

Elgin

TOWNSHIP CARES

729 S. McLean Blvd. Elgin, Illinois 60123

PRESCRIPTION DRUG ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Elgin Township cares about it's 65 & older population and wishes to show support by offering this program that will assist those residents age 65 & older who are both with limited income and who are under-insured or caught in the Medicare coverage gap a.k.a. the Donut Hole of Medicare Part D. This program will provide the recipients with a credit voucher for the unreimbursed costs of prescription drugs.

Next calendar year Elgin Township will award up to 50 applicants age 65 or older with a credit voucher of up to \$500. The voucher will be honored at our specified participating pharmacy, The Medicine Stop, 860 Summit Street, Elgin. This voucher will cover the out-of-pocket cost of prescription drugs up to \$500 per recipient.

Elgin Township has provided this program since 2015, and hopes to provide it each year, as funding is available. Applications will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis.



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Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.



Requirements:

WHO MAY APPLY? WHO WILL THIS PROGRAM BENEFIT? WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS TO APPLY?

- ✓ Applicants must be a current U.S. Citizen
- ✓ Medicare Recipient
- ✓ Age 65 or older as of Jan. 1 of 2017
- ✓ A resident of Elgin Township, Kane County

CAUGHT IN THE 'DONUT HOLE' GAP BETWEEN TRADITIONAL AND CATASTROPHIC MEDICARE D COVERAGE, OR NO MEDICARE D COVERAGE?

WHAT IS MY INCOME IN ORDER TO QUALIFY?

Total yearly income:

- Single person: Not more than \$29,000 annual gross income
- Married person: Not more than \$35,000 annual gross income (combined with spouse, if any)

WHEN CAN I APPLY?

Application period begins November 1, 2016 and ends January 31, 2017.

If more than 50 qualifying applications are received, then selection will be on a lottery drawing basis. The drawing will be held in the first week of January each year. In such case, not all qualifying applicants will be approved (due to limited funds).

You may reapply each year during the application period. Notification of approval will be done by letter.

TO WHOM DO I APPLY?

Applications are available at Elgin Township Offices (729 S. McLean Blvd.) All Applications MUST BE RECEIVED IN PERSON at the Elgin Township Offices at 729 S. McLean Blvd.

At the time of delivering your application, you must also bring your:

- Current Medicare Card
- Driver License or State Issued photo ID
- Copy of your Federal Income Tax Return filed the previous year

HOW WILL I KNOW I'VE BEEN ACCEPTED INTO THE PROGRAM?

Elgin Township Offices will notify you by letter of approval, and will provide you a membership card. Elgin Township will endeavor to notify all other applicants that they have not been approved.

WHAT DRUGS ARE COVERED?

Elgin Township Cares Rx Plus covers almost all prescription drugs used in the treatment of 10 diseases: Alzheimer's, arthritis, cancer, diabetes (including insulin, syringes and needles), glaucoma, heart disease and its related conditions, lung disease and smoking-related illnesses, multiple sclerosis, osteoporosis and Parkinson's.

"USE IT OR LOSE IT"

THE \$500 DOLLARS PROVIDED FOR COVERAGE MUST BE USED WITHIN THE CALENDAR YEAR. ALL QUALIFYING PERSONS WILL BE ELIGIBLE TO RE-APPLY EACH FOLLOWING YEAR.

WHERE DO I REDEEM MY VOUCHER AND FILL MY PRESCRIPTIONS?

The only Pharmacy in this program is The Medicine Stop at 860 Summit Street in Elgin. If you're accepted, you must fill your prescriptions at The Medicine Stop; You will be required to present your membership card at each visit.

Any Questions? Call 847-741-2045

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Tell us about you and your spouse (All information will be kept confidential to the extent allowed by law):

APPLICANTS NAME:

ADDRESS:

PHONE:

CITY:

COUNTY:

STATE:

ZIP:

DATE OF BIRTH:

SPOUSE'S BIRTH DATE:

SPOUSE'S NAME:

PRIMARY PHYSICIAN :

CITY:

PHONE:

PHARMACY NORMALLY USED:

CITY:

***If approved, you must fill all your prescriptions at THE MEDICINE STOP 860 Summit St. Elgin / phone 847-742-7740

(Please mark yes or no)

Do you currently have Medicare Plan D? YES NO

Do you currently have insurance other than Medicare which reimburses you for any part of your prescription costs? YES NO

Did you OR your spouse work this Year? (Current Year) YES NO

How many relatives live with you and depend on you for financial support? (Do not count you or your spouse)

(If none, place zero on line)

LIST THE AMOUNT OF EVERY PORTION OF YOUR COMBINED ANNUAL INCOME

ANNUAL

Social Security (Monthly): You \$ [] [] [] Your Spouse \$ [] [] []

Pension (Monthly): You \$ [] [] [] Your Spouse \$ [] [] []

Interest, Dividends, Capital Gains Annually: You \$ [] [] [] Your Spouse \$ [] [] []

Wages \$ [] [] []

Other Sources of Income (Ex. Rental Income, Gifts, Etc.) \$ [] [] []

Your Total Annual Income \$ [] [] []

Your Combined Annual Income (with Spouse) \$ [] [] []

*Elgin Township is subject to and compliant with F.O.I.A. requirements

YOU MUST PROVIDE A COPY OF THE THREE FOLLOWING PIECES OF INFORMATION WHEN SUBMITTING THIS APPLICATION:

1. Current Medicare Card
2. Driver's License or State-issued Photo ID
3. A copy of your Federal Income Tax Return filed the previous year

I certify that the above information is an accurate and complete disclosure of the requested information.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

DATE

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MEMBERSHIP CARD



Ecker Center *for* Mental Health

Elgin Township

Final Report

With Elgin Township's help, the Ecker Center has been able to continue to provide needed services to Elgin Township residents with mental illnesses. We continue to provide walk-in intake hours for new clients, and our new and existing clients have full access to 24 hour emergency intervention, intensive crisis groups, individual and group counseling, case management and crisis, supported and supervised residential living services.

We have improved access to counseling services within this last year. Once an individual has completed the intake process, and are referred to counseling services, they are being contacted within two days, and scheduled with their therapist within a week. The therapy department has added a third Saturday each month to meet the needs of working families. In addition, NAMI Kane County North began providing a structured activity and socializing group for clients twice a week at our Grandstand Place, Elgin location. Clients are enjoying the group.

As a result of grants from a medical foundation, a hospital system, and local churches and clubs, we have restored part of our psychiatry service capability and have increased our psychiatry appointments by calling people on our wait list and accepting new psychiatry clients at intake. Since our last report, we have hired an additional part time psychiatrist for 4 hours weekly. Providing enough psychiatry services continues to be a struggle because we no longer have any state contracts that pay for psychiatry so almost all of our requests for funding have focused on psychiatry since the cut back.

In the one year grant period beginning October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017 we have provided 1,436 Elgin Township residents with the following services:

<u>Residents</u>	<u>Service</u>
520	Therapy (individual and group counseling)
113	Psycho-social Rehabilitation (PSR)
567	Psychiatry and Nursing
702	Case Management
591	Psychiatric Emergency Program (PEP)
24	24 Hour Supervised Residential (group home)
72	24 Hour Crisis Residential
150	Supported Residential (staffed morning through evening hours)

We are very grateful for Elgin Township's continued and generous funding which helps us carry on our mission of providing behavioral health services that help people with serious mental illnesses maintain their independence, health and highest quality of life.

**Final Activity Report
submitted by
Centro de Informacion
September 20, 2017**

Social Services Provided

With the support of Elgin Township, Centro de Informacion provided bilingual information, referral, advocacy, crisis support, employment assistance and job fairs, legal clinics, housing assistance, parenting training, public aid information, and life skills seminars to, principally, Spanish-speaking immigrant residents of Elgin Township.

Elgin Township Clients

During the grant period, 90% of Centro clients have had incomes below the Federal Poverty Level and 97% below 200% of poverty. Essential bilingual services have been provided to children (6%), youth (3%), adults (78%), and seniors (13%). From October 1, 2016 through September 27, 2017, Centro provided services to almost 5,000 township clients from 44 countries plus Puerto Rico. This is a substantial increase in Elgin Township residents from the previous year. Within this population, 84% speak only Spanish or very limited English.

Emergency Services

Among the Elgin Township men, women, and children who have come to Centro de Informacion for services in the past year, almost half of them have come for one or more emergency services: children's clothing and coats, housing (eviction notice, foreclosure, lack of utilities, a water or pest problem, or homeless), food, family crises, victims of fraud, violence, or accidents, with official looking papers they cannot read, bills they cannot understand or pay, or legal, medical or mental health issues. In Elgin Township, Spanish-speaking families in crisis who do not know where to turn for the answers and help they need come to Centro de Informacion.

Information and Referral

From October 1, 2016 through September 20, 2017, attendance totaled 325 Elgin Township residents at 25 seminars and legal clinics that Centro held on such topics as citizenship, health insurance, finding employment, a 10-week course on healthy eating for diabetics, Social Security, and public benefits and community resources. These were presented through collaboration with local attorneys, bilingual professionals in the community, and partner organizations such as the Gail Borden Library, the Northern Illinois Food Bank, and Presence St. Joseph Hospital.

Individual information, advocacy, and referral was provided daily, including six evening hours per week, by Centro bilingual community outreach workers. With Elgin Township support, we answer the questions of what, where, when, why, and how, organize job fairs and medical screenings, and provide interpretation help and assistance in filling out forms in English such as for food stamps, victim compensation and consumer complaints through the Illinois Attorney General's office, unemployment benefits, and various forms of emergency assistance. Finally, we link individuals and families to needed services and supports that Centro does not provide.

Grant Funds

All grant funds have been expended within the grant period.

EA / GA MONTHLY REPORT 2017

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Accumulative Year-to-Date
Total applicants for EA/GA	37	34	23	36	40	58	63	55	35				
Total walkins assisted by staff	113	136	129	117	150	165	179	181	158				
Total phone calls	1102	677	1756	803	1315	2034	827	741	726				
Average persons assisted daily	61	43	82	48	67	100	50	38	44				
EA client approved	18	9	8	5	4	10	14	14	12				
EA clients denied	4	7	6	7	16	18	13	16	8				
GA clients approved	4	10	9	2	5	6	8	5	9				
GA clients denied	2	0	2	1	1	4	3	2	1				
GA Terminated	5	2	4	1	3	4	1	4	5				
GA Active	25	32	39	29	27	33	32	27	36				
EA monies spent	\$6,523	\$3,984	\$2,264	\$1,929	\$1,337	\$3,948	\$5,462	\$5,182	\$4,636				
GA monies spent	\$5,909	\$13,594	\$12,310	\$9,610	\$9,440	\$9,380	\$10,105	\$8,540	\$10,679				
GA Medical	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Pending SSI/SSD	13	15	17	17	18	22	21	17	20				