

The CMS.gov Medicare Open Enrollment Center – Updates!



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What's new?

- Every year, CMS updates its CMS.gov Medicare Open Enrollment webpage
- We added an evergreen Open Enrollment landing page and a page with this year's specific Outreach & Media Materials

Where can I find it?

- <https://www.cms.gov/Outreach-and-Education/Reach-Out/Find-tools-to-help-you-help-others/Find-tools-to-help-you-help-others-page.html>
- Or go to....



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CMS news

[CMS announces Part D Enhanced Medication Therapy Management Model](#)

[CMS Proposes New Medicare Clinical Diagnostic Laboratory Tests Fee Schedule](#)

[CMS awards \\$110 million in Affordable Care Act funding to continue improvements in patient safety](#)

[Medicare Advantage premiums remain stable; enrollment at all-time high](#)

[CMS Releases First Ever Plan to Address Health Equity in Medicare](#)

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Toolkits

- [Tools to partner with CMS](#)

Training materials

- [Medicare Learning Network® \(MLN\) fraud & abuse products](#)
- [MLN suite of resources for educators & students](#)
- [CMS National Training Program training library](#)
- [CMS National Training Program train-the-trainer workshops](#)

Medicare Open Enrollment

- [Medicare Open Enrollment Period information](#)
- [Medicare Open Enrollment Period outreach & media materials](#)

Health literacy

- [Toolkit for health literacy outreach](#)

Evergreen Landing Page

- On the landing page, you'll find the answers to general questions about Medicare open enrollment

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Medicare Open Enrollment

When's the Medicare Open Enrollment Period?

Every year, Medicare's open enrollment period is **October 15 - December 7**.

What's the Medicare Open Enrollment Period?

Medicare health and drug plans can make changes each year—things like cost, coverage, and what providers and pharmacies are in their networks. October 15 to December 7 is when all people with Medicare can change their Medicare health plans and prescription drug coverage for the following year to better meet their needs.

How do people know if they need to change plans?

People in a Medicare health or prescription drug plan should always review the materials their plans send them, like the "Evidence of Coverage" (EOC) and "Annual Notice of Change" (ANOC). If their plans are changing, they should make sure their plans will still meet their needs for the following year. If they're satisfied that their current plans will meet their needs for next year and it's still being offered, they don't need to do anything.

When can people get information about next year's Medicare plans?

Information for next year's plans will be available beginning in October.

Where can people find Medicare plan information or compare plans?

1-800-MEDICARE or [Medicare.gov](https://www.medicare.gov).

Where can CMS partners find information to help people with Medicare with open enrollment?

We have [outreach and media materials](#) for English-speaking and other audiences that can help you to help others with Medicare open enrollment.

Outreach & Media Materials Page

- On the Outreach & Media Materials page, you'll find general market and Spanish outreach materials and drop-in articles, as well as videos to share with beneficiaries.

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Medicare Open Enrollment Period Outreach & Media Materials

General market outreach materials

- [2015 Medicare Open Enrollment Toolkit](#)
- [Have you done your yearly Medicare Plan review? \(publication # 11220\)](#)
- [Things to Think About When You Compare Medicare Prescription Drug Plans \(publication # 11163\)](#)
- [Understanding Medicare Part C & D Enrollment Periods \(publication # 11219\)](#)
- [Fact Sheets: 2016 MA Part D Landscape - State-by-State](#) [PDF, 583KB]
- [2016 MA and PDP landscape source files](#)

Drop-in articles

- [2016 Medicare Open Enrollment - Beneficiary](#) [PDF, 136KB]
- [2016 Medicare Open Enrollment - Provider](#) [PDF, 136KB]
- [2016 Medicare Open Enrollment - Extra Help](#) [PDF, 217KB]

Videos to share with beneficiaries

- [CMS Plan Finder – Jane’s Reflection \(Short\)](#)
- [CMS Plan Finder – Jane’s Reflection \(Extended\)](#)
- [Medicare & You - Medicare Open Enrollment](#)
- [Medicare & You - Understanding Medicare Enrollment](#)
- [Medicare & You - Understanding Your Medicare Choices](#)
- [Medicare & You - Deciding to Sign Up for Medicare Part B](#)
- [Medicare & You - Different Parts of Medicare](#)
- [Medicare & You - Preventing Medicare Fraud](#)
- [Look Out for Enrollment Fraud](#)

Spanish language outreach materials

- [Have you done your yearly Medicare Plan review? \(publication # 11220-S\)](#)
- [Things to Think About When You Compare Medicare Prescription Drug Plans \(publication # 11163-S\)](#)
- [Understanding Medicare Part C & D Enrollment Periods \(publication # 11219-S\)](#)

Spanish drop-in articles

- [2016 Medicare Open Enrollment - Beneficiary](#) [PDF, 45KB]
- [2016 Medicare Open Enrollment - Provider](#) [PDF, 45KB]
- [2016 Medicare Open Enrollment - Extra Help](#) [PDF, 39KB]

Videos for those helping Spanish speaking beneficiaries

- [Promotores de Salud: Cómo Ayudar a las personas con Medicare en el Período de Inscripción Abierta](#)
- [Promotores de Salud: How to Help People with Medicare During the Open Enrollment Period](#)

**Please let us know if you have
any questions.**