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Medicare Preventive Benefits

Medicare Part B pays for preventive care to help you stay healthy. Talk to your doctor to see if these benefits are right for you.

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| <p>Welcome to Medicare Physical</p> | <p>Beginning January 1, 2005, Medicare covers a one-time preventive physical exam within the first six months that you have Part B. The exam will include a thorough review of your health, education and counseling about the preventive services covered by Medicare and referrals for other care if you need it. Medicare pays 80% of the approved amount after you meet the yearly Part B deductible.</p> |
| <p>Cardiovascular Screening Blood Tests</p> | <p>Effective January 1, 2005, Medicare covers cardiovascular screening tests that check your cholesterol and other blood fat (lipid) levels every 5 years. Includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total Cholesterol Test • Cholesterol Test for High Density Lipoproteins; and • Triglycerides Test <p>No Medicare Part B deductible – Medicare pays 100% of approved amount</p> |
| <p>Diabetes Screening Tests</p> | <p>Beginning January 1, 2005, those enrolled in Medicare identified as “high risk” for diabetes will be able to receive screening tests to detect diabetes early. Covers up to two screenings each year. Includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fasting plasma glucose test • Post-glucose challenge test <p>No Medicare Part B deductible – Medicare pays 100% of approved amount</p> |
| <p>Glaucoma Screening</p> | <p>Must be done or supervised by an eye doctor (optometrist or ophthalmologist). Covered annually for</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Those with diabetes • Those with a family history of glaucoma • African-Americans age 50 and older • Hispanic-Americans age 65 and older • Other high risk individuals <p>Medicare pays 80% of the approved amount after you meet the yearly Part B deductible.</p> |
| <p>Bone Mass Measurement</p> | <p>For those enrolled in Medicare at high risk for losing bone mass Medicare pays 80% of the approved amount after you meet the Part B deductible</p> |

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| <p>Screening Mammography (including new digital technologies)</p> | <p>For women age 40 and older enrolled in Medicare</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Covered annually <p>No Medicare Part B deductible – Medicare pays 80% of approved amount.</p> |
| <p>Screening Pap Test & Pelvic Examination (Includes clinical breast examination)</p> | <p>For all women enrolled in Medicare</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Covered once every two years for most • Covered annually for women at high risk <p>No Medicare Part B deductible – Medicare pays 100% of approved amount for Pap test and 80% of approved amount for pelvic and breast exam.</p> |
| <p>Colorectal Cancer Screening</p> | <p>For all those enrolled in Medicare age 50 and older</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fecal-Occult blood test covered annually – No Part B deductible & Medicare pays 100% of approved amount. • Flexible sigmoidoscopy once every four years • Barium enema can be substituted for sigmoidoscopy or colonoscopy <p>Colonoscopy for any age enrolled in Medicare</p> <p>Average risk - Once every ten years, but not within four years after a screening flexible sigmoidoscopy</p> <p>High-risk - Once every two years</p> <p>Effective January 1, 2007 No Part B deductible. Medicare pays 80% of the approved amount. You will pay a higher coinsurance if the test is done in a hospital outpatient department.</p> |
| <p>Prostate Cancer Screening Tests</p> | <p>For all men enrolled in Medicare age 50 and older</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Covered annually • Digital rectal exam – Medicare pays 80% of the approved amount after the deductible • Prostate Specific Antigen (PSA) test - No Part B deductible - Medicare pays 100% of approved amount. |
| <p>Diabetes Monitoring and Education</p> | <p>Covers Type I and Type II diabetics enrolled in Medicare who must monitor blood sugar (Not paid for those in a nursing home)</p> <p><u>Covered services:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Glucose-monitoring devices, lancets & strips • Education & training to help control diabetes • Foot care once every 6 months for those with peripheral neuropathy <p>Medicare pays 80% of the approved amount after you meet the yearly Part B deductible.</p> |
| <p>Medical Nutritional Therapy</p> | <p>Covered for those with diabetes or kidney disease.</p> <p>Includes diagnosis of special nutrition needs, therapy and counseling services to help you manage your disease.</p> <p>Medicare pays 80% of the approved amount after you meet the yearly Part B deductible.</p> |

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| Flu Vaccination | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Annually (Medicare pays once per season. You do not have to wait 365 days since your last one.) No Medicare Part B deductible – Medicare pays 100% of approved amount. |
| Pneumococcal Pneumonia Vaccination | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Once per lifetime for all enrolled in Medicare (A doctor may order additional ones for those with certain health problems.) No Medicare Part B deductible – Medicare pays 100% of approved amount. |

| 2008 Medicare Costs | | |
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| | | You pay |
| Part A | Hospital Inpatient Benefit Period | |
| | Days 1-60 | \$1024 deductible |
| | Days 61-90 | \$256 per day |
| | 60 Lifetime Reserve Days after Day 90 | \$512 per day |
| | Skilled Nursing Facility | |
| | Days 1-20 | \$0 |
| | Days 21-100 | \$128 per day |
| | Premium | |
| | 40 quarters of Social Security work credit ----- | Free |
| | 30-39 quarters of Social Security work credit ----- | \$233/month |
| Less than 30 quarters of Social Security work credit --- | \$423/month | |
| Part B | Deductible (once per calendar year) | \$135 |
| | Premium | \$96.40* per month |

*Beginning in 2008 the Part B premium paid will be based on adjusted gross income from 2006 tax returns. Individuals who have to pay a higher Part B premium in 2007 include: Individuals with income greater than \$82,000 (including those who are married but file separately) and couples who file a joint tax return with income greater than \$164,000.

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Senior Health Insurance Information
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Ready to get started?

Follow these step-by-step instructions.

- 1. Go to MyMedicare.gov**
- 2. Click on Need to Register**
- 3. Enter your Medicare Number located on your Medicare card.**
- 4. Fill in and submit your information.**
- 5. You'll receive your password by mail in about 14 days.**
- 6. Use your password to access your personal account at MyMedicare.gov.**

Start getting the most out of Medicare!

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