NEW TO MEDICARE?

Keep this guide handy to stay on track as you make the switch into Medicare coverage

12 months out

Find out Eligibility

- [ ] **When do I become eligible for Medicare?** *(Either upon turning 65, after being declared disabled for 24 consecutive months or diagnosed w/certain terminal illnesses)*
- [ ] **Can I delay Medicare if I'm working past 65?** *(Speak to your HR department)*

6-9 months out

Learn the Basics

- [ ] **What is Original Medicare** *(Parts A & B)***?**
- [ ] **What is Medicare Advantage** *(Part C)***?**
- [ ] **What is Prescription Drug Coverage** *(Part D)***?**
- [ ] **What are Medigap Supplements** *(Plans A - N)***?**

3-4 months out

Enroll in Original Medicare

- [ ] **Create your MySSA.gov account,** visit your local Social Security office, or call 1-800-772-1213
- [ ] **Recieve your red, white & blue Medicare card** in the mail 60-90 days after enrolling *(Digital card in 30 days)*

Speak to a Licensed Agent (No Cost or Obligation)

- [ ] **Review the costs** associated with Original Medicare, Medicare Advantage, Medigap Supplements & Part D drug plans
- [ ] **Get expert help with choosing the right plan** to ensure doctors & meds are covered, keeping overall costs down
- [ ] **Learn about & enroll in state/federal programs** to lower your out-of-pocket expenses, if eligible

1 month after

Activate Your Benefits

- [ ] **Schedule time with your agent** to get the most out of your new Medicare plan

Yearly

Review Your Options

- [ ] **Meet with your agent during the Annual Enrollment Period** *(Oct 15 - Dec 7)* to discuss any changes to your plan, doctors, meds or health conditions

Notes

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- Get access to our in-depth Medicare FAQs & resources

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