

SHICK counseling is free, unbiased, confidential and available to anyone with questions about Medicare.

Trained counselors are available statewide to assist with:

- Claims and appeals
- Fraud
- Prescription drug plans
- Medicare Advantage plans
- Supplemental Insurance (Medigap)
- Employer group plans as supplemental insurance
- Medicaid
- Other health insurance options
- Long-term care options
- Medicare Savings Programs
- *Extra Help* with prescription drug plans



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BASIC MEDICARE COVERAGE

Navigating through Medicare



Medicare is a federal health insurance program that covers:

- More than 35 million individuals ages 65 and older
- More than 6 million individuals younger than age 65 years with disabilities
- Individuals with End-Stage Renal Disease (ESRD)

Medicare Part A* is hospital insurance that covers:

- Inpatient hospital care
 - Qualified short-term stay in skilled nursing facilities
 - Home health care
 - Hospice care
- *Part A is premium-free for most individuals*

Medicare Part B* is medical insurance that covers:

- Doctor's office visits
 - Outpatient hospital care
 - Lab tests
 - Certain medical equipment and supplies
- *Most individuals will pay a monthly premium for Part B*

Medicare Advantage Plans (Part C)

- *Part A and Part B services* (i.e., HMO, PPO, PFFS, etc.)
- Many of these plans also offer prescription drug coverage
- Many types of plans are available

Medicare Part D* Prescription Drug Coverage:

- Insurance that covers both generic and brand-name prescriptions
 - Coverage is provided through private insurance companies
- *Many individuals will pay a monthly premium for Part D*

Medicare Supplement Insurance (Medigap):

- Private health insurance that helps pay beneficiaries' share of costs in Original Medicare

Medicare Savings Programs (MSP):

- Helps pay Medicare premiums, deductibles, co-pays for individuals with limited income and resources

Part D Extra Help:

- Helps pay for premiums, deductibles and prescription drug costs for individuals with limited income and resources



Additional Resources

Kansas Insurance Department

1-800-432-2482

<https://insurance.kansas.gov>

Social Security Administration

1-800-772-1213

www.ssa.gov

KanCare - Medicare for Kansas

1-800-792-4884

KanCare.ks.gov

Medicare

1-800-MEDICARE

1-800-633-4227

www.medicare.gov

Questions About Medicare?

Call 1-800-860-5260

A SHICK counselor will be happy to help.

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