



If you are not going to be home when it is time to get help with your medications, please call your case manager/agency ahead of time to let them know.

Please call

If you have any questions or concerns, please call

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_



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Medication Assistance Program (MAP)





## **Understanding MAP**

Welcome! You have agreed to take part in the Medication Assistance Program (MAP).

This program will help you manage your daily medication needs. Several people are involved in this process, including your

- case manager
- doctor or other prescriber
- pharmacist
- health care aide (HCA)

A HCA will visit you at assigned times to help with your medication.

At each visit the health care aide will also ask

- your full name
- your birth date or other identifying information
- other questions to help ensure your medication is given correctly

Please note that the HCA can only help you with scheduled medication that has been prepared by a pharmacy.

# Your pharmacist

Ask your pharmacist about

- preparing your medication in a controlled dosage system (e.g., a blister pack or dosette)
- giving you a list of every kind of medication you use

#### Your case manager

#### Your case manager

- needs to know every kind of medication you take (e.g., prescription, herbal, vitamins, over-the-counter, supplements, eye/ear drops, creams/ ointments)
- will regularly review the amount of help you need
- needs to know when there are changes to your medication
- needs to know anytime you're admitted to the hospital
- will help you understand the medication you take
- will ensure you know how to safely dispose of any unused medication

### Your responsibilities

It is your responsibility to

- visit your doctor regularly for your medical care and to have your prescriptions renewed
- pay for your medication, supplies and related expenses
- tell your case manager whenever you see your doctor or begin a new medication
- use the same pharmacy for all of your MAP medication
- make sure your medication is securely stored
- arrange to have your MAP medicine prepared in a controlled-dosage system
- talk to your doctor about any overthe-counter, vitamin or herbal medication you wish to take so they can be included in your blister pack or dosette

Please do not make any changes to your blister pack or dosette—only your pharmacist or case manager can do this.