September 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023

Evidence of Coverage:

Your Medicare Health Benefits and Services as a Member of Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO Plan

This document gives you the details about your Medicare health care coverage from September 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023. This is an important legal document. Please keep it in a safe place.

For questions about this document, please contact Member Services at 1-855-648-0389. (TTY users should call 711). Hours are 8 AM to 9 PM ET, Monday through Friday.

This plan, Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO Plan, is offered by Aetna Medicare. (When this *Evidence of Coverage* says "we," "us," or "our," it means Aetna Medicare. When it says "plan" or "our plan," it means Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO Plan.)

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If an in-network provider leaves the network, you will receive notice when necessary. We will notify affected enrollees about changes at least 30 days in advance. Your plan is a PPO ESA, this means you may continue to see your provider out of network for the same cost share, as long as the provider is eligible to receive Medicare payment and accepts the plan.

This document explains your benefits and rights. Use this document to understand about:

- Your cost-sharing:
- Your medical benefits:
- How to file a complaint if you are not satisfied with a service or treatment;
- · How to contact us if you need further assistance; and,
- Other protections required by Medicare law.

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CHAPTER 1:

Getting started as a member

SECTION 1 Introduction

Section 1.1 You are enrolled in Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO Plan, which is a Medicare PPO

Your coverage is provided through a contract with your former employer/union/trust. You are covered by Medicare, and The City of New York has chosen to get your Medicare health care through our plan, Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO Plan. We are required to cover all Part A and Part B services. However, cost sharing and provider access in this plan differ from Original Medicare.

Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO Plan is a Medicare Advantage PPO Plan (PPO stands for Preferred Provider Organization). Like all Medicare health plans, this Medicare PPO is approved by Medicare and run by a private company. Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO Plan does not include Part D prescription drug coverage.

Coverage under this Plan qualifies as Qualifying Health Coverage (QHC) and satisfies the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act's (ACA) individual shared responsibility requirement. Please visit the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) website at: www.irs.gov/Affordable-Care-Act/Individuals-and-Families for more information.

Section 1.2 What is the *Evidence of Coverage* document about?

This *Evidence of Coverage* document tells you how to get your medical care. It explains your rights and responsibilities, what is covered, what you pay as a member of the plan, and how to file a complaint if you are not satisfied with a decision or treatment.

The words "coverage" and "covered services" refer to the medical care and services available to you as a member of Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO Plan.

It's important for you to learn what the plan's rules are and what services are available to you. We encourage you to set aside some time to look through this *Evidence of Coverage* document.

If you are confused, concerned, or just have a question, please contact Member Services.

Section 1.3 Legal information about the *Evidence of Coverage*

This *Evidence of Coverage* is part of our contract with you about how Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO Plan covers your care. Other parts of this contract include your enrollment form and any notices you receive from us about changes to your coverage or conditions that affect your coverage. These notices are sometimes called "riders" or "amendments."

The contract is in effect for months in which you are enrolled in Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO Plan between September 1, 2023 and December 31, 2023.

SECTION 2 What makes you eligible to be a plan member?

Section 2.1	Your eligibility requirements	

You are eligible for membership in our plan as long as:

- You have both Medicare Part A and Medicare Part B
- Incarcerated individuals are not considered living in the geographic service area even if they are physically located in it.
- -- and -- you are a United States citizen or are lawfully present in the United States
- -- and -- you meet the eligibility requirements of your former employer/union/trust

Section 2.2 Here is the plan service area for Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO Plan

The service area is descibed in **Addendum B** at the back of this document. Your coverage is offered through an extended service area (ESA) feature which allows you to be covered in the areas that are not listed as an Aetna network service area.

It is also important that you call Social Security if you move or change your mailing address. You can find phone numbers and contact information for Social Security in Chapter 2, Section 5.

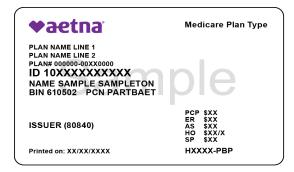
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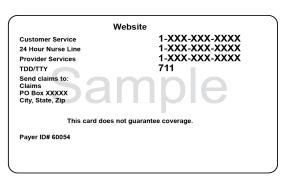
A member of a Medicare health plan must be a U.S. citizen or lawfully present in the United States. Medicare (the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services) will notify Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO Plan if you are not eligible to remain a member on this basis. Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO Plan must disenroll you if you do not meet this requirement.

SECTION 3 Important membership materials you will receive

Section 3.1 Your plan membership card

While you are a member of our plan, you must use your membership card whenever you get services covered by this plan. You should also show the provider your Medicaid card, if applicable. Here's a sample membership card to show you what yours will look like:





Do NOT use your red, white, and blue Medicare card for covered medical services while you are a member of this plan. If you use your Medicare card instead of your Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO Plan membership card, you may have to pay the full cost of medical services yourself. Keep your Medicare card in a safe place. You may be asked to show it if you need hospital services, hospice services, or

participate in routine research studies also called clinical trials.

If your plan membership card is damaged, lost, or stolen, call Member Services right away and we will send you a new card.

Section 3.2 Provider Directory

The *Provider Directory* lists our network providers and durable medical equipment suppliers. You are a member of our plan through our extended service area (ESA) feature. Aetna Medicare may or may not have a provider network where you live. **Network providers** are the doctors and other health care professionals, medical groups, durable medical equipment suppliers, hospitals, and other health care facilities that have an agreement with us to accept our payment and any plan cost-sharing as payment in full.

You can use in or out of network providers to get your medical care and services. Out of network providers must accept Medicare and bill the plan.

The most recent list of providers and suppliers is available on our website at CONY.AetnaMedicare.com.

If you don't have your copy of the *Provider Directory*, you can request a copy from Member Services.

SECTION 4 Your monthly costs for Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO Plan

Your costs may include the following:

Monthly Medicare Part B Premium (Section 4.1)

Medicare Part B premiums differ for people with different incomes. If you have questions about these premiums review your copy of *Medicare & You 2023* handbook, the section called "2023 Medicare Costs." If you need a copy you can download it from the Medicare website (www.medicare.gov). Or, you can order a printed copy by phone at 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. TTY users call 1-877-486-2048.

Section 4.1 Monthly Medicare Part B Premium

Many members are required to pay other Medicare premiums

You must continue paying your Medicare premiums to remain a member of the plan. This includes your premium for Part B. It may also include a premium for Part A which affects members who aren't eligible for premium free Part A.

SECTION 5 Keeping your plan membership record up to date

Your membership record has information from your enrollment form, including your address and telephone number. It shows your specific plan coverage including your Primary Care Provider/Medical Group/IPA. A Medical Group is a group of physicians and other health care providers under contract to provide services to members of our plan. An IPA, or Independent Practice Association, is an independent group of physicians and other health care providers under contract to provide services to members of our plan.

The doctors, hospitals, and other providers in the plan's network need to have correct information about you. These network providers use your membership record to know what services are covered and the cost-sharing amounts for you. Because of this, it is very important that you help us keep your information up to date.

Let us know about these changes:

- · Changes to your name, your address, or your phone number
- Changes in any other health insurance coverage you have (such as from your employer, your spouse's employer, workers' compensation, or Medicaid)
- If you have any liability claims, such as claims from an automobile accident
- · If you have been admitted to a nursing home
- If your designated responsible party (such as a caregiver) changes
- If you are participating in a clinical research study (**Note:** You are not required to tell your plan about the clinical research studies you intend to participate in but we encourage you to do so)

If any of this information changes, please let us know by calling Member Services.

It is also important to contact Social Security if you move or change your mailing address. You can find phone numbers and contact information for Social Security in Chapter 2, Section 5.

SECTION 6 How other insurance works with our plan

Other insurance

Medicare requires that we collect information from you about any other medical or drug insurance coverage that you have. That's because we must coordinate any other coverage you have with your benefits under our plan. This is called **Coordination of Benefits**.

Once each year, we will send you a letter that lists any other medical or drug insurance coverage that we know about. Please read over this information carefully. If it is correct, you don't need to do anything. If the information is incorrect, or if you have other coverage that is not listed, please call Member Services. You may need to give your plan member ID number to your other insurers (once you have confirmed their identity) so your bills are paid correctly and on time.

When you have other insurance (like employer group health coverage), there are rules set by Medicare that decide whether our plan or your other insurance pays first. The insurance that pays first is called the "primary payer" and pays up to the limits of its coverage. The one that pays second, called the "secondary payer," only pays if there are costs left uncovered by the primary coverage. The secondary payer may not pay all of the uncovered costs. If you have other insurance, tell your doctor, hospital, and pharmacy.

These rules apply for employer or union group health plan coverage:

- If you have retiree coverage, Medicare pays first.
- If your group health plan coverage is based on your or a family member's current employment, who pays first depends on your age, the number of people employed by your employer, and whether you have Medicare based on age, disability, or End-Stage Renal Disease (ESRD):
 - If you're under 65 and disabled and you or your family member is still working, your group health plan pays first if the employer has 100 or more employees or at least one employer in a multiple employer plan that has more than 100 employees.

- If you're over 65 and you or your spouse is still working, your group health plan pays first if the employer has 20 or more employees or at least one employer in a multiple employer plan that has more than 20 employees.
- If you have Medicare because of ESRD, your group health plan will pay first for the first 30 months after you become eligible for Medicare.

These types of coverage usually pay first for services related to each type:

- No-fault insurance (including automobile insurance)
- Liability (including automobile insurance)
- Black lung benefits
- Workers' compensation

Medicaid and TRICARE never pay first for Medicare-covered services. They only pay after Medicare, employer group health plans, and/or Medigap have paid.

CHAPTER 2:

Important phone numbers and resources

SECTION 1 Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO Plan contacts (how to contact us, including how to reach Member Services)

How to contact our plan's Member Services

For assistance with claims, billing, or member card questions, please call or write to Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO Plan Member Services. We will be happy to help you.

Method	Member Services - Contact Information
CALL	Please call 1-855-648-0389 Calls to this number are free. Hours of operation are 8 AM to 9 PM ET, Monday through Friday. Member Services also has free language interpreter services available for non-English speakers.
ттү	711 Calls to this number are free. Hours of operation are 8 AM to 9 PM ET, Monday through Friday.
FAX	1-866-474-4040
WRITE	Aetna Medicare PO Box 7082 London, KY 40742
WEBSITE	CONY.AetnaMedicare.com

How to contact us when you are asking for a coverage decision or appeal about your medical care A coverage decision is a decision we make about your benefits and coverage or about the amount we will pay for your medical services. An appeal is a formal way of asking us to review and change a coverage decision we have made. For more information on asking for coverage decisions about your medical care, see Chapter 7 (What to do if you have a problem or complaint (coverage decisions, appeals, complaints)).

Method	Coverage Decisions For Medical Care – Contact Information
CALL	Please call 1-855-648-0389 Calls to this number are free. Hours of operation are 8 AM to 9 PM ET, Monday through Friday.
ттү	711 Calls to this number are free. Hours of operation are 8 AM to 9 PM ET, Monday through Friday.
FAX	1-866-759-4415
WRITE	Aetna Medicare Precertification Unit PO Box 14079 Lexington, KY 40512
WEBSITE	CONY.AetnaMedicare.com
Method	Appeals For Medical Care – Contact Information
CALL	Please call 1-855-648-0389 Calls to this number are free. Hours of operation are 8 AM to 9 PM ET, Monday through Friday.
ттү	711 Calls to this number are free. Hours of operation are 8 AM to 9 PM ET, Monday through Friday.
FAX	Expedited appeals: 1-724-741-4958 Standard appeals: 1-724-741-4953
WRITE	Aetna Medicare Part C Appeals PO Box 14067
	Lexington, KY 40512

How to contact us when you are making a complaint about your medical care

You can make a complaint about us or one of our network providers, including a complaint about the quality of your care. This type of complaint does not involve coverage or payment disputes. For more information on making a complaint about your medical care, see Chapter 7 (What to do if you have a problem or complaint (coverage decisions, appeals, complaints)).

Method	Complaints About Medical Care – Contact Information
CALL	Please call 1-855-648-0389 Calls to this number are free. Hours of operation are 8 AM to 9 PM ET, Monday through Friday.
ттү	711 Calls to this number are free. Hours of operation are 8 AM to 9 PM ET, Monday through Friday.
FAX	1-724-741-4956
WRITE	Aetna Medicare Grievances PO Box 14834 Lexington, KY 40512
MEDICARE WEBSITE	You can submit a complaint about Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO Plan directly to Medicare. To submit an online complaint to Medicare, go to www.medicare.gov/MedicareComplaintForm/home.aspx .

Where to send a request asking us to pay for our share of the cost for medical care you have received If you have received a bill or paid for services (such as a provider bill) that you think we should pay for, you may need to ask us for reimbursement or to pay the provider bill, see Chapter 5 (Asking us to pay our share of a bill you have received for covered medical services).

Please note: If you send us a payment request and we deny any part of your request, you can appeal our decision. See Chapter 7 (What to do if you have a problem or complaint (coverage decisions, appeals, complaints)) for more information.

Method	Payment Requests for Medical Coverage – Contact Information
FAX	1-866-474-4040
WRITE	Aetna Medicare PO Box 981106 El Paso, TX 79998-1106
WEBSITE	CONY.AetnaMedicare.com

SECTION 2	Medicare (how to get help and information directly from the Federal Medicare
	program)

Medicare is the Federal health insurance program for people 65 years of age or older, some people under age 65 with disabilities, and people with End-Stage Renal Disease (permanent kidney failure requiring dialysis or a kidney transplant).

The Federal agency in charge of Medicare is the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (sometimes called "CMS"). This agency contracts with Medicare Advantage organizations including us.

Method	Medicare – Contact Information
CALL	1-800-MEDICARE, or 1-800-633-4227 Calls to this number are free. 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
TTY	1-877-486-2048 This number requires special telephone equipment and is only for people who have difficulties with hearing or speaking. Calls to this number are free.

www.medicare.gov

This is the official government website for Medicare. It gives you up-to-date information about Medicare and current Medicare issues. It also has information about hospitals, nursing homes, physicians, home health agencies, and dialysis facilities. It includes documents you can print directly from your computer. You can also find Medicare contacts in your state.

The Medicare website also has detailed information about your Medicare eligibility and enrollment options with the following tools:

- **Medicare Eligibility Tool:** Provides Medicare eligibility status information.
- Medicare Plan Finder: Provides personalized information about available Medicare prescription drug plans, Medicare health plans, and Medigap (Medicare Supplement Insurance) policies in your area. These tools provide an *estimate* of what your out-of-pocket costs might be in different Medicare plans.

WEBSITE

You can also use the website to tell Medicare about any complaints you have about Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO Plan:

 Tell Medicare about your complaint: You can submit a complaint about Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO Plan directly to Medicare. To submit a complaint to Medicare, go to www.medicare.gov/MedicareComplaintForm/home.aspx. Medicare takes your complaints seriously and will use this information to help improve the quality of the Medicare program.

If you don't have a computer, your local library or senior center may be able to help you visit this website using its computer. Or, you can call Medicare and tell them what information you are looking for. They will find the information on the website and review the information with you. (You can call Medicare at 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048.)

SECTION 3 State Health Insurance Assistance Program (free help, information, and answers to your questions about Medicare)

The State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) is a government program with trained counselors in every state. Refer to **Addendum A** at the back of this document for the name and contact information for the State Health Insurance Assistance Program in your state.

SHIP is an independent (not connected with any insurance company or health plan) state program that gets money from the Federal government to give free local health insurance counseling to people with Medicare.

SHIP counselors can help you understand your Medicare rights, help you make complaints about your medical care or treatment, and help you straighten out problems with your Medicare bills. SHIP counselors can also help you with Medicare plan choices and answer questions about switching plans.

METHOD TO ACCESS SHIP and OTHER RESOURCES

- Visit www.medicare.gov
- Click on "Talk to Someone" in the middle of the homepage
- · You now have the following options:
 - Option #1: You can have a live chat with a 1-800-MEDICARE representative
 - Option #2: You can select your **STATE** from the dropdown menu and click GO. This will take you to a page with phone numbers and resources specific to your state.

SECTION 4 Quality Improvement Organization

There is a designated Quality Improvement Organization for serving Medicare beneficiaries in each state. Refer to **Addendum A** at the back of this document for the name and contact information of the Quality Improvement Organization in your state.

The QIO has a group of doctors and other health care professionals who are paid by Medicare to check on and help improve the quality of care for people with Medicare. The QIO is an independent organization. It is not connected with our plan.

You should contact the QIO in any of these situations:

- You have a complaint about the quality of care you have received.
- · You think coverage for your hospital stay is ending too soon.
- You think coverage for your home health care, skilled nursing facility care, or Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facility (CORF) services are ending too soon.

SECTION 5 Social Security

Social Security is responsible for determining eligibility and handling enrollment for Medicare. U.S. citizens and lawful permanent residents who are 65 or older, or who have a disability or End-Stage Renal Disease and meet certain conditions, are eligible for Medicare. If you are already getting Social Security checks, enrollment into Medicare is automatic. If you are not getting Social Security checks, you have to enroll in Medicare. To apply for Medicare, you can call Social Security or visit your local Social Security office.

If you move or change your mailing address, it is important that you contact Social Security to let them know.

Method	Social Security - Contact Information
CALL	1-800-772-1213 Calls to this number are free. Available 8:00 am to 7:00 pm, Monday through Friday. You can use Social Security's automated telephone services to get recorded information and conduct some business 24 hours a day.
ТТҮ	1-800-325-0778 This number requires special telephone equipment and is only for people who have difficulties with hearing or speaking. Calls to this number are free. Available 8:00 am to 7:00 pm, Monday through Friday.
WEBSITE	www.ssa.gov

SECTION 6 Medicaid

Medicaid is a joint Federal and state government program that helps with medical costs for certain people with limited incomes and resources. Some people with Medicare are also eligible for Medicaid. The programs offered through Medicaid help people with Medicare pay their Medicare costs, such as their Medicare premiums. These "Medicare Savings Programs" include:

- Qualified Medicare Beneficiary (QMB): Helps pay Medicare Part A and Part B premiums, and other cost sharing (like deductibles, coinsurance, and copayments). (Some people with QMB are also eligible for full Medicaid benefits (QMB+).)
- Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiary (SLMB): Helps pay Part B premiums. (Some people with SLMB are also eligible for full Medicaid benefits (SLMB+).)
- Qualifying Individual (QI): Helps pay Part B premiums.
- Qualified Disabled & Working Individuals (QDWI): Helps pay Part A premiums.

To find out more about Medicaid and its programs, contact your state Medicaid agency. Refer to **Addendum A** at the back of this document for the name and contact information for the Medicaid agency in your state.

SECTION 7 How to contact the Railroad Retirement Board

The Railroad Retirement Board is an independent Federal agency that administers comprehensive benefit programs for the nation's railroad workers and their families. If you receive your Medicare through the Railroad Retirement Board, it is important that you let them know if you move or change your mailing address. If you have questions regarding your benefits from Railroad Retirement Board, contact the agency.

Method	Railroad Retirement Board – Contact Information
CALL	1-877-772-5772 Calls to this number are free. If you press "0," you may speak with an RRB representative from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, and from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm on Wednesday. If you press "1," you may access the automated RRB HelpLine and recorded information 24 hours a day, including weekends and holidays.
ТТҮ	1-312-751-4701 This number requires special telephone equipment and is only for people who have difficulties with hearing or speaking. Calls to this number are <i>not</i> free.
WEBSITE	<u>rrb.gov/</u>

SECTION 8 Do you have "group insurance" or other health insurance from another employer/union/trust?

Your Aetna coverage is provided through a contract with your former employer/union/trust. You (or your spouse) may also get medical coverage from another employer or retiree group. Call the benefits administrator if you have questions regarding coordination of your coverages. You can also call Aetna Member Services if you have any questions. You may also call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227; TTY: 1-877-486-2048) with questions related to your Medicare coverage under this plan.

If you have other prescription drug coverage through your (or your spouse's) employer or retiree group, please contact **that group's benefits administrator**. The benefits administrator can help you determine how your current prescription drug coverage will work with our plan.

CHAPTER 3: Using the plan for your medical services

SECTION 1 Things to know about getting your medical care as a member of our plan

This chapter explains what you need to know about using the plan to get your medical care covered. It gives definitions of terms and explains the rules you will need to follow to get the medical treatments, services, equipment, prescription drugs, and other medical care that are covered by the plan.

For the details on what medical care is covered by our plan and how much you pay when you get this care, use the Schedule of Cost Sharing. It's described in the next chapter, Chapter 4 (Medical Benefits Chart, what is covered and what you pay).

Section 1.1 What are "network providers" and "covered services"?

- "Providers" are doctors and other health care professionals licensed by the state to provide medical services and care. The term "providers" also includes hospitals and other health care facilities.
- "Network providers" are the doctors and other health care professionals, medical groups,
 hospitals, and other health care facilities that have an agreement with us to accept our payment and
 your cost-sharing amount as payment in full. We have arranged for these providers to deliver
 covered services to members in our plan. The providers in our network bill us directly for care they
 give you. When you see a network provider, you pay only your share of the cost for their services.
- "Covered services" include all the medical care, health care services, supplies, and equipment that are covered by our plan. Your covered services for medical care are listed in the Schedule of Cost Sharing.

Section 1.2 Basic rules for getting your medical care covered by the plan

As a Medicare health plan, Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO Plan must cover all services covered by Original Medicare and must follow Original Medicare's coverage rules.

Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO Plan will generally cover your medical care as long as:

- The care you receive is included in the plan's *Schedule of Cost Sharing* (this chart is provided by mail).
- The care you receive is considered medically necessary. "Medically necessary" means that the services, supplies, equipment, or drugs are needed for the prevention, diagnosis, or treatment of your medical condition and meet accepted standards of medical practice.
- You receive your care from a provider who is eligible to provide services under Original Medicare. As a member of our plan, you can receive your care from either a network provider or an out-of-network provider (for more about this, see Section 2 in this chapter).
 - The providers in our network are listed in the *Provider Directory*.
 - Please note: While you can get your care from an out-of-network provider, the provider must be eligible to participate in Medicare. Except for emergency care, we cannot pay a provider who is not eligible to participate in Medicare. If you go to a provider who is not eligible to participate in Medicare, you will be responsible for the full cost of the services you receive. Check with your provider before receiving services to confirm that they are eligible to participate in Medicare.

SECTION 2	Using network and out-of-network providers to get your medical care
	You may choose a Primary Care Provider (PCP) to provide and oversee your
Section 2.1	medical care

What is a "PCP" and what does the PCP do for you?

As a member of our plan, you do not have to choose a network PCP; however, we strongly encourage you to choose a PCP and let us know who you chose. Your PCP can help you stay healthy, treat illnesses and coordinate your care with other health care providers. If you choose a network PCP, they will appear on your member ID card. If your member ID card does not show a PCP (or PCP office) or the one you want to use, please contact us so we can update our files.

Depending on where you live, the following types of providers may act as a PCP:

- General Practitioner
- Internist
- Family Practitioner
- Geriatrician
- Physician Assistants (Not available in all states)
- Nurse Practitioners (Not available in all states)

Please refer to your *Provider Directory* or go to our website at <u>CONY.AetnaMedicare.com</u> for a complete listing of PCPs in your area.

What is the role of a PCP in coordinating covered services?

Your PCP will provide most of your care, and when you need more specialized services, they will coordinate your care with other providers. They will help you find a specialist and will arrange for covered services you get as a member of our plan. Some of the services that the PCP will coordinate include:

- x-rays
- · laboratory tests
- therapies
- · care from doctors who are specialists
- · hospital admissions

"Coordinating" your services includes consulting with other plan providers about your care and how it is progressing. Since your PCP will provide and coordinate most of your medical care, we recommend that you have your past medical records sent to your PCP's office.

What is the role of the PCP in making decisions about or obtaining prior authorization (PA), if applicable?

In some cases, your PCP or other provider, or you as the enrollee (member) of the plan may need to get approval in advance from our Medical Management Department for certain types of services or tests (this is called getting "prior authorization"). Obtaining prior authorization is the responsibility of the PCP,

treating provider, or you as the member. Services and items requiring prior authorization are listed in the *Schedule of Cost Sharing*.

How do you choose your PCP?

You can select your PCP by using the *Provider Directory*, by accessing our website at <u>CONY.AetnaMedicare.com</u>, or getting help from Member Services. You can change your PCP for any reason, at any time by contacting Member Services.

Changing your PCP

You may change your PCP for any reason, at any time. Also, it's possible that your PCP might leave our plan's network of providers and you would have to find a new PCP. Contact us immediately if your member ID card does not show the PCP you want to use. We will update your file and send you a new member ID card to reflect the change in PCP.

To change your PCP, call Member Services **before** you set up an appointment with a new PCP. When you call, be sure to tell Member Services if you are seeing specialists or currently getting other covered services that were coordinated by your PCP (such as home health services and durable medical equipment). They will check to see if the PCP you want to switch to is accepting new patients. Member Services will change your membership record to show the name of your new PCP, let you know the effective date of your change request, and answer your questions about the change.

They will also send you a new membership card that shows the name and/or phone number of your new PCP.

Section 2.2 How to get care from specialists and other network providers

A specialist is a doctor who provides health care services for a specific disease or part of the body. There are many kinds of specialists. Here are a few examples:

- · Oncologists care for patients with cancer.
- · Cardiologists care for patients with heart conditions.
- Orthopedists care for patients with certain bone, joint, or muscle conditions.

What is the role of the PCP in referring members to specialists and other providers?

If you choose to select a PCP, your PCP will provide most of your care and will help arrange or coordinate the rest of the covered services you get as a plan member. Your PCP may refer you to a specialist, but you can go to any specialists in our network without a referral.

Prior authorization process

In some cases, your PCP or other provider, or you as an enrollee (member) of the plan, may need to get approval in advance from our Medical Management Department for certain types of services or tests that you receive in-network (this is called getting "prior authorization"). Obtaining prior authorization is the responsibility of the PCP or the treating provider. Services and items requiring prior authorization are listed in the *Schedule of Cost Sharing*.

Prior authorization is not required for covered services received out-of-network; however, if we later determine that the services you received were not covered or were not medically necessary, we may deny

coverage and you will be responsible for the entire cost. You or your doctor may ask for a pre-visit coverage decision to confirm that the services you are getting are covered and are medically necessary by calling Member Services.

What if a specialist or another network provider leaves our plan?

It is important that you know that we may make changes to the hospitals, doctors and specialists (providers) that are part of your plan during the year. If your doctor or specialist leaves your plan you have certain rights and protections summarized below:

- You can continue to see the provider out of network if they participate in Medicare and will accept the plan.
- Even though our network of providers may change during the year, Medicare requires that we furnish you with uninterrupted access to qualified doctors and specialists.
- We will make a good faith effort to provide you with at least 30 days' notice that your provider is leaving our plan so that you have time to select a new provider.
- We will assist you in selecting a new qualified provider to continue managing your health care needs
- If you are undergoing medical treatment you have the right to request, and we will work with you to ensure, that the medically necessary treatment you are receiving is not interrupted.
- If our network does not have a qualified specialist for a plan-covered service, we must cover that service at in-network cost sharing. A prior authorization may be required in this situation.
- If you find out your doctor or specialist is leaving your plan, please contact us so we can assist you in finding a new provider to manage your care.
- If you believe we have not furnished you with a qualified provider to replace your previous provider or that your care is not being appropriately managed, you have the right to file a quality of care complaint to the QIO, a quality of care grievance to the plan, or both. Please see Chapter 7.

Section 2.3 How to get care from out-of-network providers

As a member of our plan, you can choose to receive care from out-of-network providers. However, please note providers that do not contract with us are under no obligation to treat you, except in emergency situations. Our plan will cover services from either in-network or out-of-network providers, as long as the services are covered benefits and are medically necessary. Here are other important things to know about using out-of-network providers:

- You can get your care from an out-of-network provider; however, in most cases that provider must be eligible to participate in Medicare. Except for emergency care, we cannot pay a provider who is not eligible to participate in Medicare. If you receive care from a provider who is not eligible to participate in Medicare, you will be responsible for the full cost of the services you receive. Check with your provider before receiving services to confirm that they are eligible to participate in Medicare.
- You don't need to get a referral or prior authorization when you get care from out-of-network
 providers. However, before getting services from out-of-network providers you may want to ask for
 a pre-visit coverage decision to confirm that the services you are getting are covered and are
 medically necessary. (See Chapter 7, Section 4 for information about asking for coverage decisions.)
 This is important because:
 - Without a pre-visit coverage decision, if we later determine that the services are not covered

or were not medically necessary, we may deny coverage and you will be responsible for the entire cost. If we say we will not cover your services, you have the right to appeal our decision not to cover your care. See Chapter 7 (What to do if you have a problem or complaint) to learn how to make an appeal.

- It is best to ask an out-of-network provider to bill the plan first. But, if you have already paid for the covered services, we will reimburse you for our share of the cost for covered services. Or if an out-of-network provider sends you a bill that you think we should pay, you can send it to us for payment. See Chapter 5 (Asking us to pay our share of a bill you have received for covered medical services) for information about what to do if you receive a bill or if you need to ask for reimbursement.
- As a member of our plan, you may use network providers or out-of-network providers for all covered medical services at the same member cost-sharing amount. Our plan will cover services from either in-network or out-of-network providers, as long as the services are covered benefits and medically necessary. If you don't have your copy of the *Provider Directory*, and you reside in a network service area, you can request a copy from Member Services. A listing of network service areas is available in **Addendum B** at the back of this booklet. If you do not reside in a network service area, but you will be visiting a network service area in the future, you may still request a directory from us.

SECTION 3 How to get services when you have an emergency or urgent need for care or during a disaster

Section 3.1 Getting care if you have a medical emergency

What is a "medical emergency" and what should you do if you have one?

A "medical emergency" is when you, or any other prudent layperson with an average knowledge of health and medicine, believe that you have medical symptoms that require immediate medical attention to prevent your loss of life (and, if you are a pregnant woman, loss of an unborn child), loss of a limb or function of a limb, or loss of or serious impairment to a bodily function. The medical symptoms may be an illness, injury, severe pain, or a medical condition that is quickly getting worse.

If you have a medical emergency:

• **Get help as quickly as possible.** Call 911 for help or go to the nearest emergency room or hospital. Call for an ambulance if you need it. You do *not* need to get approval or a referral first from your PCP. You do not need to use a network doctor. You may get covered emergency medical care wherever you need it, anywhere in the United States or its territories, and from any provider with an appropriate state license even if they are not part of our network.

Our plan covers worldwide services outside of the United States under the following circumstances:

- Emergency care
- Urgently needed care
- Emergency ambulance transportation from the scene of an emergency to the nearest medical treatment facility

Transportation back to the United States from another country is not covered. Pre-scheduled and/or

elective procedures are not covered. See the *Schedule of Cost Sharing* for more information. Be sure to get a copy of all your medical records from your emergency or urgent care provider before you leave; you may need them to file a claim or to help with claims processing. Without these records we may not be able to pay your claim.

• As soon as possible, make sure that our plan has been told about your emergency. We need to follow up on your emergency care. You or someone else should call to tell us about your emergency care, usually within 48 hours. Please call Member Services (phone numbers are printed on your member ID card).

What is covered if you have a medical emergency?

Our plan covers ambulance services in situations where getting to the emergency room in any other way could endanger your health. We also cover medical services during the emergency.

The doctors who are giving you emergency care will decide when your condition is stable and the medical emergency is over.

After the emergency is over, you are entitled to follow-up care to be sure your condition continues to be stable. Your doctors will continue to treat you until your doctors contact us and make plans for additional care. Your follow-up care will be covered by our plan.

What if it wasn't a medical emergency?

Sometimes it can be hard to know if you have a medical emergency. For example, you might go in for emergency care – thinking that your health is in serious danger – and the doctor may say that it wasn't a medical emergency after all. If it turns out that it was not an emergency, as long as you reasonably thought your health was in serious danger, we will cover your care.

In addition, after the doctor has said that it was *not* an emergency, the amount of cost sharing that you pay will be the same whether you get the care from network providers or out-of-network providers.

Section 3.2 Getting care when you have an urgent need for services

What are "urgently needed services"?

An urgently needed service is a non-emergency situation requiring immediate medical care but given your circumstances, it is not possible or not reasonable to obtain these services from a network provider. The plan must cover urgently needed services provided out of network. Some examples of urgently needed services are i) a severe sore throat that occurs over the weekend or ii) an unforeseen flare-up of a known condition when you are temporarily outside the service area.

If you need to locate an urgent care facility, you can find an in-network urgent care center near you by using the *Provider Directory*, going to our website at <u>CONY.AetnaMedicare.com</u>, or getting help from Member Services.

Our plan covers worldwide emergency and urgent care services outside of the United States under the following circumstances:

- · Emergency care
- Urgently needed care
- Emergency ambulance transportation from the scene of an emergency to the nearest medical treatment facility

Transportation back to the United States from another country is not covered. Pre-scheduled and/or elective procedures are not covered. See the *Schedule of Cost Sharing* for more information. Be sure to get a copy of all your medical records from your emergency or urgent care provider before you leave; you may need them to file a claim or to help with claims processing. Without these records we may not be able to pay your claim.

Section 3.3 Getting care during a disaster

If the Governor of your state, the U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services, or the President of the United States declares a state of disaster or emergency in your geographic area, you are still entitled to care from your plan.

Please visit the following website: <u>CONY.AetnaMedicare.com</u> for information on how to obtain needed care during a disaster.

SECTION 4 What if you are billed directly for the full cost of your covered services?

Section 4.1 You can ask us to pay our share of the cost of covered services

If you have paid more than your plan cost-sharing for covered services, or if you have received a bill for the full cost of covered medical services, go to Chapter 5 (Asking us to pay our share of a bill you have received for covered medical services) for information about what to do.

Section 4.2 If services are not covered by our plan, you must pay the full cost

Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO Plan covers all medically necessary services as listed in the *Schedule of Cost Sharing*. If you receive services not covered by our plan, you are responsible for paying the full cost of services.

For covered services that have a benefit limitation, you also pay the full cost of any services you get after you have used up your benefit for that type of covered service. Any amounts you pay for services after a benefit limit has been reached do not count toward your out-of-pocket maximum. You can call Member Services when you want to know how much of your benefit limit you have already used.

SECTION 5 How are your medical services covered when you are in a "clinical research study"?

Section 5.1 What is a "clinical research study"?

A clinical research study (also called a "clinical trial") is a way that doctors and scientists test new types of

medical care, like how well a new cancer drug works. Certain clinical research studies are approved by Medicare. Clinical research studies approved by Medicare typically request volunteers to participate in the study.

Once Medicare approves the study, and you express interest, someone who works on the study will contact you to explain more about the study and see if you meet the requirements set by the scientists who are running the study. You can participate in the study as long as you meet the requirements for the study and you have a full understanding and acceptance of what is involved if you participate in the study.

If you participate in a Medicare-approved study, Original Medicare pays most of the costs for the covered services you receive as part of the study. If you tell us that you are in a qualified clinical trial, then you are only responsible for the in-network cost sharing for the services in that trial. If you paid more, for example, if you already paid the Original Medicare cost sharing amount, we will reimburse the difference between what you paid and the in-network cost sharing. However, you will need to provide documentation to show us how much you paid. When you are in a clinical research study, you may stay enrolled in our plan and continue to get the rest of your care (the care that is not related to the study) through our plan.

If you want to participate in a Medicare-approved clinical research study, you do *not* need to tell us or to get approval from us or your PCP. The providers that deliver your care as part of the clinical research study do *not* need to be part of our plan's network of providers.

Although you do not need to get our plan's permission to be in a clinical research study, we encourage you to notify us in advance when you choose to participate in Medicare-qualified clinical trials.

If you participate in a study that Medicare has not approved, you will be responsible for paying all costs for your participation in the study.

Section 5.2 When you participate in a clinical research study, who pays for what?

Once you join a Medicare-approved clinical research study, Original Medicare covers the routine items and services you receive as part of the study, including:

- Room and board for a hospital stay that Medicare would pay for even if you weren't in a study.
- An operation or other medical procedure if it is part of the research study.
- Treatment of side effects and complications of the new care.

After Medicare has paid its share of the cost for these services, our plan will pay the difference between the cost sharing in Original Medicare and your in-network cost sharing as a member of our plan. This means you will pay the same amount for the services you receive as part of the study as you would if you received these services from our plan. However, you are required to submit documentation showing how much cost sharing you paid. Please see Chapter 5 for more information for submitting requests for payments.

Here's an example of how the cost sharing works: Let's say that you have a lab test that costs \$100 as part of the research study. Let's also say that your share of the costs for this test is \$20 under Original Medicare, but the test would be \$10 under our plan's benefits. In this case, Original Medicare would pay \$80 for the test and you would pay the \$20 copay required under Original Medicare. You would then notify your plan that you received a qualified clinical trial service and submit documentation, such as a provider bill, to the plan. The plan would then directly pay you \$10.

Therefore, your net payment is \$10, the same amount you would pay under our plan's benefits. Please note that in order to receive payment from your plan, you must submit documentation to your plan, such as a provider bill.

When you are part of a clinical research study, **neither Medicare nor our plan will pay for any of the following:**

- Generally, Medicare will *not* pay for the new item or service that the study is testing unless Medicare would cover the item or service even if you were *not* in a study.
- Items or services provided only to collect data, and not used in your direct health care. For example, Medicare would not pay for monthly CT scans done as part of the study if your medical condition would normally require only one CT scan.

Do you want to know more?

You can get more information about joining a clinical research study by visiting the Medicare website to read or download the publication "Medicare and Clinical Research Studies." (The publication is available at www.medicare.gov/Pubs/pdf/02226-Medicare-and-Clinical-Research-Studies.pdf.) You can also call 1-800-633-4227), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048.

SECTION 6 Rules for getting care in a "religious non-medical health care institution"

Section 6.1 What is a religious non-medical health care institution?

A religious non-medical health care institution is a facility that provides care for a condition that would ordinarily be treated in a hospital or skilled nursing facility. If getting care in a hospital or a skilled nursing facility is against a member's religious beliefs, we will instead provide coverage for care in a religious non-medical health care institution. This benefit is provided only for Part A inpatient services (non-medical health care services).

Section 6.2 Receiving Care from a Religious Non-Medical Health Care Institution

To get care from a religious non-medical health care institution, you must sign a legal document that says you are conscientiously opposed to getting medical treatment that is "non-excepted."

- "Non-excepted" medical care or treatment is any medical care or treatment that is *voluntary* and *not required* by any federal, state, or local law.
- "Excepted" medical treatment is medical care or treatment that you get that is *not* voluntary or *is* required under federal, state, or local law.

To be covered by our plan, the care you get from a religious non-medical health care institution must meet the following conditions:

- The facility providing the care must be certified by Medicare.
- Our plan's coverage of services you receive is limited to non-religious aspects of care.
- If you get services from this institution that are provided to you in a facility, the following conditions

apply:

- You must have a medical condition that would allow you to receive covered services for inpatient hospital care or skilled nursing facility care.
- and you must get approval in advance from our plan before you are admitted to the facility
 or your stay will not be covered.

Medicare Inpatient Hospital coverage limits may apply. See the Schedule of Cost Sharing.

SECTION 7 Rules for ownership of durable medical equipment Section 7.1 Will you own the durable medical equipment after making a certain number of payments under our plan?

Durable medical equipment (DME) includes items such as oxygen equipment and supplies, wheelchairs, walkers, powered mattress systems, crutches, diabetic supplies, speech generating devices, IV infusion pumps, nebulizers, and hospital beds ordered by a provider for use in the home. The member always owns certain items, such as prosthetics. In this section, we discuss other types of DME that you must rent.

In Original Medicare, people who rent certain types of DME own the equipment after paying copayments for the item for 13 months. As a member of Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO Plan we will transfer ownership of certain DME items. Call Member Services to find out about the requirements you must meet and the documentation you need to provide.

What happens to payments you made for durable medical equipment if you switch to Original Medicare?

If you did not acquire ownership of the DME item while in our plan, you will have to make 13 new consecutive payments after you switch to Original Medicare in order to own the item. The payments made while enrolled in your plan do not count.

Example 1: You made 12 or fewer consecutive payments for the item in Original Medicare and then joined our plan. The payments you made in Original Medicare do not count.

Example 2: You made 12 or fewer consecutive payments for the item in Original Medicare and then joined our plan. You were in our plan but did not obtain ownership while in our plan. You then go back to Original Medicare. You will have to make 13 consecutive new payments to own the item once you join Original Medicare again. All previous payments (whether to our plan or to Original Medicare) do not count.

Section 7.2 Rules for oxygen equipment, supplies, and maintenance

What oxygen benefits are you entitled to?

If you qualify for Medicare oxygen equipment coverage, Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO Plan will cover:

- Rental of oxygen equipment
- Delivery of oxygen and oxygen contents
- Tubing and related oxygen accessories for the delivery of oxygen and oxygen contents
- · Maintenance and repairs of oxygen equipment

If you leave Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO Plan or no longer medically require oxygen equipment, then the oxygen equipment must be returned.

What happens if you leave your plan and return to Original Medicare?

Original Medicare requires an oxygen supplier to provide you services for five years. During the first 36 months you rent the equipment. The remaining 24 months the supplier provides the equipment and maintenance (you are still responsible for the copayment for oxygen). After five years you may choose to stay with the same company or go to another company. At this point, the five-year cycle begins again, even if you remain with the same company, requiring you to pay copayments for the first 36 months. If you join or leave our plan, the five-year cycle starts over.

CHAPTER 4:

Medical Benefits Chart (what is covered and what you pay)

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SECTION 1 Understanding your out-of-pocket costs for covered services

This chapter provides a Medical Benefits Chart (*Schedule of Cost Sharing*) that lists your covered services and shows how much you will pay for each covered service as a member of Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO Plan. Later in this chapter, you can find information about medical services that are not covered. It also explains limits on certain services.

Section 1.1 Types of out-of-pocket costs you may pay for your covered services

To understand the payment information we give you in this chapter, you need to know about the types of out-of-pocket costs you may pay for your covered services.

- The "deductible" is the amount you must pay for medical services before our plan begins to pay its share. (Section 1.2 and the Schedule of Cost Sharing tell you more about your plan deductible.)
- A "copayment" is the fixed amount you pay each time you receive certain medical services. You pay a copayment at the time you get the medical service. (The Schedule of Cost Sharing tells you more about your copayments.)
- "Coinsurance" is the percentage you pay of the total cost of certain medical services. You pay a coinsurance at the time you get the medical service. (The Schedule of Cost Sharing tells you more about your coinsurance.)

Most people who qualify for Medicaid or for the Qualified Medicare Beneficiary (QMB) program should never pay deductibles, copayments or coinsurance. Be sure to show your proof of Medicaid or QMB eligibility to your provider, if applicable.

Section 1.2 What is your plan deductible?

Your deductible (if applicable) is shown in the *Schedule of Cost Sharing*. Until you have paid the deductible amount, you must pay the full cost for most of your covered services. Once you have paid your deductible, we will begin to pay our share of the costs for covered medical services and you will pay your share (your copayment or coinsurance amount) for the rest of the calendar year.

The deductible does not apply to some services, including certain in-network preventive services. This means that we will pay our share of the costs for these services even if you haven't paid your deductible yet. Refer to the *Schedule of Cost Sharing* for a full list of services that are not subject to the plan deductible.

Section 1.3 What is the most you will pay for covered medical services?

Under our plan, there shown in the Schedule of Cost Sharing.

Your combined maximum out-of-pocket amount is listed in the Schedule of Cost Sharing. This is
the most you pay during the calendar year for covered plan services received from both in-network
and out-of-network providers. The amounts you pay for deductibles (if applicable), copayments, and
coinsurance for covered services count toward this combined maximum out-of-pocket amount.
(The amounts you pay for your plan premiums (if applicable) do not count toward your combined
maximum out-of-pocket amount. In addition, amounts you pay for some services do not count

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toward your combined maximum out-of-pocket amount. These services are marked with an asterisk in the *Schedule of Cost Sharing*.) If you have paid the combined maximum out-of-pocket amount listed in the *Schedule of Cost Sharing* for covered services, you will have 100% coverage and will not have any out-of-pocket costs for the rest of the year for covered services. However, you must continue to pay your plan premium (if applicable) and the Medicare Part B premium (unless your Part B premium is paid for you by Medicaid or another third party).

Section 1.4 Our plan does not allow providers to "balance bill" you

As a member of Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO Plan, an important protection for you is that after you meet any deductibles (if applicable), you only have to pay your cost-sharing amount when you get services covered by our plan. Providers may not add additional separate charges, called "balance billing." This protection applies even if we pay the provider less than the provider charges for a service and even if there is a dispute and we don't pay certain provider charges.

Here is how this protection works.

- If your cost sharing is a copayment (a set amount of dollars, for example, \$15.00), then you pay only that amount for any covered services from a network provider.
- If your cost sharing is a coinsurance (a percentage of the total charges), then you never pay more than that percentage. However, your cost depends on which type of provider you see:
 - If you receive the covered services from a network provider, you pay the coinsurance percentage multiplied by the plan's reimbursement rate (as determined in the contract between the provider and the plan).
 - If you receive the covered services from an out-of-network provider who participates with Medicare, you pay the coinsurance percentage multiplied by the Medicare payment rate for participating providers.
 - If you receive the covered services from an out-of-network provider who does not participate with Medicare, you pay the coinsurance percentage multiplied by the Medicare payment rate for non-participating providers.
- If you believe a provider has "balance billed" you, call Member Services.

SECTION 2 Use the *Schedule of Cost Sharing* to find out what is covered and how much you will pay

Section 2.1 Your medical benefits and costs as a member of the plan

The Schedule of Cost Sharing lists the services Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO Plan covers and what you pay out-of-pocket for each service. The services listed in the Schedule of Cost Sharing are covered only when the following coverage requirements are met:

- Your Medicare covered services must be provided according to the coverage guidelines established by Medicare.
- Your services (including medical care, services, supplies, equipment, and Part B prescription drugs) must be medically necessary. "Medically necessary" means that the services, supplies, or drugs are

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- needed for the prevention, diagnosis, or treatment of your medical condition and meet accepted standards of medical practice.
- Some of the services listed in the *Schedule of Cost Sharing* are covered as in-network services *only* if your doctor or other network provider gets approval in advance (sometimes called "prior authorization") from Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO Plan.
 - Covered services that need approval in advance to be covered as in-network services are marked by a note in the *Schedule of Cost Sharing*.
 - You never need approval in advance for out-of-network services from out-of-network providers.
- While you don't need approval in advance for out-of-network services, you or your doctor can ask us to make a coverage decision in advance.

Other important things to know about our coverage:

- For benefits where your cost sharing is a coinsurance percentage, the amount you pay depends on what type of provider you receive the services from:
 - If you receive the covered services from a network provider, you pay the coinsurance percentage multiplied by the plan's reimbursement rate (as determined in the contract between the provider and the plan).
 - If you receive the covered services from an out-of-network provider who participates with Medicare, you pay the coinsurance percentage multiplied by the Medicare payment rate for participating providers.
 - If you receive the covered services from an out-of-network provider who does not participate with Medicare, you pay the coinsurance percentage multiplied by the Medicare payment rate for non-participating providers.
- Like all Medicare health plans, we cover everything that Original Medicare covers. For some of these benefits, you may pay more in our plan than you would in Original Medicare. For others, you may pay less. (If you want to know more about the coverage and costs of Original Medicare, look in your Medicare & You 2023 handbook. View it online at www.medicare.gov or ask for a copy by calling 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048.)
- For all preventive services that are covered at no cost under Original Medicare, we also cover the service at no cost to you. However, if you also are treated or monitored for an existing medical condition during the visit when you receive the preventive service, a copayment will apply for the care received for the existing medical condition.
- If Medicare adds coverage for any new services during 2023, either Medicare or our plan will cover those services.

SECTION 3 What services are not covered by the plan?

Section 3.1 Services we do *not* cover (exclusions)

This section tells you what services are "excluded" from Medicare coverage and therefore, are not covered by this plan.

The chart below lists services and items that either are not covered under any condition or are covered only under specific conditions.

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If you get services that are excluded (not covered), you must pay for them yourself except under the specific conditions listed below. Even if you receive the excluded services at an emergency facility, the excluded services are still not covered and our plan will not pay for them. The only exception is if the service is appealed and decided upon appeal to be a medical service that we should have paid for or covered because of your specific situation. (For information about appealing a decision we have made to not cover a medical service, go to Chapter 7, Section 5.3 in this document.)

Services not covered by Medicare	Not covered under any condition	Covered only under specific conditions
Acupuncture		Available for people with chronic low back pain under certain circumstances. Additional coverage may be provided by your former employer/union/trust. See
		your Schedule of Cost Sharing.
Cosmetic surgery or procedures		 Covered in cases of an accidental injury or for improvement of the functioning of a malformed body member. Covered for all stages of reconstruction for a breast after a mastectomy, as well as for the unaffected breast to produce a symmetrical appearance.
Custodial care	✓	
Custodial care is personal care that does not require the continuing attention of trained medical or paramedical personnel, such as care that helps you with activities of daily living, such as bathing or dressing.		

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Services not covered by Medicare	Not covered under any condition	Covered only under specific conditions
Experimental medical and surgical procedures, equipment and medications. Experimental procedures and items are those items and procedures determined by our plan and Original Medicare to not be generally accepted by the medical community.		May be covered by Original Medicare under a Medicare-approved clinical research study or by our plan. (See Chapter 3, Section 5 for more information on clinical research studies.)
Fees charged for care by your immediate relatives or members of your household.	✓	
Full-time nursing care in your home.	✓	
Home-delivered meals		Some coverage may be provided by your former employer/union/trust. See your Schedule of Cost Sharing.
Homemaker services include basic household assistance, including light housekeeping or light meal preparation.		Some coverage may be provided by your former employer/union/trust. See your Schedule of Cost Sharing.
Naturopath services (uses natural or alternative treatments).	✓	
Non-routine dental care		Dental care required to treat illness or injury may be covered as inpatient or outpatient care.
Orthopedic shoes or supportive devices for the feet		Shoes that are part of a leg brace and are included in the cost of the brace. Orthopedic or therapeutic shoes for people with diabetic foot disease. Additional coverage may be provided by your former
		employer/union/trust. See your Schedule of Cost Sharing.
Personal items in your room at a hospital or a skilled nursing facility, such as a telephone or a television.	✓	
Private room in a hospital.		Covered only when medically necessary.

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Services not covered by Medicare	Not covered under any condition	Covered only under specific conditions
Reversal of sterilization procedures and or non-prescription contraceptive supplies.	✓	
Routine chiropractic care		Manual manipulation of the spine to correct a subluxation is covered.
		Additional coverage may be provided by your former employer/union/trust. See your Schedule of Cost Sharing.
Routine dental care, such as cleanings, fillings or dentures.	es, and s, or	Coverage may be provided by your former employer/union/trust. See your Schedule of Cost Sharing.
Routine eye examinations, eyeglasses, radial keratotomy, LASIK surgery, and other low vision aids.		Eye exam and one pair of eyeglasses (or contact lenses) are covered for people after cataract surgery.
		Additional coverage may be provided by your former employer/union/trust. See your Schedule of Cost Sharing.
Routine foot care		Some limited coverage provided according to Medicare guidelines (e.g., if you have diabetes).
		Additional coverage may be provided by your former employer/union/trust. See your Schedule of Cost Sharing.
Routine hearing exams, hearing aids, or exams to fit hearing aids.		Some coverage may be provided by your former employer/union/trust. See your Schedule of Cost Sharing.
Services considered not reasonable and necessary, according to Original Medicare standards	✓	

CHAPTER 5:

Asking us to pay our share of a bill you have received for covered medical services

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SECTION 1 Situations in which you should ask us to pay our share of the cost of your covered services

Sometimes when you get medical care, you may need to pay the full cost. Other times, you may find that you have paid more than you expected under the coverage rules of the plan. Or you may receive a bill from a provider. In these cases, you can ask our plan to pay you back (paying you back is often called "reimbursing" you). It is your right to be paid back by our plan whenever you've paid more than your share of the cost for medical services that are covered by our plan. There may be deadlines that you must meet to get paid back. Please see Section 2 of this chapter.

There may also be times when you get a bill from a provider for the full cost of medical care you have received or possibly for more than your share of cost sharing as discussed in the document. First try to resolve the bill with the provider. If that does not work, send the bill to us instead of paying it. We will look at the bill and decide whether the services should be covered. If we decide they should be covered, we will pay the provider directly. If we decide not to pay it, we will notify the provider. You should never pay more than plan-allowed cost-sharing. If this provider is contracted you still have the right to treatment.

Here are examples of situations in which you may need to ask our plan to pay you back or to pay a bill you have received:

1. When you've received medical care from a provider who is not in our plan's network

When you received care from a provider who is not part of our network, you are only responsible for paying your share of the cost, not for the entire cost. Ask the provider to bill the plan for our share of the cost.

- If you pay the entire amount yourself at the time you receive the care, ask us to pay you back for our share of the cost. Send us the bill, along with documentation of any payments you have made.
- You may get a bill from the provider asking for payment that you think you do not owe. Send us this bill, along with documentation of any payments you have already made.
 - If the provider is owed anything, we will pay the provider directly.
 - If you have already paid more than your share of the cost of the service, we will determine how much you owed and pay you back for our share of the cost.
- Please note: While you can get your care from an out-of-network provider, the provider must be eligible to participate in Medicare. Except for emergency care, we cannot pay a provider who is not eligible to participate in Medicare. If the provider is not eligible to participate in Medicare, you will be responsible for the full cost of the services you receive.

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2. When a network provider sends you a bill you think you should not pay

Network providers should always bill the plan directly, and ask you only for your share of the cost. But sometimes they make mistakes, and ask you to pay more than your share.

- You only have to pay your cost-sharing amount when you get services covered by our plan. We
 do not allow providers to add additional separate charges, called "balance billing." This
 protection (that you never pay more than your cost-sharing amount) applies even if we pay the
 provider less than the provider charges for a service and even if there is a dispute and we don't
 pay certain provider charges.
- Whenever you get a bill from a network provider that you think is more than you should pay, send us the bill. We will contact the provider directly and resolve the billing problem.
- If you have already paid a bill to a network provider, but you feel that you paid too much, send us the bill along with documentation of any payment you have made and ask us to pay you back the difference between the amount you paid and the amount you owed under the plan.

3. If you are retroactively enrolled in our plan

Sometimes a person's enrollment in the plan is retroactive. (This means that the first day of their enrollment has already passed. The enrollment date may even have occurred last year.)

If you were retroactively enrolled in our plan and you paid out-of-pocket for any of your covered services after your enrollment date, you can ask us to pay you back for our share of the costs. You will need to submit paperwork such as receipts and bills for us to handle the reimbursement.

All of the examples above are types of coverage decisions. This means that if we deny your request for payment, you can appeal our decision. Chapter 7 of this document has information about how to make an appeal.

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You may request us to pay you back by sending us a request in writing. If you send a request in writing, send a fully itemized bill and documentation of any payment you have made. It's a good idea to make a copy of your bill and receipts for your records.

To make sure you are giving us all the information we need to make a decision, you can fill out our claim form to make your request for payment.

- You don't have to use the form, but it will help us process the information faster.
- Either download a copy of the form from our website (<u>CONY.AetnaMedicare.com</u>) or call Member Services and ask for the form.

For medical claims: Mail your request for payment together with any bills or paid receipts to us at this address:

Aetna Medicare PO Box 981106 El Paso, TX 79998-1106

You must submit your medical claims to us within 12 months of the date you received the service, item, or Part B drug.

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SECTION 3 We will consider your request for payment and say yes or no

Section 3.1 We check to see whether we should cover the service and how much we owe

When we receive your request for payment, we will let you know if we need any additional information from you. Otherwise, we will consider your request and make a coverage decision.

- If it is determined that the service is a covered benefit and you and/or your provider have provided the necessary documentation, we will pay for our share of the cost. If you have already paid for the service, we will mail your reimbursement of our share of the cost to you. If you have not paid for the service yet, we will mail the payment directly to the provider.
- If we decide that the medical care is *not* covered, or you did *not* follow all the rules, we will not pay for our share of the cost. We will send you a letter explaining the reasons why we are not sending the payment and your rights to appeal that decision.

Section 3.2 If we tell you that we will not pay for all or part of the medical care, you can make an appeal

If you think we have made a mistake in turning down your request for payment or the amount we are paying, you can make an appeal. If you make an appeal, it means you are asking us to change the decision we made when we turned down your request for payment. The appeals process is a formal process with detailed procedures and important deadlines. For the details on how to make this appeal, go to Chapter 7 of this document.

CHAPTER 6: Your rights and responsibilities

SECTION 1	Our plan must honor your rights and cultural sensitivities as a member of the plan	
Section 1.1	We must provide information in a way that works for you and consistent with your cultural sensitivities (in languages other than English, in braille, in large print, or other alternate formats, etc.)	

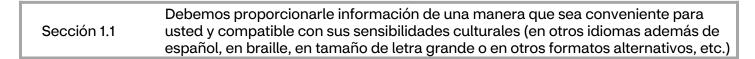
Your plan is required to ensure that all services, both clinical and non-clinical, are provided in a culturally competent manner and are accessible to all enrollees, including those with limited English proficiency, limited reading skills, hearing incapacity, or those with diverse cultural and ethnic backgrounds. Examples of how a plan may meet these accessibility requirements include, but are not limited to provision of translator services, interpreter services, teletypewriters, or TTY (text telephone or teletypewriter phone) connection.

Our plan has free interpreter services available to answer questions from non-English speaking members. Many documents are also available in Spanish. We can also give you information in braille, in large print, or other alternate formats at no cost if you need it. We are required to give you information about the plan's benefits in a format that is accessible and appropriate for you. To get information from us in a way that works for you, please call Member Services.

Our plan is required to give female enrollees the option of direct access to a women's health specialist within the network for women's routine and preventive health care services.

If providers in the plan's network for a specialty are not available, it is the plan's responsibility to locate specialty providers outside the network who will provide you with the necessary care. In this case, you will only pay in-network cost sharing. If you find yourself in a situation where there are no specialties in the plan's network that cover a service you need, call the plan for information on where to go to obtain this service at in-network cost sharing.

If you have any trouble getting information from our plan in a format that is accessible and appropriate for you, please call to file a grievance with Member Services at the number on your member ID card. You may also file a complaint with Medicare by calling 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227) or directly with the Office for Civil Rights 1-800-368-1019 or TTY 1-800-537-7697.



Su plan está obligado a garantizar que todos los servicios, tanto clínicos como no clínicos, se presten de forma culturalmente competente y sean accesibles a todos los inscritos, incluidos los que tienen un dominio limitado del inglés, una capacidad limitada de lectura, una incapacidad auditiva o un origen cultural y étnico diverso. Algunos ejemplos de cómo un plan puede cumplir estos requisitos de accesibilidad incluyen, entre otros, la prestación de servicios de traducción, servicios de interpretación, teletipos o conexión TTY (teléfono para mensajes o teletipo).

Nuestro plan cuenta con servicios de interpretación gratuitos disponibles para responder las preguntas de los miembros que no hablan inglés. También podemos proporcionarle información en braille, en tamaño de letra grande o en otros formatos alternativos, sin costo alguno, si lo necesita. Debemos proporcionarle información sobre los beneficios del plan en un formato que sea accesible y adecuado para usted. Para

obtener información sobre nosotros de una manera que sea conveniente para usted, llame al Departamento de Servicios para Miembros.

Nuestro plan está obligado a ofrecer a las mujeres inscritas la opción de acceder directamente a un especialista en salud de la mujer dentro de la red para los servicios de atención médica de rutina y preventivos para la mujer.

Si no están disponibles los proveedores de la red del plan para una especialidad, es responsabilidad del plan localizar proveedores especializados fuera de la red que le proporcionen la atención necesaria. En este caso, solo pagará el costo compartido dentro de la red. Si se encuentra en una situación en la que no hay especialidades en la red del plan que cubran un servicio que necesita, llame al plan para que le informen dónde acudir para obtener ese servicio con un costo compartido dentro de la red.

Si tiene alguna dificultad para obtener información sobre nuestro plan en un formato que sea accesible y adecuado para usted, llámenos para presentar una queja ante el Departamento de Servicios para Miembros (los números de teléfono están impresos en la contraportada de este documento). También puede presentar un reclamo ante Medicare llamando al 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227) o directamente ante la Oficina de Derechos Civiles llamando al 1-800-368-1019 o al TTY 1-800-537-7697.

Section 1.2 We must ensure that you get timely access to your covered services

You have the right to choose a provider in the plan's network. You also have the right to go to a women's health specialist (such as a gynecologist) without a referral and still pay the in-network cost-sharing amount.

You have the right to get appointments and covered services from your providers within a reasonable amount of time. This includes the right to get timely services from specialists when you need that care.

If you think that you are not getting your medical care within a reasonable amount of time, Chapter 7 tells what you can do.

Section 1.3 We must protect the privacy of your personal health information

Federal and state laws protect the privacy of your medical records and personal health information. We protect your personal health information as required by these laws.

- Your "personal health information" includes the personal information you gave us when you enrolled in this plan as well as your medical records and other medical and health information.
- You have rights related to your information and controlling how your health information is used. We give you a written notice, called a "Notice of Privacy Practice," that tells about these rights and explains how we protect the privacy of your health information.

How do we protect the privacy of your health information?

- We make sure that unauthorized people don't see or change your records.
- Except for the circumstances noted below, if we intend to give your health information to anyone who isn't providing your care or paying for your care, we are required to get written permission from you or someone you have given legal power to make decisions for your first.

- There are certain exceptions that do not require us to get your written permission first. These exceptions are allowed or required by law.
 - We are required to release health information to government agencies that are checking on quality of care.
 - Because you are a member of our plan through Medicare, we are required to give Medicare your health information. If Medicare releases your information for research or other uses, this will be done according to Federal statutes and regulations; typically this requires that information that uniquely identifies you will not be shared.

You can see the information in your records and know how it has been shared with others

You have the right to look at your medical records held at the plan, and to get a copy of your records. We are allowed to charge you a fee for making copies. You also have the right to ask us to make additions or corrections to your medical records. If you ask us to do this, we will work with your health care provider to decide whether the changes should be made.

You have the right to know how your health information has been shared with others for any purposes that are not routine.

If you have questions or concerns about the privacy of your personal health information, please call Member Services.

Section 1.4 We must give you information about the plan, its network of providers, and your covered services
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As a member of Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO Plan, you have the right to get several kinds of information from us.

If you want any of the following kinds of information, please call Member Services:

- Information about our plan. This includes, for example, information about the plan's financial condition.
- **Information about our network providers.** You have the right to get information about the qualifications of the providers in our network and how we pay the providers in our network.
- Information about your coverage and the rules you must follow when using your coverage.

 Chapters 3 and 4 of this document (and the *Schedule of Cost Sharing*) provide information regarding medical services.
- Information about why something is not covered and what you can do about it. Chapter 7 provides information on asking for a written explanation on why a medical service is not covered or if your coverage is restricted. Chapter 7 also provides information on asking us to change a decision, also called an appeal.
- Information from interpreters. Our plan interpreter services are available in all languages including American Sign Language. Interpreter services are available for on-site interpretation during a medical appointment. If you require these services, please contact Member Services at least two weeks in advance of your scheduled appointment.

Section 1.5 We must support your right to make decisions about your care

You have the right to know your treatment options and participate in decisions about your health care You have the right to get full information from your doctors and other health care providers. Your providers must explain your medical condition and your treatment choices in a way that you can understand.

You also have the right to participate fully in decisions about your health care. To help you make decisions with your doctors about what treatment is best for you, your rights include the following:

- To know about all of your choices. You have the right to be told about all of the treatment options that are recommended for your condition, no matter what they cost or whether they are covered by our plan.
- To know about the risks. You have the right to be told about any risks involved in your care. You must be told in advance if any proposed medical care or treatment is part of a research experiment. You always have the choice to refuse any experimental treatments.
- The right to say "no." You have the right to refuse any recommended treatment. This includes the right to leave a hospital or other medical facility, even if your doctor advises you not to leave. Of course, if you refuse treatment, you accept full responsibility for what happens to your body as a result.

You have the right to give instructions about what is to be done if you are not able to make medical decisions for yourself

Sometimes people become unable to make health care decisions for themselves due to accidents or serious illness. You have the right to say what you want to happen if you are in this situation. This means that, *if you want to*, you can:

- Fill out a written form to give **someone the legal authority to make medical decisions for you** if you ever become unable to make decisions for yourself.
- **Give your doctors written instructions** about how you want them to handle your medical care if you become unable to make decisions for yourself.

The legal documents that you can use to give your directions in advance in these situations are called "advance directives." There are different types of advance directives and different names for them. Documents called "living will" and "power of attorney for health care" are examples of advance directives.

If you want to use an "advance directive" to give your instructions, here is what to do:

- **Get the form.** You can get an advance directive from your lawyer, from a social worker, or from some office supply stores. You can sometimes get advance directive forms from organizations that give people information about Medicare. You can also contact Member Services to ask for the forms
- **Fill it out and sign it.** Regardless of where you get this form, keep in mind that it is a legal document. You should consider having a lawyer help you prepare it.
- **Give copies to appropriate people.** You should give a copy of the form to your doctor and to the person you name on the form who can make decisions for you if you can't. You may want to give copies to close friends or family members as well. Keep a copy at home.

If you know ahead of time that you are going to be hospitalized, and you have signed an advance directive,

take a copy with you to the hospital.

- The hospital will ask you whether you have signed an advance directive form and whether you have it with you.
- If you have not signed an advance directive form, the hospital has forms available and will ask if you want to sign one.

Remember, it is your choice whether you want to fill out an advance directive (including whether you want to sign one if you are in the hospital). According to law, no one can deny you care or discriminate against you based on whether or not you have signed an advance directive.

What if your instructions are not followed?

If you have signed an advance directive, and you believe that a doctor or hospital did not follow the instructions in it, you may file a complaint with the state agency that oversees advance directives. To find the appropriate agency in your state, contact your State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP). Contact information is in **Addendum A** at the back of this document.

Section 1.6	You have the right to make complaints and to ask us to reconsider decisions we have made
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If you have any problems, concerns, or complaints and need to request coverage, or make an appeal, Chapter 7 of this document tells what you can do. Whatever you do – ask for a coverage decision, make an appeal, or make a complaint – **we are required to treat you fairly**.

Section 1.7	What can you do if you believe you are being treated unfairly or your rights are not being respected?
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If it is about discrimination, call the Office for Civil Rights

If you believe you have been treated unfairly or your rights have not been respected due to your race, disability, religion, sex, health, ethnicity, creed (beliefs), age, sexual orientation, or national origin, you should call the Department of Health and Human Services' **Office for Civil Rights** at 1-800-368-1019 or TTY 1-800-537-7697, or call your local Office for Civil Rights.

Is it about something else?

If you believe you have been treated unfairly or your rights have not been respected, *and* it's *not* about discrimination, you can get help dealing with the problem you are having:

- · You can call Member Services.
- You can **call the State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP).** For details, go to Chapter 2, Section 3 or **Addendum A** at the back of this document.
- Or, **you can call Medicare** at 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week (TTY 1-877-486-2048).

Section 1.8	How to get more information about your rights	

There are several places where you can get more information about your rights:

- You can call Member Services.
- You can **call the State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP)**. For details, go to Chapter 2, Section 3 or **Addendum A** at the back of this document.
- You can contact Medicare.
 - You can visit the Medicare website to read or download the publication "Medicare Rights & Protections." (The publication is available at: www.medicare.gov/Pubs/pdf/11534-Medicare-Rights-and-Protections.pdf.)
 - Or, you can call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week (TTY 1-877-486-2048).

SECTION 2 You have some responsibilities as a member of the plan

Things you need to do as a member of the plan are listed below. If you have any questions, please call Member Services.

- Get familiar with your covered services and the rules you must follow to get these covered services. Use this *Evidence of Coverage* to learn what is covered for you and the rules you need to follow to get your covered services.
 - Chapters 3 and 4 (and the Schedule of Cost Sharing) give the details about your medical services.
- If you have any other health insurance coverage in addition to our plan, or separate prescription drug coverage, you are required to tell us. Chapter 1 tells you about coordinating these benefits.
- Tell your doctor and other health care providers that you are enrolled in our plan. Show your plan membership card whenever you get your medical care or Part D prescription drugs.
- Help your doctors and other providers help you by giving them information, asking questions, and following through on your care.
 - To help get the best care, tell your doctors and other health providers about your health problems. Follow the treatment plans and instructions that you and your doctors agree upon.
 - Make sure your doctors know all of the drugs you are taking, including over-the-counter drugs, vitamins, and supplements.
 - If you have any questions, be sure to ask and get an answer you can understand.
- **Be considerate.** We expect all our members to respect the rights of other patients. We also expect you to act in a way that helps the smooth running of your doctor's office, hospitals, and other offices.
- Pay what you owe. As a plan member, you are responsible for these payments:
 - You must pay your plan premiums (if applicable).
 - You must continue to pay your Medicare Part B to remain a member of the plan.
 - For some of your medical services covered by the plan, you must pay your share of the cost when you get the service or drug.
- If you move within our service area, we still need to know so we can keep your membership record up to date and know how to contact you.

CHAPTER 7:

What to do if you have a problem or complaint (coverage decisions, appeals, complaints)

SECTION 1	Introduction
Section 1.1	What to do if you have a problem or concern

This chapter explains two types of processes for handling problems and concerns:

- For some types of problems, you need to use the process for coverage decisions and appeals.
- For other types of problems, you need to use the **process for making complaints**; also called grievances.

Both of these processes have been approved by Medicare. Each process has a set of rules, procedures, and deadlines that must be followed by us and by you.

The guide in Section 3 will help you identify the right process to use and what you should do.

Section 1.2 What about the legal terms?

There are legal terms for some of the rules, procedures, and types of deadlines explained in this chapter. Many of these terms are unfamiliar to most people and can be hard to understand. To make things easier, this chapter:

- Uses simpler words in place of certain legal terms. For example, this chapter generally says, "making a complaint" rather than "filing a grievance," "coverage decision" rather than "organization determination," and "independent review organization" instead of "Independent Review Entity."
- It also uses abbreviations as little as possible.

However, it can be helpful – and sometimes quite important – for you to know the correct legal terms. Knowing which terms to use will help you communicate more accurately to get the right help or information for your situation. To help you know which terms to use, we include legal terms when we give the details for handling specific types of situations.

SECTION 2 Where to get more information and personalized assistance

We are always available to help you. Even if you have a complaint about our treatment of you, we are obligated to honor your right to complain. Therefore, you should always reach out to customer service for help. But in some situations, you may also want help or guidance from someone who is not connected with us. Below are two entities that can assist you.

State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP)

Each state has a government program with trained counselors. The program is not connected with us or with any insurance company or health plan. The counselors at this program can help you understand which process you should use to handle a problem you are having. They can also answer your questions, give you more information, and offer guidance on what to do.

The services of SHIP counselors are free. You will find phone numbers and website URLs in **Addendum A** at the back of this document.

Medicare

You can also contact Medicare to get help. To contact Medicare:

- You can call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048.
- You can also visit the Medicare website (<u>www.medicare.gov</u>).

SECTION 3 To deal with your problem, which process should you use?

If you have a problem or concern, you only need to read the parts of this chapter that apply to your situation. The guide that follows will help.

Is your problem or concern about your benefits or coverage?

This includes problems about whether medical care or prescription drugs are covered or not, the way they are covered, and problems related to payment for medical care or prescription drugs.

Yes.

Go on to the next section of this chapter, **Section 4, "A guide to the basics of coverage decisions and appeals."**

No.

Skip ahead to **Section 9** at the end of this chapter: "How to make a complaint about quality of care, waiting times, customer service or other concerns."

COVERAGE DECISIONS AND APPEALS

SECTION 4 A guide to the basics of coverage decisions and appeals

Section 4.1 Asking for coverage decisions and making appeals: the big picture

Coverage decisions and appeals deal with problems related to your benefits and coverage for medical services, including payment. This is the process you use for issues such as whether something is covered or not and the way in which something is covered.

Asking for coverage decisions prior to receiving services

A coverage decision is a decision we make about your benefits and coverage or about the amount we will pay for your medical services. For example, your plan network doctor makes a (favorable) coverage decision for you whenever you receive medical care from him or her or if your network doctor refers you to a medical specialist.

You or your doctor can also contact us and ask for a coverage decision if your doctor is unsure whether we will cover a particular medical service or refuses to provide medical care you think that you need. In

other words, if you want to know if we will cover a medical service before you receive it, you can ask us to make a coverage decision for you. In limited circumstances a request for a coverage decision will be dismissed, which means we won't review the request. Examples of when a request will be dismissed include if the request is incomplete, if someone makes the request on your behalf but isn't legally authorized to do so or if you ask for your request to be withdrawn. If we dismiss a request for a coverage decision, we will send a notice explaining why the request was dismissed and how to ask for a review of the dismissal.

We are making a coverage decision for you whenever we decide what is covered for you and how much we pay. In some cases, we might decide a service is not covered or is no longer covered by Medicare for you. If you disagree with this coverage decision, you can make an appeal.

Making an appeal

If we make a coverage decision, whether before or after a service is received, and you are not satisfied, you can "appeal" the decision. An appeal is a formal way of asking us to review and change a coverage decision we have made. Under certain circumstances, which we discuss later, you can request an expedited or "fast appeal" of a coverage decision. Your appeal is handled by different reviewers than those who made the original decision.

When you appeal a decision for the first time, this is called a Level 1 appeal. In this appeal, we review the coverage decision we made to check to see if we were properly following the rules. When we have completed the review, we give you our decision. In limited circumstances a request for a Level 1 appeal will be dismissed, which means we won't review the request. Examples of when a request will be dismissed include if the request is incomplete, if someone makes the request on your behalf but isn't legally authorized to do so or if you ask for your request to be withdrawn. If we dismiss a request for a Level 1 appeal, we will send a notice explaining why the request was dismissed and how to ask for a review of the dismissal.

If we do not dismiss your case but say no to all or part of your Level 1 appeal, you can go on to a Level 2 appeal. The Level 2 appeal is conducted by an independent review organization that is not connected to us. (Appeals for medical services and Part B drugs will be automatically sent to the independent review organization for a Level 2 appeal – you do not need to do anything.). If you are not satisfied with the decision at the Level 2 appeal, you may be able to continue through additional levels of appeal (Section 8 in this chapter explains the Level 3, 4, and 5 appeals processes).

Section 4.2 How to get help when you are asking for a coverage decision or making an appeal

Here are resources if you decide to ask for any kind of coverage decision or appeal a decision:

- You can call us at Member Services
- You can get free help from your State Health Insurance Assistance Program.
- Your doctor can make a request for you. If your doctor helps with an appeal past Level 2, they will need to be appointed as your representative. Please call Member Services and ask for the "Appointment of Representative" form. (The form is also available on Medicare's website at www.cms.gov/Medicare/CMS-Forms/CMS-Forms/downloads/cms1696.pdf.
 - For medical care or Part B prescription drugs, your doctor can request a coverage decision or a Level 1 appeal on your behalf. If your appeal is denied at Level 1, it will be automatically forwarded to Level 2.

- You can ask someone to act on your behalf. If you want to, you can name another person to act for you as your "representative" to ask for a coverage decision or make an appeal.
 - If you want a friend, relative, your doctor or other provider, or other person to be your representative, call Member Services (phone numbers are printed on your member ID card) and ask for the "Appointment of Representative" form. (The form is also available on Medicare's website at www.cms.gov/Medicare/CMS-Forms/CMS-Forms/downloads/cms1696.pdf.) The form gives that person permission to act on your behalf. It must be signed by you and by the person who you would like to act on your behalf. You must give us a copy of the signed form.
 - While we can accept an appeal request without the form, we cannot begin or complete our review until we receive it. If we do not receive the form within 44 calendar days after receiving your appeal request (our deadline for making a decision on your appeal), your appeal request will be dismissed. If this happens, we will send you a written notice explaining your right to ask the independent review organization to review our decision to dismiss your appeal.
- You also have the right to hire a lawyer. You may contact your own lawyer, or get the name of a lawyer from your local bar association or other referral service. There are also groups that will give you free legal services if you qualify. However, you are not required to hire a lawyer to ask for any kind of coverage decision or appeal a decision.

Section 4.3 Which section of this chapter gives the details for your situation?

There are three different types of situations that involve coverage decisions and appeals. Since each situation has different rules and deadlines, we give the details for each one in a separate section:

- **Section 5** of this chapter: "Your medical care: How to ask for a coverage decision or make an appeal"
- **Section 6** of this chapter: "How to ask us to cover a longer inpatient hospital stay if you think the doctor is discharging you too soon"
- **Section 7** of this chapter: "How to ask us to keep covering certain medical services if you think your coverage is ending too soon" (*Applies only to these services*: home health care, skilled nursing facility care, and Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facility (CORF) services)

If you're not sure which section you should be using, please call Member Services. You can also get help or information from government organizations such as your SHIP.

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This section is about your benefits for medical care and services. These benefits are described in the Medical Benefits Chart (*Schedule of Cost Sharing*). To keep things simple, we generally refer to "medical

care coverage" or "medical care" which includes medical items and services as well as Medicare Part B prescription drugs. In some cases, different rules apply to a request for a Part B prescription drug. In those cases, we will explain how the rules for Part B prescription drugs are different from the rules for medical items and services.

This section tells what you can do if you are in any of the five following situations:

- 1. You are not getting certain medical care you want, and you believe that this care is covered by our plan. **Ask for a coverage decision. Section 5.2**.
- 2. Our plan will not approve the medical care your doctor or other medical provider wants to give you, and you believe that this care is covered by the plan. **Ask for a coverage decision. Section 5.2**.
- 3. You have received medical care that you believe should be covered by the plan, but we have said we will not pay for this care. **Make an appeal. Section 5.3**.
- 4. You have received and paid for medical care that you believe should be covered by the plan, and you want to ask our plan to reimburse you for this care. **Send us the bill. Section 5.5**.
- 5. You are being told that coverage for certain medical care you have been getting that we previously approved will be reduced or stopped, and you believe that reducing or stopping this care could harm your health. **Make an appeal. Section 5.3**.

Note: If the coverage that will be stopped is for hospital care, home health care, skilled nursing facility care, or Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facility (CORF) services, you need to read Sections 6 and 7 of this chapter. Special rules apply to these types of care.

Section 5.2 Step-by-step: How to ask for a coverage decision

Legal Terms

When a coverage decision involves your medical care, it is called an "organization determination."

A "fast coverage decision" is called an "expedited determination."

Step 1: Decide if you need a "standard coverage decision" or a "fast coverage decision."

A "standard coverage decision" is usually made within 14 days or 72 hours for Part B drugs. A "fast coverage decision" is generally made within 72 hours, for medical services, or 24 hours for Part B drugs. In order to get a fast coverage decision, you must meet two requirements:

- You may only ask for coverage for medical care you have not yet received.
- You can get a fast coverage decision *only* if using the standard deadlines could *cause serious harm* to your health or hurt your ability to function.
- If the doctor tells us that your health requires a "fast coverage decision," we will automatically agree to give you a fast coverage decision.
- If you ask for a fast coverage decision on your own, without your doctor's support, we will decide whether your health requires that we give you a fast coverage decision. If we do not approve a fast coverage decision, we will send you a letter that:
 - Explains that we will use the standard deadlines.
 - Explains that if your doctor asks for the fast coverage decision, we will automatically give you a

- fast coverage decision.
- Explains that you can file a "fast complaint" about our decision to give you a standard coverage decision instead of the fast coverage decision you requested.

Step 2: Ask our plan to make a coverage decision or fast coverage decision.

Start by calling, writing, or faxing our plan to make your request for us to authorize or provide coverage for the medical care you want. You, your doctor, or your representative can do this. Chapter 2 has contact information.

Step 3: We consider your request for medical care coverage and give you our answer.

For standard coverage decisions we use the standard deadlines.

This means we will give you an answer within 14 calendar days after we receive your request for a medical item or service. If your request is for a Medicare Part B prescription drug, we will give you an answer within 72 hours after we receive your request.

- However, if you ask for more time, or if we need more information that may benefit you we can take up to 14 more days if your request is for a medical item or service. If we take extra days, we will tell you in writing. We can't take extra time to make a decision if your request is for a Medicare Part B prescription drug.
- If you believe that we should *not* take extra days, you can file a "fast complaint." We will give you an answer to your complaint as soon as we make the decision. (The process for making a complaint is different than the process for coverage decisions and appeals. See Section 9 of this chapter for information on complaints.)

For Fast Coverage decisions we use an expedited timeframe

A fast coverage decision means we will answer within 72 hours if your request is for a medical item or service. If your request is for a Medicare Part B prescription drug, we will answer within 24 hours.

- However, if you ask for more time, or if we need more that may benefit you we can take up to 14 more days. If we take extra days, we will tell you in writing. We can't take extra time to make a decision if your request is for a Medicare Part B prescription drug.
- If you believe we should *not* take extra days, you can file a "fast complaint." (See Section 9 of this chapter for information on complaints.) We will call you as soon as we make the decision.
- If our answer is no to part or all of what you requested, we will send you a written statement that explains why we said no.

<u>Step 4:</u> If we say no to your request for coverage for medical care, you can appeal.

• If we say no, you have the right to ask us to reconsider this decision by making an appeal. This means asking again to get the medical care coverage you want. If you make an appeal, it means you

are going on to Level 1 of the appeals process.

Section 5.3 Step-by-step: How to make a Level 1 appeal

Legal Terms

An appeal to the plan about a medical care coverage decision is called a plan "reconsideration."

A fast appeal is also called an "expedited reconsideration."

Step 1: Decide if you need a "standard appeal" or a "fast appeal."

A "standard appeal" is usually made within 30 days. A "fast appeal" is generally made within 72 hours.

- If you are appealing a decision we made about coverage for care that you have not yet received, you and/or your doctor will need to decide if you need a "fast appeal." If your doctor tells us that your health requires a "fast appeal," we will give you a fast appeal.
- The requirements for getting a "fast appeal" are the same as those for getting a "fast coverage decision" in Section 5.2 of this chapter.

Step 2: Ask our plan for an Appeal or a Fast Appeal

- If you are asking for a standard appeal, submit your standard appeal in writing. Chapter 2 has contact information.
- If you are asking for a fast appeal, make your appeal in writing or call us. Chapter 2 has contact information.
- You must make your appeal request within 60 calendar days from the date on the written notice we sent to tell you our answer on the coverage decision. If you miss this deadline and have a good reason for missing it, explain the reason your appeal is late when you make your appeal. We may give you more time to make your appeal. Examples of good cause may include if you had a serious illness that prevented you from contacting us or if we provided you with incorrect or incomplete information about the deadline for requesting an appeal.
- You can ask for a copy of the information regarding your medical decision. You and your doctor may add more information to support your appeal.

Step 3: We consider your appeal and we give you our answer.

- When our plan is reviewing your appeal, we take a careful look at all of the information. We check to see if we were following all the rules when we said no to your request.
- We will gather more information if needed, possibly contacting you or your doctor.

Deadlines for a "fast appeal"

- For fast appeals, we must give you our answer within 72 hours after we receive your appeal. We will give you our answer sooner if your health requires us to.
 - However, if you ask for more time, or if we need more information that may benefit you, we can take up to 14 more calendar days if your request is for a medical item or service. If we take extra days, we will tell you in writing. We can't take extra time if your request is for a Medicare Part B prescription drug.
 - If we do not give you an answer within 72 hours (or by the end of the extended time period if we took extra days), we are required to automatically send your request on to Level 2 of the appeals process, where it will be reviewed by an independent review organization. Section 5.4 explains the Level 2 appeals process.
- If our answer is yes to part or all of what you requested, we must authorize or provide the coverage we have agreed to provide within 72 hours after we receive your appeal.
- If our answer is no to part or all of what you requested, we will send you our decision in writing and automatically forward your appeal to the independent review organization for a Level 2 appeal. The independent review organization will notify you in writing when it receives your appeal.

Deadlines for a "standard appeal"

- For standard appeals, we must give you our answer within 30 calendar days after we receive your appeal. If your request is for a Medicare Part B prescription drug you have not yet received, we will give you our answer within 7 calendar days after we receive your appeal. We will give you our decision sooner if your health condition requires us to.
 - However, if you ask for more time, or if we need more information that may benefit you, **we can take up to 14 more calendar days** if your request is for a medical item or service. If we take extra days, we will tell you in writing. We can't take extra time to make a decision if your request is for a Medicare Part B prescription drug.
 - If you believe we should *not* take extra days, you can file a "fast complaint." When you file a fast complaint, we will give you an answer to your complaint within 24 hours. (See Section 9 of this chapter for information on complaints.)
 - If we do not give you an answer by the deadline (or by the end of the extended time period), we will send your request to a Level 2 appeal, where an independent review organization will review the appeal. Section 5.4 explains the Level 2 appeal process.
- If our answer is yes to part or all of what you requested, we must authorize or provide the coverage within 30 calendar days if your request is for a medical item or service, or within 7 calendar days if your request is for a Medicare Part B prescription drug.
- If our plan says no to part or all of your appeal, we will automatically send your appeal to the independent review organization for a Level 2 appeal.

Section 5.4 Step-by-step: How a Level 2 appeal is done

Legal Term

The formal name for the "independent review organization" is the "Independent Review Entity." It is sometimes called the "IRE."

The **independent review organization is an independent organization hired by Medicare.** It is not connected with us and is not a government agency. This organization decides whether the decision we made is correct or if it should be changed. Medicare oversees its work.

Step 1: The independent review organization reviews your appeal.

- We will send the information about your appeal to this organization. This information is called your "case file." You have the right to ask us for a copy of your case file.
- You have a right to give the independent review organization additional information to support your appeal.
- Reviewers at the independent review organization will take a careful look at all of the information related to your appeal.

If you had a "fast appeal" at Level 1, you will also have a "fast appeal" at Level 2

- For the "fast appeal" the review organization must give you an answer to your Level 2 appeal within 72 hours of when it receives your appeal.
- However, if your request is for a medical item or service and the independent review organization needs to gather more information that may benefit you, it can take up to 14 more calendar days.
 The independent review organization can't take extra time to make a decision if your request is for a Medicare Part B prescription drug.

If you had a "standard appeal" at Level 1, you will also have a "standard appeal" at Level 2

- For the "standard appeal" if your request is for a medical item or service, the review organization must give you an answer to your Level 2 appeal within 30 calendar days of when it receives your appeal. If your request is for a Medicare Part B prescription drug, the review organization must give you an answer to your Level 2 appeal within 7 calendar days of when it receives your appeal.
- However, if your request is for a medical item or service and the independent review organization needs to gather more information that may benefit you, it can take up to 14 more calendar days.
 The independent review organization can't take extra time to make a decision if your request is for a Medicare Part B prescription drug.

Step 2: The independent review organization gives you their answer.

The independent review organization will tell you its decision in writing and explain the reasons for it.

- If the review organization says yes to part or all of a request for a medical item or service, we must authorize the medical care coverage within 72 hours or provide the service within 14 calendar days after we receive the decision from the review organization for standard requests. For expedited requests, we have 72 hours from the date we receive the decision from the review organization.
- If the review organization says yes to part or all of a request for a Medicare Part B prescription drug, we must authorize or provide the Part B prescription drug within 72 hours after we receive the

decision from the review organization for **standard requests**. For **expedited requests** we have **24 hours** from the date we receive the decision from the review organization.

- If this organization says no to part or all of your appeal, it means they agree with us that your request (or part of your request) for coverage for medical care should not be approved. (This is called "upholding the decision" or "turning down your appeal.") In this case, the independent review organization will send you a letter:
 - Explaining its decision.
 - Notifying you of the right to a Level 3 appeal if the dollar value of the medical care coverage meets a certain minimum. The written notice you get from the independent review organization will tell you the dollar amount you must meet to continue the appeals process.
 - Telling you how to file a Level 3 appeal.

<u>Step 3:</u> If your case meets the requirements, you choose whether you want to take your appeal further.

- There are three additional levels in the appeals process after Level 2 (for a total of five levels of appeal). If you want to go to a Level 3 appeal the details on how to do this are in the written notice you get after your Level 2 appeal.
- The Level 3 appeal is handled by an Administrative Law Judge or attorney adjudicator. Section 8 in this chapter explains the Level 3, 4, and 5 appeals processes.

Chapter 5 describes when you may need to ask for reimbursement or to pay a bill you have received from a provider. It also tells how to send us the paperwork that asks us for payment.

Asking for reimbursement is asking for a coverage decision from us

If you send us the paperwork asking for reimbursement, you are asking for a coverage decision. To make this decision, we will check to see if the medical care you paid for is a covered service. We will also check to see if you followed plan guidelines for using your coverage for medical care.

- If we say yes to your request: If the medical care is covered and you followed all the rules, we will send you the payment for our share of the cost within 60 calendar days after we receive your request. If you haven't paid for the services, we will send the payment directly to the provider.
- If we say no to your request: If the medical care is *not* covered, or you did *not* follow all the rules, we will not send payment. Instead, we will send you a letter that says we will not pay for the services and the reasons why.

If you do not agree with our decision to turn you down, **you can make an appeal.** If you make an appeal, it means you are asking us to change the coverage decision we made when we turned down your request for payment.

To make this appeal, follow the process for appeals that we describe in Section 5.3. For appeals

concerning reimbursement, please note:

- We must give you our answer within 60 calendar days after we receive your appeal. If you are asking us to pay you back for medical care you have already received and paid for yourself, you are not allowed to ask for a fast appeal.
- If the independent review organization decides we should pay, we must send you or the provider the payment within 30 calendar days. If the answer to your appeal is yes at any stage of the appeals process after Level 2, we must send the payment you requested to you or to the provider within 60 calendar days.

SECTION 6 How to ask us to cover a longer inpatient hospital stay if you think the doctor is discharging you too soon

When you are admitted to a hospital, you have the right to get all of your covered hospital services that are necessary to diagnose and treat your illness or injury.

During your covered hospital stay, your doctor and the hospital staff will be working with you to prepare for the day when you will leave the hospital. They will also help arrange for care you may need after you leave.

- The day you leave the hospital is called your "discharge date."
- When your discharge date is decided, your doctor or the hospital staff will tell you.
- If you think you are being asked to leave the hospital too soon, you can ask for a longer hospital stay and your request will be considered.

Section 6.1 During your inpatient hospital stay, you will get a written notice from Medicare that tells about your rights

Within two days of being admitted to the hospital, you will be given a written notice called *An Important Message from Medicare about Your Rights*. Everyone with Medicare gets a copy of this notice. If you do not get the notice from someone at the hospital (for example, a caseworker or nurse), ask any hospital employee for it. If you need help, please call Member Services or 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week (TTY 1-877-486-2048).

1. Read this notice carefully and ask questions if you don't understand it. It tells you about:

- Your right to receive Medicare-covered services during and after your hospital stay, as ordered
 by your doctor. This includes the right to know what these services are, who will pay for them,
 and where you can get them.
- · Your right to be involved in any decisions about your hospital stay.
- Where to report any concerns you have about the quality of your hospital care.
- Your right to **request an immediate review** of the decision to discharge you if you think you are being discharged from the hospital too soon. This is a formal, legal way to ask for a delay in your discharge date so that we will cover your hospital care for a longer time.

- 2. You will be asked to sign the written notice to show that you received it and understand your rights.
 - You or someone who is acting on your behalf will be asked to sign the notice.
 - Signing the notice shows *only* that you have received the information about your rights. The notice does not give your discharge date. Signing the notice **does** *not* **mean** you are agreeing on a discharge date.
- 3. **Keep your copy** of the notice handy so you will have the information about making an appeal (or reporting a concern about quality of care) if you need it.
 - If you sign the notice more than two days before your discharge date, you will get another copy before you are scheduled to be discharged.
 - To look at a copy of this notice in advance, you can call Member Services or 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048. You can also see the notice online at www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare-General-Information/BNI/HospitalDischargeAppealNotices.

Section 6.2 Step-by-step: How to make a Level 1 appeal to change your hospital discharge date

If you want to ask for your inpatient hospital services to be covered by us for a longer time, you will need to use the appeals process to make this request. Before you start, understand what you need to do and what the deadlines are.

- · Follow the process.
- · Meet the deadlines.
- Ask for help if you need it. If you have questions or need help at any time, please call Member Services. Or call your State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP), a government organization that provides personalized assistance.

During a Level 1 appeal, the Quality Improvement Organization reviews your appeal. It checks to see if your planned discharge date is medically appropriate for you.

The **Quality Improvement Organization** is a group of doctors and other health care professionals paid by the Federal government to check on and help improve the quality of care for people with Medicare. This includes reviewing hospital discharge dates for people with Medicare. These experts are not part of our plan.

<u>Step 1:</u> Contact the Quality Improvement Organization for your state and ask for an immediate review of your hospital discharge date. You must act quickly.

How can you contact this organization?

• The written notice you received (*An Important Message from Medicare About Your Rights*) tells you how to reach this organization. Or find the name, address, and phone number of the Quality

Improvement Organization for your state in **Addendum A**.

Act quickly:

- To make your appeal, you must contact the Quality Improvement Organization *before* you leave the hospital and **no later than midnight the day of your discharge.**
 - If you meet this deadline, you may stay in the hospital after your discharge date without paying for it while you wait to get the decision from the Quality Improvement Organization.
 - If you do not meet this deadline, and you decide to stay in the hospital after your planned discharge date, you may have to pay all of the costs for hospital care you receive after your planned discharge date.
- If you miss the deadline for contacting the Quality Improvement Organization, and you still wish to appeal, you must make an appeal directly to our plan instead. For details about this other way to make your appeal, see Section 6.4.

Once you request an immediate review of your hospital discharge the Quality Improvement Organization will contact us. By noon of the day after we are contacted we will give you a **Detailed Notice of Discharge**. This notice gives your planned discharge date and explains in detail the reasons why your doctor, the hospital, and we think it is right (medically appropriate) for you to be discharged on that date.

You can get a sample of the **Detailed Notice of Discharge** by calling Member Services or 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. (TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048.) Or you can see a sample notice online at www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare-General-Information/BNI/HospitalDischargeAppealNotices.

Step 2: The Quality Improvement Organization conducts an independent review of your case.

- Health professionals at the Quality Improvement Organization ("the reviewers") will ask you (or your representative) why you believe coverage for the services should continue. You don't have to prepare anything in writing, but you may do so if you wish.
- The reviewers will also look at your medical information, talk with your doctor, and review information that the hospital and we have given to them.
- By noon of the day after the reviewers told us of your appeal, you will also get a written notice from us that gives your planned discharge date. This notice also explains in detail the reasons why your doctor, the hospital, and we think it is right (medically appropriate) for you to be discharged on that date.

<u>Step 3:</u> Within one full day after it has all the needed information, the Quality Improvement Organization will give you its answer to your appeal.

What happens if the answer is yes?

• If the review organization says yes, we must keep providing your covered inpatient hospital

services for as long as these services are medically necessary.

• You will have to keep paying your share of the costs (such as deductibles or copayments, if these apply). In addition, there may be limitations on your covered hospital services.

What happens if the answer is no?

- If the review organization says *no*, they are saying that your planned discharge date is medically appropriate. If this happens, **our coverage for your inpatient hospital services will end** at noon on the day *after* the Quality Improvement Organization gives you its answer to your appeal.
- If the review organization says no to your appeal and you decide to stay in the hospital, then you
 may have to pay the full cost of hospital care you receive after noon on the day after the Quality
 Improvement Organization gives you its answer to your appeal.

Step 4: If the answer to your Level 1 appeal is no, you decide if you want to make another appeal.

• If the Quality Improvement Organization has said *no* to your appeal, *and* you stay in the hospital after your planned discharge date, then you can make another appeal. Making another appeal means you are going on to "Level 2" of the appeals process.

Section 6.3 Step-by-step: How to make a Level 2 appeal to change your hospital discharge date

During a Level 2 appeal, you ask the Quality Improvement Organization to take another look at their decision on your first appeal. If the Quality Improvement Organization turns down your Level 2 appeal, you may have to pay the full cost for your stay after your planned discharge date.

Step 1: Contact the Quality Improvement Organization again and ask for another review.

• You must ask for this review **within 60 calendar days** after the day the Quality Improvement Organization said *no* to your Level 1 appeal. You can ask for this review only if you stay in the hospital after the date that your coverage for the care ended.

Step 2: The Quality Improvement Organization does a second review of your situation.

 Reviewers at the Quality Improvement Organization will take another careful look at all of the information related to your appeal.

<u>Step 3:</u> Within 14 calendar days of receipt of your request for Level 2 appeal, the reviewers will decide on your appeal and tell you their decision.

If the review organization says yes:

- We must reimburse you for our share of the costs of hospital care you have received since noon on the day after the date your first appeal was turned down by the Quality Improvement Organization.
 We must continue providing coverage for your inpatient hospital care for as long as it is medically necessary.
- You must continue to pay your share of the costs and coverage limitations may apply.

If the review organization says no:

- It means they agree with the decision they made on your Level 1 appeal.
- The notice you get will tell you in writing what you can do if you wish to continue with the review process.

<u>Step 4:</u> If the answer is no, you will need to decide whether you want to take your appeal further by going on to Level 3.

- There are three additional levels in the appeals process after Level 2 (for a total of five levels of appeal). If you want to go to a Level 3 appeal, the details on how to do this are in the written notice you get after your Level 2 appeal decision.
- The Level 3 appeal is handled by an Administrative Law Judge or attorney adjudicator. Section 8 in this chapter tells more about Levels 3, 4, and 5 of the appeals process.

Section 6.4 What if you miss the deadline for making your Level 1 appeal?

Legal Term

A "fast review" (or "fast appeal") is also called an "expedited appeal."

You can appeal to us instead

As explained above, you must act quickly to start your Level 1 appeal of your hospital discharge. If you miss the deadline for contacting the Quality Improvement Organization, there is another way to make your appeal.

If you use this other way of making your appeal, the first two levels of appeal are different.

Step-by-Step: How to make a Level 1 Alternate Appeal

Step 1: Contact us and ask for a "fast review."

• Ask for a "fast review." This means you are asking us to give you an answer using the "fast" deadlines rather than the "standard" deadlines. Chapter 2 has contact information.

<u>Step 2:</u> We do a "fast review" of your planned discharge date, checking to see if it was medically appropriate.

• During this review, we take a look at all of the information about your hospital stay. We check to see if your planned discharge date was medically appropriate. We see if the decision about when you should leave the hospital was fair and followed all the rules.

Step 3: We give you our decision within 72 hours after you ask for a "fast review."

- If we say yes to your appeal, it means we have agreed with you that you still need to be in the
 hospital after the discharge date. We will keep providing your covered inpatient hospital services for
 as long they are medically necessary. It also means that we have agreed to reimburse you for our
 share of the costs of care you have received since the date when we said your coverage would end.
 (You must pay your share of the costs and there may be coverage limitations that apply.)
- If we say no to your appeal, we are saying that your planned discharge date was medically appropriate. Our coverage for your inpatient hospital services ends as of the day we said coverage would end.
 - If you stayed in the hospital *after* your planned discharge date, then **you may have to pay the full cost** of hospital care you received after the planned discharge date.

<u>Step 4:</u> If we say *no* to your appeal, your case will *automatically* be sent on to the next level of the appeals process.

Step-by-Step: Level 2 Alternate Appeal Process

Legal Term

The formal name for the "independent review organization" is the "Independent Review Entity." It is sometimes called the "IRE."

The independent review organization is an independent organization hired by Medicare. It is not connected with our plan and is not a government agency. This organization decides whether the decision we made is correct or if it should be changed. Medicare oversees its work.

Step 1: We automatically forward your case to the independent review organization.

• We are required to send the information for your Level 2 appeal to the independent review organization within 24 hours of when we tell you that we are saying no to your first appeal. (If you think we are not meeting this deadline or other deadlines, you can make a complaint. Section 9 of this chapter tells how to make a complaint.)

<u>Step 2:</u> The independent review organization does a "fast review" of your appeal. The reviewers give you an answer within 72 hours.

Reviewers at the independent review organization will take a careful look at all of the information

- related to your appeal of your hospital discharge.
- If this organization says yes to your appeal, then we must pay you back for our share of the costs of hospital care you have received since the date of your planned discharge. We must also continue the plan's coverage of your inpatient hospital services for as long as it is medically necessary. You must continue to pay your share of the costs. If there are coverage limitations, these could limit how much we would reimburse or how long we would continue to cover your services.
- If this organization says *no* to your appeal, it means they agree that your planned hospital discharge date was medically appropriate.
 - The written notice you get from the independent review organization will tell how to start a Level 3 appeal with the review process, which is handled by an Administrative Law Judge or attorney adjudicator.

<u>Step 3:</u> If the independent review organization turns down your appeal, you choose whether you want to take your appeal further.

- There are three additional levels in the appeals process after Level 2 (for a total of five levels of appeal). If reviewers say no to your Level 2 appeal, you decide whether to accept their decision or go on to Level 3 appeal.
- Section 8 in this chapter tells more about Levels 3, 4, and 5 of the appeals process.

SECTION 7 How to ask us to keep covering certain medical services if you think your coverage is ending too soon This section is only about three services: Home health care, skilled nursing facility care, and Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facility (CORF) services

When you are getting home health services, skilled nursing care, or rehabilitation care (Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facility), you have the right to keep getting your covered services for that type of care for as long as the care is needed to diagnose and treat your illness or injury.

When benefits are exhausted or no longer meet medical criteria, we are required to tell you in advance. When your coverage for that care ends, we will stop paying our share of the cost for your care.

If you think we are ending the coverage of your care too soon, **you can appeal our decision**. This section tells you how to ask for an appeal.

Section 7.2	We will tell you in advance when your coverage will be ending	
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Legal Term

"Notice of Medicare Non-Coverage." It tells you how you can request a **"fast-track appeal."** Requesting a fast-track appeal is a formal, legal way to request a change to our coverage decision about when to stop your care.

- 1. You receive a notice in writing at least two days before our plan is going to stop covering your care. The notice tells you:
 - The date when we will stop covering the care for you.
 - How to request a "fast track appeal" to request us to keep covering your care for a longer period
 of time.
- 2. You, or someone who is acting on your behalf, will be asked to sign the written notice to show that you received it. Signing the notice shows *only* that you have received the information about when your coverage will stop. Signing it does *not* mean you agree with the plan's decision to stop care.

Section 7.3 Step-by-step: How to make a Level 1 appeal to have our plan cover your care for a longer time

If you want to ask us to cover your care for a longer period of time, you will need to use the appeals process to make this request. Before you start, understand what you need to do and what the deadlines are.

- Follow the process.
- · Meet the deadlines.
- Ask for help if you need it. If you have questions or need help at any time, please call Member Services. Or call your State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP), a government organization that provides personalized assistance.

During a Level 1 appeal, the Quality Improvement Organization reviews your appeal. It decides if the end date for your care is medically appropriate.

The **Quality Improvement Organization** is a group of doctors and other health care experts paid by the Federal government to check on and help improve the quality of care for people with Medicare. This includes reviewing plan decisions about when it's time to stop covering certain kinds of medical care. These experts are not part of our plan.

<u>Step 1:</u> Make your Level 1 appeal: contact the Quality Improvement Organization and ask for a fast-track appeal. You must act quickly.

How can you contact this organization?

• The written notice you received (Notice of Medicare Non-Coverage) tells you how to reach this organization. Or find the name, address, and phone number of the Quality Improvement Organization for your state in **Addendum A** at the back of this document.

Act quickly:

 You must contact the Quality Improvement Organization to start your appeal by noon of the day before the effective date on the Notice of Medicare Non-Coverage.

Your deadline for contacting this organization.

• If you miss the deadline for contacting the Quality Improvement Organization, and you still wish to file an appeal, you must make an appeal directly to us instead. For details about this other way to make your appeal, see Section 7.5.

Step 2: The Quality Improvement Organization conducts an independent review of your case.

Legal Term

"Detailed Explanation of Non-Coverage." Notice that provides details on reasons for ending coverage.

What happens during this review?

- Health professionals at the Quality Improvement Organization ("the reviewers") will ask you, or your representative, why you believe coverage for the services should continue. You don't have to prepare anything in writing, but you may do so if you wish.
- The review organization will also look at your medical information, talk with your doctor, and review information that our plan has given to them.
- By the end of the day the reviewers tell us of your appeal, you will get the **Detailed Explanation of Non-Coverage** from us that explains in detail our reasons for ending our coverage for your services.

<u>Step 3:</u> Within one full day after they have all the information they need, the reviewers will tell you their decision.

What happens if the reviewers say yes?

- If the reviewers say yes to your appeal, then we must keep providing your covered services for as long as it is medically necessary.
- You will have to keep paying your share of the costs (such as deductibles or copayments, if these apply). There may be limitations on your covered services.

What happens if the reviewers say no?

- If the reviewers say no, then your coverage will end on the date we have told you.
- If you decide to keep getting the home health care, or skilled nursing facility care, or Comprehensive
 Outpatient Rehabilitation Facility (CORF) services after this date when your coverage ends, then you
 will have to pay the full cost of this care yourself.

Step 4: If the answer to your Level 1 appeal is no, you decide if you want to make another appeal.

• If reviewers say *no* to your Level 1 appeal – <u>and</u> you choose to continue getting care after your coverage for the care has ended – then you can make a Level 2 appeal.

Section 7.4 Step-by-step: How to make a Level 2 appeal to have our plan cover your care for a longer time

During a Level 2 appeal, you ask the Quality Improvement Organization to take another look at the decision on your first appeal. If the Quality Improvement Organization turns down your Level 2 appeal, you may have to pay the full cost for your home health care, or skilled nursing facility care, or Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facility (CORF) services *after* the date when we said your coverage would end.

Step 1: Contact the Quality Improvement Organization again and ask for another review.

You must ask for this review within 60 days after the day when the Quality Improvement
Organization said no to your Level 1 appeal. You can ask for this review only if you continued getting
care after the date that your coverage for the care ended.

Step 2: The Quality Improvement Organization does a second review of your situation.

• Reviewers at the Quality Improvement Organization will take another careful look at all of the information related to your appeal.

<u>Step 3:</u> Within 14 days of receipt of your appeal request, reviewers will decide on your appeal and tell you their decision.

What happens if the review organization says yes?

- We must reimburse you for our share of the costs of care you have received since the date when we said your coverage would end. We must continue providing coverage for the care for as long as it is medically necessary.
- You must continue to pay your share of the costs and there may be coverage limitations that apply.

What happens if the review organization says no?

- It means they agree with the decision made to your Level 1 appeal.
- The notice you get will tell you in writing what you can do if you wish to continue with the review process. It will give you the details about how to go on to the next level of appeal, which is handled by an Administrative Law Judge or attorney adjudicator.

Step 4: If the answer is no, you will need to decide whether you want to take your appeal further.

- There are three additional levels of appeal after Level 2, for a total of five levels of appeal. If you want to go on to a Level 3 appeal, the details on how to do this are in the written notice you get after our Level 2 appeal decision.
- The Level 3 appeal is handled by an Administrative Law Judge or attorney adjudicator. Section 8 in this chapter tells more about Levels 3, 4, and 5 of the appeals process.

Section 7.5 What if you miss the deadline for making your Level 1 appeal?

You can appeal to us instead

As explained above, you must act quickly to contact the Quality Improvement Organization to start your first appeal (within a day or two, at the most). If you miss the deadline for contacting this organization, there is another way to make your appeal. If you use this other way of making your appeal, the *first two levels of appeal are different*.

Step-by-Step: How to make a Level 1 Alternate Appeal

Legal Term

A "fast review" (or "fast appeal") is also called an "expedited appeal."

Step 1: Contact us and ask for a "fast review."

• Ask for a "fast review." This means you are asking us to give you an answer using the "fast" deadlines rather than the "standard" deadlines. Chapter 2 has contact information.

Step 2: We do a "fast review" of the decision we made about when to end coverage for your services.

• During this review, we take another look at all of the information about your case. We check to see if we were following all the rules when we set the date for ending the plan's coverage for services you were receiving.

Step 3: We give you our decision within 72 hours after you ask for a "fast review."

- If we say yes to your appeal, it means we have agreed with you that you need services longer, and will keep providing your covered services for as long as it is medically necessary. It also means that we have agreed to reimburse you for our share of the costs of care you have received since the date when we said your coverage would end. (You must pay your share of the costs and there may be coverage limitations that apply.)
- If we say no to your appeal, then your coverage will end on the date we told you and we will not pay any share of the costs after this date.
- If you continued to get home health care, or skilled nursing facility care, or Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facility (CORF) services *after* the date when we said your coverage would end, then **you will have to pay the full cost** of this care.

<u>Step 4:</u> If we say *no* to your fast appeal, your case will *automatically* go on to the next level of the appeals process.

Legal Term

The formal name for the "independent review organization" is the "Independent Review Entity." It is sometimes called the "IRE."

Step-by-Step: Level 2 Alternate Appeal Process

During the Level 2 appeal, the **independent review organization** reviews the decision we made to your "fast appeal." This organization decides whether the decision we made should be changed. **The independent review organization is an independent organization that is hired by Medicare.** This organization is not connected with our plan and it is not a government agency. This organization is a company chosen by Medicare to handle the job of being the independent review organization. Medicare oversees its work.

Step 1: We will automatically forward your case to the independent review organization.

We are required to send the information for your Level 2 appeal to the independent review
organization within 24 hours of when we tell you that we are saying no to your first appeal. (If you
think we are not meeting this deadline or other deadlines, you can make a complaint. Section 9 of
this chapter tells how to make a complaint.)

<u>Step 2:</u> The independent review organization does a "fast review" of your appeal. The reviewers give you an answer within 72 hours.

- Reviewers at the independent review organization will take a careful look at all of the information related to your appeal.
- If this organization says yes to your appeal, then we must pay you back for our share of the costs of care you have received since the date when we said your coverage would end. We must also continue to cover the care for as long as it is medically necessary. You must continue to pay your share of the costs. If there are coverage limitations, these could limit how much we would reimburse or how long we would continue to cover your services.
- If this organization says *no* to your appeal, it means they agree with the decision our plan made to your first appeal and will not change it.
 - The notice you get from the independent review organization will tell you in writing what you can do if you wish to go on to a Level 3 appeal.

<u>Step 3:</u> If the independent review organization says no to your appeal, you choose whether you want to take your appeal further.

• There are three additional levels of appeal after Level 2, for a total of five levels of appeal. If you want to go on to a Level 3 appeal, the details on how to do this are in the written notice you get after your Level 2 appeal decision.

• A Level 3 appeal is reviewed by an Administrative Law Judge or attorney adjudicator. Section 8 in this chapter tells more about Levels 3, 4, and 5 of the appeals process.

SECTION 8 Taking your appeal to Level 3 and beyond

Section 8.1 Appeal Levels 3, 4, and 5 for Medical Service Requests

This section may be appropriate for you if you have made a Level 1 appeal and a Level 2 appeal, and both of your appeals have been turned down.

If the dollar value of the item or medical service you have appealed meets certain minimum levels, you may be able to go on to additional levels of appeal. If the dollar value is less than the minimum level, you cannot appeal any further. The written response you receive to your Level 2 appeal will explain how to make a Level 3 appeal.

For most situations that involve appeals, the last three levels of appeal work in much the same way. Here is who handles the review of your appeal at each of these levels.

Level 3 appeal

An Administrative Law Judge or an attorney adjudicator who works for the Federal government will review your appeal and give you an answer.

- If the Administrative Law Judge or attorney adjudicator says yes to your appeal, the appeals process may or may not be over. Unlike a decision at a Level 2 appeal, we have the right to appeal a Level 3 decision that is favorable to you. If we decide to appeal, it will go to a Level 4 appeal.
 - If we decide *not* to appeal, we must authorize or provide you with the service within 60 calendar days after receiving the Administrative Law Judge's or attorney adjudicator's decision.
 - If we decide to appeal the decision, we will send you a copy of the Level 4 appeal request with any accompanying documents. We may wait for the Level 4 appeal decision before authorizing or providing the service in dispute.
- If the Administrative Law Judge or attorney adjudicator says no to your appeal, the appeals process may or may not be over.
 - If you decide to accept this decision that turns down your appeal, the appeals process is over.
 - If you do not want to accept the decision, you can continue to the next level of the review process. The notice you get will tell you what to do for a Level 4 appeal.

Level 4 appeal

The **Medicare Appeals Council** (Council) will review your appeal and give you an answer. The Council is part of the Federal government.

• If the answer is yes, or if the Council denies our request to review a favorable Level 3 appeal decision, the appeals process *may* or *may not* be over. Unlike a decision at Level 2, we have the right to appeal a Level 4 decision that is favorable to you. We will decide whether to appeal this decision to Level 5.

- If we decide *not* to appeal the decision, we must authorize or provide you with the service within 60 calendar days after receiving the Council's decision.
- If we decide to appeal the decision, we will let you know in writing.
- If the answer is no or if the Council denies the review request, the appeals process may or may not be over.
 - If you decide to accept this decision that turns down your appeal, the appeals process is over.
 - If you do not want to accept the decision, you might be able to continue to the next level of the review process. If the Council says no to your appeal, the notice you get will tell you whether the rules allow you to go on to a Level 5 appeal and how to continue with a Level 5 appeal.

Level 5 appeal A judge at the **Federal District Court** will review your appeal.

• A judge will review all of the information and decide yes or no to your request. This is a final answer. There are no more appeal levels after the Federal District Court.

MAKING COMPLAINTS

SECTION 9 How to make a complaint about quality of care, waiting times, customer service, or other concerns

Section 9.1 What kinds of problems are handled by the complaint process?

The complaint process is *only* used for certain types of problems. This includes problems related to quality of care, waiting times, and the customer service. Here are examples of the kinds of problems handled by the complaint process.

Complaint	Example
Quality of your medical care	Are you unhappy with the quality of the care you have received (including care in the hospital)?
Respecting your privacy	Did someone not respect your right to privacy or share confidential information?
Disrespect, poor customer service, or other negative behaviors	 Has someone been rude or disrespectful to you? Are you unhappy with our Member Services? Do you feel you are being encouraged to leave the plan?

Complaint	Example
Waiting times	 Are you having trouble getting an appointment, or waiting too long to get it? Have you been kept waiting too long by doctors or other health professionals? Or by our Member Services or other staff at the plan? Examples include waiting too long on the phone, in the waiting or exam room.
Cleanliness	Are you unhappy with the cleanliness or condition of a clinic, hospital, or doctor's office?
Information you get from us	 Did we fail to give you a required notice? Is our written information hard to understand?
Timeliness (These types of complaints are all related to the <i>timeliness</i> of our actions related to coverage decisions and appeals)	 If you have asked for a coverage decision or made an appeal, and you think that we are not responding quickly enough, you can also make a complaint about our slowness. Here are examples: You asked us for a "fast coverage decision" or a "fast appeal," and we have said no; you can make a complaint. You believe we are not meeting the deadlines for coverage decisions or appeals; you can make a complaint. You believe we are not meeting the deadlines for covering or reimbursing you for certain medical services that were approved; you can make a complaint. You believe we failed to meet required deadlines for forwarding your case to the independent review organization; you can make a complaint.

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Legal Terms

- A "Complaint" is also called a "grievance."
- "Making a complaint" is also called "filing a grievance."
- "Using the process for complaints" is also called "using the process for filing a grievance."
- A "fast complaint" is also called an "expedited grievance."

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Step 1: Contact us promptly — either by phone or in writing.

- Usually, calling Member Services is the first step. If there is anything else you need to do, Member Services will let you know.
- If you do not wish to call (or you called and were not satisfied), you can put your complaint in writing and send it to us. If you put your complaint in writing, we will respond to your complaint in writing.
- To use our grievance (complaint) process, you should call or send us your written complaint using one of the contact methods listed in Chapter 2: Important Phone Numbers and Resources (How to contact us when you are making a complaint about your medical care).
 - Please be sure you provide all pertinent information, including any supporting documents you believe are appropriate. Your complaint must be received by us within 60 calendar days of the event or incident that resulted in you filing your complaint.
 - Your issue will be investigated by a member of our complaint team. If you submit your complaint verbally, we will inform you of the result of our review and our decision verbally or in writing. If you submit a verbal complaint and request your response to be in writing, we will respond in writing. If you send us a written complaint, we will send you a written response, stating the result of our review. Our notice will include a description of our understanding of your complaint and our decision in clear terms.
 - We must address your complaint as quickly as your case requires based on your health status, but no later than 30 calendar days after receiving your complaint. We may extend the timeframe by up to 14 calendar days if we justify a need for additional information and the delay is in your best interest.
 - You also have the right to ask for a fast "expedited" grievance. A fast "expedited" grievance is a type of complaint that must be resolved within 24 hours from the time you contact us. You have the right to request a fast "expedited" grievance if you disagree with:
 - Our plan to take a 14-calendar-day extension on an organization/coverage determination or reconsideration/redetermination (appeal); or
 - Our denial of your request to expedite an organization determination or reconsideration (appeal) for health services
- The fast "expedited" grievance process is as follows:
 - You or an authorized representative can call, fax, or mail your complaint and mention that you want the fast complaint or expedited grievance process. Call the phone number, fax, or write your complaint and send it to the address listed in Chapter 2: Important Phone Numbers and Resources (How to contact us when you're making a complaint about your medical care). The fastest way to submit a fast complaint is to call or fax us. The fastest way to file a grievance is to call us. When we receive your complaint, we will promptly investigate the issue you have identified. If we agree with your complaint, we will cancel the 14-calendar-day extension, or expedite the determination or appeal as you originally requested. Regardless of whether we agree or not, we will investigate your complaint and notify you of our decision within 24 hours.
- The **deadline** for making a complaint is 60 calendar days from the time you had the problem that you want to complain about.

Step 2: We look into your complaint and give you our answer.

- If possible, we will answer you right away. If you call us with a complaint, we may be able to give you an answer on the same phone call.
- Most complaints are answered within 30 calendar days. If we need more information and the delay is in your best interest or if you ask for more time, we can take up to 14 more calendar days (44

calendar days total) to answer your complaint. If we decide to take extra days, we will tell you in writing.

- If you are making a complaint because we denied your request for a "fast coverage decision" or a "fast appeal," we will automatically give you a "fast complaint." If you have a "fast complaint," it means we will give you an answer within 24 hours.
- If we do not agree with some or all of your complaint or don't take responsibility for the problem you are complaining about, we will include our reasons in our response to you.

Section 9.4	You can also make complaints about quality of care to the Quality Improvement Organization
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When your complaint is about *quality of care*, you also have two extra options:

• You can make your complaint directly to the Quality Improvement Organization.

The Quality Improvement Organization is a group of practicing doctors and other health care experts paid by the Federal government to check and improve the care given to Medicare patients. Addendum A has the contact information.

Or

• You can make your complaint to both the Quality Improvement Organization and us at the same time.

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You can submit a complaint about Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO Plan directly to Medicare. To submit a complaint to Medicare, go to www.medicare.gov/MedicareComplaintForm/home.aspx. You may also call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227). TTY/TDD users can call 1-877-486-2048.

CHAPTER 8: Ending your membership in the plan

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SECTION 1 Introduction to ending your membership in our plan

Ending your membership in Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO Plan may be **voluntary** (your own choice) or **involuntary** (not your own choice):

- You might leave our plan because you have decided that you want to leave. Sections 2 and 3 provide information on ending your membership voluntarily.
- There are also limited situations where we are required to end your membership. Section 5 tells you about situations when we must end your membership.

If you are leaving our plan, our plan must continue to provide your medical care and you will continue to pay your cost share until your membership ends.

It is important that you consider your decision to disenroll from our plan carefully PRIOR to disenrolling. Since disenrollment from our plan could affect your former employer/union/trust health benefits, you could permanently lose your former employer/union/trust health coverage. If you are considering disenrolling from our plan and have not done so already, please consult with your plan benefits administrator.

SECTION 2 When can you end your membership in our plan?

Because you are enrolled in our plan through your former employer/union/trust, you are allowed to make plan changes at times permitted by your plan sponsor.

If your former employer/union/trust plan holds an annual Open Enrollment Period, you may be able to make a change to your health coverage at that time. Your plan benefits administrator will let you know when your Open Enrollment Period begins and ends, what plan choices are available to you, and the effective date of coverage.

All members have the opportunity to leave the plan during the Annual Enrollment Period (This happens every year from October 15 to December 7) and during the Medicare Advantage Open Enrollment Period (This happens every year from January 1 to March 31). In certain situations, you may also be eligible to leave the plan at other times of the year. Because of your special situation (enrollment through your former employer/union/trust's group retiree plan) you are eligible to end your membership at any time through a Special Enrollment Period.

Section 2.1 Where can you get more information about when you can end your membership?

If you have any questions about ending your membership you can:

- · Call Member Services.
- You can find the information in the *Medicare & You 2023* handbook.
- Contact Medicare at 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. (TTY 1-877-486-2048).

SECTION 3 How do you end your membership in our plan?

There are two ways you can ask to be disenrolled:

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- You can make a request in writing to us. Contact Member Services if you need more information on how to do this.
- --or--You can contact your benefits administrator.

It is important that you consider your decision to disenroll from our plan carefully PRIOR to disenrolling. Since disenrollment from our plan could affect your former employer/union/trust health benefits, you could permanently lose your former employer/union/trust health coverage. If you are considering disenrolling from our plan and have not done so already, please consult with your plan benefits administrator.

SECTION 4 Until your membership ends, you must keep getting your medical services through our plan

Until your membership ends, and your new Medicare coverage begins, you must continue to get your medical care through our plan.

- · Continue to use our network provider to receive medical care.
- If you are hospitalized on the day that your membership ends, your hospital stay will be covered by our plan until you are discharged (even if you are discharged after your new healthy coverage begins).

SECTION 5 Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO Plan must end your membership in the plan in certain situations

Section 5.1 When must we end your membership in the plan?

Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO Plan must end your membership in the plan if any of the following happen:

- If you no longer have Medicare Part A and Part B.
- If you become incarcerated (go to prison).
- If you are not a United States citizen or lawfully present in the United States.
- If you intentionally give us incorrect information when you are enrolling in our plan and that information affects your eligibility for our plan. (We cannot make you leave our plan for this reason unless we get permission from Medicare first.)
- If you continuously behave in a way that is disruptive and makes it difficult for us to provide medical care for you and other members of our plan. (We cannot make you leave our plan for this reason unless we get permission from Medicare first.)
- If you let someone else use your membership card to get medical care. (We cannot make you leave our plan for this reason unless we get permission from Medicare first.)
 - If we end your membership because of this reason, Medicare may have your case investigated by the Inspector General.

Where can you get more information?

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If you have questions or would like more information on when we can end your membership call Member Services.

Section 5.2 We <u>cannot</u> ask you to leave our plan for any reason related to your health

Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO Plan is not allowed to ask you to leave our plan for any health-related reason.

What should you do if this happens?

If you feel that you are being asked to leave our plan because of a health-related reason, you should call Medicare at 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227) 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. (TTY 1-877-486-2048).

Section 5.3 You have the right to make a complaint if we end your membership in our plan

If we end your membership in our plan, we must tell you our reasons in writing for ending your membership. We must also explain how you can file a grievance or make a complaint about our decision to end your membership.

CHAPTER 9: Legal notices

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SECTION 1 Notice about governing law

The principal law that applies to this *Evidence of Coverage* is Title XVIII of the Social Security Act and the regulations created under the Social Security Act by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, or CMS. In addition, other Federal laws may apply and, under certain circumstances, the laws of the state you live in. This may affect your rights and responsibilities even if the laws are not included or explained in this document.

SECTION 2 Notice about non-discrimination

We don't discriminate based on race, ethnicity, national origin, color, religion, sex, gender, age, sexual orientation, mental or physical disability, health status, claims experience, medical history, genetic information, evidence of insurability, or geographic location within the service area. All organizations that provide Medicare Advantage plans, like our plan, must obey Federal laws against discrimination, including Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, the Americans with Disabilities Act, Section 1557 of the Affordable Care Act, all other laws that apply to organizations that get Federal funding, and any other laws and rules that apply for any other reason.

If you want more information or have concerns about discrimination or unfair treatment, please call the Department of Health and Human Services' **Office for Civil Rights** at 1-800-368-1019 (TTY 1-800-537-7697) or your local Office for Civil Rights. You can also review information from the Department of Heath and Human Services' Office for Civil Rights at www.hhs.gov/ocr/index.

If you have a disability and need help with access to care, please call us at Member Services. If you have a complaint, such as a problem with wheelchair access, Member Services can help.

SECTION 3 Notice about Medicare Secondary Payer subrogation rights

We have the right and responsibility to collect for covered Medicare services for which Medicare is not the primary payer. According to CMS regulations at 42 CFR sections 422.108 and 423.462, Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO Plan, as a Medicare Advantage Organization, will exercise the same rights of recovery that the Secretary exercises under CMS regulations in subparts B through D of part 411 of 42 CFR and the rules established in this section supersede any State laws.

In some situations, other parties should pay for your medical care before your Medicare Advantage health plan. In those situations, your Medicare Advantage plan may pay, but have the right to get the payments back from these other parties. Medicare Advantage plans may not be the primary payer for medical care you receive. These situations include those in which the Federal Medicare Program is considered a secondary payer under the Medicare Secondary Payer laws. For information on the Federal Medicare Secondary Payer program, Medicare has written a booklet with general information about what happens when people with Medicare have additional insurance. It's called *Medicare and Other Health Benefits: Your Guide to Who Pays First (publication number 02179)*. You can get a copy by calling 1-800-MEDICARE, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, or by visiting the www.medicare.gov website.

The Plan's rights to recover in these situations are based on the terms of this health plan contract, as well as the provisions of the federal statutes governing the Medicare Program. Your Medicare Advantage plan coverage is always secondary to any payment made or reasonably expected to be made under:

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- A workers' compensation law or plan of the United States or a State,
- Any non-fault based insurance, including automobile and non-automobile no-fault and medical payments insurance,
- Any liability insurance policy or plan (including a self-insured plan) issued under an automobile or other type of policy or coverage, and
- Any automobile insurance policy or plan (including a self-insured plan), including, but not limited to, uninsured and underinsured motorist coverages.

Since your Medicare Advantage plan is always secondary to any automobile no-fault (Personal Injury Protection) or medical payments coverage, you should review your automobile insurance policies to ensure that appropriate policy provisions have been selected to make your automobile coverage primary for your medical treatment arising from an automobile accident.

As outlined herein, in these situations, your Medicare Advantage plan may make payments on your behalf for this medical care, subject to the conditions set forth in this provision for the plan to recover these payments from you or from other parties. Immediately upon making any conditional payment, your Medicare Advantage plan shall be subrogated to stand in the place of all rights of recovery you have against any person, entity or insurer responsible for causing your injury, illness or condition or against any person, entity or insurer listed as a primary payer above.

In addition, if you receive payment from any person, entity or insurer responsible for causing your injury, illness or condition or you receive payment from any person, entity or insurer listed as a primary payer above, your Medicare Advantage plan has the right to recover from, and be reimbursed by you for all conditional payments the plan has made or will make as a result of that injury, illness or condition.

Your Medicare Advantage plan will automatically have a lien, to the extent of benefits it paid for the treatment of the injury, illness or condition, upon any recovery whether by settlement, judgment or otherwise. The lien may be enforced against any party who possesses funds or proceeds representing the amount of benefits paid by the Plan including, but not limited to, you, your representatives or agents, any person, entity or insurer responsible for causing your injury, illness or condition or any person, entity or insurer listed as a primary payer above.

By accepting benefits (whether the payment of such benefits is made to you or made on your behalf to any health care provider) from your Medicare Advantage plan, you acknowledge that the plan's recovery rights are a first priority claim and are to be paid to the plan before any other claim for your damages. The plan shall be entitled to full reimbursement on a first-dollar basis from any payments, even if such payment to the plan will result in a recovery to you which is insufficient to make you whole or to compensate you in part or in whole for the damages you sustained. Your Medicare Advantage plan is not required to participate in or pay court costs or attorney fees to any attorney hired by you to pursue your damage claims.

Your Medicare Advantage plan is entitled to full recovery regardless of whether any liability for payment is admitted by any person, entity or insurer responsible for causing your injury, illness or condition or by any person, entity or insurer listed as a primary payer above. The plan is entitled to full recovery regardless of whether the settlement or judgment received by you identifies the medical benefits the plan provided or purports to allocate any portion of such settlement or judgment to payment of expenses other than medical expenses. The Medicare Advantage plan is entitled to recover from any and all settlements or judgments, even those designated as for pain and suffering, non-economic damages and/or general

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damages only.

You, and your legal representatives, shall fully cooperate with the plan's efforts to recover its benefits paid. It is your duty to notify the plan within 30 days of the date when notice is given to any party, including an insurance company or attorney, of your intention to pursue or investigate a claim to recover damages or obtain compensation due to your injury, illness or condition. You and your agents or representatives shall provide all information requested by the plan or its representatives. You shall do nothing to prejudice your Medicare Advantage plan's subrogation or recovery interest or to prejudice the plan's ability to enforce the terms of this provision. This includes, but is not limited to, refraining from making any settlement or recovery that attempts to reduce or exclude the full cost of all benefits provided by the plan.

Failure to provide requested information or failure to assist your Medicare Advantage plan in pursuit of its subrogation or recovery rights may result in you being personally responsible for reimbursing the plan for benefits paid relating to the injury, illness or condition as well as for the plan's reasonable attorney fees and costs incurred in obtaining reimbursement from you. For more information, see 42 U.S.C. § 1395y(b)(2)(A)(ii) and the Medicare statutes.

SECTION 4 Notice about recovery of overpayments

If the benefits paid by this *Evidence of Coverage*, plus the benefits paid by other plans, exceeds the total amount of expenses, Aetna has the right to recover the amount of that excess payment from among one or more of the following: (1) any person to or for whom such payments were made; (2) other Plans; or (3) any other entity to which such payments were made. This right of recovery will be exercised at Aetna's discretion. You shall execute any documents and cooperate with Aetna to secure its right to recover such overpayments, upon request by Aetna.

SECTION 5 National Coverage Determinations

Sometimes, Medicare adds coverage under Original Medicare for new services during the year. If Medicare adds coverage for any services during 2023, either Medicare or our plan will cover those services. When we receive coverage updates from Medicare, called National Coverage Determinations, we'll post the coverage updates on our website at CONY.AetnaMedicare.com. You can also call Member Services to obtain the coverage updates that have been posted for the benefit year.

SECTION 6 Independent Contractors

Participating physicians, hospitals and other health care providers are independent contractors and are neither agents nor employees of Aetna. The availability of any particular provider cannot be guaranteed, and provider network composition is subject to change.

CHAPTER 10: Definitions of important words

Ambulatory Surgical Center – An Ambulatory Surgical Center is an entity that operates exclusively for the purpose of furnishing outpatient surgical services to patients not requiring hospitalization and whose expected stay in the center does not exceed 24 hours.

Appeal – An appeal is something you do if you disagree with our decision to deny a request for coverage of health care services or payment for services you already received. You may also make an appeal if you disagree with our decision to stop services that you are receiving.

Balance Billing – When a provider (such as a doctor or hospital) bills a patient more than the plan's allowed cost-sharing amount. As a member of Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO Plan, you only have to pay our plan's cost-sharing amounts when you get services covered by our plan. We do not allow providers to "balance bill" or otherwise charge you more than the amount of cost-sharing your plan says you must pay.

Benefit Period – The way that both our plan and Original Medicare measures your use of skilled nursing facility (SNF) services. A benefit period begins the day you go into a hospital or skilled nursing facility. The benefit period ends when you have not received any inpatient hospital care (or skilled care in a SNF) for 60 days in a row. If you go into a hospital or a skilled nursing facility after one benefit period has ended, a new benefit period begins. There is no limit to the number of benefit periods.

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) - The Federal agency that administers Medicare.

Coinsurance – An amount you may be required to pay, expressed as a percentage (for example 20%) as your share of the cost for services after you pay any deductibles.

Combined Maximum Out-of-Pocket Amount – This is the most you will pay in a year for all services from both network (preferred) providers and out-of-network (non-preferred) providers.

Complaint – The formal name for "making a complaint" is "filing a grievance." The complaint process is used *only* for certain types of problems. This includes problems related to quality of care, waiting times, and the customer service you receive. It also includes complaints if your plan does not follow the time periods in the appeal process.

Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facility (CORF) – A facility that mainly provides rehabilitation services after an illness or injury, including physical therapy, social or psychological services, respiratory therapy, occupational therapy and speech-language pathology services, and home environment evaluation services.

Copayment (or "copay") – An amount you may be required to pay as your share of the cost for a medical service or supply, like a doctor's visit, hospital outpatient visit, or a prescription. A copayment is a set amount (for example \$10), rather than a percentage.

Cost Sharing – Cost-sharing refers to amounts that a member has to pay when services are received. (This is in addition to the plan's monthly premium, if applicable.) Cost sharing includes any combination of the following three types of payments: (1) any deductible amount a plan may impose before services are covered; (2) any fixed "copayment" amount that a plan requires when a specific service is received; or (3) any "coinsurance" amount, a percentage of the total amount paid for a service that a plan requires when a specific service is received.

Covered Services – The term we use to mean all of the health care services and supplies that are covered by our plan.

Creditable Prescription Drug Coverage – Prescription drug coverage (for example, from an employer or union) that is expected to pay, on average, at least as much as Medicare's standard prescription drug coverage. People who have this kind of coverage when they become eligible for Medicare can generally keep that coverage without paying a penalty, if they decide to enroll in Medicare prescription drug coverage later.

Custodial Care – Custodial care is personal care provided in a nursing home, hospice, or other facility setting when you do not need skilled medical care or skilled nursing care. Custodial care, provided by people who don't have professional skills or training, includes help with activities of daily living like bathing, dressing, eating, getting in or out of a bed or chair, moving around, and using the bathroom. It may also include the kind of health-related care that most people do themselves, like using eye drops. Medicare doesn't pay for custodial care.

Deductible – The amount you must pay for health care before our plan pays.

Disenroll or **Disenrollment** – The process of ending your membership in our plan.

Durable Medical Equipment (DME) – Certain medical equipment that is ordered by your doctor for medical reasons. Examples include walkers, wheelchairs, crutches, powered mattress systems, diabetic supplies, IV infusion pumps, speech generating devices, oxygen equipment, nebulizers, or hospital beds ordered by a provider for use in the home.

Emergency – A medical emergency is when you, or any other prudent layperson with an average knowledge of health and medicine, believe that you have medical symptoms that require immediate medical attention to prevent loss of life (and, if you are a pregnant woman, loss of an unborn child), loss of a limb, or loss of function of a limb, or loss of or serious impairment to a bodily function. The medical symptoms may be an illness, injury, severe pain, or a medical condition that is quickly getting worse.

Emergency Care – Covered services that are: (1) provided by a provider qualified to furnish emergency services; and (2) needed to treat, evaluate, or stabilize an emergency medical condition.

Evidence of Coverage (EOC) and Disclosure Information – This document, along with your enrollment form and any other attachments, riders, or other optional coverage selected, which explains your coverage, what we must do, your rights, and what you have to do as a member of our plan.

Extra Help – A Medicare or a State program to help people with limited income and resources pay Medicare prescription drug program costs, such as premiums, deductibles, and coinsurance.

Grievance – A type of complaint you make about our plan or providers, including a complaint concerning the quality of your care. This type of complaint does not involve coverage or payment disputes.

Home Health Aide – A person who provides services that do not need the skills of a licensed nurse or therapist, such as help with personal care (e.g., bathing, using the toilet, dressing, or carrying out the prescribed exercises).

Hospice – A benefit that provides special treatment for a member who has been medically certified as terminally ill, meaning having a life expectancy of 6 months or less. We, your plan, must provide you with a list of hospices in your geographic area. If you elect hospice and continue to pay premiums you are still a member of our plan. You can still obtain all medically necessary services as well as the supplemental benefits we offer.

Hospital Inpatient Stay – An acute hospital stay when you have been formally admitted to the hospital for skilled medical services. Even if you stay in the hospital overnight, you might still be considered an "outpatient."

Independent Practice Associations (IPA) – Negotiate with insurers to provide services for insureds on a flat fee or retainer basis. They allow physicians to remain independent while still collaborating with other doctors to achieve best practices and negotiate with insurers as a group.

Initial Enrollment Period – When you are first eligible for Medicare, the period of time when you can sign up for Medicare Part A and Part B. If you're eligible for Medicare when you turn 65, your Initial Enrollment Period is the 7-month period that begins 3 months before the month you turn 65, includes the month you turn 65, and ends 3 months after the month you turn 65.

In-Network Maximum Out-of-Pocket Amount – The most you will pay for covered services received from network (preferred) providers. After you have reached this limit, you will not have to pay anything when you get covered services from network providers for the rest of the contract year. However, until you reach your combined out-of-pocket amount, you must continue to pay your share of the costs when you seek care from an out-of-network (non-preferred) provider.

Low Income Subsidy (LIS) - See "Extra Help."

Medicaid (or Medical Assistance) – A joint Federal and state program that helps with medical costs for some people with low incomes and limited resources. State Medicaid programs vary, but most health care costs are covered if you qualify for both Medicare and Medicaid.

Medically Necessary – Services, supplies, or drugs that are needed for the prevention, diagnosis, or treatment of your medical condition and meet accepted standards of medical practice.

Medicare – The Federal health insurance program for people 65 years of age or older, some people under age 65 with certain disabilities, and people with End-Stage Renal Disease (generally those with permanent kidney failure who need dialysis or a kidney transplant).

Medicare Advantage (MA) Plan – Sometimes called Medicare Part C. A plan offered by a private company that contracts with Medicare to provide you with all your Medicare Part A and Part B benefits. A Medicare Advantage Plan can be an i) HMO, ii) PPO, a iii) Private Fee-for-Service (PFFS) plan, or a iv) Medicare Medical Savings Account (MSA) plan. Besides choosing from these types of plans, a Medicare Advantage HMO or PPO plan can also be a Special Needs Plan (SNP). In most cases, Medicare Advantage Plans also offer Medicare Part D (prescription drug coverage). These plans are called Medicare Advantage Plans with Prescription Drug Coverage.

Medicare Cost Plan – A Medicare Cost Plan is a plan operated by a Health Maintenance Organization (HMO) or Competitive Medical Plan (CMP) in accordance with a cost-reimbursed contract under section 1876(h) of the Act.

Medicare-Covered Services – Services covered by Medicare Part A and Part B. All Medicare health plans, must cover all of the services that are covered by Medicare Part A and B. The term Medicare-Covered Services does not include the extra benefits, such as vision, dental or hearing, that a Medicare Advantage plan may offer.

Medicare Health Plan – A Medicare health plan is offered by a private company that contracts with Medicare to provide Part A and Part B benefits to people with Medicare who enroll in the plan. This term includes all Medicare Advantage Plans, Medicare Cost Plans, Special Needs Plans, Demonstration/Pilot Programs, and Programs of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE).

Medicare Prescription Drug Coverage (Medicare Part D) – Insurance to help pay for outpatient prescription drugs, vaccines, biologicals, and some supplies not covered by Medicare Part A or Part B.

"Medigap" (Medicare Supplement Insurance) Policy – Medicare supplement insurance sold by private insurance companies to fill "gaps" in Original Medicare. Medigap policies only work with Original Medicare. (A Medicare Advantage Plan is not a Medigap policy.)

Member (Member of our plan, or "Plan Member") – A person with Medicare who is eligible to get covered services, who has enrolled in our plan, and whose enrollment has been confirmed by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS).

Member Services – A department within our plan responsible for answering your questions about your membership, benefits, grievances, and appeals.

Network – A group of doctors, hospitals, pharmacies, and other health care experts contracted by our plan to provide covered services to its members (see Chapter 1, Section 3.2). Network providers are independent contractors and not agents of our plan.

Network Provider – "Provider" is the general term for doctors, other health care professionals, hospitals, and other health care facilities that are licensed or certified by Medicare and by the State to provide health care services. **"Network providers"** have an agreement with our plan to accept our payment as payment in full, and in some cases to coordinate as well as provide covered services to members of our plan. Network providers are also called "plan providers."

Non-Medicare Covered Services – Services that are not normally covered when you have Original Medicare. These are usually extra benefits you may receive as a member of a Medicare Advantage plan.

Organization Determination – A decision our plan makes about whether items or services are covered or how much you have to pay for covered items or services. Organization determinations are called "coverage decisions" in this document.

Original Medicare ("Traditional Medicare" or "Fee-for-service" Medicare) – Original Medicare is offered by the government, and not a private health plan such as Medicare Advantage Plans and prescription drug plans. Under Original Medicare, Medicare services are covered by paying doctors, hospitals, and other health care providers payment amounts established by Congress. You can see any doctor, hospital, or other health care provider that accepts Medicare. You must pay the deductible. Medicare pays its share of the Medicare-approved amount, and you pay your share. Original Medicare has two parts: Part A (Hospital Insurance) and Part B (Medical Insurance) and is available everywhere in the United States.

Out-of-Network Provider or Out-of-Network Facility – A provider or facility that does not have a contract with our plan to coordinate or provide covered services to members of our plan. Out-of-network providers are providers that are not employed, owned, or operated by our plan.

Out-of-Pocket Costs – See the definition for "cost-sharing" above. A member's cost-sharing requirement to pay for a portion of services received is also referred to as the member's "out-of-pocket" cost requirement.

PACE Plan – A PACE (Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly) plan combines medical, social, and long-term care (LTC) services for frail people to help people stay independent and living in their community (instead of moving to a nursing home) as long as possible. People enrolled in PACE plans receive both their Medicare and Medicaid benefits through the plan.

Part C - see "Medicare Advantage (MA) Plan."

Part D – The voluntary Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit Program.

Preferred Provider Organization (PPO) Plan – A Preferred Provider Organization plan is a Medicare Advantage Plan that has a network of contracted providers that have agreed to treat plan members for a specified payment amount. A PPO plan must cover all plan benefits whether they are received from network or out-of-network providers. Your PPO plan has an annual limit on your total combined out-of-pocket costs for services from both network (preferred) and out-of-network (non-preferred) providers.

Premium – The periodic payment to Medicare, an insurance company, or a health care plan for health coverage.

Primary Care Provider (PCP) – The doctor or other provider you see first for most health problems. In many Medicare health plans, you must see your primary care provider before you see any other health care provider.

Prior Authorization – Approval in advance to get services. In the network portion of a PPO, some in-network medical services are covered only if your doctor or other network provider gets "prior authorization" from our plan. In a PPO, you do not need prior authorization to obtain out-of-network services. However, you may want to check with the plan before obtaining services from out-of-network providers to confirm that the service is covered by your plan and what your cost-sharing responsibility is. Covered services that need prior authorization are marked in the Medical Benefits Chart (*Schedule of Cost Sharing*).

Prosthetics and Orthotics – Medical devices including, but are not limited to, arm, back and neck braces; artificial limbs; artificial eyes; and devices needed to replace an internal body part or function, including ostomy supplies and enteral and parenteral nutrition therapy.

Quality Improvement Organization (QIO) – A group of practicing doctors and other health care experts paid by the Federal government to check and improve the care given to Medicare patients.

Rehabilitation Services – These services include physical therapy, speech and language therapy, and occupational therapy.

Service Area – A geographic area where you must live to join a particular health plan. For plans that limit which doctors and hospitals you may use, it's also generally the area where you can get routine (non-emergency) services. The plan must disenroll you if you permanently move out of the plan's service area.

Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Care – Skilled nursing care and rehabilitation services provided on a continuous, daily basis, in a skilled nursing facility. Examples of care include physical therapy or intravenous injections that can only be given by a registered nurse or doctor.

Special Enrollment Period – A set time when members can change their health or drug plans or return to Original Medicare. Situations in which you may be eligible for a Special Enrollment Period include: if you move outside the service area, if you move into a nursing home, or if we violate our contract with you, or if you are a member of our plan through your former employer/union/trust group retiree plan.

Supplemental Security Income (SSI) – A monthly benefit paid by Social Security to people with limited income and resources who are disabled, blind, or age 65 and older. SSI benefits are not the same as Social Security benefits.

Urgently Needed Services – Covered services that are not emergency services, provided when the network providers are temporarily unavailable or inaccessible or when the enrollee is out of the service area. For example, you may need immediate care during the weekend. Services must be immediately needed and medically necessary.

Addendum A – Important Contact Information for State Agencies

	Quality Improvement Organizations (QIO)
Region 1: Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont	KEPRO, Address: 5700 Lombardo Center Drive, Suite 100, Seven Hills, OH 44131, Phone: 1-888-319-8452, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Weekends and holidays 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM, Website: keprogio.com
Region 2: New Jersey, New York, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands	Livanta, Address: Livanta LLC – BFCC-QIO, 10820 Guilford Road, Suite 202, Annapolis Junction, MD 20701-1105, Phone: 1-866-815-5440, TTY: 1-866-868-2289, Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: livantaqio.com/en
Region 3: Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Washington, DC, West Virginia	Livanta, Address: Livanta LLC – BFCC-QIO, 10820 Guilford Road, Suite 202, Annapolis Junction, MD 20701-1105, Phone: 1-888-396-4646, TTY: 1-888-985-2660, Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: livantaqio.com/en
Region 4: Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee	KEPRO , Address: 5201 West Kennedy Blvd., Suite 900, Tampa, FL 33609, Phone: 1-888-317-0751, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Weekends and holidays 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM, Website: keprogio.com
Region 5: Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, Wisconsin	Livanta, Address: Livanta LLC – BFCC-QIO, 10820 Guilford Road, Suite 202, Annapolis Junction, MD 20701-1105, Phone: 1-888-524-9900, TTY: 1-888-985-8775, Hours: Monday–Friday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: livantaqio.com/en
Region 6: Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas	KEPRO , Address: 5201 West Kennedy Blvd., Suite 900, Tampa, FL 33609, Phone: 1-888-315-0636, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Weekends and holidays 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM, Website: keprogio.com
Region 7: Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska	Livanta, Address: Livanta LLC – BFCC-QIO, 10820 Guilford Road, Suite 202, Annapolis Junction, MD 20701-1105, Phone: 1-888-755-5580, TTY: 1-888-985-9295, Hours: Monday–Friday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: livantaqio.com/en
Region 8: Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, Wyoming	KEPRO , Address: 5700 Lombardo Center Drive, Suite 100, Seven Hills, OH 44131, Phone: 1-888-317-0891, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Weekends and holidays 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM, Website: keproqio.com
Region 9: Arizona, California, Hawaii, Nevada, Pacific Islands	Livanta, Address: Livanta LLC – BFCC-QIO, 10820 Guilford Road, Suite 202, Annapolis Junction, MD 20701-1105, Phone: 1-877-588-1123, TTY: 1-855-887-6668, Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: livantaqio.com/en

	Quality Improvement Organizations (QIO)
Region 10: Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, Washington	KEPRO , Address: 5700 Lombardo Center Drive, Suite 100, Seven Hills, OH 44131, Phone: 1-888-305-6759, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Weekends and holidays 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM, Website: keprogio.com

	State Medicaid Office
AK	Alaska Department of Health and Social Services, Address: 4501 Business Park Blvd., Building L, Anchorage, AK 99503-7167, Phone: 1-800-780-9972, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: dhss.alaska.gov/dhcs/Pages/medicaid_medicare/default.aspx
AL	Alabama Medicaid Agency , Address: PO Box 5624, Montgomery, AL 36103, Phone: 1-800-362-1504, 334-242-5000, TTY: 1-800-253-0799, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Website: medicaid.alabama.gov/
AR	Arkansas Medicaid, Address: PO Box 1437, Slot S401, Little Rock, AR 72203-1437, Phone: 1-800-482-8988 (Eligibility), 1-800-482-5431 (Other services), TTY: 501-682-8933, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Website: humanservices.arkansas.gov/divisions-shared-services/medical-services/
ΑZ	Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System, Address: 801 E. Jefferson Street, Phoenix, AZ 85034, Phone: 1-800-654-8713, TTY: 1-800-842-6520, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: azahcccs.gov/
CA	California Department of Health Services Medi-Cal, Address: PO Box 989725, West Sacramento, CA 95798-9725, Phone: 1-800-541-5555, 1-800-300-1506, TTY: 1-888-889-4500, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: dhcs.ca.gov/individuals/Pages/Steps-to-Medi-Cal.aspx
СО	HealthFirst Colorado, Address: 1570 Grant Street, Denver, CO 80203-1818, Phone: 1-800-221-3943, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Website: healthfirstcolorado.com/
СТ	HUSKY, Connecticut's Health Care for Children & Adults, Address: 55 Farmington Ave., Hartford, CT 06105-3724, Phone: 1-855-626-6632, TTY: 1-800-842-4524, Hours: Monday-Friday 7:30 AM to 4:00 PM, Website: portal.ct.gov/HUSKY/Welcome
DC	The Department of Health Care Finance – DHCF, Address: 441 4th Street NW, 900S, Washington, DC 20001, Phone: 202-442-5988, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:15 AM to 4:45 PM, Website:

	State Medicaid Office
FL	Florida Agency for Health Care Administration, Division of Medicaid, Address: 2727 Mahan Drive, Mail Stop #8, Tallahassee, FL 32308, Phone: 1-850-412-4000, TTY: 1-800-955-8771, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: ahca.myflorida.com/Medicaid/index.shtml
GA	Georgia Medicaid, Address: Division of Family and Children Services, Customer Contact Center, PO Box 4190, Albany, GA 31706, Phone: 1-877-423-4746, TTY: 1-800-255-0135, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: medicaid.georgia.gov/
ні	State of Hawaii Department of Human Services Med-QUEST Division, Address: PO Box 3490, Honolulu, HI 96811-3490, Phone: 808-524-3370 (Oahu), 1-800-316-8005 (Neighbor Islands), TTY: 808-692-7182 (Oahu), 1-800-603-1201 (Neighbor Islands), Hours: Monday-Friday 7:30 AM to 4:30 PM, Website: medquest.hawaii.gov/
IA	IA Health Link, Address: PO Box 36510, Des Moines, IA 50315, Phone: 1-800-338-8366, 515-256-4606, TTY: 1-800-735-2942, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: dhs.iowa.gov/iahealthlink
ID	Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, Address: PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0036, Phone: 1-877-456-1233, TTY: 1-888-791-3004, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/services-programs/medicaid-health
IL	Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services, Address: Central Scan Unit (CSU), PO Box 19138, Springfield, IL 62763, Phone: 1-800-843-6154, TTY: 1-866-324-5553, 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: illinois.gov/hfs/Pages/default.aspx
IN	Indiana Medicaid, Address: 402 W. Washington Street, Room W392, PO Box 7083, Indianapolis, IN 46204, Phone: 1-800-403-0864, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Website: in.gov/medicaid/
KS	KanCare Medicaid for Kansas , Address: PO Box 3599, Topeka, KS 66601, Phone: 1-800-792-4884, TTY: 1-800-792-4992, 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: kancare.ks.gov/
КҮ	Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Department for Medicaid Services, Address: 275 E. Main St. 6W-A, Frankfort, KY 40621, Phone: 1-800-635-2570, 1-855-306-8959, 502-564-3852, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dms/Pages/default.aspx
LA	Louisiana Department of Health, Address: PO Box 629, Baton Rouge, LA 70821-0629, Phone: 1-888-342-6207, TTY: 1-800-220-5404, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Website: ldn.la.gov/index.cfm/subhome/1/n/10
MA	MassHealth, Address: 100 Hancock Street, 6th Floor, Quincy, MA 02171, Phone: 1-800-841-2900, TTY: 1-800-497-4648, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: mass.gov/orgs/masshealth
MD	Maryland Medicaid, Address: Herbert R. O'Conor State Office Building, 201 W. Preston Street, Baltimore, MD 21201-2399, Phone: 1-877-463-3464, 1-855-642-8572, TTY: 1-855-642-8573, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: mmcp.health.maryland.gov/Pages/home.aspx

	State Medicaid Office
ME	Office of MaineCare Services, Address: Office for Family Independence, 114 Corn Shop Lane, Farmington, ME 04938, Phone: 1-855-797-4357, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: maine.gov/dhhs/ofi/programs-services/health-care-assistance
MI	Michigan Medicaid Program, Address: Capital View Building, 333 S. Grand Ave., PO Box 30195, Lansing, Michigan 48909, Phone: 1-800-642-3195, 855-276-4627, TTY: 1-866-501-5656, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: michigan.gov/mdhhs/0,5885,7-339-71547_4860_78446,00.html
MN	Minnesota Department of Human Services, Medical Assistance (MA), Address: PO Box 64993, St. Paul, MN 55164-0993, Phone: 1-800-657-3739, 651-431-2670, TTY: 1-800-627-3529, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: mn.gov/dhs/people-we-serve/adults/health-care/health-care-programs/programs-and-services/medical-assistance.jsp
МО	MO HealthNet, Address: 615 Howerton Court, PO Box 6500, Jefferson City, MO 65102-3425, Phone: 1-800-392-2161, TTY: 1-800-735-2466, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: mydss.mo.gov/healthcare
MS	Mississippi Division of Medicaid, Address: MS Division of Medicaid, 550 High Street, Suite 1000, Jackson, MS 39201, Phone: 1-800-421-2408, 601-659-6050, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: medicaid.ms.gov/
МТ	Montana Medicaid and HMK Plus, Address: 111 North Sanders Street, Helena, MT 59601-4520, PO Box 4210, Helena, MT 59604-4210, Phone: 1-800-362-8312, 1-888-706-1535, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: dphhs.mt.gov/MontanaHealthcarePrograms/MemberServices
NC	NC Medicaid, Division of Health Benefits, Address: 2501 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-2501, Phone: 1-888-245-0179, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: medicaid.ncdhhs.gov/
ND	North Dakota Department of Human Services, Medical Services Division, Address: 600 E. Boulevard Ave., Dept. 325, Bismarck, ND 58505-0250, Phone: 1-800-755-2604, 701-328-7068, TTY: 1-800-366-6888, 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: nd.gov/dhs/services/medicalserv/medicaid/
NE	Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services System, Address: 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, NE 68508, Phone: 1-855-632-7633, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: <a "="" dhbs.nh.gov="" href="https://doi.org/10.2016/nc.1016/nc</td></tr><tr><td>NH</td><td>New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services, Address: Office of Medicaid Business & Policy, NH Department of Health & Human Services, 129 Pleasant Street, Concord, NH 03301, Phone: 1-800-852-3345, ext. 4344, 603-271-4344, TTY: 1-800-735-2964, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Website: dhbs.nh.gov/ombp/medicaid/
NJ	NJ Department of Human Services, Division of Medical Assistance & Health Services, Address: NJ Department of Human Services, Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services, PO Box 712, Trenton, NJ 08625-0712, Phone: 1-800-701-0710, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: state.nj.us/humanservices/dmahs/home/index.html

	State Medicaid Office
NM	Centennial Care, Address: NM Human Services Department, PO Box 2348, Santa Fe, NM 87504, Phone: 1-800-283-4465, TTY: 1-855-227-5485, Hours: Monday-Friday 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: hsd.state.nm.us/lookingforassistance/centennial-care-overview/
NV	Nevada Department of Health and Human Services, Address: Division of Welfare and Supportive Services, PO Box 30042, Reno, NV 89520-3042, Phone: 1-877-638-3472, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: dwss.nv.gov/
NY	New York State Medicaid, Address: New York State Department of Health, Corning Tower, Empire State Plaza, Albany, NY 12237, Phone: 1-800-541-2831, 518-486-9057, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/
ОН	Ohio Department of Medicaid, Address: 50 W. Town Street, Suite 400, Columbus, OH 43215, Phone: 1-800-324-8680, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Saturday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: medicaid.ohio.gov/
ок	SoonerCare, Address: 4345 N. Lincoln Blvd., Oklahoma City, OK 73105, Phone: 1-800-987-7767, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: oklahoma.gov/ohca.html
OR	Oregon Health Plan, Address: 500 Summer Street NE, E-20, Salem, OR 97301-1063, Phone: 1-800-273-0557, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: oregon.gov/oha/hsd/ohp/Pages/index.aspx
PA	Pennsylvania Department of Human Services, Address: 625 Forster Street, Harrisburg, PA 17120, Phone: 1-800-692-7462, TTY: 1-800-451-5896, 711, Hours: Monday–Thursday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM and Friday 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: dhs.pa.gov/Services/Assistance/Pages/Medical-Assistance.aspx
RI	Rhode Island Department of Human Services, Address: PO Box 8709, Cranston, RI 02920-8787, Phone: 1-855-697-4347, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM, Website: dhs.ri.gov/programs-and-services/medicaid-medicare-programs
sc	South Carolina Healthy Connections Medicaid, Address: SCDHHS, PO Box 100101, Columbia, SC 29202, Phone: 1-888-549-0820, TTY: 1-888-842-3620, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM, Website: scdhhs.gov/
SD	South Dakota Medicaid , Address: 700 Governors Drive, Pierre, SD 57501, Phone: 1-800-597-1603, 1-800-305-3064, 605-773-3165, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: dss.sd.gov/medicaid/
TN	TennCare, Address: 310 Great Circle Road, Nashville, TN 37243, Phone: 1-855-259-0701 (Applications), 1-800-342-3145 (General), TTY: 1-877-779-3013, Hours: Monday–Friday 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM, Website: tn.gov/tenncare
тх	Texas Health and Human Services Commission, Address: 4900 N. Lamar Boulevard, Austin, TX 78751-2316, Phone: 1-800-252-8263, TTY: 1-800-735-2989, 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: hhs.texas.gov/services/health/medicaid-chip
UT	Utah Department of Health Medicaid, Address: PO Box 143106, Salt Lake City, UT 84114-3106, Phone: 1-800-662-9651, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM and Thursday 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: medicaid.utah.gov/

	State Medicaid Office
VA	Virginia Medicaid, Address: 600 E. Broad Street, Suite 1300, Richmond, VA 23219, Phone: 1-855-242-8282, TTY: 1-888-221-1590, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM and Saturday 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM, Website: dmas.virginia.gov/
VT	Vermont Medicaid Programs, Address: Department of Vermont Health Access, 280 State Drive, Waterbury, VT 05671-1500, Phone: 1-800-250-8427, 1-855-899-9600, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: dvha.vermont.gov/members
WA	Washington Apple Health, Address: Health Care Authority, Cherry Street Plaza, 626 8th Avenue SE, Olympia, WA 98501, Phone: 1-800-562-3022, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: https://doi.org/10.2007/journal.com/health-care-services-supports/apple-health-medicaid-coverage
WI	Wisconsin Department of Health Services, Address: Division of Medicaid Services, PO Box 309, Madison, WI 53707-0309, Phone: 1-800-362-3002, 608-266-1865, TTY: 1-800-947-3529, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: dhs.wisconsin.gov/medicaid/index.htm
wv	West Virginia Department of Health & Human Resources, Bureau for Medical Services, Address: One Davis Square, Suite 100 East, Charleston, WV 25301, Phone: 1-877-716-1212, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: dhr.wv.gov/Pages/default.aspx
WY	Wyoming Department of Health, Healthcare Financing Division, Address: Customer Service Center, 3001 E. Pershing Blvd., Suite 125, Cheyenne, WY 82001, Phone: 1-855-294-2127, 301-777-7531, TTY: 1-855-329-5204, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: health.wyo.gov/

	State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP)
AK	Alaska State Health Insurance Assistance Programs, Address: 550 W. 7th Ave., Suite 1230, Anchorage, AK 99501, Phone: 1-800-478-6065, 907-269-3680, TTY: 1-800-770-8973, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: dhss.alaska.gov/dsds/Pages/medicare/ship.aspx
AL	Alabama State Health Insurance Assistance Program, Address: RSA Tower, 201 Monroe Street, Suite 350, Montgomery, AL 36104, Phone: 1-800-243-5463, 1-877-425-2243, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: alabamaageline.gov/ship/
AR	Arkansas Senior Health Insurance Information Program (AR SHIIP), Address: 1 Commerce Way, Little Rock, AR 72202, Phone: 1-800-224-6330, TTY: 501-683-4468, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Website: insurance.arkansas.gov/pages/consumerservices/senior-health/
AZ	Arizona State Health Insurance Assistance Program, Address: 1789 W. Jefferson Street, Mail Drop 6288, Phoenix, AZ 85007, Phone: 1-800-432-4040, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: des.az.gov/services/older-adults/medicare-assistance

	State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP)
CA	California Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program (HICAP), Address: 2880 Gateway Oaks Drive, Suite 200, Sacramento, CA 95833, Phone: 1-800-434-0222, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: aging.ca.gov/Programs and Services/Medicare Counseling/
со	Colorado Senior Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP), Address: 1560 Broadway, Suite 850, Denver, CO 80202, Phone: 1-888-696-7213, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: doi.colorado.gov/insurance-products/health-insurance/senior-health-care-medicare
СТ	CHOICES, Address: 55 Farmington Ave., 12th Floor, Hartford, CT 06105, Phone: 1-800-994-9422, TTY: 1-860-247-0775, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: portal.ct.gov/AgingandDisability/Content-Pages/Programs/CHOICES-Connecticuts-program-for-Health-insurance-assistance-Outreach-Information-and-referral-Couns
DC	DC State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP), Address: 500 K Street NE, Washington, DC 20002, Phone: 202-724-5626, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM, Website: dacl.dc.gov/
DE	Delaware Medicare Assistance Bureau (DMAB), Address: 1351 W. North Street, Suite 101, Dover, DE 19904, Phone: 1-800-336-9500, 302-604-7364, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM, Website: insurance.delaware.gov/divisions/dmab/
FL	Serving Health Insurance Needs of Elders (SHINE), Address: 4040 Esplanade Way, Suite 270, Tallahassee, FL 32399-7000, Phone: 1-800-963-5337, TTY: 1-800-955-8770, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: floridashine.org/
GA	Georgia SHIP, Address: 2 Peachtree Street NW, 33rd Floor, Atlanta, GA 30303, Phone: 1-866-552-4464, Option 4, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: aging.georgia.gov/georgia-ship
ні	Hawaii SHIP, Address: Executive Office on Aging, 250 South Hotel Street, Suite 406, Honolulu, HI 96813-2831, Phone: 1-888-875-9229, TTY: 1-866-810-4379, Hours: Monday-Friday 7:45 AM to 4:30 PM, Website: hawaiiship.org/
IA	Iowa Senior Health Insurance Information Program (SHIIP), Address: 1963 Bell Ave., Suite 100, Des Moines, IA 50315, Phone: 1-800-351-4664, TTY: 1-800-735-2942, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: shiip.iowa.gov/
ID	Idaho Senior Health Insurance Benefits Advisors (SHIBA), Address: 700 W. State Street, 3rd Floor, PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0043, Phone: 1-800-247-4422, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, except state holidays, Website: doi.idaho.gov/SHIBA/
IL	Senior Health Insurance Program (SHIP), Address: One Natural Resources Way, Suite 100, Springfield, IL 62702-1271, Phone: 1-800-252-8966, TTY: 1-888-206-1327, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: www2.illinois.gov/aging/ship/Pages/default.aspx
IN	Indiana State Health Insurance Assistance Program, Address: 311 W. Washington Street, Suite 300, Indianapolis, IN 46204-2787, Phone: 1-800-452-4800, TTY: 1-866-846-0139, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Website: in.gov/ship/index.htm

	State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP)
KS	Senior Health Insurance Counseling for Kansas (SHICK), Address: New England Building, 503 S. Kansas Ave., Topeka, KS 66603-3404, Phone: 1-800-860-5260, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: kdads.ks.gov/commissions/commission-on-aging/medicare-programs/shick
KY	Kentucky State Health Insurance Assistance Program, Address: 275 E. Main Street, Suite 3E-E, Frankfort, KY 40621, Phone: 1-877-293-7447 (Option 2), 502-564-6930, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dail/Pages/ship.aspx
LA	Louisiana Senior Health Insurance Information Program, Address: 1702 N. Third Street, PO Box 94214, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, Phone: 1-800-259-5300, Option 2, 225-342-5900, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Website: ldi.la.gov/consumers/senior-health-shiip
MA	SHINE (Serving the Health Insurance Needs of Everyone), Address: 1 Ashburton Place, 5th Floor, Boston, MA 02108, Phone: 1-800-243-4336, TTY: TTY/ASCII: 1-800-439-2370, Hours: Monday–Friday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: mass.gov/health-insurance-counseling
MD	Maryland State Health Insurance Assistance Program, Address: 301 West Preston Street, Suite 1007, Baltimore, MD 21201, Phone: 1-800-243-3425, 410-767-1100, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: aging.maryland.gov/Pages/state-health-insurance-program.aspx
ME	Maine State Health Insurance Assistance Program, Address: 109 Capitol Street, 11 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04333, Phone: 1-877-353-3771, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Website: maine.gov/dhhs/oads/get-support/older-adults-disabilities/older-adult-services/ship-medicare-assistance
МІ	Michigan Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program (MMAP), Address: 6105 W. St. Joseph, Suite 204, Lansing, MI 48917, Phone: 1-800-803-7174, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM, Website: mmapinc.org/
MN	Minnesota State Health Insurance Assistance, Address: 540 Cedar Street, St. Paul, MN 55164, Phone: 1-800-333-2433, TTY: 1-800-627-3529, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00AM to 4:30 PM, Website: mn.gov/senior-linkage-line/
мо	CLAIM, Address: 1105 Lakeview Ave., Columbia, MO 65201, Phone: 1-800-390-3330, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Website: missouriclaim.org/
MS	Mississippi State Health Insurance Assistance Program, Address: 200 South Lamar St., Jackson, MS 39201, Phone: 1-800-948-3090, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: mdhs.ms.gov/adults-seniors/services-for-seniors/state-health-insurance-assistance-program/
МТ	Montana State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP), Address: PO Box 4210, Helena, MT 59604, Phone: 1-800-551-3191, TTY: 1-800-833-8503, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: dphhs.mt.gov/sltc/aging/ship
NC	Seniors' Health Insurance Information Program (SHIIP), Address: Albemarle Building, 325 N. Salisbury Street, Raleigh, NC 27603, Phone: 1-855-408-1212, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: ncdoi.gov/consumers/medicare-and-seniors-

	State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP)
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ND	State Health Insurance Counseling Program (SHIC), Address: 600 E. Boulevard Ave., Bismarck, ND 58505-0320, Phone: 1-888-575-6611, TTY: 1-800-366-6888, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: insurance.nd.gov/shic-medicare
NE	Nebraska SHIP, Address: 2717 S. 8th Street, Suite 4, Lincoln, NE 68502, Phone: 1-800-234-7119, 402-471-2841, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: doi.nebraska.gov/consumer/senior-health
NH	New Hampshire State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP), Address: 129 Pleasant Street, Concord, NH 03301, Phone: 1-866-634-9412, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: servicelink.nh.gov/medicare/index.htm
NJ	State Health Insurance Assistance Program (New Jersey SHIP), Address: NJ State Health Insurance Assistance Program, PO Box 807, Trenton, NJ 08625, Phone: 1-800-792-8820, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM, Website: state.nj.us/humanservices/doas/services/ship/index.html
NM	New Mexico State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP), Address: 2550 Cerrillos Road, Santa Fe, NM 87505, Phone: 1-800-432-2080, 505-476-4846, TTY: 505-476-4937, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Website: nmaging.state.nm.us/adrc.aspx
NV	Nevada State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP), Address: 3416 Goni Road, Suite D-132, Carson City, NV 89706, Phone: 1-800-307-4444, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Website: adsd.nv.gov/Programs/Seniors/SHIP/SHIP_Prog/
NY	Health Insurance Information, Counseling and Assistance (HIICAP), Address: 2 Empire State Plaza, 5th Floor, Albany, NY 12223, Phone: 1-800-701-0501, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: aging.ny.gov/health-insurance-information-counseling-and-assistance
ОН	Ohio Senior Health Insurance Information Program (OSHIIP), Address: 50 W. Town Stree Third Floor, Suite 300, Columbus, OH 43215, Phone: 1-800-686-1578, 614-644-2658, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: insurance.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/odi/consumers
ОК	Oklahoma Senior Health Insurance Counseling Program (SHIP), Address: 400 NE 50th Street, Oklahoma City, OK 73105, Phone: 1-800-763-2828, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: oid.ok.gov/consumers/information-for-seniors/senior-health insurance-counseling-program-ship/
OR	Oregon Senior Health Insurance Benefits Assistance (SHIBA), Address: 350 Winter Stree NE, Salem, OR 97309-0405, Phone: 1-800-722-4134, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: healthcare.oregon.gov/shiba/pages/index.aspx
PA	Pennsylvania Medicare Education and Decision Insight (PA MEDI), Address: 555 Walnut Street, 5th Floor, Harrisburg, PA 17101-1919, Phone: 1-800-783-7067, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: aging.pa.gov/aging-services/medicare-counseling/Pages/default.aspx

	State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP)
RI	State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP), Address: 25 Howard Ave., Building 57, Cranston, RI 02920, Phone: 1-888-884-8721, TTY: 401-462-0740, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: <a "="" href="https://doi.org/01/2016/01/2016/98/98/98/98/98/98/98/98/98/98/98/98/98/</td></tr><tr><td>sc</td><td>State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP), Address: 1301 Gervais Street, Suite 350, Columbia, SC 29201, Phone: 1-800-868-9095, TTY: 1-888-842-3620, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: getcaresc.com/guide/insurance-counseling-medicaremedicaid</td></tr><tr><td>SD</td><td>Senior Health Information and Insurance Education (SHIINE), Address: 700 Governors Drive, Pierre, SD 57501, Phone: 1-800-536-8197 (Eastern SD), 1-877-331-4834 (Central SD), 1-877-286-9072 (Western SD), TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: shiine.net/
TN	Tennessee SHIP (State Health Insurance Assistance Program), Address: 1104 England Drive, Cookeville, TN 38501, Phone: 1-877-801-0044, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: thmedicarehelp.com/
тх	Texas Health Information, Counseling and Advocacy Program, Address: 4900 N. Lamar Blvd., Austin, TX 78751-2316, Phone: 1-800-252-9240, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: hhs.texas.gov/services/health/medicare
UT	Utah Senior Health Insurance Information Program, Address: 195 N. 1950 W., Salt Lake City, UT 84116, Phone: 1-800-541-7735, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM Website: insurance.utah.gov/consumer/seniors
VA	Virginia Insurance Counseling and Assistance Program (VICAP), Address: 1610 Forest Ave., Suite 100, Henrico, VA 23229, Phone: 1-800-552-3402, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: vda.virginia.gov/vicap.htm
VT	Vermont State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP), Address: PO Box 321, Jericho, Vermont 05465, Phone: 1-800-642-5119, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM, Website: vermont4a.org/medicare-information
WA	Washington Statewide Health Insurance Benefits Advisors (SHIBA), Address: Office of the Insurance Commissioner, PO Box 40255, Olympia, WA 98504-0255, Phone: 1-800-562-6900, TTY: 360-586-0241, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: insurance.wa.gov/statewide-health-insurance-benefits-advisors-shiba
WI	Wisconsin State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP), Address: 1 W. Wilson Street, Madison, WI 53703, Phone: 1-800-242-1060, TTY: 1-800-947-3529, 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Website: dhs.wisconsin.gov/benefit-specialists/medicare-counseling.htm
wv	WV SHIP, Address: Town Center Mall, 1900 Kanawha Blvd. East, Charleston, WV 25305, Phone: 1-877-987-4463, 304-558-3317, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: wvship.org/
WY	Wyoming State Health Insurance Information Program (WSHIIP), Address: 106 W. Adams Ave., Riverton, WY 82501, Phone: 1-800-856-4398, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 7:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Website: wyomingseniors.com/

	State Department of Health
AK	Alaska Department of Health and Social Services, Address: 3601 C Street, Suite 902, Anchorage, AK 99503, Phone: 1-800-478-2221, 907-269-7800, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: dhss.alaska.gov/
AL	Alabama Department of Public Health, Address: The RSA Tower, 201 Monroe Street, Montgomery, AL 36104, Phone: 1-800-252-1818, 334-206-5300, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: alabamapublichealth.gov/index.html
AR	Arkansas Department of Health, Address: 4815 W. Markham Street, Little Rock, AR 72205-3867, Phone: 1-800-462-0599, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM Website: healthy.arkansas.gov/
AZ	Arizona Department of Health Services, Address: 150 North 18th Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, Phone: 602-542-1025, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: azdhs.gov/
CA	California Department of Health Care Services, Address: PO Box 997413, MS 0000, Sacramento, CA 95899-7413, Phone: 1-800-541-5555, 916-636-1980, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: <a "="" href="https://doi.org/d</td></tr><tr><td>СО</td><td>Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Address: 4300 Cherry Creek Drive South, Denver, CO 80246, Phone: 1-800-886-7689, 303-692-2000, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: cdphe.colorado.gov/
СТ	Connecticut State Department of Public Health, Address: 410 Capitol Ave., Hartford, CT 06134, Phone: 860-509-8000, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM, Website: portal.ct.gov/dph
DC	DC Health, Address: 899 North Capitol Street NE, Washington, DC 20002, Phone: 202-442-5955, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:15 AM to 4:45 PM, Website: dchealth.dc.gov/
DE	Delaware Health and Social Services , Address: 1901 N. DuPont Highway, Lewis Building, New Castle, DE 19720, Phone: 302-255-9675, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Website: dhss.delaware.gov/dhss/
FL	Florida Health, Address: 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Tallahassee, FL 32399, Phone: 850-245-4444, 850-245-4210, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: floridahealth.gov/
GA	Georgia Department of Community Health, Address: 2 Peachtree Street NW, Atlanta, GA 30303, Phone: 404-656-4507, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: dch.georgia.gov/
ні	Hawaii State Department of Health, Address: 1250 Punchbowl Street, Honolulu, HI 96813, Phone: 808-586-4400, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 7:45 AM to 2:30 PM, Website: health.hawaii.gov/

	State Department of Health
IA	Iowa Department of Public Health, Address: Lucas State Office Building, 321 E. 12th Street, Des Moines, IA 50319-0075, Phone: 1-866-227-9878, 515-281-7689, TTY: 1-800-735-2942, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Website: idph.iowa.gov/
ID	Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, Address: PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0036, Phone: 1-800-926-2588, 208-334-5500, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/
IL	Illinois Department of Public Health, Address: 525-535 West Jefferson Street, Springfield, IL 62671, Phone: 217-782-4977, TTY: 1-800-547-0466, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: dph.illinois.gov/
IN	Indiana Department of Health, Address: 2 North Meridian Street, Indianapolis, IN 46204, Phone: 1-800-382-9480, 317-233-1325, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:15 AM to 4:45 PM, Website: in.gov/isdh/
KS	Kansas Department of Health and Environment, Address: 1000 SW Jackson Street, Suite 540, Topeka, KS 66612-0461, Phone: 785-296-1500, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: kdheks.gov/health/
KY	Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Address: 275 E. Main Street, Frankfort, KY 40621, Phone: 1-800-372-2973, 502-564-5497, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Website: chfs.ky.gov/Pages/index.aspx
LA	Louisiana Department of Health, Address: 628 N. 4th Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, Phone: 225-342-9500, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Website: ldh.la.gov/
МА	Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Address: 250 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02108, Phone: 617-624-6000, TTY: 617-624-6001, Hours: Monday–Friday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: mass.gov/orgs/department-of-public-health
MD	Maryland Department of Health, Address: 201 W. Preston Street, Baltimore, MD 21201-2399, Phone: 1-877-463-3464, 410-767-6500, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: health.maryland.gov/pages/home.aspx
ME	Maine Department of Health and Human Services, Address: 109 Capitol Street, 11 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04333, Phone: 207-287-3707, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM, Website: maine.gov/dhhs/
MI	Michigan Department of Health & Human Services, Address: 333 S. Grand Ave., PO Box 30195, Lansing, MI 48909, Phone: 517-241-3740, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: michigan.gov/mdhhs
MN	Minnesota Department of Health, Address: PO Box 64975, St. Paul, MN 55164-0975, Phone: 1-888-345-0823, 651-201-5000, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Website: health.state.mn.us/
МО	Missouri Department of Health & Senior Services, Address: 912 Wildwood, PO Box 570, Jefferson City, MO 65102, Phone: 573-751-6400, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: health.mo.gov/

	State Department of Health
MS	Mississippi State Department of Health, Address: 570 East Woodrow Wilson Drive, Jackson, MS 39216, Phone: 1-866-458-4948, 601-576-7400, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: msdh.ms.gov/
МТ	Montana Department of Public Health & Human Services, Address: 11 N Sanders Street, Helena, MT 59601, Phone: 1-800-362-8312, TTY: 1-800-833-8503, 406-444-1335, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: dphhs.mt.gov/
NC	North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, Address: 2001 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-2000, Phone: 1-800-662-7030, 919-855-4800, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: ncdhhs.gov/
ND	North Dakota Department of Health, Address: 600 E Boulevard Avenue, Bismarck, ND 58505-0200, Phone: 701-328-2372, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: health.nd.gov/
NE	Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services, Address: 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, NE 68509, Phone: 402-471-3121, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/default.aspx
NH	New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services, Address: 129 Pleasant Street, Concord, NH 03301-3852, Phone: 1-844-275-3447, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Website: dhhs.nh.gov/
NJ	State of New Jersey Department of Health, Address: PO Box 360, Trenton, NJ 08625-0360, Phone: 609-292-7838, 609-292-7839, TTY: 1-877-294-4356, 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: nj.gov/health/
NM	New Mexico Department of Health, Address: Harold Runnels Building, 1190 S. St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, NM 87505, Phone: 505-827-2613, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: nmhealth.org/
NV	Nevada Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Address: 4126 Technology Way, Suite 100, Carson City, NV 89706, Phone: 775-684-4000, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: dhhs.nv.gov/
NY	New York State Department of Health, Address: Corning Tower, Empire State Plaza, Albany, NY 12237, Phone: 1-866-881-2809, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: health.ny.gov
ОН	Ohio Department of Health, Address: Columbus Offices (Main), 246 N. High Street, Columbus, OH 43215, Phone: 614-466-3543, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: odh.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/odh/home
ОК	Oklahoma State Department of Health, Address: 123 Robert S Kerr Avenue, Suite 1702, Oklahoma City, OK 73102-6406, Phone: 1-800-522-0203, 405-426-8000, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: oklahoma.gov/health.html
OR	Oregon Health Authority Public Health Division, Address: 500 Summer Street NE, E-20, Salem, OR 97301-1097, Phone: 1-800-422-6012, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: oregon.gov/OHA/PH/Pages/index.aspx

	State Department of Health
PA	Pennsylvania Department of Health, Address: 625 Forster Street, Harrisburg, PA 17120, Phone: 1-877-724-3258, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Website: health.pa.gov/Pages/default.aspx
RI	Rhode Island Department of Health, Address: 3 Capitol Hill, Providence, RI 02908, Phone: 401-222-5960, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM, Website: health.ri.gov/
sc	South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC), Address: DHEC Constituent Services, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, SC 29201, Phone: 803-898-3432, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: scdhec.gov/
SD	South Dakota Department of Health, Address: 600 E Capitol Avenue, Pierre, SD 57501-2536, Phone: 1-800-738-2301, 605-773-3361, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: doh.sd.gov/
TN	Tennessee Department of Health , Address: 710 James Robertson Parkway, Nashville, TN 37243, Phone: 615-741-3111, TTY: 1-800-848-0298, 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Website: tn.gov/health
тх	Texas Department of State Health Services , Address: 1100 W 49th Street, Austin, TX 78756-3199, Phone: 1-888-963-7111, 512-776-7111, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: dshs.state.tx.us/Mobile/Mobile.aspx
UT	Utah Department of Health, Address: Cannon Health Building, 288 N. 1460 W, Salt Lake City, UT 84116, Phone: 1-888-222-2542, 801-538-6003, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: health.utah.gov/
VA	Virginia Department of Health, Address: 109 Governor Street, Richmond, VA 23219, Phone: 804-864-7001, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:15 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: vdh.virginia.gov/
VT	Vermont Department of Health, Address: 108 Cherry Street, Burlington, VT 05402, Phone: 1-800-464-4343, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 7:45 AM to 4:30 PM, Website: healthvermont.gov/
WA	Washington State Department of Health, Address: 101 Israel Road SE, Tumwater, WA 98501, Phone: 1-800-525-0127, 360-236-4501, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: doh.wa.gov/
WI	Wisconsin Department of Health Services, Address: 1 West Wilson Street, Madison, WI 53703, Phone: 608-266-1865, TTY: 1-800-947-3529, 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: dhs.wisconsin.gov/
wv	West Virginia Department of Health & Human Resources, Address: One Davis Square, Suite 100 East, Charleston, WV 25301, Phone: 304-558-0684, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: dhr.wv.gov/Pages/default.aspx
WY	Wyoming Department of Health, Address: 401 Hathaway Building, Cheyenne, WY 82002, Phone: 1-866-571-0944, 307-777-7656, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: health.wyo.gov/

	State Pharmaceutical Assistance Program (SPAP)
AL	Alabama SenioRx Prescription Assistance Program, Address: RSA Tower, 201 Monroe Street, Suite 350, Montgomery, AL 36104, Phone: 1-877-425-2243, 334-242-5743, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: alabamaageline.gov/seniorx/
DE	Delaware Prescription Assistance Program , Address: DXC DPAP, PO Box 950, New Castle, DE 19720-0950, Phone: 1-844-245-9580, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Website: dhss.delaware.gov/dhss/dmma/dpap.html
DE	Delaware Chronic Renal Disease Program , Address: 253 NE Front Street, Milford, DE 19963, Phone: 302-424-7180, TTY: 711, Website: dhss.delaware.gov/dhss/dmma/crdprog.html
IN	HoosierRx, Address: PO Box 6224, Indianapolis, IN 46206, Phone: 1-866-267-4679, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: in.gov/medicaid/members/member-programs/hoosierrx/
MA	Massachusetts Prescription Advantage, Address: PO Box 15153, Worcester, MA 01615-0153, Phone: 1-800-243-4636, Option 3, TTY: 1-877-610-0241, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: mass.gov/prescription-drug-assistance
MD	Maryland Senior Prescription Drug Assistance Program (SPDAP), Address: Maryland – SPDAP c/o International Software Systems Inc., PO Box 749, Greenbelt, Maryland 20768-0749, Phone: 1-800-551-5995, TTY: 1-800-877-5156, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: marylandspdap.com/
ME	Maine State Pharmacy Assistance Programs (SPAP), Address: Office of MaineCare Services, PO Box 709, Augusta, Maine 04333, Phone: 1-855-797-4357, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Website: apps1.web.maine.gov/benefits/account/login.html
МО	Missouri Rx Plan (MORx), Address: PO Box 2700, Jefferson City, MO 65102, Phone: 1-800-375-1406, TTY: 1-800-735-2966, Hours: Monday–Friday 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM, Website: mydss.mo.gov
МТ	Montana Big Sky Rx Program, Address: PO Box 202915, Helena, MT 59620-2915, Phone: 1-866-369-1233, 406-444-1233, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: dphhs.mt.gov/MontanaHealthcarePrograms/BigSky
ИJ	New Jersey Pharmaceutical Assistance to the Aged and Disabled (PAAD), Address: PAAD-HAAAD, Department of Human Services, PO Box 715, Trenton, NJ 08625-0715, Phone: 1-800-792-9745, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: state.nj.us/humanservices/doas/services/paad/
NJ	New Jersey Senior Gold Prescription Discount Program, Address: Division of Aging Services, PO Box 715, Trenton, NJ 08625-0715, Phone: 1-800-792-9745, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: state.nj.us/humanservices/doas/services/seniorgold/
NV	Nevada Disability Rx Program, Address: ADSD, Attn: SRx/DRx, 3208 Goni Road, Building I, Suite 181, Carson City, NV 89706, Phone: 1-866-303-6323, Option 2, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: adsd.nv.gov/Programs/Physical/DisabilityRx/DisabilityRx/

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NV	Nevada Senior Rx Program, Address: ADSD, Attn: SRx/DRx, 3208 Goni Road, Building I, Suite 181, Carson City, NV 89706, Phone: 1-866-303-6323, Option 2,TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: adsd.nv.gov/Programs/Seniors/SeniorRx/SrRxProg/		
NY	Elderly Pharmaceutical Insurance Coverage (EPIC) Program, Address: EPIC, PO Box 15018, Albany, NY 12212-5108, Phone: 1-800-332-3742, TTY: 1-800-290-9138, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: health.ny.gov/health_care/epic/		
PA	PACE/PACENET Prescription Assistance Program, Address: Pennsylvania Department of Aging, PO Box 8806, Harrisburg, PA 17105-8806, Phone: 1-800-225-7223, TTY: 1-800-222-9004, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: aging.pa.gov/aging-services/prescriptions/Pages/default.aspx		
PA	Special Pharmaceutical Benefits Program - Mental Health, Address: Department of Human Services - OMHSAS, Business Partner Support Unit - SPBP-MH Program, Commonwealth Tower, 12th Floor, PO Box 2675, Harrisburg, PA 17105-2675, Phone: 1-877-356-5355, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: dhs.pa.gov/providers/Providers/Pages/Health%20Care%20for%20Providers/Special-Pharm-Benefits-Program.aspx		
PA	Chronic Renal Disease Program (CRDP), Address: The Chronic Renal Disease Program, Pennsylvania Department of Health, Division of Child and Adult Health Services, 625 Forster St., 7th Floor East Wing, Harrisburg, PA 17120-0701, Phone: 1-800-225-7223, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: health.pa.gov/topics/programs/Chronic-Renal-Disease/Pages/Chronic%20Renal%20Disease.aspx		
RI	RI Pharmaceutical Assistance to the Elderly (RIPAE), Address: RI Office of Health Aging, Louis Pasteur Building, 57 Howard Avenue, Cranston, RI 02920, Phone: 401-462-3000, TTY: 401-462-0740, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: oha.ri.gov/what-wedo/access/health-insurance-coaching/drug-cost-assistance		
тх	Kidney Health Care Program (KHC), Address: Kidney Health Care, MC 1938, PO Box 149030, Austin, TX 78714-9947, Phone: 1-800-222-3986, Option 2, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: hhs.texas.gov/services/health/kidney-health-care		
VT	VPharm and Healthy Vermonters Programs, Address: Green Mountain Care Application and Document Processing Center, 280 State Drive, Waterbury, VT 05671-1500, Phone: 1-800-250-8427, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM, Website: dvha.vermont.gov/members/prescription-assistance		
WI	SeniorCare, Address: PO Box 6710, Madison, WI 53716-0710, Phone: 1-800-657-2038, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM, Website: dhs.wisconsin.gov/seniorcare/index.htm		

	State AIDS Drug Assistance Programs (ADAP)
AK	Alaska AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP), Address: Anchorage – 1057 W. Fireweed

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	Lane, Suite 102, Anchorage, AK 99503 Juneau – 225 Front Street, Suite 103-A, Juneau, AK 99801, Phone: 1-800-478-AIDS (2437), Anchorage: 907-263-2050, Juneau: 907-500-7465, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Website: alaskanaids.org/client-services/aids-drug-assistance-program-adap		
AL	Alabama AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP), Address: Office of HIV Prevention and Care, Alabama Department of Public Health, The RSA Tower, 201 Monroe Street, Suite 1400, Montgomery, AL 36104, Phone: 1-866-574-9964, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM, Website: alabamapublichealth.gov/hiv/adap.html		
AR	Ryan White Program, Arkansas AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP), Address: 4815 W. Markham, Little Rock, AR 72205, Phone: 1-800-462-0599, Option 3, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Website: healthy.arkansas.gov/programs-services/topics/ryan-white-program		
AZ	Arizona AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP), Address: Arizona Department of Health Services, 150 N. 18th Ave., Suite 280, Phoenix, AZ 85007, Phone: 1-800-334-1540, 602-364-3610, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: azdhs.gov/preparedness/epidemiology-disease-control/disease-integration-services/index.php#aids-drug-assistance-program-home		
CA	California AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP), Address: PO Box 997377, MS 0500, Sacramento, CA 95899-7377, Phone: 1-844-421-7050, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DOA/pages/oaadap.aspx		
со	Ryan White State Drug Assistance Program (SDAP), Address: 4300 Cherry Creek Drive South, Denver, CO 80246, Phone: 303-692-2716, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 7:30 AM to 5:15 PM, Website: cdphe.colorado.gov/state-drug-assistance-program		
СТ	Connecticut AIDS Drug Assistance Program (CADAP), Address: State of CT Department of Public Health c/o Magellan Rx Management, PO Box 13001, Albany, NY 12212-3001, Phone: 1-800-424-3310, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: ctdph.magellanrx.com/		
DC	DC AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP), Address: 899 North Capitol Street NE, Washington, DC 20002, Phone: 202-671-4815, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:15 AM to 4:45 PM, except district holidays, Website: dchealth.dc.gov/node/137072		
DE	Delaware AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP), Address: Thomas Collins Building, 540 S. DuPont Highway, Dover, DE 19901, Phone: 302-744-1050, Option 1, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Website: dhss.delaware.gov/dph/dpc/hivtreatment.html		
FL	Florida AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP), Address: HIV/AIDS Section, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Tallahassee, FL 32399, Phone: 1-800-352-2437, 850-245-4422, TTY: 1-888-503-7118, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: floridahealth.gov/diseases-and-conditions/aids/adap/		
GA	Georgia AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP), Address: 2 Peachtree Street NW, 15th Floor, Atlanta, GA 30303, Phone: 404-656-9805, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: dph.georgia.gov/health-topics/office-hivaids/hiv-care/aids-drug-		

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н	Hawaii HIV Drug Assistance Program (HDAP), Address: 3627 Kilauea Ave., Suite 306, Honolulu, HI 96816, Phone: 1-808-733-9360, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 7:45 AM to 2:30 PM, Website: health.hawaii.gov/harmreduction/about-us/hiv-programs/hiv-medical-management-services/		
IA	Iowa AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP), Address: Lucas State Office Building, 321 E. 12th Street, Des Moines, IA 50319-0075, Phone: 515-281-7689, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Website: idph.iowa.gov/hivstdhep/hiv/support		
ID	Idaho AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP), Address: 450 W. State Street, PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0036, Phone: 208-334-5612, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/health-wellness/diseases-conditions/hiv		
IL	Illinois AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP), Address: 525 W. Jefferson Street, 1st Floor, Springfield, IL 62761, Phone: 1-800-825-3518, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Website: dph.illinois.gov/topics-services/diseases-and-conditions/hiv-aids/ryan-white-care-and-hopwa-services		
IN	Indiana AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP), Address: 2 N. Meridian Street, Indianapolis, IN 46204, Phone: 1-866-588-4948, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Website: in.gov/isdh/17740.htm		
KS	The Ryan White Part B Program, Address: Curtis State Office Building, 1000 SW Jackson Street, Suite 210, Topeka, KS 66612, Phone: 785-296-6174, Option 5, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: kdhe.ks.gov/355/The-Ryan-White-Part-B-Program		
KY	Kentucky AIDS Drug Assistance Program (KADAP), Address: 275 E. Main Street, HS2E-C, Frankfort, KY 40621, Phone: 1-800-420-7431, 502-564-6539, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dehp/hab/pages/services.aspx		
LA	Louisiana Health Access Program (LA HAP), Address: 1450 Poydras Street, Suite 2136, New Orleans, LA 70112, Phone: 504-568-7474, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: lahap.org/		
МА	Massachusetts HIV/AIDS Drug Assistance Program (HDAP), Address: Schrafft's Center, 529 Main Street, Suite 301, Charlestown, MA 02129, Phone: 1-800-228-2714, 1-888-253-2712, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: accesshealthma.org/drugassistance/hdap/		
MD	Maryland AIDS Drug Assistance Program (MADAP), Address: 1223 W. Pratt Street, Baltimore, MD 21223, Phone: 1-800-205-6308, 410-767-6535, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM, Website: health.maryland.gov/phpa/OIDPCS/Pages/MADAP.aspx		
ME	Maine AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP), Address: 286 Water Street, 11 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04330, Phone: 207-287-3747, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc/infectious-disease/hiv-		

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	std/contacts/adap.shtml		
МІ	Michigan HIV/AIDS Drug Assistance Program (MIDAP), Address: Attn: Michigan Drug Assistance Programs, HIV Care & Prevention Section, Division of HIV and STI Programs, Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, PO Box 30727, Lansing, MI 48909, Phone: 1-888-826-6565, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: michigan.gov/dap		
MN	Minnesota Aids Drug Assistance Program (Program HH), Address: Minnesota Department of Human Services, Program HH, PO Box 64972, St. Paul, MN 55164-0972, Phone: 1-800-657-3761, 651-431-2414, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: rainbowhealth.org/living-with-hiv/assistance/health-insurance/program-hh/		
МО	Missouri HIV/AIDS Case Management Program, Address: Bureau of HIV, STD, and Hepatitis, Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, PO Box 570, Jefferson City, MC 65102, Phone: 573-751-6439, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website health.mo.gov/living/healthcondiseases/communicable/hivaids/casemgmt.php		
MS	Mississippi AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP), Address: 570 E. Woodrow Wilson Drive, Jackson, MS 39216, Phone: 1-888-343-7373, 601-362-4879, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: msdh.ms.gov/msdhsite/_static/14,13047,150.html		
МТ	Montana AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP), Address: Robert Elkins, DPHHS, PO Box 202951, Cogswell Building C-211, Helena, MT 59620-2951, Phone: 406-444-4744, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: dphhs.mt.gov/publichealth/hivstd/treatment/mtryanwhiteprog#893959712-aids-drug-assistance-program-adap-services		
NC	North Carolina HIV Medication Assistance Program (NC HMAP), Address: NC Department of Health and Human Services Division of Public Health, Epidemiology Section Communicable Disease Branch, 1907 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1907, Phone: 1-877-466-2232, 919-733-9161, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: epi.dph.ncdhhs.gov/cd/hiv/hmap.html		
ND	North Dakota AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP), Address: North Dakota Department of Health, 600 East Boulevard Avenue, Bismarck, ND 58505-0200, Phone: 1-800-472-2180, 701-328-2378, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: health.nd.gov/HIV		
NE	Nebraska Ryan White AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP), Address: Nebraska Department of Health & Human Services, PO Box 95026, Lincoln, NE 68509-5026, Phone: 1-800-782-2437, 402-471-2101, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/HIV-Care.aspx		
NH	New Hampshire Ryan White CARE Program, Address: 29 Hazen Drive, Concord, NH 03301, Phone: 1-800-852-3345 ext. 4502, 603-271-4502, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Website: disease-control/nh-ryan-white-care-program		
NJ	New Jersey AIDS Drug Distribution Program (ADDP), Address: PO Box 722, Trenton, NJ		

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	08625-0722, Phone: 1-877-613-4533, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: nj.gov/health/hivstdtb/hiv-aids/medications.shtml		
NM	New Mexico AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP), Address: Harold Runnels Building, 1190 S. St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, NM 87505, Phone: 505-476-3628, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: nmhealth.org/about/phd/idb/hats/		
NV	Nevada AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP), Address: Office of HIV/AIDS, 1840 E. Sahara Avenue Suite 110-111, Las Vegas, NV 89104, Phone: 702-274-2453, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: endhivnevada.org		
NY	New York AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP), Address: HIV Uninsured Care Programs, Empire Station, PO Box 2052, Albany, NY 12220-0052, Phone: 1-800-542-2437, 1-844-682-4058, 518-459-1641, TTY: 518-459-0121, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: health.ny.gov/diseases/aids/general/resources/adap/		
ОН	Ohio HIV Drug Assistance Program (OHDAP), Address: Ohio Department of Health, 246 N. High Street, Columbus, OH 43215, Phone: 1-800-777-4775, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: odh.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/odh/know-our-programs/Ryan-White-Part-B-HIV-Client-Services/AIDS-Drug-Assistance-Program/		
ок	Oklahoma AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP), Address: Oklahoma State Department of Health, Sexual Health and Harm Reduction Services, 123 Robert S. Kerr Avenue, Oklahoma City, OK 73102-6406, Phone: 405-426-8400, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: oklahoma.gov/health/prevention-and-preparedness/sexual-health-and-harm-reduction-service/ryan-white-programs.html		
OR	Oregon CAREAssist, Address: 800 NE Oregon Street, Suite 1105, Portland, OR 97232, Phone: 971-673-0144, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: oregon.gov/oha/PH/DiseasesConditions/HIVSTDViralHepatitis/HIVCareTreatment/CAREAssist/Pages/index.aspx		
PA	Pennsylvania Special Pharmaceutical Benefits Program – HIV/AIDS, Address: Department of Health Special Pharmaceutical Benefits Program, PO Box 8808, Harrisburg, PA 17105-8808, Phone: 1-800-922-9384, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: health.pa.gov/topics/programs/HIV/Pages/Special-Pharmaceutical- Benefits.aspx		
RI	Rhode Island AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP), Address: Executive Office of Health & Human Services, Virks Building, Suite 227, 3 West Rd., Cranston, RI 02920, Phone: 401-462-3294, 401-462-3295, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM, Website: eohhs.ri.gov/Consumer/Adults/RyanWhiteHIVAIDS.aspx		
sc	South Carolina AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP), Address: SC Drug Assistance Program/Insurance Assistance Program, 3rd Floor, Mills/Jarrett Box 101106, Columbia, SC 29211, Phone: 1-800-856-9954, 1-800-322-2437, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: scdhec.gov/aids-drug-assistance-program		
SD	South Dakota AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP), Address: Ryan White Part B CARE Program, South Dakota Department of Health, 615 E. 4th Street, Pierre, SD 57501-1700, Phone: 1-800-592-1861, 605-773-3737, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM,		

	State AIDS Drug Assistance Programs (ADAP)		
	Website: doh.sd.gov/diseases/infectious/ryanwhite/		
TN	Tennessee AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP), Address: TN Department of Health, HIV/STD Program, Ryan White Part B Services, 710 James Robertson Parkway, 4th Floor, Andrew Johnson Tower, Nashville, TN 37243, Phone: 1-800-525-2437, 615-741-7500, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Website: tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/std/std/ryan-white-part-b-program.html		
тх	Texas HIV Medication Program (THMP), Address: ATTN: MSJA, MC 1873, PO Box 149347, Austin, TX 78714-9347, Phone: 1-800-255-1090, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: dshs.state.tx.us/hivstd/meds/default.shtm		
UT	Utah Ryan White Part B ADAP AIDS Drug Assistance Program, Address: Utah Department of Health, Bureau of Epidemiology, 288 N 1460 West, PO Box 142104, Salt Lake City, UT 84114-2104, Phone: 801-538-6197, 801-538-6191, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: ptc.health.utah.gov/treatment/ryan-white/		
VA	Virginia Medication Assistance Program (VA MAP), Address: Department of Health, 109 Governor Street, Richmond, VA 23219, Phone: 1-855-362-0658, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Website: vdh.virginia.gov/disease-prevention/vamap/		
VT	Vermont Medication Assistance Program (VMAP), Address: 108 Cherry Street, PO Box 70, Burlington, VT 05402-0070, Phone: 802-951-4005, 1-800-464-4343 ext. 4005, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 7:45 AM to 3:30 PM, Website: healthvermont.gov/immunizations-infectious-disease/hiv/care		
WA	Washington Early Intervention Program (EIP), Address: Client Services, PO Box 47841, Olympia, WA 98504, Phone: 1-877-376-9316, 360-236-3426, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, except state holidays, Website: doh.wa.gov/YouandYourFamily/IllnessandDisease/HIV/ClientServices/ADAPandEIP		
WI	Wisconsin AIDS/HIV Drug Assistance Program (ADAP), Address: Division of Public Health, Attn: ADAP, PO Box 2659, Madison, WI 53701, Phone: 1-800-991-5532, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Website: dhs.wisconsin.gov/hiv/adap.htm		
wv	West Virginia AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP), Address: Jay Adams, HIV Care Coordinator, PO Box 6360, Wheeling, WV 26003, Phone: 304-232-6822, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Website: oeps.wv.gov/rwp/pages/default.aspx		
WY	Wyoming AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP), Address: Wyoming Department of Health, Public Health Sciences Section Communicable Disease Unit, 6101 Yellowstone Rd., Suite 510, Cheyenne, WY 82009, Phone: 307-777-7529, TTY: 711, Hours: Monday–Friday 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM, Website: health.wyo.gov/publichealth/communicable-disease-unit/hiv/resources-for-patients/		

Addendum B Aetna Medicare Plan (PPO ESA) Service Areas

Your Aetna Medicare Plan (PPO ESA) is available in all counties within the 50 states, Washington D.C., and the Territories of Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands and Guam.

Below is a list of our network-based service areas. Your plan sponsor may not offer coverage in each of these counties. If you are moving to a new service area, you should contact your former employer to ask what coverage options may be available to you.

Addendum B: Aetna PPO ESA

Alabama

Barbour • Chambers • Dale • Henry • Houston • Macon • Mobile • Russell

Arizona

Graham • La Paz • Maricopa • Mohave • Pima • Pinal • Santa Cruz • Yavapai • Yuma

California

Fresno • Los Angeles • Orange • Riverside • San Bernardino • San Diego • San Francisco • Ventura

Colorado

Adams • Arapahoe • Boulder • Broomfield • Denver • Douglas • El Paso • Jefferson • Larimer • Weld

Connecticut

Fairfield • Hartford • Litchfield • Middlesex • New Haven • New London • Tolland • Windham

Delaware

Kent • New Castle • Sussex

District of Columbia

Washington DC

Florida

Bradford • Brevard • Broward • Charlotte • Citrus • Clay • Collier • DeSoto • Duval • Flagler • Hernando • Highlands • Hillsborough • Indian River • Lake • Lee • Manatee • Marion • Martin • Miami-Dade • Nassau • Orange • Osceola • Palm Beach • Pasco • Pinellas • Polk • Sarasota • Seminole • St. Johns • St. Lucie • Volusia

Georgia

Appling • Baldwin • Banks • Barrow • Bartow • Ben Hill • Bibb • Bleckley • Bryan • Burke • Butts • Camden • Carroll • Catoosa • Charlton • Chatham • Chattahoochee • Cherokee • Clarke • Clayton • Clinch • Cobb • Coffee • Columbia • Coweta • Crawford • Crisp • Dawson • DeKalb • Dooly • Dougherty • Douglas • Echols • Effingham • Elbert • Emanuel • Evans • Fannin • Fayette • Floyd • Forsyth • Franklin • Fulton • Gilmer • Glynn • Gordon • Greene • Gwinnett • Habersham • Hall • Hancock • Haralson • Harris • Hart • Heard • Henry • Houston • Irwin • Jackson • Jasper • Johnson • Jones • Lamar • Laurens • Lee • Liberty • Lincoln • Long • Lumpkin • Madison • Marion • McDuffie • McIntosh • Meriwether • Monroe • Morgan • Murray • Muscogee • Newton • Oconee • Oglethorpe • Paulding • Peach • Pickens • Pike • Polk • Putnam • Quitman • Rabun • Randolph • Richmond • Rockdale • Schley • Spalding • Stephens • Stewart • Sumter • Talbot • Taliaferro • Tattnall • Taylor • Terrell • Tift • Toombs • Towns • Treutlen • Troup • Turner • Twiggs • Union • Upson • Walton • Warren • Washington • Wayne • White • Worth

Idaho

Ada • Canyon

Illinois

Bond • Boone • Bureau • Calhoun • Cook • DeKalb • Douglas • DuPage • Edgar • Ford • Fulton • Grundy • Iroquois • Jersey • Kane • Kankakee • Kendall • Lee • Livingston • Logan • Macon • Macoupin • Madison • Marshall • Mason • McHenry • McLean • Menard • Mercer • Monroe • Morgan • Moultrie • Ogle • Peoria • Piatt • Putnam • Rock Island • Sangamon • St. Clair • Stark • Tazewell • Vermilion • Warren • Washington • White • Will • Winnebago • Woodford

Indiana

Adams • Allen • Benton • Blackford • Boone • Brown • Carroll • Cass • Clark • Clinton • Crawford • Dearborn • Decatur • DeKalb • Delaware • Fayette • Floyd • Fountain • Franklin • Gibson • Grant • Hamilton • Hancock • Harrison • Hendricks • Henry • Howard • Huntington • Jasper • Jefferson • Jennings • Johnson • Kosciusko • LaGrange • Lake • LaPorte • Madison • Marion • Marshall • Miami • Monroe • Montgomery • Morgan • Newton • Noble • Ohio • Parke • Porter • Posey • Pulaski • Putnam • Randolph • Ripley • Rush • Scott • Shelby • St. Joseph • Starke • Steuben • Switzerland • Tippecanoe • Tipton • Union • Vanderburgh • Vigo • Wabash • Warren • Warrick • Washington • Wayne • Wells • White • Whitley

Iowa

Black Hawk • Dallas • Johnson • Linn • Polk • Pottawattamie • Scott • Story

Kansas

Douglas • Franklin • Johnson • Leavenworth • Miami • Shawnee • Wyandotte

Kentucky

Anderson • Boone • Bourbon • Boyd • Bullitt • Campbell • Carroll • Carter • Clark • Fayette • Franklin • Grant • Greenup • Hardin • Harrison • Henderson • Henry • Jefferson • Jessamine • Kenton • Larue • Lawrence • Madison • Mason • Meade • Montgomery • Nelson • Oldham • Pendleton • Powell • Rowan • Scott • Shelby • Spencer • Woodford

Louisiana

Ascension • Assumption • Bossier • Caddo • East Baton Rouge • Iberia • Iberville • Jefferson • Lafayette • Lafourche • Livingston • Orleans • St. Bernard • St. Charles • St. James • St. John the Baptist • St. Landry • St. Martin • St. Mary • St. Tammany • Tangipahoa • Terrebonne • West Baton Rouge

Maine

Androscoggin • Aroostook • Cumberland • Franklin • Hancock • Kennebec • Knox • Lincoln • Oxford • Penobscot • Piscataquis • Sagadahoc • Somerset • Waldo • York

Maryland

Allegany • Anne Arundel • Baltimore • Baltimore City • Calvert • Caroline • Carroll • Cecil • Charles • Dorchester • Frederick • Garrett • Harford • Howard • Kent • Montgomery • Prince George's • Queen Anne's • St. Mary's • Talbot • Washington • Wicomico • Worcester

Massachusetts

Bristol • Essex • Hampden • Middlesex • Norfolk • Plymouth • Suffolk • Worcester

Michigan

Allegan • Antrim • Arenac • Bay • Benzie • Berrien • Branch • Calhoun • Cass • Clare • Genesee • Gladwin • Grand Traverse • Gratiot • Hillsdale • Jackson • Kalamazoo • Kalkaska • Kent • Lapeer • Leelanau • Livingston • Macomb • Midland • Missaukee • Monroe • Muskegon • Newaygo • Oakland • Oceana • Ogemaw • Otsego • Ottawa • Roscommon • Saginaw • Sanilac • Shiawassee • St. Clair • St. Joseph • Tuscola • Washtenaw • Wayne • Wexford

Mississippi

Benton • Calhoun • Chickasaw • Clay • DeSoto • Panola • Pontotoc • Prentiss • Tippah • Tunica • Webster

Missouri

Benton • Boone • Buchanan • Cass • Christian • Clay • Cole • Crawford • Dade • Dallas • Franklin • Greene • Henry • Hickory • Jackson • Jasper • Jefferson • Johnson • Lawrence • Lincoln • Platte • Polk • Ray • St. Charles • St. Louis • St. Louis City • Stone • Warren • Washington • Webster • Wright

Nebraska

Dodge • Douglas • Lancaster • Sarpy • Washington

Nevada

Carson City • Clark • Washoe

New Hampshire

Belknap • Hillsborough • Merrimack • Rockingham • Strafford

New Jersey

Atlantic • Bergen • Burlington • Camden • Cape May • Cumberland • Essex • Gloucester • Hudson • Hunterdon • Mercer • Middlesex • Monmouth • Morris • Ocean • Passaic • Salem • Somerset • Sussex • Union • Warren

New Mexico

Bernalillo • Cibola • Sandoval • Socorro • Torrance • Valencia

New York

Albany • Bronx • Broome • Cayuga • Chemung • Chenango • Columbia • Cortland • Delaware • Dutchess • Genesee • Greene • Jefferson • Kings • Lewis • Livingston • Madison • Monroe • Nassau • New York • Oneida • Onondaga • Ontario • Orange • Orleans • Oswego • Putnam • Queens • Rensselaer • Richmond • Rockland • Saratoga • Schenectady • Schuyler • Seneca • St. Lawrence • Steuben • Suffolk • Sullivan • Tioga • Tompkins • Ulster • Wayne • Westchester • Yates

North Carolina

Alamance • Alexander • Alleghany • Buncombe • Burke • Cabarrus • Caldwell • Caswell • Catawba • Chatham • Cleveland • Cumberland • Davidson • Davie • Durham • Edgecombe • Forsyth • Franklin • Gaston • Gates • Granville • Guilford • Harnett • Haywood • Henderson • Hoke • Iredell • Johnston • Lee • Lenoir • Lincoln • McDowell • Mecklenburg • Montgomery • Moore • Nash • Orange • Person • Polk • Randolph • Richmond • Robeson • Rockingham • Rowan • Rutherford • Sampson • Scotland • Stanly • Stokes • Surry • Union • Vance • Wake • Wayne • Wilkes • Wilson • Yadkin

Ohio

Adams • Allen • Ashland • Ashtabula • Athens • Auglaize • Belmont • Brown • Butler • Carroll • Champaign • Clark • Clermont • Clinton • Columbiana • Coshocton • Crawford • Cuyahoga • Darke • Defiance • Delaware • Erie • Fairfield • Fayette • Franklin • Fulton • Gallia • Geauga • Greene • Guernsey • Hamilton • Hancock • Hardin • Harrison • Henry • Highland • Hocking • Holmes • Huron • Jackson • Jefferson • Knox • Lake • Lawrence • Licking • Logan • Lorain • Lucas • Madison • Mahoning • Marion • Medina • Meigs • Mercer • Miami • Monroe • Montgomery • Morgan • Morrow • Muskingum • Noble • Ottawa • Paulding • Perry • Pickaway • Pike • Portage • Preble • Putnam • Richland • Ross • Sandusky • Scioto • Seneca • Shelby • Stark • Summit • Trumbull • Tuscarawas • Union • Van Wert • Vinton • Warren • Washington • Wayne • Williams • Wood • Wyandot

Oklahoma

Canadian • Cleveland • Creek • Kingfisher • Lincoln • Logan • Major • Marshall • Oklahoma • Osage • Pawnee • Seminole • Tulsa • Wagoner

Pennsylvania

Adams • Allegheny • Armstrong • Beaver • Bedford • Berks • Blair • Bradford • Bucks • Butler • Cambria • Cameron • Carbon • Centre • Chester • Clarion • Clearfield • Clinton • Columbia • Crawford • Cumberland • Dauphin • Delaware • Elk • Erie • Fayette • Forest • Franklin • Fulton • Greene • Huntingdon • Indiana • Jefferson • Juniata • Lackawanna • Lancaster • Lawrence • Lebanon • Lehigh • Luzerne • Lycoming • McKean • Mercer • Mifflin • Monroe • Montgomery • Montour • Northampton • Northumberland • Perry • Philadelphia • Pike • Potter • Schuylkill • Snyder • Somerset • Sullivan • Susquehanna • Tioga • Union • Venango • Warren • Washington • Wayne • Westmoreland • Wyoming • York

Rhode Island

Bristol • Kent • Newport • Providence • Washington

South Carolina

Abbeville • Anderson • Beaufort • Berkeley • Charleston • Cherokee • Chester • Dorchester • Greenville • Greenwood • Lancaster • Laurens • Oconee • Pickens • Spartanburg • Sumter • Union • York

Tennessee

Cheatham • Davidson • Dickson • Fayette • Maury • Robertson • Rutherford • Shelby • Sumner • Tipton • Trousdale • Williamson

Texas

Anderson • Aransas • Archer • Armstrong • Atascosa • Austin • Bailey • Bandera • Bastrop • Baylor • Bee • Bexar • Blanco • Borden • Bosque • Brazoria • Brazos • Briscoe • Brooks • Burleson • Burnet • Caldwell • Callahan • Cameron • Camp • Carson • Cass • Castro • Chambers • Cherokee • Clay • Cochran • Coke • Coleman • Collin • Comal • Concho • Cooke • Coryell • Crosby • Dallas • Dawson • Deaf Smith • Delta • Denton • DeWitt • Dickens • Dimmit • Donley • Duval • Ector • El Paso • Ellis • Falls • Fannin • Fayette • Fisher • Floyd • Fort Bend • Franklin • Freestone • Galveston • Garza • Gillespie • Glasscock • Goliad • Gonzales • Gray • Grayson • Gregg • Grimes • Guadalupe • Hale • Hall • Hamilton • Hardin • Harris • Harrison • Hartley • Haskell • Hays • Henderson • Hidalgo • Hill • Hockley • Hood • Hopkins • Houston • Hunt • Hutchinson • Irion • Jack • Jefferson • Jim Hogg • Jim Wells • Johnson • Jones • Karnes • Kaufman • Kendall • Kenedy • Kent • Kerr • Kimble • Kleberg • Knox • La Salle • Lamb • Lampasas • Lavaca • Lee • Leon • Liberty • Limestone • Llano • Lubbock • Lynn • Madison • Marion • Martin • Mason • Matagorda • McCulloch • McLennan • McMullen • Medina • Menard • Midland • Milam • Mills • Montague • Montgomery • Moore • Morris • Motley • Nacogdoches • Navarro • Nolan • Nueces • Oldham • Orange • Palo Pinto • Panola • Parker • Polk • Potter • Rains • Randall • Reagan • Real • Red River • Refugio • Roberts • Robertson • Rockwall • Runnels • Rusk • San Jacinto • San Patricio • San Saba • Schleicher • Shackelford • Shelby • Smith • Somervell • Starr • Sterling • Stonewall • Sutton • Swisher • Tarrant • Taylor • Terry • Throckmorton • Travis • Trinity • Tyler • Upshur • Van Zandt • Walker • Waller • Washington • Webb • Wharton • Wheeler • Willacy • Williamson • Wilson • Wise • Wood • Young • Zavala

Utah

Box Elder • Cache • Davis • Duchesne • Morgan • Rich • Salt Lake • Summit • Tooele • Utah • Wasatch • Weber

Virginia

Alexandria City • Amelia • Arlington • Botetourt • Caroline • Charles City • Chesterfield • Colonial Heights City • Craig • Danville City • Dinwiddie • Essex • Fairfax • Fairfax City • Falls Church City • Fauquier • Fluvanna • Franklin • Franklin City • Frederick • Fredericksburg City • Gloucester • Goochland • Grayson • Greene • Hampton City • Hanover • Henrico • Henry • Hopewell City • Isle of Wight • James City • King and Queen • King George • King William • Lancaster • Loudoun • Louisa • Madison • Manassas City • Manassas Park City • Martinsville City • Mathews • Middlesex • Nelson • New Kent • Newport News City • Northumberland • Petersburg City • Pittsylvania • Poquoson City • Portsmouth City • Powhatan • Prince George • Prince William • Radford City • Richmond City • Roanoke • Roanoke City • Salem City • Spotsylvania • Stafford • Sussex • Westmoreland • Williamsburg City • York

Washington

King • Kitsap • Mason • Pierce • Snohomish • Thurston

West Virginia

Berkeley • Cabell • Harrison • Jefferson • Kanawha • Marion • Marshall • Mason • Monongalia • Ohio • Putnam • Wood

Wisconsin

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Method	Member Services - Contact Information
CALL	Please call 1-855-648-0389 Calls to this number are free. Hours of operation are 8 AM to 9 PM ET, Monday through Friday. Member Services also has free language interpreter services available for non-English speakers.
TITY	711 Calls to this number are free. Hours of operation are 8 AM to 9 PM ET, Monday through Friday.
WRITE	Aetna Medicare PO Box 7082 London, KY 40742
WEBSITE	CONY.AetnaMedicare.com

State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP)

SHIP is a state program that gets money from the Federal government to give free local health insurance counseling to people with Medicare. Contact information for your state's SHIP is in **Addendum A** at the back of this document.

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Spanish: Tenemos servicios de intérprete sin costo alguno para responder cualquier pregunta que pueda tener sobre nuestro plan de salud o medicamentos. Para hablar con un intérprete, por favor llame al 1-855-648-0389. Alguien que hable español le podrá ayudar. Este es un servicio gratuito.

Chinese Mandarin: 我们提供免费的翻译服务,帮助您解答关于健康或药物保险的任何疑 问。如果您需要此翻译服务,请致电 1-855-648-0389。我们的中文工作人员很乐意帮助您。 这是一项免费服务。

Chinese Cantonese: 您對我們的健康或藥物保險可能存有疑問,為此我們提供免費的翻譯 服務。如需翻譯服務,請致電 1-855-648-0389。我們講中文的人員將樂意為您提供幫助。這 是一項免費服務。

Tagalog: Mayroon kaming libreng serbisyo sa pagsasaling-wika upang masagot ang anumang mga katanungan ninyo hinggil sa aming planong pangkalusugan o panggamot. Upang makakuha ng tagasaling-wika, tawagan lamang kami sa 1-855-648-0389. Maaari kayong tulungan ng isang nakakapagsalita ng Tagalog. Ito ay libreng serbisyo.

French: Nous proposons des services gratuits d'interprétation pour répondre à toutes vos questions relatives à notre régime de santé ou d'assurance-médicaments. Pour accéder au service d'interprétation, il vous suffit de nous appeler au 1-855-648-0389. Un interlocuteur parlant Français pourra vous aider. Ce service est gratuit.

Vietnamese: Chúng tôi có dịch vụ thông dịch miễn phí để trả lời các câu hỏi về chương sức khỏe và chương trình thuốc men. Nếu quí vị cần thông dịch viên xin gọi 1-855-648-0389. sẽ có nhân viên nói tiếng Việt giúp đỡ quí vị. Đây là dịch vụ miễn phí.

German: Unser kostenloser Dolmetscherservice beantwortet Ihren Fragen zu unserem Gesundheits- und Arzneimittelplan. Unsere Dolmetscher erreichen Sie unter 1-855-648-0389. Man wird Ihnen dort auf Deutsch weiterhelfen. Dieser Service ist kostenlos.

Korean: 당사는 의료 보험 또는 약품 보험에 관한 질문에 답해 드리고자 무료 통역 서비스를 제공하고 있습니다. 통역 서비스를 이용하려면 전화 1-888-267-1-855-648-0389. 번으로 문의해 주십시오. 한국어를 하는 담당자가 도와 드릴 것입니다. 이 서비스는 무료로 운영됩니다.

Russian: Если у вас возникнут вопросы относительно страхового или медикаментного плана, вы можете воспользоваться нашими бесплатными услугами переводчиков. Чтобы воспользоваться услугами переводчика, позвоните нам по телефону 1-855-648-0389. Вам окажет помощь сотрудник, который говорит по-русски. Данная услуга бесплатная.

Arabic: إننا نقدم خدمات المترجم الفوري المجانية للإجابة عن أي أسئلة تتعلق بالصحة أو جدول الأدوية لدينا. للحصول على مترجم فوري، ليس عليك سوى الاتصال بنا على 648-648-1 سيقوم شخص ما يتحدث العربية بمساعدتك. هذه خدمة مجانية.

Hindi: हमारे स वास य या दवा की योजनब्राक्टेमे आपके किसी भी पर न कोवाब देने केलिए हमारे पास मुफ त दुभाषिया सेवाएँ उपलब है . एकभ्रमुषिया पर ाप त करने केलिए, बस हमे 1-855-648-0389 पर फोन करें . कोई व यिक त जो हिन दी बोलता है आपकी मदद कर सकता है. यह एक मुफ त सेवा है.

Italian: È disponibile un servizio di interpretariato gratuito per rispondere a eventuali domande sul nostro piano sanitario e farmaceutico. Per un interprete, contattare il numero 1-855-648-0389. Un nostro incaricato che parla Italianovi fornirà l'assistenza necessaria. È un servizio gratuito.

Portuguese: Dispomos de serviços de interpretação gratuitos para responder a qualquer questão que tenha acerca do nosso plano de saúde ou de medicação. Para obter um intérprete, contacte-nos através do número <&. Irá encontrar alguém que fale o idioma Português para o ajudar. Este serviço é gratuito.

French Creole: Nou genyen sèvis entèprèt gratis pou reponn tout kesyon ou ta genyen konsènan plan medikal oswa dwòg nou an. Pou jwenn yon entèprèt, jis rele nou nan 1-855-648-0389. Yon moun ki pale Kreyòl kapab ede w. Sa a se yon sèvis ki gratis.

Polish: Umożliwiamy bezpłatne skorzystanie z usług tłumacza ustnego, który pomoże w uzyskaniu odpowiedzi na temat planu zdrowotnego lub dawkowania leków. Aby skorzystać z pomocy tłumacza znającego język polski, należy zadzwonić pod numer 1-855-648-0389. Ta usługa jest bezpłatna.

Japanese: 当社の健康 健康保険と薬品 処方薬プランに関するご質問にお答えするため に、無料の通訳サービスがありますございます。通訳をご用命になるには、1-855-648-0389. にお電話ください。日本語を話す 人者 が支援いたします。これは無料のサー ビスです。

Hawaiian: He kōkua māhele 'ōlelo kā mākou i mea e pane 'ia ai kāu mau nīnau e pili ana i kā mākou papahana olakino a lā'au lapa'au paha. I mea e loa'a ai ke kōkua māhele 'ōlelo, e kelepona mai iā mākou ma 1-855-648-0389. E hiki ana i kekahi mea 'ōlelo Pelekānia/'Ōlelo ke kōkua iā 'oe. He pōmaika'i manuahi kēia.

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This Schedule of Cost Sharing is part of the Evidence of Coverage for Aetna Medicare Plan (PPO). When the Evidence of Coverage refers to the document with information on health care benefits covered under our plan, it is referring to this Medical Benefits Chart. (See Chapter 4, Medical Benefits Chart (What is covered and what you pay).) If you have questions, please call our Member Services at the telephone number printed on your member ID card or call our general Member Services at 1-855-648-0389. (TTY users should call 711.) Hours are 8 AM to 9 PM ET, Monday through Friday.

Annual Deductible	FOR SERVICES RECEIVED IN-NETWORK & OUT-OF-NETWORK COMBINED
This is the amount you have to pay out-of-pocket before the plan will pay its share for your covered Medicare Part A and B services.	No Deductible 09/01/23-12/31/23. \$150 calendar year deductible 01/01/24-12/31/24.
Annual Maximum Out-of-Pocket Limit	FOR SERVICES RECEIVED IN-NETWORK & OUT-OF-NETWORK COMBINED
The maximum out-of-pocket limit is the most you will pay for covered Medicare Part A and B services, including any deductible (if applicable).	\$1,500

Important information regarding the services listed below in the Schedule of Cost Sharing:

If you receive services from:	If your plan services include:	You will pay:
A primary care physician (PCP):	Copays only	One PCP copay.
Family PractitionerPediatricianInternal Medicine	Copays and coinsurance	The PCP copay and the coinsurance amounts for each service.
 General Practitioner And get more than one covered service during the single visit: 	Coinsurance only	The coinsurance amounts for all services received.
An outpatient facility, specialist or doctor who is not a PCP and get more than one covered	Copays only	The highest single copay for all services received.
service during the single visit:	Copays and coinsurance	The highest single copay for all services and the coinsurance amounts for each service.
	Coinsurance only	The coinsurance amounts for all services received.

Medical Benefits Chart



You will see this apple next to the preventive services in the benefits chart.

Services that are covered for you	What you must pay when you get these services
Abdominal aortic aneurysm screening A one-time screening ultrasound for people at risk. The plan only covers this screening if you have certain risk factors and if you get a referral for it from your physician, physician assistant, nurse practitioner, or clinical nurse specialist.	There is no coinsurance, copayment, or deductible for members eligible for this preventive screening.
Acupuncture for chronic low back pain Covered services include: Up to 12 visits in 90 days are covered for Medicare beneficiaries under the following circumstances: For the purpose of this benefit, chronic low back pain is defined as:	\$15 copay for each Medicare-covered acupuncture visit.
 Lasting 12 weeks or longer; nonspecific, in that it has no identifiable systemic cause (i.e., not associated with metastatic, inflammatory, infectious, etc. disease); not associated with surgery; and not associated with pregnancy. 	
An additional eight sessions will be covered for those patients demonstrating an improvement. No more than 20 acupuncture treatments may be administered annually.	
Treatment must be discontinued if the patient is not improving or is regressing.	
Provider Requirements: Physicians (as defined in 1861(r)(1) of the Social Security Act (the Act)) may furnish acupuncture in accordance with applicable state requirements.	
Physician assistants (PAs), nurse practitioners (NPs)/clinical nurse specialists (CNSs) (as identified in 1861(aa)(5) of the Act), and auxiliary personnel may furnish acupuncture if they meet all applicable state requirements and have:	
 a masters or doctoral level degree in acupuncture or Oriental Medicine from a school accredited by 	

What you must pay when you get these Services that are covered for you services the Accreditation Commission on Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine (ACAOM); and, · a current, full, active, and unrestricted license to practice acupuncture in a State, Territory, or Commonwealth (i.e., Puerto Rico) of the United States, or District of Columbia. Auxiliary personnel furnishing acupuncture must be under the appropriate level of supervision of a physician, PA, or NP/CNS required by our regulations at 42 CFR §§ 410.26 and 410.27. **Ambulance services** \$0 copay for each Medicare-covered one-way trip via ground or air ambulance. Covered ambulance services include fixed wing, rotary wing, and ground ambulance services, to the nearest appropriate facility that can provide care only if they are furnished to a member whose medical condition is such that other means of transportation could endanger the person's health or if authorized by the plan. Non-emergency transportation by ambulance is appropriate if it is documented that the member's condition is such that other means of transportation could endanger the person's health and that transportation by ambulance is medically required. **Annual routine physical** \$0 copay for an annual routine physical The annual routine physical is an extensive physical exam exam. including a medical history collection and it may also include any of the following: vital signs, observation of general appearance, a head and neck exam, a heart and lung exam, an abdominal exam, a neurological exam, a dermatological exam, and an extremities exam. Coverage for this non-Medicare covered benefit is in addition to the Medicare-covered annual wellness visit and the "Welcome to Medicare" preventive visit. You may schedule your annual routine physical once each calendar year. Preventive labs, screenings, and/or diagnostic tests received during this visit are subject to your lab and diagnostic test coverage. Please see "Outpatient diagnostic tests and therapeutic services and supplies" for more information.

Services that are covered for you	What you must pay when you get these services
Annual wellness visit If you've had Part B for longer than 12 months, you can get an annual wellness visit to develop or update a personalized prevention plan based on your current health and risk factors. Our plan will cover the annual wellness visit once each calendar year. Note: Your first annual wellness visit can't take place within 12 months of your "Welcome to Medicare" preventive visit. However, you don't need to have had a "Welcome to Medicare" visit to be covered for annual wellness visits after you've had Part B for 12 months.	There is no coinsurance, copayment, or deductible for the annual wellness visit.
Bone mass measurement For qualified individuals (generally, this means people at risk of losing bone mass or at risk of osteoporosis), the following services are covered every 24 months or more frequently if medically necessary: procedures to identify bone mass, detect bone loss, or determine bone quality, including a physician's interpretation of the results.	There is no coinsurance, copayment, or deductible for Medicare-covered bone mass measurement.
 Breast cancer screening (mammograms) Covered services include: One baseline mammogram between the ages of 35 and 39 One screening mammogram each calendar year for women aged 40 and older Clinical breast exams once every 24 months 	There is no coinsurance, copayment, or deductible for covered screening mammograms. \$0 copay for each diagnostic mammogram.
Cardiac rehabilitation services Comprehensive programs of cardiac rehabilitation services that include exercise, education, and counseling are covered for members who meet certain conditions with a doctor's order. The plan also covers intensive cardiac rehabilitation programs that are typically more rigorous or more intense than cardiac rehabilitation programs.	\$0 copay for each Medicare-covered cardiac rehabilitation visit. \$0 copay for each Medicare-covered intensive cardiac rehabilitation visit.
Cardiovascular disease risk reduction visit (therapy for cardiovascular disease) We cover one visit per year with your primary care doctor to help lower your risk for cardiovascular disease. During this visit, your doctor may discuss aspirin use (if appropriate), check your blood pressure, and give you tips to make sure you're eating healthy.	There is no coinsurance, copayment, or deductible for the intensive behavioral therapy cardiovascular disease preventive benefit.
Cardiovascular disease testing	There is no coinsurance, copayment, or

Services that are covered for you	What you must pay when you get these services
Blood tests for the detection of cardiovascular disease (or abnormalities associated with an elevated risk of cardiovascular disease) once every 5 years (60 months).	deductible for cardiovascular disease testing that is covered once every 5 years.
 Cervical and vaginal cancer screening Covered services include: For all women: Pap tests and pelvic exams are covered once every 24 months If you are at high risk of cervical or vaginal cancer or you are of childbearing age and have had an abnormal Pap test within the past 3 years: one Pap test every 12 months 	There is no coinsurance, copayment, or deductible for Medicare-covered preventive Pap and pelvic exams.
Chiropractic services Covered services include: • We cover only manual manipulation of the spine to correct subluxation	\$15 copay for each Medicare-covered chiropractic visit.
Colorectal cancer screening For people 50 and older, the following are covered: • Flexible sigmoidoscopy (or screening barium enema as an alternative) every 48 months Two of each of the following per calendar year: • Guaiac-based fecal occult blood test (gFOBT) • Fecal immunochemical test (FIT) DNA based colorectal screening every 3 years For people at high risk of colorectal cancer, we cover: • Screening colonoscopy (or screening barium enema as an alternative) every 24 months	There is no coinsurance, copayment, or deductible for a Medicare-covered colorectal cancer screening exam. \$0 copay for each Medicare-covered preventive barium enema. If a polyp is removed or a biopsy is performed during a Medicare-covered screening colonoscopy, the polyp removal and associated pathology will be covered at \$0 copay as these procedures were performed during a preventive service. Diagnostic colonoscopy is covered at \$0 copay when you schedule a diagnostic colonoscopy after having a Guaiac-based fecal occult blood test (gFOBT) or Fecal immunochemical test (FIT).
 For people not at high risk of colorectal cancer, we cover: Screening colonoscopy every 10 years (120 months), but not within 48 months of a screening sigmoidoscopy 	previous colonoscopy or have a condition that is monitored via colonoscopy (such as a prior history of colon cancer), ongoing colonoscopies are considered diagnostic, and are subject to the outpatient surgery cost-sharing.

Services that are covered for you	What you must pay when you get these services
	(See "Outpatient surgery, including services provided at hospital outpatient facilities and ambulatory surgical centers" for more information.)
 Dental services In general, preventive dental services (such as cleaning, routine dental exams, and dental x-rays) are not covered by Original Medicare. We cover: Non-routine dental care (covered services are limited to surgery of the jaw or related structures, setting fractures of the jaw or facial bones, extraction of teeth to prepare the jaw for radiation treatments of neoplastic cancer disease, or services that would be covered when provided by a physician) 	\$15 copay for each Medicare-covered dental care service.
Depression screening We cover one screening for depression per year. The screening must be done in a primary care setting that can provide follow-up treatment and/or referrals.	There is no coinsurance, copayment, or deductible for an annual depression screening visit.
Diabetes screening We cover this screening (includes fasting glucose tests) if you have any of the following risk factors: high blood pressure (hypertension), history of abnormal cholesterol and triglyceride levels (dyslipidemia), obesity, or a history of high blood sugar (glucose). Tests may also be covered if you meet other requirements, like being overweight and having a family history of diabetes.	There is no coinsurance, copayment, or deductible for the Medicare-covered diabetes screening tests.
Based on the results of these tests, you may be eligible for up to two diabetes screenings every 12 months.	
Diabetes self-management training, diabetic services and supplies For all people who have diabetes (insulin and non-insulin users). Covered services include:	\$0 copay for each Medicare-covered supply to monitor blood glucose. \$0 copay for each pair of Medicare-covered diabetic shoes and inserts.
 Supplies to monitor your blood glucose: Blood glucose monitor, blood glucose test strips, lancet devices and lancets, and glucose-control solutions for checking the accuracy of test strips and monitors. For people with diabetes who have severe diabetic foot disease: One pair per calendar year of 	\$0 copay for Medicare-covered diabetes self-management training.

Services that are covered for you	What you must pay when you get these services
therapeutic custom-molded shoes (including inserts provided with such shoes) and two additional pairs of inserts, or one pair of depth shoes and three pairs of inserts (not including the non-customized removable inserts provided with such shoes). Coverage includes fitting. • Diabetes self-management training is covered under certain conditions.	
Durable medical equipment (DME) and related supplies (For a definition of "durable medical equipment," see Chapter 10 of the Evidence of Coverage.) Covered items include, but are not limited to: wheelchairs, crutches, powered mattress systems, diabetic supplies, hospital beds ordered by a provider for use in the home, IV infusion pumps, speech generating devices, oxygen equipment, nebulizers, and walkers. We cover all medically necessary DME covered by Original Medicare. If our supplier in your area does not carry a particular brand or manufacturer, you may ask them if they can special order it for you. The most recent list of suppliers is available on our website at: CONY.AetnaMedicare.com.	\$0 copay for each Medicare-covered durable medical equipment item.
 Emergency care Furnished by a provider qualified to furnish emergency services, and Needed to evaluate or stabilize an emergency medical condition. A medical emergency is when you, or any other prudent layperson with an average knowledge of health and medicine, believe that you have medical symptoms that require immediate medical attention to prevent loss of life, loss of a limb, or loss of function of a limb. The medical symptoms may be an illness, injury, severe pain, or a medical condition that is quickly getting worse. Cost sharing for necessary emergency services furnished out-of-network is the same as for such services furnished in-network. 	\$50 copay for each emergency room visit. Cost-sharing is waived if you are immediately admitted to the hospital.

Services that are covered for you	What you must pay when you get these services
This coverage is available worldwide (i.e., outside of the United States).	
Fitness program (physical fitness) You are covered for a basic membership to any SilverSneakers® participating fitness facility.	\$0 copay for health club membership/fitness classes.
At-home fitness kits and online classes are also available if you do not reside near a participating club or prefer to exercise at home. You may order one fitness kit per year through SilverSneakers.	
You will also have access to online enrichment classes to support your health and wellness, as well as your mental fitness. Health and wellness classes include, but are not limited to: cooking, food & nutrition, and mindfulness. Mental fitness classes include, but are not limited to: new skills, organization, self help, and staying connected. These classes can be accessed online by visiting SilverSneakers.com.	
To get started, you will need your SilverSneakers ID number. Please visit <u>SilverSneakers.com</u> or call SilverSneakers at 1-888-423-4632 (TTY/TDD: 711) to obtain this ID number. Then, bring this ID number with you when you visit a participating fitness facility. Information about participating facilities can be found by using the SilverSneakers website or by calling SilverSneakers.	
Health and wellness education programs	There is no coinsurance, copayment, or deductible for the 24-Hour Nurse Line benefit.
 24-Hour Nurse Line: Talk to a registered nurse 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Please call 1-855-493-7019 (For TTY/TDD assistance, please dial 711.) 	Health education is included in your plan.
Health education: Members are eligible to receive the health education supplemental benefit to support a healthier lifestyle. This benefit gives members the opportunity to interact as a group, one-on-one, or virtually, with a certified health educator or other qualified health professional. Members may receive educational supplies such as books and pamphlets to augment their interactive sessions. In addition, members will be encouraged to adopt healthy habits and build skills to enhance self-care capabilities.	

Services that are covered for you	What you must pay when you get these services
Healthy Rewards The Aetna Healthy Rewards program is a highly personalized incentive and rewards program. Plan members can earn rewards in the form of merchandise gift cards by completing specific health and wellness activities within the plan year. Coinsurance, copayment, or deductible may apply to the medical service completed in order to earn the reward. There is no out-of-pocket cost to the member to redeem the reward once the required activity is complete.	Included in your plan.
Hearing services Diagnostic hearing and balance evaluations performed by your provider to determine if you need medical treatment are covered as outpatient care when furnished by a physician, audiologist, or other qualified provider.	\$15 copay for each Medicare-covered hearing exam. \$0 copay for each non-Medicare covered hearing exam.
In addition to Medicare-covered benefits, we also offer: • Routine hearing exams: one every twelve months	
Hearing services - Hearing aids This is a reimbursement benefit towards the cost of hearing aids. You may see any licensed hearing provider in the U.S. You pay the provider for services and submit an itemized billing statement showing proof of payment to our plan. You must submit your documentation within 365 days from the date of service to be eligible for reimbursement. If approved, it can take up to 45 days for you to receive payment. If your request is incomplete, such as no itemization of services, or there is missing information, you will be notified by mail. You will then have to supply the missing information, which will delay the processing time.	Our plan will reimburse you up to \$500 once every 12 months towards the cost of hearing aids.
Notes:	
 If you use a non-licensed provider you will not receive reimbursement. You are responsible for any charges above the reimbursement amount. 	
* Amounts you pay for hearing aids do not apply to your Out-of-Pocket Maximum.	
HIV screening For people who ask for an HIV screening test or who are at increased risk for HIV infection, we cover:	There is no coinsurance, copayment, or deductible for members eligible for Medicare-covered preventive HIV screening.

What you must pay when you get these Services that are covered for you services One screening exam every 12 months For women who are pregnant, we cover: Up to three screening exams during a pregnancy Home health agency care \$0 copay for each Medicare-covered home Prior to receiving home health services, a doctor must health visit. certify that you need home health services and will order home health services to be provided by a home health \$0 copay for each Medicare-covered agency. You must be homebound, which means leaving durable medical equipment item. home is a major effort. Covered services include, but are not limited to: Part-time or intermittent skilled nursing and home health aide services (To be covered under the home health care benefit, your skilled nursing and home health aide services combined must total fewer than 8 hours per day and 35 hours per week.) Physical therapy, occupational therapy, and speech therapy Medical and social services Medical equipment and supplies Prior authorization rules may apply for network services. Your network provider is responsible for requesting prior authorization. Our plan recommends pre-authorization of the service when provided by an out-of-network provider. Home infusion therapy You will pay the cost-sharing that applies to Home infusion therapy involves the intravenous or primary care physician services, specialist subcutaneous administration of drugs or biologicals to an physician services (including certified home individual at home. The components needed to perform infusion providers), or home health services home infusion include the drug (for example, antivirals, depending on where you received immune globulin), equipment (for example, a pump), and administration or monitoring services. supplies (for example, tubing and catheters). (See "Physician/Practitioner Services. Prior to receiving home infusion services, they must be Including Doctor's Office Visits" or "Home ordered by a doctor and included in your care plan. Health Agency Care" for any applicable

Professional services, including nursing services,

Covered services include, but are not limited to:

cost-sharing.)

Please note that home infusion drugs. pumps, and devices provided during a home

related to your terminal prognosis, you pay your plan cost-sharing amount for these services and you must

What you must pay when you get these Services that are covered for you services infusion therapy visit are covered separately furnished in accordance with the plan of care under your "Durable medical equipment Patient training and education not otherwise (DME) and related supplies" benefit. covered under the durable medical equipment benefit Remote monitoring Monitoring services for the provision of home infusion therapy and home infusion drugs furnished by a qualified home infusion therapy supplier **Hospice** care When you enroll in a Medicare-certified You are eligible for the hospice benefit when your doctor hospice program, your hospice services and and the hospice medical director have given you a your Part A and Part B services related to terminal prognosis certifying that you're terminally ill and your terminal prognosis are paid for by Original Medicare, not our plan. have 6 months or less to live if your illness runs its normal course. You may receive care from any Medicare-certified hospice program. Your plan is Hospice consultations are included as part obligated to help you find Medicare-certified hospice of inpatient hospital care. Physician service programs in the plan's service area, including those the cost-sharing may apply for outpatient MA organization owns, controls, or has a financial interest consultations. in. Your hospice doctor can be a network provider or an out-of-network provider. Covered services include: Drugs for symptom control and pain relief Short-term respite care Home care When you are admitted to a hospice you have the right to remain in your plan; if you choose to remain in your plan you must continue to pay plan premiums. For hospice services and for services that are covered by Medicare Part A or B and are related to your terminal prognosis: Original Medicare (rather than our plan) will pay for your hospice services and any Part A and Part B services related to your terminal prognosis. While you are in the hospice program, your hospice provider will bill Original Medicare for the services that Original Medicare pays for. You will be billed Original Medicare cost sharing. For services that are covered by Medicare Part A or B and are not related to your terminal prognosis: If you need non-emergency, non-urgently needed services that are covered under Medicare Part A or B and that are not

What you must pay when you get these Services that are covered for you services follow plan rules (such as if there is a requirement to obtain prior authorization). For services that are covered by Aetna Medicare Plan (PPO) but are not covered by Medicare Part A or B: Aetna Medicare Plan (PPO) will continue to cover plan-covered services that are not covered under Part A or B whether or not they are related to your terminal prognosis. You pay your plan cost-sharing amount for these services. Note: If you need non-hospice care (care that is not related to your terminal prognosis), you should contact us to arrange the services. Our plan covers hospice consultation services (one time only) for a terminally ill person who hasn't elected the hospice benefit. There is no coinsurance, copayment, or Immunizations deductible for the pneumonia, influenza, Covered Medicare Part B services include: Hepatitis B, and COVID-19 vaccines. Pneumonia vaccine \$0 copay for other Medicare-covered Part B · Flu shots, once each flu season in the fall and vaccines. winter, with additional flu shots if medically necessary You may have to pay an office visit cost · Hepatitis B vaccine if you are at high or share if you get other services at the same intermediate risk of getting Hepatitis B time that you get vaccinated. COVID-19 vaccine • Other vaccines if you are at risk and they meet Medicare Part B coverage rules Inpatient hospital care For each inpatient hospital stay, you pay: Includes inpatient acute, inpatient rehabilitation, long-term care hospitals, and other types of inpatient \$0 per stay 09/01/23-12/31/23. hospital services. Inpatient hospital care starts the day you are formally admitted to the hospital with a doctor's \$300 per stay, maximum of \$750 per order. The day before you are discharged is your last calendar year 01/01/24-12/31/24. inpatient day. Cost-sharing is charged for each medically Days covered: There is no limit to the number of days necessary covered inpatient stay. covered by our plan. Cost-sharing is not charged on the day of discharge. Covered services include but are not limited to: Semi-private room (or a private room if medically necessary)

Even if you stay in the hospital overnight, you might still be considered an "outpatient." If you are not sure if you are an inpatient or an outpatient, you should ask the

What you must pay when you get these Services that are covered for you services Meals including special diets Regular nursing services · Costs of special care units (such as intensive care or coronary care units) · Drugs and medications Lab tests X-rays and other radiology services · Necessary surgical and medical supplies • Use of appliances, such as wheelchairs · Operating and recovery room costs · Physical, occupational, and speech language therapy Inpatient substance abuse services Under certain conditions, the following types of transplants are covered: corneal, kidney, kidney-pancreatic, heart, liver, lung, heart/lung, bone marrow, stem cell, and intestinal/multivisceral. If you need a transplant, we will arrange to have your case reviewed by a Medicare-approved transplant center that will decide whether you are a candidate for a transplant. Transplant providers may be local or outside of the service area. If our in-network transplant services are outside the community pattern of care, you may choose to go locally as long as the local transplant providers are willing to accept the Original Medicare rate. If our plan provides transplant services at a location outside the pattern of care for transplants in your community and you choose to obtain transplants at this distant location, we will arrange or pay for appropriate lodging and transportation costs for you and a companion. Blood - including storage and administration. Coverage of whole blood and packed red cells begins with the first pint of blood that you need. All components of blood are covered beginning with the first pint used. · Physician services **Note:** To be an inpatient, your provider must write an order to admit you formally as an inpatient of the hospital.

Services that are covered for you	What you must pay when you get these services
hospital staff.	
You can also find more information in a Medicare fact sheet called "Are You a Hospital Inpatient or Outpatient? If You Have Medicare – Ask!" This fact sheet is available on the Web at www.medicare.gov/sites/default/files/2021-10/11435-Inpatient-or-Outpatient.pdf or by calling 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227). TTY users call 1-877-486-2048. You can call these numbers for free, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.	
Prior authorization rules apply for network services. Your network provider is responsible for requesting prior authorization. Our plan recommends pre-authorization of the service when provided by an out-of-network provider.	
Inpatient services in a psychiatric hospital Covered services include mental health care services	For each inpatient stay, you pay:
that require a hospital stay.	\$0 per stay 09/01/23-12/31/23.
Days covered: There is no limit to the number of days covered by our plan. Cost-sharing is not charged on the day of discharge.	\$300 per stay, maximum of \$750 per calendar year 01/01/24–12/31/24.
Prior authorization rules apply for network services. Your network provider is responsible for requesting prior authorization. Our plan recommends pre-authorization of the service when provided by an out-of-network provider.	Cost-sharing is charged for each medically necessary covered inpatient stay.
Inpatient stay: Covered services received in a hospital or SNF during a non-covered inpatient stay	\$0 copay for Medicare-covered primary care physician (PCP) services.
If you have exhausted your skilled nursing facility benefits or if the skilled nursing facility or inpatient stay is not reasonable and necessary, we will not cover your	\$15 copay for Medicare-covered specialist services.
inpatient stay. However, in some cases, we will cover certain services you receive while you are in the hospital or the skilled nursing facility (SNF).	\$15 copay for each Medicare-covered diagnostic procedure and test.
Covered services include, but are not limited to:	de
Physician services	\$15 copay for each Medicare-covered lab service.
 Diagnostic tests (like lab tests) X-ray, radium, and isotope therapy including technician materials and services Surgical dressings 	\$0 copay for certain Medicare-covered lab services including Hemoglobin A1c, Urine Protein, Prothrombin (Protime), Urine Albumin, Fecal immunochemical test (FIT),

- Splints, casts and other devices used to reduce fractures and dislocations
- Prosthetics and orthotics devices (other than dental) that replace all or part of an internal body organ (including contiguous tissue), or all or part of the function of a permanently inoperative or malfunctioning internal body organ, including replacement or repairs of such devices
- · Leg, arm, back, and neck braces; trusses; and artificial legs, arms, and eyes including adjustments, repairs, and replacements required because of breakage, wear, loss, or a change in the patient's physical condition
- Physical therapy, speech therapy, and occupational therapy

Prior authorization rules apply for network services. Your network provider is responsible for requesting prior authorization. Our plan recommends pre-authorization of the service when provided by an out-of-network provider.

What you must pay when you get these services

Kidney Health Evaluation for members with Diabetes (KED), and COVID-19 testing.

\$15 copay for each Medicare-covered diagnostic radiology and complex imaging service.

\$15 copay for each Medicare-covered x-ray.

\$0 copay for each Medicare-covered therapeutic radiology service.

Your cost share for medical supplies is based upon the provider of services.

\$0 copay for continuous glucose meter supplies.

\$0 copay for each Medicare-covered prosthetic device.

\$15 copay for each Medicare-covered physical or speech therapy visit.

\$15 copay for each Medicare-covered occupational therapy visit.

Meal benefit

After discharge from an Inpatient Acute Hospital, Inpatient Psychiatric Hospital or Skilled Nursing Facility to your home, you may be eligible to receive up to 28 home-delivered meals over a 14-day period delivered to your home. After our plan confirms that this benefit will help support your recovery or manage your health conditions, and is not based solely on convenience or comfort purposes, you will be contacted by our partner, GA Foods, to schedule delivery.

Note: Observation stays do not qualify you for this benefit.

\$0 copay for covered meals.

Medical nutrition therapy

This benefit is for people with diabetes, renal (kidney) disease (but not on dialysis), or after a kidney transplant when ordered by your doctor.

We cover 3 hours of one-on-one counseling services during your first year that you receive medical nutrition therapy services under Medicare (this includes our plan. There is no coinsurance, copayment, or deductible for members eligible for Medicare-covered medical nutrition therapy services.

Services that are covered for you	What you must pay when you get these services
any other Medicare Advantage plan, or Original Medicare), and 2 hours each year after that. If your condition, treatment, or diagnosis changes, you may be able to receive more hours of treatment with a physician's order. A physician must prescribe these services and renew their order yearly if your treatment is needed into the next calendar year.	
Medicare Diabetes Prevention Program (MDPP) MDPP services will be covered for eligible Medicare beneficiaries under all Medicare health plans.	There is no coinsurance, copayment, or deductible for the MDPP benefit.
MDPP is a structured health behavior change intervention that provides practical training in long-term dietary change, increased physical activity, and problem-solving strategies for overcoming challenges to sustaining weight loss and a healthy lifestyle.	
Medicare Part B prescription drugs	\$0 copay per prescription or refill.
These drugs are covered under Part B of Original Medicare. Members of our plan receive coverage for these drugs through our plan.	\$0 copay for each chemotherapy or infusion therapy Part B drug.
Orugs that usually aren't self-administered by the patient and are injected or infused while you are getting physician, hospital outpatient, or ambulatory surgical center services	\$0 copay for the administration of the chemotherapy drug as well as for infusion therapy.
 Drugs you take using durable medical equipment (such as nebulizers) that were authorized by the plan Clotting factors you give yourself by injection if you have hemophilia 	\$0 copay for each allergy shot. You may have to pay an office visit cost share if you get other services at the same time that you get the allergy shot.
 Immunosuppressive drugs, if you were enrolled in Medicare Part A at the time of the organ transplant Injectable osteoporosis drugs, if you are homebound, have a bone fracture that a doctor certifies was related to post-menopausal osteoporosis, and cannot self-administer the drug Antigens Certain oral anti-cancer drugs and anti-nausea drugs Certain drugs for home dialysis, including heparin, the antidote for heparin when medically necessary, topical anesthetics, and erythropoiesis-stimulating agents (such as Epogen®, Procrit®, Epoetin Alfa, Aranesp®, or Darbepoetin Alfa) 	Part B drugs may be subject to Step Therapy requirements.

Services that are covered for you	What you must pay when you get these services
 Intravenous Immune Globulin for the home treatment of primary immune deficiency diseases Allergy shots 	
The following link will take you to a list of Part B Drugs that may be subject to Step Therapy: <u>Aetna.com/partb-step</u> .	
We also cover some vaccines under our Part B prescription drug benefit.	
Prior authorization rules may apply for network services. Your network provider is responsible for requesting prior authorization. Our plan recommends pre-authorization of the service when provided by an out-of-network provider.	
Obesity screening and therapy to promote sustained weight loss If you have a body mass index of 30 or more, we cover intensive counseling to help you lose weight. This counseling is covered if you get it in a primary care setting, where it can be coordinated with your comprehensive prevention plan. Talk to your primary care doctor or practitioner to find out more.	There is no coinsurance, copayment, or deductible for preventive obesity screening and therapy.
Opioid treatment program services Members of our plan with opioid use disorder (OUD) can receive coverage of services to treat OUD through an Opioid Treatment Program (OTP) which includes the following services:	\$15 copay for each Medicare-covered opioid use disorder treatment service.
 U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)-approved opioid agonist and antagonist medication-assisted treatment (MAT) medications Dispensing and administration of MAT medications (if applicable) Substance use counseling Individual and group therapy Toxicology testing Intake activities Periodic assessments 	
Outpatient diagnostic tests and therapeutic services and supplies	Your cost share is based on:
Covered services include, but are not limited to:	the tests, services, and supplies you

- X-rays
- Radiation (radium and isotope) therapy including technician materials and supplies
- Surgical supplies, such as dressings
- Diagnostic radiology and complex imaging such as: MRI, MRA, PET scan
- Splints, casts and other devices used to reduce fractures and dislocations
- Laboratory tests
- Blood including storage and administration.
 Coverage of whole blood and packed red cells begins with the first pint of blood that you need. All components of blood are covered beginning with the first pint used.
- · Other outpatient diagnostic tests

What you must pay when you get these services

receive

- the provider of the tests, services, and supplies
- the setting where the tests, services, and supplies are performed

\$15 copay for each Medicare-covered x-ray.

\$15 copay for each Medicare-covered diagnostic radiology and complex imaging service.

\$15 copay for each Medicare-covered lab service.

\$0 copay for certain Medicare-covered lab services including Hemoglobin A1c, Urine Protein, Prothrombin (Protime), Urine Albumin, Fecal immunochemical test (FIT), Kidney Health Evaluation for members with Diabetes (KED), and COVID-19 testing.

\$0 copay for Medicare-covered blood services.

\$15 copay for each Medicare-covered diagnostic procedure and test.

\$15 copay for each Medicare-covered CT scan.

\$15 copay for each Medicare-covered diagnostic radiology service other than CT scan.

\$0 copay for each Medicare-covered retinal fundus service, Spirometry, and Peripheral Arterial Disease (PAD).

\$0 copay for each Medicare-covered therapeutic radiology service.

Your cost share for medical supplies is based upon the provider of services.

\$0 copay for continuous glucose meter supplies.

Outpatient hospital observation

Observation services are hospital outpatient services given to determine if you need to be admitted as an inpatient or can be discharged.

For outpatient hospital observation services to be covered, they must meet the Medicare criteria and be considered reasonable and necessary. Observation services are covered only when provided by the order of a physician or another individual authorized by state licensure law and hospital staff bylaws to admit patients to the hospital or order outpatient tests.

Note: Unless the provider has written an order to admit you as an inpatient to the hospital, you are an outpatient and pay the cost-sharing amounts for outpatient hospital services. Even if you stay in the hospital overnight, you might still be considered an "outpatient." If you are not sure if you are an outpatient, you should ask the hospital staff.

You can also find more information in a Medicare fact sheet called "Are You a Hospital Inpatient or Outpatient? If You Have Medicare – Ask!" This fact sheet is available on the Web at

www.medicare.gov/sites/default/files/2021-10/11435-Inpatient-or-Outpatient.pdf or by calling

1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227). TTY users call 1-877-486-2048. You can call these numbers for free, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Outpatient hospital services

We cover medically-necessary services you get in the outpatient department of a hospital for diagnosis or treatment of an illness or injury.

Covered services include, but are not limited to:

- Services in an emergency department or outpatient clinic, such as observation services or outpatient surgery
- Laboratory and diagnostic tests billed by the hospital
- Mental health care, including care in a partial-hospitalization program, if a doctor certifies that inpatient treatment would be required without it
- X-rays and other radiology services billed by the

What you must pay when you get these services

Your cost share for Observation Care is based upon the services you receive.

\$0 copay per facility visit.

Your cost share is based on:

- the tests, services, and supplies you receive
- the provider of the tests, services, and supplies
- the setting where the tests, services, and supplies are performed

\$50 copay for each emergency room visit. Cost-sharing <u>is</u> waived if you are immediately admitted to the hospital.

\$15 copay for each Medicare-covered diagnostic procedure and test.

hospital

hours a day, 7 days a week.

- Medical supplies such as splints and casts
- Certain drugs and biologicals that you can't give yourself

Note: Unless the provider has written an order to admit you as an inpatient to the hospital, you are an outpatient and pay the cost-sharing amounts for outpatient hospital services. Even if you stay in the hospital overnight, you might still be considered an "outpatient." If you are not sure if you are an outpatient, you should ask the hospital staff.

You can also find more information in a Medicare fact sheet called "Are You a Hospital Inpatient or Outpatient? If You Have Medicare – Ask!" This fact sheet is available on the Web at

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\$15 copay for each Medicare-covered lab service.

\$0 copay for certain Medicare-covered lab services including Hemoglobin A1c, Urine Protein, Prothrombin (Protime), Urine Albumin, Fecal immunochemical test (FIT), Kidney Health Evaluation for members with Diabetes (KED), and COVID-19 testing.

\$15 copay for each Medicare-covered diagnostic radiology and complex imaging service.

\$15 copay for each Medicare-covered x-ray.

\$0 copay for each Medicare-covered therapeutic radiology service.

\$15 copay for each Medicare-covered outpatient mental health service provided by a psychiatrist (individual session).

\$15 copay for each Medicare-covered outpatient mental health service provided by a psychiatrist (group session).

\$15 copay for each Medicare-covered outpatient mental health service provided by a mental health professional other than a psychiatrist (individual session).

\$15 copay for each Medicare-covered outpatient mental health service provided by a mental health professional other than a psychiatrist (group session).

\$15 copay for each Medicare-covered partial hospitalization visit.

Your cost share for medical supplies is based upon the provider of services.

\$0 copay for continuous glucose meter supplies.

\$0 copay per prescription or refill for certain drugs and biologicals that you can't give

Services that are covered for you	What you must pay when you get these services
	yourself.
Outpatient mental health care Covered services include: Mental health services provided by a state-licensed psychiatrist or doctor, clinical psychologist, clinical social worker, clinical nurse specialist, nurse practitioner, physician assistant, or other Medicare-qualified mental health care professional as allowed under applicable state laws. We also cover some telehealth visits with psychiatric and mental health professionals. See "Physician/Practitioner services, including doctor's office visits" for information about telehealth outpatient mental health care.	\$15 copay for each Medicare-covered outpatient mental health service provided by a psychiatrist (individual session). \$15 copay for each Medicare-covered outpatient mental health service provided by a psychiatrist (group session). \$15 copay for each Medicare-covered outpatient mental health service provided by a mental health professional other than a psychiatrist (individual session). \$15 copay for each Medicare-covered outpatient mental health service provided by a mental health professional other than a psychiatrist (group session).
Outpatient rehabilitation services Covered services include: physical therapy, occupational therapy, and speech language therapy. Outpatient rehabilitation services are provided in various outpatient settings, such as hospital outpatient departments, independent therapist offices, and Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facilities (CORFs).	\$15 copay for each Medicare-covered physical or speech therapy visit. \$15 copay for each Medicare-covered occupational therapy visit.
Outpatient substance abuse services Our coverage is the same as Original Medicare, which is coverage for services that are provided in the outpatient department of a hospital to patients who, for example, have been discharged from an inpatient stay for the treatment of drug substance abuse or who require treatment but do not require the availability and intensity of services found only in the inpatient hospital setting. The coverage available for these services is subject to the same rules generally applicable to the coverage of outpatient hospital services. Covered services include: Assessment, evaluation, and treatment for substance use related disorders by a Medicare-eligible provider to quickly determine the	\$15 copay for each Medicare-covered individual outpatient substance abuse session. \$15 copay for each Medicare-covered group outpatient substance abuse session.

Services that are covered for you	What you must pay when you get these services
severity of substance use and identify the appropriate level of treatment Brief interventions or advice focusing on increasing insight and awareness regarding substance use and motivation toward behavioral change	
Outpatient surgery, including services provided at hospital outpatient facilities and ambulatory surgical centers Note: If you are having surgery in a hospital facility, you should check with your provider about whether you will be an inpatient or outpatient. Unless the provider writes an order to admit you as an inpatient to the hospital, you are an outpatient and pay the cost-sharing amounts for outpatient surgery. Even if you stay in the hospital overnight, you might still be considered an "outpatient."	 Your cost share is based on: the tests, services, and supplies you receive the provider of the tests, services, and supplies the setting where the tests, services, and supplies are performed \$0 copay for each Medicare-covered outpatient surgery at a hospital outpatient facility. \$0 copay for each Medicare-covered outpatient surgery at an ambulatory surgical center.
Over-the-counter (OTC) items This plan comes with a \$30 quarterly allowance for over-the-counter (OTC) medications and supplies. For a complete list of covered items, please refer to the OTC catalog.	There is no coinsurance, copayment, or deductible for covered OTC items This benefit includes certain nicotine replacement therapies.
You may place up to three orders each quarter and are limited to up to nine (9) like items per quarter (every three months), with the exception of blood pressure monitors, which are limited to one per year. Orders cannot exceed your quarterly allowance. Any unused allowance will not be rolled over into the	
Items may be ordered over the phone at 1-833-331-1573 (TTY: 711) Monday-Friday 9 am-8 pm local time (except Hawaii) or online at cvs.com/otchs/myorder to be shipped to your home. You can place an order online 24 hours a day, 7 days a week (24/7). Ordered items are for enrollee only.	
Notes:	

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\$15 copay for each Medicare-covered partial hospitalization visit.
There is no coinsurance, copayment, or deductible for the Personal Emergency Response System service.
Your cost share is based on:
 the tests, services, and supplies you receive the provider of the tests, services, and supplies the setting where the tests, services, and supplies are performed \$0 copay for Medicare-covered primary care physician (PCP) services (including telehealth services and urgently needed services). \$15 copay for Medicare-covered physician specialist services (including surgery second opinion, telehealth services, home infusion professional services, and urgently needed services). \$15 copay for each Medicare-covered

Services that are covered for you

- Psychiatric services (group sessions)
- Urgently needed services
- Occupational therapy services
- Physical and speech therapy services
- Opioid treatment services
- Outpatient substance abuse services (individual sessions)
- Outpatient substance abuse services (group sessions)
- Kidney disease education services
- Diabetes self-management services
- Your plan also offers MDLive for behavioral telehealth services. You can schedule a telehealth visit through MDLive, which provides virtual access to board-certified psychiatrists and licensed therapists in all 50 states. These telehealth visits can be scheduled through the MDLive call center, web portal, or mobile app. The call center is available 24/7, 365 days per year. Visits can be scheduled or on demand. Call 1-888-865-0729 (available 24/7), TTY: 1-800-770-5531, visit mdlive.com/aetnamedicarebh, or access the MDLive mobile app. Due to provider licensing, members must be located within the United States and Puerto Rico when using MDLive services.
- This coverage is in addition to the telehealth services described below. For more details on your additional telehealth coverage, please review the Aetna Medicare Telehealth Coverage Policy at AetnaMedicare.com/Telehealth.
 - You have the option of getting these services through an in-person visit or by telehealth. If you choose to get one of these services by telehealth, you must use a provider who offers the service by telehealth. Not all providers offer telehealth services.
 - You should contact your doctor for information on what telehealth services they offer and how to schedule a telehealth visit. Depending on location, members may also have the option to schedule a telehealth visit 24 hours a day, 7 days a week via Teladoc, MinuteClinic Video Visit, or other provider that offers telehealth services covered under your plan. Members can access Teladoc at Teladoc.com/Aetna or by calling 1-855-TELADOC (1-855-835-2362) (TTY: 711),

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hearing exam.

Certain additional telehealth services, including those for:

- \$0 copay for each primary care physician service
- \$15 copay for each physician specialist service
- \$15 copay for each mental health service (individual sessions)
- \$15 copay for each mental health service (group sessions)
- \$15 copay for each psychiatric service (individual sessions)
- \$15 copay for each psychiatric service (group sessions)
- \$15 copay for each urgently needed service
- \$15 copay for each occupational therapy visit
- \$15 copay for each physical or speech therapy visit
- \$15 copay for each opioid treatment program service
- \$15 copay for each individual outpatient substance abuse service
- \$15 copay for each group outpatient substance abuse service
- \$0 copay for each kidney disease education service
- \$0 copay for each diabetes self-management training service

\$0 copay for each Teladoc telehealth service.

Services that are covered for you

available 24/7. **Note:** Teladoc is not currently available outside of the United States and its territories (Guam, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands). You can find out if MinuteClinic Video Visits are available in your area at CVS.com/MinuteClinic/virtual-care/videovisit.

- Some telehealth services including consultation, diagnosis, and treatment by a physician or practitioner, for patients in certain rural areas or other places approved by Medicare
- Telehealth services for monthly end-stage renal disease-related visits for home dialysis members in a hospital-based or critical access hospital-based renal dialysis center, renal dialysis facility, or the member's home
- Telehealth services to diagnose, evaluate, or treat symptoms of a stroke regardless of your location
- Telehealth services for members with a substance use disorder or co-occurring mental health disorder, regardless of their location
- Telehealth services for diagnosis, evaluation, and treatment of mental health disorders if:
 - You have an in-person visit within 6 months prior to your first telehealth visit
 - You have an in-person visit every 12 months while receiving these telehealth services
 - Exceptions can be made to the above for certain circumstances
- Telehealth services for mental health visits provided by Rural Health Clinics and Federally Qualified Health Centers
- Virtual check-ins (for example, by phone or video chat) with your doctor for 5-10 minutes <u>if</u>:
 - You're not a new patient and
 - The check-in isn't related to an office visit in the past 7 days **and**
 - The check-in doesn't lead to an office visit within 24 hours or the soonest available appointment
- Evaluation of video and/or images you send to your doctor, and interpretation and follow-up by your doctor within 24 hours if:
 - You're not a new patient and
 - The evaluation isn't related to an office visit in the past 7 days and
 - The evaluation doesn't lead to an office visit within 24 hours or the soonest available

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\$0 copay for each mental health telehealth service provided by MDLive.

\$15 copay for each Medicare-covered dental care service.

\$0 copay for Medicare-covered allergy testing.

\$0 copay for nationally contracted walk-in clinics.

Services that are covered for you	What you must pay when you get these services
 appointment Consultation your doctor has with other doctors by phone, internet, or electronic health record Second opinion by another network provider prior to surgery Non-routine dental care (covered services are limited to surgery of the jaw or related structures, setting fractures of the jaw or facial bones, extraction of teeth to prepare the jaw for radiation treatments of neoplastic cancer disease, or services that would be covered when provided by a physician) Allergy testing 	
Podiatry services Covered services include: Diagnosis and the medical or surgical treatment of injuries and diseases of the feet (such as hammer toe or heel spurs) Routine foot care for members with certain medical conditions affecting the lower limbs	\$15 copay for each Medicare-covered podiatry service.
Podiatry services (additional) The reduction of nails, including mycotic nails, and the removal of corns and calluses. In addition to Medicare-covered benefits, we also offer: • Additional non-Medicare covered podiatry services: unlimited visits per year	\$15 copay for each non-Medicare covered podiatry service.
Private duty nursing Private duty nursing is continuous, skilled, one-on-one nursing care provided in the home by registered nurses (RNs) or licensed practical nurses (LPNs). You must meet plan criteria, including medical necessity, and use of appropriately licensed providers. The private nursing must be ordered by your physician and part of a plan of care that is routinely updated. Private duty nursing is different from care given by people who are not nurses (often called "sitters") who provide non-skilled care (bathing and other hygiene assistance, assistance with eating, etc.) and companionship to patients. Maximum allowance: \$5,000	20% of the total cost for private duty nursing.

Services that are covered for you	What you must pay when you get these services	
Maximum allowance frequency: every year		
Prostate cancer screening exams For men age 50 and older, covered services include the following once every 12 months: • Digital rectal exam • Prostate Specific Antigen (PSA) test	There is no coinsurance, copayment, or deductible for an annual PSA test. \$0 copay for each Medicare covered digital rectal exam.	
Prosthetic devices and related supplies Devices (other than dental) that replace all or part of a body part or function. These include but are not limited to: colostomy bags and supplies directly related to colostomy care, pacemakers, braces, prosthetic shoes, artificial limbs, and breast prostheses (including a surgical brassiere after a mastectomy). Includes certain supplies related to prosthetic devices, and repair and/or replacement of prosthetic devices. Also includes some coverage following cataract removal or cataract surgery – see "Vision Care" later in this section for more detail.	\$0 copay for each Medicare-covered prosthetic device.	
Pulmonary rehabilitation services Comprehensive programs of pulmonary rehabilitation are covered for members who have moderate to very severe chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) and an order for pulmonary rehabilitation from the doctor treating the chronic respiratory disease.	\$0 copay for each Medicare-covered pulmonary rehabilitation service.	
Resources for Living® Resources for Living consultants provide research services for members on such topics as caregiver support, household services, eldercare services, activities, and volunteer opportunities. The purpose of the program is to assist members in locating local community services and to provide resource information for a wide variety of eldercare and life-related issues. Call Resources for Living at 1-866-370-4842.	There is no coinsurance, copayment, or deductible for Resources for Living.	
Screening and counseling to reduce alcohol misuse We cover one alcohol misuse screening for adults with Medicare (including pregnant women) who misuse alcohol but aren't alcohol dependent.	There is no coinsurance, copayment, or deductible for the Medicare-covered screening and counseling to reduce alcohol misuse preventive benefit.	
If you screen positive for alcohol misuse, you can get up to 4 brief face-to-face counseling sessions per year (if you're competent and alert during counseling) provided		

Services that are covered for you	What you must pay when you get these services	
by a qualified primary care doctor or practitioner in a primary care setting.		
Screening for lung cancer with low dose computed tomography (LDCT) For qualified individuals, a LDCT is covered every 12 months.	There is no coinsurance, copayment, or deductible for the Medicare-covered counseling and shared decision making visit or for the LDCT.	
Eligible members are: people aged 50 – 77 years who have no signs or symptoms of lung cancer, but who have a history of tobacco smoking of at least 20 pack-years and who currently smoke or have quit smoking within the last 15 years, who receive a written order for LDCT during a lung cancer screening counseling and shared decision-making visit that meets the Medicare criteria for such visits and be furnished by a physician or qualified non-physician practitioner.		
For LDCT lung cancer screenings after the initial LDCT screening: the member must receive a written order for LDCT lung cancer screening, which may be furnished during any appropriate visit with a physician or qualified non-physician practitioner. If a physician or qualified non-physician practitioner elects to provide a lung cancer screening counseling and shared decision making visit for subsequent lung cancer screenings with LDCT, the visit must meet the Medicare criteria for such visits.		
Screening for sexually transmitted infections (STIs) and counseling to prevent STIs We cover sexually transmitted infection (STI) screenings for chlamydia, gonorrhea, syphilis, and Hepatitis B. These screenings are covered for pregnant women and for certain people who are at increased risk for an STI when the tests are ordered by a primary care provider. We cover these tests once every 12 months or at certain times during pregnancy.	There is no coinsurance, copayment, or deductible for the Medicare-covered screening for STIs and counseling for STIs preventive benefit.	
We also cover up to 2 individual 20 to 30 minute, face-to-face high-intensity behavioral counseling sessions each year for sexually active adults at increased risk for STIs. We will only cover these counseling sessions as a preventive service if they are provided by a primary care provider and take place in a primary care setting, such as a doctor's office.		
Services to treat kidney disease Covered services include:	\$0 copay for self-dialysis training. \$0 copay for each Medicare-covered kidney	
	φο copay for each inedicare-covered kidney	

Services that are covered for you

- Kidney disease education services to teach kidney care and help members make informed decisions about their care. For members with stage IV chronic kidney disease when referred by their doctor, we cover up to six sessions of kidney disease education services per lifetime
- Outpatient dialysis treatments (including dialysis treatments when temporarily out of the service area, as explained in Chapter 3 of the Evidence of Coverage, or when your provider for this service is temporarily unavailable or inaccessible)
- Inpatient dialysis treatments (if you are admitted as an inpatient to a hospital for special care)
- Self-dialysis training (includes training for you and anyone helping you with your home dialysis treatments)
- · Home dialysis equipment and supplies
- Certain home support services (such as, when necessary, visits by trained dialysis workers to check on your home dialysis, to help in emergencies, and check your dialysis equipment and water supply)

Certain drugs for dialysis are covered under your Medicare Part B drug benefit. For information about coverage for Part B Drugs, please go to the section, "Medicare Part B prescription drugs."

Skilled nursing facility (SNF) care

(For a definition of "skilled nursing facility care," see the final chapter ("Definitions of important words") of the *Evidence of Coverage*. Skilled nursing facilities are sometimes called "SNFs.")

Days covered: up to 100 days per benefit period. A prior hospital stay is not required.

Covered services include but are not limited to:

- Semiprivate room (or a private room if medically necessary)
- Meals, including special diets
- · Skilled nursing services
- Physical therapy, occupational therapy, and speech therapy
- Drugs administered to you as part of your plan of care (This includes substances that are naturally

What you must pay when you get these services

disease education session.

\$0 copay for in- and out-of-area outpatient dialysis.

See "**Inpatient hospital care**" for more information on inpatient services.

\$0 copay for home dialysis equipment and supplies.

\$0 copay for Medicare-covered home support services.

\$0 per day, days 1-100 for each Medicare-covered SNF stay.

A benefit period begins the day you go into a hospital or skilled nursing facility. The benefit period ends when you haven't received any inpatient hospital care (or skilled care in a SNF) for 60 days in a row, including your day of discharge. If you go into a hospital or a skilled nursing facility after one benefit period has ended, a new benefit period begins. There is no limit to the number of benefit periods you can have.

What you must pay when you get these Services that are covered for you services present in the body, such as blood clotting factors.) Blood – including storage and administration. Coverage of whole blood and packed red cells begins with the first pint of blood that you need. All components of blood are covered beginning with the first pint used. Medical and surgical supplies ordinarily provided by SNFs Laboratory tests ordinarily provided by SNFs X-rays and other radiology services ordinarily provided by SNFs · Use of appliances such as wheelchairs ordinarily provided by SNFs Physician/Practitioner services Prior authorization rules apply for network services. Your network provider is responsible for requesting prior authorization. Our plan recommends pre-authorization of the service when provided by an out-of-network provider. Smoking and tobacco use cessation (counseling to There is no coinsurance, copayment, or deductible for the Medicare-covered stop smoking or tobacco use) smoking and tobacco use cessation If you use tobacco, but do not have signs or symptoms of preventive benefits. tobacco-related disease: We cover two counseling quit attempts within a 12-month period as a preventive service \$0 copay for each non-Medicare covered with no cost to you. Each counseling attempt includes up smoking and tobacco use cessation visit. to four face-to-face visits. If you use tobacco and have been diagnosed with a tobacco-related disease or are taking medicine that may be affected by tobacco: We cover cessation counseling services. We cover two counseling quit attempts within a 12-month period, however, you will pay the applicable cost-sharing. Each counseling attempt includes up to four face-to-face visits. In addition to Medicare-covered benefits, we also offer: Additional individual and group face-to-face intermediate and intensive counseling sessions: unlimited visits every year There is no coinsurance, copayment, or Special Supplemental Benefits for the Chronically Ill deductible for this service. Landmark providers: If you have been diagnosed by a plan provider with generally six or more of the chronic conditions listed below and you meet certain criteria, you

Services that are covered for you	What you must pay when you get these services
may be eligible for in home and/or telehealth physician services offered through Landmark providers:	
 Chronic alcohol and other drug dependence Autoimmune disorders Cancer Cardiovascular disorders Chronic heart failure Diabetes End stage liver disease End stage renal diseases (ESRD) requiring dialysis Chronic lung disorders Chronic and disabling mental health conditions Neurologic disorders Stroke Metabolic Vascular Musculoskeletal Aetna and/or Landmark will contact you by phone and/or mail to notify you of your eligibility for this program. You will be provided with additional information to help you	
better understand the benefits offered by Landmark. This is a voluntary program and you can decide if you want to participate.	
Supervised Exercise Therapy (SET) SET is covered for members who have symptomatic peripheral artery disease (PAD) and a referral for PAD from the physician responsible for PAD treatment. Up to 36 sessions over a 12-week period are covered if the SET program requirements are met.	\$0 copay for each Medicare-covered supervised exercise therapy service.
The SET program must:	
 Consist of sessions lasting 30-60 minutes, comprising a therapeutic exercise-training program for PAD in patients with claudication Be conducted in a hospital outpatient setting or a physician's office Be delivered by qualified auxiliary personnel necessary to ensure benefits exceed harms, and who are trained in exercise therapy for PAD Be under the direct supervision of a physician, physician assistant, or nurse practitioner/clinical 	

Examples of urgently needed services that the plan must

Services that are covered for you	What you must pay when you get these services
nurse specialist who must be trained in both basic and advanced life support techniques	
SET may be covered beyond 36 sessions over 12 weeks for an additional 36 sessions over an extended period of time if deemed medically necessary by a health care provider.	
Transportation services (non-emergency transportation) We cover:	\$0 copay per trip.
24 one-way trips to and from plan-approved locations each year	
Trips must be within 60 miles of provider location.	
Coverage includes trips to and from providers or facilities for services that your plan covers. The transportation service will accommodate urgent requests for hospital discharge, dialysis, and trips that your medical provider considers urgent. The service will try to accommodate specific physical limitations or requirements. However, it limits services to wheelchair, taxi, or sedan transportation vehicles.	
 Transportation services are administered through Access2Care To arrange for transport, call 1-855-814-1699, Monday through Friday, from 8 AM to 8 PM, in all time zones. (For TTY/TDD assistance please dial 711.) You must schedule transportation service at least 48 hours before the appointment You must cancel more than two hours in advance, or Access2Care will deduct the trip from the remaining number of trips available This program doesn't support stretcher vans/ambulances 	
Urgently needed services Urgently needed services are provided to treat a non-emergency, unforeseen medical illness, injury, or condition that requires immediate medical care but given your circumstances, it is not possible, or it is unreasonable, to obtain services from network providers.	\$15 copay for each urgent care facility visit. Cost-sharing <u>is</u> waived if you are admitted to the hospital within 24 hours. \$15 copay for each urgent care telehealth service.

preventive visit only within the first 12 months you have Medicare Part B. When you make your appointment, let your doctor's office know you would like to schedule your

What you must pay when you get these Services that are covered for you services cover out of network are i) you need immediate care during the weekend, or ii) you are temporarily outside the service area of the plan. Services must be immediately needed and medically necessary. Coverage is available worldwide (i.e., outside of the United States). Vision care \$15 copay for exams to diagnose and treat diseases and conditions of the eye. Covered services include: \$0 copay for each Medicare-covered Outpatient physician services for the diagnosis and glaucoma screening. treatment of diseases and injuries of the eye, including treatment for age-related macular \$0 copay for one diabetic retinopathy degeneration. Original Medicare doesn't cover screening. routine eye exams (eye refractions) for evealasses/contacts \$0 copay for each follow-up diabetic eye · For people who are at high risk of glaucoma, we will cover one glaucoma screening every 12 months. People at high risk of glaucoma include: people \$0 copay for one pair of eyeglasses or with a family history of glaucoma, people with contact lenses after each cataract surgery. diabetes. African Americans who are age 50 and Coverage includes conventional eyeglasses older, and Hispanic Americans who are 65 or older or contact lenses. Excluded is coverage for For people with diabetes, screening for diabetic designer frames and progressive lenses retinopathy is covered once per year instead of traditional lenses, bifocals, or One pair of eyeglasses or contact lenses after each trifocals. cataract surgery that includes insertion of an intraocular lens. (If you have two separate cataract \$0 copay for each non-Medicare covered operations, you cannot reserve the benefit after the eye exam. first surgery and purchase two eyeglasses after the second surgery.) Additional cost-sharing may apply if you receive additional services during your visit. In addition to Medicare-covered benefits, we also offer: Non-Medicare covered eye exams: one exam every • Follow-up diabetic eye exam "Welcome to Medicare" preventive visit There is no coinsurance, copayment, or deductible for the "Welcome to Medicare" The plan covers the one-time "Welcome to Medicare" preventive visit. preventive visit. The visit includes a review of your health, as well as education and counseling about the preventive \$0 copay for a Medicare-covered EKG services you need (including certain screenings and screening following the "Welcome to shots), and referrals for other care if needed. Medicare" preventive visit. **Important:** We cover the "Welcome to Medicare"

Services that are covered for you	What you must pay when you get these services
"Welcome to Medicare" preventive visit.	

Note: See Chapter 4, Section 2.1 of the *Evidence of Coverage* for information on prior authorization rules.

Aetna Medicare Plan (PPO) Member Services

Method	Member Services – Contact Information
CALL	The number on your member ID card or 1-855-648-0389 Calls to this number are free. Hours of operation are 8 AM to 9 PM ET, Monday through Friday Member Services also has free language interpreter services available for non-English speakers.
TTY	711 Calls to this number are free. Hours of operation are 8 AM to 9 PM ET, Monday through Friday
WRITE	Aetna Medicare PO Box 7082 London, KY 40742
WEBSITE	CONY.AetnaMedicare.com.

State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP)

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Multi-Language Insert Multi-language Interpreter Services

English: We have free interpreter services to answer any questions you may have about our health or drug plan. To get an interpreter, just call us at 1-888-267-2637. Someone who speaks English/Language can help you. This is a free service.

Spanish: Tenemos servicios de intérprete sin costo alguno para responder cualquier pregunta que pueda tener sobre nuestro plan de salud o medicamentos. Para hablar con un intérprete, por favor llame al 1-888-267-2637. Alguien que hable español le podrá ayudar. Este es un servicio gratuito.

Chinese Mandarin: 我们提供免费的翻译服务,帮助您解答关于健康或药物保险的任何疑问。如果您需要此翻译服务,请致电 1-888-267-2637。我们的中文工作人员很乐意帮助您。 这是一项免费服务。

Chinese Cantonese: 您對我們的健康或藥物保險可能存有疑問,為此我們提供免費的翻譯 服務。如需翻譯服務,請致電 1-888-267-2637。我們講中文的人員將樂意為您提供幫助。這 是一項免費服務。

Tagalog: Mayroon kaming libreng serbisyo sa pagsasaling-wika upang masagot ang anumang mga katanungan ninyo hinggil sa aming planong pangkalusugan o panggamot. Upang makakuha ng tagasaling-wika, tawagan lamang kami sa 1-888-267-2637. Maaari kayong tulungan ng isang nakakapagsalita ng Tagalog. Ito ay libreng serbisyo.

French: Nous proposons des services gratuits d'interprétation pour répondre à toutes vos questions relatives à notre régime de santé ou d'assurance-médicaments. Pour accéder au service d'interprétation, il vous suffit de nous appeler au 1-888-267-2637. Un interlocuteur parlant Français pourra vous aider. Ce service est gratuit.

Vietnamese: Chúng tôi có dịch vụ thông dịch miễn phí để trả lời các câu hỏi về chương sức khỏe và chương trình thuốc men. Nếu quí vị cần thông dịch viên xin gọi 1-888-267-2637. sẽ có nhân viên nói tiếng Việt giúp đỡ quí vị. Đây là dịch vụ miễn phí.

German: Unser kostenloser Dolmetscherservice beantwortet Ihren Fragen zu unserem Gesundheits- und Arzneimittelplan. Unsere Dolmetscher erreichen Sie unter 1-888-267-2637. Man wird Ihnen dort auf Deutsch weiterhelfen. Dieser Service ist kostenlos.

Korean: 당사는 의료 보험 또는 약품 보험에 관한 질문에 답해 드리고자 무료 통역 서비스를 제공하고 있습니다. 통역 서비스를 이용하려면 전화 1-888-267-2637. 번으로 문의해 주십시오. 한국어를 하는 담당자가 도와드릴 것입니다. 이 서비스는 무료로 운영됩니다.

Russian: Если у вас возникнут вопросы относительно страхового или медикаментного плана, вы можете воспользоваться нашими бесплатными услугами переводчиков. Чтобы воспользоваться услугами переводчика, позвоните нам по телефону 1-888-267-2637. Вам окажет помощь сотрудник, который говорит по-русски. Данная услуга бесплатная.

Arabic: إننا نقدم خدمات المترجم الفوري المجانية للإجابة عن أي أسئلة تتعلق بالصحة أو جدول الأدوية لدينا. للحصول على مترجم فوري، ليس عليك سوى الاتصال بنا على 2637-1888 سيقوم شخص ما يتحدث العربية بمساعدتك. هذه خدمة مجانية.

Hindi: हमारे स्वास्थ्य या दवा की योजना के बारे में आपके किसी भी प्रश्न के जवाब देने के लिए हमारे पास मुफ्त दुभाषिया सेवाएँ उपलब्ध हैं. एक दुभाषिया प्राप्त करने के लिए, बस हमें 1-888-267-2637. पर फोन करें. कोई व्यक्ति जो हिन्दी बोलता है आपकी मदद कर सकता है. यह एक मुफ्त सेवा है.

Italian: È disponibile un servizio di interpretariato gratuito per rispondere a eventuali domande sul nostro piano sanitario e farmaceutico. Per un interprete, contattare il numero 1-888-267-2637. Un nostro incaricato che parla Italianovi fornirà l'assistenza necessaria. È un servizio gratuito.

Portuguese: Dispomos de serviços de interpretação gratuitos para responder a qualquer questão que tenha acerca do nosso plano de saúde ou de medicação. Para obter um intérprete, contacte-nos através do número 1-888-267-2637. Irá encontrar alguém que fale o idioma Português para o ajudar. Este serviço é gratuito.

French Creole: Nou genyen sèvis entèprèt gratis pou reponn tout kesyon ou ta genyen konsènan plan medikal oswa dwòg nou an. Pou jwenn yon entèprèt, jis rele nou nan 1-888-267-2637. Yon moun ki pale Kreyòl kapab ede w. Sa a se yon sèvis ki gratis.

Polish: Umożliwiamy bezpłatne skorzystanie z usług tłumacza ustnego, który pomoże w uzyskaniu odpowiedzi na temat planu zdrowotnego lub dawkowania leków. Aby skorzystać z pomocy tłumacza znającego język polski, należy zadzwonić pod numer 1-888-267-2637. Ta usługa jest bezpłatna.

Japanese: 当社の健康 健康保険と薬品 処方薬プランに関するご質問にお答えするため に、無料の通訳サービスがありますございます。通訳をご用命になるには、1-888-267-2637. にお電話ください。日本語を話す人者 が支援いたします。これは無料のサー ビスです。

Hawaiian: He kōkua māhele 'ōlelo kā mākou i mea e pane 'ia ai kāu mau nīnau e pili ana i kā mākou papahana olakino a lā'au lapa'au paha. I mea e loa'a ai ke kōkua māhele 'ōlelo, e kelepona mai iā mākou ma 1-888-267-2637. E hiki ana i kekahi mea 'ōlelo Pelekānia/'Ōlelo ke kōkua iā 'oe. He pōmaika'i manuahi kēia.

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