### Medicare Preventive Services

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The Four Parts of Medicare

- **Part A**: Hospital Insurance
- **Part B**: Medical Insurance
- **Part C**: Medicare Advantage Plans (like HMOs/PPOs) Includes Part A, Part B and sometimes Part D coverage
- **Part D**: Medicare Prescription Drug Coverage

Medicare Preventive Services

- Medicare preventive services
  - May find health problems early, when treatment works best
- Covered by Medicare Part B (Medical Insurance)
  - Whether you get your coverage from
    - Original Medicare
    - Medicare Advantage (MA) Plan
    - Other Medicare health plans
- Coverage for preventive services is based on age, gender, and medical history
Part A Prescription Drug Coverage

- Part A generally pays for all drugs during a covered inpatient stay
  - In hospital or skilled nursing facility (SNF)
    - Drugs received as part of treatment
  - Hospice
    - Drugs for symptom control and pain relief only

Part B Prescription Drug Coverage

- Part B covers limited outpatient drugs
  - Injectable and infusible drugs that are
    - Not usually self-administered, and
    - Administered as part of a physician service
    - Hepatitis B vaccine (for patients at high or intermediate risk)
    - Influenza virus vaccine
    - Pneumococcal pneumonia vaccine
    - Vaccines directly related to the treatment of an injury or direct exposure to a disease or condition
      For example: Tetanus, Rabies
Part D Prescription Drug Coverage

- Medicare Part D plans covers all commercially available vaccines as long as the vaccine is reasonable and necessary to prevent illness.
- Medicare Part D plans generally cover vaccines that Part B does not cover.
- Example of Part B Vaccine Covered Under Part D: Medicare Part B covers the hepatitis B vaccine for patients at intermediate or high risk. However, a patient who does not satisfy Part B coverage criteria could still obtain the vaccine, with potential payment coming from a Part D plan. Contact your patient’s Part D plan for more information.

Medicare Preventive Services

- "Welcome to Medicare" preventive visit
- Yearly "Wellness" visit
- Abdominal aortic aneurysm screening
- Alcohol misuse screening and counseling
- Bone mass measurement
- Breast cancer screening (mammogram)
- Cardiovascular disease (CVD) Risk Reduction Visit
- Cardiovascular disease screenings
- Cervical and vaginal cancer screening
  - Human Papillomavirus (HPV) Testing
- Colorectal cancer screenings
  - Screening fecal occult blood test
  - Screening flexible sigmoidoscopy
  - Screening colonoscopy
  - Screening barium enema
  - Multi-target stool DNA test
- Depression screening
- Diabetes screenings
- Diabetes self-management training
- Flu shots (Vaccine)
- Glaucoma tests
- Hepatitis B shots (Vaccine)
- Hepatitis C screening test
- HIV screening
- Lung Cancer Screening
- Medical nutrition therapy services
- Obesity screening and counseling
- Pneumococcal shots
- Prostate cancer screening
- Sexually-transmitted infection screening and counseling
- Smoking and tobacco-use cessation counseling
Flu Shot (Influenza)

- Influenza, also known as the flu
  - Medicare generally covers the flu shot once every flu season
- All people with Medicare are eligible
- No copayment or deductible for the vaccine with Original Medicare if the provider accepts assignment

Hepatitis B Shots (Vaccine)

- Hepatitis is a serious disease (virus attacks the liver)
  - Can cause lifelong infection resulting in cirrhosis (scarring) of the liver, liver cancer, liver failure, and death
- Covered for people at medium to high risk, including but not limited to
  - End-Stage Renal Disease, hemophilia, and diabetes mellitus
  - Conditions that lower resistance to infection
  - Certain health care professionals
- No copayment or deductible if your provider accepts assignment
Hepatitis C Screening Test

- Hepatitis C virus (HCV) is a serious disease (virus attacks the liver)
  - Can cause chronic liver disease, cirrhosis (scarring of the liver), liver cancer, liver failure, and even death
- Covered when ordered by primary care practitioner in a primary care setting
  - Single, once-in-a-lifetime HCV screening test if born from 1945 to 1965
  - Annually, if high-risk person with continued illicit drug use since prior negative HCV screening test
- No copayment or deductible if your provider accepts assignment

Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Screening

- Except for individuals who are pregnant, Medicare covers one annual voluntary HIV screening for people
  - Between the ages of 15 and 65, without regard to perceived risk
  - Younger than 15 and older than 65, who are at increased risk.
  - For people with Medicare who are pregnant, up to 3 voluntary screenings during a pregnancy are covered
- No cost for the test if provider accepts assignment
- Pay 20% of Medicare-approved amount for visit
**Pneumococcal Vaccine**

- Medicare covers
  - An initial pneumococcal vaccine for all people with Medicare who’ve never received the vaccine under Medicare Part B
  - A different second pneumococcal vaccine one year after the first vaccine was administered (11 full months have passed following the month in which the last pneumococcal vaccine was administered)
- All people with Medicare are eligible
- No copayment or deductible for the vaccines with Original Medicare if the provider accepts assignment

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**Shingles Vaccine**

- Medicare Part D coverage of Shingles Vaccine:
  - In-Network Administration by Pharmacy:
    - Patients get a prescription from their physician and bring it to their local network retail pharmacy (or the physician transmits it electronically).
    - In some cases, a pharmacist administers the vaccine (unless prohibited by State law). The pharmacy bills the Part D plan, and patients pay the pharmacy the required Part D cost sharing amount.
Shingles Vaccine

- Medicare Part D coverage of Shingles Vaccine:
  - In-Network Pharmacy Distribution to Physician: Patients get a prescription from their physician and bring it to the pharmacy (or the physician transmits it electronically).
  - The pharmacy then fills the prescription, ships or delivers it to the physician’s office, and bills the Part D plan for dispensing and providing the vaccine.
  - The pharmacy bills the Part D plan, and patients pay the pharmacy the required Part D cost sharing amount and pay the physician for administering the vaccine.

Your Guide to Medicare’s Preventive Services

- CMS Product No. 10110
### When You Can Join or Switch Plans

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