Outreach Message For Full Duals Displaced by Hurricanes Katrina, Rita, Wilma

Full Duals (who are being auto-enrolled)

- Starting January 1, 2006, Medicare will help pay for your prescription drugs instead of Medicaid
- Medicare is going to make sure you'll be covered by enrolling you in a Medicare drug plan
- You can always change plans if the one you're in doesn't work for you.
- Everyone who has Medicaid and Medicare will receive a letter in early November (on yellow paper) telling them the drug plan they will be in
- If you aren't at your home address, or, for some other reason, don't get the letter, call 1-800-Medicare; they'll tell you the name of the drug plan you'll be in
- Be sure to call the plan to tell them how to reach you
- If you're not in your home state, ask the plan how they can still take care of you
- If you decide to permanently move to another area not covered by your plan, you can change to a plan in your new area
- You don't have to give anyone financial information to sign up with a new plan
- Starting December 1, if you go to a pharmacy to get your prescription filled, the pharmacist can tell you which plan you are in

Others Who Would be Deemed Eligible for LIS (QMB-only, SLMB-only, QI, SSI-only)

- You're probably automatically eligible for extra help for the new Medicare drug coverage that starts January 1, 2006
- To find out for sure, call 1-800-Medicare