



# Tips for Moving Out of State

Are you looking to retire in another state, or possibly move closer to family? Regardless of the reason, there may be a time where you'll move from one state to another while you have Medicare. Here's what you need to know to ensure there are no interruptions in your benefits or health care coverage.

## Notify Medicare/Social Security

Since Original Medicare (Part A & Part B) are federal programs, they will follow you as you move within the United States and its territories. As your first step, make sure to notify Medicare before you move to provide them with your new address. You can either do this online through your My Social Security portal, over the phone at 800-772-1213, or by visiting your local Social Security office.

## Notify Your Current Coverage

Next, it's time to notify your current coverage of your move. With a Medigap plan, coverage is portable and will move with you from state to state. You may be charged a different premium, however, that will reflect the prices in your new state or be moved to an "out-of-state" rate.

For Medicare Advantage and Part D plans, if you're moving out of the service area, you will be given an option of signing up for new coverage. If you notify the plan before the move, you will be allowed to sign up for new coverage up to 2 months after you move utilizing a special election period. If you notify the plan after you move, you'll be given 2 months from the month you notified the plan to find new coverage.

## Know Before You Go

Here are some things to know before contacting Medicare or your current health plan:

- ❑ Is your current Medicare Advantage or Part D plan available in your new state?
- ❑ Research doctors and hospitals around your new residence, so you can be better prepared when selecting a new healthcare plan, if necessary
- ❑ Start this process BEFORE YOU MOVE to avoid disruptions in your benefits or care

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