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# Medicare & You

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Answers to your Medicare questions

## Medicare 2015

- The Exchange **won't** have any effect on your Medicare coverage. Your Medicare benefits aren't changing.
- It's against the law for someone who knows that you have Medicare to sell you an Exchange plan.
- The Medicare open enrollment period is a time when there's a higher risk for fraudulent activities.
- DO NOT share your Medicare number or other personal information with anyone who knocks on your door or contacts you uninvited to sell you a health plan.

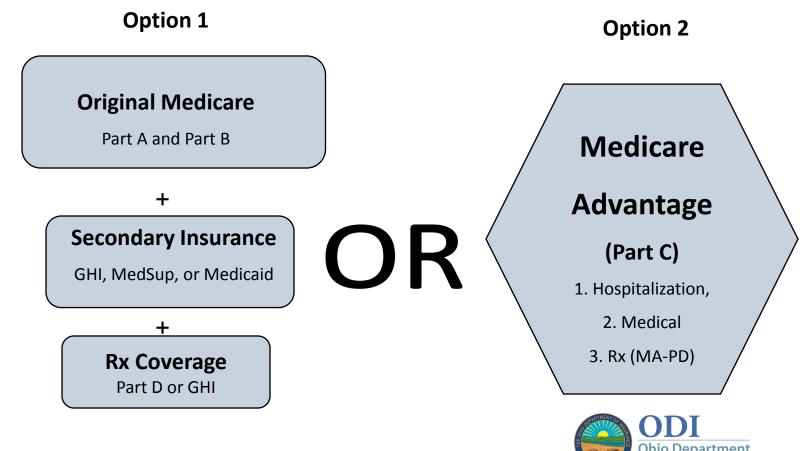




### What is Medicare?

Federal health insurance program administered by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for those who are:

- 1. 65 and older
- 2. any age and Disabled
- 3. diagnosed with End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD)



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#### **Part A- Hospital**

- Inpatient Hospitalization
- Skilled Nursing Facilities
- Home Health Care
- Hospice

#### Part B- Medical

- Doctors/Providers
- Preventive Benefits
- Durable Medical Equip.
- Outpatient services
- Medicare was never intended to pay 100% of health care costs
- Medicare does not cover non-medically necessary services or care outside the USA in most cases
- Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies (DMEPOS) must be obtained from a contracted supplier



# **Applying for Medicare**

- Enrollment automatic if you get Social Security or Railroad Retirement benefits prior to Medicare eligibility
- All others must apply with Social Security (or Railroad Retirement) during their

#### 7 month Initial Enrollment Period (IEP)

- 3 months before your 65<sup>th</sup> birthday
- Month of your 65<sup>th</sup> birthday
- 3 months after your 65<sup>th</sup> birthday
- If you are covered under your (or your spouse's) <u>current</u> employer group health plan, you may delay enrollment into Medicare Part B



### 2015 Medicare Amounts

#### Part A

- Hospital Deductible \$1,260/benefit period
- Hospital Copays
  \$315/day, days 61-90
  \$630/Lifetime Reserve Day
- Skilled Nursing Copay \$157.50/day, days 21-100
- Monthly Premiums
  40 or more credits= \$0
  30-39 credits= \$224
  30 or less credits= \$407

#### Part B

- Monthly Premium \$104.90
- Late enrollees may incur a 10% penalty for each year of delay
- Those with higher incomes may pay a higher premium
- Annual Deductible \$147
- Copayments generally 20% of Medicare Approved Amount

#### Use MyMedicare.gov to see all your Medicare claims!



# **Medicare Preventive Benefits**

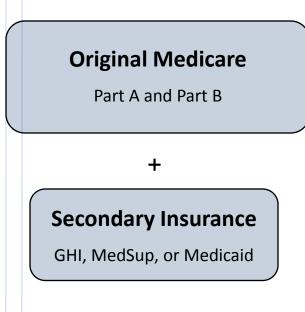
- "Welcome To Medicare" physical exam
- Bone mass measurement
- Annual Wellness Exam
- Cardiovascular screening
- Colorectal cancer screening
- Diabetes screening, services and supplies
- Obesity Screening
- Depression Screening

- Vaccinations
  - Flu, Pneumococcal & Hepatitis B
- Glaucoma screening
- Pap test and pelvic exam with clinical breast exam
- Prostate cancer screening
- Screening mammogram
- Smoking cessation counseling
- Alcohol Misuse Screening

Part B Deductible and Coinsurance is waived for most preventive care services.



# Secondary Insurance



- Group Health Insurance (GHI)
  - Insurance from a former employer or union that supplements Medicare
- Medicaid
  - State assistance for those with limited income and resources
  - Medicare Savings Programs
- Medicare Supplemental Insurance
  - Private insurance designed to coordinate with Original Medicare



### Medicare Supplement Insurance

- Plans are standardized
  - All companies sell same plans
  - Premiums will vary from company to company
  - Plans A, B, C, D, F, G, K, L, M, N
- No Network
- Pay only after Original Medicare (Parts A & B)
- Guaranteed Issue
  - Open Enrollment- 6 months beginning with Part B effective date at age 65 or older
  - Special Circumstances- typically 63 days after loss of coverage

Check out the Ohio Shopper's Guide To Medicare Supplement Insurance at <u>www.insurance.ohio.gov</u>



### Medicare 101



Part A and Part B

#### **1. Primary Coverage**

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**Secondary Insurance** GHI, MedSup, or Medicaid

#### 2. Secondary Coverage



#### 3. Prescription Drug Coverage



## Medicare Part D

- ALL people with Medicare can get Part D
  - May not need Part D if you have credible coverage
- Medicare's Prescription Drug Coverage
  - Offered by private companies that contract with Medicare
  - Available two ways
    - Stand Alone Prescription Drug Plans (PDPs)
    - Available through Medicare Advantage Plans (MAPDs)
  - Initial enrollment is the same as Part B
- Open Enrollment October 15<sup>th</sup>- December 7<sup>th</sup>
  - Coverage begins January 1
  - Other enrollment times based on circumstance
- All Medicare patients should review plan options each year at <u>www.medicare.gov</u>

#### Review Drug Plans Each Year! (3 C's of PDPs)

#### <u>Convenience</u>

- Network Pharmacies
- Mail Order Options

#### <u>Coverage</u>

- Choose a plan that includes your meds on the formulary
- Take the formulary with you when seeing your physicians
- <u>Cost</u>
  - Know all possible costs!

#### Compare plans at <u>www.medicare.gov</u>!



# Part D Costs in 2015

- Average Monthly Premiums- \$30
- Annual Deductible- \$0-\$320
- Copays- 25% or flat copay amounts based on formulary
- Coverage Gap (doughnut hole)- \$2,960-\$6,680 in total drug costs.
- Coverage Gap discounts: 55% discount on brand name medications and 35% discount on generic medications during the coverage gap
- Discounts to increase each year until gap is closed in 2020
- Catastrophic Coverage- Approx. 5% copay after coverage gap

#### Things to Consider

- All plans have a different cost structure!
- Late enrollees may incur a 1% penalty for each month of delay
- Those with limited incomes/resources may qualify for extra help (Limited Income Subsidy-LIS) through the Social Security Administration



# 2014 Low Income Subsidy (Extra Help)

Anyone with Medicare can join a Part D plan but some may qualify for Extra Help to pay the out of pocket costs

- Reduced or NO Premium
- Reduced or NO Deductible
- No more than 15% copays

# **NO DOUGHNUT HOLE**

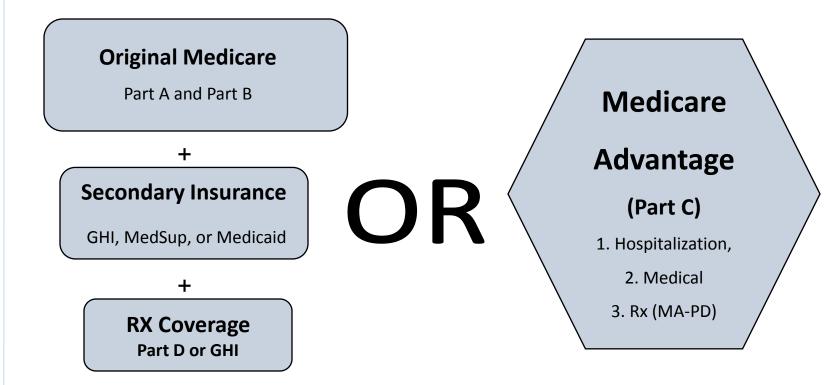
Income: single- \$1,458 married \$1,966 Resources: single- \$13,440 married-\$26,860



### **Medicare Options**

**Option 1** 

**Option 2** 





# Medicare Advantage

- Available to those
  - enrolled in Part A & B
  - That live within the plan's service area (county)
  - Do NOT have End Stage Renal Disease
- Alternative to Original Medicare
  - Offered by private companies to replace Original Medicare and secondary insurance.
  - Multiple options in each county
    - Health Maintenance Organizations (HMO)
    - Preferred Provider Organizations (PPO)
  - Most plans include Part D benefit (MAPD)
  - Enrollees pay Part B premium and any other applicable costs (Know all possible out of pocket costs)



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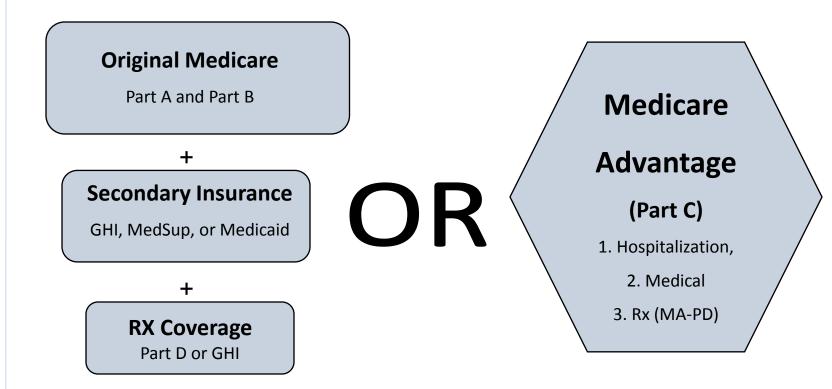
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  - Coverage begins January 1
  - Other enrollment times based on circumstances
- MA Annual Disenrollment Period
  - January 1<sup>st</sup> February 14<sup>th</sup> (first 45 calendar days of the year)
  - May disenroll from a MA plan and return to Original Medicare and enroll in a stand alone prescription drug plan
- 5 Star rated plans (MA, MAPD or PDP) may allow an enrollment at anytime during the year



### **Know Your Options!**

**Option 1** 

Option 2





## Protect Yourself From Unscrupulous Sales Practices

- The following sales tactics are prohibited:
  - Door to Door Sales
  - Giving out cash gifts or gifts exceeding \$15
  - High Pressure Sales Tactics
  - Misrepresenting a plan or giving incomplete information
  - Representing themselves as Medicare
- If you feel you have been victimized by an agent or a company
  - Get as much information as possible
    - Agents card, including name, address, phone
    - Company and plan information
  - Report the incident to the Ohio Dept. of Insurance at;
    - 1-877-727-6427 Healthcare Exchange Reports
    - 1-800-686-1527 All Other Reports



### Thank you for your attention Questions?



#### 1-800-686-1578

www.insurance.ohio.gov

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1-800-772-1213 www.socialsecurity.gov

