# **HSAs & Medicare**



## **Medicare Enrollment Ends HSA Eligibility**

Previously contributed funds can still be used.

ONLY applies to Health Savings Accounts (HSA)- not to Flexible Spending Accounts (FSA) or Health Reimbursement Arrangements (HRA).

### 3 Common HSA - Medicare Problems

#### Mistakenly Enrolled in 'Free' Part A at Age 65

If not receiving Social Security, contact local SSA office promptly to see if Part A can be withdrawn. Any Part A benefits received must be repaid.

#### **Calculating the Pro-Rated Final Year Maximum Contribution**

When Medicare Part A has been deferred, it will be <u>retroactive</u> to 6-months from the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month when it was requested. That retroactive date is used to determine the number of eligible months in the final year.

The final-year pro-rated maximum contribution is calculated by dividing the number of <u>eligible months</u> by 12 (ex. April = 4/12 = 25%). Deposits up to that limit can still be made until that year's tax-filing deadline.

### When should contributions stop prior to Medicare enrollment?

To avoid "overfunding" the final year pro-rated maximum HSA contribution amount, 6-months before the expected Medicare start date\* is generally recommended. (\*The retroactive Part A start date is discussed above.)

**Questions?** 

Contact your HSA program administrator

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