

# De-Mazifying Medicare Medicare Educational Event



# **Presentation Agenda**



- Medicare Overview A B D & C
- The 3 Medicare paths
- Case Study
- AEP/ MA-OEP
- Next Steps



### **Medicare Overview**

ABD&C

- When to Enroll
  - How to Enroll
    - How much will it cost



# Why out of order?? A, B, D & C

We'll explain our funny alphabet shortly





### When to enroll in Medicare Parts A&B?



3 months before the month 2 months before the month

1 month before the month you turn 65 you turn 65 you turn 65 The month you turn 65

1 month after

2 months after

3 months after you turn 65 you turn 65 you turn 65

Sign up early to avoid a delay in coverage. To get Part A and/or Part B the month you turn 65, you must sign up during the first 3 months before the month you turn 65.

If you wait until the last 4 months of your Initial Enrollment Period to sign up for Part A and/or Part B, your coverage will be delayed.



### When to enroll in Medicare Parts A&B?

### What if I'm still working?

As long as you have credible Current Group **EMPLOYMENT** insurance coverage, you will have an 8 month SEP (Special Enrollment Period) to sign up for Medicare Part B with no penalty.

→8 month SEP does not apply to Part D

COBRA and RETIREE coverage do NOT qualify for the Part B SEP but in most cases still count as creditable coverage for Part D. You may pay a late enrollment penalty for Part B if you do not enroll when first eligible. This includes a LEP for VA and retiree coverage if you enroll at a later date.

Your MEDICARE Store





### **How to Sign Up?**

You can enroll in Medicare Part A and/or Medicare Part B in the following ways:

- Online at <u>www.SocialSecurity.gov</u>.
- Create your account online NOW
- By calling Social Security at 1-800-772-1213
   Monday through Friday, from 7AM to 7PM.
- In-person at your local Social Security office.





# How much is the late enrollment Penalty

- Part B late penalties are calculated as an extra 10 percent for each full 12-month period when you should have had Part B but didn't. If you should have signed up at age 65, the penalty calculation is made on the time that elapsed between the end of your IEP and the end of the GEP in which you finally sign up.
- This is a lifetime penalty!
- Usually, you don't pay a late enrollment penalty if you meet certain conditions such as credible group EMPLOYMENT Insurance.



### **What About Paying for Medicare Part B?**

### **Currently Drawing Social Security Income?**

Payment comes out of your check automatically

### **NOT Drawing Social Security Income?**

- Quarterly Bill \$174.70 x 3 = \$524.10
- Direct Debit Monthly out of Checking for \$174.70









# Medicare Parts A & B







Inpatient Hospital Care



Skilled Nursing Facility Care



Home Healthcare



Hospice





Doctor Visits & Preventative Care



Ambulance



Medical Testing & Lab Services



Outpatient Services



Durable Medical Equipment

### **Medicare** Part D

(Yes we skipped C on purpose... more on that in a moment...)





### Medicare Part D Enrollment period

- Begins at age 65 along with your entitlement to Medicare Part A
- Can be purchased as a stand alone product from a private carrier or integrated into a Medicare Advantage plan
- The late enrollment penalty is an amount added to your Medicare Part D
  monthly premium if you go without Creditable prescription drug coverage
  for a continuous period of 63 days or more after your Initial Enrollment
  Period is over.
- The penalty is 1% of the national average times the number of months you should have had credible coverage but didn't. ie 12 months without coverage equals a 12% lifetime penalty added to your monthly premium.



# **Part D = Prescription Drug Plan**



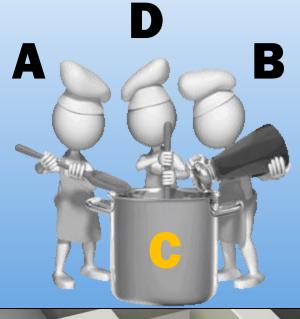
### **Standards for every Drug Plan**

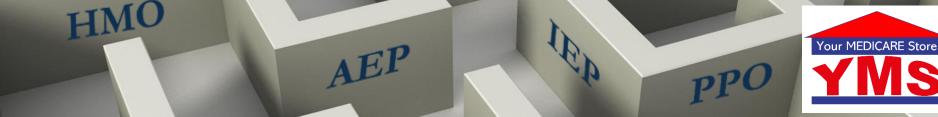
- 1. Deductible
- 2. Initial Coverage Limit 75%/25%
- 3. Coverage GAP (Donut Hole)
- 4. Catastrophic

Formulary Varies By Plan
Amounts change every year



# Medicare Part C (Finally!) Also known as Medicare Advantage (MA)





## 3 Paths To Medicare Coverage

- Original Medicare
- Original Medicare + MediGap + Rx
- Medicare Advantage



# Path 1: Original Medicare



Part A
Hospital
Insurance

+

Part B
Medical
Insurance



## Path 1: Original Medicare

Part A -Usually no premium

Hospital \$1632 deductible

Skilled Nursing Days 1-20 \$0 <u>Days 21-100</u> **\$204.00/day** 

Part B – 2022 premium is \$174.70 \$240 annual deductible

Doctor 80% / 20%

Lab Work 80% <u>/ 20%</u>

X-rays 80% / 20%

Other Services 80% / 20%





### Path 2: Medicare Supp + Rx



**Original Medicare** 

**Part A**Hospital
Insurance

Part B

Medical Insurance

You can add

Medicare
Supplement
Insurance
(Medigap) Policy

Part D

Prescription Drug
Coverage
(PDP)



# Path 2: Medicare Supp + Rx





### **Medigap Plans A-N**

Medicare Supplement Insurance Plans	A	В	C	D	F	G	K	L	M	N
Basic Benefits	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	50%	75%	YES	YES
Part A Deductible		YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	50%	75%	YES	YES
Skilled Nursing			YES	YES	YES	YES	50%	75%	YES	YES
Part B Deductible			YES		YES					
Part B Coinsurance	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	50%	75%	YES	YES*
Part B Excess Charges					YES	YES				
Foreign Travel Emergency			YES	YES	YES	YES			YES	YES



### **Path 2: Rx** = **PDP**

### **Monthly Premium on Part D Plans**

- 1. Deductible
- 2. Initial Coverage Limit 75%/25%
- 3. Coverage GAP (Donut Hole)
- 4. Catastrophic



# Path 2: Prescription Drug Plan

**Initial Coverage Limit Formulary Tiers** 



Tier 1
Inexpensive Drugs

Tier 5 **Expensive Drugs** 









AEP







#### Part C

Combines
Part A and Part B

May include, or you may be able to add

#### Part D

Prescription Drug Coverage
(98% of Part C plans cover prescription drugs. You may be able to add drug coverage to **some** plan types if *not* already included.)



**How MA plans work** 

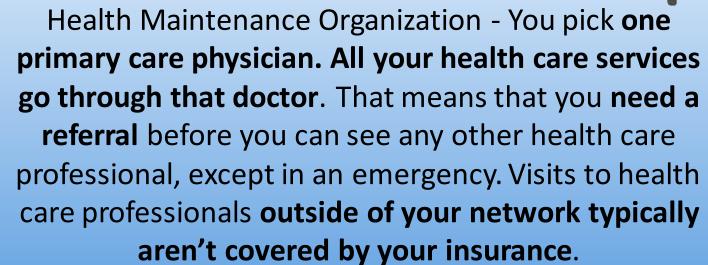


Medicare pays plan for each member every month Amount varies by county





### **Additional Options - HMO**









### **Additional Options - PPO**





Preferred Provider Organization - plans give you flexibility, **no primary care physician**. You can go to any health care professional you want without a referral—in/out of your network, as long as they agree to bill your insurance.

Staying inside your network means smaller copays and full coverage. If you choose to go outside your network, you'll have higher out-of-pocket costs, and not all services may be covered.





### 3 Paths In Review

**Original Medicare** 

Part A

Hospital Insurance

Part B

Medical

Insurance



Medicare
Supplement
Insurance
(Medigap) Policy

Part D

Prescription Drug Coverage

(PDP)

**Medicare Advantage Plan** 

Part C

**Combines** 

Part A and Part B

May include, or you may be able to add

#### Part D

Prescription Drug Coverage

(Most Part C plans cover prescription drugs. You may be able to add drug coverage to **some** plan types if *not* already included.)



Meet Bernice...







2 ER Visits (Feb – 3 days, April – intensive care 2 weeks, moved to skilled nursing, dialysis) Multiple chronic conditions

2 Hospital Deductibles

Chemotherapy

42 days Skilled Nursing - Dialysis

6 PCP visits

Total of 42 different bills, doctor visits, chemo treatment

6 visits to Cardiologist

2 Ambulance rides

1 Urgent care visit

8 visits to audiologist

Tier 5 Part D Drug (\$16k/ month)

Hearing Aids \$5,300



Chemotherapy - \$61,000 allowable charges,

2 Hospital Deductibles

2 Ambulance rides

\$2600 for both, times 20% = **\$520** 

### Original Medicare





2 Emergency Room visits - ~\$10,000 total charges



Skilled Nursing – 42 days total

Days 1-20 – No charge

Days 21-42 - \$204 \* 21 = **\$4,284** 

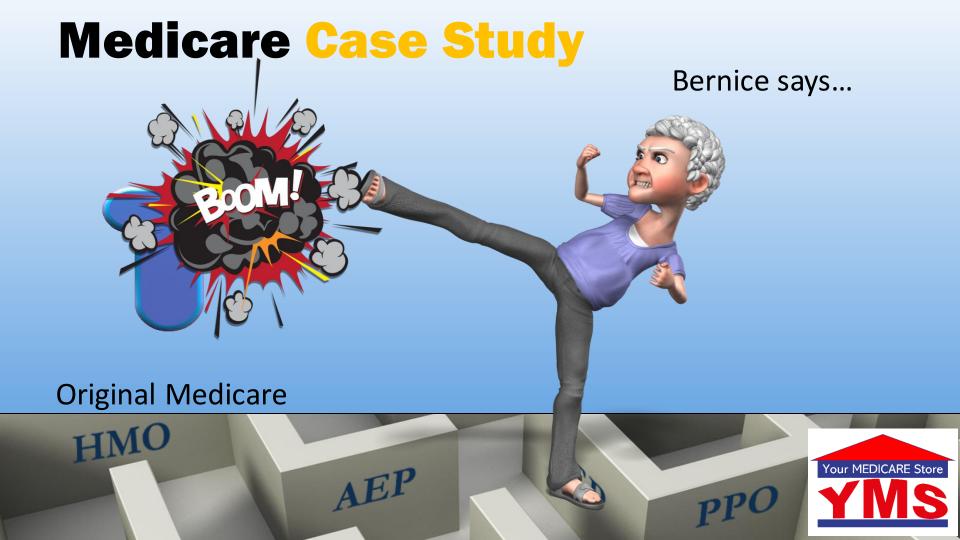
**Doctor Visits** 

\$22,000

Hearing Aids - \$5,300

Original Medicare





Premium - Plan F - \$265/ month \$3,180 annual

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Original Medicare + MediGap + Rx

Premium – Part D Plan \$30/ month \$360 annual

Hearing Aids - **\$5,300** 

**Total \$8,840 for 1 year** 







Bernice says...













\$0 premium Medicare Advantage -

MOOP \$3,000 (Multiple plans currently)

(Can be as high as \$8,300)



Premium – Part D Plan – Included with plan

Hearing Aids - \$5,300 Discounted to \$1,400

Max Total \$4,400 for 1 year

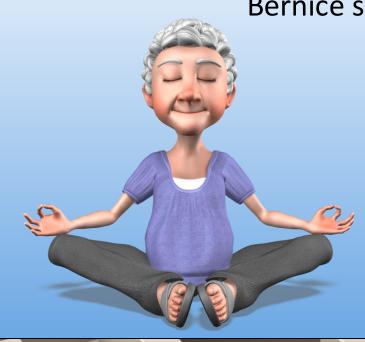
Medicare Advantage



Bernice says...



Medicare Advantage







The Choice Is Yours

Path 1: Original Medicare –

- No coverage for the 20%
- No MOOP

Path 2: Medicare Supplement –

- Maximum coverage for an Additional premium
- Drug Plan purchase separately

Path 3: Medicare Advantage –

- Affordable Coverage MOOP
- Premiums range from \$0 160/month
- Drug Plan included
- Some have Hearing, Dental, Vision, Gym





### MA-OEP: One time change



#### Who can use the MA OEP:

Individuals enrolled in MA plans as of January 1

New Medicare beneficiaries who are enrolled in an MA plan during their ICEP

#### MA OEP occurs:

January 1 – March 31

The month of entitlement to Part A and Part B – the last day of the 3rd month of entitlement



#### What this means?

If a beneficiary is enrolled into a MA
plan using their ICEP election, they
have an Open Enrollment Period
("OEP") for the next 90 days.



### The importance of Annual Review

AEP – October (1) 15<sup>th</sup> – December 7<sup>th</sup>

Does your current plan continue to meet your needs in the coming year?





## **Do You Have Questions?**





### **Medicare Education – Why do We do This?**



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# **Broker vs. Captive Agent**









# **Everyone's Situation is Different**

Let's set a time to talk. Which Medicare scenario will work for you?



