

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.

B

 Monthly premium set by Social Security based on income tax records using a 2-year look back (IRMAA)

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



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?

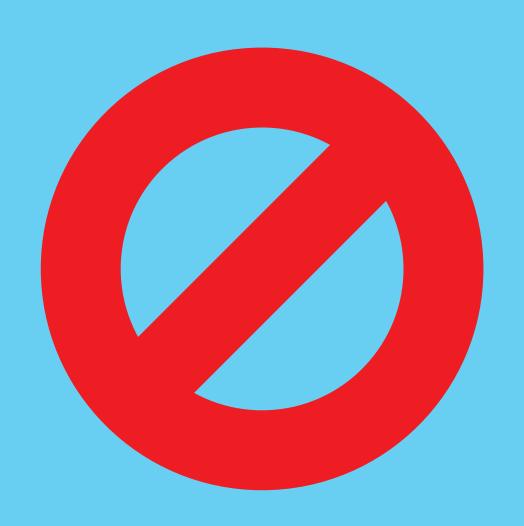
- Annual physical exam
- Preventative care such as flu or pneumonia shots
- Emergency room services
- Blood tests, urinalysis, etc.
- Some diagnostic screenings (colorectal, prostate cancer, and mammograms)
- Outpatient mental health care

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

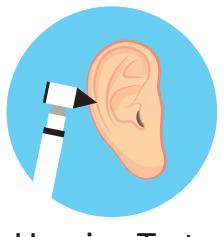




So what is NOT Covered by Original Medicare?



Services NOT Covered by Medicare



Hearing Tests



Routine Eye Care



Most Dental Care







How do we fill the gaps in coverage?





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



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**





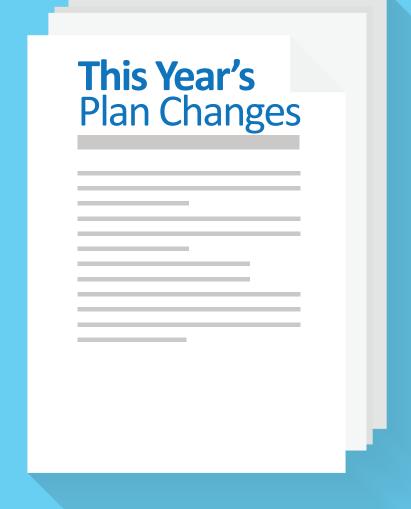




Medicare Advantage and Prescription Drug plans are subject to change each year.

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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