

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**

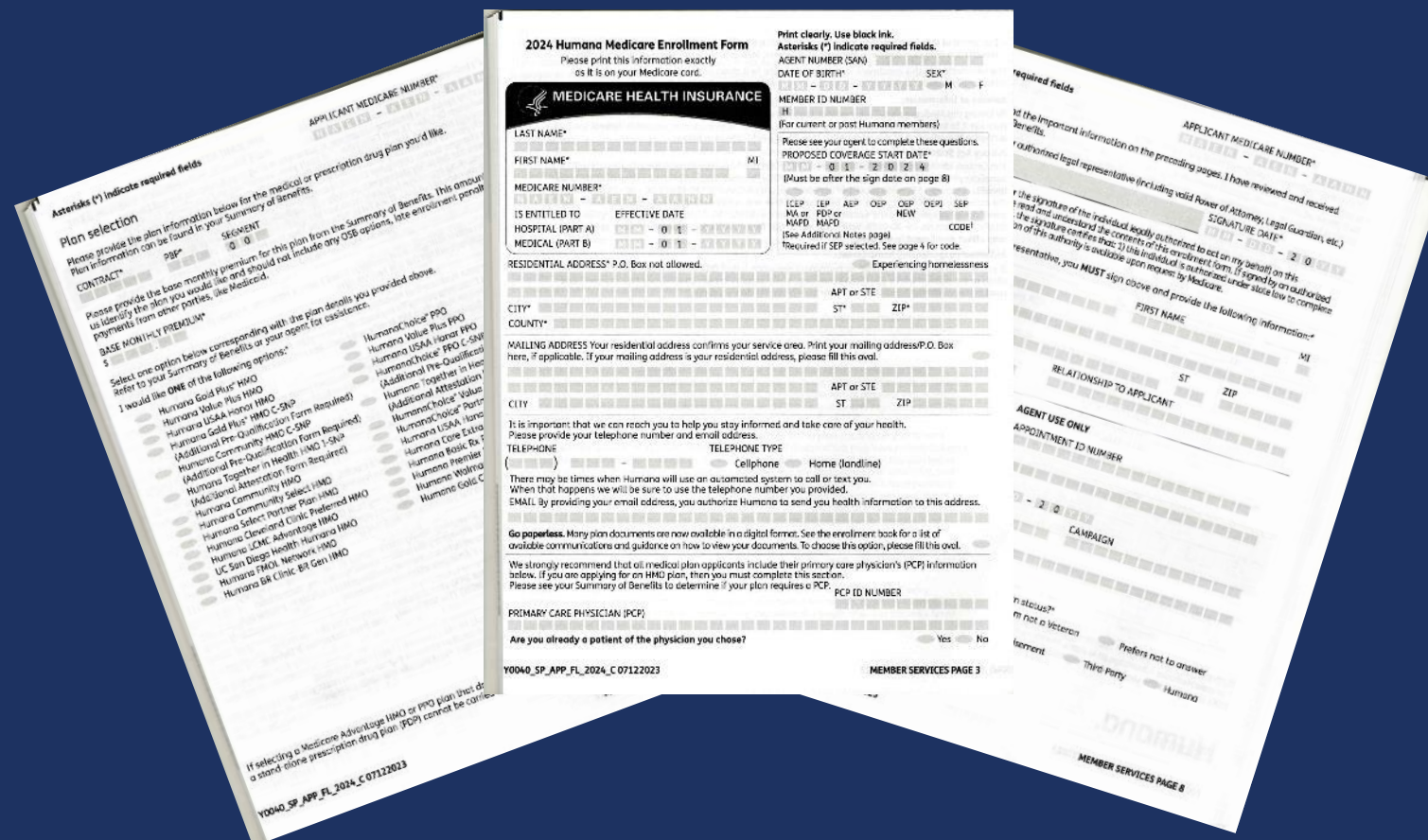


The Set Up



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).



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)



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,

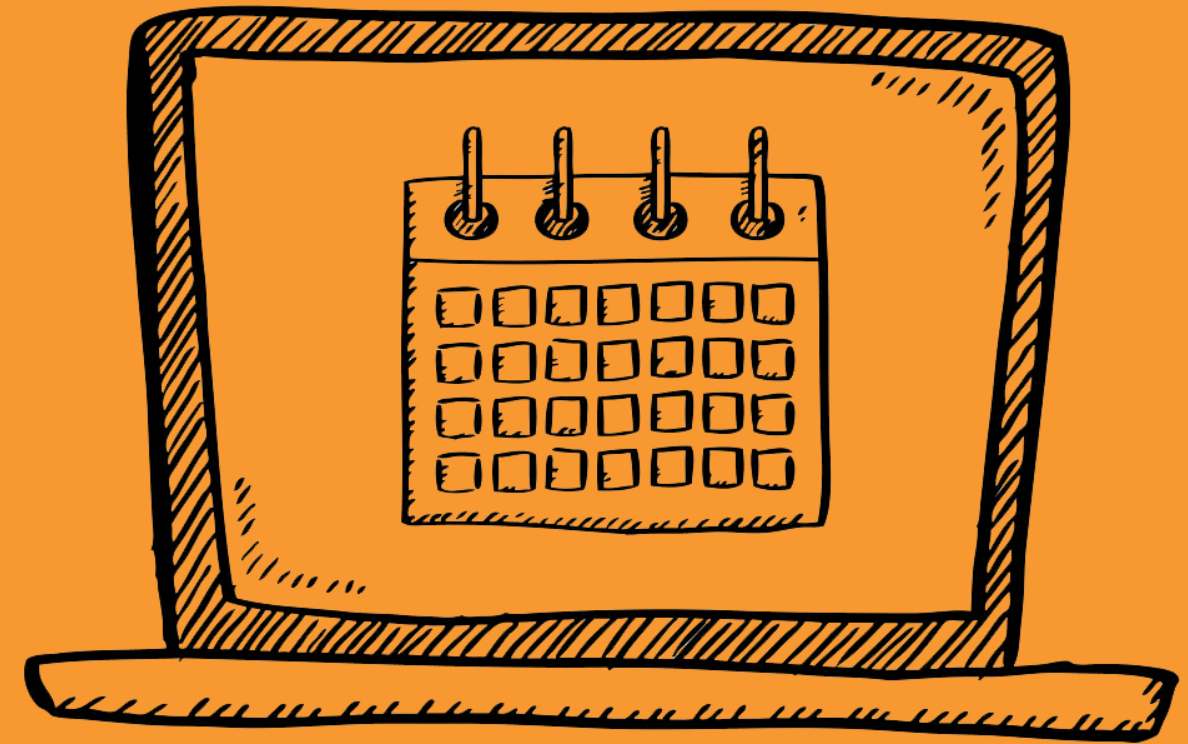
send letter to the identified plan segment

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

Thursday, February 26: Next Level Mid-OEP Momentum 3:00 ET

Tuesday, March 3: Agents Answered Open Forum 11:30 ET

Wednesday, March 4: Mastering Medicare Compliance & Ethics 3:00 ET

Thursday, March 5th: Next Level 3:00 ET

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Thank you!