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CMS releases 2023 Medicare Part A and B values

CMS has announced the 2023 Medicare Part A and B premium, deductible and coinsurance amounts. As in prior years, there are increases in the Part D amounts. However, the Part B premium and deductible will decrease. The 2023 Medicare Part D parameters were released earlier this year. (See our <u>April 19, 2022 FYI.</u>)

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Medicare Part A

On September 27, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) released the Medicare Part A <u>premium</u> and <u>deductible and coinsurance</u> amounts for 2023. It also provided a <u>fact sheet</u> with additional information.

Premiums

Almost all Medicare beneficiaries do not pay a Part A premium because they have at least 40 quarters of Medicare-covered employment. For those individuals who pay a premium, the Medicare Part A premiums for the 12-month period beginning on January 1, 2023 are as follows:

| Premium type | 2023 | 2022 | Change |
|--|-------|-------|--------|
| Premium to purchase coverage for individuals not otherwise eligible for Medicare Part A and certain disabled individuals | \$506 | \$499 | 1.4% |
| Premium for certain individuals entitled to a reduced monthly premium (who had at least 30 quarters or were married to someone with at least 30 quarters of Medicare-covered employment) | \$278 | \$274 | 1.5% |

Deductible and coinsurance amounts

The Medicare Part A deductible and coinsurance amounts for the 12-month period beginning on January 1, 2023 are as follows:

| Deductible and coinsurance type | 2023 | 2022 | Change |
|--|---------|----------|--------|
| Deductible for up to 60 days of Medicare-covered inpatient hospital care | \$1,600 | \$1,556 | 2.8% |
| Daily coinsurance for 61 st through 90 th day of hospitalization | \$400 | \$389 | 2.8% |
| Daily coinsurance for lifetime reserve days | \$800 | \$778 | 2.8% |
| Daily coinsurance for 21 st through 100 th day of extended care services in skilled nursing facility | \$200 | \$194.50 | 2.8% |

Medicare Part B

CMS also released a <u>notice</u> that sets out the Medicare Part B monthly premium rates and annual deductible amounts for 2023. Both the premium rates and deductible will decrease in 2023.

The standard monthly premiums for Medicare Part B for 2023 are as follows:

| Premium type | 2023 | 2022 | Change |
|--------------------------|----------|----------|--------|
| Standard monthly premium | \$164.90 | \$170.10 | -3.1% |

Some Part B enrollees benefit from a "hold harmless" provision that protects them from any increase in Part B premiums (typically deducted from social security checks) that would effectively reduce their monthly social security payments.

The following individuals are not protected by the "hold harmless" provision:

- New Medicare enrollees in 2023
- Higher income Medicare beneficiaries
- Medicare beneficiaries dually eligible for Medicare and Medicaid
- Medicare Part B enrollees not receiving social security benefits

The 2023 Medicare Part B monthly premiums based on income tax filing status and income are as follows:

| Individual filing status* | Married filing jointly status | 2023 monthly premium | 2022 monthly premium | Change |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--------|
| Income up to \$97,000 | Income up to \$194,000 | \$164.90 | \$170.10 | -3.1% |
| \$97,001 – \$123,000 | \$194,001 - \$246,000 | \$230.80 | \$238.10 | -3.1% |
| \$123,001 – \$153,000 | \$246,001 - \$306,000 | \$329.70 | \$340.20 | -3.1% |
| \$153,001 – \$183,000 | \$306,001 - \$366,000 | \$428.60 | \$442.30 | -3.1% |
| \$183,001 – \$499,999 | \$366,001 – \$749,999 | \$527.50 | \$544.30 | -3.1% |
| \$500,000 or more | \$750,000 or more | \$560.50 | \$578.30 | -3.1% |

*Income ranges for 2022 and 2023 differ. Range for 2023 is shown above.

| Married filing separately, lived with spouse during tax year* | 2023 monthly premium | 2022 monthly premium | Change |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|--------|
| Income up to \$97,000 | \$164.90 | \$170.10 | -3.1% |
| \$97,001 – \$402,999 | \$527.50 | \$544.30 | -3.1% |
| \$403,000 or more | \$560.50 | \$578.30 | -3.1% |

*Income ranges for 2022 and 2023 differ. Range for 2023 is shown above.

Finally, the Medicare Part B annual deductible for the 12-month period beginning on January 1, 2023 is as follows:

| Deductible type | 2023 | 2022 | Change |
|-----------------|-------|-------|--------|
| Medicare Part B | \$226 | \$233 | -3.0% |

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