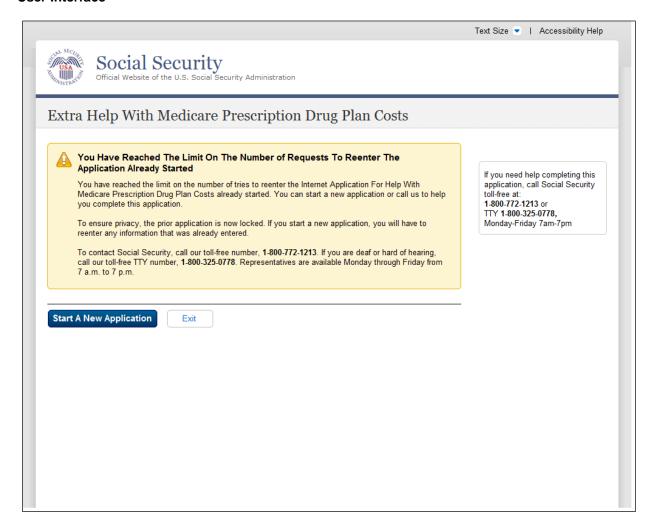
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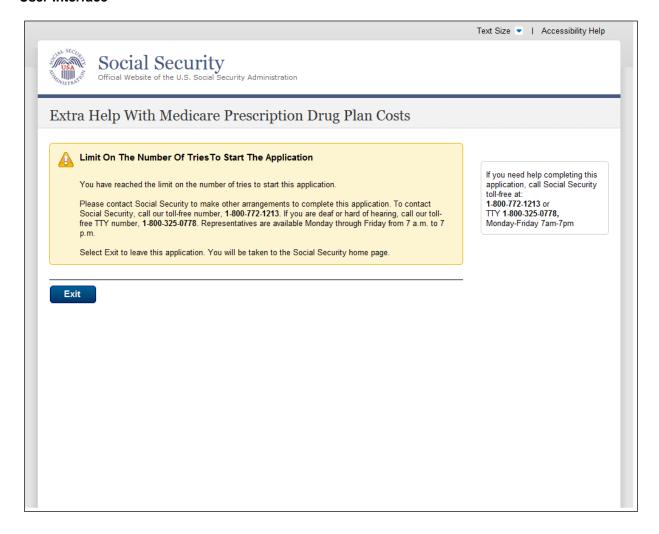
Limit Number Of Restarts



Limit Number Of Starts For A New Application



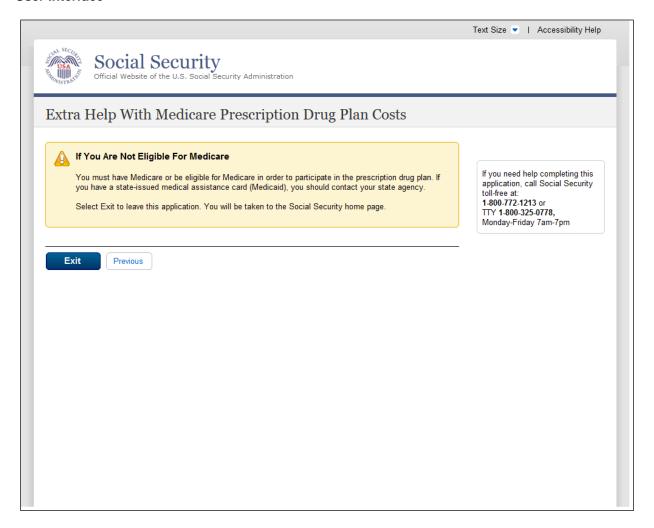
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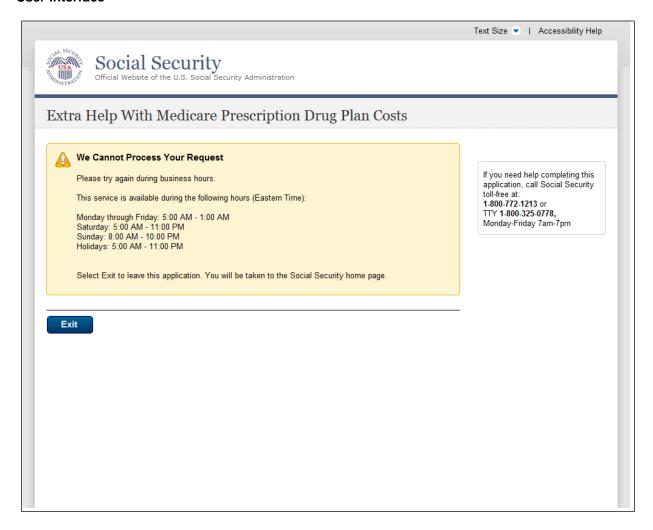
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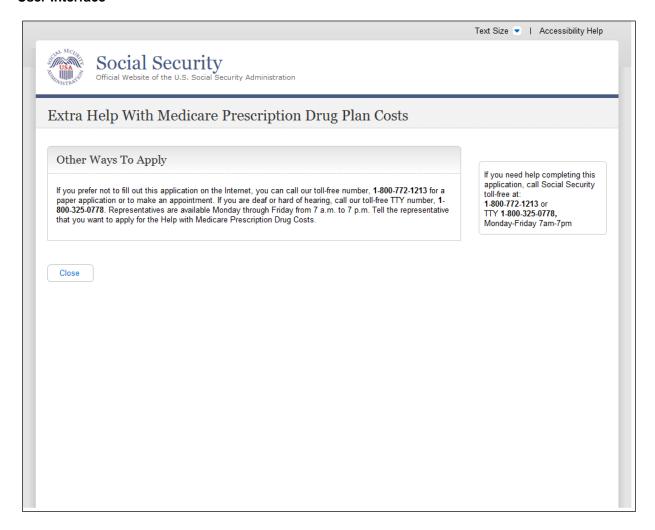
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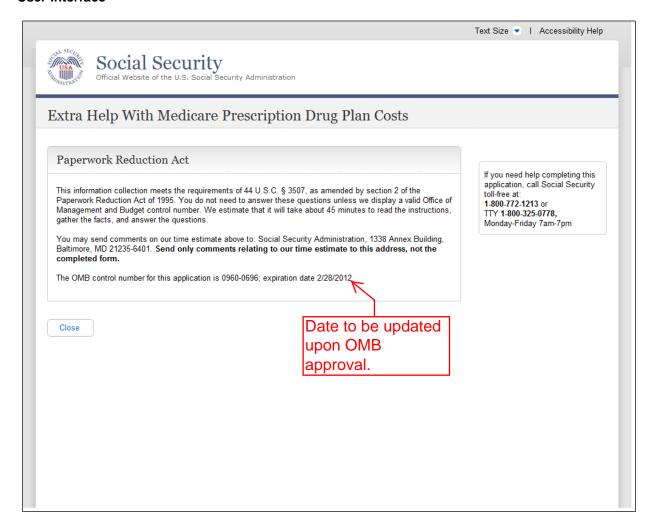
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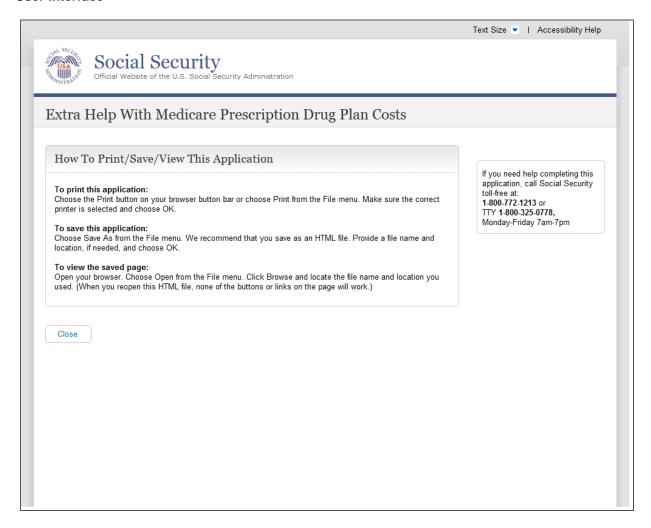
Other Ways To Apply



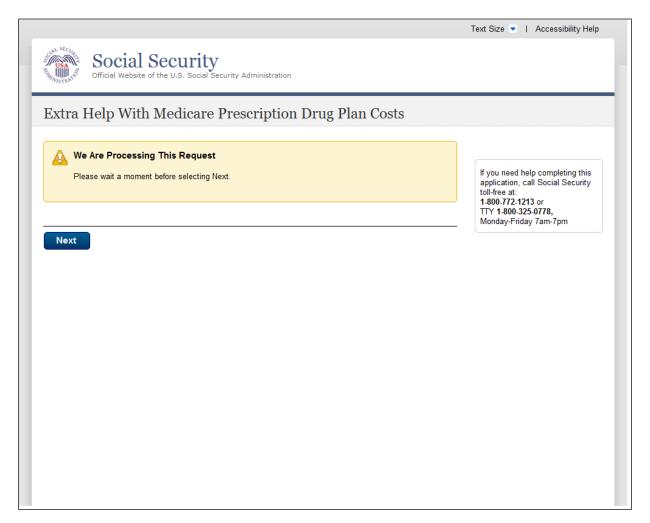
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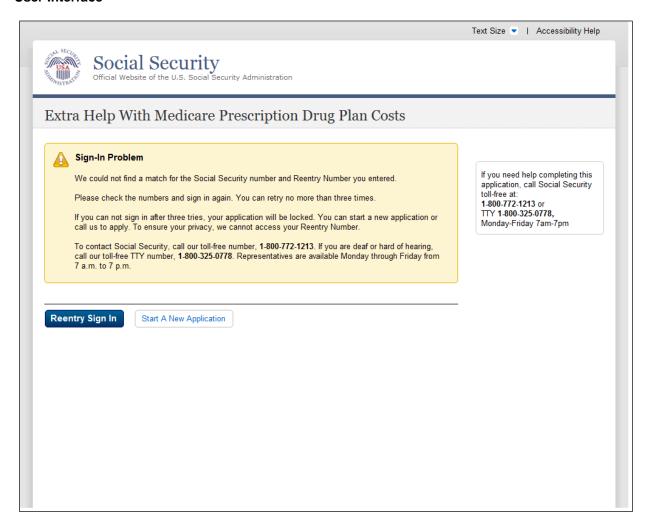
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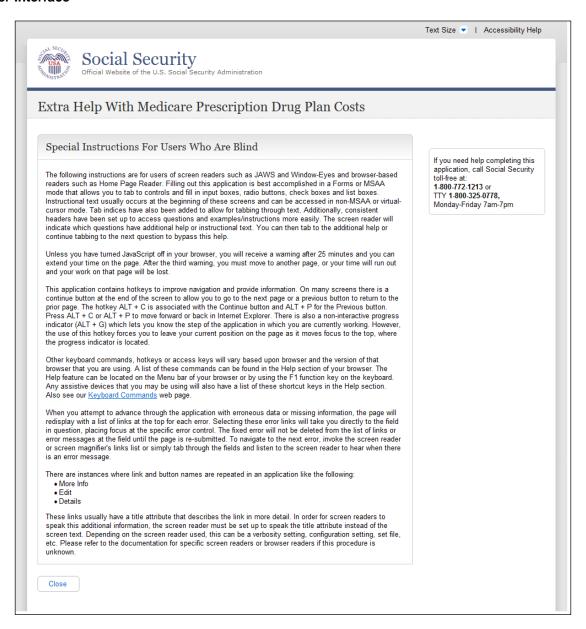
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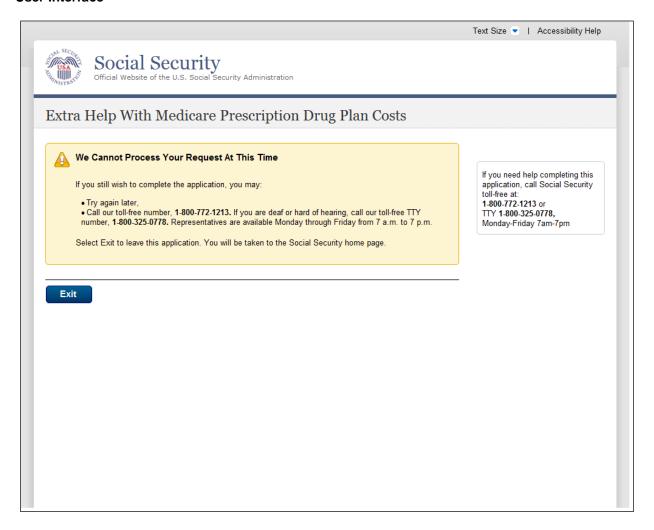
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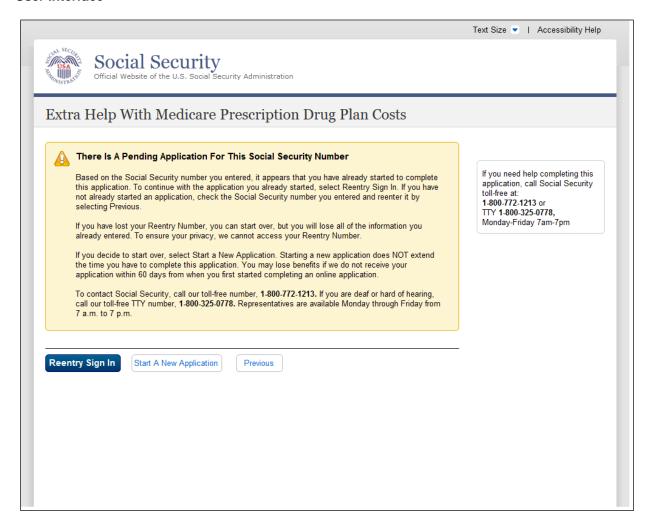
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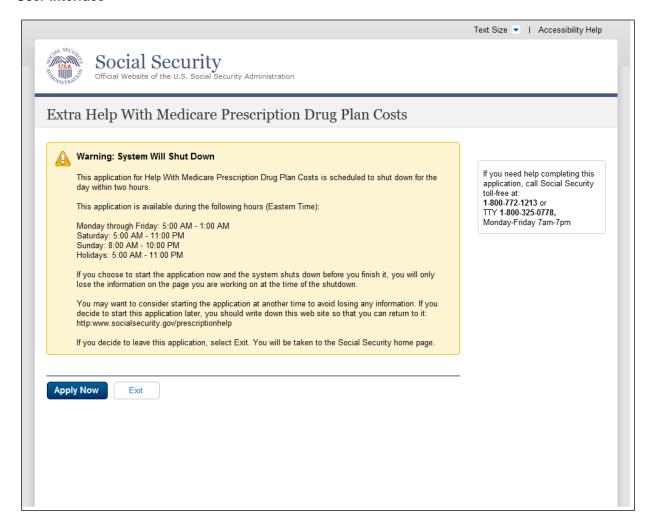
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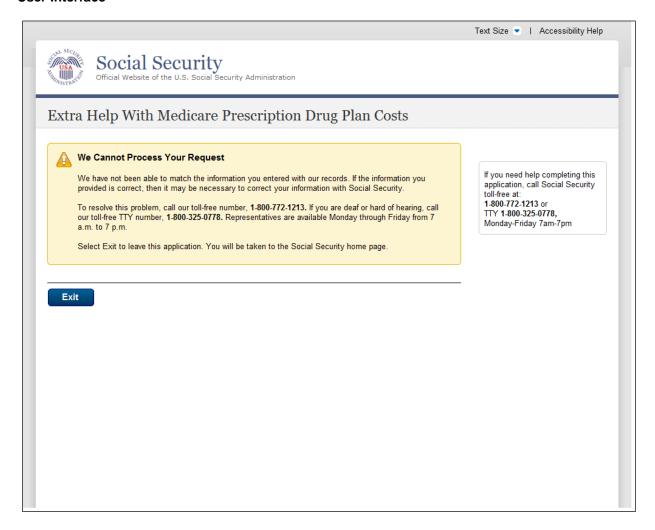
There Is A Pending Application For This Social Security Number



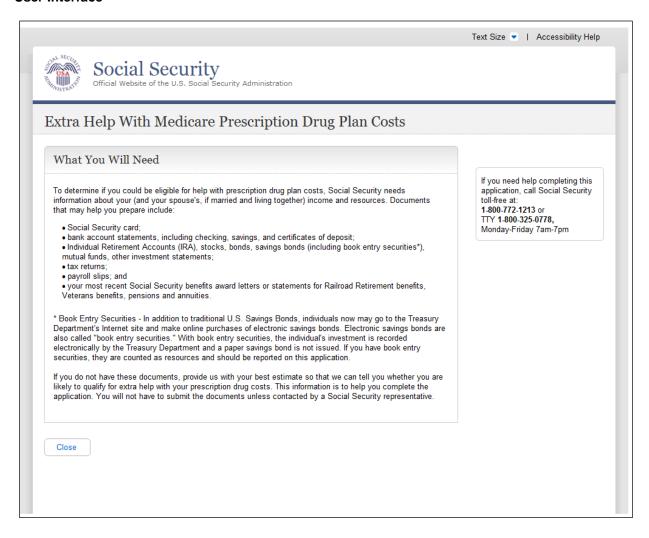
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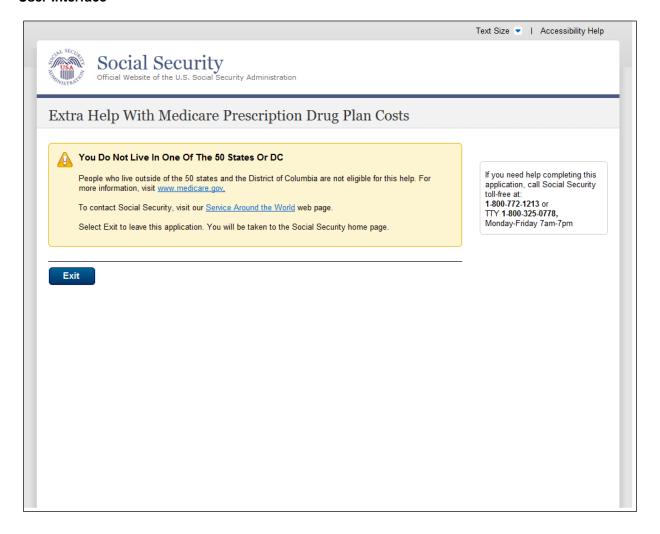
We Cannot Process Your Request



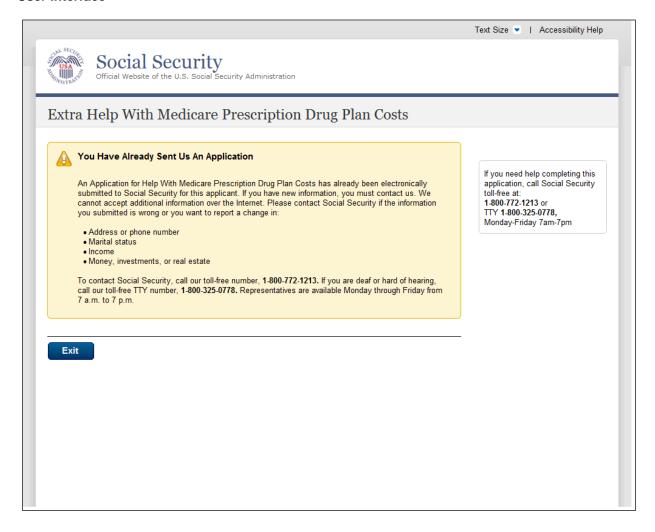
What You Will Need



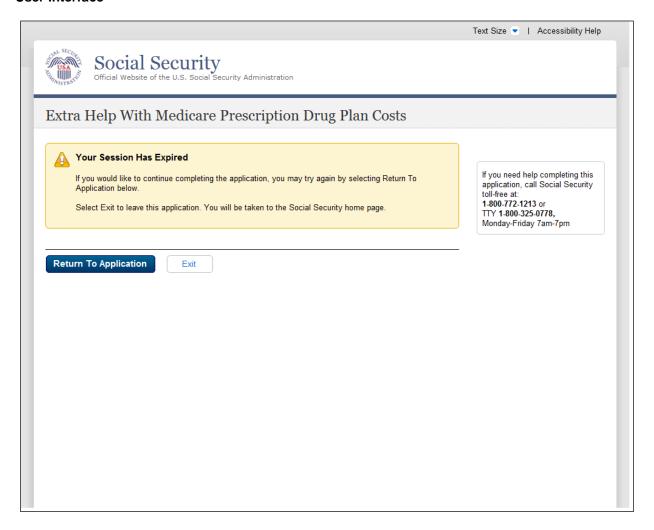
You Do Not Live In One Of The 50 States Or DC



You Have Already Sent Us An Application



Your Session Has Expired



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Help Pages

Main Help Pages



Help: Are you assisting someone (other than your spouse who lives with you) with this application?

User Interface

Help: Are you assisting someone (other than your spouse who lives with you) with this application?

In order to collect the appropriate contact information, we need to know if this form is being filled out by a third party. If you are assisting someone other than your spouse who lives with you, select Yes.

Help: Did you (or your spouse, if married and living together) get an application in the mail from us?

User Interface

Help: Did you (or your spouse, if married and living together) get an application in the mail from us?

We mailed scannable paper applications for Help With Medicare Prescription Drug Plan Costs to people who appeared to be below the income limits based on the information already in our records. However, if an individual received an application, it does not mean that the individual automatically qualifies for assistance.

Help: Do you (or your spouse, if married and living together) have Medicare?

User Interface

Help: Do you (or your spouse, if married and living together) have Medicare?

Only individuals who are eligible for, or have Medicare may use this application. If you (or your spouse, if married and living together) are, you may be eligible for extra help to pay for your monthly premiums, annual deductibles, and co-payments related to the new prescription drug program.

Help: Are you (or your spouse, if married and living together) 64 years and 9 months old or older?

User Interface

Help: Are you (or your spouse, if married and living together) 64 years and 9 months old or older?

The purpose of this question is to help us determine if you may be eligible for Medicare. If you are eligible for Medicare and have not yet applied, call our toll-free number at 1-800-772-1213. If you are deaf or hard of hearing, call our toll-free TTY number at 1-800-325-0778.

Help: Have you (or your spouse, if married and living together) received:

User Interface

Help: Have you (or your spouse, if married and living together) received: Social Security Disability benefits for 24 months; disability benefits based on Lou Gehrig's disease (ALS); or renal dialysis treatments or a kidney transplant?

The purpose of this question is to help us determine if you may be eligible for Medicare. To apply for Medicare a person must:

- be at least 64 years and 9 months old;
- have received Social Security disability benefits for 24 months;
- receive Social Security disability benefits based on Lou Gehrig's disease (ALS); or
- have received renal dialysis treatments or a kidney transplant.

If you (or your spouse, if married and living together) are eligible for Medicare and have not yet applied, call our toll-free number at 1-800-772-1213. If you are deaf or hard of hearing, call our toll-free TTY number at 1-800-325-0778.

Close

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Help: In which state do you (or your spouse, if married and living together) live?

User Interface

Help: In which state do you (and your spouse, if married and living together) live?

To be eligible for the help with prescription drug plan costs, you must live in one of the 50 states or the District of Columbia. Select the state where your permanent residence is located.

Help: What is your marital status?

User Interface

Help: What is your marital status?

If you are married and living with your spouse, we count the income and resources of both you and your spouse when we determine whether you are eligible to receive help with prescription drug plan costs. We consider that you are living together if you and your spouse live in the same household. We count the income and resources of you and your spouse regardless of whether one or both of you are filing for this help. We consider that you are still living together if you or your spouse are **temporarily** absent from the household in a hospital or nursing home.

Help: Do you have combined savings, investments, and real estate worth more than:

User Interface

Help: Do you have combined savings, investments, and real estate worth more than: \$25,260 if you are married and living with your spouse; or \$12,640 if you are not married or not living with your spouse?

To be eligible for extra help with prescription drug plan costs, your resources must be within certain limits. Your resources may include bank accounts (checking, savings, and certificates of deposit), stocks, bonds, savings bonds (including book entry securities*), mutual funds, Individual Retiremen Accounts (IRAs), and any other cash at home or anywhere else. Your resources also include real estate you own except for the home that you live in. Examples of other real estate are summer homes, rental properties or undeveloped land you own. Include the things you own by yourself, with your spouse or with someone else. DO NOT include the home you live in, vehicles, personal possessions, burial plots, irrevocable burial contracts or back payments from Social Security or SSI.

If you are sure that your combined savings, investments, and real estate are worth more than \$25,260 (married) or \$12,640 (single), select Yes. The actual limits for eligibility are \$22,260 (married) or \$11,140 (single). However, since we may not count some of the resources you expect to use for funeral or burial expenses, you may be able to have up to \$25,260 (married) or \$12,640 (single).

* Book Entry Securities - In addition to traditional U.S. Savings Bonds, Book Entry Securities - In addition to traditional U.S. Savings Bonds, individuals now may go to the Treasury Department's Internet site and make online purchases of electronic savings bonds. Electronic savings bonds are also called "book entry securities." With book entry securities, the individuals' investment is recorded electronically by the Treasury Department and a paper savings bond is not issued. If you have book entry securities, they are counted as resources and should be reported on this application

Other examples of resources that should NOT be counted are:

- · Resources you could not easily convert to cash, such as jewelry or
- Property you need for self support that is used in a trade or business;
- Life insurance policies:
- · Irrevocable burial trusts:
- Certain distributions received by an Alaska Native from an Alaska Native Regional and Village Corporation;
- · Land held in trust by the United States for an individual Indian or tribe;
- Funds held in trust by the Secretary of the Interior for an Indian tribe and distributed per capita to members of the tribe;
- · Payments to members of specific Indian tribes as provided by Federal
- Up to \$2,000 per year received by an Indian that is derived from individual interests in trust or restricted lands

NOTE: Certain other money you may be holding is not counted for nine

- · Retroactive Social Security or Supplemental Security Income benefits;
- · Tax advances and refunds related to earned income tax credits and child tax credits;

 Compensation you receive as a crime victim;
- · Relocation assistance from a state or local government; and
- · Scholarships and education grants

Help: Have you worked in 2011 or 2012?

User Interface

Help: Have you worked in 2011 or 2012?

When we determine whether you are eligible for help with prescription drug plan costs, we consider the wages and self-employment net earnings that you (and your spouse, if married and living together) receive.

If you worked in 2011 or 2012, we will ask you about your wages and self-employment earnings when you complete the application for this help.

If you did not work in these years, we will not ask you about your wages and selfemployment earnings when you complete the application for this help.

If you worked in 2011 or 2012, select Yes.

Clo<u>s</u>e

Help: Has your spouse worked in 2011 or 2012?

User Interface

Help: Has your spouse worked in 2011 or 2012?

When we determine eligibility for help with prescription drug plan costs, we consider the wages and self-employment net earnings that your spouse receives.

If your spouse worked in 2011 or 2012, we will ask about your spouse's wages and self-employment earnings on the application for this help.

If your spouse has not worked in these years, we will not ask about your spouse's wages and self-employment earnings when you complete this application for this help.

If your spouse worked in 2011 or 2012, select Yes.

Clo<u>s</u>e

Help: Have you worked this calendar year?

User Interface

Help: Have you worked in this calendar year?

If you have worked at any time during the present calendar year, select Yes for this question. If you have not worked at any time during the current calendar year, select No.

Help: Has your spouse worked this calendar year?

User Interface

Help: Has your spouse worked in this calendar year?

If your spouse has worked at any time during the present calendar year, select Yes for this question. If your spouse has not worked at any time during the current calendar year, select No.

Help: Are you UNDER age 65?

User Interface

Help: Are you UNDER age 65?

If you are under age 65, blind or disabled, **and** working, we may be able to exclude some of your earnings when we determine your eligibility for extra help with prescription drug costs. If you spend part of your earnings to pay for things needed in order to work, we will not count those earnings when we determine eligibility. For example, we would exclude the amount spent on attendant care, certain drugs, medical supplies and devices, certain types of training and therapy, certain work-related equipment, etc.

Help: Is your spouse UNDER age 65?

User Interface

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If your spouse is under age 65, blind or disabled, and working, we may be able to exclude some of his or her earnings when we determine eligibility for extra help with prescription drug costs. If your spouse spends part of his or her earnings to pay for things needed in order to work, we will not count those earnings when we determine eligibility. For example, we would exclude the amount spent on attendant care, certain drugs, medical supplies and devices, certain types of training and therapy, certain work-related equipment, etc.

Help: Not counting your spouse, how many other relatives live in your household?

User Interface

Help: For this question, a relative is someone related to you by blood, adoption, or marriage (but not including your spouse). How many relatives live with you and depend on you or your spouse for <u>at least one-half</u> of their financial support? *Please do not include yourself or your spouse in the number you enter*. If your household consists only of you and your spouse, enter "0".

Eligibility for the extra help is based on the amount of your income and that of your spouse compared to the Federal Poverty Level for your household's size. Therefore, we need to know how many other relatives are in your household for whom you or your spouse provide at least one-half of their financial support. We count relatives related to you by blood, marriage or adoption.

Help: How many relatives live in your household and receive at least one-half of their financial support from you?

User Interface

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Eligibility for the extra help is based on the amount of your income compared to the Federal Poverty Level for your household's size. Therefore, we need to know how many relatives are in your household for whom you provide at least one-half of their financial support. We count relatives related to you by blood, marriage or adoption.

Help: Do you have to pay for things related to a disability or blindness that enable you to work?

User Interface

Help: Do you have to pay for things related to a disability or blindness that enable you to work?

We will only count part of your earnings toward the income limit if you:

- work:
- · receive Social Security benefits based on a disability or blindness; and
- · have work-related expenses for which you are not reimbursed.

If you receive Social Security benefits based on a disability or blindness and have work-related expenses, select Yes. You will not need to tell us the amount of those expenses. We will not count a percentage of your earnings. When we send you a letter that says whether you are eligible for the extra help or not, we will also tell you how much of your earnings we did not count. If you think the amount of work-related expenses we used was less than your actual work-related expenses, you may contact us to tell us the actual amount of your expenses.

Help: Does your spouse have to pay for things that enable him or her to work?

User Interface

Help: Does your spouse have to pay for things related to a disability or blindness that enable him or her to work?

We will only count part of your spouse's earnings toward the income limit if your spouse:

- works:
- · receives Social Security benefits based on a disability or blindness; and
- has work-related expenses for which he or she is not reimbursed.

If your spouse receives Social Security benefits based on a disability or blindness and has work-related expenses, select Yes. You will not need to tell us the amount of those expenses. We will not count a percentage of your spouse's earnings. When we send you a letter that says whether you are eligible for the extra help or not, we will also tell you how much of your spouse's earnings we did not count. If you think the amount of work-related expenses we used was less than your spouse's actual work-related expenses, you may contact us to tell us the actual amount of your spouse's expenses.

Help: Do you expect to earn wages this calendar year?

User Interface

Help: Do you expect to earn wages this calendar year?

If you expect to earn money for any labor or services you provide on an hourly, daily, or piecework basis during this calendar year, select Yes and then enter the amount BEFORE taxes and deductions you think you will earn in the field provided. If you did not, and do not expect to earn wages, select No. **Do NOT** include earned income tax credit payments you may have received.

Help: Does your spouse expect to earn wages this calendar year?

User Interface

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Close

Help: What do you expect your net earnings from self-employment to be this calendar year?

User Interface

Help: What do you expect your net earnings from self-employment to be this calendar year?

If you expect to have net earnings or a net loss from self-employment this year, select the appropriate response and then enter the NET amount you think it will be in the field provided. **Do NOT** include earned income tax credit payments you may have received. If you were not, and do not expect to be self-employed, select None.

Help: What does your spouse expect the net earnings from self-employment to be this calendar year?

User Interface

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Help: Have you stopped working in 2011 or 2012, or plan to stop working in 2012 or 2013?

User Interface

Help: Have you stopped working in 2011 or 2012, or plan to stop working in 2012 or 2013?

If you have stopped working this year or last year, or plan to stop this year or next year, select Yes and enter the month and year in the fields provided.



Help: Has you your spouse stopped working in 2011 or 2012, or plan to stop working in 2012 or 2013?

User Interface

Help: Has your spouse stopped working in 2011 or 2012, or plans to stop working in 2012 or 2013?

If your spouse has stopped working this year or last year, or plans to stop this year or next year, select Yes and enter the month and year in the fields provided.



Help: Do you receive Social Security benefits?

User Interface

Help: Do you receive Social Security benefits?

If you currently receive benefits from Social Security, select Yes and then enter the total amount received each month in the field provided. To find out what amount to enter, use the amount on your annual cost-of-living adjustment letter you receive from Social Security (see sample below). This is the amount BEFORE the premium for Medicare Medical Insurance is deducted. Other types of deductions could include voluntary Federal tax withholding, partial recovery of an overpayment, child support payments, garnishments, etc. (This is **NOT** an all-inclusive list.)

Your New Benefit Amount

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BENEFICIARY'S NAME:

JOHN Q. PUBLIC

SOCIAL SECURITY CLAIM NUMBER (only the last 4 digits are shown to help prevent identity theft): XXX-XX-1111

Your Social Security benefits will increase by 2.7 percent in 2005, because of a rise in the cost of living. You can use this letter when you need proof of your benefit amount to receive food stamps, rent subsidies, energy assistance, bank loans, or for other business.

How Much Will I Get And When?

- · Your new monthly amount (before deductions) is
- The amount we are deducting for Medicare is (If you did not have Medicare as of Nov. 19, 2004, or if someone else pays your premium, we show \$0.00.)
- The amount we are deducting for voluntary federal tax withholding is (If you did not elect voluntary federal tax withholding as of Nov. 19, 2004, we show \$0.00.)
- After taking any other deductions, we will deposit into your bank account on Jan. 3, 2005.

If you disagree with any of these amounts, you should write to us within 60 days from the date you receive this letter.

\$515.00

\$0.00

This is the amount you should use when we ask for your Social Security Benefit.

\$515.00

\$0.00

Help: Does your spouse receive Social Security benefits?

User Interface

Help: Does your spouse receive Social Security benefits?

If your spouse currently receives benefits from Social Security, select Yes and then enter the total amount received each month in the field provided. To find out what amount to enter, use the amount on your spouse's annual cost-of-living adjustment letter your spouse receives from Social Security (see sample below). This is the amount BEFORE the premium for Medicare Medical Insurance is deducted. Other types of deductions could include voluntary Federal tax withholding, partial recovery of an overpayment, child support payments, garnishments, etc. (This is NOT an all-inclusive list.)

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If you disagree with any of these amounts, you should write to us within 60 days from the date you receive this letter.

Help: Do you receive Railroad Retirement benefits?

User Interface

Help: Do you receive Railroad Retirement benefits?

If you currently receive benefits from the Railroad Retirement Board, select Yes and then enter the total amount received each month in the field provided. To find out what amount to enter, use the amount on your annual cost-of-living adjustment letter you receive from the Railroad Retirement Board. This is the amount BEFORE the premium for Medicare Medical Insurance is deducted. Other types of deductions could include voluntary Federal tax withholding, partial recovery of an overpayment, child support payments, garnishments, etc. (This is NOT an all-inclusive list.)

Help: Does your spouse receive Railroad Retirement benefits?

User Interface

Help: Does your spouse receive Railroad Retirement benefits?

If your spouse currently receives benefits from the Railroad Retirement Board, select Yes and then enter the total amount received each month in the field provided. To find out what amount to enter, use the amount on your spouse's annual cost-of-living adjustment letter your spouse receives from the Railroad Retirement Board. This is the amount BEFORE the premium for Medicare Medical Insurance is deducted. Other types of deductions could include voluntary Federal tax withholding, partial recovery of an overpayment, child support payments, garnishments, etc. (This is NOT an all-inclusive list.)

Help: Do you receive Veterans benefits?

User Interface

Help: Do you receive Veterans benefits?

If you currently receive benefits from the Department of Veterans Affairs, select Yes and then enter the total amount received each month in the field provided. To find out what amount to enter, use the amount on your annual cost-of-living adjustment letter you receive from the Department of Veterans Affairs. This is the amount BEFORE any deductions have been made. Types of deductions could include voluntary Federal tax withholding, partial recovery of an overpayment, child support payments, garnishments, etc. (This is NOT an all-inclusive list.)

Help: Does your spouse receive Veterans benefits?

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If your spouse currently receives benefits from the Department of Veterans Affairs, select Yes and then enter the total amount received each month in the field provided. To find out what amount to enter, use the amount on your spouse's annual cost-of-living adjustment letter your spouse receives from the Department of Veterans Affairs. This is the amount BEFORE any deductions have been made. Types of deductions could include voluntary Federal tax withholding, partial recovery of an overpayment, child support payments, garnishments, etc. (This is NOT an all-inclusive list.)

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Help: Do you receive income from other pensions or annuities?

User Interface

Help: Do you receive income from other pensions or annuities?

If you currently receive income from a pension, select Yes and then enter the total amount received each month in the field provided. If you receive money from an insurance company (annuity) on a regular basis (monthly, yearly, etc.), enter that amount as well. This includes immediate and deferred annuity payments, and is the amount BEFORE any deductions have been made. Types of deductions could include voluntary Federal tax withholding, partial recovery of an overpayment, child support payments, garnishments, etc. (This is NOT an all-inclusive list.)

The entry for this field must be shown in a MONTHLY format. If the pension or annuity is received other than monthly, convert to a monthly amount before entering (e.g., if received weekly, multiply by 52 and divide by 12; if received bi-weekly, multiply by 26 and divide by 12; if received yearly, divide by 12, etc.).

Do NOT include annuities from certificates of deposit, stocks, bonds, mutual funds, Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs) or any other investments.

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Help: Does your spouse receive income from other pensions or annuities?

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Help: Do you receive other income not listed above, including alimony, net rental income, workers' compensation, etc.?

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Help: Do you receive other income not listed above, including alimony, net rental income, workers' compensation, etc.?

Indicate whether you receive income from any other source. If the amount changes from month to month or you do not receive it every month, enter the average monthly income for the past year.

(Do NOT include help with rent or utilities, money you have in bank accounts, stocks, bonds, savings bonds, mutual funds, Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs) or any similar investments, or any other cash at home or anywhere else.)

Do NOT list wages and self-employment, interest income, public assistance, medical reimbursements, or foster care payments here. Other examples of possible income sources that should NOT be counted are:

- · Food Stamps;
- · House repairs;
- · Help from an energy assistance program;
- · Help with medical bills, treatment and drugs;
- · Help from a housing agency;
- · Disaster assistance;
- · Meals on Wheels:
- · Contributions from food banks;
- · Soup kitchens;
- · Earned income tax credit payments;
- · Victim's compensation payments;
- · Scholarships and education grants;
- Certain distributions received by an Alaska Native from an Alaska Native Regional and Village Corporation;
- · Land held in trust by the United States for an individual Indian or tribe;
- Funds held in trust by the Secretary of the Interior for an Indian tribe and distributed per capita to members of the tribe;
- · Payments to members of specific Indian tribes as provided by Federal legislation; and
- Up to \$2,000 per year received by an Indian that is derived from individual interests in trust or restricted lands.

Help: Does your spouse receive other income not listed above, including alimony, net rental income, workers' compensation, etc.?

User Interface

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Indicate whether your spouse receives income from any other source. If the amount changes from month to month or your spouse does not receive it every month, enter the average monthly income for the past year.

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Your Name

User Interface

Help: Your Name

To ensure your privacy, we must match the name you enter on this application to the name on your most recent Social Security card. Therefore, it is very important that you enter it exactly the same way. If we cannot match these names, you will be unable to file for this extra help on the Internet.

Help: Your Social Security Number

User Interface

Help: Your Social Security Number

Enter your own Social Security number. If you receive Social Security benefits based on someone else's Social Security number, such as a current, former, or deceased spouse, do not enter that individual's Social Security number or Medicare Claim Number in this field.

Help: What is your date of birth?

User Interface

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We use this date to determine your current age. If you are under age 65, blind or disabled **and** working, we may be able to exclude some of your earnings when we determine eligibility for help with prescription drug costs. If you spend part of your earnings to pay for things needed in order to work, we will not count those earnings when we determine eligibility. For example, we would exclude the amount spent on attendant care, certain drugs, medical supplies and devices, certain types of training and therapy, certain work-related equipment, etc.

Help: Spouse's Name

User Interface

Help: Spouse's Name

To ensure your spouse's privacy, we must match the name entered on this application to the name on his or her most recent Social Security card. Therefore, it is very important that you enter it exactly the same way. If we cannot match these names, you will be unable to file for this extra help for your spouse on the Internet.

Help: Spouse's Social Security Number

User Interface

Help: Spouse's Social Security Number

Enter your spouse's own Social Security number. If your spouse receives Social Security benefits based on someone else's Social Security number, such as yours or a former or deceased spouse, do not enter your or the former spouse's Social Security number or Medicare Claim number in this field

Help: What is your spouse's date of birth?

User Interface

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Help: Your Mailing Address

User Interface

Help: Your Mailing Address

All notices sent to you from Social Security will be mailed to the address we currently have on file. If you have moved in the last three months, check the box to indicate this is a new address. Your mailing address must be within the 50 states or the District of Columbia.

Help: Your Phone Number

User Interface

Help: Your Phone Number

Only phone numbers within the 50 states or the District of Columbia will be accepted in this field.

Help: If your spouse has Medicare (or expects to have it in the next three months), does he or she also wish to apply?

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Help: If your spouse has Medicare (or expects to have it in the next three months), does he or she also wish to apply?

If both you and your spouse have Medicare (or expect to have it in the next three months), you may both apply for the extra help on the same application.

Select **Yes** if your spouse is also applying. Select **No** if your spouse is not applying.

Help: Do you have combined savings, investments, and real estate worth more than \$25,260?

User Interface

Help: Do you have combined savings, investments, and real estate worth more than \$25,260?

To be eligible for extra help with prescription drug plan costs, your resources must be within certain limits. Your resources include bank accounts (checking, savings, and certificates of deposit), stocks, bonds, savings bonds (including book entry securities*), mutual funds, Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs), and any other cash at home or anywhere else. Your resources also include real estate you own, except for the home that you live in. Examples of other real estate are summer homes, rental properties or undeveloped land you own. Include the things you own by yourself, with your spouse or with someone else. DO NOT include the home you live in, vehicles, personal possessions, burial plots, irrevocable burial contracts or back payments from Social Security or SSI.

If you are sure that your combined savings, investments, and real estate are worth more than \$25,260, select Yes. The actual limit for eligibility is \$22,260. However, since we may not count some of the resources you expect to use for funeral or burial expenses, you may be able to have up to \$25,260.

* Book Entry Securities - In addition to traditional U.S. Savings Bonds, individuals now may go to the Treasury Department's Internet site and make online purchases of electronic savings bonds. Electronic savings bonds are also called "book entry securities." With book entry securities, the individual's investment is recorded electronically by the Treasury Department and a paper savings bond is not issued. If you have book entry securities, they are counted as resources and should be reported on this application.

Other examples of resources that should NOT be counted are:

- Resources you could not easily convert to cash, such as jewelry or home furnishings;
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- · Life insurance policies;
- Irrevocable burial trusts;
- Disaster assistance:
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- Up to \$2,000 per year received by an Indian that is derived from individual interests in trust or restricted lands.

 $\ensuremath{\text{NOTE}}\xspace$ Certain other money you may be holding is not counted for nine months, such as:

- · Retroactive Social Security or Supplemental Security Income benefits;
- Tax advances and refunds related to earned income tax credits and child tax credits;
- Compensation you receive as a crime victim;
- Relocation assistance from a state or local government; and
- · Scholarships and education grants.

Help: OPTIONAL: (contact person)

User Interface

Help: OPTIONAL: (contact person)

If there is someone that we should contact instead of you regarding the information you provided on this form, please provide his or her name and phone number. If you provide contact information for someone other than yourself, we will only contact that person by phone.

Help: Contact's Phone Number

User Interface

Help: Contact's Phone Number

Only phone numbers within the 50 states or the District of Columbia will be accepted in this field.

Help: Do you have combined savings, investments, and real estate worth more than \$12,640?

User Interface

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If you are sure that your combined savings, investments, and real estate are worth more than \$12,640, select Yes. The actual limit for eligibility is \$11,140. However, since we may not count some of the resources you expect to use for funeral or burial expenses, you may be able to have up to \$12,640.

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- Compensation you receive as a crime victim;
- Relocation assistance from a state or local government; and
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Help: Relationship to Applicant

User Interface

Help: Relationship to Applicant

In order to understand who is completing this form, we need to know who is providing the information and your relationship to the people for whom you are applying. Please select the choice from the drop-down menu that best reflects your relationship to the people for whom you are applying. If you choose Other, please specify which agency you represent from the following list:

AARP - Volunteer/employee of AARP, not representing AARP drug company

PHARM - Employee of a pharmacy

DPAP - Employee of a pharmacy assistance program sponsored by a drug company

SHIP - Employee of a State Health Insurance Assistance Program

NCOA - Employee or volunteer with the National Council on Aging

SPAP - Employee representing a State pharmaceutical assistance program

PDO - Employee of a prescription drug plan sponsor

Help: Form Completer's Phone Number

User Interface

Help: Form Completer's Phone Number

Only phone numbers within the 50 states or the District of Columbia will be accepted in this field.

Help: Form Completer's Address

User Interface

Help: Form Completer's Address

If you are working for an organization or agency that is completing this form on behalf of another individual, enter the business address in this field. Otherwise, enter your home address.

Your mailing address must be within the 50 states or the District of Columbia.

Help: Primary Applicant's Name

User Interface

Help: Primary Applicant's Name

To ensure the primary applicant's privacy, we must match the name entered on this application to the name on his or her most recent Social Security card. Therefore, it is very important that you enter it exactly the same way. If we cannot match these names, you will be unable to file for this extra help on the Internet.

Help: Primary Applicant's Social Security Number

User Interface

Help: Primary Applicant's Social Security Number

Enter the primary applicant's own Social Security number. If the person for whom you are applying receives Social Security benefits based on someone else's Social Security number, such as a current, former or deceased spouse, do not enter that individual's Social Security number or Medicare Claim Number in this field.

Help: What is the primary applicant's date of birth?

User Interface

Help: What is the primary applicant's date of birth?

We use this date to determine the primary applicant's current age. If the person for whom you are applying is under age 65, blind or disabled and working, we may be able to exclude some of his or her earnings when we determine eligibility for help with prescription drug costs. If he or she spends part of his or her earnings to pay for things needed in order to work, we will not count those earnings when we determine eligibility. For example, we would exclude the amount spent on attendent care, certain drugs, medical supplies and devices, certain types of training and therapy, certain work-related equipment, etc.

Help: Has the primary applicant worked in 2010 or 2011?

User Interface

Help: Has the primary applicant worked in 2011 or 2012?

When we determine eligibility for help with prescription drug plan costs, we consider the wages and self-employment net earnings of the person who is applying for this help. We also consider the wages and net self-employment earnings of that person's spouse.

If the primary applicant worked in 2011 or 2012, we will ask about wages and selfemployment earnings on this application.

If the primary applicant did not work in these years, we will not ask about wages and self-employment earnings on this application.

If the primary applicant worked in 2011 or 2012, select Yes.



Help: If the spouse has Medicare (or expects to have it in the next three months), does he or she also wish to apply?

User Interface

Help: If the spouse has Medicare (or expects to have it in the next three months), does he or she also wish to apply?

If both the applicant and his or her spouse have Medicare (or expect to have it within the next three months), you may apply for both individuals on the same application.

Select **Yes** if the spouse is also applying. Select **No** if the spouse is not applying.

Help: Do the applicants have combined savings, investments, and real estate worth more than \$25,260?

User Interface

Help: Do the applicants have combined savings, investments, and real estate worth more than \$25,260?

To be eligible for extra help with prescription drug plan costs, the resources of the person for whom you are applying and his or her spouse must be within certain limits. Resources include bank accounts (checking, savings and certificates of deposit), stocks, bonds, savings bonds (including book entry securities*), mutual funds, Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs), and any other cash at home or anywhere else. Resources also include real estate owned, **except for the home in which the applicants live**. Examples of other real estate are summer homes, rental properties or undeveloped land they own. Include things the person for whom you are applying owns by himself or herself, with his or her spouse or with some else. DO NOT include vehicles, personal possessions, burial plots, irrevocable burial contracts or back payments from Social Security or

If you are sure that their combined savings, investments, and real estate are worth more than \$25,260, select Yes. The actual limit for eligibility is \$22,260. However, since we may not count some of the resources these people expect to use for funeral or burial expenses, they may be able to have up to \$25,260

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Other examples of resources that should NOT be counted are:

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- Property you need for self support that is used in a trade or business;
- · Life insurance policies
- · Irrevocable burial trusts
- · Disaster assistance:
- · Certain distributions received by an Alaska Native from an Alaska Native Regional and Village Corporation;

 Land held in trust by the United States for an individual Indian or tribe;
- · Funds held in trust by the Secretary of the Interior for an Indian tribe and distributed per capita to members of the tribe;
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NOTE: Certain other money you may be holding is not counted for nine

- · Retroactive Social Security or Supplemental Security Income benefits;
- · Tax advances and refunds related to earned income tax credits and child
- tax credits;
 Compensation you receive as a crime victim;
- · Relocation assistance from a state or local government; and

Help: Spouse's Name

User Interface

Help: Spouse's Name

To ensure the spouse's privacy, we must match the name entered on this application to the name on his or her most recent Social Security card. Therefore, it is very important that you enter it exactly the same way. If we cannot match these names, you will be unable to file for this extra help for the spouse on the Internet.

Help: Spouse's Security Number

User Interface

Help: Spouse's Security Number

Enter the spouse's own Social Security number. If the spouse receives Social Security benefits based on someone else's Social Security number, such as his or her current spouse or a former spouse, do not enter the spouse's or former spouse's Social Security number or Medicare Claim Number in this field.

Help: What is the spouse's date of birth?

User Interface

Help: What is the spouse's date of birth?

We use this date to determine the spouse's current age. If the spouse of the person for whom you are applying is under age 65, blind or disabled **and** working, we may be able to exclude some of his or her earnings when we determine eligibility for help with prescription drug costs. If he or she spends part of his or her earnings to pay for things needed in order to work, we will not count those earnings when we determine eligibility. For example, we would exclude the amount spent on attendant care, certain drugs, medical supplies and devices, certain types of training and therapy, certain work-related equipment, etc.

Help: Has the applicant's spouse worked in 2010 or 2011?

User Interface

Help: Has the applicant's spouse worked in 2011 or 2012?

When we determine eligibility for help with prescription drug plan costs, we consider the wages and self-employment net earnings of the person who is applying for this help. We also consider the wages and net self-employment earnings of that person.

If the primary applicant's spouse worked in 2011 or 2012, we will ask about wages and self-employment earnings on this application.

If the primary applicant's spouse did not work in these years, we will not ask about wages and self-employment earnings on this application.



Help: Mailing Address

User Interface

Help: Mailing Address

All notices sent from Social Security to the people for whom you are applying will be mailed to the address we currently have on file. If the people for whom you are applying have moved in the last three months, check the appropriate address-change box. This address must be within the 50 states or the District of Columbia.

Help: Phone Number

User Interface

Help: Phone Number

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Help: Applicant's Name

User Interface

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Help: Applicant's Social Security Number

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Help: Has the applicant worked in 2010 or 2011?

User Interface

Help: Has the applicant's spouse worked in 2011 or 2012?

When we determine eligibility for help with prescription drug plan costs, we consider the wages and self-employment net earnings of the person who is applying for this help. We also consider the wages and net self-employment earnings of that person.

If the primary applicant's spouse worked in 2011 or 2012, we will ask about wages and self-employment earnings on this application.

If the primary applicant's spouse did not work in these years, we will not ask about wages and self-employment earnings on this application.

Help: Does the applicant have combined savings, investments, and real estate worth more than \$12.640?

User Interface

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If you are sure that this person's combined savings, investments, and real estate are worth more than \$12,640, select Yes. The actual limit for eligibility is \$11,140. However, since we may not count some of the resources the applicant expects to use for funeral or burial expenses, he or she may be able to have up to \$12,640.

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Help: Have these wages or self-employment earnings decreased in the last two years?

User Interface

Help: Have these wages or self-employment earnings decreased in the last two years?

We will be comparing the information you provided about your income and your spouse's income with information from other Federal, State and local government agencies. Since some of that information may be outdated, it will help us process your application if we know that the information we receive from the other agencies is too high.

If the amount of the wages or self-employment income you listed in the questions above has decreased in the last two calendar years, select Yes.

Help: Have these wages or self-employment earnings decreased in the last two years?

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If the amount of the wages or self-employment income you listed in the questions above has decreased in the last two calendar years, select Yes.

Help: Has any of the income from these sources decreased in the last two years?

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If the amount of the income you listed in the questions above has decreased in the last two calendar years, select Yes.

Help: Do you or your spouse have bank accounts (checkings, savings and certificates of deposit)?

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To The Best Of My Knowledge

This statement means that everything you have told us on the application is true and correct to the best of your knowledge. We realize that some of the information we asked for can change from one day to the next. We also realize that some of the amounts you entered are estimates. You will not be penalized as long as you have given us your best estimates in those situations. However, if you know that something you told us on the application is not correct, select Previous to go back and correct the information.

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Section 1860 D-14 of the Social Security Act, as amended, authorizes us to collect this information. We will use the information you provide to determine if you are eligible for help paying your share of the cost of a Medicare prescription drug plan.

Furnishing us this information is voluntary. However, failing to provide us with all or part of the information could prevent us from making an accurate and timely decision on your application.

We rarely use the information you supply for any purpose other than what we state above, however, we may use the information for the administration of our programs including sharing information:

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We may also use the information you provide in computer matching programs. Matching programs compare our records with records kept by other Federal, State, or local government agencies. Information from these matching programs can be used to establish or verify a person's eligibility for federally-funded or administered benefit programs and for repayment of payments or delinquent debts under these programs.

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