

# BULLETIN 361

## Announcement of Maine's Long-Term Care Partnership Program

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On November 10, 2009, the State of Maine received approval from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for the Maine Long-Term Care Partnership Program with an effective date of July 1, 2009. For more detailed information on the implementation of this program, please see Bulletins 362 and 363.

The Maine Long-Term Care Partnership Program provides asset protection to purchasers of qualified long-term care insurance policies covered by the Maine Long-Term Care Partnership Program. Specifically, the asset eligibility and recovery provisions of the MaineCare program are modified by disregarding assets equal to the insurance benefits received from Partnership Policies, thus permitting individuals to protect assets from spend-down and estate recovery requirements if MaineCare assistance is ever needed. The Maine Long-Term Care Partnership Program has been adopted in accordance with the federal Deficit Reduction Act of 2005 (P.L. 109-171) and the Maine Long-Term Care Partnership Act (22 M.R.S.A. § 3174-GG).

For additional information, see the Maine Bureau of Insurance website at <http://www.maine.gov/pfr/insurance> or contact us at 624-8475 or (800)300-5000 (in state only.)

For MaineCare-related questions, see the Maine Department of Health and Human Services website at <http://www.maine.gov/dhhs> or contact them at (207) 287-3707.

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