



COMMUNITY LEGAL SERVICES  
OF PHILADELPHIA

## **Does Your Medical Assistance Cover Just One Hospital Stay a Year?**

**Do you pay a \$150 deductible?**

## **You May Be Able to Get Better Medical Assistance!**

Some people on Medical Assistance (MA) get better health insurance than other people do. How much MA will pay for depends on the category of Medical Assistance that you are in.

People in the “General Assistance” category have the worst MA coverage. If you are in this category, your MA benefits are more limited:

- Only one hospital stay per year
- \$150 deductible
- Co-payments for more prescription drugs

### **Welfare may have put you in the wrong category!**

You may be eligible for MA without the limits on hospital stays and the high deductible. You should be in a better category **IF** you have a form from your doctor saying that you are disabled for 12 months or more.

If this applies to you...

### **GET WELFARE TO CHANGE YOUR CATEGORY!**

If they do not change your category, you can appeal! Fill out the form on the next page and turn it in to the welfare office.

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**Form for Appealing Denial of Change in MA Category**

**I have asked my caseworker to switch my Medical Assistance out of a General Assistance category into a better category. My caseworker said no or it was never done. I want a hearing because I think I am in the wrong category of Medical Assistance.**

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

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Record Number or Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you want a telephone hearing or an in-person hearing? TELEPHONE IN-PERSON (Circle one)

Do you need an interpreter? YES NO (Circle one) If you circled YES, what language? \_\_\_\_\_

Name, address, and phone number of representative: \_\_\_\_\_

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