



Northeastern New York

Freedom Plus (HMO)

Summary of Benefits

January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025

To enroll in the following plan(s), you need to be entitled to Medicare Part A, enrolled in Medicare Part B, and live in one of these counties:

Albany, Columbia, Fulton, Greene, Montgomery, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Schenectady, Warren, Washington

This summary of benefits doesn't list every service, limitation, or special circumstance.

Visit us at [medicare.highmark.com](https://www.medicare.highmark.com) to get more benefit information including:

- **Evidence of Coverage** (*full list of benefits*)
- **Provider and Pharmacy Directories**
- **Formulary** (*full Part D prescription drug list*)

If you need printed copies, call us at **1-800-329-2792** (TTY 711). We're available 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., 7 days a week.

If you want to know more about the coverage and costs of Original Medicare, look in your current "Medicare & You" handbook. View it online at [medicare.gov](https://www.medicare.gov) or call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. TTY 1-877-486-2048.

Highmark Blue Shield is a Medicare Advantage HMO, PPO, and/or Part D plan with a Medicare contract. Enrollment in these plans depends on contract renewal.

Freedom Plus (HMO) has a network of doctors, hospitals, pharmacies, and other providers. If you use providers that are not in our network, the plan may not pay for these services.

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| Premium | \$37.00 |
| Part B Premium Reduction | \$0.00 |
| Deductible | \$0 |
| Max Out-Of-Pocket | \$6,700 |
| Inpatient Hospital Stay* | Days 1 - 4: \$325 copay per day per admit & Days 5 - 90: \$0 copay per admit \$1,300 OOP Max per year |
| Outpatient Hospital Coverage* | ASC ¹ : \$230 copay Facility: \$330 copay |
| Doctor Office Visit | PCP: \$10 copay Specialist: \$35 copay |
| Preventive/Screening | Covered in Full (Office visit copays may apply) |
| Emergency Room | \$125 copay |
| Urgently Needed Services | \$55 copay |
| Lab* & Diagnostic Tests* | Office Lab: \$10 copay; Outpatient Lab: \$10 copay Diagnostic Tests: \$50 copay |
| X-Rays*/ Advanced Imaging* | X-ray: \$50 copay Advanced Imaging: \$200 copay |
| Hearing Services | Medicare Covered: \$35 copay. Routine: \$45 copay (1 Per Year). TruHearing Advanced: \$499 copay; TruHearing Premium: \$799 copay (2 Aids Every Year) |
| Dental Services | Medicare Covered: \$35 copay. Routine Office Visit: \$0 copay (1 per six months). Routine X-rays: \$0 copay (1 per year). Comprehensive: 50% coinsurance with a maximum \$2,000 allowance (comprehensive services only) (per year). See the EOC for full benefits. |
| Vision Services | Medicare Covered: \$35 copay. \$0 diabetic retinal eye exam. Routine: \$25 copay (1 per year). \$0 copay for eyeglasses or contact lenses after cataract surgery. \$200 annual eyewear allowance. |
| Mental Health Services | Inpatient: Days 1 - 6: \$275 copay per day per admit & Days 7 - 90: \$0 copay per admit*; \$1,650 OOP Max per year; Outpatient: \$40 copay |
| Skilled Nursing Facility* | \$0 copay/day (days 1-20), \$214 copay/day (days 21-100) |
| Physical Therapy* | \$25 copay |
| Ambulance (per one-way trip)* | \$275 copay |
| Transportation | Not Covered |
| Medicare Part B Drugs* [†] | 20% coinsurance |
| OTC | \$70 allowance once per quarter |
| Flex Card | Not Covered |
| Durable Medical Equipment* | 20% coinsurance \$0 copay for compression stockings, diabetic shoes/inserts |
| Formulary | Fundamental |

*Indicates a service that requires prior authorization.

ASC¹=Ambulatory Surgery Center

[†]Certain rebatable drugs may be subject to a lower coinsurance. Insulin cost sharing is subject to a coinsurance cap of \$35 for a one-month's supply of insulin.

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You pay the following until your total yearly drug costs reach \$2,000.
 Total yearly drug costs are the total drug costs paid by both you and your Part D plan.

Deductible \$0

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Initial Coverage

| Preferred Retail Cost-Sharing | Tier | 31 Day Supply | 100 Day (T1/2) 90 Day (T3/4) |
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| | | Tier 1 (Preferred Generic) | \$0 Copay |
| | Tier 2 (Generic) | \$8 Copay | \$24 Copay |
| | Tier 3 (Preferred Insulin) | \$35 Copay | \$105 Copay |
| | Tier 3 (Preferred Brand) | 25% of the cost | 25% of the cost |
| | Tier 4 (Insulin) | \$35 Copay | \$105 Copay |
| | Tier 4 (Non-Preferred Drug) | 50% of the cost | 50% of the cost |
| | Tier 5 (Specialty Tier) | 33% of the cost | Not Applicable |
| Standard Retail Cost-Sharing | Tier | 31 Day Supply | 100 Day (T1/2) 90 Day (T3/4) |
| | | Tier 1 (Preferred Generic) | \$7 Copay |
| | Tier 2 (Generic) | \$13 Copay | \$39 Copay |
| | Tier 3 (Preferred Insulin) | \$35 Copay | \$105 Copay |
| | Tier 3 (Preferred Brand) | 25% of the cost | 25% of the cost |
| | Tier 4 (Insulin) | \$35 Copay | \$105 Copay |
| | Tier 4 (Non-Preferred Drug) | 50% of the cost | 50% of the cost |
| | Tier 5 (Specialty Tier) | 33% of the cost | Not Applicable |
| Preferred Mail Cost-Sharing | Tier | 31 Day Supply | 100 Day (T1/2) 90 Day (T3/4) |
| | | Tier 1 (Preferred Generic) | Not Applicable |
| | Tier 2 (Generic) | Not Applicable | \$20 Copay |
| | Tier 3 (Preferred Insulin) | Not Applicable | \$105 Copay |
| | Tier 3 (Preferred Brand) | Not Applicable | 25% of the cost |
| | Tier 4 (Insulin) | Not Applicable | \$105 Copay |
| | Tier 4 (Non-Preferred Drug) | Not Applicable | 50% of the cost |
| | Tier 5 (Specialty Tier) | 33% of the cost | Not Applicable |
| Standard Mail Cost-Sharing | Tier | 31 Day Supply | 100 Day (T1/2) 90 Day (T3/4) |
| | | Tier 1 (Preferred Generic) | Not Applicable |
| | Tier 2 (Generic) | Not Applicable | \$32.50 Copay |
| | Tier 3 (Preferred Insulin) | Not Applicable | \$105 Copay |
| | Tier 3 (Preferred Brand) | Not Applicable | 25% of the cost |
| | Tier 4 (Insulin) | Not Applicable | \$105 Copay |
| | Tier 4 (Non-Preferred Drug) | Not Applicable | 50% of the cost |
| | Tier 5 (Specialty Tier) | 33% of the cost | Not Applicable |

Catastrophic Coverage

After your yearly out-of-pocket drug costs (including drugs purchased through your retail pharmacy and through mail order) reaches \$2,000, the plan pays the full cost for your covered Part D drugs. You pay nothing.

If you reside in a long-term care facility, you pay the same as at a standard retail pharmacy.



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This information is not a complete description of benefits. Call 1-866-682-7972 (TTY users may call 711), October 1 – March 31, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., 7 days a week; April 1 – September 30, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., Monday – Friday for more information.

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