

DO YOU HAVE MEDICARE AND MEDICAID AND RECEIVE HOMECARE? THERE ARE CHANGES YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT!

If you have Medicare and Medicaid and receive home care services from a Managed Long Term Care (MLTC) or "Medicaid Advantage Plus" (MAP) plan in New York City or Nassau County, you received letters from NY Medicaid Choice, telling you that you will be enrolled in a new "FIDA Plan" starting April 1, 2015.

What are FIDA Plans? FIDA combines Medicare and Medicaid services under one managed care plan (combines: Medicare Advantage plans, Part D prescription drug plans, and Medicaid Managed Long Term Care-MLTC). In a FIDA plan you must see <u>in-network providers.</u>

Does everyone in MLTC plans have to join a FIDA Plan? <u>NO</u>. MLTC members may choose to <u>OPT OUT</u> and stay in their current MLTC plan for their home care, and keep their Original Medicare or Medicare Advantage for their medical care.

FIDA plans require you to choose providers in their network, so you may have to choose new providers. You have the right to **continue** with your current plan, but you must **call to OPT OUT** of FIDA.

If you did not opt out before April 1:

You can disenroll from FIDA at any time, and go back to Original Medicare or Medicare Advantage, and your former MLTC. This will be effective on the first day of the following month.

Please note: Hospital for Special Surgery does not currently participate in a FIDA plan.

HOW DO I OPT OUT?

Call New York Medicaid Choice FIDA line to OPT OUT. CALL 1-855-600-FIDA (1-855-600-3432)

Monday-Friday 8:30am-8:00pm and Saturday 10:00am-6:00pm. TTY: 1-888-329-1541

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

NY Medicaid Choice FIDA Tel. 1-855-600-3432 Website: http://www.nymedicaidchoice.com

Independent Community Advocacy Network Tel: 1-844-614-8800 Website: www.icannys.org (Ombudsprogram for FIDA)