## SummaCare Medicare Emerald (HMO-POS) offered by SummaCare

## **Annual Notice of Changes for 2025**

You are currently enrolled as a member of SummaCare Medicare Emerald. Next year, there will be changes to the plan's costs and benefits. *Please see page 5 for a Summary of Important Costs, including Premium.* 

This document tells about the changes to your plan. To get more information about costs, benefits, or rules please review the *Evidence of Coverage*, which is located on our website at <a href="https://www.summacare.com/eoc">www.summacare.com/eoc</a>. You may also call SummaCare Medicare Member Services to ask us to mail you an *Evidence of Coverage*.

• You have from October 15 until December 7 to make changes to your Medicare coverage for next year.

#### What to do now

1.	ASK: Which changes apply to you
	Check the changes to our benefits and costs to see if they affect you.
	• Review the changes to medical care costs (doctor, hospital).
	• Review the changes to our drug coverage, including coverage restrictions and cost sharing.
	• Think about how much you will spend on premiums, deductibles, and cost sharing.
	<ul> <li>Check the changes in the 2025 "Drug List" to make sure the drugs you currently take are still covered.</li> <li>Compare the 2024 and 2025 plan information to see if any of these drugs are moving to a different cost-sharing tier or will be subject to different restrictions, such as prior authorization, step therapy, or a quantity limit, for 2025.</li> </ul>
	Check to see if your primary care doctors, specialists, hospitals, and other providers, including pharmacies, will be in our network next year.
	Check if you qualify for help paying for prescription drugs. People with limited incomes may qualify for "Extra Help" from Medicare.
	Think about whether you are happy with our plan.

#### **2. COMPARE:** Learn about other plan choices

	Check coverage and costs of plans in your area. Use the Medicare Plan Finder at the
	www.medicare.gov/plan-compare website or review the list in the back of your
	Medicare & You 2025 handbook. For additional support, contact your State Health
	Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) to speak with a trained counselor.
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- 3. CHOOSE: Decide whether you want to change your plan
  - If you don't join another plan by December 7, 2024, you will stay in SummaCare Medicare Emerald.
  - To change to a **different plan**, you can switch plans between October 15 and December 7. Your new coverage will start on **January 1**, **2025**. This will end your enrollment with SummaCare Medicare Emerald.
  - If you recently moved into or currently live in an institution (like a skilled nursing facility or long-term care hospital), you can switch plans or switch to Original Medicare (either with or without a separate Medicare prescription drug plan) at any time. If you recently moved out of an institution, you have an opportunity to switch plans or switch to Original Medicare for two full months after the month you move out.

#### **Additional Resources**

the plan's website.

- Please contact our SummaCare Medicare Member Services number at 330.996.8885 or toll-free 800.996.6250 for additional information. (TTY users should call 711.) From April 1 through September 30, a representative will be available to take your call from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. From October 1 through March 31, a representative will be available to take your call from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m., seven days a week. This call is free.
- Call SummaCare Medicare Member Services to request this booklet in an alternate format such as large print or another language.
- Coverage under this plan qualifies as Qualifying Health Coverage (QHC) and satisfies the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act's (ACA) individual shared responsibility requirement. Please visit the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) website at <a href="https://www.irs.gov/Affordable-Care-Act/Individuals-and-Families">www.irs.gov/Affordable-Care-Act/Individuals-and-Families</a> for more information.

#### About SummaCare Medicare Emerald

- SummaCare Medicare Emerald is an HMO-POS plan with a Medicare contract. Enrollment in SummaCare Medicare Emerald depends on contract renewal.
- When this document says "we," "us," or "our," it means SummaCare. When it says "plan" or "our plan," it means SummaCare Medicare Emerald.

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## **Summary of Important Costs for 2025**

The table below compares the 2024 costs and 2025 costs for SummaCare Medicare Emerald in several important areas. **Please note this is only a summary of costs.** 

Cost	2024 (this year)	2025 (next year)
Monthly plan premium*  * Your premium may be higher than this amount. See Section 1.1 for details.	\$169	\$152
Maximum out-of-pocket amount  This is the most you will pay out of pocket for your covered Part A and Part B services.  (See Section 1.2 for details.)	\$3,400	\$2,800
Doctor office visits	Primary care visits: \$0 per visit  Specialist visits: \$0 per visit	Primary care visits: \$0 per visit  Specialist visits: \$0 per visit
Inpatient hospital stays	\$205 copay per day for days 1-5 per hospital stay	\$205 copay per day for days 1-5 per hospital stay
Part D prescription drug coverage (See Section 1.5 for details.)	Deductible: \$0  Copays during the Initial Coverage Stage:  Drug Tier 1: \$0 copay  Drug Tier 2: \$8 copay  Drug Tier 3: \$39 copay. You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.	Deductible: \$0.  Copays during the Initial Coverage Stage:  Drug Tier 1: \$0 copay  Drug Tier 2: \$0 copay  Drug Tier 3: \$39 copay. You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.

Cost	2024 (this year)	2025 (next year)
	• Drug Tier 4: \$95 copay. You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.	• Drug Tier 4: \$95 copay. You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.
	• Drug Tier 5: 33% of the cost of the drug. You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.	• Drug Tier 5: 33% of the cost of the drug. You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.
	• Drug Tier 6: \$0 copay	• Drug Tier 6: \$0 copay
	Catastrophic Coverage:	Catastrophic Coverage:
	<ul> <li>During this payment stage, the plan pays the full cost for your covered Part D drugs.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>During this payment stage, you pay nothing for your covered Part D drugs.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>You may have cost sharing for drugs that are covered under our enhanced benefit.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>You may have cost sharing for drugs that are covered under our enhanced benefit.</li> </ul>

## **SECTION 1 Changes to Benefits and Costs for Next Year**

## **Section 1.1 – Changes to the Monthly Premium**

Cost	2024 (this year)	2025 (next year)
Monthly premium  (You must also continue to pay your Medicare Part B premium.)	\$169	\$152
Monthly premium for optional supplemental dental coverage through Delta Dental	\$35	\$37

- Your monthly plan premium will be *more* if you are required to pay a lifetime Part D late enrollment penalty for going without other drug coverage that is at least as good as Medicare drug coverage (also referred to as creditable coverage) for 63 days or more.
- If you have a higher income, you may have to pay an additional amount each month directly to the government for your Medicare prescription drug coverage.
- Your monthly premium will be *less* if you are receiving "Extra Help" with your prescription drug costs. Please see Section 7 regarding "Extra Help" from Medicare.

## Section 1.2 – Changes to Your Maximum Out-of-Pocket Amount

Medicare requires all health plans to limit how much you pay out of pocket for the year. This limit is called the maximum out-of-pocket amount. Once you reach this amount, you generally pay nothing for covered Part A and Part B services for the rest of the year.

Cost	2024 (this year)	2025 (next year)
Maximum out-of-pocket amount	\$3,400	\$2,800
Your costs for covered medical services (such as copays) count toward your maximum out-of-pocket amount. Your plan premium and your costs for prescription drugs do not count toward your maximum out-of-pocket amount.		Once you have paid \$2,800 out of pocket for covered Part A and Part B services, you will pay nothing for your covered Part A and Part B services for the rest of the calendar year.

## Section 1.3 – Changes to the Provider and Pharmacy Networks

Amounts you pay for your prescription drugs may depend on which pharmacy you use. Medicare drug plans have a network of pharmacies. In most cases, your prescriptions are covered *only* if they are filled at one of our network pharmacies.

Updated directories are located on our website at <a href="www.summacare.com/providerdirectory">www.summacare.com/providerdirectory</a>. You may also call SummaCare Medicare Member Services for updated provider and/or pharmacy information or to ask us to mail you a directory, which we will mail within three business days.

There are changes to our network of providers and pharmacies for next year. Please review the 2025 *Provider Directory* (www.summacare.com/providerdirectory) to see if your providers (primary care provider, specialists, hospitals, etc.) and pharmacies are in our network.

It is important that you know that we may make changes to the hospitals, doctors and specialists (providers), and pharmacies that are part of your plan during the year. If a mid-year change in our providers affects you, please contact SummaCare Medicare Member Services so we may assist.

## Section 1.4 – Changes to Benefits and Costs for Medical Services

We are making changes to costs and benefits for certain medical services next year. The information below describes these changes.

Cost	2024 (this year)	2025 (next year)
Help with Certain Diagnosed Conditions: Home Safety Devices	In-Network: If you have had within the last 12 months any of the following: hip replacement, knee replacement or femur fractures; or a diagnosis of falls, as documented by a provider, you are eligible for home safety devices.  Out-of-Network: Home safety devices are not covered under your Point of Service benefit.	In-Network: You do not need a provider-documented diagnosis to be eligible for home safety devices.  Out-of-Network: Home safety devices are not covered under your Point of Service benefit.
Medicare Part B prescription drugs	In- and Out-of-Network: Part B prescription drugs are not subject to Step Therapy	In- and Out-of-Network: Part B prescription drugs may be subject to Step Therapy requirements.

Cost	2024 (this year)	2025 (next year)
Outpatient hospital services	In-Network: For lab services, you pay a \$0 copay for bloodwork processed at a physician's office and a \$4 copay for bloodwork processed at an independent lab.  Out-of-Network: For lab services, you pay 30% of the cost.	In-Network: For lab services, you pay a \$0 copay for bloodwork processed either at a physician's office or an independent lab.  Out-of-Network: For lab services, you pay 30% of the cost.
Worldwide assistance program	\$0 copay for emergency travel assistance services provided through Assist America.	Emergency travel assistance services provided through Assist America are not covered.

### Section 1.5 – Changes to Part D Prescription Drug Coverage

#### **Changes to Our Drug List**

Our list of covered drugs is called a Formulary or Drug List. A copy of our Drug List is provided electronically. **You can get the** *complete* **Drug List** by calling SummaCare Medicare Member Services (see the back cover) or visiting our website (<a href="www.summacare.com/find-your-drug">www.summacare.com/find-your-drug</a>).

We made changes to our "Drug List," which could include removing or adding drugs, changing the restrictions that apply to our coverage for certain drugs, or moving them to a different cost-sharing tier. Review the Drug List to make sure your drugs will be covered next year and to see if there will be any restrictions, or if your drug has been moved to a different cost-sharing tier.

Most of the changes in the Drug List are new for the beginning of each year. However, we might make other changes that are allowed by Medicare rules that will affect you during the plan year. We update our online Drug List at least monthly to provide the most up-to-date list of drugs. If we make a change that will affect your access to a drug you are taking, we will send you a notice about the change.

If you are affected by a change in drug coverage at the beginning of the year or during the year, please review Chapter 9 of your *Evidence of Coverage* and talk to your doctor to find out your options, such as asking for a temporary supply, applying for an exception, and/or working to find a new drug. You can also contact SummaCare Medicare Member Services for more information.

We currently can immediately remove a brand name drug on our Drug List if we replace it with a new generic drug version on the same or a lower cost-sharing tier and with the same or fewer

restrictions as the brand name drug it replaces. Also, when adding a new generic, we may also decide to keep the brand name drug on our Drug List, but immediately move it to a different cost-sharing tier or add new restrictions or both.

Starting in 2025, we can immediately replace original biological products with certain biosimilars. This means, for instance, if you are taking an original biological product that is being replaced by a biosimilar, you may not get notice of the change 30 days before we make it or get a month's supply of your original biological product at a network pharmacy. If you are taking the original biological product at the time we make the change, you will still get information on the specific change we made, but it may arrive after we make the change.

Some of these drug types may be new to you. For definitions of drug types, please see Chapter 12 of your *Evidence of Coverage*. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) also provides consumer information on drugs. See FDA website: <a href="https://www.fda.gov/drugs/biosimilars/multimedia-education-materials-biosimilars#For%20Patients">https://www.fda.gov/drugs/biosimilars/multimedia-education-materials-biosimilars#For%20Patients</a>. You may also contact SummaCare Medicare Member Services or ask your health care provider, prescriber, or pharmacist for more information.

#### **Changes to Prescription Drug Benefits and Costs**

**Note:** If you are in a program that helps pay for your drugs ("Extra Help"), **the information about costs for Part D prescription drugs may not apply to you**. We sent you a separate insert, called the *Evidence of Coverage Rider for People Who Get "Extra Help" Paying for Prescription Drugs* (also called the *Low-Income Subsidy Rider* or the *LIS Rider*), which tells you about your drug costs. If you receive "Extra Help" and you haven't received this insert by September 30, 2024, please call SummaCare Medicare Member Services and ask for the *LIS Rider*.

Beginning in 2025, there are three **drug payment stages:** the Yearly Deductible Stage, the Initial Coverage Stage, and the Catastrophic Coverage Stage. The Coverage Gap Stage and the Coverage Gap Discount Program will no longer exist in the Part D benefit.

The Coverage Gap Discount Program will also be replaced by the Manufacturer Discount Program. Under the Manufacturer Discount Program, drug manufacturers pay a portion of the plan's full cost for covered Part D brand name drugs and biologics during the Initial Coverage Stage and the Catastrophic Coverage Stage. Discounts paid by manufacturers under the Manufacturer Discount Program do not count toward out-of-pocket costs.

#### **Changes to the Deductible Stage**

Stage	2024 (this year)	2025 (next year)
Stage 1: Yearly Deductible Stage	Because we have no deductible, this payment stage does not apply to you.	Because we have no deductible, this payment stage does not apply to you.

### **Changes to Your Cost Sharing in the Initial Coverage Stage**

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Stage	2024 (this year)	2025 (next year)
Stage 2: Initial Coverage Stage  During this stage, the plan pays its share of the cost of your drugs, and you pay your share of the cost.  The costs in this chart are for a one-month (30-day) supply when you fill your prescription at a network pharmacy that provides standard cost sharing.  For information about the costs for a long-term supply; or at a network pharmacy that offers preferred cost sharing, look in Chapter 6, Section 5 of your Evidence of Coverage.  We changed the tier for some of the drugs on our "Drug List." To see if your drugs will be in a different tier, look them up on the "Drug List."  Most adult Part D vaccines are covered at no cost to you.	Your cost for a one-month supply filled at a network pharmacy with standard cost sharing:  (Tier 1) Preferred Generic Drugs: You pay \$0 per prescription (Tier 2) Generic Drugs: You pay \$8 per prescription (Tier 3) Preferred Brand Name Drugs: You pay \$39 per prescription. You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.  (Tier 4) Non-Preferred Drugs: You pay \$95 per prescription. You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.  (Tier 5) Specialty Drugs: You pay 33% of the total cost. You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.  (Tier 5) Specialty Drugs: You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.  (Tier 6) Select Care Drugs (includes Vaccines): You pay \$0 per prescription	Your cost for a one-month supply filled at a network pharmacy with standard cost sharing:  (Tier 1) Preferred Generic Drugs: You pay \$0 per prescription (Tier 2) Generic Drugs: You pay \$0 per prescription (Tier 3) Preferred Brand Name Drugs: You pay \$39 per prescription. You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.  (Tier 4) Non-Preferred Drugs: You pay \$95 per prescription. You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.  (Tier 5) Specialty Drugs: You pay 33% of the total cost. You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.  (Tier 5) Specialty Drugs: You pay 33% of the total cost. You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.  (Tier 6) Select Care Drugs (includes Vaccines): You pay \$0 per prescription
	Once your total drug costs have reached \$5,030, you will move to the next stage (the Coverage Gap Stage).	Once you have paid \$2,000 out of pocket for Part D drugs, you will move to the next stage (the Catastrophic

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#### **Changes to the Catastrophic Coverage Stage**

The Catastrophic Coverage Stage is the third and final stage. Beginning in 2025, drug manufacturers pay a portion of the plan's full cost for covered Part D brand name drugs and biologics during the Catastrophic Coverage Stage. Discounts paid by manufacturers under the Manufacturer Discount Program do not count toward out-of-pocket costs.

If you reach the Catastrophic Coverage Stage, you pay nothing for your covered Part D drugs. You may have cost sharing for excluded drugs that are covered under our enhanced benefit.

For specific information about your costs in the Catastrophic Coverage Stage, look at Chapter 6, Section 6 in your *Evidence of Coverage*.

## **SECTION 2 Administrative Changes**

Description	2024 (this year)	2025 (next year)
Medicare Prescription Payment Plan	Not applicable	The Medicare Prescription Payment Plan is a new payment option that works with your current drug coverage, and it can help you manage your drug costs by spreading them across monthly payments that vary throughout the year (January – December). To learn more about this payment option, please contact us at 330.996.8885 or toll-free 800.996.6250 or visit Medicare.gov.
Over-the-Counter (OTC) items (Supplemental)	The sales tax on a mail order purchase is not deducted from your quarterly OTC allowance.	The sales tax on a mail order purchase will be deducted from your quarterly OTC allowance.

## **SECTION 3 Deciding Which Plan to Choose**

## Section 3.1 - If you want to stay in SummaCare Medicare Emerald

**To stay in our plan, you don't need to do anything.** If you do not sign up for a different plan or change to Original Medicare by December 7, you will automatically be enrolled in our SummaCare Medicare Emerald.

### Section 3.2 – If you want to change plans

We hope to keep you as a member next year but if you want to change plans for 2025 follow these steps:

#### Step 1: Learn about and compare your choices

- You can join a different Medicare health plan,
- - OR You can change to Original Medicare. If you change to Original Medicare, you will need to decide whether to join a Medicare drug plan. If you do not enroll in a Medicare drug plan, please see Section 2.1 regarding a potential Part D late enrollment penalty.

To learn more about Original Medicare and the different types of Medicare plans, use the Medicare Plan Finder (<a href="www.medicare.gov/plan-compare">www.medicare.gov/plan-compare</a>), read the *Medicare & You 2025* handbook, call your State Health Insurance Assistance Program (see Section 5), or call Medicare (see Section 7.2).

As a reminder, SummaCare offers other Medicare health plans. These other plans may differ in coverage, monthly premiums, and cost-sharing amounts.

#### **Step 2: Change your coverage**

- To **change to a different Medicare health plan**, enroll in the new plan. You will automatically be disenrolled from SummaCare Medicare Emerald.
- To **change to Original Medicare with a prescription drug plan**, enroll in the new drug plan. You will automatically be disenrolled from SummaCare Medicare Emerald.
- To change to Original Medicare without a prescription drug plan, you must either:
  - o Send us a written request to disenroll. Contact SummaCare Medicare Member Services if you need more information on how to do so.
  - o OR Contact **Medicare** at 800.MEDICARE (800.633.4227), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and ask to be disenrolled. TTY users should call 877.486.2048.

## **SECTION 4 Deadline for Changing Plans**

If you want to change to a different plan or to Original Medicare for next year, you can do it from **October 15 until December 7**. The change will take effect on January 1, 2025.

#### Are there other times of the year to make a change?

In certain situations, changes are also allowed at other times of the year. Examples include people with Medicaid, those who get "Extra Help" paying for their drugs, those who have or are leaving employer coverage, and those who move out of the service area.

If you enrolled in a Medicare Advantage plan for January 1, 2025, and don't like your plan choice, you can switch to another Medicare health plan (either with or without Medicare prescription drug coverage) or switch to Original Medicare (either with or without Medicare prescription drug coverage) between January 1 and March 31, 2025.

If you recently moved into or currently live in an institution (like a skilled nursing facility or long-term care hospital), you can change your Medicare coverage **at any time**. You can change to any other Medicare health plan (either with or without Medicare prescription drug coverage) or switch to Original Medicare (either with or without a separate Medicare prescription drug plan) at any time. If you recently moved out of an institution, you have an opportunity to switch plans or switch to Original Medicare for two full months after the month you move out.

## **SECTION 5 Programs That Offer Free Counseling about Medicare**

The State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) is an independent government program with trained counselors in every state. In Ohio, the SHIP is called Ohio Senior Health Insurance Information Program (OHSIIP).

It is a state program that gets money from the Federal government to give **free** local health insurance counseling to people with Medicare. OHSIIP counselors can help you with your Medicare questions or problems. They can help you understand your Medicare plan choices and answer questions about switching plans. You can call OHSIIP at 800.686.1578. You can learn more about OHSIIP by visiting their website (www.insurance.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/odi/about-us/divisions/oshiip).

## **SECTION 6 Programs That Help Pay for Prescription Drugs**

You may qualify for help paying for prescription drugs. Below we list different kinds of help:

- "Extra Help" from Medicare. People with limited incomes may qualify for "Extra Help" to pay for their prescription drug costs. If you qualify, Medicare could pay up to 75% or more of your drug costs including monthly prescription drug premiums, yearly deductibles, and coinsurance. Additionally, those who qualify will not have a late enrollment penalty. To see if you qualify, call:
  - o 800.MEDICARE (800.633.4227). TTY users should call 877.486.2048, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week;
  - o The Social Security Office at 800.772.1213 between 8 am and 7 pm, Monday through Friday for a representative. Automated messages are available 24 hours a day. TTY users should call 800.325.0778; or
  - Your State Medicaid Office.
- Prescription Cost-sharing Assistance for Persons with HIV/AIDS. The AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) helps ensure that ADAP-eligible individuals living with HIV/AIDS have access to life-saving HIV medications. Individuals must meet certain criteria, including proof of State residence and HIV status, low income as defined by the State, and uninsured/under-insured status. Medicare Part D prescription drugs that are also covered by ADAP qualify for prescription cost-sharing assistance through the Ohio AIDS Drug Assistance Program at 800.777.4775. For information on eligibility criteria, covered drugs, how to enroll in the program or, if you are currently enrolled, how to continue receiving assistance, call Ohio AIDS Drug Assistance Program at 800.777.4775. Be sure, when calling, to inform them of your Medicare Part D plan name or policy number.
- The Medicare Prescription Payment Plan. The Medicare Prescription Payment Plan is a new payment option to help you manage your out-of-pocket drug costs, starting in 2025. This new payment option works with your current drug coverage, and it can help you manage your drug costs by spreading them across monthly payments that vary throughout the year (January December). This payment option might help you manage your expenses, but it doesn't save you money or lower your drug costs.

"Extra Help" from Medicare and help from your SPAP and ADAP, for those who qualify, is more advantageous than participation in the Medicare Prescription Payment Plan. All members are eligible to participate in this payment option, regardless of income level, and all Medicare drug plans and Medicare health plans with drug coverage must

offer this payment option. To learn more about this payment option, please contact us at 330.996.8885 or toll-free 800.996.6250 or visit Medicare.gov.

#### **SECTION 7 Questions?**

### Section 7.1 – Getting Help from SummaCare Medicare Emerald

Questions? We're here to help. Please call SummaCare Medicare Member Services at 330.996.8885 or toll-free 800.996.6250 for additional information. (TTY users should call 711.) From April 1 through September 30, a representative will be available to take your call from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. From October 1 through March 31, a representative will be available to take your call from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m., seven days a week. Calls to these numbers are free.

## Read your 2025 Evidence of Coverage (it has details about next year's benefits and costs)

This *Annual Notice of Changes* gives you a summary of changes in your benefits and costs for 2025. For details, look in the *2025 Evidence of Coverage* for SummaCare Medicare Emerald. The *Evidence of Coverage* is the legal, detailed description of your plan benefits. It explains your rights and the rules you need to follow to get covered services and prescription drugs. A copy of the *Evidence of Coverage* is located on our website at <a href="www.summacare.com/eoc">www.summacare.com/eoc</a>. You may also call SummaCare Medicare Member Services to ask us to mail you an *Evidence of Coverage*.

#### **Visit our Website**

You can also visit our website at <a href="www.summacare.com/medicare-members">www.summacare.com/medicare-members</a>. As a reminder, our website has the most up-to-date information about our provider network (*Provider Directory*) and our *List of Covered Drugs* (*Formulary/Drug List*).

## **Section 7.2 – Getting Help from Medicare**

To get information directly from Medicare:

#### Call 800.MEDICARE (800.633.4227)

You can call 800.MEDICARE (800.633.4227), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. TTY users should call 877.486.2048.

#### **Visit the Medicare Website**

Visit the Medicare website (<u>www.medicare.gov</u>). It has information about cost, coverage, and quality Star Ratings to help you compare Medicare health plans in your area. To view the information about plans, go to <u>www.medicare.gov/plan-compare</u>.

#### Read Medicare & You 2025

Read the *Medicare & You 2025* handbook. Every fall, this document is mailed to people with Medicare. It has a summary of Medicare benefits, rights and protections, and answers to the most frequently asked questions about Medicare. If you don't have a copy of this document, you can get it at the Medicare website (<a href="https://www.medicare.gov/Pubs/pdf/10050-medicare-and-you.pdf">https://www.medicare.gov/Pubs/pdf/10050-medicare-and-you.pdf</a>) or by calling 800.MEDICARE (800.633.4227), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. TTY users should call 877.486.2048.