

WILL COMMUNITY HEALTHCHOICES AFFECT MY MEDICARE?



COMMUNITY HEALTHCHOICES (CHC) WILL NOT CHANGE YOUR MEDICARE COVERAGE.

Medicare is a federal health insurance program. It is your primary insurance and covers most of your health care services, including prescription drugs.

You also have another insurance called Medicaid, known as Medical Assistance in Pennsylvania. Medical Assistance is your secondary coverage that you receive through the ACCESS card. It helps with Medicare costs and gives you additional benefits. When you have both Medicare and Medical Assistance, you are a dual-eligible.

CHC will only change how you receive your Medical Assistance coverage. When you become enrolled in CHC, you will choose one of three CHC plans: AmeriHealth Caritas, PA Health & Wellness, and UPMC Community HealthChoices. Starting in January 2020, the CHC plan you choose will become your new Medical Assistance coverage.

Questions? Visit www.HealthChoices.pa.gov or call the CHC Participants Hotline at 800-757-5042.





HOW WILL COMMUNITY HEALTHCHOICES AFFECT MY MEDICARE?

WHAT DO I NEED TO DO? Pick a CHC plan.

Call 1-844-824-3655 or enroll online at www.enrollchc.com. If you do not select a plan, you will be auto-enrolled into a plan starting January 1. You can change your plan at any time after CHC begins.

CAN I SEE OTHER MEDICAL PROVIDERS THAT ARE NOT IN MY CHC PLAN NETWORK?

Yes. — When you receive any Medicare-covered services, your CHC plan will pay for any cost sharing. For services that are not covered by Medicare (such as dental care or eye exams), you will likely need to use a provider that is in your CHC plan's network. Your CHC plan can help you figure out what services Medicare covers.

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DOES MY PRIMARY CARE PRACTITIONER (PCP) HAVE TO BE IN THE CHC NETWORK?

No. — If you have a Medicare PCP that is not in your CHC plan's network, you can keep this doctor.

DO I NEED TO MAKE CHANGES TO MY MEDICARE?

You may choose to change your Medicare, but you do not have to.

One of the goals of CHC is to have your Medicare and Medical Assistance work better together. No matter what Medicare coverage you have, your CHC plan will work with your Medicare and providers. If you would like to make any changes to your Medicare coverage, an APPRISE counselor can help you. Call 1-800-783-7067. If you do not know what Medicare coverage you have, please call APPRISE at 1-800-783-7067 or the Pennsylvania Health Law Project at 1-800-274-3258.

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