

## Broome County Purchasing Alliance

### Medicare Blue PPO – Plan 2

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# What is Original Medicare?

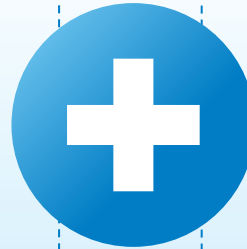
A federal health insurance program administered by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)

## PART A



### Hospital Coverage

- Helps cover inpatient hospital services
- Helps cover skilled nursing facility, hospice, and home health services
- Premium-free for most beneficiaries



## PART B



### Medical Coverage

- Helps cover doctor visits and outpatient care
- Helps cover some preventive services
- **2025 Premium: \$185.00 per month**
- **2026 Premium (Projected): \$206.50 per month**

# How do I apply for Medicare?



## Contact the Social Security Administration

- Visit [secure.ssa.gov](https://secure.ssa.gov)
- Call toll-free **1-800-772-1213**

## Enrollment is **automatic** into Part A and Part B if...

- Members are receiving Social Security benefits or are part of a Railroad Retirement plan
- Members are under 65 and have received **Social Security Disability** benefits for 24 months

# What are the other parts of Medicare?

## PART C



### Medicare Advantage Plans

- Medicare Blue PPO

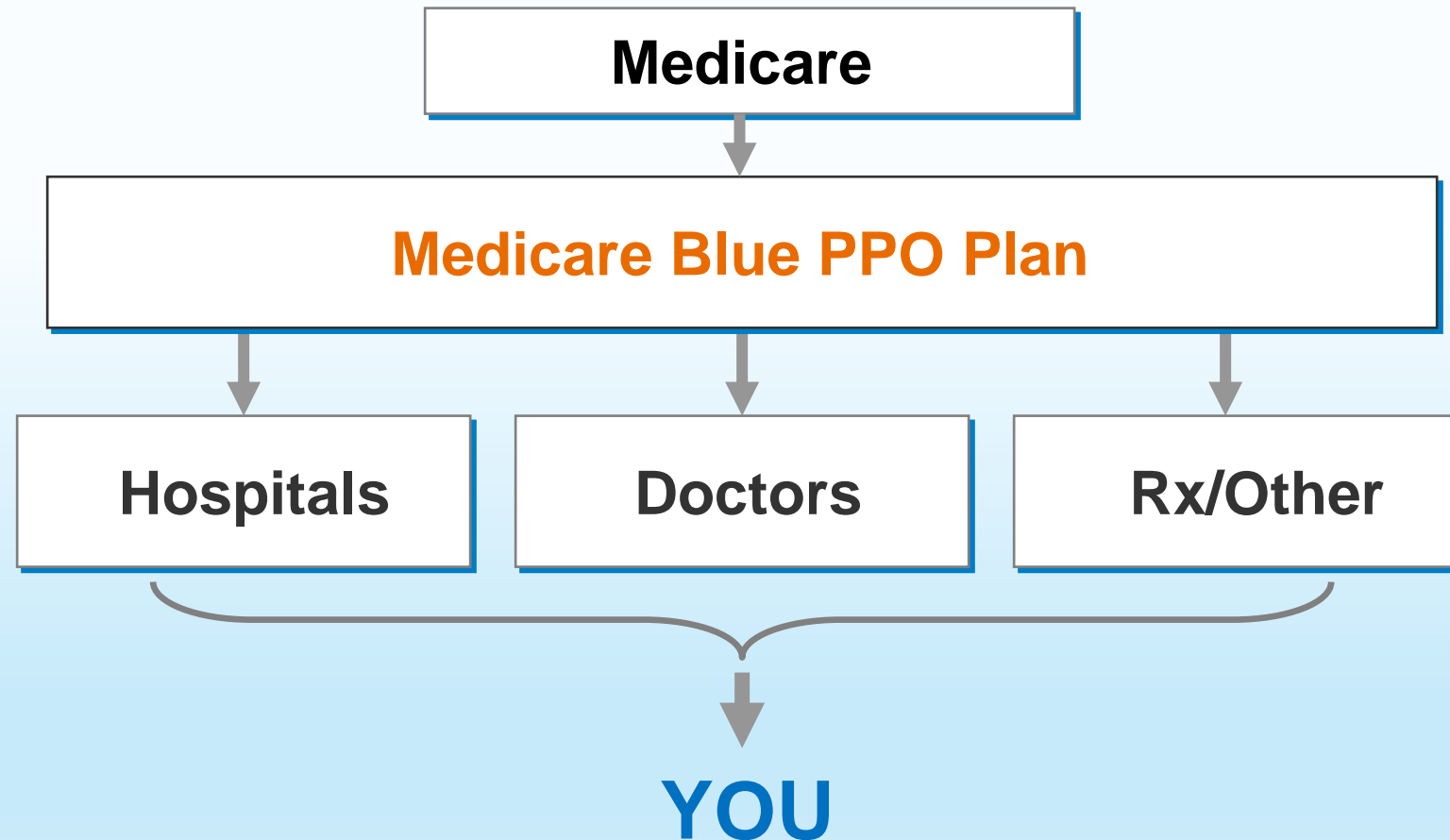
## PART D



### Prescription Drug Coverage

- Medicare Part D Prescription Drug Coverage is included in the Medicare Blue PPO plan.

# How Medicare Blue PPO Plan Works



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## \$0/\$10/\$20 Rx Coverage

### Preventive Care

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|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| • Diagnostic tests/lab   | Covered in full           |
| • Routine Physical       | Covered in full           |
| • Immunizations          | Covered in full           |
| • Mammography            | Covered in full           |
| • PAP/Pelvic Exam        | Covered in full           |
| • Bone Density Screening | Covered in full           |
| • Prostate Screening     | Covered in full           |
| • Routine Hearing Exam   | \$0 – TruHearing Provider |

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## \$0/\$10/\$20 Rx Coverage

- **Primary Care** \$10 copay
- **Specialist** \$10 copay
- **Urgent Care** \$25 copay - Worldwide
- **MRI, CAT, PET** \$10 copay
- **X-Rays** \$10 copay
- **Ambulatory Surgery** \$0 copay
- **Ambulance** \$10 copay - Worldwide
- **Chiropractic Care** \$10 copay
- **Part B Medical Drugs** \$0 copay

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## \$0/\$10/\$20 Rx Coverage

- **Emergency Room** \$50 copay - Worldwide
- **Inpatient Hospitalization** \$0 copay - Unlimited Days
- **Home Health Care** \$0 copay
- **Cardiac Rehab** \$0 copay
- **PT, OT, ST** \$10 copay
- **Diabetic Supplies** \$0 copay
- **Out of Pocket Max** \$1,250 Medical In-Network & Out-Of-Network

### Extras

- **Eyewear Allowance** \$100 annually
- **TruHearing Hearing Aids** \$499 or \$799 copay per aid
- **Silver & Fit** \$0 annually



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## \$0/\$10/\$20 Rx Coverage

### Initial Coverage:

**Tier 1** - \$0 for a 30-day supply  
**Tier 2** - \$10 for a 30-day supply  
**Tier 3** - \$20 for a 30-day supply

**1x copay** for a 90-day supply at any participating pharmacy or mail order pharmacy (Express Scripts and Wegmans)

Annual out-of-pocket costs will be capped at **\$2,100** for Medicare Part D drugs  
**(New for 2026)**

### Catastrophic Coverage

\$0 member responsibility

- **2026 Rx Formulary:** [medicare.excellusbcbs.com/prescriptions/drug-lists](https://www.medicare.excellusbcbs.com/prescriptions/drug-lists)
  - *Medicare Plans through a Former Employer or Group*
  - *Three Tier Formulary with Prior Authorization and Step Therapy (PDF)*

# Medicare Blue PPO National Network



- Reside anywhere in the United States
- Access to both BCBS providers and providers that accept Original Medicare
- Same cost share for In-Network and Out-Of-Network providers

**BCBS website:**

[provider.bcbs.com](https://provider.bcbs.com)

**BCBS phone:**

1-800-810-BLUE (2583)

# Abbott Diabetes Care



- **Phone Number:** 1-800-680-6850  
**Website:** [www.choosefreestyle.com](http://www.choosefreestyle.com)
- **\$0 copay for Glucometers or Blood Glucose Monitors**
- **\$0 copay for FreeStyle test strips and lancets**
- **Continuous Glucose Monitor (CGM) and Supplies:**
  - Dexcom Sensors
  - FreeStyle Libre Sensors (CGMs)
  - **Prior Authorization Required**
- **Insulin Pump**
  - Coverage through DME provider
  - **Prior Authorization Required**
- **Self-Injectable Insulin – Syringes - Needles**
  - Coverage through Medicare Part D Rx Benefit



- **Dedicated Phone Number: 1-888-797-7925**
- **Membership at fitness facility**
  - \$0 annual fee
  - National network = 15,000+ facilities
- **Optional Home Fitness Program**
  - \$0 annual fee
- **Great Support**
  - Comprehensive website
  - Quarterly newsletter
  - Dedicated Customer Service

# TruHearing – Hearing Aid Coverage



- **Dedicated Phone Number: 1-855-205-5519**  
(Monday – Friday / 8 am – 9 pm)
- **TruHearing Advanced**  
**\$499 copayment per aid**  
(32 channels / 6 programs / 8 styles)  
Retail Cost: \$2,720
- **TruHearing Premium**  
**\$799 copayment per aid**  
(48 channels / 6 programs / 11 styles)  
Retail Cost: \$3,250
- Comprehensive hearing exam (\$0 copay) with 1-year of follow up visits / 60-day trial / 80 batteries per hearing aid



# Telemedicine / MDLIVE



## Medical Services

- Allergies and Cold / Flu
- Sunburn and Rashes
- Joint Aches and Pain

## Behavioral Health

- Addiction and Depression
- Bipolar and Eating Disorders
- Stress, Trauma and PTSD

**Don't wait until you need it. There are three easy ways to activate Telehealth today.**

**WEB** - [mdlive.com/excellusmedicare](https://mdlive.com/excellusmedicare)

**APP** - Download the MDLIVE app

**TEXT** - EXCELLUS to 635483

Message and data rates may apply.)

**VOICE** - Call 1-888-670-6351 /TTY: 1-800-770-5531

# Contact Information

- **Excellus BCBS Dedicated Customer Care Team**  
**1-800-872-4570**
- **Excellus BCBS Medicare Member Website**  
[www.medicare.excellusbcbs.com](http://www.medicare.excellusbcbs.com)
- **Social Security Administration**  
**1-800-772-1213**  
[secure.ssa.gov](http://secure.ssa.gov)



**Thank You**

