

Your Onondaga County 2016 Benefit Plan



## **WELCOME**

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## Why we're here?

## Important news about your health care coverage:

- Your health and prescription drug plans are changing.
  - Effective January 1, 2016, Onondaga County is changing health insurance coverage for Medicare-eligible retirees/spouses
  - The current medical coverage offered through MVP will end December 31, 2015.



# **Medicare Basics**



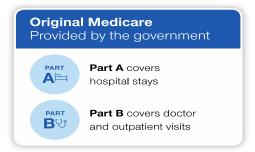
## The ABCs of Medicare

#### Medicare choices.

After you enroll in Original Medicare (Parts A and B), there are two ways to get additional coverage.



Enroll in Original Medicare when you become eligible.



STEP 2

If you need to add more coverage, you have two options.

#### **OPTION 1**

Keep Original Medicare and add one or both of the following:

## Medicare Supplement Insurance Offered by private companies



Covers some or all of the costs not covered by Parts A and B

## **Medicare Part D**Offered by private companies



Part D covers prescription drugs

#### OR

#### **OPTION 2**

Keep Original Medicare and add additional coverage by choosing a Medicare Advantage plan:

## Medicare Advantage (Part C) Offered by private companies



**Part C** combines Parts A and B



Provides additional benefits



Most plans cover prescription drugs

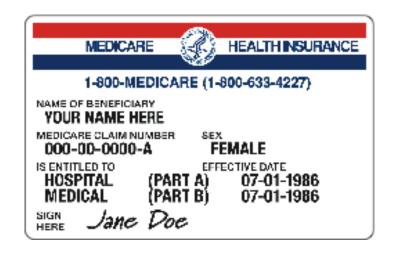
# When are you eligible for Medicare?

# You're eligible for Original Medicare (Parts A and B) if:

You're 65 years old, or you're under 65 and qualify on the basis of disability or other special situation.

and

You're a U.S. citizen or a legal resident who has lived in the United States for at least five consecutive years.



# **Plan Benefits**

Onondaga County
UnitedHealthcare Group Medicare Advantage PPO



# Your Medicare Advantage plan



## The advantages of a single plan.

Medicare Advantage (Part C) plans are provided through private insurers, like UnitedHealthcare. They include Part A and Part B coverage and often Part D — all in one plan. Medicare Advantage plans also generally offer additional benefits beyond doctor and hospital visits.



#### All the benefits of Part A

- Hospital stays
- Skilled nursing
- Home health



### All the benefits of Part B

- Doctor's visits
- Outpatient care
- Screenings and shots
- Lab tests



## Prescription drug coverage

 Included in many Medicare Advantage plans



### **Additional benefits**

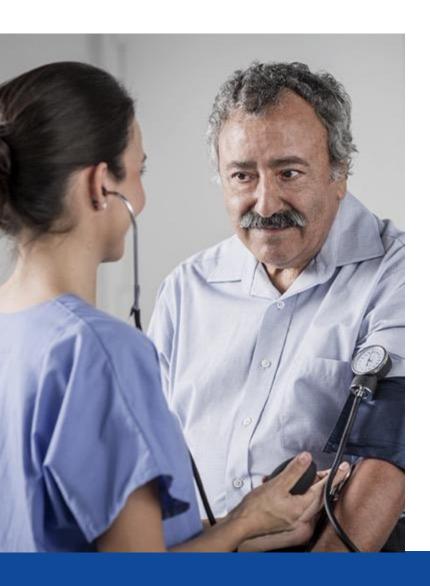
May be bundled with the plan

# Your plan overview (NPPO)

## Getting the health care coverage you may need.

- ✓ No referral needed to see a specialist
- Can see doctors outside the network for the same cost share as in-network providers as long as the provider accepts Medicare and the plan
- ✓ Coverage for visiting doctors, clinics and hospitals in one plan
- ✓ Prescription drug coverage
- ✓ Vision, and hearing coverage

# Your doctors (NPPO)



- Large network of doctors, specialists and hospitals.
- There's a chance your doctor is already part of our network. To find out, consult our online Provider Directory at <a href="https://www.UHCRetiree.com">www.UHCRetiree.com</a>.
- If your doctor is not in our network, under this plan, the doctor will be paid the same as Medicare. Most doctors accept this type of plan once they understand they do not need a contract and they will be paid the same as Medicare
- If you need help finding a doctor, we're here to help. Just call us.

	You Pay
Annual Deductible (Medical)	\$0
Annual out-of-pocket maximum Combined In and Out of Network (Medical)	\$4,000

Benefit Coverage	Network	Non-Network
Primary care provider (PCP) office visit	\$17	\$17
Specialist office visit	\$17	\$17
Inpatient hospitalization	\$0	\$0
Outpatient surgery	\$0	\$0

Benefit Coverage	Network	Non-Network
Emergency Room (Worldwide)	\$65	\$65
Urgently needed care (Worldwide)	\$17	\$17
Lab services	\$0	\$0
Outpatient X-Rays	\$17	\$17
Ambulance	\$35	\$35

## **Preventive Services**

Benefit Coverage	Network	Non-Network
Annual physical	\$0	\$0
Cardiovascular Screening	\$0	\$0
Diabetes Screening and Self Management Training	\$0	\$0
Colorectal Screening	\$0	\$0
Pap and Pelvic Exam	\$0	\$0
Prostate Cancer Screening	\$0	\$0
Immunizations (Flu, Pneumonia, Hep B)	\$0	\$0

Additional benefits and programs not covered by Original Medicare

Benefit Coverage	Network	Non-Network
Routine podiatry (6 visits per year)	\$17	\$17
Routine eye exam (every 12 months)	\$17	\$17
Vision – Eyewear (every 24 months)	Plan pays up to \$130 eyewear allowance or \$175 contact lens allowance	
Routine hearing (every 12 months)	\$0	\$0
Hearing Aid Allowance (every 36 months)	\$600 allowance	

## Retiree Reimbursement Account (RRA)

# An RRA is a special type of health care reimbursement account

- Designed exclusively for use during retirement
- It can be used to help reimburse you for eligible <u>medical</u> health care expenses including:
  - Co-pays,
  - Co-insurance
- Account will be funded annually in the amount of \$4000 per member
- Members will receive payment card to be used to pay copay/co-insurance payments



## RRA (continued)

- If you and your spouse are both Medicare-eligible, you will each have separate RRA accounts
- Unused RRA dollars will not roll over from year to year but members will have a 90 day period to submit expenses incurred in 2016 for reimbursement
- You pay no taxes on credits used to pay eligible out-of-pocket health care expenses



## Diabetic Supplies for 2016

Beginning January 1, 2016, your plan will provide coverage for the following brands of blood glucose testing strips and meters:



OneTouch® Ultra® 2
OneTouch® Verio™
OneTouch® UltraMini™

ACCU\_CHEK Aviva
ACCU\_CHEK SmartView

Your cost share for these brands will be \$0.

If you are using a different brand than identified above, a temporary supply of your current brand can be requested.

# Fitness program



## Stay physically fit and active at no additional cost.

## Join SilverSneakers and enjoy:

- Staying active with SilverSneakers® Fitness Program. Choose a fitness center from more than 13,000 participating locations. (Find the nearest location at www.silversneakers.com).
- Classes, cardio equipment, resistance machines, free weights and heated pools (at certain locations). Amenities may vary at each location.
- Many women-only locations, including Curves<sup>®</sup> nationwide.

## HouseCalls<sup>SM</sup>



## A health and wellness program that comes to you.

HouseCalls is designed to support and complement your regular doctor's care. For qualified members, you can meet with one of our licensed clinicians in the convenience of your own home at no additional cost to you.

The appointment includes:

- Important health screenings
- Extra time to talk about any health-related concerns you may have
- Review of your current medications
- Discussion of your diet
- Educational materials that may help you maintain your health

You may even be eligible for a reward when you complete a HouseCalls visit.

## NurseLine<sup>SM</sup>



## You're never alone.

Whether you have questions about a medication or have a health concern in the middle of the night, with NurseLine<sup>SM</sup> a nurse answers your call 24 hours a day.

### Services include:

- Help choosing a doctor
- Tips on how to help control diabetes, blood pressure or high cholesterol
- Reviewing your medications and exploring how to save money on prescriptions
- Connecting you with community resources for exercise
- Easy ways you can add fruits and vegetables to your diet
- Tips to help you quit smoking

# Your Prescription Drug Plan (PDP)



- More than 65,000 network pharmacies nationwide — many national drugstore chains and independent pharmacies are included.
- Thousands of covered brand name and generic drugs.
- Generic drugs as low as \$1.50 through our Pharmacy Saver program<sup>1</sup>
- Bonus drug coverage in addition to Medicare Part D drug coverage.
- Check your plan's drug list or call Customer Service to see if your prescription drugs are covered.

<sup>1</sup>Drugs and prices may vary between pharmacies and are subject to change during the plan year. Prices are based on quantity filled at the pharmacy. Quantities may be limited by pharmacy based on their dispensing policy or by the plan based on Quantity Limit requirements; if prescription is in excess of a limit, co-pay amounts may be higher.

# **Drug Payment Stages**

### **Annual deductible**

Your plan does not have an Rx deductible.

## Initial Coverage

Coverage Gap (Donut Hole)

Catastrophic Coverage

In this drug payment stage:

You pay a co-pay. The plan pays the rest.

You stay in this stage until your total drug costs reach \$3,310

After **your total drug costs** reach \$3,310:

You continue to pay the plan same copay you paid in the initial coverage stage. The plan pays the rest. (*This is due to the plan being a group plan*)

You stay in this stage until your total **out-of-pocket costs** reach \$4,850

After your total **out-of-pocket costs** reach \$4,850:

You pay the greater of a small co-pay of \$2.95 for Generics/ \$7.40 for Brand Name drugs or 5% co-insurance amount

You stay in this stage for the rest of the plan year

**Total drug costs:** The amount you pay (or others pay on your behalf) for prescription drugs starting January 2016. This does not include premiums.

**Out-of-Pocket costs:** The amount you pay (or others pay on your behalf) for prescription drugs starting January 2016. This does not include premiums, or the amount the group health plan, former employer, or plan sponsor pays for prescription drugs.

# Your Part D plan benefits

Tier	Prescription Drug Type	Your Costs	
		Retail (30-day supply)	Preferred Mail Order (up to 90-day supply)
Tier 1	Generic	\$7 co-pay	\$7 co-pay
Tier 2	Preferred Brands	\$20 co-pay	\$20 co-pay
Tier 3	Non-Preferred Brands	\$40 co-pay	\$40 co-pay
Tier 4	Specialty Drugs	\$40 co-pay	\$40 co-pay

# Pharmacy Saver<sup>TM</sup> Program

## You could save on the cost of generic prescription drugs.

- With the Pharmacy Saver program, you can fill your prescriptions for as low as \$1.50 at participating pharmacies located in grocery, discount and drug stores where you may already shop.<sup>1</sup>
- Many, but not all, of the pharmacies in UnitedHealthcare's national pharmacy network participate in the Pharmacy Saver program. [Here are just some of the retailers with pharmacies that participate in in the Pharmacy Saver Program: Visit UnitedPharmacySaver.com for for more information.



**Note:** Other pharmacies are available in our network. Members may use any pharmacy in the network but may not receive Pharmacy Saver pricing. Pharmacies participating in the Pharmacy Saver program may not be available in all areas.

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## More ways you could save

## Review your medications.

• Review your prescription drugs with your doctor at least once a year. Ask, "Do I still need them all? Can I stop taking the ones I don't need?"

## Use your member ID card.

• Show your member ID card at the pharmacy to get the plan's discounted rates.

## Use participating network pharmacies.

You'll get the greatest benefit if you use in-network pharmacies.

## Take advantage of our Pharmacy Saver Program

• Prescriptions as low as \$1.501.

## Consider using OptumRx<sup>™</sup> Mail Service Pharmacy.

You could save time and trips to the pharmacy.

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# **How to Enroll**



# Enrolling for Onondaga County retirees

## You will be automatically enrolled

- Retirees and their Medicare-eligible dependents will be automatically enrolled in the plan and no action is needed!
- If you do not wish to be enrolled into this plan please contact the Onondaga County Benefits Office at 315-435-3498.

If you wish to continue to receive Medical and Prescription drug coverage through Onondaga County, you do not need to take any action.

## 2016 Billing

- Onondaga County will continue to bill you for any portion of the premium you are responsible to pay.
- Any premium payment arrangements currently in place, pension deduction, direct debit, will continue in 2016.

# What to expect after enrollment

- UnitedHealthcare® will process your enrollment.
- You will receive your new member ID card in mid to late December and you can start using as soon as your plan is effective.
- You will receive a welcome guide that gives you more information on how your benefits work and how to get the most out of your plan.
- Soon after you're a member, we will contact you to help us understand your unique health needs.
- After your effective date, register online at www.UHCRetiree.com

## **UHCRetiree.com**

After your coverage begins, register online at UHCRetiree.com to access plan information, materials and programs.



- Medical and Drug Claim Search
- Health Needs Assessment
- Plan Materials
- Temporary or replacement member ID Cards
- Provider Search
- Medical and Drug detail/history
  - Annual Deductible
  - How much spent toward deductible
  - Annual out-of-pocket cost maximum
  - How much spent toward out-of-pocket costs
  - Which drug stage you are in (Initial coverage, Coverage gap, Catastrophic coverage)

## **Understand Medicare's Rules**

- You must be entitled to Medicare Part A and enrolled in Medicare Part B and continue to pay your Medicare Part B premium.
- You can only be in one Medicare Advantage plan at a time. Enrolling in another plan will automatically disenroll you from any other Medicare Advantage or prescription drug plan.
- You must inform us of any current prescription drug coverage or future enrollment that include prescription drug coverage.
- If you do not enroll in a Medicare Part D prescription drug plan or a Medicare Advantage plan that includes prescription drug coverage, or you do not have other creditable prescription drug coverage, you may have to pay Medicare's Late Enrollment Penalty.
- You must read the plan's Evidence of Coverage (EOC), including appeals and grievance rights in the plan Annual Notice of Change.
  - The EOC also covers specific plan benefits, co-pays, exclusions, limitations and other terms.

Please review the full text of the Statement of Understanding in your 2016 enrollment kit.

## **THANK YOU**

We look forward to welcoming you to our Medicare family.



# **Questions & Answers**



This document is available in alternative formats. If you receive full or partial subsidy for your premium from a plan sponsor (former employer, union group or trust), the amount you owe may be different than what is listed in this document. For information about the actual premium you will pay, please contact your plan sponsor's benefit administrator directly.

This information is not a complete description of benefits. Contact the plan for more information. Limitations, co-payments, and restrictions may apply. Benefits, premium and/or co-payments/co-insurance may change on January 1 of each year.

The formulary, pharmacy network, and/or provider network may change at any time. You will receive notice when necessary.

You must continue to pay your Medicare Part B premium, if not otherwise paid for under Medicaid or by another third party.

Plans are insured through UnitedHealthcare Insurance Company or one of its affiliated companies, a Medicare Advantage organization with a Medicare contract and a Medicare-approved Part D sponsor. Enrollment in the plan depends on the plan's contract renewal with Medicare.

#### **United Pharmacy Saver**

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### **Mail Order Pharmacy**

You are not required to use OptumRx home delivery for a 90- or 100- day supply of your maintenance medication. If you have not used OptumRx home delivery, you must approve the first prescription order sent directly from your doctor to OptumRx before it can be filled. New prescriptions from OptumRx should arrive within ten business days from the date the completed order is received, and refill orders should arrive in about seven business days. Contact OptumRx anytime at 1-888-279-1828. OptumRx is an affiliate of UnitedHealthcare Insurance Company.

#### **SilverSneakers**

Consult a health care professional before beginning any exercise program. Availability of the SilverSneakers program varies by plan/market. Refer to your Evidence of Coverage for more details. Healthways, SilverSneakers and SilverSneakers Steps are registered trademarks of Healthways, Inc. and/or its subsidiaries. © 2015 Healthways, Inc. All rights reserved.

#### **NurseLine**

This service should not be used for emergency or urgent care needs. In an emergency, call 911 or go to the nearest emergency room. The information provided through this service is for informational purposes only. The nurses cannot diagnose problems or recommend treatment and are not a substitute for your doctor's care. Your health information is kept confidential in accordance with the law. The service is not an insurance program and may be discontinued at any time.