



Medicare

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- Annual Election Clinics

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- Presentations
- Fair Booths

➤ Foreign Language Assistance

Welcome to Medicare

Today we will review...

- Eligibility for Medicare
- A, B, C's of Medicare
- New Enrollment
- Making Changes Annual
- Other Items of Consideration

What Is Medicare and Who is Eligible?

Government Health Insurance:

Eligibility

1. Age

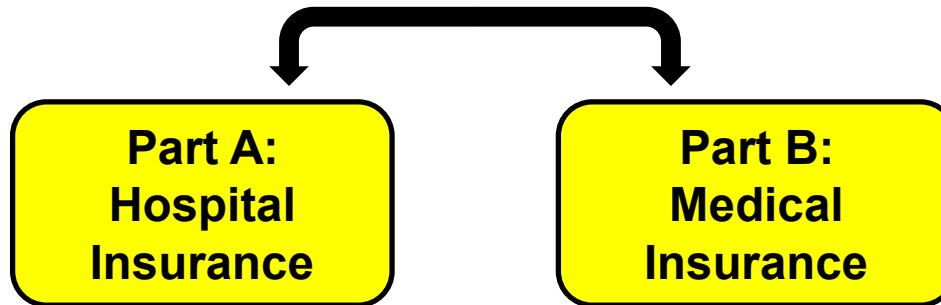
- 65 or older
- Under 65 with
 - certain disabilities (SSDI)
 - diagnosed with End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD)
 - diagnosed with Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS)

2. Citizenship

- U.S. citizen or
- Lawful permanent resident (5 consecutive years)

Pathways to Receive Medicare Benefits

Step 1: Original Medicare



What Does Medicare Cover?

Medicare Part A (Hospital Insurance)

- Inpatient hospital
- Inpatient skilled nursing facility
- Hospice care
- Home health care

Original Medicare Premium

Medicare Part A (Hospital Insurance)

Monthly Premium

Premium Free with
40 Social Security Quarters

FICA/Medicare tax contributions
(Federal Income Contributions Act)

Can be Purchased
30-39 quarters \$240 a month
29 quarters or less \$437 a month

Original Medicare Penalties

**Medicare Part A
(Hospital Insurance)
In Addition to Monthly Premium**

Purchase Cost
+
Penalties for Late Enrollment

-TWICE THE DELINQUENCY PERIOD-

Original Medicare

Coinsurance & Deductibles

Medicare Part A (Hospital Insurance)

Inpatient Hospital Deductible/ Co-Pays

ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL

Day 1
\$1,364.00 Deductible
(per spell of illness)

Days 2-60: \$0 co-pay
Co-insurance - day 61+

(co-pays vary between hospital and a skilled nursing facility)

What Does Medicare Cover?

Medicare Part B (Medical Insurance)

- Doctor services
- Durable medical equipment
- Home health care*
- X-rays, lab services
- Outpatient services
- Preventive services

Original Medicare Premiums

Medicare Part B (Medical Insurance) Monthly Premium

Standard Rate
\$135.50

+ Income Related Monthly Adjustment Amount (IRMAA)*

2019 Part B *IRMAA

Medicare Income Based Premiums

Beneficiaries who file an individual tax return with income:	Beneficiaries who file a joint tax return with income:	Total Monthly Premium Amount:
\$85,000 or less	\$170,000 or less	\$135.50
\$85,000 up to \$107,000	\$170,000 up to \$214,000	\$189.60
\$107,000 up to \$133,500	\$214,000 up to \$267,000	\$270.90
\$133,500 up to \$160,000	\$267,000 up to \$320,000	\$352.20
\$160,000 up to \$500,000	\$320,000 up to \$500,000	\$433.40
Above \$500,000	Above \$750,000	\$460.50

2019 Part B *IRMAA

Medicare Part B (Medical Insurance) Monthly Premium

+ Income Related Monthly Adjustment Form*

SSA-44

Original Medicare

Penalties

Medicare Part B (Medical Insurance) Penalties

+ Penalties

-For Life if Applicable-

Original Medicare

Deductibles & Coinsurance

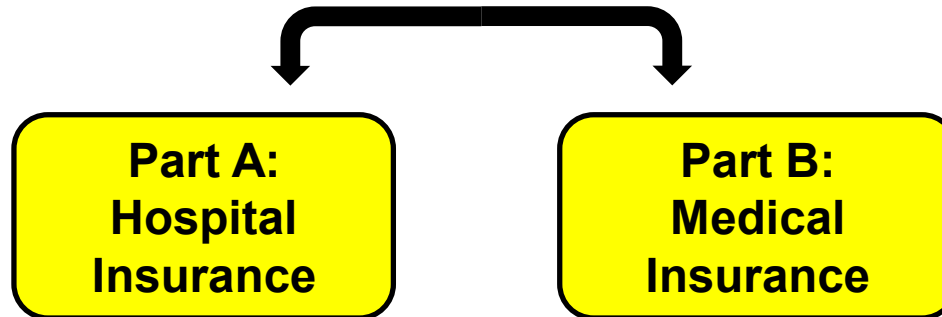
Medicare Part B (Medical Insurance) Deductible/Co-Pays

\$185.00 Annual Deductible

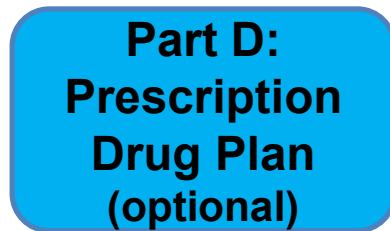
80% Medicare Pays
20% Coinsurance You Pay

Pathways to Receive Medicare Benefits

Step 1: Enroll in Original Medicare



Step 2: Choose Your Path



Part D: Prescription Drug Coverage

- Part D or Stand Alone Prescription Drug Plan (PDP)
 - Optional Purchase
 - No Auto Enrollment - Enroll with private insurance company
 - 30 plans available in Orange County

- Before you Enroll... **Plan Comparison**
 - ✓ Plan formularies (plan approved drugs)
 - ✓ Monthly premiums
 - ✓ Drug costs



Part D: Prescription Drug Plans (PDP)

- Monthly Premium \$12.90 to \$118
- Deductible \$0 to \$415
- Part D IRMAA
- Late Penalty
 - Enrolled in Part A OR B
 - 60 Days to Enroll or have other creditable drug coverage OR
 - Penalty: 1% of National Average (currently \$33.19) x months delayed enrollment
- Some retiree plans may offer creditable drug coverage therefore No Part D Required



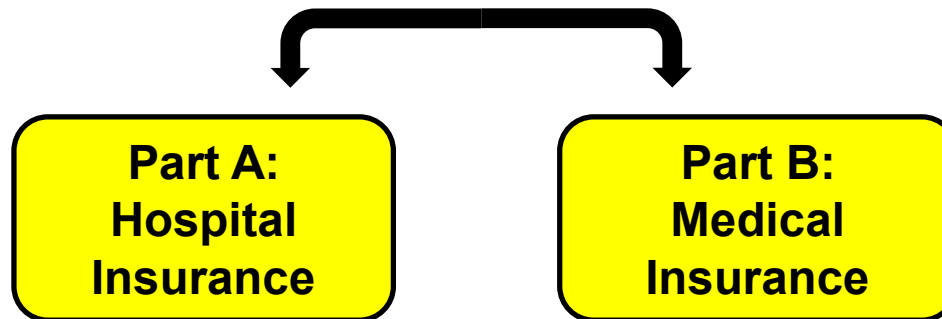
2019 Part B & Part D *IRMAA

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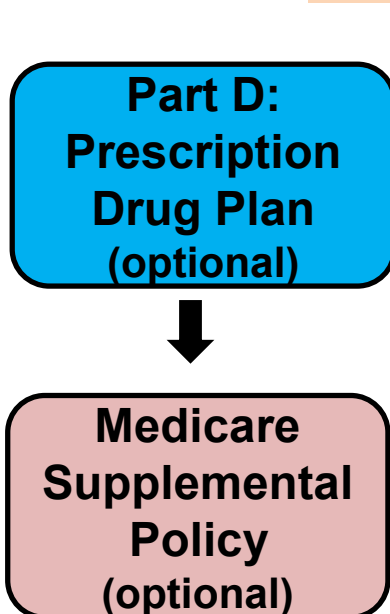
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\$160,000 up to \$500,000	\$320,000 up to \$500,000	\$433.40 (+70.90 Part D)
Above \$500,000	Above \$750,000	\$460.50 (+77.40 Part D)

Pathways to Receive Medicare Benefits

Step 1: Enroll in Original Medicare



Step 2: Choose Your Path



Medigap

Medicare Supplement Insurance

- Must Have Part A & B
- 10 standardized Medigap plans
 - Medicare & You pg. 70
- Covers Original Medicare's copayments and deductibles
- **Guaranteed issue (6 months)**
- **CA birthday rule**



NOT Cover by Original Medicare

➤ Routine Care

- Dental
- Vision
- Hearing/hearing aids
- Foot

➤ Foreign Travel

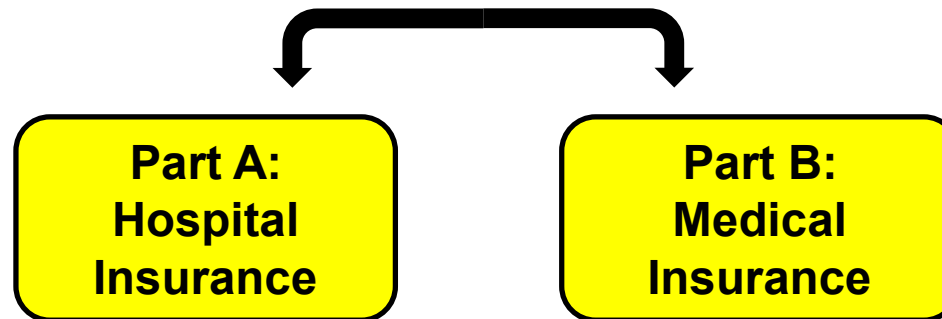
➤ Long-Term Personal Care

- Custodial care at home
- In a nursing home
- Long-term care facility

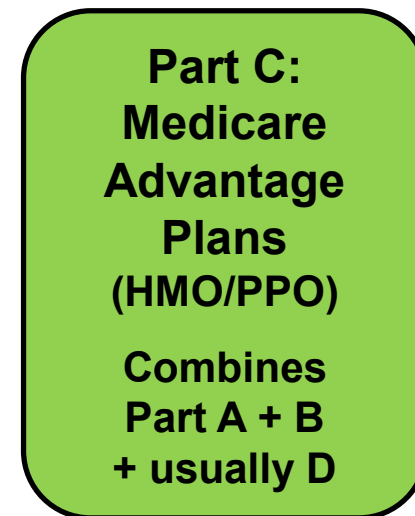


Pathways to Receive Medicare Benefits

Step 1: Enroll in Original Medicare



Step 2: Choose Your Path



Medicare Part C: Medicare Advantage



- **40+ Plans in Orange County**
- **HMO vs PPO**
 - Private insurance companies
 - In-Network vs Out-of-Network
- **Enroll in Medicare Part A & B**
- **Medicare Advantage plan premium**
- **Co-Pays/Co-Insurance/Deductibles**
 - Maximum Out-of-Pocket (MOOP)
- **May Include Part D & Extras**

Comparison of Monthly Medicare Costs

Original Medicare

Part A – Free to \$427

Part B – \$135.50 & Up

Part D – \$13 - \$118

Medigap Premium – Est. \$150+

Medicare Advantage

Part A – Free to \$427

Part B – \$135.50 & Up

Part D – Usually Included

Plan Premium -- \$0 to \$159

Maximum Out-of-Pocket
(MOOP)

\$999 to \$6700 HMO

\$6,700 to \$10,000 PPO

Medicare Enrollment



Three Enrollment Periods

1. Initial Enrollment Period
(IEP)

2. General Enrollment Period
(GEP)

3. Special Enrollment Period
(SEP)

When to Enroll in Medicare

1. Initial Enrollment Period (IEP)

- Seven months to enroll
 - Three months before age 65
 - month of, and
 - three months following your 65th birthday
- For Part A & B
- Health Savings Account (HSA)
- Premium penalty for late enrollment

When to Enroll in Medicare

2. General Enrollment Period (GEP)

- For Part A & B
- January 1 through March 31
 - Coverage begins July 1
- Premium Penalties Apply

When to Enroll in Medicare

3. Special Enrollment Period (SEP)

- Continuing to Work after 65 and covered by Employer's Group Health Plan (EGHP)
- **Creditable** Coverage? Delay Part A and/or B enrollment
 - Eight month period to enroll
 - Late penalties do not apply
- Health Savings Account (HSA)
- Talk with Employer's Benefit Administrator

How To Enroll

Automatic

- Already receiving Social Security benefits at 65
- Receive Medicare card prior to 65th birthday
- Automatically enrolled in Part A & B
 - Option to Delay Part B

Not Automatic

- On-line
 - www.socialsecurity.gov
 - www.medicare.gov
- By phone
 - Appointment with SSA
 - 1-800-772-1213
- In person

Already Enrolled in Medicare Annual Check-up



Medicare Annual Election Period
October 15 – December 7

Review either

- 1. Part D Prescription Plan**
- 2. Medicare Advantage Plan**

Medicare Advantage

Second Chance

**Medicare Advantage
Open Enrollment Period
January 1 – March 31**



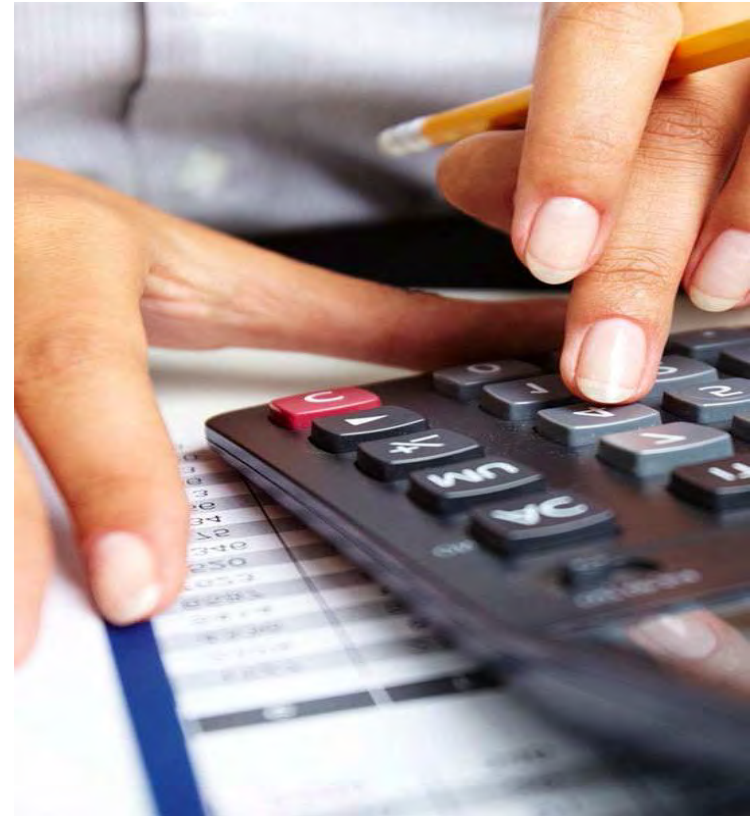
Other Things to Consider

Get Help with Medicare Costs

Income and resource (asset) limits apply

- **Medicare Savings Program (MSP)**
 - Pay for Medicare A & B premiums
 - Pay for co-payments/insurance

- **Extra Help (LIS)**
 - Also called **Low Income Subsidy**
 - Prescription drug related costs
 - Reduced or no deductibles/plan premiums
 - Reduced co-payments



Original Medicare

Medicare App for Mobile Phones

What's Covered



Your Medicare Card

New Card! New Number!

Mailing in 2018

NEW Medicare Card

Current Medicare Card

MEDICARE HEALTH INSURANCE

1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4222)

NAME OF BENEFICIARY
JANE DOE

MEDICARE CLAIM NUMBER
000-00-0000-A

SEX
FEMALE

IS ENTITLED TO
HOSPITAL (PART A) 07-01-2016
MEDICAL (PART B) 07-01-2016

SIGN HERE → *Jane Doe*

MEDICARE HEALTH INSURANCE

Name/Nombre
JOHN L SMITH

Medicare Number/Número de Medicare
1EG4-TE5-MK72

Entitled to/Con derecho a
HOSPITAL (PART A) 03-01-2016
MEDICAL (PART B) 03-01-2016

Coverage starts/Cobertura empieza

CMS Product No. 12005-P
September 2017

Treat your Medicare Card like a Credit Card



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- **Long-Term Care Ombudsman**

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