Johns Hopkins Advantage MD D-SNP (HMO D-SNP) offered by Johns Hopkins Advantage MD

Annual Notice of Changes for 2025

You are currently enrolled as a member of Johns Hopkins Advantage MD D-SNP (HMO D-SNP). 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 www.hopkinsmedicare.com. You may also call Member Services to ask us to mail you an *Evidence of Coverage*.

What to do now

1. A	SK: Which changes apply to you
☐ C	heck 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 coverage restrictions and cost sharing.
•	Think about how much you will spend on premiums, deductibles, and cost sharing.
•	Check the changes in the 2025 "Drug List" to make sure the drugs you currently take are still covered.
•	Compare the 2024 and 2025 plan information to see if any of these drugs are moving to a different cost-sharing tier or will be subject to different restrictions, such as prior authorization, step therapy, or a quantity limit, for 2025.
	heck to see if your primary care doctors, specialists, hospitals and other providers, cluding pharmacies will be in our network next year.
	heck if you qualify for help paying for prescription drugs. People with limited comes may qualify for "Extra Help" from Medicare.
□ T	hink about whether you are happy with our plan.
2. C	OMPARE: Learn about other plan choices
	heck coverage and costs of plans in your area. Use the Medicare Plan Finder at www.medicare.gov/plan-compare website or review the list in the back of your

Medicare & You 2025 handbook. For additional support, contact your State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) to speak with a trained counselor.

- 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, 2024, you will stay in Johns Hopkins Advantage MD D-SNP (HMO D-SNP).
 - To **change to a different plan**, you can switch plans between October 15 and December 7. Your new coverage will start on **January 1, 2025.** This will end your enrollment with Johns Hopkins Advantage MD D-SNP (HMO D-SNP).
 - Look in section 3, page 12 to learn more about your choices.
 - If you recently moved into or currently live in 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. If you recently moved out of an institution, you have an opportunity to switch plans or switch to Original Medicare for two full months after the month you move out.

Additional Resources

- This document is available for free in Spanish.
- Please contact our Member Services number at 1-877-293-4998 for additional information. (TTY users should call 711.) Hours are October 1 through March 31: 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Monday through Sunday. April 1 through September 30: 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. On weekends and holidays you will need to leave a message. This call is free.
- This information is available in alternate formats (e.g., braille, large print, 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 for more information.

About Johns Hopkins Advantage MD D-SNP (HMO D-SNP)

- Johns Hopkins Advantage MD is a Medicare Advantage plan with a Medicare contract offering HMO and PPO products. Enrollment in Johns Hopkins Advantage MD depends on contract renewal. The plan also has a written agreement with the Maryland Medicaid program to coordinate your Maryland Department of Health (Medicaid) benefits.
- When this document says "we," "us," or "our," it means Johns Hopkins Advantage MD.
 When it says "plan" or "our plan," it means Johns Hopkins Advantage MD D-SNP (HMO D-SNP).

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Summary of Important Costs for 2025

The table below compares the 2024 costs and 2025 costs for Johns Hopkins Advantage MD D-SNP (HMO D-SNP) in several important areas. **Please note this is only a summary of costs**.

Cost	2024 (this year)	2025 (next year)
Monthly plan premium*	\$0	\$0
* Your premium may be higher than this amount. See Section 1.1 for details.		
Doctor office visits	Primary care visits: \$0 per visit	Primary care visits: \$0 per visit
	Specialist visits: \$0 per visit	Specialist visits: \$0 per visit
Inpatient hospital stays	You pay \$0 for a Medicare- covered inpatient hospital stay for up to 90 days.	You pay \$0 for a Medicare- covered inpatient hospital stay for up to 90 days.
Part D prescription drug coverage	Deductible: \$0	Deductible: \$0
(See Section 1.5 for details.)		
	Copayment/Coinsurance during the Initial Coverage Stage:	Copayment/Coinsurance during the Initial Coverage Stage:

Cost	2024 (this year)	2025 (next year)
Part D prescription drug coverage (continued)	Drug Tier 1: All Formulary Drugs For generic drugs (including brand drugs treated as a generic), you pay either: • \$0, \$1.55, or \$4.50* For all other drugs, you pay either: • \$0, \$4.60, or \$11.20* *Cost sharing is based on your level of Extra Help. Catastrophic Coverage: • During this payment stage, the plan pays the full cost for your covered Part D drugs. You pay nothing.	 Drug Tier 1: All Formulary Drugs For generic drugs (including brand drugs treated as a generic), you pay either: \$0, \$1.60, or \$4.90* For all other drugs, you pay either: \$0, \$4.80, or \$12.15* *Cost sharing is based on your level of Extra Help. Catastrophic Coverage: During this payment stage, you pay nothing for your covered Part D drugs.
Maximum out-of-pocket amount This is the most you will pay out of pocket for your covered Part A and Part B services. (See Section 1.2 for details.)	\$8,850 You are not responsible for paying any out-of-pocket costs toward the maximum out-of-pocket amount for covered Part A and Part B services.	\$8,850 You are not responsible for paying any out-of-pocket costs toward the maximum out-of-pocket amount for covered Part A and Part B services.

SECTION 1 Changes to Benefits and Costs for Next Year

Section 1.1 – Changes to the Monthly Premium

Cost	2024 (this year)	2025 (next year)
Monthly premium	\$0	\$0
(You must also continue to pay your Medicare Part B premium unless it is paid for you by Medicaid.)		There is no change for the upcoming benefit year.

Section 1.2 – 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	2024 (this year)	2025 (next year)
Maximum out-of-pocket amount	\$8,850	\$8,850
Because our members also get assistance from Medicaid, very few members ever reach this out-of-pocket maximum. You are not responsible for paying any out-of-pocket costs toward the maximum out-of-pocket amount for covered Part A and Part B services.		There is no change for the upcoming benefit year. Once you have paid \$8,850 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
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.		of the calendar year.

Section 1.3 – Changes to the Provider and Pharmacy Networks

Amounts you pay for your prescription drugs may depend on which pharmacy you use. Medicare drug plans have a network of pharmacies. In most cases, your prescriptions are covered only if they are filled at one of our network pharmacies.

Updated directories are located on our website at www.hopkinsmedicare.com. 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 2025 Provider Directory www.hopkinsmedicare.com 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 2025 *Pharmacy Directory* www.hopkinsmedicare.com 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 a 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 1.4 – Changes to Benefits and Costs for Medical Services

Please note that the *Annual Notice of Changes* tells you about changes to your Medicare benefits and costs.

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

Cost	2024 (this year)	2025 (next year)
Meal Benefit	Prior authorization is required for the meals benefit.	No prior authorization required for the meals benefit.
Over-the-Counter Items		
	Naloxone is <u>not</u> covered.	Naloxone is covered.
	\$200 maximum plan coverage amount every 3 months for OTC items.	\$100 maximum plan coverage amount every 3 months for OTC items.

Cost	2024 (this year)	2025 (next year)
Special Supplemental Benefits for the Chronically III	Supplemental benefit is <u>not</u> covered.	Flex Card • Healthy foods (\$45 benefit amount per month)
		• Utilities (\$45 benefit amount per month)
		The monthly benefit amount will be available on the card the first day of each month. Any unused benefit amount will not carry over into the next month. The Flex Card is administered by NationsBenefit. Eligibility for healthy foods and utilities will be determined after a member enrolls in the plan. Member must have at least one of the chronic conditions selected by the plan to qualify.

Section 1.5 - 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, we might make other changes that are allowed by Medicare rules that will affect you during the plan year. We update our online Drug List at least monthly to provide the most up-to-date list of drugs. If we make a change that will affect your access to a drug you are taking, we will send you a notice about the change.

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.

We currently can immediately remove a brand name drug on our Drug List if we replace it with a new generic drug version with the same or fewer restrictions as the brand name drug it replaces. Also, when adding a new generic, we may also decide to keep the brand name drug on our Drug List, but immediately add new restrictions.

Starting in 2025, we can immediately replace original biological products with certain biosimilars. This means, for instance, if you are taking an original biological product that is being replaced by a biosimilar, you may not get notice of the change 30 days before we make it or get a month's supply of your original biological product at a network pharmacy. If you are taking the original biological product at the time we make the change, you will still get information on the specific change we made, but it may arrive after we make the change.

Some of these drug types may be new to you. For definitions of the drug types, please see Chapter 12 of your *Evidence of Coverage*. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) also provides consumer information on drugs. See FDA website: https://www.fda.gov/drugs/biosimilars/multimedia-education-materials-biosimilars#For%20Patients. You may also contact Member Services or ask your health care provider, prescriber, or pharmacist for more information.

Changes to Prescription Drug Benefits and Costs

If you receive "Extra Help" to pay your Medicare prescription drugs, you may qualify for a reduction or elimination of your cost sharing for Part D drugs. Some of the information described in this section may not apply to you. **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 have included 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 didn't receive this insert with this packet, please call Member Services and ask for the LIS Rider.

Beginning in 2025, there are three **drug payment stages**: the Yearly Deductible Stage, the Initial Coverage Stage, and the Catastrophic Coverage Stage. The Coverage Gap Stage and the Coverage Gap Discount Program will no longer exist in the Part D benefit.

The Coverage Gap Discount Program will also be replaced by the Manufacturer Discount Program. Under the Manufacturer Discount Program, drug manufacturers pay a portion of the plan's full cost for covered Part D brand name drugs and biologics during the Initial Coverage Stage and the Catastrophic Coverage Stage. Discounts paid by manufacturers under the Manufacturer Discount Program do not count toward out-of-pocket costs.

Changes to the Deductible Stage

Stage	2024 (this year)	2025 (next year)
Stage 1: Yearly Deductible Stage	Because we have no deductible, this payment stage does not apply to you.	Because we have no deductible, this payment stage does not apply to you.

Changes to Your Cost Sharing in the Initial Coverage Stage

Stage	2024 (this year)	2025 (next year)
Stage 2: Initial Coverage Stage	Your cost for a one-month supply filled at a network	Your cost for a one-month supply filled at a network
During this stage, the plan pays its share of the cost of your	pharmacy with standard cost sharing is:	pharmacy with standard cost sharing is:
drugs, and you pay your share of the cost.	Drug Tier 1: All Formulary Drugs	Drug Tier 1: All Formulary Drugs
The costs in this row are for a one-month (30-day) supply when you fill your prescription at a network pharmacy.	For generic drugs (including brand drugs treated as a generic), you pay either:	For generic drugs (including brand drugs treated as a generic), you pay either:
For information about your costs	• \$0, \$1.55, or \$4.50*	• \$0, \$1.60, or \$4.90*
for a long-term supply, look in Chapter 6, Section 5 of your	For all other drugs, you pay either:	For all other drugs, you pay either:
Evidence of Coverage.	• \$0, \$4.60, or \$11.20*	• \$0, \$4.80, or \$12.15*
Most adult Part D vaccines are covered at no cost to you.	*Cost sharing is based on your level of Extra Help.	*Cost sharing is based on your level of Extra Help.
	Once you have paid \$8,000 out of pocket for Part D drugs, you will move to the next stage (the Catastrophic Coverage Stage).	Once you have paid \$2,000 out of pocket for Part D drugs, you will move to the next stage (the Catastrophic Coverage Stage).

Changes to the Catastrophic Coverage Stage

The Catastrophic Coverage Stage is the third and final stage. Beginning in 2025, drug manufacturers pay a portion of the plan's full cost for covered Part D brand name drugs and biologics during the Catastrophic Coverage Stage. Discounts paid by manufacturers under the Manufacturer Discount Program do not count toward out-of-pocket costs.

If you reach the Catastrophic Coverage Stage, you pay nothing for your covered Part D drugs.

For specific information about your costs in the Catastrophic Coverage Stage, look at Chapter 6, Section 6, in your *Evidence of Coverage*.

SECTION 2 Administrative Changes

Description	2024 (this year)	2025 (next year)
Medicare Prescription Payment Plan	Not applicable	The Medicare Prescription Payment Plan is a new payment option that works with your current drug coverage, and it can help you manage your drug costs by spreading them across monthly payments that vary throughout the year (January – December). To learn more about this payment option, please contact us at 1-877-293- 4998 or visit Medicare.gov.

SECTION 3 Deciding Which Plan to Choose

Section 3.1 – If you want to stay in Johns Hopkins Advantage MD D-SNP (HMO D-SNP)

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 Johns Hopkins Advantage MD D-SNP (HMO D-SNP).

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 2025 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.

To learn more about Original Medicare and the different types of Medicare plans, use the Medicare Plan Finder (www.medicare.gov/plan-compare), read the Medicare & You 2025 handbook, call your State Health Insurance Assistance Program (see Section 5), or call Medicare (see Section 7.2). As a reminder, Johns Hopkins Advantage MD 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 Johns Hopkins Advantage MD D-SNP (HMO D-SNP).
- To change to Original Medicare with a prescription drug plan, enroll in the new drug plan. You will automatically be disenrolled from Johns Hopkins Advantage MD D-SNP (HMO D-SNP).
- To change to Original Medicare without a prescription drug plan, you must either:
 - Send us a written request to disenroll or visit our website to disenroll online.
 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.

If you switch to Original Medicare and do **not** enroll in a separate Medicare prescription drug plan, Medicare may enroll you in a drug plan unless you have opted out of automatic enrollment.

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, 2025.

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.

Because you have Maryland Department of Health (Medicaid), you can end your membership in our plan any month of the year. You also have options to enroll in another Medicare plan any month including:

- Original Medicare with a separate Medicare prescription drug plan,
- Original Medicare without a separate Medicare prescription drug plan (If you choose this
 option, Medicare may enroll you in a drug plan, unless you have opted out of automatic
 enrollment.), or
- If eligible, an integrated D-SNP that provides your Medicare and most or all of your Medicaid benefits and services in one plan.

If you enrolled in a Medicare Advantage plan for January 1, 2025, and don't like your plan choice, you can also 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, 2025.

If you recently moved into or currently live in 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. If you recently moved out of an institution, you have an opportunity to switch plans or switch to Original Medicare for two full months after the month you move out.

SECTION 5 Programs That Offer Free Counseling about Medicare and Medicaid

The State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) is an independent government program with trained counselors in every state. In Maryland, the SHIP is called State Health Insurance Assistance Program.

It is a state program that gets money from the Federal government to give **free** local health insurance counseling to people with Medicare. State Health Insurance Assistance Program 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 State Health Insurance Assistance Program at 1-800-243-3425. You can learn more about State Health Insurance Assistance Program by visiting their website (https://aging.maryland.gov/Pages/state-health-insurance-program.aspx).

For questions about your Maryland Department of Health (Medicaid) benefits, contact Maryland Department of Health (Medicaid) at 1-410-767-6500 or 1-800-492-5231 (TTY: 711) Monday to Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. For information on Maryland Department of Health (Medicaid) (Medicaid) as a Dual Eligible please contact your local State Department of Social Services office at:

Anne Arundel County DSS

80 West Street Annapolis, Maryland 21401

(District Court Building) 7500 Ritchie Highway Glen Burnie, MD 21061 Phone: 410-269-4500 Fax: 410-974-8566

Email Address: <u>aacounty.dhs@maryland.gov</u>

Baltimore County DSS

6401 York Road

Baltimore, Maryland 21212

Phone: 410-853-3000

Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Carroll County DSS

1232 Tech Court

Westminster, Maryland 21157

Phone: 410-386-3300 Fax: 410-386-3429

Email Address: dlcarrolldept dhr@maryland.gov

Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Frederick County DSS

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 237, Frederick, Maryland 21705

Location:

1888 North Market Street Frederick, Maryland 21701 Phone: 301-600-4555

Fax: 301-600-4550

Email Address: FCDSS.info@maryland.gov.

Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Howard County DSS

9780 Patuxent Woods Drive Columbia, Maryland 21046

Phone: 410-872-8700

Email Address: <u>howco.dss@maryland.gov</u>

Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month, 8:00 am until 7:00 pm

Montgomery County DSS

Main Office (No Public Service) 401 Hungerford Drive, 5th Floor Rockville, Maryland 20850

DHHS Silver Spring Center

8818 Georgia Ave. Silver Spring, MD 20910

DHHS Offices

1401 Rockville Pike Rockville, MD 20852

Mid-County DHHS Building

1301 Piccard Drive Rockville, MD 20850

Upcounty Regional Services Center

2nd Floor, 12900 Middlebrook Rd.

Germantown, MD 20874 Phone: 240-777-4513 Fax: 240-777-1494

TTY: Use MD Relay 711

Somerset County DSS

30397 Mt. Vernon Road

Princess Anne, Maryland 21853

Phone: 410-677-4200 Fax: 410-677-4300

Email Address: somerset.dss@maryland.gov

Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday 8:00a.m. – 5:00p.m.

Washington County DSS

122 North Potomac Street Hagerstown, Maryland 21740

Phone: 240-420-2100 Fax: 240-420-2125

Wicomico County DSS

201 Baptist Street, Suite 27 Salisbury, Maryland 21801

Phone: 410-713-3900 Fax: 410-713-3910

Email Address: wicodss.county@maryland.gov

Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Worcester County DSS

299 Commerce Street Snow Hill, Maryland 21863

P.O. Box 39

Snow Hill, Maryland 21863

E-mail address: worcester.dss@maryland.gov

Phone: 410-677-6800 Fax: 410-677-6810

Hours of Operation: 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Ask how joining another plan or returning to Original Medicare affects how you get your Maryland Department of Health (Medicaid) coverage.

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. Because you have Medicaid, you are already enrolled in "Extra Help," also called the Low-Income Subsidy. "Extra Help" pays some of your prescription drug premiums, yearly deductibles and coinsurance. Because you qualify, you do not have a late enrollment penalty. If you have questions about "Extra Help," 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.
- Help from your state's pharmaceutical assistance program. Maryland has a program called Maryland Senior Prescription Drug Assistance Program that helps people pay for prescription drugs based on their financial need, age, or medical condition. To learn more about the program, check with your State Health Insurance Assistance Program.

- Assistance Program (ADAP) helps ensure that ADAP-eligible individuals living with HIV/AIDS have access to life-saving HIV medications. To be eligible for the ADAP operating in your State, individuals must meet certain criteria, including proof of State residence and HIV status, low income as defined by the State, and uninsured/underinsured status. Medicare Part D prescription drugs that are also covered by ADAP qualify for prescription cost-sharing assistance through the Maryland AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP). For information on eligibility criteria, covered drugs, how to enroll in the program or if you are currently enrolled how to continue receiving assistance, call Maryland AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) at 1-410-767-6535 or 1-800-205-6308. Be sure, when calling, to inform them of your Medicare Part D plan name or policy number.
- The Medicare Prescription Payment Plan. The Medicare Prescription Payment Plan is a new payment option to help you manage your out-of-pocket drug costs, starting in 2025. This new payment option works with your current drug coverage, and it can help you manage your drug costs by spreading them across monthly payments that vary throughout the year (January December). This payment option might help you manage your expenses, but it doesn't save you money or lower your drug costs.

"Extra Help" from Medicare and help from your SPAP and ADAP, for those who qualify, is more advantageous than participation in the Medicare Prescription Payment Plan. All members are eligible to participate in this payment option, regardless of income level, and all Medicare drug plans and Medicare health plans with drug coverage must offer this payment option. To learn more about this payment option, please contact us at 1-877-293-4998 or visit Medicare.gov.

SECTION 7 Questions?

Section 7.1 – Getting Help from Johns Hopkins Advantage MD D-SNP (HMO D-SNP)

Questions? We're here to help. Please call Member Services at 1-877-293-4998. (TTY only, call 711.) We are available for phone calls October 1 through March 31: 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Monday through Sunday. April 1 through September 30: 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. On weekends and holidays you will need to leave a message. Calls to these numbers are free.

Read your 2025 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 2025. For details, look in the *2025 Evidence of Coverage* for Johns Hopkins Advantage MD D-SNP (HMO D-SNP). 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

www.hopkinsmedicare.com. 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 www.hopkinsmedicare.com. 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 (<u>www.medicare.gov</u>). 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 <u>www.medicare.gov/plan-compare</u>.

Read Medicare & You 2025

Read the *Medicare & You 2025* 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.

Section 7.3 – Getting Help from Medicaid

To get information from Medicaid, you can call Maryland Department of Health (Medicaid) at 1-410-767-6500 or 1-800-492-5231. TTY users should call 711.