### PAUL TODD

# GUIDE TO YOUR PERSONALIZED HEALTH CARE



## CERTIFIED MEDICARE SPECIALIST





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#### **GUIDE TO YOUR PERSONALIZED SOLUTIONS**

#### I am a stress relief specialist

My goal is to take the worry away from seniors like ourselves when you wonder if you have the best coverage. You stress over trying to maneuver through the Medicare maze trying to figure out the best solution for your personal situation.

#### I'm an independent agent

I live in the Birmingham area; therefore, I specialize in the plans for Alabama residents. I am not beholden to any single insurance company. My allegiance is to my client and after listening to your needs and goals, I can shop all the top companies for the policy that will offer the best solution for your personal needs. There is never a charge for my services.

#### I am a licensed health agent who specializes in Medicare

I understand the Parts of Medicare, Supplement and Medicare Advantage plans. Medicare can be very confusing and stressful to you as you try to find the best solution for you. You do not have to face Medicare alone. I am here to help, and I personally have had to find the proper Medicare solutions for myself and my wife.

#### I am an experienced Medicare agent

I have specialized in Medi-care for over a decade. I am a board member for our Alabama National Association of Business Insurance Professionals (organization. I have earned NABIP's Certified Medicare Specialist designation.

#### THERE IS A GREAT SOLUTION AVAILABLE FOR YOU AND YOUR MEDICARE NEEDS.



Website







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## HOW DO YOU FIND THE BEST MEDICARE SOLUTIONS?

**NUMBER ONE:** Find a local broker in your STATE, who can be your trusted resource to help guide you through the Medicare MAZE in order to find your SOLUTIONS. Use the broker to be single point of contact for any questions, local carrier information, claims issues/questions, etc.

**NUMBER TWO:** Whatever your situation, find answers to various questions in order to help find the best Medicare SOLUTION for you.

- Are you enrolling in Medicare this year?
- Are you thinking about retiring?
- What do Medicare Parts A, B, C and D mean?
- Do your doctors and preferred hospitals accept the Advantage plan you are interested in?
- Are my prescriptions Covered?
- How much will it cost?
- Do I have deadlines to enroll?
- What is Original Medicare and are there other options?
- Difference between Medicare and other health coverage?
- Is Original Medicare coverage enough?
- Do you trave out of State for long periods of time on a regular basis?
- Do you have major health issues?
- What is your financial risk tolerance for your health needs?



## PART A

Inpatient care in Hospital, Skilled Nursing facility care, Inpatient care in a skilled nursing facility (not custodial long-term care, hospice care, and home health.

#### Hospital Care:

Premium \$0 (most cases) Deductible Days 1 - 60 = \$1,600 Deductible Days 61 - 90 = \$400 per day Deductible Days 91 - 150 = \$800 per day

#### Skilled Nursing:

Your cost days 1-20= \$0\* Your cost days 21-100= \$200 per day Your cost days 100+ = 100% cost to you Home Health Services No Coverage = 100% cost to you

#### Hospice:

Generally covered at 100%

#### Foreign Travel Emergency:

Medicare Part A will cost nothing for most people. It is considered "paidup" if you have worked at least 10 years in the U.S. and paid taxes during these years toward this future benefit.

No Coverage = 100% cost to you \*Skilled Nursing Benefits requires 3 night admitted stay at a hospital \*\* Part B premium is income driven – listed cost is the standard premium



## PART B

The 2023 Premium is \$164.90 per month. Those with higher income may pay more for Part B and Part D. **IRMAA (Income-Related Monthly Adjustment)** 

After the 2023 deductible of \$226, there is a 80%/20% cost share.

#### Part B covers 2 types of services:

Medically necessary services: Service or supplies that are needed to diagnose or treat your medical condition and that meet accepted standards of medical practice.

DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE	G	Ν	В
Medicare Part A (Hospitalization) Coinsurance plus 365 additional hospital days after Medicare benefits end	~	~	~
Medicare Part A Deductible	~	~	~
Medicare Part B Coinsurance or Copayment	~	Copay <sup>2</sup>	~
Medicare Part B Deductible <sup>5</sup>			
Medicare Part B Excess Charges <sup>3</sup>	<b>v</b>		
Blood (first three pints)	~	~	~
Foreign Travel Emergency (up to plan limit) <sup>4</sup>	80%	80%	
Hospice Part A Coinsurance or Copayment and Respite Care Expense	~	~	~
Skilled Nursing Facility Coinsurance	~	~	

#### **MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT (MEDIGAP)**

Plan N pays 100% of the Part B coinsurance, except for a copay of up to \$20 for some office visits and up to a \$50 copay for emergency room visits that don't result in an inpatient admission.



## PART D

### Medicare members are required to purchase Part D prescription drug coverage to avoid a penalty. **The average cost is \$33 per month.**

Plans have different Formularies, and Benefits can/do change from year to year. Part D plans are included in most Part C Advantage plans.

Most Medicare drug plans have a coverage gap (also called the "donut hole"). This means there's a temporary limit on what the drug plan will cover for drugs.

Not everyone will enter the coverage gap. The coverage gap begins after you and your drug plan have spent a certain amount for covered drugs. Once you and your plan have spent \$4,660 on covered drugs in 2023 you're in the coverage gap. Once you reach the coverage gap, you'll pay no more than 25% of the cost for your plan's covered brand-name prescription drugs. Once you've spent \$7,400 out-of-pocket in 2023 you're out of the coverage gap

### Welcome to **"The 65 Plus Club"** www.the65plusclub.com and join the Facebook page.



## **ELIGIBILITY**

ORIGINAL Medicare: 65 Years Old Part A - Hospital: US Citizen and Resident Part B - Doctor/Medical: Special Situation For example, people with ERSD, disabled for 2 years

You can sign up during these 7 months. If you plan to work past age 65, these times can differ for you:



Signing up for Medicare - Set up a SSA account at ssa.gov

#### Already on Social Security or Disability Benefits?

Social Security will usually automatically enroll you.





2023 Original Medicare

## **Original Medicare**

\$1,600 Deductible	Part A	Hospital
\$229 Deductible 80%	Part B \$164.90/mo	Medical

#### Medicare Supplement (Medigap)

An insurance policy that pays deductibles and 20%

**Price varies** \$90-\$185 +



Potential monthly cost 164.90 + 135.00 + 33.00 = \$332.90



#### Versus Medicare Advantage

## Medicare Advantage

#### **Three Key Questions:**

- 1. Does your doctor accept your plan?
- 2. Are your drugs covered?
- 3. What is the Max out of Pocket (MOOP)?

#### Part C

Bundled Package Managed by an Insurance Company. Hospital, Medical, and Drug coverage combined.

Typically includes some dental and vision.

\$0 Premium but must continue to pay Part B

#### Part C = Parts A+B+D

Potential monthly cost 164.90 (Part B) + 0 =\$164.90

Dental \$0 ~Vision \$0 ~ Gym Memberships Several additional benefits at \$0 cost

We do not offer every Medicare plan available in your area. Currently we represent over 14 organizations which offer 100+ plans and products in your area of Alabama. Please contact Medicare.gov or 1-800-Medicare, or your local State Health Insurance Program for help with plan choices.

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The 2 most popular plans are G and N. Blue Cross CPlus also offers plan B..

Supplements have a monthly premium and you must purchase a standalone (art D drug card)

Freedom to choose doctors and hospitals throughout the US.

#### **TURNING 65 AND STILL WORKING?**

**OPTION ONE:** Take Part A and use it with your Employer insurance. **OPTION ONE:** Discontinue employer coverage and transition into full Medicare.



## WHAT IS YOUR PREFERRED FINANCIAL RISK TOLERANCE?

Do you prefer to have coverage which saves you the most possible on monthly premium, but takes a little more exposure financially in the event of a major illness or injury; while obtaining extra benefits loke dental, vision, hearing, and more...

OR Do you prefer to pay more on a monthly basis with premium in exchange for lower out of pocket exposure or richer benefits?

How is your present health condition? Is there any present serious health conditions?





## IF YOU'RE OVER 65 AND PLAN TO WORK FOR A FEW MORE YEARS: \_

More and more Alabamians are opting to retire later in life, in some cases to maximize Social Security retirement income. If you're part of an employer health plan, Medicare might already pay benefits under Part A (hospital coverage). Whether or not you should enroll in Part B (medical coverage) depends on:

- 1. The size of your company.
- 2. How much you pay toward your group premium.
- 3. If you need coverage for a spouse and/or dependents.
- 4. We can review your situation and help you determine what coverage makes the most sense for you.



## WHEN YOU DECIDE TO STOP WORKING: \_\_\_\_\_

When you leave your job and lose your employer coverage, you'll have a Special Enrollment Period to sign up for Medicare Part B (and Part A if you haven't already). This period lasts for 8 months, starting the month after your employment OR your group health insurance ends. If you still do not enroll after 8 months, you may face a penalty for late enrollment.

#### **IMPORTANT:**

If you are interested in joining a Medicare Advantage or Medicare Prescription Drug plan, your chance to join lasts for two months after the month your employer coverage ends.

## IF YOU HAVE COBRA COVERAGE:

COBRA is not considered employer coverage. You must sign up for Part B during the first 8 months you have COBRA to avoid the late-enrollment penalty. If you miss the 8-month window, you must wait to sign up during the next General Enrollment Period (January 1 - March 31) and coverage won't start until July 1.



### MEDICARE SAVINGS PROGRAMS IN ALABAMA

Alabama has different programs for low- income individuals or couples who qualify for Medicare. The services you get depend on how much income you have. These programs pay Medicare premiums, and in some cases, Medicare deductibles and coinsurance.

#### To be eligible for the Medicare Savings Programs:

- \*Be eligible for Medicare Part A (Hospital Insurance)
- \* Be living in Alabama, Be a U.S. citizen,
- \* Have a monthly income below a certain limit.
- \* Pays the Medicare Part B premium, which is \$164.90 (2023) per month 2023 Single income limits: \$1,235 \$1,661

For more details on Extra Help—LIS and Alabama Medicare Savings Program, go to:

## WWW.EXTRAHELP4YOU.COM

Find updated income limits, filable forms, online links to forms and LIS application.

Some Medicare Advantage Plans offer extra benefits for those that get LIS or the Medicare Savings Plan.



## GET EXTRA HELP PAYING YOUR MEDICARE DRUG COSTS

If you have limited income and resources, you may qualify for help to pay for some health care and drug coverage costs.

If you qualify for Extra Help and join a separate Medicare drug plan or Medicare Advantage Plan with Medicare drug coverage (Part D):

- You'll get help paying your drug coverage costs.
  - You won't pay a late enrollment penalty.
    - Drug costs are from \$4.30-\$10.35

There are income and asset levels for singles and married couples.



Paul Todd is the best!

Paul is very patient and willing to go the extra mile making getting Supplemental Insurance a breeze. He is a very trustworthy and honest man that truly cares about his customers and making sure all your questions are answered and understood.



Paul Todd is extremely knowledgeable about Medicare plans. He cares about each of his clients and ensures you get exactly what you need.



Paul Todd listens to what people need and offers suggestions while giving the pros and cons. This helps people make the right decisions for the right reasons. Thanks Paul.



Currently we represent ten (10) organizations which offer eighty three (83) or more products in your area. You can always contact Medicare.gov, 1–800–MEDICARE, or your local State Health Insurance Program (SHIP) for help with plan choices."

