## 2024 Medicare Part D Prescription Drug Coverage Phases

DEDUCTIBLE	INITIAL COVERAGE	COVERAGE GAP (DONUT HOLE)	CATASTROPHIC
You will pay	You will pay	You will pay	You will pay
up to \$545 \$545 is the maximum Part D Prescription Drug deductible	A copay (\$) or coinsurance (%), based on each drug's tier	25% of the cost of generic and brand name drugsuntil your True Out-of-Pocket	\$0 for covered drugs on the plan's formulary for the duration of the calendar year
A deductible is the amount you owe before the insurance carrier helps  Some plans don't have a deductible	Once gross drug costs (YOUR out-of-pocket copays PLUS the amount the plan pays on your behalf) reach \$5,030 you enter the Coverage Gap (Donut Hole), where you may pay a higher cost	(TrOOP)* costs reach \$8,000  Note: You only pay a portion of the \$8,000 (see note about Catastrophic phase to the right and TrOOP below)	Note: Your actual drug copays should be capped at about \$3,300 for the year (through all phases)**
	higher cost		Max Copays: About \$3,300

## \*What gets you to the \$8,000 TrOOP (beginning of Catastrophic)? The total of...

- <u>Deductible phase</u>: What you pay
- Initial Coverage phase: What you pay (NOT what the plan pays for you)
- Coverage Gap (Donut Hole) phase: The 25% you pay PLUS 70% of the brand name cost (which is paid by the manufacturer)
  - o This means you don't personally have to pay \$8,000 to reach Catastrophic

## A Note For Those Taking Insulin

- Approved insulins are no more than \$35 for a 30-day supply (until you reach Catastrophic phase)
- The insulin needs to be covered on the plan's formulary list of drugs
- Insulin through an insulin pump also has a \$35 copay max, but that goes through Medicare Part B medical insurance (not your Part D drug coverage)