

# VERMONT BLUE 65<sup>SM</sup>

## 2025 MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT ENROLLMENT GUIDE

Additional Protection for Individuals  
with Original Medicare

**INSIDE:**

Original Medicare  
Medicare Supplement  
Plans & Premiums  
Prescription Drugs  
Complete Coverage



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# ORIGINAL MEDICARE BASICS

## PEACE OF MIND WITH MEDICARE MEANS COMPLETE COVERAGE

Did you know that when you only have Original Medicare, known as Medicare Part A and Part B, you are not fully covered for your medical expenses? There is still a 20% gap in coverage you are responsible to pay and prescription drugs are not included.

To help you navigate Original Medicare and your next steps, it is important to have a local partner help guide you through all the important information you should know, including the available options to you and steps to enroll in the best coverage that makes the most sense for you.

## WHAT IS ORIGINAL MEDICARE?

Medicare is the federal health insurance program for people who are age 65 or older and others with certain health conditions or disabilities. There are two different parts for Original Medicare. If you are receiving Social Security retirement income, most Medicare beneficiaries will automatically be enrolled into Medicare Parts A & B when turning 65.

- **Medicare Part A** is known as hospital insurance.
- **Medicare Part B** is known as medical insurance.

### MEDICARE PART A (hospital insurance):

- Inpatient hospital care
- Care in a skilled nursing facility
- Hospice care
- Some home health care
- For most individuals, Medicare Part A is free. If neither you nor your spouse has paid Medicare taxes for at least 10 years, you will need to pay a monthly premium. (You can find this amount in the "Your Medicare Costs" section at [Medicare.gov](https://www.medicare.gov).)
- If you are eligible for Medicare Part A, with or without a cost, you can also enroll in Medicare Part B.
- You can enroll into Medicare Part A and Part B by contacting Social Security toll free at **(800) 772-1213 (TTY: 1-800-325-0778)** or visit [SSA.gov/Medicare](https://www.ssa.gov/Medicare). You can also set up an in-person appointment at your local Social Security office.

### MEDICARE PART B (medical insurance):

- Doctor and other health care provider's services
- Outpatient care (medical care or treatment that does not require an overnight stay in a hospital or medical facility)
- Durable medical equipment (DME)
- Home health care
- Some preventive services (such as flu shots and annual wellness visits)
- If you choose to enroll in Part B, you will be required to pay a monthly premium. Most people pay the standard premium amount. If your modified gross income is above a certain amount, you may pay more. The Part B premium can be deducted directly out of your Social Security check.
- Timing for Part B enrollment varies based on individual circumstance. However, in most cases, if you don't sign up for Part B when you're first eligible, you will pay a late enrollment penalty.

# MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT BASICS

Medicare Supplement plans are designed to cover the gaps in Original Medicare costs. Medicare Supplement plans have been a popular way to get more protection since Medicare began. They're a smart choice for Vermonters who are accustomed to choosing any provider that accepts Medicare, local & nationwide.



## MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT COVERAGE

- One of the misconceptions of Medicare is that it covers 100% of your medical expenses. Generally, Medicare only pays 80% of the Medicare-allowed amount, and you are responsible for paying the remaining 20% out-of-pocket.
- A Medicare Supplement insurance plan, or Medigap plan, is health plan offered by insurance companies like us. This helps with costs Medicare leaves you to pay, such as deductibles, coinsurance and copayments.



## ADDING A MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT PLAN WITH VERMONT BLUE 65<sup>SM</sup>

For your convenience, we offer Medicare Supplement plans A, C\*, D, F\*, G, and N.

\*If you become eligible for Medicare before January 1, 2020, you will no longer be able to enroll in Medicare Supplement Plan C or Plan F.

These plans are a popular choice for Vermonters who want:

- Access to any provider or healthcare facility in the U.S. that accepts Medicare.
- No referrals to see a specialist or any other provider.
- Coverage that travels with you.
- Flexibility to enroll anytime outside of your Initial Enrollment Period (IEP).
- A health plan to supplement your Original Medicare Benefits.

- Covers your out-of-pocket costs left unpaid by Medicare which you will need to pay.
- Offers you peace of mind knowing you have additional financial protection for your health care needs.
- Requires a monthly premium to the insurance company that you select for this coverage (in addition to your Medicare Part B premium).
- To enroll into a Vermont Blue 65 Supplement plan, you must be enrolled in Medicare Part A and Part B.



## PRESCRIPTION DRUG COVERAGE

A Medicare Supplement plan does not include prescription drug coverage, but this coverage can be purchased along. A Prescription Drug Plan (PDP) is a perfect complement to a Medicare Supplement Plan. This helps cover the costs of prescription drugs – generic and brand name. See page 6 for more information.

## WE ARE HERE TO HELP.

If you have any questions, please reach out to us:



Phone: **(800) 255-4550 (TTY/TDD: 711), option 2.** We are available Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



Email: [consumersupport@bcbsvt.com](mailto:consumersupport@bcbsvt.com)



Visit us online:  
[bluecrossvt.org/Medicare-supplement-plans](http://bluecrossvt.org/Medicare-supplement-plans).

# PLANS & PREMIUMS

## ALL STANDARD MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT PLANS

This chart shows the benefits included in each of the standard Medicare Supplement plans. Every company must make Plan A available. Some plans may not be available in Vermont. **We offer Plans A, C\*, D, F\*, G, and N as highlighted below.**

Monthly Costs	\$269.27		\$394.89	\$371.58
All Medicare Beneficiaries enrolled in Medicare Part A & Part B.	A	B	C	D
<p><b>*Did you become eligible for Medicare prior to January 1, 2020?</b></p> <p>If you answered yes, and haven't enrolled in Medicare or purchased a Medicare Supplement plan yet, you have options. When you are ready, you have several Medicare Supplement plan options—including Plans C and F.</p> <p>If you are newly Medicare eligible on or after January 1, 2020—due to changes in federal law—you will no longer be able to enroll in Medicare Supplement Plan C or Plan F, but you have other plan options.</p> <p><b>If you are already enrolled in Medicare Supplement Plans C or F, your plans will not be affected by these changes.</b></p> <p><b>Questions? We're here to help!</b> Call us at <b>(800) 255-4550 (TTY/TDD: 711), option 2</b> or email us at <b>consumersupport@bcbsvt.com.</b></p> <p><b>Read your certificate very carefully</b> You must read the Certificate itself to understand all of the rights and duties of both you and your health plan. NOTICE: This plan may not fully cover all of your medical costs. This chart does not give all the details of Medicare coverage. Contact your local Social Security Office or consult the government publication <b>Medicare and You</b> for more details.</p>	Basic Benefits, including 100% Part A coinsurance Part B coinsurance	Basic Benefits, including 100% Part A coinsurance Part B coinsurance	Basic Benefits, including 100% Part A coinsurance Part B coinsurance	Basic Benefits, including 100% Part A coinsurance Part B coinsurance
			100% Skilled Nursing Facility coinsurance	100% Skilled Nursing Facility coinsurance
		100% Part A Deductible	100% Part A Deductible	100% Part A Deductible
			100% Part B Deductible	
			80% Foreign Travel Emergency	80% Foreign Travel Emergency

\*1. Plans F and G also have a high-deductible option which require first paying a plan deductible of \$2,870 before the plan begins to pay. Once the plan deductible is met, the plan pays 100% of covered services for the rest of the calendar year. High deductible plan G does not cover the Medicare Part B deductible. However, high deductible plans F and G count your payment of the Medicare Part B deductible toward meeting the plan deductible..

### Right to Return Policy

If you find that you are not satisfied with your plan, you may cancel it. If canceled within the first 30 days, we will treat the contract as if it had never been issued and return all of your payments.

## BASIC BENEFITS

**Hospitalization** - Part A coinsurance plus coverage for 365 additional days after Medicare benefits end.

**Blood** - first three pints of blood each year.

**Hospice** - Part A coinsurance.

**Medical Expenses** - Part B coinsurance (generally 20% of Medicare-approved expenses) or copayments for hospital outpatient services. Plans K, L and N require members to pay a portion of Part B coinsurance or copayments.

	\$395.73		\$372.40				\$346.05
	F	F*1	G*1	K	L	M	N
Basic Benefits, including 100% Part A coinsurance Part B coinsurance	Basic Benefits, including 100% Part A coinsurance Part B coinsurance	Basic Benefits, including 100% Part A coinsurance Part B coinsurance	Basic Benefits, including 100% Part A coinsurance Part B coinsurance	Hospital and preventive care paid at 100%; other basic benefits paid at 50%	Hospital and preventive care paid at 100%; other basic benefits paid at 75%	Basic benefits, including 100% Part A coinsurance Part B coinsurance	\$20 copayment <sup>2</sup> for office visits, \$50 copayment <sup>2</sup> for ER; other basic benefits, including 100% Part A coinsurance Part B coinsurance
100% Skilled Nursing Facility coinsurance	100% Skilled Nursing Facility coinsurance	100% Skilled Nursing Facility coinsurance	100% Skilled Nursing Facility coinsurance	50% Skilled Nursing Facility coinsurance	75% Skilled Nursing Facility coinsurance	100% Skilled Nursing Facility coinsurance	100% Skilled Nursing Facility coinsurance
100% Part A Deductible	100% Part A Deductible	100% Part A Deductible	100% Part A Deductible	50% Part A Deductible	75% Part A Deductible	50% Part A Deductible	100% Part A Deductible
100% Part B Deductible	100% Part B Deductible						
Part B Excess (100%)	Part B Excess (100%)	Part B Excess (100%)					
80% Foreign Travel Emergency	80% Foreign Travel Emergency	80% Foreign Travel Emergency				80% Foreign Travel Emergency	80% Foreign Travel Emergency
				Out-of-pocket limit <sup>2</sup> \$7,220; paid at 100% after limit reached	Out-of-pocket limit <sup>2</sup> \$3,610; paid at 100% after limit reached		

<sup>2</sup> These cost-share amounts are set by the federal government. For the most up-to-date rates, please visit [Medicare.gov](https://www.medicare.gov) and from the "Basics" drop-down menu, select "Medicare costs."

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# PRESCRIPTION DRUG COVERAGE



## ENROLLING INTO MEDICARE PART D

To enroll into a Prescription Drug Plan (PDP), known as Medicare Part D, you will need to select a plan through a private insurance company and pay a monthly premium. Each plan can vary in costs such as monthly premiums, deductibles, copayments, and drugs covered.



## BLUE MEDICARE RX – PRESCRIPTION DRUG PLAN (PDP) ALSO KNOWN AS MEDICARE PART D

Blue Cross® and Blue Shield® of Vermont, in a joint venture with three other New England Blue plans, contracts with the Federal Government to offer Medicare prescription drug coverage, called Blue MedicareRx<sup>SM</sup>. These plans provide drug coverage to supplement your Original Medicare as this coverage is not included. Generally, Part D does not cover over-the-counter medications. Learn more about prescription coverage and eligibility requirements at [RxMedicarePlans.com](https://rxmedicareplans.com). You may also call the Blue MedicareRx team at (888) 496-4178 (TTY: 711), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Vermont, in a joint venture with three other New England Blue plans, contracts with the Federal Government to offer Medicare prescription drug coverage, called Blue MedicareRx<sup>SM</sup> (PDP). Blue MedicareRx is a Prescription Drug Plan with a Medicare contract. Blue MedicareRx Value Plus (PDP) and Blue MedicareRx Premier (PDP) are two Medicare Prescription Drug Plans available to service residents of Connecticut, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Vermont. Coverage is available to residents of the service area.

Anthem Insurance Companies, Inc., Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Massachusetts, Inc., Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Rhode Island, and Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Vermont are the legal entities which have contracted as a joint enterprise with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and are the risk-bearing entities for Blue MedicareRx (PDP) plans. The joint enterprise is a Medicare approved Part D Sponsor. Enrollment in Blue MedicareRx (PDP) depends on contract renewal.



## GET HELP WITH COSTS – FIND PROGRAMS THAT CAN HELP MANAGE YOUR PRESCRIPTION DRUG COSTS

People with limited income and resources may qualify for financial help to pay for their Medicare Prescription premiums and out-of-pocket costs. If you qualify for financial your premium and your costs at the pharmacy will be less. Subsidies may apply if you are Medicare-eligible, and your resources and annual income are less than the amount defined each year. You can contact the Social Security Administration or your state's Senior HelpLine. Prescription assistance helps eligible Vermonters pay for Prescription medicines, to learn more visit <https://dvha.vermont.gov/members/prescription-assistance>. For Vermont's Senior HelpLine, call (800) 642-5119 through Vermont's Area Agencies on Aging.

## AVOIDING PART D LATE ENROLLMENT PENALTY

By not enrolling into Medicare Part D when you are first eligible, you may have to pay a penalty every month for life. Medicare Part D late enrollment penalty is an amount that can be added to your Medicare drug coverage (Part D) premium. You may have to pay a late enrollment penalty if at any time later after your Initial Enrollment Period is over, there's a period of 63 or more days in a row when you don't have Medicare drug coverage or other creditable prescription drug coverage. You'll generally have to pay the penalty for as long as you have the Medicare drug coverage.

Unless you are eligible for extra help with paying for your Medicare costs or had other creditable prescription drug coverage, you may owe a late enrollment penalty. The cost of the late enrollment penalty depends on how long you went without Part D or creditable prescription drug coverage. This penalty is added to the cost of your monthly Part D premium.

# COMPLETE COVERAGE

## UNDERSTANDING YOUR MEDICARE OPTIONS AND HOW TO ENROLL

Having complete Medicare coverage means enrolling into a Medicare Supplement Plan, like Vermont Blue 65<sup>SM</sup>, and enrolling into Medicare Part D for prescription drugs. We understand this process can be complicated and are here to help you navigate your choices to determine what makes sense for you.

### 1 IMPORTANT ENROLLMENT DATES

- **Annual Enrollment Period (AEP)**
  - This enrollment period allows you to make changes to your Part D prescription drug plan or change to or from a Medicare Advantage plan. This enrollment period occurs yearly from **October 15** through **December 7**.
- **Special Enrollment Period (SEP)**
  - If you have a life event such as losing health coverage, moving into Vermont, or a change in financial status that results in a loss of Medicaid or your Extra Help status (financial assistance for Part D prescription drugs), you may qualify to sign up for a Medicare Advantage plan outside of the time periods mentioned above.

### 2 WHEN YOU ARE READY TO ENROLL

We offer a few convenient ways to for you to enroll in our Vermont Blue 65 Medicare Supplement plans:

- **Enroll by phone.** Call us at **(800) 255-4550 (TTY/TDD: 711), option 2.**
- **Enroll online.** Visit [bluecrossvt.org/Medicare-supplement-plans](https://bluecrossvt.org/Medicare-supplement-plans) to complete our online enrollment form.
- **Enroll by mail.** Simply follow these steps to the enroll by mail:
  - Enclose your signed application
  - Enclose a check made payable to Blue Cross Blue Shield of Vermont for the first month's payment of your desired plan choice
  - Enclose a photocopy of your Medicare card
  - Mail the items above in an envelope to us at:
 

**Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Vermont**  
**P. O. Box 186**  
**Montpelier, VT 05601-0186**

## IMPORTANT RESOURCES

- Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Vermont: [bluecrossvt.org/Medicare](https://bluecrossvt.org/Medicare)
- Social Security Administration: [SSA.gov/Medicare](https://SSA.gov/Medicare)
- Medicare: [Medicare.gov](https://Medicare.gov)
- Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS): [CMS.gov](https://CMS.gov)
- Vermont's Senior HelpLine, through Vermont's Area Agencies on Aging: **(800) 642-5119**

## CONTACT US

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 Email: [consumersupport@bcbsvt.com](mailto:consumersupport@bcbsvt.com)

 Visit us online at [bluecrossvt.org/Medicare-supplement-plans](https://bluecrossvt.org/Medicare-supplement-plans).

# Disclaimers

## General Exclusions

A Medicare Supplement plan provides coverage designed to coordinate with your federal Medicare coverage. To fully understand a Medicare Supplement plan, you should read it alongside the Medicare Handbook, Medicare and You. We will provide Benefits as if you are enrolled in both Part A and Part B of Original Medicare and as if Medicare has paid its portion. You can find the Medicare and You handbook by visiting [Medicare.gov/Medicare-and-you](https://www.medicare.gov/Medicare-and-you). Once you enroll, you will receive a Certificate of Coverage. Please read both carefully as they govern your specific benefits.

## How We Protect Your Privacy

The law requires us to maintain the privacy of your health information by using or disclosing it only with your authorization or as otherwise allowed by law. You may find information about our privacy practices at [bluecrossvt.org/privacypolicies](https://www.bluecrossvt.org/privacypolicies).

## NOTICE: Discrimination is Against the Law

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You can also file a civil rights complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights, electronically or 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 <https://www.hhs.gov/ocr/complaints/index.html>

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ARABIC	للحصول على خدمات المساعدة اللغوية المجانية ، اتصل (800) 247 2583 (TTY/TTD: 711). Iihhusul ealaa khadmat almusaeadat allughawiat almajaanat, atasal (800) 247-2583 (TTY/TDD: 711).
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CUSHITE (OROMO)	Tajaaajila gargaarsa afaanii bilisaa argachuuf, (800) 247-2583 (TTY/TDD: 711) bilibili.
FRENCH	Pour des services d'assistance linguistique gratuits, appelez le (800) 247-2583 (TTY/TDD: 711).
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ITALIAN	Per i servizi di assistenza linguistica gratuiti, chiamare il numero (800) 247-2583 (TTY/TDD: 711).
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NEPALI	निःशुल्क भाषा-सहायता सेवाहरूको लागि, कल गर्नुहोस्, (800) 247-2583 (TTY/TDD: 711). Niṅśulka bhāṣā-sahāyatā sēvāharūkō lägi, kala garnuhōs (800) 247-2583 (TTY/TDD: 711).
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SERBO-CROATIAN (SERBIAN)	Za besplatne usluge jezicke pomoći pozovite (800) 247-2583 (TTY/TDD: 711). Za besplatne usluge jezičke pomoći pozovite (800) 247-2583 (TTY/TDD: 711).
SPANISH	Para servicios gratuitos de asistencia lingüística, llame al (800) 247-2583 (TTY/TDD: 711).
TAGALOG	PAUNAWA: Kung nagsasalita ka ng Tagalog, maaari kang gumamit ng mga serbisyo ng tulong sa wika nang walang bayad. Tumawag sa (800) 247-2583 (TTY/TDD: 711).
THAI	สำหรับบริการช่วยเหลือด้านภาษาฟรี โทร, (800) 247-2583 (TTY/TDD: 711)。Sǎhnrǎb brikār chwyhelōx dân phās'ǎ frī thor (800) 247-2583 (TTY/TDD: 711).
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VIETNAMESE	Đối với các dịch vụ hỗ trợ ngôn ngữ miễn phí, hãy gọi (800) 247-2583 (TTY/TDD: 711).



# VERMONT BLUE 65<sup>SM</sup> OUTLINE OF COVERAGE

for Plans A, D, G, N  
and Plans C and F for applicants first eligible  
for Medicare before January 1, 2020

If you have questions about our Medicare  
Supplement plans, call our team at  
(800) 255-4550 (TTY/TDD: 711).



**BlueCross BlueShield**  
of Vermont

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# Premium Information

Use this Outline to compare benefits and rates among certificates. If you have already enrolled, use this Outline to understand your coverage.

This Outline shows benefits and rates of coverage sold for effective dates on or after January 1, 2025

## Direct Enroll Monthly Rate

Plan A Individual:	\$269.27
Plan D Individual:	\$371.58
Plan G Individual:	\$372.40
Plan N Individual:	\$346.05
Plan C Individual**:	\$394.89
Plan F Individual**:	\$395.73

\*\* **Note:** Plan C and Plan F are only available to applicants who were first eligible for Medicare before January 1, 2020.

# Disclosures

## Premium Information

We, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Vermont, can only raise your premium if we raise the premium for all policies like yours in this State.

## Read Your Certificate Very Carefully

This is only an Outline, describing your certificate's most important features. The certificate is your insurance contract. You must read the certificate itself to understand all the rights and duties of both you and Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Vermont.

## Right to Return Certificate

If you find that you are not satisfied with your certificate, you may return it to Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Vermont, P.O. Box 186, Montpelier, VT 05601-0186 or call (800) 255-4550 (TTY/TDD: 711). If you send the certificate back to us within 30 days after you receive it, we will treat the certificate as if it had never been issued and return all of your payments.

## Certificate Replacement

If you are replacing other health insurance policy, do **not** cancel it until you have actually received your new certificate and are sure you want to keep it.

## Notice

- This certificate may not fully cover all of your medical costs.
- This Outline of Coverage does not give all the details of Medicare coverage. Contact your local Social Security office or consult Medicare and You for more details.
- Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Vermont is not connected with Medicare.

## Complete Answers Are Very Important

When you fill out the application for the new coverage, be sure to answer truthfully and completely all questions about your medical and health history.

Review the application carefully before you sign it. Be certain that all information has been properly recorded.

# Outline of Coverage

## Benefit Chart of Medicare Supplement Plans Sold

(for effective dates on or after January 1, 2025)

This chart shows the benefits included in each of the standard Medicare supplement plans. Blue Cross® and Blue Shield® of Vermont offers Plans A, D, G and N as well as Plans C and F for applicants first eligible for Medicare before January 1, 2020.

Note: A ✓ means 100% of the benefit is paid.

Benefits	Plans Available to All Applicants								Medicare first eligible before 2020 only	
	A	B	D	G <sup>1</sup>	K	L	M	N <sup>3</sup>	C	F <sup>1</sup>
Medicare Part A co-insurance and hospital coverage (up to an additional 365 days after Medicare benefits are used up)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Medicare Part B coinsurance or copayment	✓	✓	✓	✓	50%	75%	✓	✓ copays apply <sup>3</sup>	✓	✓
Blood (first three pints)	✓	✓	✓	✓	50%	75%	✓	✓	✓	✓
Part A hospice care coinsurance or copayment	✓	✓	✓	✓	50%	75%	✓	✓	✓	✓
Skilled nursing facility coinsurance			✓	✓	50%	75%	✓	✓	✓	✓
Medicare Part A deductible		✓	✓	✓	50%	75%	50%	✓	✓	✓
Medicare Part B deductible									✓	✓
Medicare Part B excess charges				✓						✓
Foreign travel emergency (up to plan limits)			80%	80%			80%	80%	80%	80%
Out-of-pocket limit in 2025 <sup>2</sup>					\$7,220 <sup>2</sup>	\$3,610 <sup>2</sup>				

<sup>1</sup>Plans F and G also have a high deductible option which require first paying a plan deductible of \$2,870 before the plan begins to pay. Once the plan deductible is met, the plan pays 100% of covered services for the rest of the calendar year. High deductible plan G does not cover the Medicare Part B deductible. However, high deductible plans F and G count your payment of the Medicare Part B deductible toward meeting the plan deductible.

<sup>2</sup>Plans K and L pay 100% of covered services for the rest of the calendar year once you meet the out-of-pocket yearly limit.

<sup>3</sup>Plan N pays 100% of the Part B coinsurance, except for a copayment of up to \$20 for some office visits and up to a \$50 copayment for emergency room visits that do not result in an inpatient admission.

# PLAN A

## MEDICARE (PART A)—HOSPITAL SERVICES—PER BENEFIT PERIOD

SERVICES	MEDICARE PAYS	PLAN PAYS	YOU PAY
<b>HOSPITALIZATION*</b>			
Semiprivate room and board, general nursing and miscellaneous services and supplies.			
- First 60 days	All but \$1,676	\$0	\$1,676 (Part A deductible)
- 61st through 90th day	All but \$419 a day	\$419 a day	\$0
- 91st day and after, while using 60 lifetime reserve days	All but \$838 a day	\$838 a day	\$0
- Once lifetime reserve days are used: additional 365 days	\$0	100% of Medicare eligible expenses	\$0**
- Beyond the additional 365 days	\$0	\$0	All costs
<b>SKILLED NURSING FACILITY CARE*</b>			
You must meet Medicare's requirements, including having been in a hospital for at least three days and entered a Medicare-approved facility within 30 days after leaving the hospital.			
- First 20 days	All approved amounts	\$0	\$0
- 21st through 100th day	All but \$209.50 a day	\$0	Up to \$209.50 a day
- 101st day and after	\$0	\$0	All costs
<b>BLOOD</b>			
First three pints	\$0	3 pints	\$0
Additional amounts	100%	\$0	\$0
<b>HOSPICE CARE</b>	All but very limited c-payment/coinsurance for outpatient drugs and inpatient respite care	Medicare copayment/coinsurance	\$0
You must meet Medicare's requirements, including a doctor's certification of terminal illness.			

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

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

# PLAN A

## MEDICARE (PART B)—MEDICAL SERVICES—PER CALENDAR YEAR

SERVICES	MEDICARE PAYS	PLAN PAYS	YOU PAY
<b>MEDICAL EXPENSES</b>			
in or out of the hospital and outpatient hospital treatment, such as physician's services, inpatient and outpatient medical and surgical services and supplies, physical and speech therapy, diagnostic tests and durable medical equipment			
First \$257 of Medicare-approved amounts*	\$0	\$0	\$257 (Part B deductible)
Remainder of Medicare-approved amounts	Generally 80%	Generally 20%	\$0
<b>PART B EXCESS CHARGES</b>			
(above Medicare-approved amounts)	\$0	\$0	All costs
<b>BLOOD</b>			
First three pints	\$0	All costs	\$0
Next \$257 of Medicare-approved amounts*	\$0	\$0	\$257 (Part B deductible)
Remainder of Medicare-approved amounts	80%	20%	\$0
<b>CLINICAL LABORATORY SERVICES</b>			
Tests for diagnostic services	100%	\$0	\$0

## MEDICARE PARTS A & B

SERVICES	MEDICARE PAYS	PLAN PAYS	YOU PAY
<b>HOME HEALTH CARE</b>			
Medicare-approved services			
Medically necessary skilled care services and medical supplies	100%	\$0	\$0
<b>DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT:</b>			
- First \$257 of Medicare-approved amounts*	\$0	\$0	\$257 (Part B deductible)
- Remainder of Medicare-approved amounts	80%	20%	\$0

\* Once you have been billed \$257 of Medicare-approved amounts for covered services (which are noted with an asterisk), your Part B deductible will have been met for the calendar year.

# PLAN D

## MEDICARE (PART A)—HOSPITAL SERVICES—PER BENEFIT PERIOD

SERVICES	MEDICARE PAYS	PLAN PAYS	YOU PAY
<b>HOSPITALIZATION*</b>			
Semiprivate room and board, general nursing and miscellaneous services and supplies			
- First 60 days	All but \$1,676	\$1,676 (Part A deductible)	\$0
- 61st through 90th day	All but \$419 a day	\$419 a day	\$0
- 91st day and after, while using 60 lifetime reserve days	All but \$838 a day	\$838 a day	\$0
- Once lifetime reserve days are used: additional 365 days	\$0	100% of Medicare eligible expenses	\$0**
- Beyond the additional 365 days	\$0	\$0	All costs
<b>SKILLED NURSING FACILITY CARE*</b>			
You must meet Medicare's requirements, including having been in a hospital for at least three days and entered a Medicare-approved facility within 30 days after leaving the hospital.			
- First 20 days	All approved amounts	\$0	\$0
- 21st through 100th day	All but \$209.50 a day	Up to \$209.50 a day	\$0
- 101st day and after	\$0	\$0	All costs
<b>BLOOD</b>			
First three pints	\$0	3 pints	\$0
Additional amounts	100%	\$0	\$0
<b>HOSPICE CARE</b> You must meet Medicare's requirements, including a doctor's certification of terminal illness.	All but very limited copayment/coinsurance for outpatient drugs and inpatient respite care	Medicare copayment/coinsurance	\$0

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

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

# PLAN D

## MEDICARE (PART B)—MEDICAL SERVICES—PER CALENDAR YEAR

SERVICES	MEDICARE PAYS	PLAN PAYS	YOU PAY
<b>MEDICAL EXPENSES</b>			
in or out of the hospital and outpatient hospital treatment, such as physician's services, inpatient and outpatient medical and surgical services and supplies, physical and speech therapy, diagnostic tests and durable medical equipment			
First \$257 of Medicare-approved amounts*	\$0	\$0	\$257 (Part B deductible)
Remainder of Medicare-approved amounts	Generally 80%	Generally 20%	\$0
Part B excess charges (above Medicare-approved amounts)	\$0	\$0	All costs
<b>BLOOD</b>			
First three pints	\$0	All costs	\$0
Next \$257 of Medicare-approved amounts*	\$0	\$0	\$257 (Part B deductible)
Remainder of Medicare-approved amounts	80%	20%	\$0
<b>CLINICAL LABORATORY SERVICES</b>			
Tests for diagnostic services	100%	\$0	\$0

## MEDICARE PARTS A & B

SERVICES	MEDICARE PAYS	PLAN PAYS	YOU PAY
<b>HOME HEALTH CARE</b>			
Medicare-approved services			
Medically necessary skilled care services and medical supplies	100%	\$0	\$0
<b>DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT:</b>			
- First \$257 of Medicare-approved amounts*	\$0	\$0	\$257 (Part B deductible)
- Remainder of Medicare-approved amounts	80%	20%	\$0

## OTHER BENEFITS—NOT COVERED BY MEDICARE

SERVICES	MEDICARE PAYS	PLAN PAYS	YOU PAY
<b>FOREIGN TRAVEL (Not Covered By Medicare)</b>			
Medically necessary emergency care services beginning during the first 60 days of each trip outside the USA			
First \$250 each calendar year	\$0	\$0	\$250
Remainder of charges	\$0	80% to a lifetime maximum benefit of \$50,000	20% and amounts over the \$50,000 lifetime maximum

\* Once you have been billed \$257 of Medicare-approved amounts for covered services (which are noted with an asterisk), your Part B deductible will have been met for the calendar year.

# PLAN G

## MEDICARE (PART A)—HOSPITAL SERVICES—PER BENEFIT PERIOD

SERVICES	MEDICARE PAYS	PLAN PAYS	YOU PAY
<b>HOSPITALIZATION*</b>			
Semiprivate room and board, general nursing and miscellaneous services and supplies			
- First 60 days	All but \$1,676	\$1,676 (Part A deductible)	\$0
- 61st through 90th day	All but \$419 a day	\$419 a day	\$0
- 91st day and after, while using 60 lifetime reserve days	All but \$838 a day	\$838 a day	\$0
- Once lifetime reserve days are used: additional 365 days	\$0	100% of Medicare eligible expenses	\$0**
- Beyond the additional 365 days	\$0	\$0	All costs
<b>SKILLED NURSING FACILITY CARE*</b>			
You must meet Medicare's requirements, including having been in a hospital for at least three days and entered a Medicare-approved facility within 30 days after leaving the hospital.			
- First 20 days	All approved amounts	\$0	\$0
- 21st through 100th day	All but \$209.50 a day	Up to \$209.50 a day	\$0
- 101st day and after	\$0	\$0	All costs
<b>BLOOD</b>			
First three pints	\$0	3 pints	\$0
Additional amounts	100%	\$0	\$0
<b>HOSPICE CARE</b> You must meet Medicare's requirements, including a doctor's certification of terminal illness.	All but very limited copayment/coinsurance for outpatient drugs and inpatient respite care	Medicare copayment/coinsurance	\$0

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

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



# PLAN G

## MEDICARE (PART B)—MEDICAL SERVICES—PER CALENDAR YEAR

SERVICES	MEDICARE PAYS	PLAN PAYS	YOU PAY
<b>MEDICAL EXPENSES</b>			
in or out of the hospital and outpatient hospital treatment, such as physician's services, inpatient and outpatient medical and surgical services and supplies, physical and speech therapy, diagnostic tests and durable medical equipment			
First \$257 of Medicare-approved amounts*	\$0	\$0	\$257 (Unless Part B deductible has been met)
Remainder of Medicare-approved amounts	Generally 80%	Generally 20%	\$0
<b>PART B EXCESS CHARGES</b> (above Medicare-approved amounts)**	\$0	100%	\$0
<b>BLOOD</b>			
First three pints	\$0	All costs	\$0
Next \$257 of Medicare-approved amounts*	\$0	\$0	\$257 (Unless Part B deductible has been met)
Remainder of Medicare-approved amounts	80%	20%	\$0
<b>CLINICAL LABORATORY SERVICES</b>			
Tests for diagnostic services	100%	\$0	\$0

## MEDICARE PARTS A & B

SERVICES	MEDICARE PAYS	PLAN PAYS	YOU PAY
<b>HOME HEALTH CARE</b> Medicare-approved services			
Medically necessary skilled care services and medical supplies	100%	\$0	\$0
Durable medical equipment: – First \$257 of Medicare-approved amounts*	\$0	\$0	\$257 (Unless Part B deductible has been met)
– Remainder of Medicare-approved amounts	80%	20%	\$0

## OTHER BENEFITS—NOT COVERED BY MEDICARE

SERVICES	MEDICARE PAYS	PLAN PAYS	YOU PAY
<b>FOREIGN TRAVEL (Not Covered By Medicare)</b>			
Medically necessary emergency care services beginning during the first 60 days of each trip outside the USA			
First \$250 each calendar year	\$0	\$0	\$250
Remainder of charges	\$0	80% to a lifetime maximum benefit of \$50,000	20% and amounts over the \$50,000 lifetime maximum

\* Once you have been billed \$257 of Medicare-approved amounts for covered services (which are noted with an asterisk), your Part B deductible will have been met for the calendar year.

\*\* Plan G covers Part B excess charges, or the difference when the amount a doctor or other health care provider is legally permitted to charge is higher than the Medicare-approved amount. Vermont law generally prohibits a physician from charging more than the Medicare-approved amount. However, there are exceptions and this prohibition may not apply if you receive services out of state.

# PLAN N

## MEDICARE (PART A)—HOSPITAL SERVICES—PER BENEFIT PERIOD

SERVICES	MEDICARE PAYS	PLAN PAYS	YOU PAY
<b>HOSPITALIZATION*</b>			
Semiprivate room and board, general nursing and miscellaneous services and supplies			
- First 60 days	All but \$1,676	\$1,676 (Part A deductible)	\$0
- 61st through 90th day	All but \$419 a day	\$419 a day	\$0
- 91st day and after, while using 60 lifetime reserve days	All but \$838 a day	\$838 a day	\$0
- Once lifetime reserve days are used: additional 365 days	\$0	100% of Medicare eligible expenses	\$0**
- Beyond the additional 365 days	\$0	\$0	All costs
<b>SKILLED NURSING FACILITY CARE*</b>			
You must meet Medicare's requirements, including having been in a hospital for at least three days and entered a Medicare-approved facility within 30 days after leaving the hospital.			
- First 20 days	All approved amounts	\$0	\$0
- 21st through 100th day	All but \$209.50 a day	Up to \$209.50 a day	\$0
- 101st day and after	\$0	\$0	All costs
<b>BLOOD</b>			
First three pints	\$0	3 pints	\$0
Additional amounts	100%	\$0	\$0
<b>HOSPICE CARE</b> You must meet Medicare's requirements, including a doctor's certification of terminal illness.	All but very limited copayment/coinsurance for outpatient drugs and inpatient respite care	Medicare copayment/coinsurance	\$0

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

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

# PLAN N

## MEDICARE (PART B)—MEDICAL SERVICES—PER CALENDAR YEAR

SERVICES	MEDICARE PAYS	PLAN PAYS	YOU PAY
<b>MEDICAL EXPENSES</b>			
in or out of the hospital and outpatient hospital treatment, such as physician's services, inpatient and outpatient medical and surgical services and supplies, physical and speech therapy, diagnostic tests and durable medical equipment			
First \$257 of Medicare-approved amounts*	\$0	\$0	\$257 (Part B deductible)
Remainder of Medicare-approved amounts	Generally 80%	Generally 20%	**
<b>PART B EXCESS CHARGES</b> (above Medicare-approved amounts)**			
	\$0	\$0	All costs
<b>BLOOD</b>			
First three pints	\$0	All costs	\$0
Next \$257 of Medicare-approved amounts*	\$0	\$0	\$257 (Part B deductible)
Remainder of Medicare-approved amounts	80%	20%	\$0
<b>CLINICAL LABORATORY SERVICES</b>			
Tests for diagnostic services	100%	\$0	\$0

## MEDICARE PARTS A & B

SERVICES	MEDICARE PAYS	PLAN PAYS	YOU PAY
<b>HOME HEALTH CARE</b> Medicare-approved services			
Medically necessary skilled care services and medical supplies	100%	\$0	\$0
Durable medical equipment:			
- First \$257 of Medicare-approved amounts*	\$0	\$0	\$257 (Part B deductible)
- Remainder of Medicare-approved amounts	80%	20%	\$0

## OTHER BENEFITS—NOT COVERED BY MEDICARE

SERVICES	MEDICARE PAYS	PLAN PAYS	YOU PAY
<b>FOREIGN TRAVEL (Not Covered By Medicare)</b>			
Medically necessary emergency care services beginning during the first 60 days of each trip outside the USA			
First \$250 each calendar year	\$0	\$0	\$250
Remainder of charges	\$0	80% to a lifetime maximum benefit of \$50,000	20% and amounts over the \$50,000 lifetime maximum

\* Once you have been billed \$257 of Medicare-approved amounts for covered services (which are noted with an asterisk), your Part B deductible will have been met for the calendar year.

\*\* The copayment of up to \$50 is waived if you are admitted to any hospital and the emergency visit is covered by Medicare Part A.

# PLAN C

for applicants first eligible for Medicare before January 1, 2020

## MEDICARE (PART A)—HOSPITAL SERVICES—PER BENEFIT PERIOD

SERVICES	MEDICARE PAYS	PLAN PAYS	YOU PAY
<b>HOSPITALIZATION*</b>			
Semiprivate room and board, general nursing and miscellaneous services and supplies			
- First 60 days	All but \$1,676	\$1,676 (Part A deductible)	\$0
- 61st through 90th day	All but \$419 a day	\$419 a day	\$0
- 91st day and after, while using 60 lifetime reserve days	All but \$838 a day	\$838 a day	\$0
- Once lifetime reserve days are used: additional 365 days	\$0	100% of Medicare eligible expenses	\$0**
- Beyond the additional 365 days	\$0	\$0	All costs
<b>SKILLED NURSING FACILITY CARE*</b>			
You must meet Medicare's requirements, including having been in a hospital for at least three days and entered a Medicare-approved facility within 30 days after leaving the hospital.			
- First 20 days	All approved amounts	\$0	\$0
- 21st through 100th day	All but \$209.50 a day	Up to \$209.50 a day	\$0
- 101st day and after	\$0	\$0	All costs
<b>BLOOD</b>			
First three pints	\$0	3 pints	\$0
Additional amounts	100%	\$0	\$0
<b>HOSPICE CARE</b> You must meet Medicare's requirements, including a doctor's certification of terminal illness.	All but very limited copayment/coinsurance for outpatient drugs and inpatient respite care	Medicare copayment/coinsurance	\$0

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

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

# PLAN C

for applicants first eligible for Medicare before January 1, 2020

## MEDICARE (PART B)—MEDICAL SERVICES—PER CALENDAR YEAR

SERVICES	MEDICARE PAYS	PLAN PAYS	YOU PAY
<b>MEDICAL EXPENSES</b>			
in or out of the hospital and outpatient hospital treatment, such as physician's services, inpatient and outpatient medical and surgical services and supplies, physical and speech therapy, diagnostic tests and durable medical equipment			
First \$257 of Medicare-approved amounts*	\$0	\$257 (Part B deductible)	\$0
Remainder of Medicare-approved amounts	Generally 80%	Generally 20%	\$0
<b>PART B EXCESS CHARGES</b> (above Medicare-approved amounts)			
	\$0	\$0	All costs
<b>BLOOD</b>			
First three pints	\$0	All costs	\$0
Next \$257 of Medicare-approved amounts*	\$0	\$257 (Part B deductible)	\$0
Remainder of Medicare-approved amounts	80%	20%	\$0
<b>CLINICAL LABORATORY SERVICES</b>			
Tests for diagnostic services	100%	\$0	\$0

## MEDICARE PARTS A & B

SERVICES	MEDICARE PAYS	PLAN PAYS	YOU PAY
<b>HOME HEALTH CARE</b>			
Medicare-approved services			
Medically necessary skilled care services and medical supplies	100%	\$0	\$0
Durable medical equipment:			
- First \$257 of Medicare-approved amounts*	\$0	\$257 (Part B deductible)	\$0
- Remainder of Medicare-approved amounts	80%	20%	\$0

## OTHER BENEFITS—NOT COVERED BY MEDICARE

SERVICES	MEDICARE PAYS	PLAN PAYS	YOU PAY
<b>FOREIGN TRAVEL (Not Covered By Medicare)</b>			
Medically necessary emergency care services beginning during the first 60 days of each trip outside the USA			
First \$250 each calendar year	\$0	\$0	\$250
Remainder of charges	\$0	80% to a lifetime maximum benefit of \$50,000	20% and amounts over the \$50,000 lifetime maximum

\* Once you have been billed \$257 of Medicare-approved amounts for covered services (which are noted with an asterisk), your Part B deductible will have been met for the calendar year.

# PLAN F

for applicants first eligible for Medicare before January 1, 2020

## MEDICARE (PART A)—HOSPITAL SERVICES—PER BENEFIT PERIOD

SERVICES	MEDICARE PAYS	PLAN PAYS	YOU PAY
<b>HOSPITALIZATION*</b>			
Semiprivate room and board, general nursing and miscellaneous services and supplies			
- First 60 days	All but \$1,676	\$1,676 (Part A deductible)	\$0
- 61st through 90th day	All but \$419 a day	\$419 a day	\$0
- 91st day and after, while using 60 lifetime reserve days	All but \$838 a day	\$838 a day	\$0
- Once lifetime reserve days are used: additional 365 days	\$0	100% of Medicare eligible expenses	\$0**
- Beyond the additional 365 days	\$0	\$0	All costs
<b>SKILLED NURSING FACILITY CARE*</b>			
You must meet Medicare's requirements, including having been in a hospital for at least three days and entered a Medicare-approved facility within 30 days after leaving the hospital.			
- First 20 days	All approved amounts	\$0	\$0
- 21st through 100th day	All but \$209.50 a day	Up to \$209.50 a day	\$0
- 101st day and after	\$0	\$0	All costs
<b>BLOOD</b>			
First three pints	\$0	3 pints	\$0
Additional amounts	100%	\$0	\$0
<b>HOSPICE CARE</b>	All but very limited copayment/coinsurance for outpatient drugs and inpatient respite care	Medicare copayment/coinsurance	\$0
You must meet Medicare's requirements, including a doctor's certification of terminal illness.			

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

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

# PLAN F

for applicants first eligible for Medicare before January 1, 2020

## MEDICARE (PART B)—MEDICAL SERVICES—PER CALENDAR YEAR

SERVICES	MEDICARE PAYS	PLAN PAYS	YOU PAY
<b>MEDICAL EXPENSES</b>			
in or out of the hospital and outpatient hospital treatment, such as physician's services, inpatient and outpatient medical and surgical services and supplies, physical and speech therapy, diagnostic tests and durable medical equipment			
First \$257 of Medicare-approved amounts*	\$0	\$257 (Part B deductible)	\$0
Remainder of Medicare-approved amounts	Generally 80%	Generally 20%	\$0
<b>PART B EXCESS CHARGES</b>			
(above Medicare-approved amounts)**			
	\$0	All costs	\$0
<b>BLOOD</b>			
First three pints	\$0	All costs	\$0
Next \$257 of Medicare-approved amounts*	\$0	\$257 (Part B deductible)	\$0
Remainder of Medicare-approved amounts	80%	20%	\$0
<b>CLINICAL LABORATORY SERVICES</b>			
Tests for diagnostic services	100%	\$0	\$0

## MEDICARE PARTS A & B

SERVICES	MEDICARE PAYS	PLAN PAYS	YOU PAY
<b>HOME HEALTH CARE</b>			
Medicare-approved services			
Medically necessary skilled care services and medical supplies	100%	\$0	\$0
Durable medical equipment:			
- First \$257 of Medicare-approved amounts*	\$0	\$257 (Part B deductible)	\$0
- Remainder of Medicare-approved amounts	80%	20%	\$0

## OTHER BENEFITS—NOT COVERED BY MEDICARE

SERVICES	MEDICARE PAYS	PLAN PAYS	YOU PAY
<b>FOREIGN TRAVEL (Not Covered By Medicare)</b>			
Medically necessary emergency care services beginning during the first 60 days of each trip outside the USA			
First \$250 each calendar year	\$0	\$0	\$250
Remainder of charges	\$0	80% to a lifetime maximum benefit of \$50,000	20% and amounts over the \$50,000 lifetime maximum

\* Once you have been billed \$257 of Medicare-approved amounts for covered services (which are noted with an asterisk), your Part B deductible will have been met for the calendar year.

\*\* Plan F covers Part B excess charges, or the difference when the amount a doctor or other health care provider is legally permitted to charge is higher than the Medicare-approved amount. Vermont law generally prohibits a physician from charging more than the Medicare-approved amount. However, there are exceptions and this prohibition may not apply if you receive services out of state.



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