

How to use the Online Medicare Drug Plan Finder for Part D



To Start, go to www.Medicare.Gov

- Under *Health and Drug Plans* drop down (top right of screen) click *Find Health and Drug plans*.
 - It is highly recommended that you set up your account on *My Medicare.gov*. You can do a general search by clicking the *Continue Without Logging in* button however, if you are logged into your account you can save your search results.

Under *What type of coverage* select *Drug Plan (Part D)*, enter your zip code, and select your county.

Select *Yes* you would like to see drug costs and enter the drugs that you take/Formulary. You will enter dosage (usually per 30 days), along with *Tablet, Capsule, or Extended Release (ER)*. When drugs have all been added click *Done Adding Drugs*.


Enter up to 5 pharmacies from the list below or typing the pharmacy name. When finished select *done* in the lower right hand corner. Increase distance to see more options.

- Selecting a pharmacy is helpful when comparing plans later. Some pharmacies may have different prices depending on preferred vs not preferred.

Plans are sorted *lowest drug + Premium costs*. This is an estimate to what you may pay out of pocket based on the drugs that you provided. Select *Plan Details* to get more information about how much each drug will cost each month.

- The lowest premium plan is not always the most cost effective so it's good to compare a few plans and different drug costs.

You can enroll directly online using the *Enroll Now* button or call the carrier at the number listed. If you already have a plan, the new plan will contact your previous carrier to disenroll you.

 **IT IS IMPORTANT** to read the *Annual Change of Benefits Summary Notice* that you get in the mail in *September* every year from your current carrier. This will inform you of changes and price increases to your *Monthly Premiums*. Do a plan finder every year to make sure you are on the best, most affordable plan. You can make changes to your drug plan between *October 15th - December 7th*, effective *January 1st*.

For more questions reach out to your local
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