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Preferred (HMO)

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## Qualified Medicare Beneficiary (QMB) Program

Reminder to contracted Senior Preferred providers:

You are prohibited from collecting coinsurance, copayments and deductibles from Senior Preferred Members enrolled in the Qualified Medicare Beneficiary (QMB) Program. The QMB is a State Medicaid benefit that assists low-income Medicare beneficiaries with Part A and Part B cost-sharing.

Medicare beneficiaries who qualify for this program will be issued a QMB card and should show this QMB card with their Senior Preferred ID card. The Senior Preferred explanation of payments will not reflect Remittance Advice Remark Codes (RARCs) that CMS will use for Medicare fee-for-service.

It is your responsibility to identify the Senior Preferred Members eligible for the QMB program and exempt them from cost-sharing liability.

For additional information on this federal requirement, you can visit

<https://www.cms.gov/Medicare-Medicaid-Coordination/Medicare-and-Medicaid-Coordination/Medicare-Medicaid-Coordination-Office/QMB.html>.