

## MEDICARE OPEN ENROLLMENT

This may be your chance to lower prescription costs!

To our Medicare patients:

We know that some prescription drugs can be terribly expensive. That's why we want to be sure you know that you can change your Medicare Advantage Plan or Part D Plan during Medicare's open enrollment period. **Doing so could improve coverage for your prescriptions in 2025.** 

Please note that due to provisions in the Inflation Reduction Act, the annual maximum out-of-pocket for Medicare Part D drugs is \$2,000.00. The drugs must be covered by the Part D plan you sign up for during open enrollment. Prescription drugs must be covered within certain classes: immunosuppressants (for organ transplants), antiretrovirals (HIV/AIDS), antidepressants, antipsychotics, anticonvulsants (seizures), and antineoplastic (cancer).

In addition, beginning in 2025, anyone with a Medicare Part D prescription drug plan will have the option to enroll in a monthly payment plan, either before the plan begins or in any month during the plan year. **This will allow participants to spread out the \$2,000.00 over the entire year.** 

This year, from **October 15 to December 7**, you can make a change or sign up for the first time if you are eligible to do so.

## **Medicare Advantage Plan members**

Most Medicare Advantage plans include Part D (prescription drug coverage), but that coverage differs by plan. If you have a Medicare Advantage plan, it may be wise to see if a different plan is more economical for you.

## **Medicare Part D Plan members**

If you purchased a separate Medicare Part D plan, you may wish to see if a different plan provides better coverage. There are many Part D plan options available.

Turn over to see how to compare drug coverage plans.









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How to compare prescription coverage plans

Medicare has a website to help you compare prescription drug plans and find the best coverage for you. Follow these steps:

- 1. Gather the name and dosage of each of your prescription drugs.
- 2. Then go to this website (or scan the QR code below with your smartphone) and follow the prompts for Part D: https://www.medicare.gov/plan-compare/
- 3. You will see various plan options with different copays and estimated outof-pocket prescription costs.
- 4. The results will help you determine if a different plan is available to lower your prescription/premium costs in 2025.

Please contact Medicare directly if you have questions about coverage options.



Call 1-800-633-4227



Visit: https://www.medicare.gov/plan-compare/



Scan the QR code below to research or chat online.



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