

Medicare



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Course 5: Managing Your Medicare Business



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- **Pre-sale** customer service and support
- **Post-sale** customer service and support
- **Handling beneficiary** inquiries and concerns
- **Managing** renewals and policy changes
- **Leveraging** data analytics for business growth and optimization
- **Establishing** long-term relationships with Medicare beneficiaries

The Set Up



- 1. Order enrollment guides from all the insurance carriers you have appointed and RTS (Ready-To-Sell) status**

!! KEEP REPLENISHED !!



Tip #1

Store your insurance carrier enrollment guides off site in an easily accessible location.

Keep a secondary warehouse of enrollment materials in your car.

- Organize by Carrier & Plan Type

The Set Up



2. Create Your “Bucket” (Portable Selling Kit) Improve your efficiency

- Business cards
- Paperclips
- Blue Ink Pens
- Stapler
- Stamps
- First aid kit
- Cough drops
- Neosporin
- Other
- Thank You cards



The Set Up



3. Pre-fill out all applications; as much as possible

- Your Name
- Your writing #
- Language
- Pre-tear them out of the enrollment guide (They're perforated but may still be hard to remove).

The image shows three overlapping Medicare enrollment forms from Humana. The top form is the '2024 Humana Medicare Enrollment Form' and includes sections for 'Plan selection', 'Personal information', and 'Agent use only'. The middle form is a 'MEDICARE HEALTH INSURANCE' form with fields for 'LAST NAME', 'FIRST NAME', 'MEDICARE NUMBER', and 'EFFECTIVE DATE'. The bottom form is another '2024 Humana Medicare Enrollment Form' with fields for 'APPLICANT MEDICARE NUMBER', 'SIGNATURE', and 'DATE'. The forms are perforated for easy removal.

Remember:

Find a blue pen you like. Use the same type of blue pen each and every time.

The Consultation



What to Have with You:

1. Your “Bucket” (Portable Selling Kit)
 - Ensure you have at least 2 of the primary plans (the ones you write most) and a few alternative plans
 - Clients Need Assessment forms
2. Computer/laptop access to IntegrityConnect
(www.medicarecenter.com)

Tip

Use the tools you’ve been provided like
IntegrityConnect Scope of Appointment (SOA)



**Bonus Course:
IntegrityConnect**

The Consultation

Quick Step Reference:



1. Scope of Appointment established 48-hours in ahead of meeting; unless walk-in or last 4-days of an enrollment period.
2. Client Needs Assessment review
 - Pull up their client profile in IntegrityConnect
 - Confirm PCP, Specialists, Prescriptions, Pharmacy, all pertinent requirements
 - Update as necessary
3. Discuss **Option 1** and **Option 2** – which solution best fits your clients needs?
4. Answer any client questions
5. Search for best plan option and present results. Ideally 1-2 options. Avoid overwhelming your client.
6. Answer any client questions
7. When the client makes a decision, complete paper application
8. Add “**Tags**” to client profile in CMS; provides the ability to sort by different plans for example (Easier review for next year)



Post-Sale



Next Steps:

1. Give a copy of the Enrollment Guide to your client
 - Staple your business card to the front
 - Dog ear the Summary of Benefits page.
Remember this is the page which explains the plan costs.



2. Take the paper application which the client has signed.
Remember: Find a blue pen you like. Use the same type of blue pen each and every time.

Post-Sale

When your client leaves:



Immediately go into IntegrityConnect and transcribe the client application into the system

Tip #1

- In each client CRM profile add searchable notes/tags like enrollment plan name, product type, carrier, policy status, etc.

Submit the enrollment

- **NO** electronic signature is required, **SO LONG AS you have** a copy of the “**WET**” signature

Tip #2:

Write your **Thank You** card following your appointment.

- Pick one topic from your conversation that's pertinent and use it to build further connection/rapport.
- Don't forget to ask if they know anyone who would benefit from your services and if they'd pass along your business card.
!! Include 3-4 business cards !!
- **Save Time:** Stamped and pre-print return address on the envelop
- Mail at the end of each day

30 – Days

Send letter 30-days after enrollment. Ask...

- If they've experienced any problems with the new plan
- Have they received their new "cards"
- Confirm plan viability

60 – Days

Send letter **30-days** after enrollment. Ask...

- If they've experienced any problems with the new plan
- Have they received their new "cards"
- Confirm plan viability

Send letter **60-days** after enrollment. Ask...

- If they've used their plan yet
- Have they experienced any challenges
- Don't forget... extra benefits available, if applicable

90 – Days

Send letter **30-days** after enrollment. Ask...

- If they've experienced any problems with the new plan
- Have they received their new "cards"
- Confirm plan viability

Send letter **60-days** after enrollment. Ask...

- If they've used their plan yet
- Have they experienced any challenges
- Don't forget... extra benefits available, if applicable

Send letter **90-days** after enrollment.

- Identify any challenges that have come up
- Set expectation... Hope to hear from you again in September
- Get ready for AEP (Annual Enrollment Period)

Birthday Card?!!!

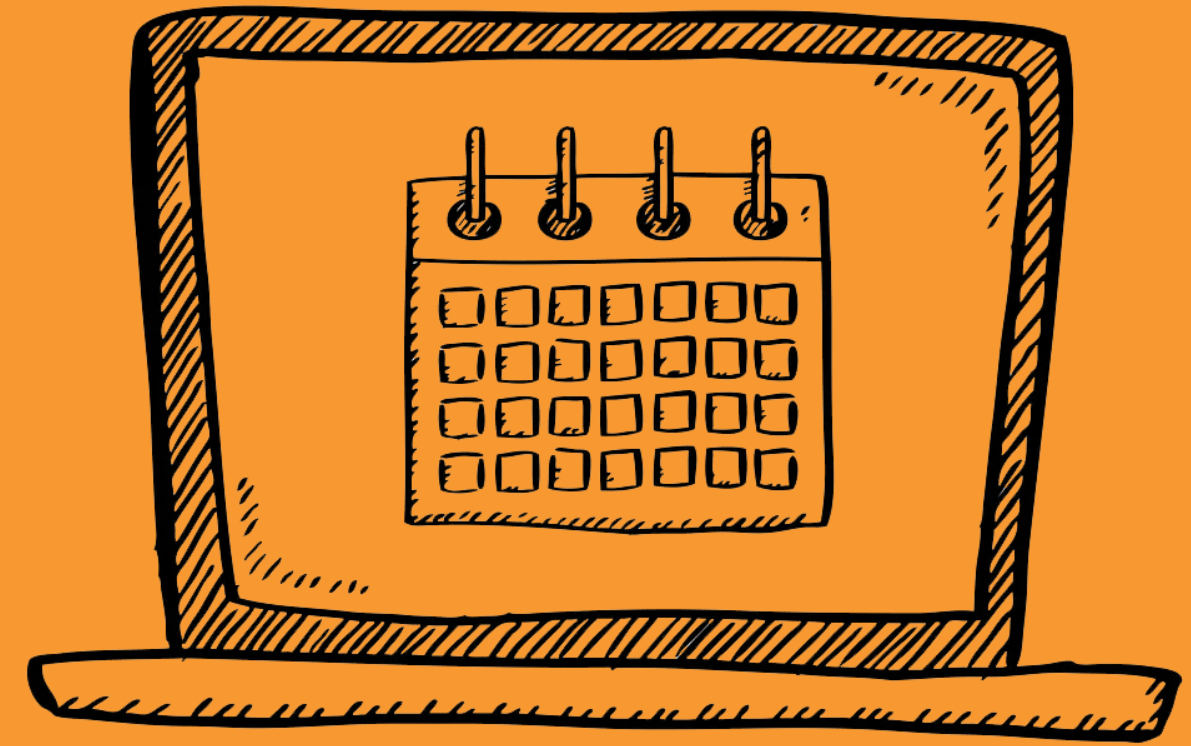
- Handwritten
- Keep as generic as possible
- Request referrals & include business cards
- Send at beginning of birth month, may be batched

Need Help?

Consider working with **THANKAFTER** to help alleviate your workload.



Show You Care



AEP Letter

In September,
send letter to the identified plan segment

Scenario 1

- Upon review it appears that your plan is good for next year. Shall we let it auto renew or if you need change set meeting.

Scenario 2

- Upon review, it appears that your plan is changing – Schedule a meeting with them as earliest as possible. Meet may be as early as Oct 1st.

Remember: AEP applications are NOT allowed to taken until October 15th

Plan changes will start being published in August

**Get applications ready early and sent to client for
a digital signature on October 15th**

SOMETHING TO CONSIDER



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Save the Dates

Tuesday, October 28th: Agents Answered Open Forum 11:30 a.m. ET

Friday, October 31st: **IntegrityConnect** – Your Enrollment Tool
Nathan Brown presenting, 1:00 p.m. ET

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Thank you!