

Plan A



Medicare and Medicare Supplement Plan A Benefits and Coverages – 2025

Medicare (Part A) Hospital Services Per Calendar Year				
Services	Medicare Pays	Plan Pays	You Pay	
Hospitalization*: Semiprivate room and board, general nursing and miscellaneous services and supplies.				
First 60 days	All but \$1,676	\$0	\$1,676 (Part A deductible)	
61st thru 90th day	All but \$419 a day	\$419 a day	\$0	
91st day and after				
While using 60 lifetime reserve days	All but \$838 a day	\$838 a day	\$0	
Once lifetime reserve days are used				
Additional 365 days	\$0	100% of Medicare- eligible expenses	\$0**	
Beyond the additional 365 days	\$0	\$0	All costs	
Skilled Nursing Facility Care*: You must meet Medicare's requirements, including having been in a hospital for at least three days and entered a Medicare-approved facility within 30 days after leaving the hospital.				
First 20 days	All approved amounts	\$0	\$0	
21st thru 100th day	All but \$209.50 a day	\$0	Up to \$209.50 a day	
101st day and after	\$0	\$0	All costs	
Blood				
First three pints	\$0	3 pints	\$0	
Additional amounts	100%	\$0	\$0	
Hospice Care: You must meet Medicare's requirements, including a doctor's certification of terminal illness.				
	All but very limited copayment / coinsurance for outpatient drugs and inpatient respite care	Medicare copayment / coinsurance	\$0	

These are some items not covered:

- Services that are experimental or investigative in nature or that are not medically necessary as determined by Medicare.
- Services received prior to the effective date of your benefit plan.
- Services that are applicable to Medicare deductible amounts.
- Services when benefits are provided by any governmental unit or social agency except Medicaid or when payment has been made under Medicare Part A or Part B.
- Outpatient prescription drugs, unless eligible under Medicare.
- Custodial care provided in a hospital or by a home health agency.
- Skilled nursing facility care costs beyond what is covered by Medicare, including swing bed services in a hospital.
- Surgery to improve appearance.
- Services, treatments or supplies that are not a Medicare eligible expense.

Medicare (Part B) Medical Services Per (Medicare (Part B) Medical Services Per Calendar Year				
Services	Medicare Pays	Plan Pays	You Pay		
Medical Expenses: In or out of the hospital inpatient and outpatient medical and surgic tests, and durable medical equipment					
First \$257 of Medicare-approved amounts***	\$0	\$0	\$257 (Part B deductible)		
Remainder of Medicare-approved amounts	Generally 80%	Generally 20%	\$0		
Part B Excess Charges (Above Medicare-approved amounts)	\$0	\$0	All costs		
Blood					
First three pints	\$0	All costs	\$0		
Next \$257 of Medicare-approved amounts***	\$0	\$0	\$257 (Part B deductible)		
Remainder of Medicare-approved amounts	80%	20%	\$0		
Clinical Laboratory Services: Tests for diag	gnostic services.				
	100%	\$0	\$0		
Parts A and B					
Services	Medicare Pays	Plan Pays	You Pay		
Home Health Care: Medicare-approved se	ervices				
Medically necessary skilled care services and medical supplies	100%	\$0	\$0		
Durable medical equipment					
First \$257 of Medicare-approved amounts***	\$0	\$0	\$257 (Part B deductible)		
Remainder of Medicare-approved amounts	80%	20%	\$0		

^{*}A benefit period begins on the first day you receive service as an inpatient in a hospital and ends after you have been out of the hospital and have not received skilled care in any other facility for 60 days in a row.

Medicare benefits are subject to change. Please consult the latest Guide to Health Insurance for People with Medicare.

^{**}Notice: When your Medicare Part A hospital benefits are exhausted, the insurer stands in the place of Medicare and will pay whatever amount Medicare would have paid for up to an additional 365 days as provided in the policy's "Core Benefits." During this time the hospital is prohibited from billing you for the balance based on any difference between its billed charges and the amount Medicare would have paid.

^{***}Once you have been billed \$257 of Medicare-approved amounts for covered services, your Part B deductible will have been met for the calendar year.

Questions, answers and information about medicare supplement insurance:

Q. Why do I need Medicare supplement insurance?

A. Medicare does not pay for everything.

Medicare supplement insurance is designed to help pay for some of the charges the Medicare program does not. Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Dakota has several Medicare supplement plans to choose from. The information in this brochure is about Plan A.

Q. What is Plan A coverage?

A. Medicare Supplement Plan A is the most basic of the Supplement plans offered. Plan A provides for basic coverage of Medicare approved services including the hospital benefits coinsurance, plus coverage for 365 additional days in the hospital after Medicare benefits end. The 20 percent coinsurance for Medicare approved physician benefits is also covered.

Q. Why should I buy Medicare supplement insurance from Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Dakota?

- A. When you buy a Medicare supplement from Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Dakota, you can expect:
 - Coverage (according to the terms of your benefit plan) regardless of age, health, or the amount of benefits you've already received.
 - Guaranteed renewable coverage that will never be cancelled because of age or condition of health.
 - Friendly, face-to-face member services in eight locations across North Dakota.
 - Payment made directly to your Medicare participating physician, clinic or hospital.
 - Minimal paperwork in claims filing.
 - Best of all, the Blue Cross Blue Shield symbols, recognized around the world as the emblems that mean quality health coverage.

Glossary

Benefit Period: A benefit period begins on the first day you enter a hospital or skilled nursing facility as a Medicare patient and ends 60 consecutive days after you are discharged. A new benefit period begins when 60 days without a hospital or skilled nursing facility stay have elapsed.

Calendar Year: Each calendar year begins on January 1 and ends on December 31 of that year.

Covered Services: This term refers to covered services or supplies specified in your benefit plan for which benefits will be provided.

Medicare Coinsurance: A part of the charge for your hospital or medical care which Medicare does not pay.

Medicare Copayment Amount: A predetermined dollar amount established by Medicare under a prospective payment system for some outpatient hospital services that Medicare does not pay.

Medicare Deductible: A specified dollar amount of Medicare eligible expenses that you are responsible for paying before Medicare will begin making payments for covered services.

Medicare Eligible Expenses: Health care expenses that are covered services under Medicare Part A or Part B that are recognized as reasonable and medically necessary by Medicare.



In accordance with federal regulations, Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Dakota is required to provide you the following disclosure:

Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Dakota complies with applicable Federal civil rights laws and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, gender identity, sexual orientation or sex. Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Dakota does not exclude people or treat them differently because of race, color, national origin, age, disability, gender identity, sexual orientation or sex.

Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Dakota:

- Provides free aids and services to people with disabilities to communicate effectively with us, such as:
 - Written information in other formats (large print, audio, accessible electronic formats, other formats)
- Provides free language services to people whose primary language is not English, such as:
 - Qualified interpreters
 - Information written in other languages

If you need these services, please call Member Services at 1-844-363-8457 (toll-free) or through the North Dakota Relay at 1-800-366-6888 or 711.

If you believe that Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Dakota has failed to provide these services or discriminated in another way on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, gender identity, sexual orientation or sex, you can file a grievance with:

Civil Rights Coordinator

4510 13th Ave S

Fargo, ND 58121

701-297-1638 or North Dakota Relay at 800-366-6888 or 711

701-282-1804 (fax)

CivilRightsCoordinator@bcbsnd.com (email) (Communication by unencrypted email presents a risk.)

You can file a grievance in person or by mail, fax, or email within 180 days of the date of the alleged discrimination. Grievance forms are available at http://www.bcbsnd.com/report or by calling 1-844-363-8457. If you need help filing a grievance, the Civil Rights Coordinator is available to help you.

You can also file a civil rights complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights electronically through the Office for Civil Rights Complaint Portal, available at https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf, or by mail or phone at:

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

200 Independence Avenue SW.

Room 509F, HHH Building

Washington, DC 20201

800-368-1019 or 800-537-7697 (TDD)

Complaint forms are available at http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html

Español (Spanish)

ATENCIÓN: si habla español, tiene a su disposición servicios gratuitos de asistencia lingüística. Llame al 1-844-363-8457 (TTY: 1-800-366-6888 o 711).

Deutsch (German)

ACHTUNG: Wenn Sie Deutsch sprechen, stehen Ihnen kostenlos sprachliche Hilfsdienstleistungen zur Verfügung. Rufnummer: 1-844-363-8457 (TTY: 1-800-366-6888 oder 711).

4510 13th Avenue South, Fargo, North Dakota 58121

中文 (Chinese)

注意:如果您使用繁體中文,您可以免費獲得語言援助服務。請致電 1-844-363-8457 (TTY: 1-800-366-6888 或 711)。

Oroomiffa (Oromo)

XIYYEEFFANNAA: Afaan dubbattu Oroomiffa, tajaajila gargaarsa afaanii, kanfaltiidhaan ala, ni argama. Bilbilaa 1-844-363-8457 (TTY: 1-800-366-6888 ykn 711).

Tiếng Việt (Vietnamese)

CHÚ Ý: Nếu bạn nói Tiếng Việt, có các dịch vụ hỗ trợ ngôn ngữ miễn phí dành cho bạn. Gọi số 1-844-363-8457 (TTY: 1-800-366-6888 hoặc 711).

Ikirundi (Bantu - Kirundi)

ICITONDERWA: Nimba uvuga Ikirundi, uzohabwa serivisi zo gufasha mu ndimi, ku buntu. Woterefona 1-844-363-8457 (TTY: 1-800-366-6888 canke 711).

(Arabic) العربية

ملحوظة: إذا كنت تتحدث اذكر اللغة، فإن خدمات المساعدة اللغوية تتوافر لك بالمجان. اتصل برقم 8457-363-844-1 (رقم هاتف الصم والبكم: 880-366-845-1 أرقم هاتف الصم والبكم:

Kiswahili (Swahili)

KUMBUKA: Ikiwa unazungumza Kiswahili, unaweza kupata, huduma za lugha, bila malipo. Piga simu 1-844-363-8457 (TTY: 1-800-366-6888 au 711).

Русский (Russian)

ВНИМАНИЕ: Если вы говорите на русском языке, то вам доступны бесплатные услуги перевода. Звоните 1-844-363-8457 (телетайп: 1-800-366-6888 или 711).

日本語 (Japanese)

注意事項:日本語を話される場合、無料の言語支援をご利用いただけます。1-844-363-8457 (TTY: 1-800-366-6888 または 711) まで、お電話にてご連絡ください。

नेपाली (Nepali)

ध्यान दिनुहोस्: तपाईंले नेपाली बोल्नुहुन्छ भने तपाईंको निम्ति भाषा सहायता सेवाहरू निःशुल्क रूपमा उपलब्ध छ । फोन गर्नुहोस् 1-844-363-8457 (टिटिवाइ: 1-800-366-6888 वा 711) ।

Français (French)

ATTENTION : Si vous parlez français, des services d'aide linguistique vous sont proposés gratuitement. Appelez le 1-844-363-8457 (ATS : 1-800-366-6888 ou 711).

한국어 (Korean)

주의: 한국어를 사용하시는 경우, 언어 지원 서비스를 무료로 이용하실 수 있습니다. 1-844-363-8457 (TTY: 1-800-366-6888 또는 711)번으로 전화해 주십시오.

Tagalog (Tagalog – Filipino)

PAUNAWA: Kung nagsasalita ka ng Tagalog, maaari kang gumamit ng mga serbisyo ng tulong sa wika nang walang bayad. Tumawag sa 1-844-363-8457 (TTY: 1-800-366-6888 o 711).

Norsk (Norwegian)

MERK: Hvis du snakker norsk, er gratis språkassistansetjenester tilgjengelige for deg. Ring 1-844-363-8457 (TTY: 1-800-366-6888 eller 711).

Diné Bizaad (Navajo)

Díí baa akó nínízin: Díí saad bee yáníłti'go **Diné Bizaad**, saad bee áká'ánída'áwo'dę́ę́', t'áá jiik'eh, éí ná hólǫ́, kojį' hódíílnih 1-844-363-8457 (TTY: 1-800-366-6888 éí doodagó 711.)

Further facts on coverage, rates and enrollment are available from:

Fargo Office

4510 13th Ave. S. Fargo, ND 58121 Telephone: (701) 277-2232

Bismarck Office

1415 Mapleton Ave. Bismarck, ND 58503 Telephone: (701) 223-6348

Grand Forks Office

3570 S. 42nd St., Suite B Grand Forks, ND 58201 Telephone: (701) 795-5340

Minot Office

1308 20th Ave. SW. Minot, ND 58701 Telephone: (701) 858-5000

Jamestown Office

300 2nd Ave. NE., Suite 132 Jamestown, ND 58401 Telephone: (701) 251-3180

Williston Office

1500 14th St. W., Suite 270 Williston, ND 58801 Telephone: (701) 572-4535



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This brochure presents a brief explanation of the covered services and payment levels of this product. It should not be used to determine whether your health care expenses will be paid. The written benefit plan between you and Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Dakota governs what benefits are available.

Original Medicare supplement plans C, F, F High Deductible, G, L and N are also available.



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