

# Essentials 2 (HMO) offered by PacificSource Medicare

# **Annual Notice of Changes for 2022**

You are currently enrolled as a member of Essentials 2 (HMO). Next year, there will be some changes to the plan's costs and benefits. *This booklet tells about the changes*.

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

#### What to do now

1.	AS	<b>SK:</b> Which changes apply to you
	Ch	neck the changes to our benefits and costs to see if they affect you.
	•	It's important to review your coverage now to make sure it will meet your needs next year.
	•	Do the changes affect the services you use?
	•	Look in Sections 1 and 2 for information about benefit and cost changes for our plan.
	Ch ye:	neck to see if your doctors and other providers will be in our network next ar.
	•	Are your doctors, including specialists you see regularly, in our network?
	•	What about the hospitals or other providers you use?
	•	Look in Section 1.3 for information about our <i>Provider Directory</i> .
	Th	ink about your overall health care costs.
	•	How much will you spend out-of-pocket for the services and prescription drugs you use regularly?

How much will you spend on your premium and deductibles?

How do your total plan costs compare to other Medicare coverage options?

	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.
	<ul> <li>Use the personalized search feature on the Medicare Plan Finder at <u>www.</u> <u>medicare.gov/plan-compare</u> website.</li> </ul>
	Review the list in the back of your <i>Medicare &amp; You 2022</i> handbook.
	<ul> <li>Look in Section 3.2 to learn more about your choices.</li> </ul>
	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, 2021, you will be enrolled in Essentials 2 (HMO).
  - To change to a **different plan** that may better meet your needs, you can switch plans between October 15 and December 7.
- 4. **ENROLL**: To change plans, join a plan between **October 15** and **December 7, 2021** 
  - If you don't join another plan by **December 7, 2021**, you will be enrolled in Essentials 2 (HMO).
  - If you join another plan by **December 7, 2021**, your new coverage will start on **January 1, 2022**. You will be automatically disenrolled from your current plan.

#### **Additional Resources**

- Please contact our Customer Service number toll-free at (888) 863-3637 for additional information. (TTY users should call (800) 735-2900.) Hours are:
   October 1 March 31: 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. local time zone, seven days a week. April 1 September 30: 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. local time zone, Monday-Friday.
- If you have a visual impairment and need this material in a different format such as braille, large print, or other alternate formats, please call Customer Service.
- 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 <a href="www.irs.gov/Affordable-Care-Act/Individuals-and-Families">www.irs.gov/Affordable-Care-Act/Individuals-and-Families</a> for more information.

#### **About Essentials 2 (HMO)**

- PacificSource Community Health Plans is a HMO/PPO plan with a Medicare contract. Enrollment in PacificSource Medicare depends on contract renewal.
- When this booklet says "we," "us," or "our," it means PacificSource Medicare. When it says "plan" or "our plan," it means Essentials 2 (HMO).

# **Summary of Important Costs for 2022**

The table below compares the 2021 costs and 2022 costs for our plan in several important areas. **Please note this is only a summary of changes**. A copy of the *Evidence of Coverage* is located on our website at <a href="https://www.Medicare.PacificSource.com">www.Medicare.PacificSource.com</a>. You may also call Customer Service to ask us to mail you an *Evidence of Coverage*.

Cost	2021 (this year)	2022 (next year)
Monthly plan premium	\$0	\$0
(See Section 1.1 for details.)		
Maximum out-of-pocket amount	\$5,500	\$3,950
This is the <u>most</u> you will pay out-of-pocket for your covered Part A and Part B services. (See Section 1.2 for details.)		
Doctor office visits	Primary care visits: \$10 per visit	Primary care visits: \$0 per visit
	Specialist visits: \$40 per visit	Specialist visits: \$0 per visit
Inpatient hospital stays	Days 1-5:	Days 1-5:
Includes inpatient acute, inpatient rehabilitation, long-term care	\$325 per day	\$325 per day
hospitals and other types of	Days 6+:	Days 6+:
inpatient hospital services. Inpatient hospital care starts the day you are formally admitted to the hospital with a doctor's order. The day before you are discharged is your last inpatient day.	\$0 per day	\$0 per day

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# **SECTION 1 Changes to Benefits and Costs for Next Year**

# **Section 1.1 – Changes to the Monthly Premium**

Cost	2021 (this year)	2022 (next year)
Monthly premium	\$0	No Change
(You must also continue to pay your Medicare Part B premium.)		
Monthly optional Preventive Dental premium  (This is an optional supplemental benefit. This premium is paid in addition to the monthly premium above.)	\$29	Not Applicable Optional Preventive Dental is <u>not</u> offered. See benefit chart below for services included on your plan.
Monthly optional Comprehensive Dental premium  (This is an optional supplemental benefit. This premium is paid in addition to the monthly premium above.)	\$50	\$57

# **Section 1.2 – Changes to Your Maximum Out-of-Pocket Amount**

To protect you, Medicare requires all health plans to limit how much you pay "out-of-pocket" during 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	2021 (this year)	2022 (next year)
Maximum out-of-pocket amount	\$5,500	\$3,950
Your costs for covered medical services (such as copays) count toward your maximum out-of-pocket amount.		Once you have paid \$3,950 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 1.3 – Changes to the Provider Network

There are changes to our network of providers for next year. An updated *Provider Directory* is located on our website at <a href="www.Medicare.PacificSource.com">www.Medicare.PacificSource.com</a>. You may also call Customer Service for updated provider information or to ask us to mail you a *Provider Directory*. Please review the 2022 *Provider Directory* to see if your providers (primary care provider, specialists, hospitals, etc.) are in our network.

It is important that you know that we may make changes to the hospitals, doctors, and specialists (providers) that are part of your plan during the year. There are a number of reasons why your provider might leave your plan but if your doctor or specialist does leave your plan you have certain rights and protections summarized below:

- Even though our network of providers may change during the year, we must furnish you with uninterrupted access to qualified doctors and specialists.
- We will make a good faith effort to provide you with at least 30 days' notice that your provider is leaving our plan so that you have time to select a new provider.
- We will assist you in selecting a new qualified provider to continue managing your health care needs.
- If you are undergoing medical treatment you have the right to request, and we will
  work with you to ensure, that the medically necessary treatment you are receiving is
  not interrupted.
- If you believe we have not furnished you with a qualified provider to replace your
  previous provider or that your care is not being appropriately managed, you have the
  right to file an appeal of our decision.
- If you find out your doctor or specialist is leaving your plan, please contact us so we can assist you in finding a new provider to manage your care.

#### Section 1.4 – Changes to Benefits and Costs for Medical Services

We are changing our coverage for certain medical services next year. The information below describes these changes. For details about the coverage and costs for these services, see Chapter 4, *Medical Benefits Chart (what is covered and what you pay)*, in your 2022 Evidence of Coverage.

#### Opioid treatment program services

Members of our plan with opioid use disorder (OUD) can receive coverage of services to treat OUD through an Opioid Treatment Program (OTP) which includes the following services:

- U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)-approved opioid agonist and antagonist medication-assisted treatment (MAT) medications.
- Dispensing and administration of MAT medications (if applicable)
- Substance use counseling
- Individual and group therapy
- Toxicology testing
- Intake activities
- Periodic assessments

Cost	2021 (this year)	2022 (next year)
Acupuncture for chronic low back pain (Medicare covered)	You pay a \$25 copay per visit.	You pay a \$0 copay per visit.
Chiropractic services	You pay a \$20 copay per visit.	You pay a \$0 copay per visit.
(Medicare covered)		

Cost	2021 (this year)	2022 (next year)
Dental Services (Routine):	Preventive, Restorative and Extraction services are not	Preventive Services: You pay a \$0 copay for the following:
Preventive,	covered.	Routine Exams - 1 per year
Restorative and Extraction services		Cleanings (Prophylaxis or Periodontal) - 1 per year
		Bitewing x-rays - 1 per year
		Full mouth x-rays, Conebeam, and/ or Panorex (1 complete series) – 1 per 5 years
		Restorative & Extraction Services: You pay a 30% coinsurance for the following:
		Pulpotomy: deciduous teeth only
		Tooth Desensitization
		Pulp Capping (Direct)
		Oral Surgery: Simple Extractions
		Stainless Steel Crowns
		Core Build Up: Tooth requires root canal therapy
		Bone Grafting: Only covered at time of extraction or implant placement
		Fillings – 1 every 2 years
		Root Planing/Perio Scaling – 1 every 2 years per quad
		Debridement – 1 every 3 years not within 3 years of other prophy
		Analgesia/Sedation: Only with surgical procedures
		Routine dental services are covered up to a combined \$500 annual maximum.

Cost	2021 (this year)	2022 (next year)
Dental Services:	You pay a \$100 deductible.	You pay a \$0 deductible.
Optional Comprehensive	The following waiting periods apply:	There are no waiting periods.
Dental buy up	Class II: 6 months Class III: 12 months Routine exams, Problem focus exams, Cleanings, Bitewing x-rays (1 set of 4 films), and Brush Biopsy: all covered 1 per 6 months. Conebeam limited to dollar amount of a full moth series x-ray. Fillings (Reduce to amalgam): 1-2 surfaces -1 per calendar year. 3+ surfaces - 1 per calendar year.	Routine exams, Problem focus exams, Cleanings, Bitewing x-rays, and Brush Biopsy: all covered 2 per calendar year.  Conebeam limited to 1 per 5 years.  Fillings - 1 per 2 calendar years
Health and wellness education programs The Silver&Fit® Healthy Aging and Exercise Program	<ul> <li>You have the following options available at no cost:</li> <li>Access to over 15,000 fitness centers</li> <li>Two Home Fitness kits per year.</li> <li>Access to over 1,500 workout videos on silverandfit.com and mobile app.</li> <li>One-on-one Healthy Aging Coaching sessions by phone with a trained health coach.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>You have the following options available at no cost:</li> <li>Access to over 16,500 fitness centers</li> <li>One Home Fitness kit per year including options such as a Fitbit or Garmin Activity Tracker, yoga kits, pilates kits, swim kits, strength kits, and more.</li> <li>Access to over 8,000 workout videos on silverandfit.com and mobile app.</li> <li>One-on-one Healthy Aging Coaching sessions by phone with a trained health coach, with the addition of Brain Health.</li> </ul>

Cost	2021 (this year)	2022 (next year)
Hearing Services (Routine)  TruHearing branded hearing aids	You pay \$699 per aid for Flyte Advanced through TruHearing.  You pay \$999 per aid for Flyte Premium through TruHearing.	You pay \$599 per aid for Standard aids through TruHearing.  You pay \$799 per aid for Advanced aids through TruHearing.  You pay \$999 per aid for Premium aids through TruHearing.
Outpatient mental health care Mental health, Psychiatric, and counseling services	You pay a \$25 copay per visit for individual and group sessions.	You pay a \$0 copay per visit for individual and group sessions.
Outpatient rehabilitation services Physical, occupational, and speech therapy	You pay a \$35 copay per visit.	You pay a \$0 copay per visit.
Part B Prescription Drugs: Prior Authorization requirements	Prior authorization requirements for Part B drugs change yearly. Please contact Customer Service or see our Formulary to verify which Part B drugs require prior authorization.	Prior authorization and Step Therapy requirements for Part B drugs change yearly. Please contact Customer Service or see our Formulary to verify which Part B drugs require prior authorization or step therapy.
Physician/ Practitioner services Primary Care	You pay a \$10 copay per visit.	You pay a \$0 copay per visit.
Provider (PCP) office visits		

Cost	2021 (this year)	2022 (next year)
Physician/ Practitioner services	You pay a \$40 copay per visit.	You pay a \$0 copay per visit.
Specialist Visits		
Physician/ Practitioner services	Telehealth services are available for all Medicare part A and B covered	Telehealth is available for PCP, Specialist, Outpatient Rehabilitation (Physical, Occupational, and Speech
Telehealth Services	services.	Therapy), Outpatient Mental Health, and Psychiatric services.
Podiatry services	You pay a \$40 copay per visit.	You pay a \$0 copay per visit.
Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) care	Days 1-20: You pay a \$0 copay per visit.	Days 1-20: You pay a \$0 copay per visit. Days 21-100:
	Days 21-100: You pay a \$184 copay per visit.	You pay a \$188 copay per visit.

#### **SECTION 2 Administrative Changes**

Description	2021 (this year)	2022 (next year)
Rewards and Incentives  When you complete one or more of the activities listed in the calendar year, you will receive a gift card redeemable at more than 100 popular retailers.	<ul> <li>Routine physical or annual wellness visit: \$50</li> <li>Mammogram: \$25</li> <li>Diabetic A1c (blood glucose test): First test - \$15; Second test - \$25</li> <li>Diabetic eye exam: \$25</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Routine physical or annual wellness visit: \$50</li> <li>Mammogram: \$25</li> <li>Diabetic A1c (blood glucose test): First test - \$15; Second test - \$25</li> <li>Diabetic eye exam: \$25</li> <li>Flu Shot: \$10</li> <li>Dexa Scan: \$20</li> <li>Colonoscopy or at-home colon cancer test: \$20</li> </ul>

## **SECTION 3 Deciding Which Plan to Choose**

### Section 3.1 – If you want to stay in our plan

**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 Essentials 2 (HMO).

# 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 for 2022 follow these steps:

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

- You can join a different Medicare health plan timely,
- -- 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,
  there may be a potential Part D late enrollment penalty.

To learn more about Original Medicare and the different types of Medicare plans, read the *Medicare* & *You 2022* handbook, call your State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) (see Section 5), or call Medicare (see Section 7.2).

You can also find information about plans in your area by using the Medicare Plan Finder on the Medicare website. Go to <a href="https://www.medicare.gov/plan-compare">www.medicare.gov/plan-compare</a>. Here, you can find information about

#### costs, coverage, and quality ratings for Medicare plans.

As a reminder, PacificSource Medicare offers other Medicare health plans and Medicare prescription drug 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 our plan.
- To change to Original Medicare with a prescription drug plan, enroll in the new drug plan. You will automatically be disenrolled from our plan.
- To change to Original Medicare without a prescription drug plan, you must either:
  - Send us a written request to disenroll. Contact Customer Service if you need more information on how to do this (phone numbers are in Section 7.1 of this booklet).
  - o − 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, 2022.

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

In certain situations, changes are also allowed at other times of the year. For example, 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 may be allowed to make a change at other times of the year. For more information, see Chapter 8, Section 2.3 of the *Evidence of Coverage*.

If you enrolled in a Medicare Advantage plan for January 1, 2022, 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, 2022. For more information, see Chapter 8, Section 2.2 of the *Evidence of Coverage*.

# **SECTION 5 Programs That Offer Free Counseling about Medicare**

The State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) is a government program with trained counselors in every state. In Oregon, the SHIP is called the Senior Health Insurance

Benefits Assistance (SHIBA).

SHIBA is independent (not connected with any insurance company or health plan). It is a state program that gets money from the Federal government to give **free** local health insurance counseling to people with Medicare. SHIBA 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 SHIBA at (800) 722-4134. You can learn more about SHIBA by visiting their website (<a href="https://www.oregonShiba.org">www.oregonShiba.org</a>).

#### **SECTION 6 Programs That Help Pay for Prescription Drugs**

You may qualify for help paying for prescription drugs.

- "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. Many people are eligible and don't even know it. 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 7 am and 7 pm, Monday through Friday. TTY users should call, 1-800-325-0778 (applications); or
  - Your State Medicaid Office (applications).
- What if you have coverage from an AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP)? The AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) helps ADAP-eligible individuals living with HIV/ AIDS have access to life-saving HIV medications. Medicare Part D prescription drugs that are also covered by ADAP qualify for prescription cost-sharing assistance through the Oregon CAREAssist Program. Note: 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/under-insured status.

If you are currently enrolled in an ADAP, it can continue to provide you with Medicare Part D prescription cost-sharing assistance for drugs on the ADAP formulary. In order to be sure you continue receiving this assistance, please notify your local ADAP enrollment worker of any changes in your Medicare Part D plan name or policy number.

State:	Program:	Phone:
Oregon	CAREAssist	(971) 673-0144

For information on eligibility criteria, covered drugs, or how to enroll in the program, please call:

State:	Program:	Phone:
Oregon	CAREAssist	(971) 673-0144

#### SECTION 7 Questions?

# Section 7.1 - Getting Help from Our Plan

Questions? We're here to help. Please call Customer Service at (888) 863-3637. (TTY only, call (800) 735-2900.) We are available for phone calls: **October 1 - March 31:** 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. local time zone, seven days a week. **April 1 - September 30:** 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. local time zone, Monday - Friday. Calls to these numbers are free.

# Read your 2022 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 2022. For details, look in the 2022 Evidence of Coverage for our plan. 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 <a href="https://www.Medicare.PacificSource.com">www.Medicare.PacificSource.com</a>. You may also call Customer Service to ask us to mail you an Evidence of Coverage.

#### **Visit Our Website**

You can also visit our website at <a href="www.Medicare.PacificSource.com">www.Medicare.PacificSource.com</a>. As a reminder, our website has the most up-to-date information about our provider network (*Provider Directory*).

#### 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**

You can visit the Medicare website (<a href="www.medicare.gov">www.medicare.gov</a>). It has information about cost, coverage, and quality ratings to help you compare Medicare health plans. You can find information about plans available in your area by using the Medicare Plan Finder on the Medicare website. (To view the information about plans, go to <a href="www.medicare.gov/plan-compare">www.medicare.gov/plan-compare</a>).

#### Read Medicare & You 2022

You can read the *Medicare & You 2022* handbook. Every year in the fall, this booklet 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 booklet, you can get it at the Medicare website (<a href="www.medicare.gov">www.medicare.gov</a>) 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.