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Let's Review the Basics!

Understanding the Different Parts of Medicare















- Inpatient hospital care
- Skilled nursing facilities
- Hospice care

Medicare Part B

- Doctors & specialists
- Outpatient care

Medicare Part C

- Private carrier coverage
- Ancillary coverage
- Gaps in coverage

Medicare Part D

- > Prescription drug coverage
- Pharmacy access





Medicare Part A

Provides coverage for hospital stays, skilled nursing facility care, hospice care, home health care, and other specialized treatments. If you or your spouse paid Medicare taxes while working, you typically do not have to pay a monthly premium for Part A.

Important things to remember:

- Part A is attainable at age 65 or once you reach 24 months of disability.
- > Premium is **free** if you or your spouse have 40 quarters of work history.
- Enrollment is not automatic UNLESS you are or will be taking Social Security monetary benefits. You must contact Social Security for either of these. Social Security can be reached at **SSA.gov** or **1800 772 1213** or at a local office.

Part A plan limitations:

- Hospital and SNF stays:
 - After the initial intake period, co insurances and 100% patient responsibility can occur
- Deductible:
 - \$1632.00 in 2024







Medicare Part B

Provides coverage for doctor visits and outpatient services. Also includes coverage for certain preventive services aimed at promoting and maintaining good health. To receive Part B coverage, you are required to pay a monthly premium.

Important things to remember:

- You're eligible for Part B at age 65 or once you reach 24 months of disability.
- Part B has a monthly premium beginning at \$174.70 and an annual deductible of \$240 in 2024.
- Enrollment is required it can be deferred if you have existing credible coverage.
- Benefits include ambulance services, durable medical equipment, and prescriptions that are administered in a provider facility.

Part B plan limitations:

- Penalties occur if enrollment is delayed without credible coverage You will pay an extra 10% for each year you could have signed up for Part B but didn't..
- Patients are responsible for 20% of the cost for all covered services.



Medicare 2024 Part B Premiums by Income If your filing status and yearly income in 2022 was:

File Individual Tax Return	File Joint Tax Return	File Married & Separate Tax Return	(In 2024) Each month you pay
\$103k or less	\$206k or less	\$103k or less	\$174.70
Above \$103k up to \$129k	Above \$206k up to \$258k	N/A	\$244.60
Above \$129k up to \$161k	Above \$258k up to \$322k	N/A	\$349.40
Above \$161k up to \$193k	Above \$322k up to \$386k	N/A	\$454.20
Above \$193k & Less than \$500k	Above \$386k & Less than \$750k	Above \$103k & Less than \$397k	\$559.00
\$500k or above	\$750k and above	\$397k and above	\$594.00



MediGap - Supplemental

Helps cover the "gaps" in Original Medicare by paying for certain out-of-pocket costs. It works alongside

Original Medicare and does not typically include prescription drug coverage, so a separate Part D plan

would be needed.

Important things to remember:

- You must have Parts A & B to enroll.
- Regardless of carrier, you may see any provider who bills Medicare.
- Fills in the "gap" of financial coverage by paying your Part A deductible and daily co-insurances, as well as the 20% not covered by Medicare.
- Has a monthly premium which will increase with age.

MediGap limitations:

- Only pays toward services Part A & B cover Part D coverage is not included.
- Underwriting is required if the plan was not chosen when you're first eligible for Parts A & B.





Medicare Part D

A prescription drug coverage plan offered by private insurance companies. It helps cover the costs of prescription medications and can be added to Original Medicare or included in a Medicare Advantage plan.

Important things to remember:

- Otherwise known as Prescription Coverage, you must enroll into Part D to receive planbenefits.
- There are 2 different ways for you to receive Part D benefits:
 - Stand alone Prescription Drug Plan (PDP) purchased through private carriers and will have a monthly premium, formulary, and pharmacy network.
 - Medicare Advantage Plan (MA) Part D is built into Advantage plans with no additional costs and will have a formulary and pharmacy network.

Part D plan limitation:

Without a Part D plan, lifelong penalties occur. Penalty is calculated by multiplying 1% of the national average PDP (\$32.74 in 2023)





Medicare Part C

Includes all the benefits of Original Medicare (Part A and Part B) and provides additional coverage such as prescription drugs, vision, dental, and hearing services, as well as wellness programs.

Important things to remember:

- Otherwise known as Advantage Plans and are managed by private carriers and determined by the zip code and county of residence.
- Must have Parts A & B to participate replaces use of Original Medicare and must be determined to be "as good" as Original Medicare coverage.
- plans are typically \$0 or have a low monthly premium.
- Plans have **established provider networks** as well as out-of-network options.
- **Emergent care** is available stateside, and with some plans, worldwide.

There are no limitations with Medicare Advantage Plans.

- Consider- plans will have established provider networks as well as out of network options.
- Consider there will be co-pays for most covered services, exact amounts allow for budgeting and managing the Max-out-of-pocket.





Your Enrollment Windows

When to Apply for Part A or B to Avoid Penalties and Lapse in Coverage









- You're eligible to apply **4 months** before the month you turn 65 years old.
- The enrollment window ends **3 months** after your birthday month.

Retirement after age 65

- You're eligible to apply **3 months** before your employer benefits stop.
- The enrollment window ends **8 months** after losing your employer coverage.





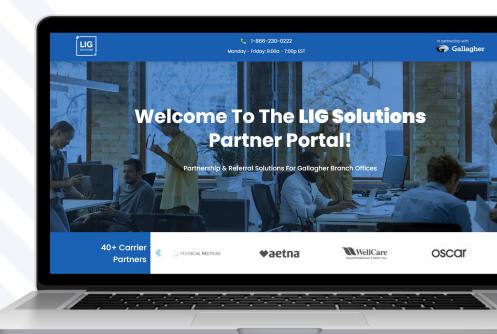
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- The advisor will then introduce your available options taking an unbiased approach to help you find coverage.
- If you're interested in a Medicare solution and are ready to enroll, your dedicated advisor will guide you step-by-step through the enrollment process and submit your application in real-time.
- Throughout the year, we will continue to touch base with you to ensure the coverage still meets your needs.







Thank You

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