

Showcards & Reference Cards

MEDICARE CURRENT BENEFICIARY SURVEY



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Introduction

This guide contains a comprehensive, up-to-date list of MCBS showcards and reference cards. Over time, we may make changes to your showcards and reference cards by updating the content, adding new cards, or eliminating existing cards.

You can use this guide to ensure that you are using the most up-to-date set of active materials. To check if you are using the most recent versions, look at the date of the “Current Version” in the table on the following pages and compare it with the date on the bottom of your showcards and reference cards.

If you’re missing updated versions of showcards or reference cards, notify your FM, who will arrange to have them sent to you.

MCBS Showcards

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Quex Sections	Showcards	Current Version
ACQ	AC1	July 28, 2014
AVQ	(None)	(None)
CLQ	(None)	(None)
CPS	(None)	(None)
DIQ	DI1	July 28, 2014
	DI2	July 28, 2014
	DI3	July 28, 2014
	DI4	July 28, 2014
	DI5	July 28, 2014
	DI6	May 19, 2015
DUQ	DU1	May 19, 2015
END	(None)	(None)
ENS	ENS1	July 28, 2014
ERQ	(None)	(None)
HAQ	HA1	July 28, 2014
	HA2	July 28, 2014
	HA3	July 28, 2014
HFQ	HF1	August 1, 2015
	HF2	August 1, 2015
	HF3	August 1, 2015
	HF4	August 1, 2015
	HF5	August 1, 2015
	HF6	August 1, 2015
	HF7	August 1, 2015
HHQ	HH1	July 28, 2014
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	HH5	July 28, 2014

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HIS-HIQ	HI1	February 17, 2015
	HI2	August 4, 2014
	HI3	August 4, 2014
	HI4	August 4, 2014
	HI5	August 4, 2014
	HI6	September 4, 2014
	HIT1	July 28, 2014
	HIT2	July 28, 2014
IAQ	IA1	August 1, 2015
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	IA22	August 1, 2015
	IA23	August 1, 2015
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	IA25	August 1, 2015
	IA26	August 1, 2015
	IA27	August 1, 2015
	IA28	August 1, 2015
	IA29	August 1, 2015
	IA30	August 1, 2015
	IA31	August 1, 2015
	IA32	August 1, 2015
	IA33	August 1, 2015
	IA34	August 1, 2015
	IA35	August 1, 2015
INQ	(None)	(None)
IPQ	(None)	(None)
IUQ	IU1	July 28, 2014
IRQ	(None)	(None)
KNQ	KN1	July 28, 2014
	KN2	July 28, 2014
	KN3	July 28, 2014
	KN4	July 28, 2014
	KN5	July 28, 2014
	KN6	July 28, 2014
	KN7	July 28, 2014
MBQ	(None)	(None)
MPQ	MP1	July 28, 2014
	MP2	July 28, 2014
	MP3	July 28, 2014

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	MP4	July 28, 2014
	MP5	July 28, 2014
NSQ	(None)	(None)
OMQ	OM1	July 28, 2014
	OM2	July 28, 2014
	OM3	July 28, 2014
	OM4	July 28, 2014
	OM5	July 28, 2014
OPQ	(None)	(None)
PMQ	PM1	July 28, 2014
PMS	(None)	(None)
PSQ	(None)	(None)
RXQ	RX1	July 28, 2014
	RX2	July 28, 2014
	RX3	July 28, 2014
	RX4	July 28, 2014
SCQ	SC1	July 28, 2014
	SC2	July 28, 2014
	SC3	July 28, 2014
	SC4	July 28, 2014
STQ	(None)	(None)
USQ/PPIC	US1	July 28, 2014
	US2	July 28, 2014
	US3	July 28, 2014
	PP1	August 1, 2015
	PP2	August 1, 2015
	PP3	August 1, 2015
	PP4	August 1, 2015

MCBS Reference Cards

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Reference Card	Current Version
Calendar for 2015-2016	August 1, 2015
Glossary of Medical Abbreviations	July 28, 2014
Insurance Card Combinations	August 1, 2015
Respondent Language Identification	August 1, 2015
Types of Medical Providers	August 1, 2015
Medical Pronunciation Guide	July 28, 2014
U.S. State Abbreviations	July 28, 2014
Statement Terms Glossary	August 1, 2015
Income and Assets Glossary	August 1, 2015
Collecting Missing Data in the IRQ	August 1, 2015
Medicare and Tricare Statement Examples	July 28, 2014
Programs that are do NOT Count as Health Insurance Plans on MCBS	August 1, 2015
Guidelines for Entering Footprint Tickets	August 1, 2015
What to do if You Run Into Questionnaire Problems	August 1, 2015
Where do I Go? (Where to Find Answers to Common Project Activities)	August 1, 2015
MCBS Crossover Procedures	August 1, 2015
Facility Information to Collect from the Proxy	August 1, 2015
Handling Potential Challenges in the Facility Screener Process	August 1, 2015

AC1

- Allergy/immunology (allergies, asthma)
 - Anesthesiology
 - Cardiology (heart)
 - Dermatology (skin)
 - Endocrinology/metabolism (diabetes, thyroid)
 - Family practice
 - Gastroenterology (digestive system)
 - General practice
 - General surgery
 - Geriatrics (elderly)
 - Gynecology – obstetrics
 - Hematology (blood)
 - Hospital residence
 - Internal medicine (internist)
 - Nephrology (kidneys)
 - Neurology (nervous system)
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AC1

- Nuclear medicine
- Oncology (tumors, cancer)
- Ophthalmology (eyes)
- Orthopedics (bones, joints)
- Osteopathy (do)
- Otorhinolaryngology (ear, nose, throat)
- Pathology
- Physical med/rehab
- Plastic surgery
- Proctology
- Psychiatry/psychiatrist (mental health)
- Pulmonary (lungs)
- Radiology
- Rheumatology (arthritis)
- Thoracic surgery (chest)
- Urology (urinary tract)

DI1

- Mexican, Mexican American, Chicano(a)
- Puerto Rican
- Cuban

DI2

- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Asian
- Black or African American
- Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
- White

DI3

- Asian Indian
- Chinese
- Filipino
- Japanese
- Korean
- Vietnamese

DI4

- Native Hawaiian
- Guamanian or Chamorro
- Samoan

DI5

- No schooling completed
- Nursery school to 8th grade
- 9th-12th grade, no diploma
- High school graduate (high school diploma or the equivalent)
- Vocational/technical/business/trade school certificate or diploma (beyond the high school level)
- Some college, but no degree
- Associate degree
- Bachelor's degree
- Master's, professional, or doctorate degree

DI6

Annual Income

A. Less than \$5,000
B. \$5,000 – less than \$10,000
C. \$10,000 – less than \$15,000
D. \$15,000 – less than \$20,000
E. \$20,000 – less than \$25,000
F. \$25,000 – less than \$30,000
G. \$30,000 – less than \$40,000
H. \$40,000 – less than \$50,000
I. \$50,000 – less than \$66,000
J. \$66,000 – less than \$109,000
K. \$109,000 or more

Monthly Breakdown

A. Less than \$417
B. \$417 – less than \$834
C. \$834 – less than \$1,250
D. \$1,250 – less than \$1,667
E. \$1,667 – less than \$2,084
F. \$2,084 – less than \$2,500
G. \$2,500 – less than \$3,334
H. \$3,334 – less than \$4,167
I. \$4,167 – less than \$5,500
J. \$5,500 – less than \$9,084
K. \$9,084 or more

DU1

- General exam, checkup or consultation
- Cleaning, prophylaxis, or polishing
- X-rays, radiographs, or bitewings
- Fluoride treatment
- Sealant (plastic coatings on back teeth)
- Fillings
- Inlays
- Crowns or caps
- Root canal
- Periodontal scaling, root planing, or gum surgery
- Periodontal recall visit (periodic or regular)

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DU1

- Extraction, tooth pulled
- Implants
- Abscess or infection treatment
- Other oral surgery
- Fixed bridges
- Dentures or removable partial dentures
- Relining or repair of bridges or dentures
- Orthodontia, braces, or retainers
- Bond, whiten, or bleach
- Treatment for TMD or TMJ

ENS1

- Iraq or Afghanistan Conflict (2001 – Present)
- Persian Gulf War (Aug 1990 – March 1991)
- Vietnam Era (Aug 1964 – May 1975)
- Korean Conflict (June 1950 – Jan 1955)
- World War II (Sept 1940 – July 1947)
- World War I (1917 – 1918)
- Peace time (all other times)

HA1

- One-family, detached
- Two-family or duplex
- Apartment or condominium building
- Mobile home, trailer
- Rowhouse, townhouse
- “mother-in-law” apartment

HA2

- Retirement community
- Senior citizens housing
- Assisted living facility
- Continuing care community
- Staged living community
- Retirement apartments
- Church-provided housing
- Personal or residential care home

HA3

- Prepared meals
- Housekeeping, maid, or cleaning services
- Laundry services
- Help with medications
- Transportation
- Recreational services

HF1

- Much better now than one year ago
- Somewhat better now than one year ago
- About the same
- Somewhat worse now than one year ago
- Much worse now than one year ago

HF2

- It will get much better
- It will get somewhat better
- It will not change
- It will get somewhat worse
- It will get much worse

HF3

- No difficulty at all
- A little difficulty
- Some difficulty
- A lot of difficulty
- Not able to do it

HF4

- Type 1
- Type 2
- Borderline
- Pre-diabetes
- Gestational (pregnancy-related)
- Some other type

HF5

- All of the time
- Most of the time
- Some of the time
- A little of the time
- None of the time

HF6

- Just about everything you need to know
- Most of what you need to know
- Some of what you need to know
- A little of what you need to know
- Almost none of what you need to know

HF7

- More than once a week
- About once a week
- 2-3 times a month
- About once a month
- Every 2-3 months
- Once or twice a year
- Not at all

Home Help by Health or Medical Professionals

- Nurse (visiting nurse, private duty nurse, etc.)
- Doctor
- Social worker
- Therapist
- Hospice worker

HH2

Medical or Nursing Treatment

- Applying sterile bandages or dressings
- Giving medications
- Taking blood pressure
- Giving shots or injections

Help With Daily Needs

- Using the telephone
- Doing housework
- Preparing meals

HH4

- Bathing
- Showering
- Dressing
- Eating
- Walking
- Using the toilet

HH5

Personal Care or Help with Daily Needs from Persons Who Do Not Live with You

- Home health aides
- Homemakers
- Friends
- Neighbors
- Relatives

Health Insurance Coverage Options

- “Original” Medicare
- “Medicare Advantage” (MA) plan
 - with Prescription Drug Plan (MA-PD) **or** without
- Medicaid
- TRICARE/TRICARE for Life
- Public Programs (Other Than Medicaid)
- Medicare Part D Prescription Drug Plan (PDP)
- Private/Supplemental Insurance Plan
 - Purchased directly from an insurance company, *or*
 - Obtained through an employer, union, or other group, such as AARP

HI1

ORIGINAL MEDICARE	MEDICARE ADVANTAGE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You have your choice of doctors and hospitals. • Generally, you or your supplemental coverage pay deductibles and coinsurance. • If you want drug coverage, you must join a <i>stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan</i> –a separate policy just for drugs. • You can buy a <i>Medigap plan</i>, which can help pay expenses not covered by Medicare. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May either require you to see medical providers in their <i>network</i> or let you choose and pay more of the costs. • You usually pay a <i>copay</i> or coinsurance for covered services. • If you want drug coverage, you must join a plan that includes drug coverage. This will give you all of your coverage in one plan. • A Medigap plan is not available.
MEDICAID	TRICARE/TRICARE FOR LIFE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public health care plan that helps make Medicare affordable for beneficiaries with low incomes and modest assets. • Medicare beneficiaries who are also enrolled in Medicaid are referred to as “<i>dual eligibles</i>.” • Will be automatically enrolled in a Medicare prescription drug plan and be eligible for a <i>low-income subsidy</i> or “<i>extra help</i>.” 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Covers active-duty service members, retirees, and their families. • TRICARE generally pays the fees left outstanding after Medicare has made their payment.

HI1

PRIVATE SUPPLEMENTAL INSURANCE	MEDICARE PART D PRESCRIPTION DRUG PLAN
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Separate plans that help pay for Medicare deductibles and coinsurance, and/or provide coverage for services not covered under Medicare.• Available to beneficiaries who are covered by Original Medicare.• Obtained from previous employers, private companies, union, associations, and other groups.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Separate policies that cover only prescribed medicines.• Beneficiaries pay a monthly premium and copay or coinsurance for their required prescriptions.• Standalone plans are only available to beneficiaries who are covered by Original Medicare; otherwise drug coverage is available as part of Medicare Advantage plans.
PUBLIC PROGRAMS (OTHER THAN MEDICAID)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Include state, county, or city-based programs such as a pharmacy program, where the local government provides at least partial coverage for the cost of prescribed medicines.• Insurance comes from a public source other than Medicare or Medicaid.	

HIT1

TRICARE Plan Names

- A. TRICARE for Life
- B. TRICARE Plus
- C. TRICARE Prime
- D. TRICARE Extra
- E. TRICARE Standard
- F. TRICARE Pharmacy / TRICARE Senior Pharmacy
- G. TRICARE Dental Program
- H. TRICARE Retiree Dental Program
- I. TRICARE Reserve Select (TRS)
- J. TRICARE US Family Health Plan

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HIT1

Beneficiary Information Card for TRICARE For Life

FRONT OF CARD

TRICARE For Life

To Provider: File claims in the usual manner to Medicare.

To Patient : *Services that are a benefit of both Medicare and TRICARE :* No deductible or cost share is required.

Medicare only benefit : Medicare deductible and cost share required.

TRICARE only benefit: TRICARE deductible and cost share required.

For benefit questions call 1-888-DoD-LIFE (1-888-363-5433) www.tricare.osd.mil

For more information call 1-800-977-6753 www.hnfs.net

BACK OF CARD

TRICARE Senior Pharmacy

Military Treatment Facility: No Co-pay

National Mail Order Pharmacy: \$3 generic;\$9 brand name
(90 day supply)

TRICARE Network Pharmacy: \$3 generic;\$9 brand name
(30 day supply)

TRICARE Non-network Pharmacy: \$9 or 20% of cost (30 day supply)
\$150/person or \$300/family
annual deductible applies.

For pharmacy questions call 1-877-DoD-MEDS (1-877-363-6337)

(Co-pays subject to change)

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HIT2

Places to Obtain Medicines in Tricare Plan

- TRICARE Mail Order Pharmacy (TMOP)
- TRICARE Retail Pharmacy Network Pharmacy (TRRx)
- Military Treatment Facility Pharmacy (MTF)
- Non-network retail pharmacy

IA1

Monthly Mortgage Payments

A. Less than \$250
B. \$250 – less than \$500
C. \$500 – less than \$1,000
D. \$1,000 – less than \$3,000
E. \$3,000 – less than \$5,000
F. \$5,000 or more

IA2

Present Value of Home/Apartment/Condo

A. Less than \$50,000
B. \$50,000 – less than \$75,000
C. \$75,000 – less than \$100,000
D. \$100,000 – less than \$200,000
E. \$200,000 – less than \$300,000
F. \$300,000 – less than \$500,000
G. \$500,000 – less than \$750,000
H. \$750,000 or more

IA3

Monthly Rent

A. Less than \$250
B. \$250 – less than \$500
C. \$500 – less than \$1,000
D. \$1,000 – less than \$3,000
E. \$3,000 – less than \$5,000
F. \$5,000 or more

IA4

Retirement Plans

- 401(k)
- 403(b)
- IRA
- Keogh

IA5

**Combined Monthly Social
Security or Railroad Retirement
Amount**

A. Less than \$1,300
B. \$1,300 – less than \$1,700
C. \$1,700 – less than \$2,200
D. \$2,200 – less than \$2,600
E. \$2,600 or more

IA6

**Individual Monthly Social
Security or Railroad
Retirement Amount**

A. Less than \$700
B. \$700 – less than \$1,000
C. \$1,000 – less than \$1,300
D. \$1,300 – less than \$1,600
E. \$1,600 or more

IA7

**Combined Monthly
Supplemental Security
Income Amount**

A. Less than \$300
B. \$300 – less than \$700
C. \$700 – less than \$1,000
D. \$1,000 or more

IA8

**Individual Monthly
Supplemental Security
Income Amount**

A. Less than \$100
B. \$100 – less than \$200
C. \$200 – less than \$400
D. \$400 – less than \$700
E. \$700 or more

IA9

**Combined Monthly Veterans
Administration Income
Amount**

A. Less than \$1,000
B. \$1,000 – less than \$1,400
C. \$1,400 – less than \$1,800
D. \$1,800 – less than \$2,200
E. \$2,200 or more

IA10

**Individual Monthly Veterans
Administration Income
Amount**

A. Less than \$500
B. \$500 – less than \$700
C. \$700 – less than \$900
D. \$900 – less than \$1,100
E. \$1,100 or more

IA11

Combined Monthly Pension Payment

A. Less than \$600
B. \$600 – less than \$1,300
C. \$1,300 – less than \$2,100
D. \$2,100 – less than \$5,900
E. \$5,900 or more

IA12

Individual Monthly Pension Payment

A. Less than \$400
B. \$400 – less than \$900
C. \$900 – less than \$1,600
D. \$1,600 – less than \$3,800
E. \$3,800 or more

IA13

Combined Total Retirement Accounts

A. Less than \$34,000
B. \$34,000 – less than \$82,000
C. \$82,000 – less than \$175,000
D. \$175,000 – less than \$413,000
E. \$413,000 or more

IA14

Individual Total Retirement Accounts

A. Less than \$20,000
B. \$20,000 – less than \$47,000
C. \$47,000 – less than \$92,000
D. \$92,000 – less than \$218,000
E. \$218,000 or more

IA15

**Combined Monthly Amount
Received from Retirement
Account**

A. Less than \$200
B. \$200 – less than \$500
C. \$500 – less than \$1,000
D. \$1,000 – less than \$2,500
E. \$2,500 or more

IA16

**Individual Monthly Amount
Received from Retirement
Account**

A. Less than \$100
B. \$100 – less than \$300
C. \$300 – less than \$700
D. \$700 – less than \$1,700
E. \$1,700 or more

IA17

**Combined Amount Received
from Retirement Account Last
Year**

A. Less than \$2,400
B. \$2,400 – less than \$6,000
C. \$6,000 – less than \$12,000
D. \$12,000 – less than \$30,000
E. \$30,000 or more

IA18

**Individual Amount Received
from Retirement Account Last
Year**

A. Less than \$1,200
B. \$1,200 – less than \$3,600
C. \$3,600 – less than \$8,400
D. \$8,400 – less than \$20,400
E. \$20,400 or more

IA19

Combined Mutual Funds/Stocks/Bonds Not Part of Retirement Account

A. Less than \$9,000
B. \$9,000 – less than \$18,000
C. \$18,000 – less than \$93,000
D. \$93,000 – less than \$350,000
E. \$350,000 or more

IA20

**IAQ35C- Mutual
Funds/Stocks/Bonds Not Part
of Retirement Account**

A. Less than \$600
B. \$600 – less than \$5,000
C. \$5,000 – less than \$16,000
D. \$16,000 – less than \$62,000
E. \$62,000 or more

IA21

**IAC26A- Mutual
Funds/Stocks/Bonds Not Part
of Retirement Account**

A. Less than \$8,000
B. \$8,000 – less than \$62,000
C. \$62,000 – less than \$192,000
D. \$192,000 – less than \$213,000
E. \$213,000 or more

IA22

**IAQ36C- Mutual
Funds/Stocks/Bonds Not Part
of Retirement Account**

A. Less than \$300
B. \$300 – less than \$2,500
C. \$2,500 – less than \$8,000
D. \$8,000 – less than \$37,000
E. \$37,000 or more

IA23

IAQ38B – All Accounts Last Month

A. Less than \$11,000
B. \$11,000 – less than \$25,000
C. \$25,000 – less than \$50,000
D. \$50,000 – less than \$108,000
E. \$108,000 or more

IA24

**IAQ38C – All Accounts Last
Month**

A. Less than \$2,000
B. \$2,000 – less than \$7,000
C. \$7,000 – less than \$17,000
D. \$17,000 – less than \$57,000
E. \$57,000 or more

IA25

**IAQ39B/IAQ40B – All Accounts
Last Month**

A. Less than \$8,000
B. \$8,000 – less than \$13,000
C. \$13,000 – less than \$28,000
D. \$28,000 – less than \$54,000
E. \$54,000 or more

IA26

**IAQ39C/IAQ40C – All Accounts
Last Month**

A. Less than \$500
B. \$500 – less than \$1,900
C. \$1,900 – less than \$5,000
D. \$5,000 – less than \$20,000
E. \$20,000 or more

IA27

IAQ41 – Combined Interest and Dividends Last Year

A. Less than \$200
B. \$200 – less than \$1,000
C. \$1,000 – less than \$4,000
D. \$4,000 – less than \$16,000
E. \$16,000 or more

IA28

IAQ42B/IAQ43B – Individual Interest and Dividend Income

A. Less than \$400
B. \$400 – less than \$1,000
C. \$1,000 – less than \$2,000
D. \$2,000 – less than \$11,000
E. \$11,000 or more

IA29

IAQ44A – Value of Business, Farm, or Real Estate

A. Less than \$30,000
B. \$30,000 – less than \$101,000
C. \$101,000 – less than \$247,000
D. \$247,000 – less than \$703,000
E. \$703,000 or more

IA30

**IAQ45B/IAQ46A – Value of
Business, Farm, or Real Estate**

A. Less than \$18,000
B. \$18,000 – less than \$68,000
C. \$68,000 – less than \$122,000
D. \$122,000 – less than \$293,000
E. \$293,000 or more

IA31

IAQ47B – Income from Businesses or Property

A. Less than \$3,600
B. \$3,600 – less than \$12,000
C. \$12,000 – less than \$25,000
D. \$25,000 – less than \$64,000
E. \$64,000 or more

IA32

**IAQ48B/IAQ49B – Income from
Businesses or Property**

A. Less than \$3,600
B. \$3,600 – less than \$7,200
C. \$7,200 – less than \$14,000
D. \$14,000 – less than \$38,000
E. \$38,000 or more

IA33

IAQ51A – Total Income

A. Less than \$30,000
B. \$30,000 – less than \$43,000
C. \$43,000 – less than \$66,000
D. \$66,000 – less than \$109,000
E. \$109,000 or more

IA34

IAQ51B – Total Income

A. Less than \$18,000
B. \$18,000 – less than \$22,000
C. \$22,000 – less than \$36,000
D. \$36,000 – less than \$56,000
E. \$56,000 or more

IA35

Present Value of Vehicles

A. Less than \$2,500
B. \$2,500 – less than \$5,000
C. \$5,000 – less than \$7,500
D. \$7,500 – less than \$10,000
E. \$10,000 – less than \$20,000
F. \$20,000 or more

Long Term Care Places

- Skilled nursing homes
- Intermediate care facilities
- Board and care homes
- Nursing home units in hospitals
- Facilities for the mentally retarded
- Psychiatric facilities
- Group homes

KN1

- Very easy
- Somewhat easy
- Somewhat difficult
- Very difficult

KN2

- Just about everything you need to know
- Most of what you need to know
- Some of what you need to know
- A little of what you need to know
- Almost none of what you need to know

KN3

- How much you would have to pay for medical services
- Information about Medicare prescription drug coverage
- Medicare's new benefits or changes
- What services Medicare does or doesn't cover
- The benefits of Medicare advantage plans
- Medigap or supplemental insurance
- Medicaid
- Choosing or finding a doctor or other health care provider
- Staying healthy
- Quality of care from health care providers
- Choosing a nursing home

KN4

- Very satisfied
- Satisfied
- Dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied

KN5

& Medicare You



2014

This is the official U.S. government
Medicare handbook:

- ★ What's important in 2014 (page 4)
- ★ What Medicare covers (page 29)



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Preferred Source of Information

- Friends or family
- Medical professional (doctor, nurse, clinic, etc.)
- Pharmacist
- Medicare or CMS
- Social security
- State Medicaid agency
- Another government agency
- Insurance company, including Medigap
- Medicare advantage, Medicare prescription
- Drug plan companies
- Current or former employer or union
- AARP or senior organizations
- Media (newspapers, TV, radio, magazine)

KN7

- Very interested
- Somewhat interested
- Not very interested
- Not at all interested

MP1

Health Practitioners Who Are Not Medical Doctors

- Acupuncturist
- Audiologist
- Optometrist
- Chiropractor
- Podiatrist (foot doctor)
- Homeopath
- Naturopath
- Any other kind of health provider who is not a medical doctor

MP2

Mental Health Professionals

- Psychiatrist
- Psychologist
- Clinical social worker
- Licensed professional counselor

MP3

Therapists

- Physical therapist
- Speech therapist
- (Intravenous) I.V. therapist
- Massage therapist
- Occupational therapist
- Respiratory therapist

MP4

Other Medical Persons

- Nurse
- Nurse practitioner
- Paramedic (not including ambulance services)
- Physician's assistant

MP5

Other Types of Medical Places

- Health clinic
- Neighborhood health center
- Rural health clinic
- Infirmary
- Mental health clinic
- Urgent care center
- Any other place

OM1

Orthopedic Items

- Crutches
- Canes
- Wheelchairs
- Walkers
- Corrective shoes or inserts
- Support stockings
- Braces or supports

OM2

Diabetic Equipment or Supplies

- Syringes
- Test paper
- Test strips
- Blood monitoring kits

OM3

Prostheses

- Artificial leg or arm
- Mastectomy prosthesis
- Artificial or glass eye

OM4

Other Medical Equipment and Supplies

- Portable commode or raised toilet seat
- Portable tub seat
- Special chair or cushion
- Hospital bed
- Ostomy supplies
- Incontinence supplies (such as depends, serenity or other brands of disposable undergarments, pads, or briefs)
- Bandages, dressings, tape supplies
- Pulmonary equipment (nebulizer, CPAP, etc.)
- Blood pressure equipment (such as cuffs or monitors)

OM5

Alterations Inside or Outside Home or Car

- Ramps
- Handrails (other than tub handrails)
- Elevator or incline chair
- Tub seats
- Tub handrails
- Any car alteration

PM1

- Often
- Sometimes
- Never

RX1

- Very easy
- Somewhat easy
- Somewhat difficult
- Very difficult

RX2

- Just about everything you need to know
- Most of what you need to know
- Some of what you need to know
- A little of what you need to know
- Almost none of what you need to know

RX3

- Very satisfied
- Satisfied
- Dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied

RX4

- Extremely confident
- Very confident
- Moderately confident
- Slightly confident
- Not confident

SC1

- Very satisfied
- Satisfied
- Dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied

SC2

- Didn't think the problem was serious
- Thought it would cost too much
- Trouble finding or getting to the doctor
- Time, schedule, or personal conflicts
- Thought doctor couldn't do much about the problem
- Was afraid of finding out what was wrong
- Doctor would not accept my insurance

SC3

- Thought it would cost too much
- Didn't think medicine would help the condition
- Was afraid of medicine reactions or contraindications
- Don't like to take medicine
- Didn't think medicine was necessary
- The medicine was not covered by insurance or not on the plan's formulary
- Trouble obtaining medicine
- Obtained or used samples
- Used another medicine as a substitution

SC4

- Often
- Sometimes
- Never

US1

- Less than 1 year
- 1 year to less than 3 years
- 3 years to less than 5 years
- 5 years to less than 10 years
- 10 years or more

US2

- Never
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always

US3

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree

PP1

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Worst
health care
possible

Best
health care
possible

PP2

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Hard to
manage

Easy to
manage

PP3

- Not a problem at all
- A small problem
- A moderate problem
- A big problem
- A very big problem

PP4

- Agree a lot
- Agree a little
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Disagree a little
- Disagree a lot