

## ***Sentara Medicare Value (HMO) offered by Sentara Medicare***

# **Annual Notice of Changes for 2024**

You are currently enrolled as a member of Optima Medicare Value (HMO). Next year, there will be changes to the plan's costs and benefits. ***Please see page 4 for a Summary of Important Costs, including Premium.***

This document tells about the changes to your plan. To get more information about costs, benefits, or rules please review the *Evidence of Coverage*, which is located on our website at [sentarahealthplans.com/medicare](https://sentarahealthplans.com/medicare). You may also call Member Services to ask us to mail you an *Evidence of Coverage*.

- **You have from October 15 until December 7 to make changes to your Medicare coverage for next year.**

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### **What to do now**

#### **1. ASK:** Which changes apply to you

- Check the changes to our benefits and costs to see if they affect you.
  - Review the changes to Medical care costs (doctor, hospital).
  - Review the changes to our drug coverage, including authorization requirements and costs.
  - Think about how much you will spend on premiums, deductibles, and cost sharing.
- Check the changes in the 2024 "Drug List" to make sure the drugs you currently take are still covered.
- Check to see if your primary care doctors, specialists, hospitals, and other providers, including pharmacies will be in our network next year.
- Think about whether you are happy with our plan.

#### **2. COMPARE:** Learn about other plan choices

- Check coverage and costs of plans in your area. Use the Medicare Plan Finder at [www.medicare.gov/plan-compare](https://www.medicare.gov/plan-compare) website or review the list in the back of your *Medicare & You 2024* handbook.

- Once you narrow your choice to a preferred plan, confirm your costs and coverage on the plan's website.

### 3. **CHOOSE:** Decide whether you want to change your plan

- If you don't join another plan by December 7, 2023, you will stay in Sentara Medicare Value.
- To change to a **different plan**, you can switch plans between October 15 and December 7. Your new coverage will start on **January 1, 2024**. This will end your enrollment with *Optima Medicare Value*.
- If you recently moved into, currently live in, or just moved out of an institution (like a skilled nursing facility or long-term care hospital), you can switch plans or switch to Original Medicare (either with or without a separate Medicare prescription drug plan) at any time.

#### **Additional Resources**

- Please contact our Member Services number at 1-800-927-6048 for additional information. TTY users should call the Virginia Relay Service at 1-800-828-1120 or 711. Our hours are from October 1 – March 31, you can call us 7 days a week from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. ET. From April 1 – September 30, you can call us Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. ET. Outside of these times, our interactive voice response system allows you to obtain information on many topics related to your plan. This call is free.
- This information is available in large print and audio.
- **Coverage under this Plan qualifies as Qualifying Health Coverage (QHC)** and satisfies the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act's (ACA) individual shared responsibility requirement. Please visit the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) website at [www.irs.gov/Affordable-Care-Act/Individuals-and-Families](http://www.irs.gov/Affordable-Care-Act/Individuals-and-Families) for more information.

#### **About Sentara Medicare Value**

- Sentara Medicare Value is an HMO plan with a Medicare contract. Enrollment in Sentara Medicare depends on contract renewal.
- When this document says "we," "us," or "our", it means Sentara Medicare. When it says "plan" or "our plan," it means Sentara Medicare Value.

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## Summary of Important Costs for 2024

The table below compares the 2023 costs and 2024 costs for Sentara Medicare Value in several important areas. **Please note this is only a summary of costs.**

Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<b>Monthly plan premium*</b> * Your premium may be higher than this amount. See Section 2.1 for details.	\$0	\$0
<b>Maximum out-of-pocket amount</b> This is the <u>most</u> you will pay out-of-pocket for your covered Part A and Part B services. (See Section 2.2 for details.)	\$3,400	\$3,700
<b>Doctor office visits</b>	Primary care visits: \$0 Copay per visit Specialist visits: \$25 Copay per visit	Primary care visits: \$0 Copay per visit Specialist visits: \$20 Copay per visit
<b>Inpatient hospital stays</b>	\$275 copay per day for days 1-6 \$0 copay per day for days 7 and beyond 60-day benefit period.	\$285 copay per day for days 1-6 \$0 copay per day for days 7 and beyond 60-day benefit period.
<b>Part D prescription drug coverage</b> (See Section 2.5 for details.)	Deductible: \$150; applies to drugs in Tiers 4 and 5. except for covered insulin products and most adult Part D vaccines. Copayment/Coinsurance during the Initial Coverage Stage, for a one-month supply: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drug Tier 1:  <i>Standard: \$5 copay</i>  <i>Preferred: \$0 copay</i></li> </ul>	Deductible: \$150; applies to drugs in Tiers 4 and 5. except for covered insulin products and most adult Part D vaccines. Copayment/Coinsurance during the Initial Coverage Stage, for a one-month supply: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drug Tier 1:  <i>Standard: \$5 copay</i>  <i>Preferred: \$0 copay</i></li> </ul>

Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
	<p>You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drug Tier 2: <i>Standard:</i> \$15 copay <i>Preferred:</i> \$10 copay</li> </ul> <p>You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drug Tier 3: <i>Standard:</i> \$47 copay <i>Preferred:</i> \$42 copay</li> </ul> <p>You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drug Tier 4: <i>Standard:</i> \$100 copay <i>Preferred:</i> \$95 copay</li> </ul> <p>You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drug Tier 5: <i>Standard:</i> 30% coinsurance <i>Preferred:</i> 30% coinsurance</li> </ul> <p>You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.</p> <p>Catastrophic Coverage:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• During this payment stage, the plan pays most of the cost for your covered drugs.</li> </ul>	<p>You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drug Tier 2: <i>Standard:</i> \$15 copay <i>Preferred:</i> \$10 copay</li> </ul> <p>You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drug Tier 3: <i>Standard:</i> \$47 copay <i>Preferred:</i> \$42 copay</li> </ul> <p>You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drug Tier 4: <i>Standard:</i> \$100 copay <i>Preferred:</i> \$95 copay</li> </ul> <p>You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drug Tier 5: <i>Standard:</i> 30% coinsurance <i>Preferred:</i> 30% coinsurance</li> </ul> <p>You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.</p> <p>Catastrophic Coverage:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• During this payment stage, the plan pays the full cost for your covered Part D drugs.</li> <li>• You may have cost sharing for drugs that are covered under our enhanced benefit.</li> </ul>

## SECTION 1 We Are Changing the Plan's Name

On January 1, 2024, our plan name will change from Optima Medicare Value (HMO) to Sentara Medicare Value (HMO). Members will receive a new member ID card in the mail in January 2024.

## SECTION 2 Changes to Benefits and Costs for Next Year

### Section 2.1 – Changes to the Monthly Premium

Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<b>Monthly premium</b> (You must also continue to pay your Medicare Part B premium.)	\$0	\$0

- Your monthly plan premium will be *more* if you are required to pay a lifetime Part D late enrollment penalty for going without other drug coverage that is at least as good as Medicare drug coverage (also referred to as creditable coverage) for 63 days or more.
- If you have a higher income, you may have to pay an additional amount each month directly to the government for your Medicare prescription drug coverage.

### Section 2.2 – Changes to Your Maximum Out-of-Pocket Amount

Medicare requires all health plans to limit how much you pay out-of-pocket for the year. This limit is called the maximum out-of-pocket amount. Once you reach this amount, you generally pay nothing for covered Part A and Part B services for the rest of the year.

Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<b>Maximum out-of-pocket amount</b> Your costs for covered medical services (such as copays) count toward your maximum out-of-pocket amount. Your costs for prescription drugs do not count toward your maximum out-of-pocket amount.	\$3,400	\$3,700 Once you have paid \$3,700 out-of-pocket for covered Part A and Part B services, you will pay nothing for your covered Part A and Part B services for the rest of the calendar year.

## Section 2.3 – Changes to the Provider and Pharmacy Networks

Updated directories are located on our website at [sentarahealthplans.com/members/medicare/provider-and-pharmacy-directories](https://sentarahealthplans.com/members/medicare/provider-and-pharmacy-directories). You may also call Member Services for updated provider and/or pharmacy information or to ask us to mail you a directory, which we will mail within three business days.

There are changes to our network of providers for next year. **Please review the 2024 Provider Directory to see if your providers (primary care provider, specialists, hospitals, etc.) are in our network.**

There are changes to our network of pharmacies for next year. **Please review the 2024 Pharmacy Directory to see which pharmacies are in our network.**

It is important that you know that we may make changes to the hospitals, doctors and specialists (providers), and pharmacies that are part of your plan during the year. If a mid-year change in our providers affects you, please contact Member Services so we may assist.

## Section 2.4 – Changes to Benefits and Costs for Medical Services

We are making changes to costs and benefits for certain medical services next year. The information below describes these changes.

Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
ASC Services	You pay a \$250 copay for this benefit.	You pay a \$225 copay for this benefit.
Diabetes Supplies and Services	No limit to Diabetic Test Strips. Certain Diabetic supplies may require authorization.	Diabetic Test Strips are limited to 120/month.  Preferred test strips are LifeScan (OneTouch) and Abbott (Freestyle, Precision)  Prior Authorization would be needed for other manufacturers and if they exceed the 120/month quantity limit.  Preferred continuous glucose

Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
		<p>monitors are Dexcom and Freestyle Libre.</p> <p>Prior Authorization required for some insulins, insulin pumps and continuous glucose monitors.</p>
Inpatient Hospital Acute	<p>You pay a \$275 copayment for days 1-6.</p> <p>You pay a \$0 copayment for days 7-90.</p>	<p>You pay a \$285 copayment for days 1-6.</p> <p>You pay a \$0 copayment for days 7-90.</p>
Inpatient Hospital Psychiatric	<p>You pay a \$275 copayment for days 1-6.</p> <p>You pay a \$0 copayment for days 7-90.</p>	<p>You pay a \$285 copayment for days 1-6.</p> <p>You pay a \$0 copayment for days 7-90.</p>
Medicare Part B Insulin Drugs	20% coinsurance for a one-month supply of each plan-covered insulin product	You pay a \$35 copay for a one-month supply of each plan-covered insulin product.
Medicare Part B Chemotherapy/Radiation Drugs	You pay 20% coinsurance for this benefit.	You pay 0% minimum coinsurance for this benefit. You pay 20% maximum coinsurance for this benefit.
Medicare Part B Drugs- Other	You pay 20% coinsurance for this benefit.	You pay 0% minimum coinsurance for this benefit. You pay 20% maximum coinsurance for this benefit.
Medicare-Covered Observation Services	Authorization is not required for this benefit	Authorization may be required for this benefit.



Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
Medicare-covered Podiatry Services	You pay a \$30 copay for this benefit.	You pay a \$20 copay for this benefit.
Occupational Therapy Services	Authorization is required for over 15 visits.	Authorization may be required for this benefit.
Opioid Treatment Services	Authorization is not required for this benefit.	Authorization may be required for this benefit
Other Health Care Professional Services	You pay \$0 minimum copay for this benefit. You pay \$30 maximum copay for this benefit. Authorization is not required for this benefit	You pay \$0 minimum copay for this benefit. You pay \$20 maximum copay for this benefit. Authorization may be required for this benefit
Outpatient Blood Services	Member is responsible for cost associated with the first three pints of blood.	Member is not responsible for the cost associated with the first three pints of blood
Over-the-counter (OTC) Items	There is a \$110 allowance every three months.	There is a \$100 allowance every three months.
Physical Therapy and Speech Pathology Services	You pay a \$30 copay for this benefit. Authorization over 15 visits is required for this benefit	You pay a \$10 copay for this benefit. Authorization may be required for this benefit
Physician Specialist Services	Authorization is not required for this benefit. You pay a \$25 copay for this benefit.	Authorization may be required for this benefit. You pay a \$20 copay for this benefit.

Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
Routine Foot Care	You pay a \$30 copay for this benefit up to 8 visits.	You pay a \$20 copay for this benefit up to 8 visits.
Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Medicare-covered stay	You pay a \$0 copayment for days 1-20. You pay a \$188 copayment for days 21-100.	You pay a \$0 copayment for days 1-20. You pay a \$203 copayment for days 21-100.
Special Supplemental Benefits for the Chronically Ill (SSBCI) – Transportation for Non-Medical Needs	Authorization is not required for transportation services.	Authorization is required for transportation services for over 50 miles per one-way trip.
Transportation Services	Authorization is not required for transportation services.	Authorization is required for transportation services for over 50 miles per one-way trip.
Urgently Needed Services	You pay a \$25 copay for this benefit.	You pay a \$10 minimum copay for this benefit.

## Section 2.5 – Changes to Part D Prescription Drug Coverage

### Changes to Our “Drug List”

Our list of covered drugs is called a Formulary or “Drug List.” A copy of our Drug List is provided electronically.

We made changes to our “Drug List,” which could include removing or adding drugs, changing the restrictions that apply to our coverage for certain drugs or moving them to a different cost-sharing tier. **Review the “Drug List” to make sure your drugs will be covered next year and to see if there will be any restrictions, or if your drug has been moved to a different cost-sharing tier.**

Most of the changes in the “Drug List” are new for the beginning of each year. However, during the year, we might make other changes that are allowed by Medicare rules. For instance, we can immediately remove drugs considered unsafe by the FDA or withdrawn from the market by

a product manufacturer. We update our online “Drug List” to provide the most up to date list of drugs.

If you are affected by a change in drug coverage at the beginning of the year or during the year, please review Chapter 9 of your Evidence of Coverage and talk to your doctor to find out your options, such as asking for a temporary supply, applying for an exception and/or working to find a new drug. You can also contact Member Services for more information.

**Changes to Prescription Drug Costs**

**Note:** If you are in a program that helps pay for your drugs (“Extra Help”), **the information about costs for Part D prescription drugs does not apply to you.** We sent you a separate insert, called the “Evidence of Coverage Rider for People Who Get Extra Help Paying for Prescription Drugs” (also called the Low-Income Subsidy Rider or the LIS Rider), which tells you about your drug costs. If you receive “Extra Help” and you haven’t received this insert by September 30, 2023, please call Member Services and ask for the LIS Rider.

There are four **drug payment stages**. The information below shows the changes to the first two stages – the Yearly Deductible Stage and the Initial Coverage Stage. (Most members do not reach the other two stages – the Coverage Gap Stage or the Catastrophic Coverage Stage.)

**Changes to the Deductible Stage**

Stage	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<b>Stage 1: Yearly Deductible Stage</b>	The Deductible is \$150	The Deductible is \$150
During this stage, <b>you pay the full cost</b> of your Tier 4 (Non-Preferred) drugs and Tier 5 (Specialty) drugs until you have reached the yearly deductible. The deductible doesn’t apply to covered insulin products and most adult Part D vaccines, including shingles, tetanus and travel vaccines.	During this stage you pay (for a 30-day supply):	During this stage you pay (for a 30-day supply):
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$5 copay for drugs on Tier 1 (Preferred Generic) – Standard cost sharing.</li> <li>• \$0 copay for drugs on Tier 1 (Preferred Generic) – Preferred cost sharing.</li> <li>• \$15 copay for drugs on Tier 2 (Non-Preferred Generic) – Standard cost sharing.</li> <li>• \$10 copay for drugs on Tier 2 (Non-Preferred Generic) – Preferred cost sharing.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$5 copay for drugs on Tier 1 (Preferred Generic) – Standard cost sharing.</li> <li>• \$0 copay for drugs on Tier 1 (Preferred Generic) – Preferred cost sharing.</li> <li>• \$15 copay for drugs on Tier 2 (Non-Preferred Generic) – Standard cost sharing.</li> <li>• \$10 copay for drugs on Tier 2 (Non-Preferred Generic) – Preferred cost sharing.</li> <li>• \$47 copay for drugs on Tier 3 (Preferred Brand) – Standard cost sharing.</li> </ul>

Stage	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$47 copay for drugs on Tier 3 (Preferred Brand) – Standard cost sharing.</li> <li>• \$42 copay for drugs on Tier 3 (Preferred Brand) – Preferred cost sharing.</li> <li>• \$35 copay for insulin drugs included in Senior Savings Model</li> <li>• The full cost of drugs on Tier 4 (Non-Preferred) drugs and Tier 5 (Specialty Tier) until you have reached the yearly deductible.</li> <li>• There is no deductible for Optima Medicare Value for Select Insulins. You pay \$35 for a one-month supply of Select Insulins.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$42 copay for drugs on Tier 3 (Preferred Brand) – Preferred cost sharing.</li> <li>• \$35 copay for insulin drugs included in Senior Savings Model</li> <li>• The full cost of drugs on Tier 4 (Non-Preferred) drugs and Tier 5 (Specialty Tier) until you have reached the yearly deductible.</li> <li>• There is no deductible for Sentara Medicare Value for Select Insulins. You pay \$35 for a one-month supply of Select Insulins.</li> </ul>

**Changes to Your Cost Sharing in the Initial Coverage Stage**

Stage	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<p><b>Stage 2: Initial Coverage Stage</b></p> <p>Once you pay the yearly deductible, you move to the Initial Coverage Stage. During this stage, the plan pays its share of the cost of your drugs, and <b>you pay your share of the cost.</b></p> <p>The costs in this row are for a one-month (30-day) supply when you fill your prescription at a network pharmacy that provides standard cost sharing. For information about the costs for a long-term supply; or for mail-order prescriptions, look in Chapter 6, Section 5 of your Evidence of Coverage.</p>	<p>Your cost for a one-month supply filled at a network pharmacy with standard cost sharing:</p> <p><b>Tier 1 - Preferred Generic:</b></p> <p><i>Standard cost sharing:</i></p> <p>You pay \$5 copay per prescription.</p> <p><i>Preferred cost sharing:</i></p> <p>You pay \$0 per prescription</p> <p><b>Tier 2 - Generic:</b></p> <p><i>Standard cost sharing:</i></p> <p>You pay \$15 copay per prescription.</p> <p><i>Preferred cost sharing:</i></p>	<p>Your cost for a one-month supply filled at a network pharmacy with standard cost sharing:</p> <p><b>Tier 1 - Preferred Generic:</b></p> <p><i>Standard cost sharing:</i></p> <p>You pay \$5 copay per prescription.</p> <p><i>Preferred cost sharing:</i></p> <p>You pay \$0 per prescription</p> <p>You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.</p> <p><b>Tier 2 - Generic:</b></p> <p><i>Standard cost sharing:</i></p>

Stage	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<p>We changed the tier for some of the drugs on our “Drug List.” To see if your drugs will be in a different tier, look them up on the “Drug List.”</p> <p>Most adult Part D vaccines are covered at no cost to you.</p>	<p>You pay \$10 per prescription</p> <p><b>Tier 3 - Preferred Brand:</b>  <i>Standard cost sharing:</i>                      You pay \$47 copay per prescription.  <i>Preferred cost sharing:</i>                      You pay \$42 per prescription</p> <p><b>Tier 4 - Non-Preferred Brand:</b>  <i>Standard cost sharing:</i>                      You pay \$100 copay per prescription.  <i>Preferred cost sharing:</i>                      You pay \$95 per prescription</p> <p><b>Tier 5 - Specialty Tier:</b>  <i>Standard cost sharing:</i>                      You pay 30% coinsurance of the total cost.  <i>Preferred cost sharing:</i>                      You pay 30% coinsurance of the total cost</p> <p>Once your total drug costs have reached \$4,660, you will move to the next stage (the Coverage Gap Stage).</p> <p>Optima Medicare Value offers additional gap coverage for Select Insulins. During the Initial Coverage stage, your out-of-pocket costs for Select Insulins is \$35.</p>	<p>You pay \$15 copay per prescription.</p> <p><i>Preferred cost sharing:</i>                      You pay \$10 per prescription</p> <p>You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.</p> <p><b>Tier 3 - Preferred Brand:</b>  <i>Standard cost sharing:</i>                      You pay \$47 copay per prescription.  <i>Preferred cost sharing:</i>                      You pay \$42 per prescription</p> <p>You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.</p> <p><b>Tier 4 - Non-Preferred Brand:</b>  <i>Standard cost sharing:</i>                      You pay \$100 copay per prescription.  <i>Preferred cost sharing:</i>                      You pay \$95 per prescription</p> <p>You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.</p> <p><b>Tier 5 - Specialty Tier:</b>  <i>Standard cost sharing:</i>                      You pay 30% coinsurance of the total cost.  <i>Preferred cost sharing:</i>                      You pay 30% coinsurance of the total cost</p> <p>You pay \$35.00 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.</p>

Stage	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
		<p>Once your total drug costs have reached \$5,030, you will move to the next stage (the Coverage Gap Stage).</p> <p>Sentara Medicare Value offers additional gap coverage for Select Insulins. During the Initial Coverage stage, your out-of-pocket costs for Select Insulins is \$35.</p>

### Changes to the Coverage Gap and Catastrophic Coverage Stages

The other two drug coverage stages – the Coverage Gap Stage and the Catastrophic Coverage Stage – are for people with high drug costs. **Most members do not reach the Coverage Gap Stage or the Catastrophic Coverage Stage.**

**Beginning in 2024, if you reach the Catastrophic Coverage Stage, you pay nothing for covered Part D drugs. You may have cost sharing for excluded drugs that are covered under our enhanced benefit.**

For specific information about your costs in these stages, look at Chapter 6, Sections 6 and 7, in your *Evidence of Coverage*.

## SECTION 3 Deciding Which Plan to Choose

### Section 3.1 – If you want to stay in *Sentara Medicare Value*

**To stay in our plan, you don't need to do anything.** If you do not sign up for a different plan or change to Original Medicare by December 7, you will automatically be enrolled in our *Sentara Medicare Value*.

### Section 3.2 – If you want to change plans

We hope to keep you as a member next year but if you want to change plans for 2024 follow these steps:

#### Step 1: Learn about and compare your choices

- You can join a different Medicare health plan,
- *OR--* You can change to Original Medicare. If you change to Original Medicare, you will need to decide whether to join a Medicare drug plan. If you do not enroll in a Medicare drug plan, please see Section 2.1 regarding a potential Part D late enrollment penalty.

To learn more about Original Medicare and the different types of Medicare plans, use the Medicare Plan Finder ([www.medicare.gov/plan-compare](http://www.medicare.gov/plan-compare)), read the *Medicare & You 2024* handbook, call your State Health Insurance Assistance Program (see Section 5), or call Medicare (see Section 7.2).

As a reminder, Sentara Medicare offers other Medicare health plans. These other plans may differ in coverage, monthly premiums, and cost sharing amounts.

### Step 2: Change your coverage

- To **change to a different Medicare health plan**, enroll in the new plan. You will automatically be disenrolled from *Sentara Medicare Value*.
- To **change to Original Medicare with a prescription drug plan**, enroll in the new drug plan. You will automatically be disenrolled from *Sentara Medicare Value*.
- To **change to Original Medicare without a prescription drug plan**, you must either:
  - Send us a written request to disenroll. Contact Member Services if you need more information on how to do so.
  - – *or* – Contact **Medicare**, at 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and ask to be disenrolled. TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048.

## SECTION 4 Deadline for Changing Plans

If you want to change to a different plan or to Original Medicare for next year, you can do it from **October 15 until December 7**. The change will take effect on January 1, 2024.

### Are there other times of the year to make a change?

In certain situations, changes are also allowed at other times of the year. Examples include people with Medicaid, those who get “Extra Help” paying for their drugs, those who have or are leaving employer coverage, and those who move out of the service area.

If you enrolled in a Medicare Advantage plan for January 1, 2024, and don't like your plan choice, you can switch to another Medicare health plan (either with or without Medicare prescription drug coverage) or switch to Original Medicare (either with or without Medicare prescription drug coverage) between January 1 and March 31, 2024.

If you recently moved into, currently live in, or just moved out of an institution (like a skilled nursing facility or long-term care hospital), you can change your Medicare coverage **at any time**. You can change to any other Medicare health plan (either with or without Medicare prescription drug coverage) or switch to Original Medicare (either with or without a separate Medicare prescription drug plan) at any time.

## SECTION 5 Programs That Offer Free Counseling about Medicare

The State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) is an independent government program with trained counselors in every state. In Virginia, the SHIP is called the Virginia Insurance Counseling and Assistance Program (VICAP) (coordinated through the Virginia Division for the Aging).

It is a state program that gets money from the Federal government to give **free** local health insurance counseling to people with Medicare. VICAP counselors can help you with your Medicare questions or problems. They can help you understand your Medicare plan choices and answer questions about switching plans. You can call VICAP at 1-800-552-3402 (TTY 711). You can learn more about VICAP by visiting their website ([www.vda.virginia.gov/vicap.htm](http://www.vda.virginia.gov/vicap.htm)).

## SECTION 6 Programs That Help Pay for Prescription Drugs

You may qualify for help paying for prescription drugs. Below we list different kinds of help:

- **“Extra Help” from Medicare.** People with limited incomes may qualify for “Extra Help” to pay for their prescription drug costs. If you qualify, Medicare could pay up to 75% or more of your drug costs including monthly prescription drug premiums, annual deductibles, and coinsurance. Additionally, those who qualify will not have a coverage gap or late enrollment penalty. To see if you qualify, call:
  - 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227). TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048, 24 hours a day/7 days a week;
  - The Social Security Office at 1-800-772-1213 between 8 am and 7 pm, Monday through Friday for a representative. Automated messages are available 24 hours a day. TTY users should call, 1-800-325-0778; or
  - Your State Medicaid Office (applications).
- **Prescription Cost Sharing Assistance for Persons with HIV/AIDS.** The AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) helps ensure that ADAP-eligible individuals living with HIV/AIDS have access to life-saving HIV medications. Individuals must meet certain criteria, including proof of State residence and HIV status, low income as defined by the State, and uninsured/under-insured status. Medicare Part D prescription drugs that are also covered by ADAP qualify for prescription cost sharing assistance through the Virginia Medication Assistance Program (VA MAP). For information on eligibility criteria, covered drugs, or how to enroll in the program, please call 1-855-362-0658.



## SECTION 7 Questions?

### Section 7.1 – Getting Help from *Sentara Medicare Value*

Questions? We're here to help. Please call Member Services at 1-800-927-6048. (TTY only call the Virginia Relay Service at 1-800-828-1120 or 711.) We are available for phone calls 7 days a week from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. ET from October 1 – March 31. From April 1 - September 30, you can call us Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. ET. Outside of these times, our interactive voice response system allows you to obtain information on many topics related to your plan. Calls to these numbers are free.

#### **Read your 2024 Evidence of Coverage (it has details about next year's benefits and costs)**

This *Annual Notice of Changes* gives you a summary of changes in your benefits and costs for 2024. For details, look in the *2024 Evidence of Coverage for Sentara Medicare Value*. The *Evidence of Coverage* is the legal, detailed description of your plan benefits. It explains your rights and the rules you need to follow to get covered services and prescription drugs. A copy of the *Evidence of Coverage* is located on our website at [sentarahealthplans.com/members/medicare/documents-and-forms](https://sentarahealthplans.com/members/medicare/documents-and-forms). You may also call Member Services to ask us to mail you an *Evidence of Coverage*.

#### **Visit our Website**

You can also visit our website at [sentarahealthplans.com/members/medicare](https://sentarahealthplans.com/members/medicare). As a reminder, our website has the most up-to-date information about our provider network (*Provider Directory*) and our *List of Covered Drugs (Formulary/"Drug List")*.

### Section 7.2 – Getting Help from Medicare

To get information directly from Medicare:

#### **Call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227)**

You can call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048.

#### **Visit the Medicare Website**

Visit the Medicare website ([www.medicare.gov](https://www.medicare.gov)). It has information about cost, coverage, and quality Star Ratings to help you compare Medicare health plans in your area. To view the information about plans, go to [www.medicare.gov/plan-compare](https://www.medicare.gov/plan-compare).

**Read *Medicare & You 2024***

Read the *Medicare & You 2024* handbook. Every fall, this document is mailed to people with Medicare. It has a summary of Medicare benefits, rights and protections, and answers to the most frequently asked questions about Medicare. If you don't have a copy of this document, you can get it at the Medicare website (<https://www.medicare.gov/Pubs/pdf/10050-medicare-and-you.pdf>) or by calling 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048.



## Multi-Language Insert Multi-language Interpreter Services

**English:** We have free interpreter services to answer any questions you may have about our health or drug plan. To get an interpreter, just call us at 1-800-927-6048 (TTY: 711). Someone who speaks English/Language can help you. This is a free service.

**Spanish:** Tenemos servicios de intérprete sin costo alguno para responder cualquier pregunta que pueda tener sobre nuestro plan de salud o medicamentos. Para hablar con un intérprete, por favor llame al 1-800-927-6048. Alguien que hable español le podrá ayudar. Este es un servicio gratuito.

**Chinese Mandarin:** 我们提供免费的翻译服务，帮助您解答关于健康或药物保险的任何疑问。如果您需要此翻译服务，请致电 1-800-927-6048。我们的中文工作人员很乐意帮助您。这是一项免费服务。

**Chinese Cantonese:** 您對我們的健康或藥物保險可能存有疑問，為此我們提供免費的翻譯服務。如需翻譯服務，請致電 1-800-927-6048。我們講中文的人員將樂意為您提供幫助。這是一項免費服務。

**Tagalog:** Mayroon kaming libreng serbisyo sa pagsasaling-wika upang masagot ang anumang mga katanungan ninyo hinggil sa aming planong pangkalusugan o panggamot. Upang makakuha ng tagasaling-wika, tawagan lamang kami sa 1-800-927-6048. Maaari kayong tulungan ng isang nakakapagsalita ng Tagalog. Ito ay libreng serbisyo.

**French:** Nous proposons des services gratuits d'interprétation pour répondre à toutes vos questions relatives à notre régime de santé ou d'assurance-médicaments. Pour accéder au service d'interprétation, il vous suffit de nous appeler au 1-800-927-6048. Un interlocuteur parlant Français pourra vous aider. Ce service est gratuit.

**Vietnamese:** Chúng tôi có dịch vụ thông dịch miễn phí để trả lời các câu hỏi về chương sức khỏe và chương trình thuốc men. Nếu quý vị cần thông dịch viên xin gọi 1-800-927-6048 sẽ có nhân viên nói tiếng Việt giúp đỡ quý vị. Đây là dịch vụ miễn phí.

**German:** Unser kostenloser Dolmetscherservice beantwortet Ihren Fragen zu unserem Gesundheits- und Arzneimittelplan. Unsere Dolmetscher erreichen Sie unter 1-800-927-6048. Man wird Ihnen dort auf Deutsch weiterhelfen. Dieser Service ist kostenlos.

**Korean:** 당사는 의료 보험 또는 약품 보험에 관한 질문에 대해 드리고자 무료 통역 서비스를 제공하고 있습니다. 통역 서비스를 이용하려면 전화 1-800-927-6048 번으로 문의해 주십시오. 한국어를 하는 담당자가 도와 드릴 것입니다. 이 서비스는 무료로 운영됩니다.

**Russian:** Если у вас возникнут вопросы относительно страхового или медикаментного плана, вы можете воспользоваться нашими бесплатными услугами переводчиков. Чтобы воспользоваться услугами переводчика, позвоните нам по телефону 1-800-927-6048. Вам окажет помощь сотрудник, который говорит по-русски. Данная услуга бесплатная.

**Arabic:** إننا نقدم خدمات المترجم الفوري المجانية للإجابة عن أي أسئلة تتعلق بالصحة أو جدول الأدوية لدينا. للحصول على مترجم فوري، ليس عليك سوى الاتصال بنا على 1-800-927-6048. سيقوم شخص ما يتحدث العربية بمساعدتك. هذه خدمة مجانية.

**Hindi:** हमारे स्वास्थ्य या दवा की योजना के बारे में आपके किसी भी प्रश्न के जवाब देने के लिए हमारे पास मुफ्त दुभाषिया सेवाएँ उपलब्ध हैं. एक दुभाषिया प्राप्त करने के लिए, बस हमें 1-800-927-6048 पर फोन करें. कोई व्यक्ति जो हिन्दी बोलता है आपकी मदद कर सकता है. यह एक मुफ्त सेवा है.

**Italian:** È disponibile un servizio di interpretariato gratuito per rispondere a eventuali domande sul nostro piano sanitario e farmaceutico. Per un interprete, contattare il numero 1-800-927-6048. Un nostro incaricato che parla Italianovi fornirà l'assistenza necessaria. È un servizio gratuito.

**Portuguese:** Dispomos de serviços de interpretação gratuitos para responder a qualquer questão que tenha acerca do nosso plano de saúde ou de medicação. Para obter um intérprete, contacte-nos através do número 1-800-927-6048. Irá encontrar alguém que fale o idioma Português para o ajudar. Este serviço é gratuito.

**French Creole:** Nou genyen sèvis entèprèt gratis pou reponn tout kesyon ou ta genyen konsènan plan medikal oswa dwòg nou an. Pou jwenn yon entèprèt, jis rele nou nan 1-800-927-6048. Yon moun ki pale Kreyòl kapab ede w. Sa a se yon sèvis ki gratis.

**Polish:** Umożliwiamy bezpłatne skorzystanie z usług tłumacza ustnego, który pomoże w uzyskaniu odpowiedzi na temat planu zdrowotnego lub dawkowania leków. Aby skorzystać z pomocy tłumacza znającego język polski, należy zadzwonić pod numer 1-800-927-6048. Ta usługa jest bezpłatna.

**Japanese:** 当社の健康 健康保険と薬品 処方薬プランに関するご質問にお答えするために、無料の通訳サービスがあります。通訳をご用命になるには、1-800-927-6048 にお電話ください。日本語を話す人者が支援いたします。これは無料のサービスです。



## Notice Informing Individuals About Nondiscrimination and Accessibility Requirements

### Discrimination is Against the Law

Sentara Medicare complies with applicable Federal civil rights laws and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex. Sentara Medicare does not exclude people or treat them differently because of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex.

Sentara Medicare:

- 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:
  - Sentara Medicare Member Services
  - PO Box 66189, Virginia Beach, VA 23466
  - 757-552-7401 or toll free 1-877-552-7401
  - TTY Relay 1-800-828-1140 or 711

If you believe that Sentara Medicare has failed to provide these services or discriminated in another way based on race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex, you can file a grievance with:

Sentara Medicare  
1557 Coordinator/Compliance  
PO Box 66189  
Virginia Beach, VA 23466  
757-552-7485

You can file a grievance in person or by mail. If you need help filing a grievance, please contact the 1557 Coordinator at the information listed above.

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 [ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf](http://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf), or by mail or phone at:

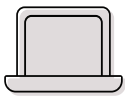
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services  
200 Independence Avenue, SW Room 509F, HHH Building  
Washington, D.C. 20201  
1-800-368-1019, 1-800-537-7697 (TDD)

Complaint forms are available at [hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html](http://hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html).

If you are visually impaired and need large print or other assistance to view this document, please contact us at 1-855-687-6260.

You can access your Evidence of Coverage (EOC), a listing of providers, pharmacies, and covered medications electronically.

### Instructions for finding your EOC



Look up your EOC by visiting our website at:  
[sentarahealthplans.com/members/medicare/documents-and-forms](https://sentarahealthplans.com/members/medicare/documents-and-forms).



Or, scan this QR code for quick access to your Evidence of Coverage

### Instructions for finding doctors, pharmacies, and covered medications

Go to: [sentarahealthplans.com/findadoc](https://sentarahealthplans.com/findadoc).



**Find** covered medications that are part of your plan with our online drug search tool.



**Choose** from quality doctors, hospitals, and urgent care centers that are part of your plan with our online provider search tool.

### Documents are available on the website October 15, 2023.



**To request a printed copy of any of these documents:**

Call Member Services at **1-800-927-6048 (TTY: 711)**  
October 1–March 31 | 7 days a week | 8 a.m.–8 p.m.  
April 1–September 30 | Monday–Friday | 8 a.m.–8 p.m.