

# Essentials Choice Rx 14 (HMO-POS) offered by PacificSource Medicare

# **Annual Notice of Changes for 2020**

You are currently enrolled as a member of Essentials Choice Rx 14 (HMO-POS). 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. ASK: Which changes apply to you

 $\Box$  Check 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.
- □ Check the changes in the booklet to our prescription drug coverage to see if they affect you.
  - Will your drugs be covered?
  - Are your drugs in a different tier, with different cost-sharing?
  - Do any of your drugs have new restrictions, such as needing approval from us before you fill your prescription?
  - Can you keep using the same pharmacies? Are there changes to the cost of using this pharmacy?
  - Review the 2020 Drug List and look in Section 1.6 for information about changes to our drug coverage.
  - Your drug costs may have risen since last year. Talk to your doctor about lower cost alternatives that may be available for you; this may save you in annual

out-of-pocket costs throughout the year. To get additional information on drug prices visit <u>https://go.medicare.gov/drugprices</u>. These dashboards highlight which manufacturers have been increasing their prices and also show other year-to-year drug price information. Keep in mind that your plan benefits will determine exactly how much your own drug costs may change.

- □ Check to see if your doctors and other providers will be in our network next year.
  - 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 Provider Directory.
- ☐ Think 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.
  - Use the personalized search feature on the Medicare Plan Finder at <u>https://www.medicare.gov</u> website. Click "Find health & drug plans."
  - Review the list in the back of your Medicare & You handbook.
  - Look in Section 3.2 to learn more about your choices.
- □ 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 want to **keep** Essentials Choice Rx 14 (HMO-POS), you don't need to do anything. You will stay in Essentials Choice Rx 14 (HMO-POS).
  - 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, 2019
  - If you don't join another plan by **December 7, 2019**, you will stay in Essentials Choice Rx 14 (HMO-POS).

If you join another plan by **December 7, 2019**, your new coverage will start on January 1, 2020.

#### **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 <u>https://www.irs.gov/Affordable-Care-Act/Individuals-and-Families</u> for more information.

#### About Essentials Choice Rx 14 (HMO-POS)

- 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 Choice Rx 14 (HMO-POS).

# Summary of Important Costs for 2020

The table below compares the 2019 costs and 2020 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 <u>www.Medicare.PacificSource.com</u>. You may also call Customer Service to ask us to mail you an *Evidence of Coverage*.

Cost	2019 (this year)	2020 (next year)
Monthly plan premium*	\$116	\$99
* Your premium may be higher or lower than this amount. See Section 1.1 for details.		
Maximum out-of- pocket amount	From in-network providers: \$5,500	From in-network providers: \$5,500
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.)	There is no maximum out- of-pocket amount for the services from out-of-network providers. The combined maximum out-of-pocket amount does not apply to this plan.	There is no maximum out- of-pocket amount for the services from out-of-network providers. The combined maximum out-of-pocket amount does not apply to this plan.
Doctor office visits	In-Network	In-Network
	Primary care visits: \$10 per visit	Primary care visits: \$10 per visit
	Specialist visits: \$35 per visit	Specialist visits: \$35 per visit
	<u>Out-of-Network</u>	Out-of-Network
	Primary care visits: 50% co- insurance per visit	Primary care visits: 50% co- insurance per visit
	Specialist visits: 50% coinsurance per visit	Specialist visits: 50% coinsurance per visit

Cost	2019 (this year)	2020 (next year)
Inpatient hospital stays	In-Network	In-Network
Includes inpatient acute, inpatient rehabilitation, long-term care hospitals	Days 1-6: \$295 per day	Days 1-6: \$295 per day
and other types of inpatient hospital	Days 7+: \$0 per day	Days 7+: \$0 per day
services. Inpatient hospital care starts the day you are formally admitted to the hospital	<u>Out-of-Network</u> 50% of the total cost	<u>Out-of-Network</u> 50% of the total cost
with a doctor's order. The day before you are discharged is your last inpatient day.		

Cost	2019 (this year)	2020 (next year)
Part D prescription	Deductible: \$175	Deductible: \$175
drug coverage (See Section 1.6 for	Copay/Coinsurance during the Initial Coverage Stage:	Copay/Coinsurance during the Initial Coverage Stage:
details.)	<ul> <li>Drug Tier 1: Standard Cost-sharing: \$8 Preferred Cost-sharing: \$3 Preferred Mail Order Cost- sharing: \$3</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Drug Tier 1: Standard Cost-sharing: \$8 Preferred Cost-sharing: \$3 Preferred Mail Order Cost- sharing: \$0</li> </ul>
	• Drug Tier 2: Standard Cost-sharing: \$17 Preferred Cost-sharing: \$12	• Drug Tier 2: Standard Cost-sharing: \$17 Preferred Cost-sharing: \$12
	• Drug Tier 3: Standard Cost-sharing: \$47 Preferred Cost-sharing: \$37	• Drug Tier 3: Standard Cost-sharing: \$47 Preferred Cost-sharing: \$37
	• Drug Tier 4: Standard Cost-sharing: 33% Preferred Cost-sharing: 31%	• Drug Tier 4: Standard Cost-sharing: 33% Preferred Cost-sharing: 31%
	• Drug Tier 5: Standard Cost-sharing: 29% Preferred Cost-sharing: 29%	<ul> <li>Drug Tier 5: Standard Cost-sharing: 29% Preferred Cost-sharing: 29%</li> </ul>
	• Drug Tier 6: Standard Cost-sharing: \$0 Preferred Cost-sharing: \$0	<ul> <li>Drug Tier 6: Standard Cost-sharing: \$0 Preferred Cost-sharing: \$0</li> </ul>

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

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

Cost	2019 (this year)	2020 (next year)
Monthly premium	\$116	\$99
(You must also continue to pay your Medicare Part B premium.)		
Monthly optional Preventive Dental premium	\$28	\$29
(This is an optional supplemental benefit. This premium is paid in addition to the monthly premium above.)		
Monthly optional Comprehensive Dental premium (This is an optional supplemental benefit. This premium is paid in addition to the	Optional Comprehensive Dental is <u>not</u> covered.	\$47
monthly premium above.)		

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.
- Your monthly premium will be *less* if you are receiving "Extra Help" with your prescription drug costs.

#### 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-ofpocket" 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	2019 (this year)	2020 (next year)
In-network maximum out-of-	\$5,500	\$5,500
pocket amount Your costs for covered medical services (such as copays) from in-network providers count toward your in-network maximum out-of- pocket amount. Your plan premium and your costs for prescription drugs do not count toward your maximum out-of-pocket amount.		Once you have paid \$5,500 out-of-pocket for covered Part A and Part B services, you will pay nothing for your covered Part A and Part B services from in-network providers for the rest of the calendar year.
Your costs for covered medical		There is no maximum out- of-pocket amount for the services from out-of-network providers. The combined maximum out-of-pocket amount does not apply to this plan.

# 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 <u>www.Medicare.PacificSource.com</u>. You may also call Customer Service for updated provider information or to ask us to mail you a Provider Directory. **Please review the 2020 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 and managing your care.

# Section 1.4 – Changes to the Pharmacy Network

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. Our network includes pharmacies with preferred cost-sharing, which may offer you lower cost-sharing than the standard cost-sharing offered by other network pharmacies for some drugs.

There are changes to our network of pharmacies for next year. An updated Pharmacy Directory is located on our website at <u>www.Medicare.PacificSource.com</u>. You may also call Customer Service for updated provider information or to ask us to mail you a Pharmacy Directory. **Please review the 2020 Pharmacy Directory to see which pharmacies are in our network**.

# Section 1.5 – 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 2020 Evidence of Coverage.

Cost	2019 (this year)	2020 (next year)
Alternative Care	In-Network	In-Network
	You pay a \$20 copay per visit up to a \$450 combined benefit limit per calendar year.	You pay a \$25 copay per visit up to a total of 12 combined visits per calendar year.

Cost	2019 (this year)	2020 (next year)
Breast Cancer Screening:	In-Network	In-Network
Diagnostic mammogram exams	You pay a \$15 copay per exam.	You pay \$0 copay for your first exam per calendar year. You pay \$15 copay for each additional exam.
Diabetes Services and Supplies:	No prior authorization is required.	In-Network
Prior Authorization requirements		Prior authorization may be required for some diabetic services and supplies including continuous glucose monitors. Please contact Customer Service or see our authorization grid for additional questions.
Inpatient Hospital Care:	In-Network	In-Network
Prior Authorization requirements	Prior authorization may be required depending on the procedure, except in urgent or emergent situations. Notification from your provider is required prior to admission.	Prior authorization may be required depending on the procedure, except in urgent or emergent situations. Notification from your provider is required upon admission.
Medical Supplies:	In-Network	In-Network
Surgical dressings, splints, casts, and other devices used to reduce fractures and dislocations	You pay a \$0 copay per supply.	You pay 20% of the total cost.
Opioid Treatment Program Services	Opioid Treatment Program Services are <u>not</u> covered.	<u>In-Network</u> You pay a \$35 copay per visit.
		<u>Out-of-Network</u> You pay 50% of the total cost.

Cost	2019 (this year)	2020 (next year)
Outpatient Mental Health Services: Individual and Group sessions	<u>In-Network</u> You pay a \$20 copay per visit.	<u>In-Network</u> You pay a \$30 copay per visit.
Outpatient Mental Health Services: Additional Mental Health counselors	Out-of-NetworkYou pay 50% of the total cost.The amounts you pay for these services do not count towards your \$2,500 Out-of- Network benefit limit.	Out-of-NetworkYou pay 50% of the total cost.The amounts you pay for these services count towards your \$2,500 Out-of-Network benefit limit.
Outpatient Rehabilitation Services: Prior Authorization requirements	In-Network Prior authorization is required for services beyond the Medicare therapy cap limits.	In-NetworkPrior authorization is required for services beyond \$3,000 for physical and speech therapy combined.Prior authorization is required for services beyond \$3,000 for occupational therapy.
Outpatient Rehabilitation Services: Occupational Therapy	<u>In-Network</u> You pay a \$20 copay per visit.	In-Network You pay a \$35 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 requirements for Part B drugs change yearly. Please contact Customer Service or see our Formulary to verify which Part B drugs require prior authorization.
Services to treat Kidney Disease: Kidney Disease Education	<u>In-Network</u> You pay a \$0 copay per visit.	In-Network You pay 20% of the total cost.

Cost	2019 (this year)	2020 (next year)
Telehealth Services	Certain telehealth services are covered in certain rural areas or other locations approved by Medicare.	In-Network Telehealth services are provided in all locations for Home Health, PCP, Specialist, Mental Health, Psychiatric, Opioid Treatment, Substance Abuse, Dialysis, Kidney Disease Education, and Diabetes Self-Management services. These services are provided through phone and/or video. Please coordinate with your provider for these services. <b>Out-of-Network</b> Telehealth Services are <u>not</u> covered.

Cost	2019 (this year)	2020 (next year)
Global Emergency and Travel Assistance Program: Assist America, INC.	Global Emergency and Travel Assistance Program is <u>not</u> covered.	In-Network You pay a \$0 copay for covered services.
Assist America offers global emergency and travel assistance when you become ill or injured while travelling more than 100 miles from home or in a foreign country.		<u>Out-of-Network</u> <u>Not</u> covered.
This program offers the following services:		
Hospital Admission     Assistance		
Emergency Medical     Evacuation		
<ul> <li>Medical Repatriation Assistance</li> </ul>		
Medical Consultation		
Evaluation and     Referrals Assistance		
Medical Monitoring		
For more information about these services, please call Assist America 24 hours a day, 7 days a week at 800- 872-1414 (inside the United States) or 1-609-986-1234 (outside the United States).		

Cost	2019 (this year)	2020 (next year)
Optional Comprehensive Dental Coverage: If you enroll in our Optional Comprehensive Dental Benefit, you pay an additional monthly premium of \$47.	Optional Comprehensive Dental is <u>not</u> covered.	<ul> <li>You pay a \$0 copay for Diagnostic Services (Preventive Class 1). This includes: <ul> <li>Routine Exams (1 per 6 months)</li> <li>Prophylaxis or Periodontal Cleanings (1 per 6 months)</li> <li>Bitewing x-rays: (1 per 6 months)</li> <li>Full mouth x-rays and/or Panorex: (1 per 5 years)</li> <li>Non-Routine/Emergency Services</li> <li>You pay a 20% coinsurance after a 6 month waiting period for Restorative &amp; Extraction Services (Basic Class 2). This includes: <ul> <li>Pulpotomy</li> <li>Tooth Desensitization</li> <li>Pulp Capping</li> <li>Oral Surgery: Simple Extractions</li> <li>Stainless Steel Crowns</li> <li>Core Build Up: Tooth requires root canal therapy</li> <li>Bone Grafting (only covered at time of extraction or implant placement)</li> <li>Fillings: 1-2 surfaces: (1 per calendar year)</li> <li>Root planning/Perio Scaling (1 per 2 years per quadrant)</li> <li>Debridement (1 per 3 years not within 3 years of other cleaning)</li> <li>Analgesia/Sedation: Only with surgical procedures</li> </ul> </li> </ul></li></ul>

Cost	2019 (this year)	2020 (next year)
Optional Comprehensive Dental Coverage (Continued)		<ul> <li>You pay a 50% coinsurance after a 12 month waiting period for Endodontics, Periodontics, Prosthodontics, Oral/ Maxillofacial Surgery (Major Class 3). This includes:</li> <li>Crowns (1 per 5 years)</li> <li>Inlays (1 per 5 years)</li> <li>Onlays (1 per 5 years)</li> <li>Dentures (1 per 5 years)</li> <li>Dentures (1 per 5 years)</li> <li>Denture Relines (1 per calendar year)</li> <li>Implants (1 per tooth per lifetime)</li> <li>Oral Surgery: Complicated, Impacted</li> <li>Periodontic Surgery</li> <li>Veneers (non cosmetic)</li> <li>Root Canal Therapy (1 per 3 years)</li> <li>You pay a \$100 deductible which applies to Class 2 and 3 Services</li> <li>You have a \$1,000 annual maximum for covered services.</li> </ul>

# Section 1.6 – 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, including changes to the drugs we cover and changes to the restrictions that apply to our coverage for certain drugs. **Review the Drug List to make sure your drugs will be covered next year and to see if there will be any restrictions.** 

If you are affected by a change in drug coverage, you can:

• Work with your doctor (or other prescriber) and ask the plan to make an exception to cover the drug. We encourage current members to ask for an exception before next year.

- To learn what you must do to ask for an exception, see Chapter 9 of your *Evidence of Coverage (What to do if you have a problem or complaint (coverage decisions, appeals, complaints))* or call Customer Service.
- Work with your doctor (or other prescriber) to find a different drug that we cover. You can call Customer Service to ask for a list of covered drugs that treat the same medical condition.

In some situations, we are required to cover a temporary supply of a non-formulary drug in the first 90 days of the plan year or the first 90 days of membership to avoid a gap in therapy.

**Please note:** If you have previously received an approved formulary exception, you may need to request a renewal of that exception to continue receiving the medication in 2020. Please consult the drug list or contact Customer Service to ask if you need to receive a new coverage determination.

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.

When we make these changes to the Drug List during the year, you can still work with your doctor (or other prescriber) and ask us to make an exception to cover the drug. We will also continue to update our online Drug List as scheduled and provide other required information to reflect drug changes. (To learn more about changes we may make to the Drug List, see Chapter 5, Section 6 of the Evidence of Coverage.)

#### **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 may 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 haven't received this insert by September 30th, please call Customer Service and ask for the "LIS Rider." Phone numbers for Customer Service are in Section 7.1 of this booklet.

There are four "drug payment stages." How much you pay for a Part D drug depends on which drug payment stage you are in. (You can look in Chapter 6, Section 2 of your *Evidence of Coverage* for more information about the stages.)

The information below shows the changes for next year 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. To get information about your costs in these stages, look at Chapter 6, Sections 6 and 7, in the *Evidence of Coverage*, which is located on our website at <u>www.Medicare.</u> PacificSource.com. You may also call Customer Service to ask us to mail you an *Evidence of Coverage*.)

#### **Changes to the Deductible Stage**

Stage	2019 (this year)	2020 (next year)
Stage 1: Yearly	The deductible is \$175.	The deductible is \$175.
Deductible Stage	During this stage, you pay \$8	During this stage, you pay \$8 at
During this stage, <b>you</b>	at Standard cost-sharing and	Standard cost-sharing and \$3
pay the full cost of	\$3 at Preferred cost-sharing	at Preferred Retail cost-sharing,
your Tier 3, 4, and 5	for drugs on Tier 1 Preferred	and \$0 at Preferred Mail Order
drugs until you have	Generic; \$17 at Standard cost-	cost-sharing for drugs on Tier
reached the yearly	sharing and \$12 at Preferred	1 Preferred Generic; \$17 at
deductible.	cost-sharing for drugs on Tier	Standard cost-sharing and \$12
	2 Generic; \$0 at Standard	at Preferred cost-sharing for
	and Preferred cost-sharing	drugs on Tier 2 Generic; \$0 at
	for drugs on Tier 6 Select	Standard and Preferred cost-
	Care Drugs and the full cost	sharing for drugs on Tier 6 Select
	of drugs on Tier 3 Preferred	Care Drugs and the full cost of
	Brand, Tier 4 Non-Preferred	drugs on Tier 3 Preferred Brand,
	Drug, and Tier 5 Specialty until	Tier 4 Non-Preferred Drug, and
	you have reached the yearly	Tier 5 Specialty until you have
	deductible.	reached the yearly deductible.

#### Changes to Your Cost-sharing in the Initial Coverage Stage

To learn how copays and coinsurance work, look at Chapter 6, Section 1.2, *Types of out-of-pocket costs you may pay for covered drugs* in your *Evidence of Coverage*.

Stage	2019 (this year)	2020 (next year)
Stage 2: Initial Coverage Stage	Your cost for a one- month supply at an in- network pharmacy:	Your cost for a one- month supply at an in- network pharmacy:
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 you pay your share of the cost.	Tier 1 (Preferred Generic):	Tier 1 (Preferred Generic):
	<i>Standard cost-sharing:</i> You pay \$8 per prescription.	<i>Standard cost-sharing:</i> You pay \$8 per prescription.
The costs in this row are for a one-month (30-day) supply when you fill your prescription	<i>Preferred cost-sharing:</i> You pay \$3 per prescription.	<i>Preferred cost-sharing:</i> You pay \$3 per prescription.
at an in-network pharmacy.	Tier 2 (Generic):	Tier 2 (Generic):
For information about the costs for a long-term supply or for mail-order prescriptions, look in Chapter 6, Section 5 of your	<i>Standard cost-sharing:</i> You pay \$17 per prescription.	<i>Standard cost-sharing:</i> You pay \$17 per prescription.
Evidence of Coverage. We changed the tier for some of the drugs on our Drug List.	<i>Preferred cost-sharing:</i> You pay \$12 per prescription.	<i>Preferred cost-sharing:</i> You pay \$12 per prescription.
To see if your drugs will be in a different tier, look them up on the Drug List.	Tier 3 (Preferred Brand):	Tier 3 (Preferred Brand):
	<i>Standard cost-sharing:</i> You pay \$47 per prescription.	<i>Standard cost-sharing:</i> You pay \$47 per prescription.
	<i>Preferred cost-sharing:</i> You pay \$37 per prescription.	<i>Preferred cost-sharing:</i> You pay \$37 per prescription.

Stage	2019 (this year)	2020 (next year)
Stage 2: Initial Coverage Stage (continued)	Tier 4 (Non-Preferred Drug):	Tier 4 (Non-Preferred Drug):
	<i>Standard cost-sharing:</i> You pay 33% of the total cost.	<i>Standard cost-sharing:</i> You pay 33% of the total cost.
	<i>Preferred cost-sharing:</i> You pay 31% of the total cost.	<i>Preferred cost-sharing:</i> You pay 31% of the total cost.
	Tier 5 (Specialty):	Tier 5 (Specialty):
	<i>Standard cost-sharing:</i> You pay 29% of the total cost.	<i>Standard cost-sharing:</i> You pay 29% of the total cost.
	<i>Preferred cost-sharing:</i> You pay 29% of the total cost.	<i>Preferred cost-sharing:</i> You pay 29% of the total cost.
	Tier 6 (Select Care Drugs):	Tier 6 (Select Care Drugs):
	<i>Standard cost-sharing:</i> You pay \$0 per prescription.	<i>Standard cost-sharing:</i> You pay \$0 per prescription.
	<i>Preferred cost-sharing:</i> You pay \$0 per prescription.	<i>Preferred cost-sharing:</i> You pay \$0 per prescription.

Stage	2019 (this year)	2020 (next year)
Stage 2: Initial Coverage Stage (continued)	Once your total drug costs have reached \$3,820, you will move to the next stage (the Coverage Gap Stage).	Once your total drug costs have reached \$4,020, you will move to the next stage (the Coverage Gap Stage).

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

# **SECTION 2** Administrative Changes

Cost	2019 (this year)	2020 (next year)
Gap Coverage	For all drugs in the Select Care Drugs tier (6) and for select brand drugs in the Preferred Brand tier (3), your cost will not increase from Stage Two (Initial Coverage Stage).	For all drugs in the Select Care Drugs tier (6), your cost will not increase from Stage Two (Initial Coverage Stage).
Optional Supplemental Benefits: Dental Enrollment Periods	You can enroll between October 15 and December 31 each year, for a January 1 effective date.	You can enroll during a valid CMS election period. Please see section 4 for additional information.

# **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 stay enrolled as a member of our plan for 2020.

# 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 2020 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, 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, read *Medicare & You 2020*, call your State Health Insurance Assistance Program (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 <u>https://www.medicare.gov</u> and click "Find health & drug plans." **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).
  - *or 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, 2020.

#### 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 10, Section 2.3 of the *Evidence of Coverage*.

If you enrolled in a Medicare Advantage plan for January 1, 2020, 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, 2020. For more information, see Chapter 10, 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 (<u>www.</u> OregonShiba.org).

# **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).
- **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 CAREAssist Program. 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 2020 *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 2020. For details, look in the 2020 *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 <u>www.Medicare.</u> <u>PacificSource.com</u>. 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 <u>www.Medicare.PacificSource.com</u>. 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

You can visit the Medicare website (<u>https://www.medicare.gov</u>). 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 <u>https://www.medicare.gov</u> and click on "Find health & drug plans").

#### Read Medicare & You 2020

You can read the *Medicare & You 2020* 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 (<u>https://www.medicare.gov</u>) 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.