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### **Medicare Open Enrollment in Alabama, 2022**

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) offers seniors and people with disabilities several insurance options, including Original Medicare, Medicare Advantage, and Part D Prescription Drug Plans. The costs and covered benefits of different plan options can change from year to year, so people with Medicare should review their coverage choices annually and decide on the option that best meets their health needs.

Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

CMS provides price and quality information to empower people with Medicare to choose coverage options that are the best fit for them. While reviewing their health care coverage, enrollees can consider new or different plans, discover extra benefits, and possibly save money. Information on these resources is below.

In Alabama, 1,065,866 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Alabama in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$11.19 in 2021 to \$11.21 in 2022. This represents a 0.15 percent change in average premium.
- 91 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 82 plans in 2021. This represents a 11 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 25 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.
- In addition, through the VBID Model’s Hospice Benefit Component, 9 plans will offer the Medicare hospice benefit through their plan.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 26 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 8 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 16 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 32 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$6.50 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

Medicare Open Enrollment runs from October 15, 2021, to December 7, 2021. People with Medicare should take the opportunity to review their health care needs for the upcoming year and determine if they would benefit by changing plans. By shopping available plans and comparing costs, individuals may find a Medicare health or drug plan with better coverage or a lower premium in 2022.

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- Health and drug plans begin notifying enrollees about changes to their plans in 2022.

#### *October 2021*

- Individuals can begin shopping and comparing plans on Medicare.gov starting October 1, 2021.
- Individuals should watch their mail for notices from Medicare with information about changes in 2022.
- Medicare health and drug plan 2022 Star Ratings will be available on Medicare.gov on or around October 7, 2021.
- Medicare Open Enrollment **begins October 15, 2021.**

#### *December 2021*

- Medicare Open Enrollment **ends December 7, 2021.**

#### *January 2022*

- Medicare health and drug plan coverage for 2022 **begins January 1, 2022.**

**2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Resources**

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In addition, Medicare enrollees can contact their State Health Insurance Programs (<https://www.shiphelp.org/>) for one-on-one assistance. People who want to keep their current Medicare coverage do not need to re-enroll.

To help with their Medicare costs, low-income seniors and adults with disabilities may qualify to receive financial assistance from the Medicare Savings Programs (MSPs). The MSPs are essential to help millions of Americans access high-quality health care at a reduced cost, yet only about half of eligible people are enrolled. The MSPs help pay Medicare premiums and may also pay Original Medicare deductibles, coinsurance and copayments if people meet the conditions of eligibility. Enrolling in an MSP offers relief from these Medicare costs, allowing people to spend that money on food, housing or transportation. Seniors interested in learning more can visit: <https://www.medicare.gov/your-medicare-costs/get-help-paying-costs/medicare-savings-programs>.

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Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

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In Alaska, 108,032 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Alaska in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium is \$0.
- 99 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 99 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

##### **Medicare Part D:**

- 20 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.

- 7 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 30 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$7.30 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

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In Arizona, 1,388,745 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Arizona in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$11.74 in 2021 to \$11.64 in 2022. This represents a -0.90 percent change in average premium.
- 155 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 120 plans in 2021. This represents a 29.20 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 30 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 27 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 10 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 60 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 25 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$7.50 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

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In addition, Medicare enrollees can contact their State Health Insurance Programs (<https://www.shiphelp.org/>) for one-on-one assistance. People who want to keep their current Medicare coverage do not need to re-enroll.

To help with their Medicare costs, low-income seniors and adults with disabilities may qualify to receive financial assistance from the Medicare Savings Programs (MSPs). The MSPs are essential to help millions of Americans access high-quality health care at a reduced cost, yet only about half of eligible people are enrolled. The MSPs help pay Medicare premiums and may also pay Original Medicare deductibles, coinsurance and copayments if people meet the conditions of eligibility. Enrolling in an MSP offers relief from these Medicare costs, allowing people to spend that money on food, housing or transportation. Seniors interested in learning more can visit: <https://www.medicare.gov/your-medicare-costs/get-help-paying-costs/medicare-savings-programs>.

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Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

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In Arkansas, 649,910 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Arkansas in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$13.77 in 2021 to \$11.55 in 2022. This represents a -16.16 percent change in average premium.
- 82 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 84 plans in 2021. This represents a -2.40 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 17 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 23 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 7 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 23 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 33 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$6.40 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

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In addition, Medicare enrollees can contact their State Health Insurance Programs (<https://www.shiphelp.org/>) for one-on-one assistance. People who want to keep their current Medicare coverage do not need to re-enroll.

To help with their Medicare costs, low-income seniors and adults with disabilities may qualify to receive financial assistance from the Medicare Savings Programs (MSPs). The MSPs are essential to help millions of Americans access high-quality health care at a reduced cost, yet only about half of eligible people are enrolled. The MSPs help pay Medicare premiums and may also pay Original Medicare deductibles, coinsurance and copayments if people meet the conditions of eligibility. Enrolling in an MSP offers relief from these Medicare costs, allowing people to spend that money on food, housing or transportation. Seniors interested in learning more can visit: <https://www.medicare.gov/your-medicare-costs/get-help-paying-costs/medicare-savings-programs>.

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Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

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In California, 6,487,954 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In California in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$19.69 in 2021 to \$18.12 in 2022. This represents a -7.99 percent change in average premium.
- 458 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 424 plans in 2021. This represents a 8.00 percent change in plan options.
- 99 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 95 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 32 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.
- In addition, through the VBID Model’s Hospice Benefit Component, 1 plan will offer the Medicare hospice benefit through their plan.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 25 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 8 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 181 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 99 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 32 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
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In Colorado, 959,827 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Colorado in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$15.39 in 2021 to \$14.11 in 2022. This represents a -8.33 percent change in average premium.
- 94 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 80 plans in 2021. This represents a 17.50 percent change in plan options.
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- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
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CMS provides price and quality information to empower people with Medicare to choose coverage options that are the best fit for them. While reviewing their health care coverage, enrollees can consider new or different plans, discover extra benefits, and possibly save money. Information on these resources is below.

In Connecticut, 700,256 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Connecticut in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$20.15 in 2021 to \$19.95 in 2022. This represents a -1.00 percent change in average premium.
- 57 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 47 plans in 2021. This represents a 21.30 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 7 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 21 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 7 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 8 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 99 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 33 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$7.40 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

Medicare Open Enrollment runs from October 15, 2021, to December 7, 2021. People with Medicare should take the opportunity to review their health care needs for the upcoming year and determine if they would benefit by changing plans. By shopping available plans and comparing costs, individuals may find a Medicare health or drug plan with better coverage or a lower premium in 2022.

#### *September 2021*

- The “2022 Medicare & You” Handbook is sent to every person with Medicare. The handbook can be accessed online at: <https://www.medicare.gov/forms-help-resources/medicare-you-handbook/download-medicare-you-in-different-formats>.
- Health and drug plans begin notifying enrollees about changes to their plans in 2022.

#### *October 2021*

- Individuals can begin shopping and comparing plans on Medicare.gov starting October 1, 2021.
- Individuals should watch their mail for notices from Medicare with information about changes in 2022.
- Medicare health and drug plan 2022 Star Ratings will be available on Medicare.gov on or around October 7, 2021.
- Medicare Open Enrollment **begins October 15, 2021.**

#### *December 2021*

- Medicare Open Enrollment **ends December 7, 2021.**

#### *January 2022*

- Medicare health and drug plan coverage for 2022 **begins January 1, 2022.**

## **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Resources**

Medicare.gov provides clear, easy-to-use information as well as an updated Medicare Plan Finder to allow people with Medicare to compare their personalized options for health and drug coverage. CMS will update the Medicare Plan Finder with the 2022 Medicare health and prescription drug plan information on October 1, 2021. 1-800-MEDICARE is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week to provide help in English and Spanish as well as language support in over 200 languages.

In addition, Medicare enrollees can contact their State Health Insurance Programs (<https://www.shiphelp.org/>) for one-on-one assistance. People who want to keep their current Medicare coverage do not need to re-enroll.

To help with their Medicare costs, low-income seniors and adults with disabilities may qualify to receive financial assistance from the Medicare Savings Programs (MSPs). The MSPs are essential to help millions of Americans access high-quality health care at a reduced cost, yet only about half of eligible people are enrolled. The MSPs help pay Medicare premiums and may also pay Original Medicare deductibles, coinsurance and copayments if people meet the conditions of eligibility. Enrolling in an MSP offers relief from these Medicare costs, allowing people to spend that money on food, housing or transportation. Seniors interested in learning more can visit: <https://www.medicare.gov/your-medicare-costs/get-help-paying-costs/medicare-savings-programs>.

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### **Medicare Open Enrollment in Delaware, 2022**

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Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

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In Delaware, 220,541 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Delaware in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$14.85 in 2021 to \$11.92 in 2022. This represents a -19.72 percent change in average premium.
- 28 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 23 plans in 2021. This represents a 21.70 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 8 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 21 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 7 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 6 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 21 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$7.10 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

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- Health and drug plans begin notifying enrollees about changes to their plans in 2022.

#### *October 2021*

- Individuals can begin shopping and comparing plans on Medicare.gov starting October 1, 2021.
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- Medicare Open Enrollment **begins October 15, 2021.**

#### *December 2021*

- Medicare Open Enrollment **ends December 7, 2021.**

#### *January 2022*

- Medicare health and drug plan coverage for 2022 **begins January 1, 2022.**

## **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Resources**

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In addition, Medicare enrollees can contact their State Health Insurance Programs (<https://www.shiphelp.org/>) for one-on-one assistance. People who want to keep their current Medicare coverage do not need to re-enroll.

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### **Medicare Open Enrollment in District of Columbia, 2022**

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Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

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In District of Columbia, 93,839 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In District of Columbia in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$35.53 in 2021 to \$37.59 in 2022. This represents a 5.80 percent change in average premium.
- 16 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 15 plans in 2021. This represents a 6.70 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 1 plan will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 21 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 7 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 2 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 61 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$7.10 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

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#### *September 2021*

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- Health and drug plans begin notifying enrollees about changes to their plans in 2022.

#### *October 2021*

- Individuals can begin shopping and comparing plans on Medicare.gov starting October 1, 2021.
- Individuals should watch their mail for notices from Medicare with information about changes in 2022.
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- Medicare Open Enrollment **begins October 15, 2021.**

#### *December 2021*

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## **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Resources**

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In addition, Medicare enrollees can contact their State Health Insurance Programs (<https://www.shiphelp.org/>) for one-on-one assistance. People who want to keep their current Medicare coverage do not need to re-enroll.

To help with their Medicare costs, low-income seniors and adults with disabilities may qualify to receive financial assistance from the Medicare Savings Programs (MSPs). The MSPs are essential to help millions of Americans access high-quality health care at a reduced cost, yet only about half of eligible people are enrolled. The MSPs help pay Medicare premiums and may also pay Original Medicare deductibles, coinsurance and copayments if people meet the conditions of eligibility. Enrolling in an MSP offers relief from these Medicare costs, allowing people to spend that money on food, housing or transportation. Seniors interested in learning more can visit: <https://www.medicare.gov/your-medicare-costs/get-help-paying-costs/medicare-savings-programs>.

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### **Medicare Open Enrollment in Florida, 2022**

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Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

CMS provides price and quality information to empower people with Medicare to choose coverage options that are the best fit for them. While reviewing their health care coverage, enrollees can consider new or different plans, discover extra benefits, and possibly save money. Information on these resources is below.

In Florida, 4,760,726 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Florida in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$8.36 in 2021 to \$8.54 in 2022. This represents a 2.11 percent change in average premium.
- 583 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 526 plans in 2021. This represents a 10.80 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 163 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.
- In addition, through the VBID Model’s Hospice Benefit Component, 7 plans will offer the Medicare hospice benefit through their plan.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 22 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 8 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 244 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 27 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$7.70 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

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- Health and drug plans begin notifying enrollees about changes to their plans in 2022.

#### *October 2021*

- Individuals can begin shopping and comparing plans on Medicare.gov starting October 1, 2021.
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**2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Resources**

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In addition, Medicare enrollees can contact their State Health Insurance Programs (<https://www.shiphelp.org/>) for one-on-one assistance. People who want to keep their current Medicare coverage do not need to re-enroll.

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### **Medicare Open Enrollment in Georgia, 2022**

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Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

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In Georgia, 1,799,586 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Georgia in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$14.31 in 2021 to \$13.55 in 2022. This represents a -5.30 percent change in average premium.
- 157 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 148 plans in 2021. This represents a 6.10 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 29 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.
- In addition, through the VBID Model’s Hospice Benefit Component, 5 plans will offer the Medicare hospice benefit through their plan.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 23 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 8 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 27 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 31 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$6.90 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

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### **Medicare Open Enrollment in Hawaii, 2022**

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In Hawaii, 287,287 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Hawaii in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$56.34 in 2021 to \$54.47 in 2022. This represents a -3.30 percent change in average premium.
- 33 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 30 plans in 2021. This represents a 10.00 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
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### **Medicare Part D:**

- 20 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 7 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 9 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 25 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$7.80 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

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### **Medicare Open Enrollment in Idaho, 2022**

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Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

CMS provides price and quality information to empower people with Medicare to choose coverage options that are the best fit for them. While reviewing their health care coverage, enrollees can consider new or different plans, discover extra benefits, and possibly save money. Information on these resources is below.

In Idaho, 358,996 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Idaho in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$33.98 in 2021 to \$28.59 in 2022. This represents a -15.84 percent change in average premium.
- 80 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 75 plans in 2021. This represents a 6.70 percent change in plan options.
- 95 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 94 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 13 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.
- In addition, through the VBID Model’s Hospice Benefit Component, 5 plans will offer the Medicare hospice benefit through their plan.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 22 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 7 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 40 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 22 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$6.90 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

Medicare Open Enrollment runs from October 15, 2021, to December 7, 2021. People with Medicare should take the opportunity to review their health care needs for the upcoming year and determine if they would benefit by changing plans. By shopping available plans and comparing costs, individuals may find a Medicare health or drug plan with better coverage or a lower premium in 2022.

#### *September 2021*

- The “2022 Medicare & You” Handbook is sent to every person with Medicare. The handbook can be accessed online at: <https://www.medicare.gov/forms-help-resources/medicare-you-handbook/download-medicare-you-in-different-formats>.
- Health and drug plans begin notifying enrollees about changes to their plans in 2022.

#### *October 2021*

- Individuals can begin shopping and comparing plans on Medicare.gov starting October 1, 2021.
- Individuals should watch their mail for notices from Medicare with information about changes in 2022.
- Medicare health and drug plan 2022 Star Ratings will be available on Medicare.gov on or around October 7, 2021.
- Medicare Open Enrollment **begins October 15, 2021**.

#### *December 2021*

- Medicare Open Enrollment **ends December 7, 2021**.

#### *January 2022*

- Medicare health and drug plan coverage for 2022 **begins January 1, 2022.**

**2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Resources**

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In addition, Medicare enrollees can contact their State Health Insurance Programs (<https://www.shiphelp.org/>) for one-on-one assistance. People who want to keep their current Medicare coverage do not need to re-enroll.

To help with their Medicare costs, low-income seniors and adults with disabilities may qualify to receive financial assistance from the Medicare Savings Programs (MSPs). The MSPs are essential to help millions of Americans access high-quality health care at a reduced cost, yet only about half of eligible people are enrolled. The MSPs help pay Medicare premiums and may also pay Original Medicare deductibles, coinsurance and copayments if people meet the conditions of eligibility. Enrolling in an MSP offers relief from these Medicare costs, allowing people to spend that money on food, housing or transportation. Seniors interested in learning more can visit: <https://www.medicare.gov/your-medicare-costs/get-help-paying-costs/medicare-savings-programs>.

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### **Medicare Open Enrollment in Illinois, 2022**

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Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

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In Illinois, 2,284,894 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Illinois in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$14.05 in 2021 to \$12.83 in 2022. This represents a -8.68 percent change in average premium.
- 166 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 145 plans in 2021. This represents a 14.50 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.



- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 15 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.
- In addition, through the VBID Model’s Hospice Benefit Component, 2 plans will offer the Medicare hospice benefit through their plan.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 23 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 7 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 69 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 26 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$6.90 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

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#### *October 2021*

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In addition, Medicare enrollees can contact their State Health Insurance Programs (<https://www.shiphelp.org/>) for one-on-one assistance. People who want to keep their current Medicare coverage do not need to re-enroll.

To help with their Medicare costs, low-income seniors and adults with disabilities may qualify to receive financial assistance from the Medicare Savings Programs (MSPs). The MSPs are essential to help millions of Americans access high-quality health care at a reduced cost, yet only about half of eligible people are enrolled. The MSPs help pay Medicare premiums and may also pay Original Medicare deductibles, coinsurance and copayments if people meet the conditions of eligibility. Enrolling in an MSP offers relief from these Medicare costs, allowing people to spend that money on food, housing or transportation. Seniors interested in learning more can visit: <https://www.medicare.gov/your-medicare-costs/get-help-paying-costs/medicare-savings-programs>.

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Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

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In Indiana, 1,295,309 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Indiana in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$16.22 in 2021 to \$14.86 in 2022. This represents a -8.40 percent change in average premium.
- 133 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 126 plans in 2021. This represents a 5.60 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 30 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.
- In addition, through the VBID Model’s Hospice Benefit Component, 2 plans will offer the Medicare hospice benefit through their plan.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 23 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 8 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 73 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 24 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$6.80 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

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#### *September 2021*

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In addition, Medicare enrollees can contact their State Health Insurance Programs (<https://www.shiphelp.org/>) for one-on-one assistance. People who want to keep their current Medicare coverage do not need to re-enroll.

To help with their Medicare costs, low-income seniors and adults with disabilities may qualify to receive financial assistance from the Medicare Savings Programs (MSPs). The MSPs are essential to help millions of Americans access high-quality health care at a reduced cost, yet only about half of eligible people are enrolled. The MSPs help pay Medicare premiums and may also pay Original Medicare deductibles, coinsurance and copayments if people meet the conditions of eligibility. Enrolling in an MSP offers relief from these Medicare costs, allowing people to spend that money on food, housing or transportation. Seniors interested in learning more can visit: <https://www.medicare.gov/your-medicare-costs/get-help-paying-costs/medicare-savings-programs>.

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Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

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In Iowa, 644,796 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Iowa in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$9.73 in 2021 to \$8.99 in 2022. This represents a -7.63 percent change in average premium.
- 61 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 55 plans in 2021. This represents a 10.90 percent change in plan options.
- 97 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 97 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 9 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 22 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 7 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 34 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 19 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$6.80 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

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In addition, Medicare enrollees can contact their State Health Insurance Programs (<https://www.shiphelp.org/>) for one-on-one assistance. People who want to keep their current Medicare coverage do not need to re-enroll.

To help with their Medicare costs, low-income seniors and adults with disabilities may qualify to receive financial assistance from the Medicare Savings Programs (MSPs). The MSPs are essential to help millions of Americans access high-quality health care at a reduced cost, yet only about half of eligible people are enrolled. The MSPs help pay Medicare premiums and may also pay Original Medicare deductibles, coinsurance and copayments if people meet the conditions of eligibility. Enrolling in an MSP offers relief from these Medicare costs, allowing people to spend that money on food, housing or transportation. Seniors interested in learning more can visit: <https://www.medicare.gov/your-medicare-costs/get-help-paying-costs/medicare-savings-programs>.

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Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

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In Kansas, 553,336 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Kansas in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$9.53 in 2021 to \$7.79 in 2022. This represents a -18.19 percent change in average premium.
- 88 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 79 plans in 2021. This represents a 11.40 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 16 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 22 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 8 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 29 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 20 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$6.60 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

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In Kentucky, 948,420 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Kentucky in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$16.72 in 2021 to \$14.02 in 2022. This represents a -16.16 percent change in average premium.
- 98 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 98 plans in 2021. This represents a 0.00 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
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- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 37 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.
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### **Medicare Open Enrollment in Louisiana, 2022**

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Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

CMS provides price and quality information to empower people with Medicare to choose coverage options that are the best fit for them. While reviewing their health care coverage, enrollees can consider new or different plans, discover extra benefits, and possibly save money. Information on these resources is below.

In Louisiana, 892,148 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Louisiana in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$14.40 in 2021 to \$14.53 in 2022. This represents a 0.88 percent change in average premium.
- 102 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 94 plans in 2021. This represents a 8.50 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 33 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 20 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 7 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 37 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 36 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$6.40 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

Medicare Open Enrollment runs from October 15, 2021, to December 7, 2021. People with Medicare should take the opportunity to review their health care needs for the upcoming year and determine if they would benefit by changing plans. By shopping available plans and comparing costs, individuals may find a Medicare health or drug plan with better coverage or a lower premium in 2022.

#### *September 2021*

- The “2022 Medicare & You” Handbook is sent to every person with Medicare. The handbook can be accessed online at: <https://www.medicare.gov/forms-help-resources/medicare-you-handbook/download-medicare-you-in-different-formats>.
- Health and drug plans begin notifying enrollees about changes to their plans in 2022.

#### *October 2021*

- Individuals can begin shopping and comparing plans on Medicare.gov starting October 1, 2021.
- Individuals should watch their mail for notices from Medicare with information about changes in 2022.
- Medicare health and drug plan 2022 Star Ratings will be available on Medicare.gov on or around October 7, 2021.
- Medicare Open Enrollment **begins October 15, 2021.**

#### *December 2021*

- Medicare Open Enrollment **ends December 7, 2021.**

#### *January 2022*

- Medicare health and drug plan coverage for 2022 **begins January 1, 2022.**



## **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Resources**

Medicare.gov provides clear, easy-to-use information as well as an updated Medicare Plan Finder to allow people with Medicare to compare their personalized options for health and drug coverage. CMS will update the Medicare Plan Finder with the 2022 Medicare health and prescription drug plan information on October 1, 2021. 1-800-MEDICARE is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week to provide help in English and Spanish as well as language support in over 200 languages.

In addition, Medicare enrollees can contact their State Health Insurance Programs (<https://www.shiphelp.org/>) for one-on-one assistance. People who want to keep their current Medicare coverage do not need to re-enroll.

To help with their Medicare costs, low-income seniors and adults with disabilities may qualify to receive financial assistance from the Medicare Savings Programs (MSPs). The MSPs are essential to help millions of Americans access high-quality health care at a reduced cost, yet only about half of eligible people are enrolled. The MSPs help pay Medicare premiums and may also pay Original Medicare deductibles, coinsurance and copayments if people meet the conditions of eligibility. Enrolling in an MSP offers relief from these Medicare costs, allowing people to spend that money on food, housing or transportation. Seniors interested in learning more can visit: <https://www.medicare.gov/your-medicare-costs/get-help-paying-costs/medicare-savings-programs>.

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### **Medicare Open Enrollment in Maine, 2022**

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Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

CMS provides price and quality information to empower people with Medicare to choose coverage options that are the best fit for them. While reviewing their health care coverage, enrollees can consider new or different plans, discover extra benefits, and possibly save money. Information on these resources is below.

In Maine, 354,568 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Maine in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$19.17 in 2021 to \$14.04 in 2022. This represents a -26.74 percent change in average premium.
- 57 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 52 plans in 2021. This represents a 9.60 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 12 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 21 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 8 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 25 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 33 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$7.60 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

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#### *December 2021*

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#### *January 2022*

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In Maryland, 1,070,242 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Maryland in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$46.52 in 2021 to \$45.97 in 2022. This represents a -1.19 percent change in average premium.
- 49 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 41 plans in 2021. This represents a 19.50 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 5 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 21 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 7 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 14 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 27 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$7.10 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

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#### *October 2021*

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In Massachusetts, 1,370,926 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Massachusetts in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$56.35 in 2021 to \$50.48 in 2022. This represents a -10.41 percent change in average premium.
- 113 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 106 plans in 2021. This represents a 6.60 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.



- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 5 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 21 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 7 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 14 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 99 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 31 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$7.40 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

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Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

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In Michigan, 2,124,444 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Michigan in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$35.13 in 2021 to \$28.74 in 2022. This represents a -18.19 percent change in average premium.
- 191 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 167 plans in 2021. This represents a 14.40 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 18 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 23 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 7 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 72 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 99 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 22 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$7.50 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

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In Minnesota, 1,065,474 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Minnesota in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$80.82 in 2021 to \$76.92 in 2022. This represents a -4.82 percent change in average premium.
- 101 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 91 plans in 2021. This represents a 11.00 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
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### **Medicare Part D:**

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### **Medicare Open Enrollment in Mississippi, 2022**

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Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

CMS provides price and quality information to empower people with Medicare to choose coverage options that are the best fit for them. While reviewing their health care coverage, enrollees can consider new or different plans, discover extra benefits, and possibly save money. Information on these resources is below.

In Mississippi, 612,813 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Mississippi in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$22.52 in 2021 to \$21.41 in 2022. This represents a -4.93 percent change in average premium.
- 61 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 54 plans in 2021. This represents a 13.00 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 17 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 21 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 7 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 15 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 39 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$6.50 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

Medicare Open Enrollment runs from October 15, 2021, to December 7, 2021. People with Medicare should take the opportunity to review their health care needs for the upcoming year and determine if they would benefit by changing plans. By shopping available plans and comparing costs, individuals may find a Medicare health or drug plan with better coverage or a lower premium in 2022.

#### *September 2021*

- The “2022 Medicare & You” Handbook is sent to every person with Medicare. The handbook can be accessed online at: <https://www.medicare.gov/forms-help-resources/medicare-you-handbook/download-medicare-you-in-different-formats>.
- Health and drug plans begin notifying enrollees about changes to their plans in 2022.

#### *October 2021*

- Individuals can begin shopping and comparing plans on Medicare.gov starting October 1, 2021.
- Individuals should watch their mail for notices from Medicare with information about changes in 2022.
- Medicare health and drug plan 2022 Star Ratings will be available on Medicare.gov on or around October 7, 2021.
- Medicare Open Enrollment **begins October 15, 2021.**

#### *December 2021*

- Medicare Open Enrollment **ends December 7, 2021.**

#### *January 2022*

- Medicare health and drug plan coverage for 2022 **begins January 1, 2022.**

## **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Resources**

Medicare.gov provides clear, easy-to-use information as well as an updated Medicare Plan Finder to allow people with Medicare to compare their personalized options for health and drug coverage. CMS will update the Medicare Plan Finder with the 2022 Medicare health and prescription drug plan information on October 1, 2021. 1-800-MEDICARE is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week to provide help in English and Spanish as well as language support in over 200 languages.

In addition, Medicare enrollees can contact their State Health Insurance Programs (<https://www.shiphelp.org/>) for one-on-one assistance. People who want to keep their current Medicare coverage do not need to re-enroll.

To help with their Medicare costs, low-income seniors and adults with disabilities may qualify to receive financial assistance from the Medicare Savings Programs (MSPs). The MSPs are essential to help millions of Americans access high-quality health care at a reduced cost, yet only about half of eligible people are enrolled. The MSPs help pay Medicare premiums and may also pay Original Medicare deductibles, coinsurance and copayments if people meet the conditions of eligibility. Enrolling in an MSP offers relief from these Medicare costs, allowing people to spend that money on food, housing or transportation. Seniors interested in learning more can visit: <https://www.medicare.gov/your-medicare-costs/get-help-paying-costs/medicare-savings-programs>.

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### **Medicare Open Enrollment in Missouri, 2022**

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Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

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In Missouri, 1,259,244 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Missouri in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$8.93 in 2021 to \$8.04 in 2022. This represents a -9.99 percent change in average premium.
- 126 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 122 plans in 2021. This represents a 3.30 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 21 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 22 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 8 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 38 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 23 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$6.80 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

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#### *September 2021*

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- Health and drug plans begin notifying enrollees about changes to their plans in 2022.

#### *October 2021*

- Individuals can begin shopping and comparing plans on Medicare.gov starting October 1, 2021.
- Individuals should watch their mail for notices from Medicare with information about changes in 2022.
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- Medicare Open Enrollment **begins October 15, 2021.**

#### *December 2021*

- Medicare Open Enrollment **ends December 7, 2021.**

#### *January 2022*

- Medicare health and drug plan coverage for 2022 **begins January 1, 2022.**

## **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Resources**

Medicare.gov provides clear, easy-to-use information as well as an updated Medicare Plan Finder to allow people with Medicare to compare their personalized options for health and drug coverage. CMS will update the Medicare Plan Finder with the 2022 Medicare health and prescription drug plan information on October 1, 2021. 1-800-MEDICARE is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week to provide help in English and Spanish as well as language support in over 200 languages.

In addition, Medicare enrollees can contact their State Health Insurance Programs (<https://www.shiphelp.org/>) for one-on-one assistance. People who want to keep their current Medicare coverage do not need to re-enroll.

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### **Medicare Open Enrollment in Montana, 2022**

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In Montana, 243,242 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Montana in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$37.48 in 2021 to \$28.45 in 2022. This represents a -24.10 percent change in average premium.
- 27 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 19 plans in 2021. This represents a 42.10 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 6 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 22 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 7 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 6 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 21 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$6.80 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

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#### *September 2021*

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- Health and drug plans begin notifying enrollees about changes to their plans in 2022.

#### *October 2021*

- Individuals can begin shopping and comparing plans on Medicare.gov starting October 1, 2021.
- Individuals should watch their mail for notices from Medicare with information about changes in 2022.
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#### *December 2021*

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## **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Resources**

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In addition, Medicare enrollees can contact their State Health Insurance Programs (<https://www.shiphelp.org/>) for one-on-one assistance. People who want to keep their current Medicare coverage do not need to re-enroll.

To help with their Medicare costs, low-income seniors and adults with disabilities may qualify to receive financial assistance from the Medicare Savings Programs (MSPs). The MSPs are essential to help millions of Americans access high-quality health care at a reduced cost, yet only about half of eligible people are enrolled. The MSPs help pay Medicare premiums and may also pay Original Medicare deductibles, coinsurance and copayments if people meet the conditions of eligibility. Enrolling in an MSP offers relief from these Medicare costs, allowing people to spend that money on food, housing or transportation. Seniors interested in learning more can visit: <https://www.medicare.gov/your-medicare-costs/get-help-paying-costs/medicare-savings-programs>.

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### **Medicare Open Enrollment in Nebraska, 2022**

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Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

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In Nebraska, 358,795 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Nebraska in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$13.32 in 2021 to \$13.83 in 2022. This represents a 3.83 percent change in average premium.
- 36 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 31 plans in 2021. This represents a 16.10 percent change in plan options.
- 98 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 96 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 8 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 22 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 7 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 8 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 18 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$6.80 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

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- Health and drug plans begin notifying enrollees about changes to their plans in 2022.

#### *October 2021*

- Individuals can begin shopping and comparing plans on Medicare.gov starting October 1, 2021.
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#### *December 2021*

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## **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Resources**

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In addition, Medicare enrollees can contact their State Health Insurance Programs (<https://www.shiphelp.org/>) for one-on-one assistance. People who want to keep their current Medicare coverage do not need to re-enroll.

To help with their Medicare costs, low-income seniors and adults with disabilities may qualify to receive financial assistance from the Medicare Savings Programs (MSPs). The MSPs are essential to help millions of Americans access high-quality health care at a reduced cost, yet only about half of eligible people are enrolled. The MSPs help pay Medicare premiums and may also pay Original Medicare deductibles, coinsurance and copayments if people meet the conditions of eligibility. Enrolling in an MSP offers relief from these Medicare costs, allowing people to spend that money on food, housing or transportation. Seniors interested in learning more can visit: <https://www.medicare.gov/your-medicare-costs/get-help-paying-costs/medicare-savings-programs>.

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Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

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In Nevada, 558,698 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Nevada in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$3.24 in 2021 to \$3.41 in 2022. This represents a 5.33 percent change in average premium.
- 94 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 77 plans in 2021. This represents a 22.10 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 15 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 22 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 8 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 33 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 23 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$7.30 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

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### **Medicare Open Enrollment in New Hampshire, 2022**

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In New Hampshire, 315,070 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In New Hampshire in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$23.10 in 2021 to \$21.02 in 2022. This represents a -9.01 percent change in average premium.
- 44 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 39 plans in 2021. This represents a 12.80 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.



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### **Medicare Part D:**

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- 8 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 19 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 19 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$7.60 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

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### **Medicare Open Enrollment in New Jersey, 2022**

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Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

CMS provides price and quality information to empower people with Medicare to choose coverage options that are the best fit for them. While reviewing their health care coverage, enrollees can consider new or different plans, discover extra benefits, and possibly save money. Information on these resources is below.

In New Jersey, 1,652,743 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In New Jersey in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$20.36 in 2021 to \$17.41 in 2022. This represents a -14.49 percent change in average premium.
- 84 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 84 plans in 2021. 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.
- Through the CMS Innovation Center's Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 10 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards

and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 23 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 7 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 23 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 22 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$7.00 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

Medicare Open Enrollment runs from October 15, 2021, to December 7, 2021. People with Medicare should take the opportunity to review their health care needs for the upcoming year and determine if they would benefit by changing plans. By shopping available plans and comparing costs, individuals may find a Medicare health or drug plan with better coverage or a lower premium in 2022.

#### *September 2021*

- The “2022 Medicare & You” Handbook is sent to every person with Medicare. The handbook can be accessed online at: <https://www.medicare.gov/forms-help-resources/medicare-you-handbook/download-medicare-you-in-different-formats>.
- Health and drug plans begin notifying enrollees about changes to their plans in 2022.

#### *October 2021*

- Individuals can begin shopping and comparing plans on Medicare.gov starting October 1, 2021.
- Individuals should watch their mail for notices from Medicare with information about changes in 2022.
- Medicare health and drug plan 2022 Star Ratings will be available on Medicare.gov on or around October 7, 2021.
- Medicare Open Enrollment **begins October 15, 2021**.

#### *December 2021*

- Medicare Open Enrollment **ends December 7, 2021**.

#### *January 2022*

- Medicare health and drug plan coverage for 2022 **begins January 1, 2022**.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Resources**

Medicare.gov provides clear, easy-to-use information as well as an updated Medicare Plan Finder to allow people with Medicare to compare their personalized options for health and drug coverage. CMS will update the Medicare Plan Finder with the 2022 Medicare health and prescription drug plan information on October 1, 2021. 1-800-MEDICARE is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week to provide help in English and Spanish as well as language support in over 200 languages.

In addition, Medicare enrollees can contact their State Health Insurance Programs (<https://www.shiphelp.org/>) for one-on-one assistance. People who want to keep their current Medicare coverage do not need to re-enroll.

To help with their Medicare costs, low-income seniors and adults with disabilities may qualify to receive financial assistance from the Medicare Savings Programs (MSPs). The MSPs are essential to help millions of Americans access high-quality health care at a reduced cost, yet only about half of eligible people are enrolled. The MSPs help pay Medicare premiums and may also pay Original Medicare deductibles, coinsurance and copayments if people meet the conditions of eligibility. Enrolling in an MSP offers relief from these Medicare costs, allowing people to spend that money on food, housing or transportation. Seniors interested in learning more can visit: <https://www.medicare.gov/your-medicare-costs/get-help-paying-costs/medicare-savings-programs>.

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### **Medicare Open Enrollment in New Mexico, 2022**

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Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

CMS provides price and quality information to empower people with Medicare to choose coverage options that are the best fit for them. While reviewing their health care coverage, enrollees can consider new or different plans, discover extra benefits, and possibly save money. Information on these resources is below.

In New Mexico, 437,844 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In New Mexico in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$13.65 in 2021 to \$14.73 in 2022. This represents a 7.89 percent change in average premium.
- 69 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 46 plans in 2021. This represents a 50.00 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 10 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.
- In addition, through the VBID Model’s Hospice Benefit Component, 3 plans will offer the Medicare hospice benefit through their plan.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 21 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 7 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 21 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 34 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$7.60 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

Medicare Open Enrollment runs from October 15, 2021, to December 7, 2021. People with Medicare should take the opportunity to review their health care needs for the upcoming year and determine if they would benefit by changing plans. By shopping available plans and comparing costs, individuals may find a Medicare health or drug plan with better coverage or a lower premium in 2022.

#### *September 2021*

- The “2022 Medicare & You” Handbook is sent to every person with Medicare. The handbook can be accessed online at: <https://www.medicare.gov/forms-help-resources/medicare-you-handbook/download-medicare-you-in-different-formats>.
- Health and drug plans begin notifying enrollees about changes to their plans in 2022.

#### *October 2021*

- Individuals can begin shopping and comparing plans on Medicare.gov starting October 1, 2021.
- Individuals should watch their mail for notices from Medicare with information about changes in 2022.
- Medicare health and drug plan 2022 Star Ratings will be available on Medicare.gov on or around October 7, 2021.
- Medicare Open Enrollment **begins October 15, 2021**.

#### *December 2021*

- Medicare Open Enrollment **ends December 7, 2021**.

#### *January 2022*

- Medicare health and drug plan coverage for 2022 **begins January 1, 2022.**

**2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Resources**

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In addition, Medicare enrollees can contact their State Health Insurance Programs (<https://www.shiphelp.org/>) for one-on-one assistance. People who want to keep their current Medicare coverage do not need to re-enroll.

To help with their Medicare costs, low-income seniors and adults with disabilities may qualify to receive financial assistance from the Medicare Savings Programs (MSPs). The MSPs are essential to help millions of Americans access high-quality health care at a reduced cost, yet only about half of eligible people are enrolled. The MSPs help pay Medicare premiums and may also pay Original Medicare deductibles, coinsurance and copayments if people meet the conditions of eligibility. Enrolling in an MSP offers relief from these Medicare costs, allowing people to spend that money on food, housing or transportation. Seniors interested in learning more can visit: <https://www.medicare.gov/your-medicare-costs/get-help-paying-costs/medicare-savings-programs>.

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### **Medicare Open Enrollment in New York, 2022**

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Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

CMS provides price and quality information to empower people with Medicare to choose coverage options that are the best fit for them. While reviewing their health care coverage, enrollees can consider new or different plans, discover extra benefits, and possibly save money. Information on these resources is below.

In New York, 3,703,618 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In New York in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$32.27 in 2021 to \$30.20 in 2022. This represents a -6.42 percent change in average premium.
- 280 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 275 plans in 2021. This represents a 1.80 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 47 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.
- In addition, through the VBID Model’s Hospice Benefit Component, 4 plans will offer the Medicare hospice benefit through their plan.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 19 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 7 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 69 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 99 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 35 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$7.20 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

Medicare Open Enrollment runs from October 15, 2021, to December 7, 2021. People with Medicare should take the opportunity to review their health care needs for the upcoming year and determine if they would benefit by changing plans. By shopping available plans and comparing costs, individuals may find a Medicare health or drug plan with better coverage or a lower premium in 2022.

#### *September 2021*

- The “2022 Medicare & You” Handbook is sent to every person with Medicare. The handbook can be accessed online at: <https://www.medicare.gov/forms-help-resources/medicare-you-handbook/download-medicare-you-in-different-formats>.
- Health and drug plans begin notifying enrollees about changes to their plans in 2022.

#### *October 2021*

- Individuals can begin shopping and comparing plans on Medicare.gov starting October 1, 2021.
- Individuals should watch their mail for notices from Medicare with information about changes in 2022.
- Medicare health and drug plan 2022 Star Ratings will be available on Medicare.gov on or around October 7, 2021.
- Medicare Open Enrollment **begins October 15, 2021.**

#### *December 2021*

- Medicare Open Enrollment **ends December 7, 2021.**

#### *January 2022*

- Medicare health and drug plan coverage for 2022 **begins January 1, 2022.**

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Resources**

Medicare.gov provides clear, easy-to-use information as well as an updated Medicare Plan Finder to allow people with Medicare to compare their personalized options for health and drug coverage. CMS will update the Medicare Plan Finder with the 2022 Medicare health and prescription drug plan information on October 1, 2021. 1-800-MEDICARE is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week to provide help in English and Spanish as well as language support in over 200 languages.

In addition, Medicare enrollees can contact their State Health Insurance Programs (<https://www.shiphelp.org/>) for one-on-one assistance. People who want to keep their current Medicare coverage do not need to re-enroll.

To help with their Medicare costs, low-income seniors and adults with disabilities may qualify to receive financial assistance from the Medicare Savings Programs (MSPs). The MSPs are essential to help millions of Americans access high-quality health care at a reduced cost, yet only about half of eligible people are enrolled. The MSPs help pay Medicare premiums and may also pay Original Medicare deductibles, coinsurance and copayments if people meet the conditions of eligibility. Enrolling in an MSP offers relief from these Medicare costs, allowing people to spend that money on food, housing or transportation. Seniors interested in learning more can visit: <https://www.medicare.gov/your-medicare-costs/get-help-paying-costs/medicare-savings-programs>.

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### **Medicare Open Enrollment in North Carolina, 2022**

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Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

CMS provides price and quality information to empower people with Medicare to choose coverage options that are the best fit for them. While reviewing their health care coverage, enrollees can consider new or different plans, discover extra benefits, and possibly save money. Information on these resources is below.

In North Carolina, 2,065,612 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In North Carolina in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$16.51 in 2021 to \$15.22 in 2022. This represents a -7.82 percent change in average premium.
- 145 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 126 plans in 2021. This represents a 15.10 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 27 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 25 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 7 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 59 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 26 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$7.00 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

Medicare Open Enrollment runs from October 15, 2021, to December 7, 2021. People with Medicare should take the opportunity to review their health care needs for the upcoming year and determine if they would benefit by changing plans. By shopping available plans and comparing costs, individuals may find a Medicare health or drug plan with better coverage or a lower premium in 2022.

#### *September 2021*

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- Health and drug plans begin notifying enrollees about changes to their plans in 2022.

#### *October 2021*

- Individuals can begin shopping and comparing plans on Medicare.gov starting October 1, 2021.
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- Medicare health and drug plan 2022 Star Ratings will be available on Medicare.gov on or around October 7, 2021.
- Medicare Open Enrollment **begins October 15, 2021.**

#### *December 2021*

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#### *January 2022*

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## **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Resources**

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In addition, Medicare enrollees can contact their State Health Insurance Programs (<https://www.shiphelp.org/>) for one-on-one assistance. People who want to keep their current Medicare coverage do not need to re-enroll.

To help with their Medicare costs, low-income seniors and adults with disabilities may qualify to receive financial assistance from the Medicare Savings Programs (MSPs). The MSPs are essential to help millions of Americans access high-quality health care at a reduced cost, yet only about half of eligible people are enrolled. The MSPs help pay Medicare premiums and may also pay Original Medicare deductibles, coinsurance and copayments if people meet the conditions of eligibility. Enrolling in an MSP offers relief from these Medicare costs, allowing people to spend that money on food, housing or transportation. Seniors interested in learning more can visit: <https://www.medicare.gov/your-medicare-costs/get-help-paying-costs/medicare-savings-programs>.

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### **Medicare Open Enrollment in North Dakota, 2022**

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Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

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In North Dakota, 136,679 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In North Dakota in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$46.45 in 2021 to \$41.14 in 2022. This represents a -11.45 percent change in average premium.
- 23 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 19 plans in 2021. This represents a 21.10 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 4 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 22 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 7 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 9 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 18 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$6.80 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

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### **Medicare Open Enrollment in Ohio, 2022**

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In Ohio, 2,398,754 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Ohio in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$20.18 in 2021 to \$18.75 in 2022. This represents a -7.05 percent change in average premium.
- 202 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 202 plans in 2021. This represents a 0.00 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 32 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.
- In addition, through the VBID Model’s Hospice Benefit Component, 4 plans will offer the Medicare hospice benefit through their plan.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 23 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 8 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 64 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 23 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$7.10 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

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### **Medicare Open Enrollment in Oklahoma, 2022**

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Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

CMS provides price and quality information to empower people with Medicare to choose coverage options that are the best fit for them. While reviewing their health care coverage, enrollees can consider new or different plans, discover extra benefits, and possibly save money. Information on these resources is below.

In Oklahoma, 758,786 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Oklahoma in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$13.67 in 2021 to \$13.66 in 2022. This represents a -0.07 percent change in average premium.
- 72 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 57 plans in 2021. This represents a 26.30 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 25 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.
- In addition, through the VBID Model’s Hospice Benefit Component, 10 plans will offer the Medicare hospice benefit through their plan.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 23 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 7 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 24 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 28 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$6.70 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

Medicare Open Enrollment runs from October 15, 2021, to December 7, 2021. People with Medicare should take the opportunity to review their health care needs for the upcoming year and determine if they would benefit by changing plans. By shopping available plans and comparing costs, individuals may find a Medicare health or drug plan with better coverage or a lower premium in 2022.

#### *September 2021*

- The “2022 Medicare & You” Handbook is sent to every person with Medicare. The handbook can be accessed online at: <https://www.medicare.gov/forms-help-resources/medicare-you-handbook/download-medicare-you-in-different-formats>.
- Health and drug plans begin notifying enrollees about changes to their plans in 2022.

#### *October 2021*

- Individuals can begin shopping and comparing plans on Medicare.gov starting October 1, 2021.
- Individuals should watch their mail for notices from Medicare with information about changes in 2022.
- Medicare health and drug plan 2022 Star Ratings will be available on Medicare.gov on or around October 7, 2021.
- Medicare Open Enrollment **begins October 15, 2021.**

#### *December 2021*

- Medicare Open Enrollment **ends December 7, 2021.**

#### *January 2022*

- Medicare health and drug plan coverage for 2022 **begins January 1, 2022.**

**2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Resources**

Medicare.gov provides clear, easy-to-use information as well as an updated Medicare Plan Finder to allow people with Medicare to compare their personalized options for health and drug coverage. CMS will update the Medicare Plan Finder with the 2022 Medicare health and prescription drug plan information on October 1, 2021. 1-800-MEDICARE is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week to provide help in English and Spanish as well as language support in over 200 languages.

In addition, Medicare enrollees can contact their State Health Insurance Programs (<https://www.shiphelp.org/>) for one-on-one assistance. People who want to keep their current Medicare coverage do not need to re-enroll.

To help with their Medicare costs, low-income seniors and adults with disabilities may qualify to receive financial assistance from the Medicare Savings Programs (MSPs). The MSPs are essential to help millions of Americans access high-quality health care at a reduced cost, yet only about half of eligible people are enrolled. The MSPs help pay Medicare premiums and may also pay Original Medicare deductibles, coinsurance and copayments if people meet the conditions of eligibility. Enrolling in an MSP offers relief from these Medicare costs, allowing people to spend that money on food, housing or transportation. Seniors interested in learning more can visit: <https://www.medicare.gov/your-medicare-costs/get-help-paying-costs/medicare-savings-programs>.

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### **Medicare Open Enrollment in Oregon, 2022**

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Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

CMS provides price and quality information to empower people with Medicare to choose coverage options that are the best fit for them. While reviewing their health care coverage, enrollees can consider new or different plans, discover extra benefits, and possibly save money. Information on these resources is below.

In Oregon, 899,748 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Oregon in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$43.58 in 2021 to \$39.77 in 2022. This represents a -8.74 percent change in average premium.
- 132 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 128 plans in 2021. This represents a 3.10 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.



- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 14 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.
- In addition, through the VBID Model’s Hospice Benefit Component, 6 plans will offer the Medicare hospice benefit through their plan.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 23 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 7 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 38 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 24 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$7.70 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

Medicare Open Enrollment runs from October 15, 2021, to December 7, 2021. People with Medicare should take the opportunity to review their health care needs for the upcoming year and determine if they would benefit by changing plans. By shopping available plans and comparing costs, individuals may find a Medicare health or drug plan with better coverage or a lower premium in 2022.

#### *September 2021*

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- Health and drug plans begin notifying enrollees about changes to their plans in 2022.

#### *October 2021*

- Individuals can begin shopping and comparing plans on Medicare.gov starting October 1, 2021.
- Individuals should watch their mail for notices from Medicare with information about changes in 2022.
- Medicare health and drug plan 2022 Star Ratings will be available on Medicare.gov on or around October 7, 2021.
- Medicare Open Enrollment **begins October 15, 2021.**

#### *December 2021*

- Medicare Open Enrollment **ends December 7, 2021.**

#### *January 2022*

- Medicare health and drug plan coverage for 2022 **begins January 1, 2022.**

**2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Resources**

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In addition, Medicare enrollees can contact their State Health Insurance Programs (<https://www.shiphelp.org/>) for one-on-one assistance. People who want to keep their current Medicare coverage do not need to re-enroll.

To help with their Medicare costs, low-income seniors and adults with disabilities may qualify to receive financial assistance from the Medicare Savings Programs (MSPs). The MSPs are essential to help millions of Americans access high-quality health care at a reduced cost, yet only about half of eligible people are enrolled. The MSPs help pay Medicare premiums and may also pay Original Medicare deductibles, coinsurance and copayments if people meet the conditions of eligibility. Enrolling in an MSP offers relief from these Medicare costs, allowing people to spend that money on food, housing or transportation. Seniors interested in learning more can visit: <https://www.medicare.gov/your-medicare-costs/get-help-paying-costs/medicare-savings-programs>.

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### **Medicare Open Enrollment in Pennsylvania, 2022**

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Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

CMS provides price and quality information to empower people with Medicare to choose coverage options that are the best fit for them. While reviewing their health care coverage, enrollees can consider new or different plans, discover extra benefits, and possibly save money. Information on these resources is below.

In Pennsylvania, 2,797,584 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Pennsylvania in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$38.72 in 2021 to \$32.79 in 2022. This represents a -15.33 percent change in average premium.
- 240 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 244 plans in 2021. This represents a -1.60 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 39 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.
- In addition, through the VBID Model’s Hospice Benefit Component, 3 plans will offer the Medicare hospice benefit through their plan.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 25 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 8 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 107 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 99 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 24 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$7.20 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

Medicare Open Enrollment runs from October 15, 2021, to December 7, 2021. People with Medicare should take the opportunity to review their health care needs for the upcoming year and determine if they would benefit by changing plans. By shopping available plans and comparing costs, individuals may find a Medicare health or drug plan with better coverage or a lower premium in 2022.

#### *September 2021*

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- Health and drug plans begin notifying enrollees about changes to their plans in 2022.

#### *October 2021*

- Individuals can begin shopping and comparing plans on Medicare.gov starting October 1, 2021.
- Individuals should watch their mail for notices from Medicare with information about changes in 2022.
- Medicare health and drug plan 2022 Star Ratings will be available on Medicare.gov on or around October 7, 2021.
- Medicare Open Enrollment **begins October 15, 2021.**

#### *December 2021*

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#### *January 2022*

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**2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Resources**

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In addition, Medicare enrollees can contact their State Health Insurance Programs (<https://www.shiphelp.org/>) for one-on-one assistance. People who want to keep their current Medicare coverage do not need to re-enroll.

To help with their Medicare costs, low-income seniors and adults with disabilities may qualify to receive financial assistance from the Medicare Savings Programs (MSPs). The MSPs are essential to help millions of Americans access high-quality health care at a reduced cost, yet only about half of eligible people are enrolled. The MSPs help pay Medicare premiums and may also pay Original Medicare deductibles, coinsurance and copayments if people meet the conditions of eligibility. Enrolling in an MSP offers relief from these Medicare costs, allowing people to spend that money on food, housing or transportation. Seniors interested in learning more can visit: <https://www.medicare.gov/your-medicare-costs/get-help-paying-costs/medicare-savings-programs>.

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### **Medicare Open Enrollment in Rhode Island, 2022**

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Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

CMS provides price and quality information to empower people with Medicare to choose coverage options that are the best fit for them. While reviewing their health care coverage, enrollees can consider new or different plans, discover extra benefits, and possibly save money. Information on these resources is below.

In Rhode Island, 227,606 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Rhode Island in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$26.48 in 2021 to \$25.46 in 2022. This represents a -3.86 percent change in average premium.
- 33 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 26 plans in 2021. This represents a 26.90 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 2 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 21 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 7 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 14 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 99 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 28 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$7.40 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

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- Health and drug plans begin notifying enrollees about changes to their plans in 2022.

#### *October 2021*

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- Medicare Open Enrollment **begins October 15, 2021.**

#### *December 2021*

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#### *January 2022*

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## **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Resources**

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In addition, Medicare enrollees can contact their State Health Insurance Programs (<https://www.shiphelp.org/>) for one-on-one assistance. People who want to keep their current Medicare coverage do not need to re-enroll.

To help with their Medicare costs, low-income seniors and adults with disabilities may qualify to receive financial assistance from the Medicare Savings Programs (MSPs). The MSPs are essential to help millions of Americans access high-quality health care at a reduced cost, yet only about half of eligible people are enrolled. The MSPs help pay Medicare premiums and may also pay Original Medicare deductibles, coinsurance and copayments if people meet the conditions of eligibility. Enrolling in an MSP offers relief from these Medicare costs, allowing people to spend that money on food, housing or transportation. Seniors interested in learning more can visit: <https://www.medicare.gov/your-medicare-costs/get-help-paying-costs/medicare-savings-programs>.

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### **Medicare Open Enrollment in South Carolina, 2022**

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Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

CMS provides price and quality information to empower people with Medicare to choose coverage options that are the best fit for them. While reviewing their health care coverage, enrollees can consider new or different plans, discover extra benefits, and possibly save money. Information on these resources is below.

In South Carolina, 1,124,218 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In South Carolina in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$12.13 in 2021 to \$11.66 in 2022. This represents a -3.84 percent change in average premium.
- 96 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 96 plans in 2021. 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.
- Through the CMS Innovation Center's Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 20 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards

and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 24 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 7 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 31 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 25 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$6.90 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

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#### *September 2021*

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- Health and drug plans begin notifying enrollees about changes to their plans in 2022.

#### *October 2021*

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In addition, Medicare enrollees can contact their State Health Insurance Programs (<https://www.shiphelp.org/>) for one-on-one assistance. People who want to keep their current Medicare coverage do not need to re-enroll.

To help with their Medicare costs, low-income seniors and adults with disabilities may qualify to receive financial assistance from the Medicare Savings Programs (MSPs). The MSPs are essential to help millions of Americans access high-quality health care at a reduced cost, yet only about half of eligible people are enrolled. The MSPs help pay Medicare premiums and may also pay Original Medicare deductibles, coinsurance and copayments if people meet the conditions of eligibility. Enrolling in an MSP offers relief from these Medicare costs, allowing people to spend that money on food, housing or transportation. Seniors interested in learning more can visit: <https://www.medicare.gov/your-medicare-costs/get-help-paying-costs/medicare-savings-programs>.

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### **Medicare Open Enrollment in South Dakota, 2022**

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In South Dakota, 183,697 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In South Dakota in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$31.96 in 2021 to \$27.14 in 2022. This represents a -15.08 percent change in average premium.
- 25 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 18 plans in 2021. This represents a 38.90 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

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### **Medicare Part D:**

- 22 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 7 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 9 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 18 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$6.80 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

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### **Medicare Open Enrollment in Tennessee, 2022**

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Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

CMS provides price and quality information to empower people with Medicare to choose coverage options that are the best fit for them. While reviewing their health care coverage, enrollees can consider new or different plans, discover extra benefits, and possibly save money. Information on these resources is below.

In Tennessee, 1,397,568 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Tennessee in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$20.18 in 2021 to \$18.74 in 2022. This represents a -7.12 percent change in average premium.
- 112 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 117 plans in 2021. This represents a -4.30 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 14 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 26 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 8 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 41 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 29 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$6.50 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

Medicare Open Enrollment runs from October 15, 2021, to December 7, 2021. People with Medicare should take the opportunity to review their health care needs for the upcoming year and determine if they would benefit by changing plans. By shopping available plans and comparing costs, individuals may find a Medicare health or drug plan with better coverage or a lower premium in 2022.

#### *September 2021*

- The “2022 Medicare & You” Handbook is sent to every person with Medicare. The handbook can be accessed online at: <https://www.medicare.gov/forms-help-resources/medicare-you-handbook/download-medicare-you-in-different-formats>.
- Health and drug plans begin notifying enrollees about changes to their plans in 2022.

#### *October 2021*

- Individuals can begin shopping and comparing plans on Medicare.gov starting October 1, 2021.
- Individuals should watch their mail for notices from Medicare with information about changes in 2022.
- Medicare health and drug plan 2022 Star Ratings will be available on Medicare.gov on or around October 7, 2021.
- Medicare Open Enrollment **begins October 15, 2021.**

#### *December 2021*

- Medicare Open Enrollment **ends December 7, 2021.**

#### *January 2022*

- Medicare health and drug plan coverage for 2022 **begins January 1, 2022.**



## **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Resources**

Medicare.gov provides clear, easy-to-use information as well as an updated Medicare Plan Finder to allow people with Medicare to compare their personalized options for health and drug coverage. CMS will update the Medicare Plan Finder with the 2022 Medicare health and prescription drug plan information on October 1, 2021. 1-800-MEDICARE is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week to provide help in English and Spanish as well as language support in over 200 languages.

In addition, Medicare enrollees can contact their State Health Insurance Programs (<https://www.shiphelp.org/>) for one-on-one assistance. People who want to keep their current Medicare coverage do not need to re-enroll.

To help with their Medicare costs, low-income seniors and adults with disabilities may qualify to receive financial assistance from the Medicare Savings Programs (MSPs). The MSPs are essential to help millions of Americans access high-quality health care at a reduced cost, yet only about half of eligible people are enrolled. The MSPs help pay Medicare premiums and may also pay Original Medicare deductibles, coinsurance and copayments if people meet the conditions of eligibility. Enrolling in an MSP offers relief from these Medicare costs, allowing people to spend that money on food, housing or transportation. Seniors interested in learning more can visit: <https://www.medicare.gov/your-medicare-costs/get-help-paying-costs/medicare-savings-programs>.

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### **Medicare Open Enrollment in Texas, 2022**

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Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

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In Texas, 4,355,781 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Texas in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$11.11 in 2021 to \$10.68 in 2022. This represents a -3.85 percent change in average premium.
- 337 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 289 plans in 2021. This represents a 16.60 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 54 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.
- In addition, through the VBID Model’s Hospice Benefit Component, 1 plan will offer the Medicare hospice benefit through their plan.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 28 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 8 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 94 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 28 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$6.90 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

Medicare Open Enrollment runs from October 15, 2021, to December 7, 2021. People with Medicare should take the opportunity to review their health care needs for the upcoming year and determine if they would benefit by changing plans. By shopping available plans and comparing costs, individuals may find a Medicare health or drug plan with better coverage or a lower premium in 2022.

#### *September 2021*

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- Health and drug plans begin notifying enrollees about changes to their plans in 2022.

#### *October 2021*

- Individuals can begin shopping and comparing plans on Medicare.gov starting October 1, 2021.
- Individuals should watch their mail for notices from Medicare with information about changes in 2022.
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- Medicare Open Enrollment **begins October 15, 2021**.

#### *December 2021*

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#### *January 2022*

- Medicare health and drug plan coverage for 2022 **begins January 1, 2022.**

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Resources**

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In addition, Medicare enrollees can contact their State Health Insurance Programs (<https://www.shiphelp.org/>) for one-on-one assistance. People who want to keep their current Medicare coverage do not need to re-enroll.

To help with their Medicare costs, low-income seniors and adults with disabilities may qualify to receive financial assistance from the Medicare Savings Programs (MSPs). The MSPs are essential to help millions of Americans access high-quality health care at a reduced cost, yet only about half of eligible people are enrolled. The MSPs help pay Medicare premiums and may also pay Original Medicare deductibles, coinsurance and copayments if people meet the conditions of eligibility. Enrolling in an MSP offers relief from these Medicare costs, allowing people to spend that money on food, housing or transportation. Seniors interested in learning more can visit: <https://www.medicare.gov/your-medicare-costs/get-help-paying-costs/medicare-savings-programs>.

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### **Medicare Open Enrollment in Utah, 2022**

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Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

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In Utah, 424,947 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Utah in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$19.33 in 2021 to \$17.71 in 2022. This represents a -8.39 percent change in average premium.
- 54 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 41 plans in 2021. This represents a 31.70 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 17 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.
- In addition, through the VBID Model’s Hospice Benefit Component, 10 plans will offer the Medicare hospice benefit through their plan.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 22 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 7 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 24 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 17 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$6.90 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

Medicare Open Enrollment runs from October 15, 2021, to December 7, 2021. People with Medicare should take the opportunity to review their health care needs for the upcoming year and determine if they would benefit by changing plans. By shopping available plans and comparing costs, individuals may find a Medicare health or drug plan with better coverage or a lower premium in 2022.

#### *September 2021*

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#### *October 2021*

- Individuals can begin shopping and comparing plans on Medicare.gov starting October 1, 2021.
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- Medicare health and drug plan 2022 Star Ratings will be available on Medicare.gov on or around October 7, 2021.
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#### *December 2021*

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In addition, Medicare enrollees can contact their State Health Insurance Programs (<https://www.shiphelp.org/>) for one-on-one assistance. People who want to keep their current Medicare coverage do not need to re-enroll.

To help with their Medicare costs, low-income seniors and adults with disabilities may qualify to receive financial assistance from the Medicare Savings Programs (MSPs). The MSPs are essential to help millions of Americans access high-quality health care at a reduced cost, yet only about half of eligible people are enrolled. The MSPs help pay Medicare premiums and may also pay Original Medicare deductibles, coinsurance and copayments if people meet the conditions of eligibility. Enrolling in an MSP offers relief from these Medicare costs, allowing people to spend that money on food, housing or transportation. Seniors interested in learning more can visit: <https://www.medicare.gov/your-medicare-costs/get-help-paying-costs/medicare-savings-programs>.

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### **Medicare Open Enrollment in Vermont, 2022**

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Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

CMS provides price and quality information to empower people with Medicare to choose coverage options that are the best fit for them. While reviewing their health care coverage, enrollees can consider new or different plans, discover extra benefits, and possibly save money. Information on these resources is below.

In Vermont, 154,684 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Vermont in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$24.09 in 2021 to \$22.58 in 2022. This represents a -6.28 percent change in average premium.
- 26 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 23 plans in 2021. This represents a 13.00 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.



- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 3 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 21 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 7 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 6 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 99 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 26 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$7.40 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

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- Health and drug plans begin notifying enrollees about changes to their plans in 2022.

#### *October 2021*

- Individuals can begin shopping and comparing plans on Medicare.gov starting October 1, 2021.
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- Medicare Open Enrollment **begins October 15, 2021.**

#### *December 2021*

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#### *January 2022*

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## **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Resources**

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In addition, Medicare enrollees can contact their State Health Insurance Programs (<https://www.shiphelp.org/>) for one-on-one assistance. People who want to keep their current Medicare coverage do not need to re-enroll.

To help with their Medicare costs, low-income seniors and adults with disabilities may qualify to receive financial assistance from the Medicare Savings Programs (MSPs). The MSPs are essential to help millions of Americans access high-quality health care at a reduced cost, yet only about half of eligible people are enrolled. The MSPs help pay Medicare premiums and may also pay Original Medicare deductibles, coinsurance and copayments if people meet the conditions of eligibility. Enrolling in an MSP offers relief from these Medicare costs, allowing people to spend that money on food, housing or transportation. Seniors interested in learning more can visit: <https://www.medicare.gov/your-medicare-costs/get-help-paying-costs/medicare-savings-programs>.

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### **Medicare Open Enrollment in Virginia, 2022**

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Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

CMS provides price and quality information to empower people with Medicare to choose coverage options that are the best fit for them. While reviewing their health care coverage, enrollees can consider new or different plans, discover extra benefits, and possibly save money. Information on these resources is below.

In Virginia, 1,568,937 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Virginia in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$17.46 in 2021 to \$16.15 in 2022. This represents a -7.49 percent change in average premium.
- 132 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 117 plans in 2021. This represents a 12.80 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 43 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.
- In addition, through the VBID Model’s Hospice Benefit Component, 8 plans will offer the Medicare hospice benefit through their plan.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 23 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 8 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 60 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 25 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$7.10 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

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#### *October 2021*

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In addition, Medicare enrollees can contact their State Health Insurance Programs (<https://www.shiphelp.org/>) for one-on-one assistance. People who want to keep their current Medicare coverage do not need to re-enroll.

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### **Medicare Open Enrollment in Washington, 2022**

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In Washington, 1,427,600 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Washington in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$37.03 in 2021 to \$34.45 in 2022. This represents a -6.98 percent change in average premium.
- 159 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 157 plans in 2021. This represents a 1.30 percent change in plan options.
- 99 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 98 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 32 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.
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### **Medicare Part D:**

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- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 24 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$7.70 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

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### **Medicare Open Enrollment in West Virginia, 2022**

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Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

CMS provides price and quality information to empower people with Medicare to choose coverage options that are the best fit for them. While reviewing their health care coverage, enrollees can consider new or different plans, discover extra benefits, and possibly save money. Information on these resources is below.

In West Virginia, 443,210 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In West Virginia in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$30.81 in 2021 to \$25.53 in 2022. This represents a -17.14 percent change in average premium.
- 46 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 44 plans in 2021. This represents a 4.50 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 14 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 25 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 8 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 13 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 99 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 32 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$7.20 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

Medicare Open Enrollment runs from October 15, 2021, to December 7, 2021. People with Medicare should take the opportunity to review their health care needs for the upcoming year and determine if they would benefit by changing plans. By shopping available plans and comparing costs, individuals may find a Medicare health or drug plan with better coverage or a lower premium in 2022.

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- The “2022 Medicare & You” Handbook is sent to every person with Medicare. The handbook can be accessed online at: <https://www.medicare.gov/forms-help-resources/medicare-you-handbook/download-medicare-you-in-different-formats>.
- Health and drug plans begin notifying enrollees about changes to their plans in 2022.

#### *October 2021*

- Individuals can begin shopping and comparing plans on Medicare.gov starting October 1, 2021.
- Individuals should watch their mail for notices from Medicare with information about changes in 2022.
- Medicare health and drug plan 2022 Star Ratings will be available on Medicare.gov on or around October 7, 2021.
- Medicare Open Enrollment **begins October 15, 2021.**

#### *December 2021*

- Medicare Open Enrollment **ends December 7, 2021.**

#### *January 2022*

- Medicare health and drug plan coverage for 2022 **begins January 1, 2022.**

## **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Resources**

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In addition, Medicare enrollees can contact their State Health Insurance Programs (<https://www.shiphelp.org/>) for one-on-one assistance. People who want to keep their current Medicare coverage do not need to re-enroll.

To help with their Medicare costs, low-income seniors and adults with disabilities may qualify to receive financial assistance from the Medicare Savings Programs (MSPs). The MSPs are essential to help millions of Americans access high-quality health care at a reduced cost, yet only about half of eligible people are enrolled. The MSPs help pay Medicare premiums and may also pay Original Medicare deductibles, coinsurance and copayments if people meet the conditions of eligibility. Enrolling in an MSP offers relief from these Medicare costs, allowing people to spend that money on food, housing or transportation. Seniors interested in learning more can visit: <https://www.medicare.gov/your-medicare-costs/get-help-paying-costs/medicare-savings-programs>.

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### **Medicare Open Enrollment in Wisconsin, 2022**

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Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

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In Wisconsin, 1,221,802 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Wisconsin in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$31.86 in 2021 to \$29.87 in 2022. This represents a -6.23 percent change in average premium.
- 115 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 115 plans in 2021. 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.
- Through the CMS Innovation Center's Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 18 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards

and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.

- In addition, through the VBID Model's Hospice Benefit Component, 1 plan will offer the Medicare hospice benefit through their plan.

#### **Medicare Part D:**

- 24 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 8 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 55 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 21 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$6.60 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

#### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

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##### *October 2021*

- Individuals can begin shopping and comparing plans on Medicare.gov starting October 1, 2021.
- Individuals should watch their mail for notices from Medicare with information about changes in 2022.
- Medicare health and drug plan 2022 Star Ratings will be available on Medicare.gov on or around October 7, 2021.
- Medicare Open Enrollment **begins October 15, 2021.**

##### *December 2021*

- Medicare Open Enrollment **ends December 7, 2021.**

##### *January 2022*

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In addition, Medicare enrollees can contact their State Health Insurance Programs (<https://www.shiphelp.org/>) for one-on-one assistance. People who want to keep their current Medicare coverage do not need to re-enroll.

To help with their Medicare costs, low-income seniors and adults with disabilities may qualify to receive financial assistance from the Medicare Savings Programs (MSPs). The MSPs are essential to help millions of Americans access high-quality health care at a reduced cost, yet only about half of eligible people are enrolled. The MSPs help pay Medicare premiums and may also pay Original Medicare deductibles, coinsurance and copayments if people meet the conditions of eligibility. Enrolling in an MSP offers relief from these Medicare costs, allowing people to spend that money on food, housing or transportation. Seniors interested in learning more can visit: <https://www.medicare.gov/your-medicare-costs/get-help-paying-costs/medicare-savings-programs>.

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Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

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In Wyoming, 116,902 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Wyoming in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$52.58 in 2021 to \$47.58 in 2022. This represents a -9.52 percent change in average premium.
- 9 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 6 plans in 2021. This represents a 50.00 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 1 plan will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 22 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 7 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 1 Medicare Advantage plan with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 18 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$6.80 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

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#### *October 2021*

- Individuals can begin shopping and comparing plans on Medicare.gov starting October 1, 2021.
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- Medicare Open Enrollment **begins October 15, 2021.**

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In addition, Medicare enrollees can contact their State Health Insurance Programs (<https://www.shiphelp.org/>) for one-on-one assistance. People who want to keep their current Medicare coverage do not need to re-enroll.

To help with their Medicare costs, low-income seniors and adults with disabilities may qualify to receive financial assistance from the Medicare Savings Programs (MSPs). The MSPs are essential to help millions of Americans access high-quality health care at a reduced cost, yet only about half of eligible people are enrolled. The MSPs help pay Medicare premiums and may also pay Original Medicare deductibles, coinsurance and copayments if people meet the conditions of eligibility. Enrolling in an MSP offers relief from these Medicare costs, allowing people to spend that money on food, housing or transportation. Seniors interested in learning more can visit: <https://www.medicare.gov/your-medicare-costs/get-help-paying-costs/medicare-savings-programs>.

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### **Medicare Open Enrollment in American Samoa, 2022**

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Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

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In American Samoa, 4,805 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In American Samoa in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Part D:**

- 1 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan is available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 46 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$61.50 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

#### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

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and determine if they would benefit by changing plans. By shopping available plans and comparing costs, individuals may find a Medicare health or drug plan with better coverage or a lower premium in 2022.

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- Health and drug plans begin notifying enrollees about changes to their plans in 2022.

#### *October 2021*

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- Individuals should watch their mail for notices from Medicare with information about changes in 2022.
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- Medicare Open Enrollment **begins October 15, 2021**.

#### *December 2021*

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In Guam, 18,197 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Guam in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Part D:**

- 1 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan is available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 100 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 3 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$45.50 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

#### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

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- Health and drug plans begin notifying enrollees about changes to their plans in 2022.

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In addition, Medicare enrollees can contact their State Health Insurance Programs (<https://www.shiphelp.org/>) for one-on-one assistance. People who want to keep their current Medicare coverage do not need to re-enroll.

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In Northern Mariana Islands, 2,821 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Northern Mariana Islands in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Part D:**

- 1 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan is available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 12 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$51.90 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

##### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

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and determine if they would benefit by changing plans. By shopping available plans and comparing costs, individuals may find a Medicare health or drug plan with better coverage or a lower premium in 2022.

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In Puerto Rico, 755,111 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In Puerto Rico in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Advantage:**

- The average monthly Medicare Advantage premium changed from \$0.73 in 2021 to \$0.66 in 2022. This represents a -9.76 percent change in average premium.
- 53 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2022, compared to 50 plans in 2021. This represents a 6.00 percent change in plan options.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- \$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
- 100 percent of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

- Through the CMS Innovation Center’s Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 51 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees eliminated Part D cost-sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits that address social determinants of health, such as food insecurity and social isolation, for certain underserved and/or chronically ill enrollees.
- In addition, through the VBID Model’s Hospice Benefit Component, 28 plans will offer the Medicare hospice benefit through their plan.

### **Medicare Part D:**

- 6 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 2 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans and 28 Medicare Advantage plans with prescription drug coverage will offer lower out-of-pocket insulin costs through the Part D Senior Savings Model.
- 97 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2021.
- 2 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$33.20 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

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In addition, Medicare enrollees can contact their State Health Insurance Programs (<https://www.shiphelp.org/>) for one-on-one assistance. People who want to keep their current Medicare coverage do not need to re-enroll.

To help with their Medicare costs, low-income seniors and adults with disabilities may qualify to receive financial assistance from the Medicare Savings Programs (MSPs). The MSPs are essential to help millions of Americans access high-quality health care at a reduced cost, yet only about half of eligible people are enrolled. The MSPs help pay Medicare premiums and may also pay Original Medicare deductibles, coinsurance and copayments if people meet the conditions of eligibility. Enrolling in an MSP offers relief from these Medicare costs, allowing people to spend that money on food, housing or transportation. Seniors interested in learning more can visit: <https://www.medicare.gov/your-medicare-costs/get-help-paying-costs/medicare-savings-programs>.

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### **Medicare Open Enrollment in U.S. Virgin Islands, 2022**

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) offers seniors and people with disabilities several insurance options, including Original Medicare, Medicare Advantage, and Part D Prescription Drug Plans. The costs and covered benefits of different plan options can change from year to year, so people with Medicare should review their coverage choices annually and decide on the option that best meets their health needs.

Nationally, the average 2022 premiums for Medicare Advantage plans – private health plans that cover all Medicare benefits and may provide additional benefits – are expected to decrease more than 10 percent from 2021, while plan choice and benefits continue to increase.

CMS provides price and quality information to empower people with Medicare to choose coverage options that are the best fit for them. While reviewing their health care coverage, enrollees can consider new or different plans, discover extra benefits, and possibly save money. Information on these resources is below.

In U.S. Virgin Islands, 20,434 individuals are enrolled in Medicare.

#### **In U.S. Virgin Islands in 2022:**

##### **Medicare Part D:**

- 1 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan is available in 2022. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan.
- 3 percent of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).
- \$80.30 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.

##### **2022 Medicare Open Enrollment Important Dates**

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and determine if they would benefit by changing plans. By shopping available plans and comparing costs, individuals may find a Medicare health or drug plan with better coverage or a lower premium in 2022.

#### *September 2021*

- The “2022 Medicare & You” Handbook is sent to every person with Medicare. The handbook can be accessed online at: <https://www.medicare.gov/forms-help-resources/medicare-you-handbook/download-medicare-you-in-different-formats>.
- Health and drug plans begin notifying enrollees about changes to their plans in 2022.

#### *October 2021*

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