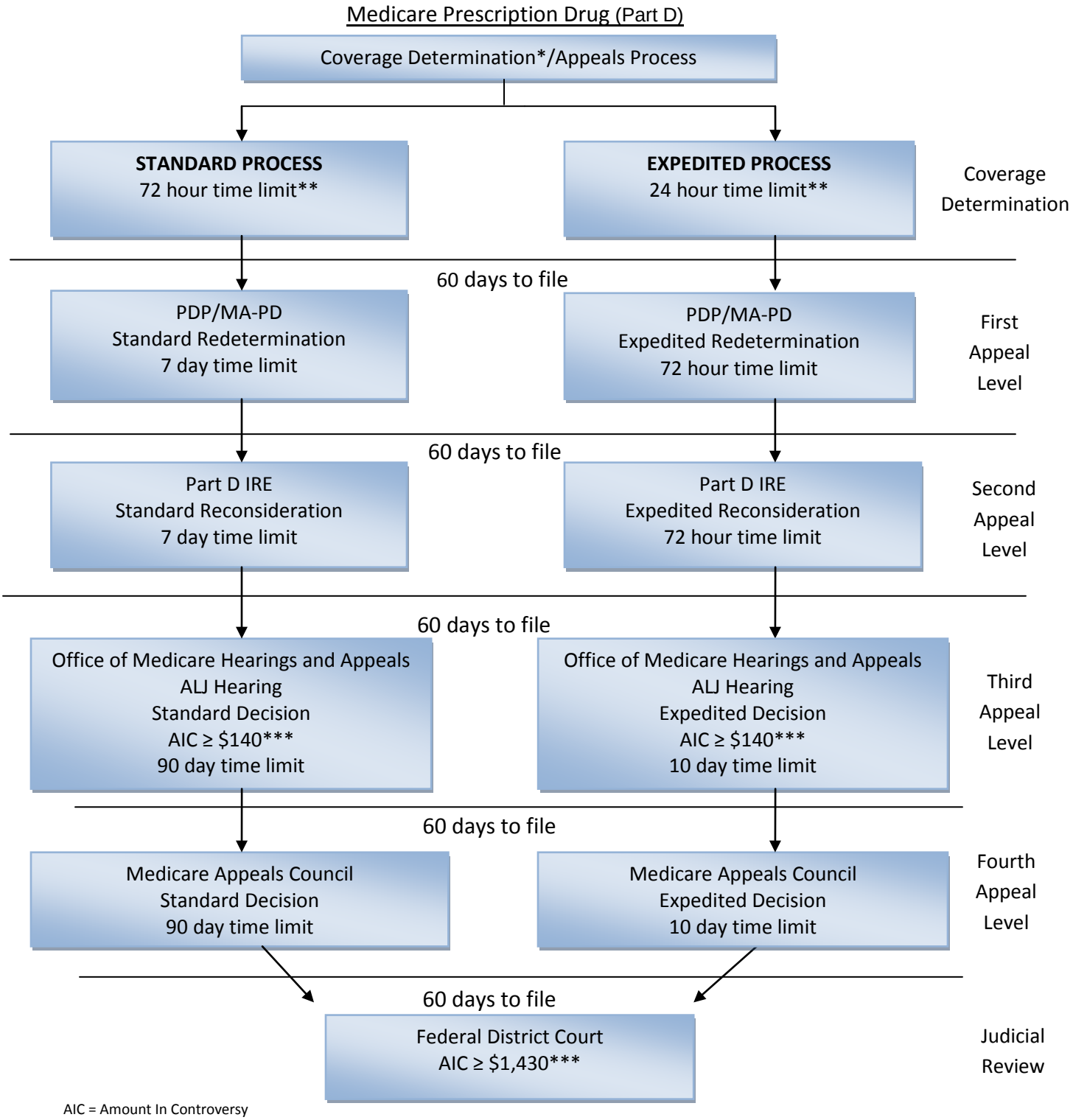

AIC = Amount In Controversy
ALJ = Administrative Law Judge
IRE = Independent Review Entity
MA-PD = Medicare Advantage plan that offers Part D benefits
PDP = Prescription Drug Plan
*A request for a coverage determination includes a request for a tiering exception or a formulary exception. A request for a coverage determination may be filed by the enrollee, by the enrollee's appointed representative or by the enrollee's physician or other prescriber.
**The adjudication timeframes generally begin when the request is received by the plan sponsor. However, if the request involves an exception request, the adjudication timeframe begins when the plan sponsor receives the physician's supporting statement.
***The AIC requirement for an ALJ hearing and Federal District Court is adjusted annually in accordance with the medical care component of the consumer price index. The chart reflects the amounts for calendar year (CY) 2014.