

Medicare 101

Understanding the Basics

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Medicare Consists of 4 Main Parts:









Part A

Covers hospital insurance



Part B

Covers medical insurance (Like doctor visits)





B

Parts A & B are known as Original Medicare

They are administered and provided by the federal government







Who can has access to Medicare Coverage?

- People 65 or older
- People under 65 with certain disabilities
- Anyone with End-Stage Renal Disease

How much does it cost?



 No monthly premiums* for those with 10 years of tax paying credits.

*Those with less than 10 years of tax paying credits can get Part A for a monthly premium



• Standard Rate set by Social Security. Higher incomes, based on 2-year look back (IRMAA), will have an adjusted rate increase.



What is Covered by Original Medicare?

Medicare Parts A & B will pay only 80% of your healthcare costs.





You are responsible for the remaining 20%



What Services Does Part A Cover?

- Semi-private room
- Hospital meals
- Care on special hospital units
- Drugs, medical supplies as an inpatient
- Care to manage symptoms & control pain for the terminally ill
- Skilled healthcare for those who cannot leave their home

- Lab tests, X-rays & radiation treatment as an inpatient
- Rehabilitation services, such as physical therapy received through home health





What Services Does Part B Cover?

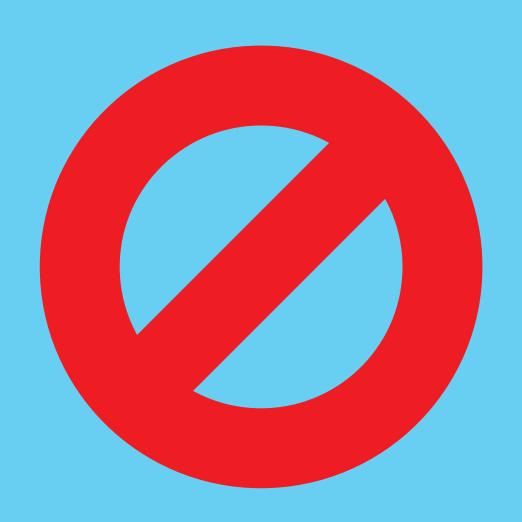
- Annual physical exam
- Preventative care such as flu or pneumonia shots
- Emergency room services
- Blood tests, urinalysis, etc.
- Some diagnostic screenings (colorectal, prostate cancer, and mammograms)
- Outpatient mental health care

- X-rays, MRIs, CT Scans etc.
- Durable medical equipment for use at home (oxygen, walkers wheelchairs, etc.)
- Outpatient Drugs

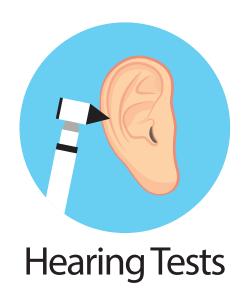




So what is NOT Covered by Original Medicare?



Services NOT Covered by Medicare













How do we fill the gaps in coverage?





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Advantage Plans or Med Supp

- Administered by private insurance companies
- Can include additional benefits such as vision, dental, hearing and fitness membership
- Helps cover costs including: deductibles, copays and coinsurance



Part C: Medicare Advantage Plans

- Administered by private insurance companies
- Combines Parts A & B and may offer
 Part D drug coverage
- Can include additional benefits such as vision, dental, hearing and fitness membership
- Helps cover costs including: deductibles, copays and coinsurance



Med Supp Plans

- Administered by private insurance companies
- Supplements Medicare, covering the 20% gap not covered by Original Medicare
- Guaranteed Issue when turning 65
- Does not include Part D drug coverage



Part D: Prescription Drug Plans

- Administered by private insurance companies
- Prescription drug coverage
- Typically paired with with Medicare
 Supplement plans
- Each drug plan is unique with its own formulary and restrictions

When Can I Enroll in Medicare?

Initial Enrollment Period

- Consumers have a 7-month window to enroll in Parts A & B
- This window includes the 3 months before their 65th birthday, the month of their 65th birthday and the 3 months following their 65th birthday.



Administered by The Government







Administered by Insurance Companies





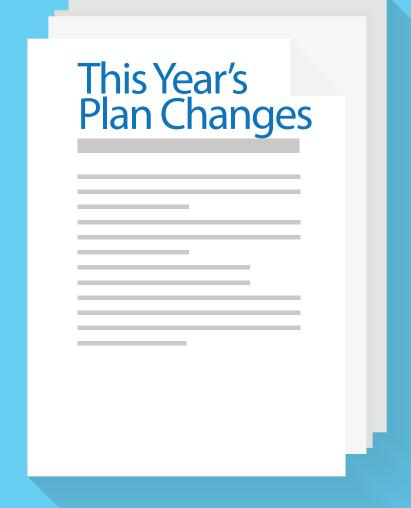




Medicare Advantage and Prescription Drug plans are subject to change each year.

My Senior Health Plan is a free service that helps people find a health plan that fits their needs.

When your plan has changes, we will let you know and help you find a solution.





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