

Over 80 years of security and stability.

Highmark Blue Shield is part of a network that's been providing peace of mind for the better part of a century.

And with 1 in 3* Americans covered by that same network today, when you're with Highmark, you're in good company.

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**Questions about how your Freedom Blue
PPO Medicare Advantage plan works?**

**Call us at 1-866-456-7739, (TTY call 711),
Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.**

* According to the Blue Cross Blue Shield Association, an association of independent Blue Cross and/or Blue Shield plans; bcbs.com.

Three easy steps to get you enrolled.

step 1

Fill out everything on your Group Enrollment Application.

Complete all the sections on all the forms or we can't process your application. If you're enrolling your spouse, they'll need to fill out the same set of forms, too.

step 2

Double-check that your Medicare card information matches your application.

It's a red, white, and blue card with "Medicare Health Insurance" up top. If you want, you can include a copy of it with your application. (But that's not required.)

step 3

Return your completed application in the envelope provided.

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In most cases, your coverage will start the first of the month following the month we get your completed application.

That means, if we get it in February, it kicks in March 1. But there are some situations that can push out that effective date, like:

- Information missing from your application.
- If your employer group has a different open enrollment period.
- If you're becoming eligible for Medicare Parts A and B for the first time.
- Certain special conditions and uncommon enrollment rules.

**Grab a pen and turn the page to
start your application.**

MEDICARE ADVANTAGE GROUP ENROLLMENT APPLICATION



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Mailing Address: 120 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15222

PART 1 TO ENROLL IN HIGHMARK BLUE SHIELD HMO, PPO, OR PART D, PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION

Employer or Union Name The Penn State University

Group Number:

☐ 0178428 ☐ _____

Effective Date _____

PART 2 PLEASE TELL US ABOUT YOURSELF

Last Name _____ First Name _____ Middle Initial _____

Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY) _____ Sex ☐ M ☐ F

Email Address _____

PERMANENT RESIDENCE STREET ADDRESS: (Don't enter a PO Box. Note: For individuals experiencing homelessness, a PO Box may be considered your permanent residence address.)

Street/Apartment # _____

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area code area code

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PART 3 MEDICAL ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION

Please take out your red, white and blue Medicare card to complete this section.

- Fill out this information as it appears on your Medicare card.

– OR –

- Attach a copy of your Medicare card or your letter from Social Security or the Railroad Retirement Board.

Name (as it appears on your Medicare card):

Medicare Number

Entitled to:

Hospital (Part A) Effective Date _____ / _____ / _____

Medical (Part B) Effective Date _____ / _____ / _____

You must have Medicare Part A and Part B to join a Medicare Advantage plan.

PART 4 PLEASE LIST A PRIMARY CARE DOCTOR FROM THE PROVIDER DIRECTORY

Doctor's Last Name _____ First Name _____

Current Patient? ☐ Yes ☐ No

PART 5 PLEASE READ AND ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS

1. **Are you the retiree?** ☐ Yes ☐ No

If YES, retirement date (MM/DD/YYYY) _____

If NO, name of retiree _____

2. **Are you the spouse of the retiree?** ☐ Yes ☐ No

3. **Are you covering a spouse or dependents under this employer or union plan?** ☐ Yes ☐ No

If YES, name of spouse _____

Name of dependents _____

4. **Some individuals may have other drug coverage, including other private insurance, Workers' Compensation, VA benefits or State pharmaceutical assistance programs. Will you have other prescription drug coverage in addition to Highmark Blue Shield HMO, PPO, or Part D?** ☐ Yes ☐ No

If YES, please list your other coverage and your identification (ID) number(s) for this coverage:

Name of other coverage _____

ID# for this coverage _____ Group# for this coverage _____

5. **Are you a resident in a long-term care facility such as a nursing home?** ☐ Yes ☐ No

If YES, please list the institution's name, address, phone number, and date of admission.

Name _____ Street _____ Suite# _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP Code _____

Phone (_____) _____ County _____ Date of Admission _____
area code (MM/DD/YYYY)

6. **Are you enrolled in your state Medicaid program?** ☐ Yes ☐ No

If YES, please provide your Medicaid number _____

7. **Do you, on your own or through your spouse, have any health insurance other than Medicare, such as private insurance, Workers' Compensation, or VA benefits?** ☐ Yes ☐ No

If YES, what kind of insurance do you have? _____

What is the name of your insurance? _____

8. **Do you or does your spouse work?** ☐ Yes ☐ No

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PART 6 ENROLLEE AUTHORIZATION — SIGNATURE

Enrollee Authorization

Signature

Today's Date

If you are an authorized representative, you must sign above and provide the following information:

Last Name _____ First Name _____ Middle Initial _____

Street/Apartment# _____

City _____ State _____ County _____ Zip Code _____

Home Phone Number () _____ Relationship to Enrollee _____
area code

Please include a copy of your Power of Attorney paperwork.

Answering these questions is your choice. You can't be denied coverage because you don't fill them out.

Please check one of the boxes below if you want us to contact you about receiving information in a language other than English or in an accessible format:

- ☐ I would like to receive my materials in a language other than English
- ☐ I would like to receive my materials in an accessible format (Braille, Large Print, Data CD, Audio CD, etc.)

Please contact Highmark at 1-800-329-2792 if you need information in an accessible format or language other than English. TTY users should call 711. Our office hours are:

October 1 – March 31	8 a.m. to 8 p.m., 7 days a week
April 1 – September 30	8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday – Friday

Highmark Blue Shield is a Medicare Advantage HMO, PPO, and/or Part D plan with a Medicare contract. Enrollment in these plans depends on contract renewal. Benefits and/or benefit administration may be provided by or through the following entities, which are independent licensees of the Blue Cross Blue Shield Association: Highmark Inc. d/b/a Highmark Blue Shield, Highmark Health Insurance Company, Highmark Choice Company or Highmark Senior Health Company. All references to "Highmark" in this document are references to the Highmark company that is providing the member's health benefits or health benefit administration and/or to one or more of its affiliated Blue companies.

Discrimination is Against the Law

The Plan complies with applicable Federal civil rights laws and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex, including sex stereotypes and gender identity. The Plan does not exclude people or treat them differently because of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex assigned at birth, gender identity or recorded gender. Furthermore, the Plan will not deny or limit coverage to any health service based on the fact that an individual's sex assigned at birth, gender identity, or recorded gender is different from the one to which such health service is ordinarily available. The Plan will not deny or limit coverage for a specific health service related to gender transition if such denial or limitation results in discriminating against a transgender individual. The Plan:

- Provides free aids and services to people with disabilities to communicate effectively with us, such as:
 - Qualified sign language interpreters
 - 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, contact the Civil Rights Coordinator.

If you believe that the Plan has failed to provide these services or discriminated in another way on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex, including sex stereotypes and gender identity, you can file a grievance with:

Civil Rights Coordinator
P.O. Box 22492
Pittsburgh, PA 15222
Phone: 1-866-286-8295 (TTY: 711), Fax: 412-544-2475
Email: CivilRightsCoordinator@highmarkhealth.org

You can file a grievance in person or by mail, fax, or email. 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 of Civil Rights Complaint Portal, available at 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, D.C. 20201
Phone: 1-800-368-1019, 800-537-7697 (TDD)

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

Pennsylvania, Delaware, West Virginia, and New York: 1-844-679-6930 (TTY:711)

ATTENTION: If you speak English, free language translation and interpretation services are available to you. Appropriate auxiliary aids and services (such as large print, audio, and Braille) to provide information in accessible formats are also available free of charge.

ATENCIÓN: Si habla español, tiene a su disposición servicios gratuitos de traducción e interpretación de idiomas. También hay disponibles ayudas y servicios auxiliares adecuados (como letra grande, audio y Braille) para proporcionar información en formatos accesibles sin cargo.

ACHTUNG: Wenn Sie Deutsch sprechen, stehen Ihnen kostenlose Übersetzungs- und Dolmetscherdienste zur Verfügung. Außerdem sind kostenlos entsprechende Hilfsmittel und Dienstleistungen (wie Großdruck, Audio und Blindenschrift) zur Bereitstellung von Informationen in barrierefreien Formaten erhältlich.

ATANSYON: Si w pale Kreyòl Ayisyen, gen sèvis tradiksyon ak entèpretasyon aladispozisyon w gratis nan lang ou pale a. Èd ak sèvis siplemantè apwopriye (tèlke gwo lèt, odyo, Braille) pou bay enfòmasyon nan fòm aksesib yo disponib gratis tou.

ВНИМАНИЕ: Если Вы говорите на русском языке, Вам доступны бесплатные услуги перевода на другой язык. Также предоставляется дополнительная бесплатная помощь и услуги отображения информации в доступных форматах (например, крупным шрифтом, шрифтом Брайля или в виде аудиозаписи).

ATTENZIONE: se parla italiano, sono disponibili servizi gratuiti di traduzione e interpretariato. Sono inoltre disponibili gratuitamente adeguati supporti e servizi ausiliari (ad esempio caratteri grandi, audio e Braille) per fornire informazioni in formati accessibili.

ATTENTION : si vous parlez français, des services de traduction et d'interprétation gratuits sont à votre disposition. Vous pouvez aussi bénéficier gratuitement de l'accès à des outils et services auxiliaires appropriés (affichage en gros caractères, audio et le braille) dans des formats accessibles.

ÀKÍYÈSÍ: Tí o bá nsọ èdè Yorùbá, àwọn iṣẹ ìtumọ ati ògbufọ èdè wà ní àrọwọtọ lófẹ́ẹ́ fún ọ. Àwọn iṣẹ ìtọ́jú ati ìrànlowọ́ tó yẹ (bíi titẹwé nla, gbígbọ ohùn, ati ìwé afọ́jú) lati pèsè iwífúnni ni àwọn ọna ìrádáyè sì wà pẹlu lófẹ́ẹ́.

אכטונג: אויב איר רעדט אידיש, קענט איר באקומען שפראך איבערזעצונג און דאלמעטשונג סערוויסעס פריי פון אפצאל. געהעריגע הילפסמיטלען און סערוויסעס (אזויווי גרויסע דרוק, אודיא און ברעיל) צו צושטעלן אינפארמאציע אין צוגענגליכע פארמאטן זענען אויך דא צו באקומען פריי פון אפצאל.

تنبيه: إذا كنت تتحدث اللغة العربية، فستتوفر لك خدمات الترجمة التحريرية والترجمة الفورية مجانًا. تتوفر أيضًا الوسائل والخدمات المساعدة المناسبة (مثل الطباعة الكبيرة، والوسائل الصوتية، وطريقة برايل) لتقديم المعلومات بتنسيقات يمكن الوصول إليها من دون أي تكلفة.

注意：如果您说中文，我们将为您提供免费的语言翻译和口译服务。此外，我们还免费提供相应的辅助工具和服务（如大字体、音频和盲文），以便您获取无障碍格式的信息。

ધ્યાન આપશો: જો તમે ગુજરાતી બોલતા હોવ, તો તમારા માટે નિ:શુલ્ક ભાષા અનુવાદ અને ઇન્ટરપ્રિટેશન સેવાઓ ઉપલબ્ધ છે. સુલભ ફોર્મેટમાં માહિતી પૂરી પાડવા માટે યોગ્ય સહાયક સાધનસામગ્રી અને સેવાઓ (જેમ કે મોટી પ્રિન્ટ, ઓડિયો અને બ્રેઇલ) પણ નિ:શુલ્ક ઉપલબ્ધ છે.

CHÚ Ý: Nếu quý vị nói tiếng Việt, chúng tôi có dịch vụ biên dịch và phiên dịch ngôn ngữ miễn phí dành cho quý vị. Chúng tôi cũng cung cấp miễn phí các dịch vụ và hỗ trợ bổ sung thích hợp (như chữ in lớn, tệp âm thanh và chữ nổi) để cung cấp thông tin ở các định dạng dễ tiếp cận.

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Signature

Today's Date

If you are an authorized representative, you must sign above and provide the following information:

Last Name _____ First Name _____ Middle Initial _____

Street/Apartment# _____

City _____ State _____ County _____ Zip Code _____

Home Phone Number () _____ Relationship to Enrollee _____
area code

Please include a copy of your Power of Attorney paperwork.

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Please contact Highmark at 1-800-329-2792 if you need information in an accessible format or language other than English. TTY users should call 711. Our office hours are:

October 1 – March 31	8 a.m. to 8 p.m., 7 days a week
April 1 – September 30	8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday – Friday

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The Plan complies with applicable Federal civil rights laws and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex, including sex stereotypes and gender identity. The Plan does not exclude people or treat them differently because of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex assigned at birth, gender identity or recorded gender. Furthermore, the Plan will not deny or limit coverage to any health service based on the fact that an individual's sex assigned at birth, gender identity, or recorded gender is different from the one to which such health service is ordinarily available. The Plan will not deny or limit coverage for a specific health service related to gender transition if such denial or limitation results in discriminating against a transgender individual. The Plan:

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 - Qualified sign language interpreters
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 - Qualified interpreters
 - Information written in other languages

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Civil Rights Coordinator
P.O. Box 22492
Pittsburgh, PA 15222
Phone: 1-866-286-8295 (TTY: 711), Fax: 412-544-2475
Email: CivilRightsCoordinator@highmarkhealth.org

You can file a grievance in person or by mail, fax, or email. 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 of Civil Rights Complaint Portal, available at 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, D.C. 20201
Phone: 1-800-368-1019, 800-537-7697 (TDD)

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

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ÀKÍYÈSÍ: Tí o bá nsọ èdè Yorùbá, àwọn iṣẹ ìtumọ ati ògbufọ èdè wà ní àrọwọtọ lófẹ́ẹ́ fún ọ. Àwọn iṣẹ ìtọ́jú ati ìrànlọwọ tó yẹ (bíi titẹwé nla, gbígbọ ohùn, ati ìwé afọ́jú) lati pèsè iwífúnni ni àwọn ọna ìrádáyè sì wà pẹlu lófẹ́ẹ́.

אכטונג: אויב איר רעדט אידיש, קענט איר באקומען שפראך איבערזעצונג און דאלמעטשונג סערוויסעס פריי פון אפצאל. געהעריגע הילפסמיטלען און סערוויסעס (אזוינע גרויסע דרוק, אודיא און ברעיל) צו צושטעלן אינפארמאציע אין צוגענגליכע פארמאטן זענען אויך דא צו באקומען פריי פון אפצאל.

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ધ્યાન આપશો: જો તમે ગુજરાતી બોલતા હોવ, તો તમારા માટે નિ:શુલ્ક ભાષા અનુવાદ અને ઇન્ટરપ્રિટેશન સેવાઓ ઉપલબ્ધ છે. સુલભ ફોર્મેટમાં માહિતી પૂરી પાડવા માટે યોગ્ય સહાયક સાધનસામગ્રી અને સેવાઓ (જેમ કે મોટી પ્રિન્ટ, ઓડિયો અને બ્રેઇલ) પણ નિ:શુલ્ક ઉપલબ્ધ છે.

CHÚ Ý: Nếu quý vị nói tiếng Việt, chúng tôi có dịch vụ biên dịch và phiên dịch ngôn ngữ miễn phí dành cho quý vị. Chúng tôi cũng cung cấp miễn phí các dịch vụ và hỗ trợ bổ sung thích hợp (như chữ in lớn, tệp âm thanh và chữ nổi) để cung cấp thông tin ở các định dạng dễ tiếp cận.

ધ્યાન દિનુહોસ્: यदि तपाईं नेपाली बोल्नुहुन्छ भने, तपाईंलाई नि:शुल्क भाषा अनुवाद र दोभासे सेवाहरू उपलब्ध छन्। पहुँचयोग्य ढाँचाहरूमा जानकारी प्रदान गर्ने उपयुक्त सहायक प्रविधि र सेवाहरू (जस्तै ठूलो प्रिन्ट, अडियो र ब्रेल) पनि नि:शुल्क उपलब्ध छन्।

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주의: 한국어를 사용하는 경우 무료 언어 번역 및 통역 서비스를 이용하실 수 있습니다. 접근 가능한 형식으로 정보를 제공받을 수 있는 적절한 보조 수단 및 서비스(예: 큰 활자, 오디오, 점자)도 무료로 이용할 수 있습니다. 도움이



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Freedom Blue PPO

Summary of Benefits

January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026

Thank you for your interest in Freedom Blue PPO. Our plan is offered by Highmark Senior Health Company, a Medicare Advantage Preferred-Provider Organization (PPO). This Summary of Benefits tells you some features of our plan. It doesn't list every service that we cover or every limitation or every exclusion. You will receive a full list of benefits with your Welcome Kit once you are enrolled. You can request an Evidence of Coverage by calling Customer Service at 1-833-867-7966 (TTY users may call 711), Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. ET.

You have choices in your health care.

As a Medicare beneficiary, you can choose from different Medicare options. One option is the Original (fee-for-service) Medicare plan. Another option is a Medicare Advantage health plan, like Freedom Blue PPO. You may have other options, too. You make the choice. No matter what you decide, you are still in the Medicare program.

You may join or leave a plan only at certain times. Please call Freedom Blue PPO at the telephone number listed at the end of this introduction or 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227) for more information. TTY/TDD users should call 1-877-486-2048. You can call this number 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

How can I compare my options?

You can compare Freedom Blue PPO and the Original Medicare plan using this Summary of Benefits and visiting **medicare.gov**. For each benefit, you can compare what our plan covers and what the Original Medicare plan covers.

Our members receive all of the benefits that the Original Medicare plan offers. We also offer more benefits, which may change from year to year.

Where is Freedom Blue PPO available?

The service area for this plan varies. Please contact Freedom Blue PPO for more information.

Who is eligible to join Freedom Blue PPO?

You can join Freedom Blue PPO if you are entitled to Medicare Part A and enrolled in Medicare Part B.

More about Original Medicare:

If you want to know more about the coverage and costs of Original Medicare, look in your current “Medicare & You” handbook. View it online at **medicare.gov** or get a copy by calling 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227), 24 hours a day, seven days a week. TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048.

Can I choose my doctors?

Freedom Blue PPO has formed a network of doctors, specialists, and hospitals. You can use any doctor who is part of our network. You may also go to doctors outside of our network. The health providers within our network can change at any time. Also, the doctors and hospitals available to you may vary, depending on where you reside. You can ask for a current Provider Directory or, for an up-to-date list, visit us at **medicare.highmark.com/home**. Click **Find a Provider** at the bottom of the page. Our Customer Service number is listed at the end of this introduction.

What happens if I go to a doctor who's not in our network?

You can go to doctors, specialists, or hospitals in or out of network. You may have to pay more for the services you receive outside the network, and you may have to follow special rules prior to getting services in and/or out of network.

Out-of-network/non-contracted providers are under no obligation to treat Freedom Blue PPO members, except in emergency situations. For a decision about whether we will cover an out-of-network service, we encourage you or your provider to ask us for a pre-service organization determination before you receive the service. For a full list of cost sharing that applies to out-of-network services, please see the Summary of Benefits included in this document. For more information, please call the Customer Service number at the end of this introduction.

What should I do if I have other insurance in addition to Medicare?

If you have a Medigap (Medicare Supplement) policy, you must contact your Medigap issuer to let them know that you have joined a Medicare plan. Call your Medigap issuer for details.

Does my plan cover Medicare Part B or Part D drugs?

Freedom Blue PPO does cover Medicare Part B prescription drugs. Freedom Blue PPO also covers Medicare Part D prescription drugs.

Where can I get my prescriptions if I join this plan?

Freedom Blue PPO has formed a network of pharmacies. You must use a network pharmacy to receive plan benefits. We may not pay for your prescriptions if you use an out-of-network pharmacy except in certain cases. The pharmacies in our network can change at any time. You can ask for a current pharmacy directory, or visit us at [**medicare.highmark.com/home**](https://medicare.highmark.com/home). Click **Find a Provider** at the bottom of the page. Our Customer Service number is listed at the end of this introduction.

What is a prescription drug formulary?

Freedom Blue PPO uses a formulary. A formulary is a list of drugs covered by your plan to meet patient needs. We may periodically add, remove, or make changes to coverage limitations on certain drugs or change how much you pay for a drug.

If we make any formulary change that limits our members' ability to fill their prescriptions, we will notify the affected enrollees before the change is made. We will send a formulary to you and you can see our complete formulary on our website at [**medicare.highmark.com/resources/aep-formularies**](https://medicare.highmark.com/resources/aep-formularies). If you are currently taking a drug that is not on our formulary or subject to additional requirements or limits, you may be able to get a temporary supply of the drug. You can contact us to request an exception or switch to an alternative drug listed on our formulary with your physician's help. Call us to see if you can get a temporary supply of the drug or for more details about our drug transition policy.

How can I get extra help with prescription drug plan costs?

You may be able to get extra help for your prescription drug premiums and costs. To see if you qualify for getting extra help, call:

- **1-800-MEDICARE** (1-800-633-4227). TTY/TDD users should call 1-877-486-2048, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.
- **The Social Security Administration** at 1-800-772-1213 between 7 a.m. – 7 p.m., Monday – Friday. TTY/TDD users should call 1-800-325-0778.
- **Your state Medicaid office.**

What are prescription drug care management programs?

With your plan, certain clinical programs help ensure that your medications are prescribed and dispensed the right way. They balance positive benefits to you and monitor certain prescription drugs that could need special permissions or have quantity level limits. Overall, these programs are designed to help keep you safe.

What are my protections in the plan?

All Medicare Advantage plans agree to stay in the Medicare program for a full year at a time. Each year, the plans decide whether to continue for another year. Even if a Medicare Advantage plan leaves the program, you will not lose Medicare coverage. If a plan decides not to continue, it must send you a letter at least 90 days before your coverage will end. The letter will explain your options for Medicare coverage in your area.

As a member of Freedom Blue PPO, you have the right to request an organization determination, which includes the right to file an appeal if we deny coverage for an item or service, and the right to file a grievance. You have the right to request an organization determination if you want us to provide or pay for an item or service that you believe should be covered. If we deny coverage for your requested item or service, you have the right to appeal and ask us to review our decision. You may ask us for an expedited (fast) coverage determination or appeal if you believe that waiting for a decision could seriously put your life or health at risk, or affect your ability to regain maximum function. If your doctor makes or supports the expedited request, we must expedite our decision.

Finally, you have the right to file a grievance with us if you have any type of problem with us or one of our network providers that does not involve coverage for an item or service. If your problem involves quality of care, you also have the right to file a grievance with the Quality Improvement Organization (QIO) for your state.

As a member of Freedom Blue PPO, you have the right to request a coverage determination, which includes the right to request an exception, the right to file an appeal if we deny coverage for a prescription drug, and the right to file a grievance. You have the right to request a coverage determination if you want us to cover a Part D drug that you believe should be covered. An exception is a type of coverage determination. You may ask us for an exception if you believe you need a drug that is not on our list of covered drugs or believe you should get a non-preferred drug at a lower out-of-pocket cost. You can also ask for an exception to cost utilization rules, such as a limit on the quantity of a drug.

If you think you need an exception, you should contact us before you try to fill your prescription at a pharmacy. Your doctor must provide a statement to support your exception request. If we deny coverage for your prescription drug(s), you have the right to appeal and ask us to review our decision.

Finally, you have the right to file a grievance if you have any type of problem with us or one of our network pharmacies that does not involve coverage for a prescription drug. If your problem involves quality of care, you also have the right to file a grievance with the Quality Improvement Organization (QIO) for your state.

What is a medication therapy management (MTM) program?

A medication therapy management (MTM) program is a free service we may offer. You may be invited to participate in a program designed for your specific health and pharmacy needs. You may decide not to participate, but it is recommended that you take full advantage of this covered service if you are selected. Contact Freedom Blue PPO for more details.

What type of drugs may be covered under Medicare Part B?

Some outpatient prescription drugs may be covered under Medicare Part B. These may include, but are not limited to, the following types of drugs. Contact Freedom Blue PPO for more details.

- **Some antigens:** If they are prepared by a doctor and administered by a properly instructed person (who could be the patient) under doctor supervision.
 - **Osteoporosis drugs:** Injectable drugs for osteoporosis for certain women with Medicare.
 - **Erythropoietin (Epoetin Alfa or Epogen®):** By injection if you have end stage renal disease (permanent kidney failure requiring either dialysis or transplantation) and need this drug to treat anemia.
 - **Hemophilia clotting factors:** Self-administered clotting factors if you have hemophilia.
 - **Injectable drugs:** Most injectable drugs administered during a physician's visit.
 - **Immunosuppressive drugs:** Immunosuppressive drug therapy for transplant patients if the transplant was paid for by Medicare, or paid by a private insurance that paid as a primary payer to your Medicare Part A coverage, in a Medicare-certified facility.
 - **Some oral cancer drugs:** If the same drug is available in injectable form.
 - **Oral anti-nausea drugs:** If you are part of an anti-cancer chemotherapeutic regimen.
 - **Inhalation and infusion drugs** provided through durable medical equipment (DME).
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Questions about drug coverage?

Call **1-866-456-7739**, Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. (TTY call 711).

Where can I find information on plan ratings?

The Medicare program rates how well plans perform in different categories (for example, detecting and preventing illness, ratings from patients, and customer service). If you have access to the web, you may use the web tools on **medicare.gov** to compare the plan ratings of Medicare plans in your area. You can also call us directly at **1-800-550-8722** to obtain a copy of the plan ratings for this plan. TTY users call 711.

Please call Highmark Senior Health Company for more information about this plan or visit us at **medicare.highmark.com/home**.

Current members

Call **1-866-918-5285** for questions related to the Medicare Advantage program or Medicare Part D Prescription Drug program (TTY/TDD: 711), seven days a week, 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. ET.

Prospective members

Call **1-866-456-7739** for questions related to the Medicare Advantage or Medicare Part D Prescription Drug program (TTY/TDD: 711), Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. ET.

For more information about Medicare, call **1-800-MEDICARE** (1-800-633-4227). TTY users should call **1-877-486-2048**. You can call 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Or, visit **medicare.gov**.

If you have special needs, this document may be available in other formats such as Braille, large print, or other alternate formats. This document may be available in a non-English language. For additional information, call Customer Service at the phone number listed above.

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In-Network		Out-of-Network
Important Information		
Premium and Other Important Information	You may pay a premium each month to your retiree/employer group/trust fund. In addition, you keep paying your Medicare Part B premium. Most people will pay the standard monthly Part B premium. However, some people will pay a higher premium because of their yearly income. For more information about Part B premiums based on income, visit www.medicare.gov/part-d/costs/premiums/drug-plan-premiums.html or call Medicare at 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227). TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048. You may also call Social Security at 1-800-772-1213. TTY users should call 1-800-325-0778.	
Plan Deductible	\$250	
Combined In and Out-of-Network Out-of-Pocket Maximum (does not include Part D Drugs)	\$1,000	
Covered Medical and Hospital Benefits		
Notes:	Services with a 1 may require prior authorization.	
Inpatient Hospital Care ¹ (includes Substance Abuse and Rehabilitation Services) Our plan covers an unlimited number of days for an inpatient hospital stay. Except in an emergency, your doctor must tell the plan that you are going to be admitted to the hospital.	You pay: 0% coinsurance for each stay.	You pay: 0% coinsurance for each stay.
Outpatient Hospital/ Ambulatory Surgery Center ¹	You pay: 0% coinsurance Outpatient Hospital You pay: 0% coinsurance Ambulatory Surgery Center	You pay: 0% coinsurance Outpatient Hospital You pay: 0% coinsurance Ambulatory Surgery Center
Doctor Office Visits Office visit copays do not apply to the annual deductible if applicable	You pay: \$20 copay Primary Care physician visit You pay: \$30 copay Specialist visit	You pay: \$20 copay Primary Care physician visit You pay: \$30 copay Specialist visit
Preventive Services	You pay: \$0 copay Our plan covers many preventive services, including: Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm screening, Alcohol misuse counseling, Bone Mass Measurement, Breast cancer screening (mammogram), Cardiovascular disease (behavioral therapy), Cardiovascular screenings, Cervical and Vaginal Cancer screening, Colorectal Cancer screening (Colonoscopy, Fecal occult blood test, Flexible sigmoidoscopy), Depression screening, Diabetes screening, HIV screening, Medical nutrition therapy services, Obesity screening and counseling, Prostate cancer screenings (PSA), Sexually transmitted infections screening and counseling, Tobacco use cessation counseling (counseling for people with no sign of tobacco-related disease), Vaccine, including Flu shots,Hepatitis B shots, Pneumococcal shots, "Welcome to Medicare" preventive visit (one-time), Yearly "Wellness" visit Any additional preventive services approved by Medicare during the contract year will be covered. If the doctor provides you additional services, separate doctor office visit cost sharing may apply.	

Emergency Care You may go to any emergency room if you reasonably believe you need emergency care.	You pay: \$150 copay for each emergency room visit. Worldwide coverage for emergency and urgently needed care. If you are admitted to the hospital within 3-day(s) for the same condition, your copay is waived for the emergency room visit.	
Urgent Care This is not emergency care	You pay: \$50 copay	
Diagnostic Tests, Lab, Radiology Services¹ Such as MRIs and CT Scans and X-rays	You pay: 0% coinsurance for lab/diagnostic services in a physicians office or independent lab. You pay: 0% coinsurance for lab/diagnostic services in an outpatient facility. You pay: 0% coinsurance for standard imaging services You pay: 0% coinsurance for advanced imaging services. You pay: 0% coinsurance for therapeutic radiology services.	You pay: 0% coinsurance for lab/diagnostic services in a physicians office or independent lab. You pay: 0% coinsurance for lab/diagnostic services in an outpatient facility. You pay: 0% coinsurance for standard imaging services You pay: 0% coinsurance for advanced imaging services. You pay: 0% coinsurance for therapeutic radiology services.
Hearing Services Medicare covered exam to diagnose and treat hearing and balance issues	You pay: \$30 copay	You pay: \$30 copay
Hearing Services Routine exam up to 1 every year. Cost sharing is not applied to the Combined In and Out-of-Network Out-of-Pocket Maximum.	You pay: \$30 copay \$499 per aid per year for TruHearing Advanced \$799 per aid per year for TruHearing Premium.	You pay: \$30 copay \$500 allowance for hearing aids every 3 years from any other provider.
Dental Services¹ Preventive dental services (such as cleaning) not covered Authorization rules may apply for Medicare-covered accidental dental services.	Medicare covered dental benefits you pay: \$30 copay.	Medicare covered dental benefits you pay: \$30 copay.
Vision Medicare covered exam to diagnose and treat diseases and conditions of the eye (including yearly glaucoma screening)	You pay: \$30 copay \$200 benefit maximum applies to upgrades to post cataract surgery eyewear that are not medically necessary. Benefit maximum is available following cataract surgery once per operated eye.	You pay: \$30 copay \$200 benefit maximum applies to upgrades to post cataract surgery eyewear that are not medically necessary. Benefit maximum is available following cataract surgery once per operated eye.
Mental Health Care¹ Inpatient visit: Covered services include mental health care services that require a hospital stay. There is a 190-day lifetime limit for inpatient services in a psychiatric hospital. The 190-day limit does not apply to inpatient mental health services provided in a psychiatric unit of a general hospital. Office visit copays do not apply to the annual deductible.	Inpatient stay you pay: 0% coinsurance Outpatient individual/group therapy visit for other mental health care services you pay: \$30 copay Outpatient individual therapy visit with a psychiatrist you pay: \$30 copay	Inpatient stay you pay: 0% coinsurance Outpatient individual/group therapy visit for other mental health care services you pay: \$30 copay Outpatient individual therapy visit with a psychiatrist you pay: \$30 copay

Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF)¹ Medicare-certified skilled nursing facility	You pay: 0% coinsurance per admission for days 1-100. No prior hospital stay is required.	You pay: 0% coinsurance per admission for days 1-100. No prior hospital stay is required.
Physical Therapy¹	You pay: \$30 copay for Medicare-covered Physical Therapy visits.	You pay: \$30 copay for Medicare-covered Physical Therapy visits.
Ambulance Services¹ Medically necessary ambulance services	You pay: \$100 copay	Emergency - You pay: \$100 copay Non-Emergency - You pay: 10% coinsurance
Transportation (Routine)¹ Combined 24 one way trips. Transportation related to continued acute care after discharge does not apply towards the trip limit.	You pay: \$10 copay per trip.	You pay: 50% coinsurance for out-of-network transportation services.
Part B Drugs¹ Drugs covered under Medicare Part B. See Section 1 for more Information on Medicare Part B Drugs. Part B covers Immunosuppressive drugs, Oral chemotherapy drugs, Physician administered injectables, Nebulizer drugs and other Part B drugs.	You pay: 0% coinsurance	You pay: 0% coinsurance
Acupuncture Medicare-covered Acupuncture visits up to 12 visits in 90 days for chronic low back pain.	You pay: \$30 copay for Medicare-covered Acupuncture visits.	You pay: \$30 copay for Medicare-covered Acupuncture visits.
Chiropractic Care¹ Medicare-covered chiropractic visits are for manual manipulation of the spine to correct subluxation (a displacement or misalignment of a joint or body part)	You pay: \$20 copay	You pay: \$20 copay
Diabetes Supplies and Services¹ includes coverage for glucose monitors, test strips, lancets, screening tests, self-management training, retinal exam/glaucoma test, and foot exam/therapeutic soft shoes.	You pay: 0% coinsurance Diabetes self-management training you pay: \$0. If the doctor provides you additional services, separate doctor office visit cost sharing may apply.	You pay: 10% coinsurance
Durable Medical Equipment¹ Includes wheelchairs, prosthetics, oxygen, etc.	You pay: 0% coinsurance for durable medical equipment. You pay: 0% coinsurance for oxygen and oxygen supplies.	You pay: 10% coinsurance for durable medical equipment. You pay: 10% coinsurance for oxygen and oxygen supplies.
Foot Care (podiatry services) Medicare covered exam -Foot exams and treatment if you have diabetes-related nerve damage and/or meet certain conditions.	You pay: \$30 copay	You pay: \$30 copay
Home Health Care¹	You pay: 0% coinsurance	You pay: 0% coinsurance

Outpatient Rehabilitation¹ Cardiac Rehabilitation Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Speech and Language Therapy	<p>You pay: \$0 copay for Cardiac (heart) Rehabilitation services.</p> <p>You pay: \$30 copay for Medicare-covered Occupational, Physical, Speech and Language Therapy visits.</p>	<p>You pay: \$0 copay for Cardiac (heart) Rehabilitation services.</p> <p>You pay: \$30 copay for Medicare-covered Occupational, Physical, Speech and Language Therapy visits.</p>
Over the Counter Drug Allowance	Not Covered	
Renal Dialysis Services To Treat Kidney Disease	You pay: \$0 copay	You pay: 10% coinsurance
Wellness/Education and Other Supplemental Benefits & Services	The plan covers the following supplemental education/wellness programs: Nationwide Fitness Network Membership/Fitness Classes	You pay: 50% of the cost for out-of-network health/wellness services after a \$500 deductible.
Hospice	You pay: \$0 copay for hospice care from a Medicare-certified hospice. You may have to pay part of the costs for drugs and respite care. Hospice is covered outside of our plan. Please contact us for more details.	

Part D Prescription Drug Benefits

You pay the following until you reach the True Out of Pocket (TrOOP) costs threshold of \$2,100.
Deductible - \$0

You may have cost sharing for drugs that are covered under Medicare Excluded Part D

Formulary Type	Incentive			
Initial Coverage	Network Retail Pharmacy	Tier	31 Day Supply	Up to 100 Day Supply Tier 1 & 2 Up to 90 Day Supply Tier 3 & 4
		Tier 1 (Preferred Generic Drugs)	\$12 copay	\$36 copay
		Tier 2 (Generic Drugs)	\$12 copay	\$36 copay
		Tier 3 (Preferred Brand Drugs and Generics)	\$35 copay	\$105 copay
		Tier 4 (Non-Preferred Drugs)	\$65 copay	\$195 copay
		Tier 5 (Specialty drugs consist of both Generic and Brand)	\$65 copay	Not Available
	Mail Order	Tier	Up to 100 Day Supply Tier 1 & 2 Up to 90 Day Supply Tier 3 & 4	
		Tier 1 (Preferred Generic Drugs)	\$24 copay	
		Tier 2 (Generic Drugs)	\$24 copay	
		Tier 3 (Preferred Brand Drugs and Generics)	\$40 copay	
		Tier 4 (Non-Preferred Drugs)	\$100 copay	
		Tier 5 (Specialty drugs consist of both Generic and Brand)	\$65 copay for a 31 day limit supply	
Catastrophic Coverage	After reaching the True Out of Pocket (TrOOP) costs, there is \$0 member cost sharing for covered Part D drugs in the catastrophic coverage phase, including for covered insulin products and Part D vaccinations.			
	You many have cost sharing for drugs that are covered under Medicare Excluded Part D drug rider.			

Important Message If you have prescription cost sharing more than \$35/month - What You Pay for Insulin – The maximum copayment for a one-month supply of covered insulin products is \$35, no matter what cost-sharing tier it is on or if you have not met your Rx deductible (if applicable).

For questions about this plan's benefits or costs, please contact Freedom Blue PPO (PA). Call 1-866-456-7739, (TTY users call 711), Monday through Friday, between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. ET. Please have Reference Code 26FB0178428 ready when you call.



Important Information about Certain Medicare Excluded Prescription Drugs

The following is a list of Medicare Part D excluded drugs covered under your plan. The cost sharing for these drugs is Generic-Tier 2 and Brand-Tier 4 listed in your plan documents.

Drug Name	Requirements/Limits
Caverject Vial (ea) 20 mcg and 40 mcg	QL (0.2 EA per 1 day), *, +
Caverject Kit 10 mcg and 20 mcg	QL (0.2 EA per 1 day), *, +
Cialis Tablet 2.5 mg	QL (2 EA per 1 day), *, +
Cialis Tablet 5 mg	QL (1 EA per 1 day), *, +
Cialis Tablet 10 mg and 20 mg	QL (0.2 EA per 1 day), *, +
Drisdol 1.25 MG (50,000 Unit)	*, +
Edex Kit 10 mcg, 20 mcg and 40 mcg	QL (0.2 EA per 1 day), *, +
Ergocal Ciferol 1.25 mg	*, +
Folic Acid Tablet 1 mg	*, +
IFE-BIMIX 30/1 150-5 MG/5 ML	QL (0.2 EA per 1 day), *, +
IFE-PG20 100 MCG/5 ML VIAL	QL (0.2 EA per 1 day), *, +
Levitra Tablet 2.5 mg, 5 mg, 10 mg and 20 mg	QL (0.2 EA per 1 day), *, +
Muse Suppository, Urethral 125 mcg	QL (0.2 EA per 1 day), *, +
Muse Suppository, Urethral 250 mcg	QL (0.2 EA per 1 day), *, +
Muse Suppository, Urethral 500 mcg	QL (0.2 EA per 1 day), *, +
Muse Suppository, Urethral 1000 mcg	QL (0.2 EA per 1 day), *, +
PAPAVRN 30 MG-PHENTO 1 MG/ML	QL (0.2 EA per 1 day), *, +
PPVRN 12MG-PHNT 1MG-ALPR 10MCG	QL (0.2 EA per 1 day), *, +
PPVRN 30MG-PHNT 1MG-ALPR 20MCG	QL (0.2 EA per 1 day), *, +
Promethazine HCL/Codeine Syrup 6.25-10/5	*, +
Promethazine DM Syrup 6.25-15/5	*, +
Sildenafil 25 MG, 50MG and 100 MG TABLET	QL (0.2 EA per 1 day), *, +
Staxyn Tablet, Disintegrating 10 mg	QL (0.2 EA per 1 day), *, +
Stendra Tablet 50 mg, 100 mg and 200 mg	*, +
Tadalafil 2.5 MG TABLET	QL (2 EA per 1 day), *, +
Tadalafil 5 MG TABLET	QL (1 EA per 1 day), *, +
Tadalafil 10 MG and 20 MG TABLET	QL (0.2 EA per 1 day), *, +
TRI-MIX 150 MG-5 MG-50 MCG VL	QL (0.2 EA per 1 day), *, +
Viagra Tablet 25 mg, 50 mg and 100 mg	QL (0.2 EA per 1 day), *, +
Vitamin D2 1.25MG(50,000 UNIT)	*, +
Vitamin D2 50 MCG (2,000 UNIT)	*, +

+ - This prescription drug is not normally covered in a Medicare Prescription Drug Plan. The amount you pay when you fill a prescription for this drug does not count towards your total drug costs (that is, the amount you pay does not help you qualify for catastrophic coverage). In addition, if you are receiving extra help to pay for your prescriptions, you will not get any extra help to pay for this drug.

You can find information on what the symbols and abbreviations on this table mean by going to page 10 of the formulary.

This information is not a complete description of benefits. Call 1-866-456-7739 (TTY users may call 711) for more information.

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Out-of-network/non-contracted providers are under no obligation to treat Freedom Blue PPO members except in emergency situations. Please call our customer service number or see your Evidence of Coverage for more information, including the cost-sharing that applies to out-of-network services.

Discrimination is Against the Law

The Plan complies with applicable Federal civil rights laws and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex, including sex stereotypes and gender identity. The Plan does not exclude people or treat them differently because of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex assigned at birth, gender identity or recorded gender. Furthermore, the Plan will not deny or limit coverage to any health service based on the fact that an individual's sex assigned at birth, gender identity, or recorded gender is different from the one to which such health service is ordinarily available. The Plan will not deny or limit coverage for a specific health service related to gender transition if such denial or limitation results in discriminating against a transgender individual. The Plan:

- Provides free aids and services to people with disabilities to communicate effectively with us, such as:
 - Qualified sign language interpreters
 - 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, contact the Civil Rights Coordinator.

If you believe that the Plan has failed to provide these services or discriminated in another way on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex, including sex stereotypes and gender identity, you can file a grievance with: Civil Rights Coordinator, P.O. Box 22492, Pittsburgh, PA 15222, Phone: 1-866-286-8295, TTY: 711, Fax: 412-544-2475, email: CivilRightsCoordinator@highmarkhealth.org. You can file a grievance in person or by mail, fax, or email. 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, D.C. 20201
1-800-368-1019, 800-537-7697 (TDD)

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

Pennsylvania, Delaware, West Virginia, and New York: 1-844-679-6930 (TTY: 711)

We have free interpreter services to answer any questions you may have about our health or drug plan. To get an interpreter, just call the number provided for your state of residence. Someone who speaks English can help you. This is a free service.

Tenemos servicios gratis de interpretación para responder cualquier pregunta que pueda tener sobre nuestro plan médico o de medicamentos. Para obtener un intérprete, simplemente llame al número correspondiente a su estado de residencia. Alguien que hable español puede ayudarlo. Este servicio es gratis.

我们免费提供口译服务，为您解答有关我们健康计划或药物计划的任何疑问。如需口译服务，只需拨打您所在州相应的电话号码即可。说中文的工作人员可为您提供帮助。此项服务免费。

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Mayroon kaming mga libreng serbisyo ng interpreter para sagutin ang anumang tanong na posibleng mayroon ka tungkol sa aming planong pangkalusugan o plano sa gamot. Para kumuha ng interpreter, tawagan lang ang numerong ibinigay para sa estadong tinitirhan mo. May taong nagsasalita ng Tagalog na makakatulong sa iyo. Isa itong libreng serbisyo.

Nous disposons de services d'interprétation gratuits pour répondre à toutes les questions que vous vous posez sur notre régime d'assurance maladie ou d'assurance médicaments. Pour obtenir les services d'un interprète, il vous suffit d'appeler le numéro correspondant à votre État de résidence. Une personne parlant français pourra vous aider. Ce service est gratuit.

Chúng tôi cung cấp dịch vụ thông dịch miễn phí để giải đáp mọi thắc mắc của quý vị về chương trình sức khỏe hoặc thuốc của chúng tôi. Để có thông dịch viên, chỉ cần gọi số được cung cấp cho tiểu bang cư trú của quý vị. Ai đó nói Tiếng Việt có thể giúp quý vị. Đây là dịch vụ miễn phí.

Wir verfügen über kostenlose Dolmetschdienste, damit Sie alle eventuellen Fragen zu unserer Krankenversicherung oder zur Medikamenten-Zusatzversicherung klären können. Rufen Sie hierzu einfach die Nummer für den Bundesstaat an, in dem Sie Ihren Wohnsitz haben. Jemand, der Deutsch spricht, wird Ihnen behilflich sein. Dies ist ein kostenloser Service.

لدينا خدمات ترجمة فورية مجانية للإجابة عن أي أسئلة قد تراودك حول خطتنا الصحية أو الدوائية. للحصول على مترجم فوري، فقط اتصل بالرقم المقدم للولاية التي تقيم فيها. ويمكن لشخص يتحدث العربية مساعدتك. هذه خدمة مجانية.

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Мы предоставляем бесплатные услуги устного перевода, чтобы помочь вам получить ответы на любые вопросы, которые могут у вас возникнуть в отношении нашего медицинского плана или плана лекарственных препаратов. Чтобы заказать услуги переводчика, просто позвоните по номеру, указанному для штата, в котором вы проживаете. Один из наших переводчиков, специализацией которого является русский язык, поможет вам. Эта услуга предоставляется бесплатно.

हमारे पास हमारी स्वास्थ्य या दवा योजना के बारे में आपके किसी भी प्रश्न का उत्तर देने के लिए मुफ्त दुभाषिया सेवाएँ हैं। एक दुभाषिया प्राप्त करने के लिए, बस अपने निवास स्थान की स्टेट के लिए दिए गए नंबर पर कॉल करें। हिंदी बोलने वाला कोई व्यक्ति आपकी सहायता कर सकता है। यह एक निःशुल्क सेवा है।

Disponiamo di servizi di interpretariato gratuiti per rispondere a ogni sua domanda riguardo al suo piano sanitario o farmaceutico. Per ottenere l'assistenza di un interprete, chiami il numero fornito per il suo stato di residenza. Qualcuno che parla italiano la aiuterà. Il servizio è gratuito.

Temos serviços de interpretação gratuitos para esclarecer suas dúvidas sobre nosso plano de saúde ou de medicamentos. Para contar com um intérprete, ligue para o número fornecido para o seu estado de residência. Alguém que fale Português pode ajudar você. Este é um serviço gratuito.

Nou gen sèvis entèpretasyon gratis pou reponn ak nenpòt kesyon ou ta ka genyen sou plan asirans sante oswa medikaman nou an. Pou jwenn yon entèprèt ede w, senpleman rele nimewo ki koresponn ak Eta kote w rete a. Yon moun ki pale Kreyòl Ayisyenap ede w. Sèvis sa a gratis.

Dysponujemy darmowymi usługami tłumaczeniowymi, dzięki którym może Pan/Pani uzyskać odpowiedzi na pytania dotyczące naszego planu zdrowia lub leków. Aby uzyskać pomoc tłumacza, wystarczy zadzwonić pod numer podany dla stanu, w którym Pan/Pani mieszka. Ktoś, kto zna język polsku, może Panu/Pani pomóc. Ta usługa jest darmowa.

当院では、無料の通訳サービスを用意し、治療や投薬計画に関するご質問にお答えしています。通訳を手配したい場合は、お住まいの州で指定された番号までお電話でご連絡ください。日本語話せる者が対応をお手伝いします。サービスは無料でご利用いただけます。



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Understanding your drug formulary

Getting to know the basics about your drug formulary can help save you money — and headaches — when it's time to get a prescription filled. That's why we've created this helpful guide to answer some of the most commonly asked questions.

What is a formulary?

The formulary is a list of FDA-approved prescription drugs and selected over-the-counter medications. The drugs on the formulary are divided into major categories, depending on the medical condition they are used to treat.

Got it. So what are the categories?

Highmark's drug formulary is divided into three categories:

1. Performance
2. Venture
3. Incentive

All of our 2026 plans use the Performance Formulary, Venture Formulary, or Incentive Formulary. For a complete list of every drug that's covered, you should refer to your plan's specific formulary.



How do I find my plan's specific formulary?

There are two ways to find the list of drugs covered under your plan's specific formulary:

Option 1:

Search for a drug at [Medicare.Highmark.com](https://www.Medicare.Highmark.com).

You can use our search tool to find a specific drug. All you need to do is complete four simple steps:

1. Visit [Medicare.Highmark.com](https://www.Medicare.Highmark.com)
2. Scroll to the bottom of the page and click the **Find a Prescription Drug** option.
3. Enter your ZIP code.
4. Search for your plan under the listed formularies. Your formulary type can be found in the Summary of Benefits on the Part D Prescription Drug Benefits page.
5. Select the link to view the formulary.

Option 2:

Get a hard copy of your drug list in the mail.

To request a printed copy of your plan's formulary, call the Highmark number below.

And remember, if you have questions, you can always call Highmark at **1-866-456-7739** (TTY users call 711), Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.



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The pharmacy network may change at any time. You will receive notice when necessary. This information is not a complete description of benefits. Contact the plan for more information. Limitations, copayments, and restrictions may apply. Benefits, premiums and/or copayments/coinsurance may change on January 1 of each year.

Network provider information

Here's how choosing an out-of-network doctor or hospital could mean you pay more.

While you're close to home, you have access to care through your local network. Use in-network Medicare providers to get care, or you could pay extra. Please refer to the Summary of Benefits included in this document for benefits and cost sharing.

If you're traveling outside of your county or across the country, you also have access to care from thousands of other participating Blue Shield Medicare Advantage PPO doctors, hospitals, and other professional providers. If you get care from them, you're covered at the same in-network rates too.

And if you happen to be in a county without a participating MA PPO plan, not to worry. You'll pay those same in-network rates. Just remember, that provider has to accept Medicare. If not, the cost of care won't be covered.

So, you're covered at home, and away — at lots of high-quality providers.

If you need help finding an in-network provider, reach out and we'll help.

Call <1-866-456-7739> (TTY dial 711),
Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Get help with the ins and outs of your Freedom Blue PPO.



Whether you need Medicare questions answered, your preventive care services explained, or help finding an in-network provider, Highmark can do it all.

Just call **1-866-456-7739** (TTY/TTD call 711), Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

If you need to find an in-network provider or facility, you can always use our searchable online directory:

1. Visit **Medicare.Highmark.com**.
2. Click **Find a Provider** at the bottom of the page.
3. Enter **ZIP Code** and **County**.
4. Choose a location and plan.
5. Enter an **Address, City** or **ZIP Code**.
6. Enter your **Alpha Prefix** if you are a member or Browse **list of plans**.
7. Select a plan.

Medical

Click **Doctors by name or specialty**; OR **Places by name or type**.

Vision

For more information and to find a provider near you, visit **DavisVision.com** or contact Davis Vision at **1-800-999-5431** (TTY 711), Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 11 p.m., Saturday, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m., and Sunday, noon – 4 p.m.

Dental

Scroll down to **Find a dentist** and click **Get Started**.

Pharmacy

Scroll down to **Find a Pharmacy** and click **View Pharmacy Network**. Then scroll down again under **Find Care** and click **Find a Pharmacy** to locate your Pharmacy Network.



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TRAVEL BENEFITS (PPO)

Coverage that travels with you.

With shared access to many Blue Plans' Medicare Advantage networks across the country, you don't have to worry about finding in-network coverage away from home. Happy trails.

FITNESS

Exercise and wellness membership.

Stay active with access to over 13,000 gyms and studios across the country, plus a large library of digital fitness classes. Visit **medicare.highmark.com**. Click **Learn**, enter your ZIP code, then click **Plan Perks and Services** and then **Highmark Fitness**. Or, call us at **<1-866-456-7739>** (TTY users call 711).

NO REFERRALS

No referrals, no red tape.

Lose the time-wasting of going to an appointment just to get another appointment. See the in-network doctors you want to see. No hoops, no hoopla.

REWARDS

Get rewarded for taking care of yourself.

To learn about preventive-care-based reward and wellness card programs available to all Highmark Medicare Advantage members, visit **medicare.highmark.com**. Click **Learn**, enter your ZIP code, then click **Plan Perks and Services** and then **Wellness Plans and Rewards**.

VIRTUAL VISITS

Face-to-face with a doctor, 24/7.

Need to see a doctor but can't leave home? Get a diagnosis, treatment plan, or prescription anytime, right from your phone or computer. Just call **1-866-883-7358** (TTY users call 711).

HIGHMARK HOUSE CALLS

Once-a-year, in-home health review.

Get a general wellness exam, suggestions for screenings or other tests, and a medicine review. Call us at **<1-866-456-7739>** (TTY users call 711) to schedule a house call or visit **medicare.highmark.com**. Click **Learn**, enter your ZIP code, then click **Plan Perks and Services** and then **Highmark House Calls**.

Questions about your plan?

We have answers.

Is my plan a Medicare Supplement?

No. Your plan is a Medicare Advantage PPO, not a Medicare Supplement. This means you have all the benefits of Medicare, plus extra perks.

What's included in my plan?

All Medicare benefits are covered, such as annual checkups, immunizations, and screenings. You may also have extra perks, like routine hearing and eye exams, hearing aids, eyeglasses or contact lenses, and prescription drug coverage. Please refer to the Summary of Benefits included in this kit for benefits and cost sharing. With your PPO plan, you can choose your doctors and hospitals, either in or out of network. And you don't need referrals.

Take a look at the Summary of Benefits or more details on limitations, copayments, and coinsurance.

Will I receive high-quality care?

Absolutely. We carefully screen our health care providers before they join our network.

Each provider is evaluated by our medical review committee and must meet strict criteria. We take these steps regularly to ensure we continue offering high-quality care.

Am I still covered by Original Medicare Parts A and B?

Yes. You still have Medicare coverage, but now it's through your plan. You don't pay Original Medicare deductibles and coinsurance, and you have extra benefits and services. You'll continue to pay your Medicare Part B premium, and you'll pay a copayment or coinsurance for certain network services and out-of-network care.

Am I affected by IRMAA?

Fewer than 5% of Medicare members are affected by IRMAA, Medicare's income-related monthly adjustment amount. If your modified adjusted gross income (MAGI) as reported on your IRS tax return is above a certain amount, you will pay an extra amount in addition to your monthly plan premium. For more information on the extra amount you may have to pay based on your income, visit [medicare.gov/basics/costs/medicare-costs](https://www.medicare.gov/basics/costs/medicare-costs).

What if I decide to drop my coverage later?

Before you disenroll, be sure to talk with Customer Service and follow the disenrollment steps outlined by your former employer or trust fund. If you drop coverage outside of an open enrollment period, you may be able to switch to a Medicare Supplement plan.

Health care lingo, translated.

When you're reviewing your plan, you're bound to see certain terms over and over. Here's a cheat sheet for a few of the most important ones.

PREMIUM

The monthly amount you pay to have coverage, in addition to your Medicare Part B premium.

COINSURANCE

The percentage owed for some covered services. For example, if your plan pays 80%, you pay 20%.

IN-NETWORK PROVIDER

A doctor or hospital that charges no more than your plan allowance amount for their services.

OUT-OF-NETWORK PROVIDER

A doctor or hospital that usually charges more than your plan allowance for the same services.

PLAN ALLOWANCE

The set amount your plan will pay for a health service, even if your provider bills for more.

MAXIMUM OUT-OF-POCKET

The most you'd pay for covered care. If you hit this amount, your plan pays 100% after that.

COPAY

The set amount you pay for a covered service. For example, it could be \$20 for a doctor visit or \$30 for a specialist.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

2026 Medicare Star Ratings

Official U.S.
Government
Medicare
Information



Highmark Blue Cross Blue Shield or Highmark Blue Shield - H3916

For 2026, Highmark Blue Cross Blue Shield or Highmark Blue Shield - H3916 received the following Star Ratings from Medicare:

Overall Star Rating:	★★★★★
Health Services Rating:	★★★★☆
Drug Services Rating:	★★★★★

Every year, Medicare evaluates plans based on a 5-star rating system.

Why Star Ratings Are Important

Medicare rates plans on their health and drug services.

This lets you easily compare plans based on quality and performance.

Star Ratings are based on factors that include:

- Feedback from members about the plan's service and care
- The number of members who left or stayed with the plan
- The number of complaints Medicare got about the plan
- Data from doctors and hospitals that work with the plan

The number of stars show how well a plan performs.

★★★★★	EXCELLENT
★★★★☆	ABOVE AVERAGE
★★★☆☆	AVERAGE
★★☆☆☆	BELOW AVERAGE
★☆☆☆☆	POOR

More stars mean a better plan – for example, members may get better care and better, faster customer service.

Get More Information on Star Ratings Online

Compare Star Ratings for this and other plans online at [Medicare.gov/plan-compare](https://www.medicare.gov/plan-compare).

Questions? Call us at: 1-800-550-8722 (TTY 711)

We're available seven days a week, 8 a.m. – 8 p.m.

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There's a whole lot of legalese around these Medicare plans. We put it all in one place for you.

For more complete information about what is and is not covered by Freedom Blue PPO, please refer to the enclosed Summary of Benefits or the Evidence of Coverage that will be available upon request. The benefits described in this brochure are in effect for this calendar year only. Freedom Blue PPO may change benefits with the approval of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) at the beginning of each calendar year. Members are mailed written notice in advance of such changes. Highmark Blue Shield is a Medicare Advantage HMO, PPO, and/or Part D plan with a Medicare contract. Enrollment in these plans depends on contract renewal. Benefits and/or benefit administration may be provided by or through the following entities which are independent licensees of the Blue Cross Blue Shield Association: Highmark Inc. d/b/a Highmark Blue Shield, Highmark Health Insurance Company, Highmark Choice Company or Highmark Senior Health Company. All references to "Highmark" in this document are references to the Highmark company that is providing the member's health benefits or health benefit administration and/or to one or more of its affiliated Blue companies. Deductibles, coinsurance and limitations apply to out-of-network services except for urgent and emergency care. Contact Freedom Blue PPO representatives for details. With the exception of emergency or urgent care, it may cost more to get care from non-plan or nonpreferred providers. Eligible Medicare beneficiaries may enroll in Medicare-approved plans only during specific times of the year known as enrollment periods. For more information, please contact Highmark Blue Shield Customer Service at <1-866-456-7739> (TTY/TDD users may call 711), Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. This document may be available in alternate formats or languages. To receive assistance in other languages or formats, please contact <1-866-456-7739> (TTY/TDD users may call 711), 8 a.m. – 8 p.m., seven days a week. Freedom Blue PPO members may visit any participating Blue Cross and/or Blue Shield Medicare Advantage PPO provider in the United States and pay network cost sharing. Out-of-network/non-contracted providers are under no obligation to treat Plan members, except in emergency situations. Please call our customer service number or see your Evidence of Coverage for more information, including the cost-sharing that applies to out-of-network services. You will receive a full list of benefits with your Welcome Kit once you are enrolled. You can request an Evidence of Coverage by calling Customer Service at <1-888-XXX-XXXX> (TTY users may call 711). Blues On Call is a service mark of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association.

Discrimination is Against the Law

The Plan complies with applicable Federal civil rights laws and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex, including sex stereotypes and gender identity. The Plan does not exclude people or treat them differently because of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex assigned at birth, gender identity or recorded gender. Furthermore, the Plan will not deny or limit coverage to any health service based on the fact that an individual's sex assigned at birth, gender identity, or recorded gender is different from the one to which such health service is ordinarily available. The Plan will not deny or limit coverage for a specific health service related to gender transition if such denial or limitation results in discriminating against a transgender individual. The Plan:

- Provides free aids and services to people with disabilities to communicate effectively with us, such as:
 - Qualified sign language interpreters
 - 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, contact the Civil Rights Coordinator.

If you believe that the Plan has failed to provide these services or discriminated in another way on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex, including sex stereotypes and gender identity, you can file a grievance with: Civil Rights Coordinator, P.O. Box 22492, Pittsburgh, PA 15222, Phone: 1-866-286-8295, TTY: 711, Fax: 412-544-2475, email: CivilRightsCoordinator@highmarkhealth.org. You can file a grievance in person or by mail, fax, or email. 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, D.C. 20201
1-800-368-1019, 800-537-7697 (TDD)

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

**Pennsylvania, Delaware, West Virginia, and New York:
1-844-679-6930 (TTY: 711)**

We have free interpreter services to answer any questions you may have about our health or drug plan. To get an interpreter, just call the number provided for your state of residence. Someone who speaks English can help you. This is a free service.

Tenemos servicios gratis de interpretación para responder cualquier pregunta que pueda tener sobre nuestro plan médico o de medicamentos. Para obtener un intérprete, simplemente llame al número correspondiente a su estado de residencia. Alguien que hable español puede ayudarlo. Este servicio es gratis.

我们免费提供口译服务，为您解答有关我们健康计划或药物计划的任何疑问。如需口译服务，只需拨打您所在州相应的电话号码即可。说中文的工作人员可为您提供帮助。此项服务免费。

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Nous disposons de services d'interprétation gratuits pour répondre à toutes les questions que vous vous posez sur notre régime d'assurance maladie ou d'assurance médicaments. Pour obtenir les services d'un interprète, il vous suffit d'appeler le numéro correspondant à votre État de résidence. Une personne parlant français pourra vous aider. Ce service est gratuit.

Chúng tôi cung cấp dịch vụ thông dịch miễn phí để giải đáp mọi thắc mắc của quý vị về chương trình sức khỏe hoặc thuốc của chúng tôi. Để có thông dịch viên, chỉ cần gọi số được cung cấp cho tiểu bang cư trú của quý vị. Ai đó nói Tiếng Việt có thể giúp quý vị. Đây là dịch vụ miễn phí.

Wir verfügen über kostenlose Dolmetschdienste, damit Sie alle eventuellen Fragen zu unserer Krankenversicherung oder zur Medikamenten-Zusatzversicherung klären können. Rufen Sie hierzu einfach die Nummer für den Bundesstaat an, in dem Sie Ihren Wohnsitz haben. Jemand, der Deutsch spricht, wird Ihnen behilflich sein. Dies ist ein kostenloser Service.

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Disponiamo di servizi di interpretariato gratuiti per rispondere a ogni sua domanda riguardo al suo piano sanitario o farmaceutico. Per ottenere l'assistenza di un interprete, chiami il numero fornito per il suo stato di residenza. Qualcuno che parla italiano la aiuterà. Il servizio è gratuito.

Temos serviços de interpretação gratuitos para esclarecer suas dúvidas sobre nosso plano de saúde ou de medicamentos. Para contar com um intérprete, ligue para o número fornecido para o seu estado de residência. Alguém que fale Português pode ajudar você. Este é um serviço gratuito.

Nou gen sèvis entèpretasyon gratis pou reponn ak nenpòt kesyon ou ta ka genyen sou plan asirans sante oswa medikaman nou an. Pou jwenn yon entèprèt ede w, senpleman rele nimewo ki koresponn ak Eta kote w rete a. Yon moun ki pale Kreyòl Ayisyenap ede w. Sèvis sa a gratis.

Dysponujemy darmowymi usługami tłumaczeniowymi, dzięki którym może Pan/Pani uzyskać odpowiedzi na pytania dotyczące naszego planu zdrowia lub leków. Aby uzyskać pomoc tłumacza, wystarczy zadzwonić pod numer podany dla stanu, w którym Pan/Pani mieszka. Ktoś, kto zna język polsku, może Panu/Pani pomóc. Ta usługa jest darmowa.

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