# Gold Heart & Diabetes (HMO-POS C-SNP) offered by Gold Kidney Health Plan of Arizona

# **Annual Notice of Change for 2026**

You're enrolled as a member of Gold Heart & Diabetes (HMO-POS C-SNP). This material describes changes to our plan's costs and benefits next year.

- You have from October 15 December 7 to make changes to your Medicare coverage for next year. If you don't join another plan by December 7, 2025, you'll stay in Gold Heart & Diabetes (HMO-POS C-SNP).
- To change to a **different plan**, visit <u>www.Medicare.gov</u> or review the list in the back of your *Medicare & You 2026* handbook.
- Note this is only a summary of changes. More information about costs, benefits, and
  rules is in the *Evidence of Coverage*. Get a copy at <a href="https://www.goldkidney.com">www.goldkidney.com</a> or call
  Member Services at 1-844-294-6535 (TTY users call 711) to get a copy by mail.

#### **More Resources**

- This material is available for free in additional languages, including Spanish.
- Call Member Services at 1-844-294-6535 (TTY users call 711) for more information. Hours are:
  - October 1 March 31: Live Customer Service Representatives (CSRs) are available seven days a week, from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. local time
  - September 30: Live CSRs are available Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. local time and Interactive voice response system or similar technologies for Saturdays, Sundays and Federal Holidays.
  - o Messages must be returned within one (1) business day.
  - This call is free.
- This information is available in braille, large print, audio, or other formats.

#### **About Gold Heart & Diabetes (HMO-POS C-SNP)**

- Gold Kidney Health Plan, Inc., is an HMO-POS C-SNP with a Medicare contract. Enrollment in Gold Kidney Health Plan depends on contract renewal.
- When this material says "we," "us," or "our," it means Gold Kidney Health Plan of Arizona. When it says "plan" or "our plan," it means Gold Heart & Diabetes (HMO-POS C-SNP).
- On January 1, 2026, Gold Kidney Health Plan of Arizona will be combining Gold Heart & Diabetes (HMO-POS C-SNP) with one of our plans, Gold Heart & Diabetes (HMO-POS C-SNP). This material tells you about the differences between your current benefits in Gold Heart & Diabetes (HMO-POS C-SNP) and the benefits you'll have on January 1, 2026 as a member of Gold Heart & Diabetes (HMO-POS C-SNP).
- If you do nothing by December 7, 2025, you'll automatically be enrolled in Gold Heart & Diabetes (HMO-POS C-SNP). Starting January 1, 2026, you'll get your medical and drug coverage through Gold Heart & Diabetes (HMO-POS C-SNP). Go to Section 3 for more information about how to change plans and deadlines for making a change.

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# **Summary of Important Costs for 2026**

	2025 (this year)	2026 (next year)
Monthly plan premium*  * Your premium can be higher than this amount. Go to Section 1.1 for details.	\$0	\$0
Maximum out-of-pocket amount This is the <u>most</u> you'll pay out of pocket for covered services. (Go to Section 1.2 for details.)	\$2,500	\$2,500
Primary care office visits	\$0 copay per visit	\$0 copay per visit
Specialist office visits	\$0 copay for nephrologists, cardiologists, endocrinologists, cardiovascular and vascular surgeons and \$10 copay for all other specialists per visit	\$0 copay for nephrologists, cardiologists, and endocrinologists \$20 copay for all other specialists per visit
Inpatient hospital stays Includes inpatient acute, inpatient rehabilitation, long- term care hospitals, and other types of inpatient hospital services. Inpatient hospital care starts the day you're formally admitted to the hospital with a doctor's order. The day before you're discharged is your last inpatient day.	\$150 copay per day for days 1-5; \$0 copay per day for days 6-90	\$125 copay per day for days 1-5; \$0 copay per day for days 6-90
Part D drug coverage deductible (Go to Section 1.7 for details.)	\$0	\$0 except for covered insulin products and most adult Part D vaccines.

	2025 (this year)	2026 (next year)
Part D drug coverage	Copayment during the Initial Coverage Stage:	Copayment during the Initial Coverage Stage:
(Go to Sections 1.6 and 1.7 for	• Drug Tier 1: \$0	• Drug Tier 1: \$0
details, including Yearly Deductible, Initial Coverage,	Drug Tier 2: \$0	Drug Tier 2: \$0
and Catastrophic Coverage	Drug Tier 3: \$40	• Drug Tier 3: \$40
Stages.)	• Drug Tier 4: \$100	• Drug Tier 4: \$100
	• Drug Tier 5: 33%	• Drug Tier 5: 33%
	• Drug Tier 6: \$0	• Drug Tier 6: \$0
	Catastrophic Coverage Stage:	Catastrophic Coverage Stage:
	<ul> <li>During this payment stage, you pay nothing for your covered Part D drugs</li> </ul>	During this payment stage, you pay nothing for your covered Part D drugs

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

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

	2025 (this year)	2026 (next year)
Monthly plan premium (You must also continue to pay your Medicare Part B premium.)	\$0	\$0

#### Factors that could change your Part D Premium Amount

- Late Enrollment Penalty Your monthly plan premium will be *more* if you're required to pay a lifetime Part D late enrollment penalty for going without other drug coverage that's at least as good as Medicare drug coverage (also referred to as creditable coverage) for 63 days or more.
- Higher Income Surcharge If you have a higher income, you may have to pay an
  additional amount each month directly to the government for Medicare drug
  coverage.

# **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've paid this amount, you generally pay nothing for covered services for the rest of the calendar year.

	2025 (this year)	2026 (next year)
Maximum out-of-pocket amount Your costs for covered medical services (such as copayments) count toward your maximum out-of-pocket amount. Our costs for prescription drugs don't count toward your maximum out-of-pocket amount.	\$2,500	\$2,500 There is no change for the upcoming benefit year. Once you've paid \$2,500 out of pocket for covered services, you'll pay nothing for your covered services for the rest of the calendar year.

# **Section 1.3 Changes to the Provider Network**

There are no changes to our network of providers for next year.

We can make changes to the hospitals, doctors, and specialists (providers) that are part of our plan during the year. If a mid-year change in our providers affects you, call Member Services at 1-844-294-6535 (TTY users call 711) for help. For more information on your rights when a network provider leaves our plan, go to Chapter 3, Section 2. .2 of your *Evidence of Coverage*.

# **Section 1.4 Changes to the Pharmacy Network**

Amounts you pay for your prescription drugs can 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.

There are no changes to our network of pharmacies for next year.

We can make changes to the pharmacies that are part of our plan during the year. If a mid-year change in our pharmacies affects you, call Member Services at 1-844-294-6535 (TTY users call 711) for help.

**Section 1.5 Changes to Benefits & Costs for Medical Services** 

	2025 (this year)	2026 (next year)
Acupuncture	Out-of-Network	Out-of-Network
	\$10 copay for each Medicare-covered visit.	20% coinsurance for each Medicare-covered visit.

	2025 (this year)	2026 (next year)
Ambulance Services	In-Network \$200 copay for each one- way Medicare-covered ground ambulance service.	In-Network \$150 copay for each one- way Medicare-covered ground ambulance service.
	Out-of-Network	Out-of-Network
	\$200 copay for each one- way Medicare-covered ground ambulance service.	20% coinsurance for each one-way Medicare-covered ground ambulance service.
Cardiac Rehabilitation Services	No prior authorization required for Medicare-covered cardiac rehabilitation & intensive cardiac rehabilitation services.	Prior authorization may be required for Medicare-covered cardiac rehabilitation & intensive cardiac rehabilitation services.
Dental Services	<ul><li>In-Network</li><li>\$0 copay for each Medicare-covered visit.</li></ul>	In-Network \$20 copay for each Medicare-covered visit.
	\$1,000 maximum plan coverage amount every quarter for all preventive and comprehensive dental services. This combined flexible benefit is a quarterly allowance that may be used for dental, hearing and vision benefits. The unused balance will carry forward to	vendor's network.  You are responsible for all costs exceeding the
	the next period.  You are responsible for all	combined benefit amount.  Prior authorization may be
	costs exceeding the combined benefit amount for the flexible benefits.	required for comprehensive dental services.
	for the nexible benefits.	\$0 copay for each preventive dental exam (4 oral exams every year).

2025 (this year)	2026 (next year)
	\$0 copay for each cleaning (2 cleanings every year).
	\$0 copay for each fluoride treatment (2 fluoride treatments every year).
	\$0 copay for X-rays (3 X-rays every year).
	\$0 copay for other preventive dental services (2 visits every year for other preventive dental services).
	20% coinsurance for each restorative services visit (4 visits every year).
	20% coinsurance for each endodontics services visit (2 visits every year).
	20% coinsurance for each periodontics services visit (2 visits every year).
	Removable prosthodontics services are <u>not</u> covered.
	Fixed prosthodontics services are <u>not</u> covered.
	\$0 copay for each oral and maxillofacial surgery services visit (3 visits every year).
	\$0 copay for each adjunctive general services visit (5 visits every year).

	2025 (this year)	2026 (next year)
		<u>Out-of-Network</u>
		20% coinsurance for each Medicare-covered visit.
		Supplemental dental benefits are <u>not</u> covered out-of-network.
Enhanced Disease Management (EDM)	Enhanced disease management benefit is <u>not</u> covered.	\$0 copay for cognitive assessment, treatment, and care management for members experiencing dementia or conditions that impact memory.
Fitness Benefit	\$25 maximum plan coverage amount every month for the fitness benefit. This allowance is a combined amount for all services offered in the Gold Perks Plus combined benefit. Unused allowance does not carry forward to the next month.	Gym membership included for participating facilities within plan provider network. Members may also select one (1) home fitness kit per benefit year at no cost. Kit choices include Strength (Resistance Tubing), Toning (Pilates Ball), Yoga (Yoga Mat), Self-Care (Foam Roller), or Walking (Pedometer) options. Home Fitness Kits are subject to change and based on availability subject to tariffs, trade practices, and other factors.
Health and Wellness Education Programs	\$0 copay for health and wellness education program services	Health and wellness education program services are <u>not</u> covered.
Hearing Services	In-Network \$0 copay for each Medicare- covered hearing exam.	In-Network \$20 copay for each Medicare-covered hearing exam.

	2025 (this year)	2026 (next year)
Supplemental Hearing Aids	\$1,000 maximum plan coverage amount every quarter for all routine hearing exams and prescription hearing aids. This combined flexible benefit is a quarterly allowance that may be used for dental, hearing and vision benefits. The unused balance will carry forward to the next period.  You are responsible for all costs exceeding the combined benefit amount for the flexible benefits.	\$195 copay for Tier 1 \$595 copay for Tier 2 \$995 copay for Tier 3 \$1,395 copay for Tier 4  Actual cost-share will depend on hearing aid selected. Services must be received from providers within the vendor's network.  Includes 3-year extended warranty and 160 batteries per aid for non-rechargeable models.
Home and Bathroom Safety Devices and Modifications	\$0 copay for home and bathroom safety devices and modifications.	Home and bathroom safety devices and modifications benefit is <u>not</u> covered.
Inpatient Hospital Care	In-Network  Medicare-covered inpatient hospital stays, \$150 copay per day for days 1-5; \$0 copay per day for days 6-90.  Additional days are not covered.	In-Network  Medicare-covered inpatient hospital stays, \$125 copay per day for days 1-5; \$0 copay per day for days 6-90.  Additional days after reaching the Medicare-covered benefit limit, \$0 copay for days 91 and beyond.
	Out-of-Network	Out-of-Network
	Medicare-covered inpatient hospital stays, \$150 copay per day for days 1-5; \$0 copay per day for days 6-90.	Medicare-covered inpatient hospital stays, 20% coinsurance per stay.

	2025 (this year)	2026 (next year)
Inpatient Services in a Psychiatric Hospital	In-Network  Medicare-covered inpatient mental health stays, \$150 copay per day for days 1-5; \$0 copay per day for days 6-90.	In-Network  Medicare-covered inpatient mental health stays, \$125 copay per day for days 1-5; \$0 copay per day for days 6-90.
	<u>Out-of-Network</u>	<u>Out-of-Network</u>
	For Medicare-covered inpatient mental health stays, \$150 copay per day for days 1-5; \$0 copay per day for days 6-90.	For Medicare-covered inpatient mental health stays, 20% coinsurance per stay.
Medicare Part B Prescription Drugs	Out-of-Network \$35 maximum copay for Medicare Part B insulin drugs.	Out-of-Network  20% coinsurance for Medicare Part B insulin drugs.
	0% to 20% coinsurance for Medicare Part B chemotherapy and radiation drugs.	20% coinsurance for Medicare Part B chemotherapy and radiation drugs.
	0% to 20% coinsurance for other Medicare Part B drugs.	20% coinsurance for other Medicare Part B drugs.
	Plan does not use step therapy for Medicare Part B drugs.	Plan uses step therapy for Part B to Part B, Part B to Part D, and Part D to Part B.
Opioid Treatment Program Services	Out-of-Network \$25 copay for Medicare- covered opioid treatment	Out-of-Network  20% coinsurance for Medicare-covered opioid
	program services.  No prior authorization required for opioid treatment program services.	treatment program services.  Prior authorization may be required for opioid treatment program services.

	2025 (this year)	2026 (next year)
Outpatient Diagnostic Tests and Therapeutic Services and Supplies	In-Network \$0 copay for Medicare- covered outpatient diagnostic procedures and tests	In-Network  \$0 to \$30 copay for Medicare-covered outpatient diagnostic procedures and tests You pay less when lab services are done at LabCorp or in a doctor's office. You pay more if they're done anywhere else.
	\$0 copay for Medicare- covered outpatient lab services	\$0 to \$30 copay for Medicare-covered outpatient lab services You pay less when lab services are done at LabCorp or in a doctor's office. You pay more if they're done anywhere else.
	\$50 copay for Medicare- covered outpatient diagnostic radiology services (such as MRIs and CT scans)	\$0 to \$75 copay for Medicare-covered outpatient diagnostic radiology services (such as MRIs and CT scans) You pay less for ultrasounds. You pay more for other types of diagnostic imaging.
	Out-of-Network	Out-of-Network
	\$0 copay for Medicare- covered outpatient diagnostic procedures and tests	20% coinsurance for Medicare-covered outpatient diagnostic procedures and tests
	\$0 copay for Medicare- covered outpatient lab services	20% coinsurance for Medicare-covered outpatient lab services

	2025 (this year)	2026 (next year)
	\$50 copay for Medicare- covered outpatient diagnostic radiology services (such as MRIs and CT scans)	20% coinsurance for Medicare-covered outpatient diagnostic radiology services (such as MRIs and CT scans)
	\$0 copay for Medicare- covered outpatient X-rays	20% coinsurance for Medicare-covered outpatient X-rays
Outpatient Hospital Observation	In-Network \$150 copay per day for Medicare-covered outpatient hospital observation services.	In-Network \$125 copay per day for Medicare-covered outpatient hospital observation services.
	Out-of-Network	<u>Out-of-Network</u>
	\$150 copay for Medicare- covered outpatient hospital observation services.	20% coinsurance for Medicare-covered outpatient hospital observation services.
Outpatient Mental Health	Out-of-Network	Out-of-Network
Care	\$25 copay for each Medicare-covered individual therapy visit with a mental health care professional (non-psychiatrist). \$10 copay for each Medicare-covered group therapy visit with a mental health care professional (non-psychiatrist).	20% coinsurance for each Medicare-covered individual therapy visit with a mental health care professional (non-psychiatrist). 20% coinsurance for each Medicare-covered group therapy visit with a mental health care professional (non-psychiatrist).
	\$25 copay for each Medicare-covered individual therapy visit with a psychiatrist. \$10 copay for each Medicare-covered group therapy visit with a psychiatrist.	20% coinsurance for each Medicare-covered individual therapy visit with a psychiatrist. 20% coinsurance for each Medicare-covered group therapy visit with a psychiatrist.

	2025 (this year)	2026 (next year)
Outpatient Rehabilitation Services	Out-of-Network \$10 copay for each Medicare-covered occupational therapy visit.	Out-of-Network  20% coinsurance for each Medicare-covered occupational therapy visit.
	\$15 copay for each Medicare-covered physical therapy or speech therapy visit.	20% coinsurance for each Medicare-covered physical therapy or speech therapy visit.
	No prior authorization required for occupational therapy services.	Prior authorization may be required for occupational therapy services.
Outpatient Substance Use Disorder Services	Out-of-Network  \$25 copay for each Medicare-covered individual therapy visit.  \$15 copay for each Medicare-covered group therapy visit.	Out-of-Network  20% coinsurance for each Medicare-covered individual therapy visit.  20% coinsurance for each Medicare-covered group therapy visit.
Outpatient Surgery	Includes services provided at and ambulatory surgical center	•
	Out-of-Network	Out-of-Network
	For Medicare-covered services at an outpatient hospital facility, \$125 copay.	For Medicare-covered services at an outpatient hospital facility, 20% coinsurance.
	For Medicare-covered services at an ambulatory surgical center, \$100 copay.	For Medicare-covered services at an ambulatory surgical center, 20% coinsurance.

	2025 (this year)	2026 (next year)
Partial Hospitalization and Intensive Outpatient Program Services	Out-of-Network \$80 copay for Medicare- covered partial hospitalization services.	Out-of-Network  20% coinsurance for Medicare-covered partial hospitalization services.
	\$80 copay for Medicare- covered intensive outpatient program services.	20% coinsurance for Medicare-covered intensive outpatient program services.
Personal Emergency Response System (PERS) Benefit	No referral required for the personal emergency response system benefit.	Referral is required for the personal emergency response system benefit.
Physician/Practitioner Services, Including Doctor's Office Visits	In-Network  \$0 copay for nephrologists, cardiologists, endocrinologists, cardiovascular and vascular surgeons and \$10 copay for all other specialists	In-Network \$0 to \$20 copay for each Medicare-covered specialist visit.  You pay a lower copay to see kidney, heart, or diabetes specialists. You pay a higher copay for all other specialists.
	\$10 copay for each Medicare-covered visit with other health care professionals (such as nurse practitioners and physician assistants)	\$0 to \$20 copay for each Medicare-covered visit with other health care professionals (such as nurse practitioners and physician assistants)
		You pay a lower copay when you see nurse practitioners or other health professionals at your primary care doctor's office, or at a kidney, heart, or diabetes specialist's office. You pay a higher copay when you see them at any other specialist office.

	2025 (this year)	2026 (next year)
	Out-of-Network	<u>Out-of-Network</u>
	\$0 copay for each Medicare- covered primary care doctor visit.	20% coinsurance for each Medicare-covered primary care doctor visit.
	\$0 copay for nephrologists, cardiologists, endocrinologists, cardiovascular and vascular	20% coinsurance for each Medicare-covered specialist visit.
	surgeons and \$10 copay for all other specialists for each Medicare-covered specialist visit.	For each Medicare-covered visit with other health care professionals (such as nurse practitioners and physician
	For each Medicare-covered visit with other health care professionals (such as nurse practitioners and physician assistants), \$10 copay.	assistants), 20% coinsurance. Prior authorization may be required for physician specialist services.
	No prior authorization required for physician specialist services.	
Podiatry Services	Out-of-Network	Out-of-Network
	\$10 copay for each Medicare-covered podiatry services visit.	20% coinsurance for each Medicare-covered podiatry services visit.
	No prior authorization required for Medicare-covered podiatry care services.	Prior authorization may be required for Medicare-covered podiatry care services.
Post Discharge In-home	Out-of-Network	<u>Out-of-Network</u>
Medication Reconciliation	\$0 copay for post discharge in-home medication reconciliation services.	Post discharge in-home medication reconciliation services benefit is <u>not</u> covered.

	2025 (this year)	2026 (next year)
Preventive Services	These services are noted with an apple icon in the Chapter 4 medical benefits chart in your <i>Evidence of Coverage</i> ).  Out-of-Network  Out-of-Network	
	\$0 copay for Medicare- covered zero cost-sharing preventive services.	20% coinsurance for Medicare-covered zero cost- sharing preventive services.
Prostate Cancer Screening Exam (Digital Rectal Exam)	Out-of-Network  \$0 copay for each Medicare- covered digital rectal exam.	Out-of-Network  20% coinsurance for each Medicare-covered digital rectal exam.
Pulmonary Rehabilitation Services	In-Network \$15 copay for each Medicare-covered pulmonary rehabilitation services visit.	In-Network \$10 copay for each Medicare-covered pulmonary rehabilitation services visit.
	Out-of-Network	Out-of-Network
	\$15 copay for each Medicare-covered pulmonary rehabilitation services visit.	20% coinsurance for each Medicare-covered pulmonary rehabilitation services visit.
	No prior authorization required for Medicare-covered pulmonary rehabilitation services.	Prior authorization may be required for Medicare-covered pulmonary rehabilitation services.
Re-admission Prevention	In-Network  Meals benefit is <u>not</u> covered as part of the re-admission prevention benefit.	In-Network As recommended by case manager through plan provider. Post acute meal benefit following an inpatient stay 2 meals per day for 14 days, up to 4 times per year are provided.
	No referral required for the re-admission prevention benefit.	Referral is required for the re-admission prevention benefit.

	2025 (this year)	2026 (next year)
Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Care	In-Network  For Medicare-covered SNF stays, \$0 copay per day for days 1-20; \$150 copay per day for day for days 21-36; \$0 copay per day for days 37-100.  Out-of-Network	In-Network  For Medicare-covered SNF stays, \$0 copay per day for days 1-20; \$214 copay per day for day for days 21-100.  Out-of-Network
	For Medicare-covered SNF stays, \$0 copay per day for days 1-20; \$150 copay per day for days for days 21-36; \$0 copay per day for days 37-100.	For Medicare-covered SNF stays, 20% coinsurance per stay.
Special Supplemental Benefits for the Chronically Ill	\$25 maximum plan allowance amount every month for the following services under SSBCI:  • Utilities Payment  • Over-the-Counter (OTC)  • Pet Supplies & Services  • Personal Care Services  A monthly allowance of \$77 to be used for the purchase of healthy foods / produce or prepared meals at participating Plan Merchants. Unused Allowance does not roll over to the next month.	\$100 quarterly allowance to be used for the purchase of over-the-counter (OTC) items and/or paying utilities. Unused allowance does not roll over to the next quarter. Utility account information required.  • Pet Supplies & Services are not covered  • Personal Care Services are not covered  \$150 monthly allowance to be used for the purchase of healthy foods / produce or prepared meals from participating Plan Merchants. Unused allowance does not roll over to the next month.

	2025 (this year)	2026 (next year)
Supervised Exercise Therapy (SET)	In-Network  \$0 copay for each Medicare- covered SET visit for symptomatic peripheral artery disease (PAD).	In-Network \$10 copay for each Medicare-covered SET visit for symptomatic peripheral artery disease (PAD).
	Out-of-Network	Out-of-Network
	\$0 copay for each Medicare- covered SET visit for symptomatic peripheral artery disease (PAD).	20% coinsurance for each Medicare-covered SET visit for symptomatic peripheral artery disease (PAD).
	No prior authorization required for Medicare-covered supervised exercise therapy services.	Prior authorization may be required for Medicare-covered supervised exercise therapy services.
Telehealth Benefits (additional)	In-Network \$15 copay for telehealth services, including: primary care physician services, physician specialist services, individual sessions for mental health specialty services, group sessions for mental health specialty services.	In-Network  \$0 copay for telehealth services, including: primary care physician services, physician specialist services, individual sessions for mental health specialty services, group sessions for mental health specialty services.
Telemonitoring Services	In-Network \$0 copay for telemonitoring services.	In-Network Telemonitoring services are not covered.
Therapeutic Massage	In-Network \$0 copay for therapeutic massage sessions (unlimited visits every year).	In-Network Therapeutic massage benefit is <u>not</u> covered.

	2025 (this year)	2026 (next year)
Transportation Services (routine)	In-Network \$0 copay for routine transportation services (24 one-way trips every year to health-related locations) using rideshare services, van and medical transport.	In-Network \$0 copay for routine transportation services (24 one-way trips every year to plan-approved health- related locations) using taxi, rideshare services, van and medical transport.
Vision Care	In-Network \$0 copay for each Medicare- covered eye exam to diagnose and treat diseases and conditions of the eye.	In-Network \$20 copay for each Medicare- covered eye exam to diagnose and treat diseases and conditions of the eye.
Supplemental Vision Benefits	\$1,000 maximum coverage amount every quarter for all routine eye exams and eyewear. This combined flexible benefit is a quarterly allowance that may be used for dental, hearing and vision benefits. The unused balance will carry forward to the next period.  You are responsible for all costs exceeding the combined benefit amount for the flexible benefits.	\$0 for one routine eye exam each year (includes vision check). Services must be received from providers within the vendor's network.  1 pair of single vision, bifocal, or trifocal lenses per year  Up to \$200 per year for glasses frames  OR up to \$115 per year for contact lenses, including fitting and evaluation (instead of glasses)  Coverage includes either frames or contact lenses, not both. You pay any costs
		over these limits  Out-of-Network  20% coinsurance for each Medicare-covered eye exam to diagnose and treat diseases and conditions of the eye.

2025 (this year)	2026 (next year)
	20% coinsurance for an annual Medicare-covered glaucoma screening.
	Supplemental vision benefits are not covered out-of-network.

# **Section 1.6 Changes to Part D 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 provided electronically at <a href="https://www.goldkidney.com">www.goldkidney.com</a>. provided electronically.

We haven't made any changes to our Drug List at this time for next year. However, we might make changes during the year that are allowed by Medicare rules. 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're taking, we'll send you a notice about the change.

# Section 1.7 Changes to Prescription Drug Benefits & Costs Drug Payment Stages

There are 3 **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 no longer exist in the Part D benefit.

#### • Stage 1: Yearly Deductible

You start in this payment stage each calendar year. During this stage, you pay the full cost of your drugs until you've reached the yearly deductible.

#### • Stage 2: Initial Coverage

Once you pay the yearly deductible, you move to the Initial Coverage Stage. In this stage, our plan pays its share of the cost of your drugs, and you pay your share of the cost. You generally stay in this stage until your total out-of-pocket costs reach \$2,100.

#### • Stage 3: Catastrophic Coverage

This is the third and final drug payment stage. In this stage, you pay nothing for your covered Part D drugs. You stay in this stage for the rest of the calendar year.

The Coverage Gap Discount Program has been replaced by the Manufacturer Discount Program. Under the Manufacturer Discount Program, drug manufacturers pay a portion of our 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 don't count toward out-of-pocket costs.

#### **Drug Costs in Stage 1: Yearly Deductible**

The table shows your cost per prescription during this stage.

	2025 (this year)	2026 (next year)
Yearly Deductible	Because we have no deductible, this payment stage doesn't apply to you.	Because we have no deductible, this payment stage doesn't apply to you.

#### **Drug Costs in Stage 2: Initial Coverage**

For drugs on Tiers 1 through 6, your cost sharing in the Initial Coverage Stage is changing from coinsurance to a copayment. Go to the following table for the changes from 2025 to 2026.

Most adult Part D vaccines are covered at no cost to you. For more information about the costs of vaccines, or information about the costs for a long-term supply or for mail-order prescriptions, go to Chapter 6 of your Evidence of Coverage.

Once you've paid \$2,100 out of pocket for covered Part D drugs, you'll move to the next stage (the Catastrophic Coverage Stage).	2025 (this year)	2026 (next year)
Tier 1 Preferred Generic:	\$0	\$0
Tier 2 Generic:	\$0	\$0
Tier 3 Preferred Brand:	\$40	\$40
Tier 4 Non-Preferred Brand:	\$100	\$100
Tier 5 Specialty Tier:	33%	33%
Tier 6 Select Diabetic Drugs:	\$0	\$0

#### **Changes to the Catastrophic Coverage Stage**

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

# **SECTION 2** Administrative Changes

	2025 (this year)	2026 (next year)
Medicare Prescription Payment Plan	The Medicare Prescription Payment Plan is a payment option that began this year and can help you manage your out-of-pocket costs for drugs covered by our plan by spreading them across the calendar year (January-December). You may be participating in this payment option.	If you're participating in the Medicare Prescription Payment Plan and stay in the same Part D plan, your participation will be automatically renewed for 2026.  To learn more about this payment option, call us at 1-844-294-6535 (TTY users call 711) or visit www.Medicare.gov.

## **SECTION 3** How to Change Plans

To stay in Gold Heart & Diabetes (HMO-POS C-SNP), you don't need to do anything.

Unless you sign up for a different plan or change to Original Medicare by December 7, you'll automatically be enrolled in our Gold Heart & Diabetes (HMO-POS C-SNP). If you want to change plans for 2026, follow these steps:

- **To change to a different Medicare health plan**, enroll in the new plan. You'll be automatically disenrolled from Gold Heart & Diabetes (HMO-POS C-SNP).
- To change to Original Medicare with Medicare drug coverage, enroll in the new Medicare drug plan. You'll be automatically disenrolled from Gold Heart & Diabetes (HMO-POS C-SNP).
- To change to Original Medicare without a drug plan, you can send us a written request to disenroll. Call Member Services at 1-844-294-6535 (TTY users call 711) for more information on how to do this. Or call **Medicare** at 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227) and ask to be disenrolled. TTY users can call 1-877-486-2048. If you don't enroll in a Medicare drug plan, you may pay a Part D late enrollment penalty (go to Section 4.
- To learn more about Original Medicare and the different types of Medicare plans, visit <a href="www.Medicare.gov">www.Medicare.gov</a>, check the *Medicare & You 2026* handbook, call your State Health Insurance Assistance Program (go to Section 5), or call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227).

# **Section 3.1 Deadlines for Changing Plans**

People with Medicare can make changes to their coverage from **October 15 – December 7** each year.

If you enrolled in a Medicare Advantage plan for January 1, 2026, and don't like your plan choice, you can switch to another Medicare health plan (with or without Medicare drug coverage) or switch to Original Medicare (with or without separate Medicare drug coverage) between January 1 – March 31, 2026.

# Section 3.2 Are there other times of the year to make a change?

In certain situations, people may have other chances to change their coverage during the year. Examples include people who:

- Have Medicaid
- Get Extra Help paying for their drugs
- Have or are leaving employer coverage
- Move out of our plan's service area

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 (with or without Medicare drug coverage) or switch to Original Medicare (with or without separate Medicare drug coverage) at any time. If you recently moved out of an institution, you have an opportunity to switch plans or switch to Original Medicare for 2 full months after the month you move out.

# **SECTION 4 Get Help Paying for Prescription Drugs**

You may qualify for help paying for prescription drugs. Different kinds of help are available:

- 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 drug plan premiums, yearly deductibles, and coinsurance. Also, people who qualify won't have a late enrollment penalty. To see if you qualify, call:
  - 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227). TTY users can call 1-877-486-2048, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
  - Social Security at 1-800-772-1213 between 8 a.m. and 7 p.m., Monday Friday for a representative. Automated messages are available 24 hours a day. TTY users can call, 1-800-325-0778.
  - Your State Medicaid Office.
- Prescription Cost-sharing Assistance for Persons with HIV/AIDS. The AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) helps ensure that ADAP-eligible people living with HIV/AIDS have access to life-saving HIV medications. To be eligible for the ADAP operating in your state, you 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 drugs that are also covered by ADAP qualify for prescription cost-sharing help through the Arizona AIDS Drugs Assistance Program (ADAP). For information on eligibility criteria, covered drugs, how to enroll in the program, or, if you're currently enrolled, how to continue getting help, call Arizona AIDS Drugs Assistance Program (ADAP) at 1-800-334-1540. 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 payment option that works with your current drug coverage to help you manage your out-of-pocket costs for drugs covered by our plan by spreading them across the calendar year (January – December). Anyone with a Medicare drug plan or Medicare health plan with drug coverage (like a Medicare Advantage plan with drug coverage) can use this payment option. 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 the Medicare Prescription Payment Plan,

regardless of payment option. To learn more about this payment option, call us at 1-

# **SECTION 5** Questions?

# **Get Help from Gold Heart & Diabetes (HMO-POS C-SNP)**

844-294-6535 (TTY users call 711) or visit www.Medicare.gov.

- Call Member Services at 1-844-294-6535. (TTY users call 711.)
  We're available for phone calls from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., local time, 7 days a week (except holidays) October 1 through March 31 and 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., local time, Monday Friday (except holidays) from April 1 through September 30. Calls to these numbers are free.
- Read your 2026 Evidence of Coverage

This Annual Notice of Change gives you a summary of changes in your benefits and costs for 2026. For details, go to the 2026 Evidence of Coverage for Gold Heart & Diabetes (HMO-POS C-SNP). The Evidence of Coverage is the legal, detailed description of our plan benefits. It explains your rights and the rules you need to follow to get covered services and prescription drugs. Get the Evidence of Coverage on our website at <a href="https://www.goldkidney.com">www.goldkidney.com</a> or call Member Services at 1-844-294-6535 (TTY users call 711) to ask us to mail you a copy.

• Visit www.goldkidney.com

Our website has the most up-to-date information about our provider network (*Provider Directory/Pharmacy Directory*) and our *List of Covered Drugs* (formulary/Drug List).

## **Get Free Counseling about Medicare**

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

Call Arizona State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) to get free personalized health insurance counseling. They can help you understand your Medicare plan choices and answer questions about switching plans. Call Arizona State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) at 1-602-542-4446 or 1-800-432-4040. Learn more about Arizona State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) by visiting (www.des.az.gov/medicare-assistance).

#### **Get Help 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 can call 1-877-486-2048.

#### • Chat live with www.Medicare.gov

You can chat live at www.Medicare.gov/talk-to-someone.

#### • Write to Medicare

You can write to Medicare at PO Box 1270, Lawrence, KS 66044.

#### • Visit <u>www.Medicare.gov</u>

The official Medicare website has information about cost, coverage, and quality Star Ratings to help you compare Medicare health plans in your area.

#### • Read Medicare & You 2026

The *Medicare & You 2026* handbook is mailed to people with Medicare every fall. It has a summary of Medicare benefits, rights and protections, and answers to the most frequently asked questions about Medicare. Get a copy at <a href="www.Medicare.gov">www.Medicare.gov</a> or by calling 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227). TTY users can call 1-877-486-2048.

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**Navajo:** SHOOH: Diné bee yániłti'gogo, saad bee aná'awo' bee áka'anída'awo'ít'áá jiik'eh ná hóló. Bee ahił hane'go bee nida'anishí t'áá ákodaat'éhígíí dóó bee áka'anída'wo'í áko bee baa hane'í bee hadadilyaa bich'į' ahoot'i'ígíí éí t'áá jiik'eh hóló. Kohjj' 1-844-294-6535 (TTY: 711) hodíilnih doodago nika'análwo'í bich'j' hanidziih.

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