

Northeastern New York

Freedom Basic (PPO)

Summary of Benefits

January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023

The service area for these plans includes the following counties:

Albany, Columbia, Fulton, Greene, Montgomery, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Schenectady, Warren, Washington

To enroll in the following plans, you need to be entitled to Medicare Part A, enrolled in Medicare Part B, and live in one of the above listed counties.

To contact us about Freedom Basic (PPO), call 1-855-856-8348 (TTY users call 711), October 1 – March 31, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., 7 days a week; April 1 – September 30, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., Monday – Friday or visit medicare.highmark.com.

This section is a summary of benefits. It doesn't list every service, limitation, or special circumstance. If you want the whole kit and caboodle — the full Evidence of Coverage — call the number on the plan page you're looking for.

How to Find a Provider or Pharmacy

Freedom Basic (PPO) has a network of doctors, hospitals, pharmacies, and other providers. If you use the providers that are not in our network, the plan may not pay for these services.

You can see our plan's provider and pharmacy directory at **medicare.highmark.com**. Or, call us and we'll send you a copy of the provider and pharmacy directories.

You can see the complete plan formulary (list of Part D prescription drugs) and any restrictions on our website, **medicare.highmark.com**. Or, call us and we'll send you a copy of the formulary.

More About Original Medicare

If you want to know more about the coverage and costs of Original Medicare, look in your current "Medicare & You" handbook. View it online at www.medicare.gov or get a copy by calling 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048.

Out-Of-Network Benefit

The Out-Of-Network (OON) benefit provides "out-of-network" coverage. You may see out-of-network providers as long as the services are covered benefits and medically necessary. You may pay more for services than you would if you used a "network provider."

	Freedom Basic (PPO)			
Premium	\$0.00			
Part B Premium Reduction	\$57.00			
Deductible	\$0			
Max Out-Of-Pocket	\$8,300 IN; \$12,450 combined IN and OON			
Inpatient Hospital Stay	Days 1 - 5: \$400 copay per day per admit & Days 6 - 90: \$0 copay per admit IN*; 50% coinsurance per admit OON \$2,000 OOP Max per year for IN			
Outpatient Hospital Coverage	ASC ¹ : \$425 copay IN*; 50% coinsurance OON Facility: \$475 copay IN*; 50% coinsurance OON			
Doctor Office Visit	PCP: \$15 copay IN; 50% coinsurance OON Specialist: \$46 copay IN; 50% coinsurance OON			
Preventive/Screening	Covered in Full (Office visit copay may apply) IN; 50% coinsurance OON			
Emergency Room	\$95 copay IN/OON			
Urgently Needed Services	\$60 copay IN/OON			
Lab & Diagnostic Tests	Office/Lab: \$10 copay IN*; \$10 copay OON Outpatient: \$10 copay IN*; \$10 copay OON Lab: \$10 copay; \$10 copay OON Diagnostic: IN: \$50 copay; 50% OON			
X-Rays / Advanced Imaging	X-ray: \$50 copay IN*; 50% coinsurance OON Advanced Imaging: \$200 copay IN*; 50% coinsurance OON			
Hearing Services	Medicare Covered: \$46 copay; 50% coinsurance OON Routine: Not Covered TruHearing Advanced: Not Covered TruHearing Premium: Not Covered			
Dental Services	Medicare Covered: \$46 copay IN; 50% coinsurance OON. Office Visit: \$20 copay IN; \$20 copay OON (1 per six months). Office visit includes a cleaning. X-Rays: \$20 copay IN; \$20 copay OON (1 per year). Comprehensive (for all other Class I and Class II Services): 50% coinsurance with a maximum \$1,000 allowance IN/OON (Per Year)			
Vision Services	Medicare Covered: \$46 copay IN; 50% coinsurance OON. Routine: \$25 copay IN; 20% coinsurance OON (1 Per Year). \$0 copay IN; 20% OON for eyeglasses or contact lenses after cataract surgery.			
Mental Health Services	Inpatient: Days 1 - 4: \$395 copay per day per admit & Days 5 - 90: \$0 copay per day per admit IN*; \$1,580 OOP Max per year for IN; 50% coinsurance per day per admit OON; Outpatient: \$40 copay IN*; 50% coinsurance OON			
Skilled Nursing	\$0 copay/day (days 1-20), \$196 copay/day (days 21-100) IN*; 50% coinsurance OON			
Physical Therapy	\$40 copay IN*; 50% coinsurance OON			
Ambulance (per one- way trip)	Emergent: \$305 copay			
Transportation	Not covered			
Part B Drugs ^{⁺†}	20% coinsurance IN*; 50% coinsurance OON			
OTC	Not Covered			
Routine Podiatry	\$46 copay IN; 50% coinsurance OON (3 visits per year)			
Durable Medical	20% coinsurance IN*; 50% coinsurance OON			
Equipment	\$0 copay for compression stockings (IN only)			
Fitness Benefit	Silver Sneakers covered in full IN; 50% coinsurance OON			
Formulary	Fundamental			

^{*}Indicates a service that requires prior authorization.

[†]Certain rebatable drugs may be subject to a lower coinsurance. After 7/1/2023, Insulin cost sharing is subject to a coinsurance cap of \$35 for a one-month's supply of insulin.

Deductible	\$350 on Tiers 3, 4 and 5					
		Tier	31 Day Supply	90 Day Supply		
	Preferred Retail	Tier 1 (Preferred Generic)	\$2 Copay	\$6 Copay		
		Tier 2 (Generic)	\$14 Copay	\$42 Copay		
	Cost-	Tier 3 (Preferred Insulin)	\$35 Copay	\$105 Copay		
	Sharing	Tier 3 (Preferred Brand)	\$42 Copay	\$126 Copay		
		Tier 4 (Insulin)	\$35 Copay	\$105 Copay		
		Tier 4 (Non-Preferred Drug)	\$94 Copay	\$282 Copay		
		Tier 5 (Specialty Tier)	27% of the cost	Not Applicable		
	Standard Retail Cost- Sharing	Tier	31 Day Supply	90 Day Supply		
		Tier 1 (Preferred Generic)	\$7 Copay	\$21 Copay		
		Tier 2 (Generic)	\$19 Copay	\$57 Copay		
		Tier 3 (Preferred Insulin)	\$35 Copay	\$105 Copay		
		Tier 3 (Preferred Brand)	\$47 Copay	\$141 Copay		
		Tier 4 (Insulin)	\$35 Copay	\$105 Copay		
		Tier 4 (Non-Preferred Drug)	\$100 Copay	\$300 Copay		
Initial		Tier 5 (Specialty Tier)	27% of the cost	Not Applicable		
Coverage		Tier	31 Day Supply	90 Day Supply		
	Preferred	Tier 1 (Preferred Generic)	\$2 Copay	\$0 Copay		
	Mail Cost- Sharing	Tier 2 (Generic)	\$14 Copay	\$35 Copay		
		Tier 3 (Preferred Insulin)	\$35 Copay	\$105 Copay		
		Tier 3 (Preferred Brand)	\$42 Copay	\$105 Copay		
		Tier 4 (Insulin)	\$35 Copay	\$105 Copay		
		Tier 4 (Non-Preferred Drug)	\$94 Copay	\$235 Copay		
		Tier 5 (Specialty Tier)	27% of the cost	Not Applicable		
	Standard Mail Cost-	Tier	31 Day Supply	90 Day Supply		
		Tier 1 (Preferred Generic)	\$7 Copay	\$17.50 Copay		
		Tier 2 (Generic)	\$19 Copay	\$47.50 Copay		
		Tier 3 (Preferred Insulin)	\$35 Copay	\$105 Copay		
	Sharing	Tier 3 (Preferred Brand)	\$47 Copay	\$117.50 Copay		
		Tier 4 (Insulin)	\$35 Copay	\$105 Copay		
		Tier 4 (Non-Preferred Drug)	\$100 Copay	\$250 Copay		
		Tier 5 (Specialty Tier)	27% of the cost	Not Applicable		
Coverage Ga	After you ente	The coverage gap begins after the yearly drug cost (including what our plan has paid and what you have paid) reaches After you enter the coverage gap, you pay 25% of the plan's cost for covered brand name drugs and 25% of the plan's covered generic drugs until your costs total \$7,400, which is the end of the coverage gap. Not everyone will enter the cogap.				
	Generics (25%	Generics (25% Coinsurance) Brand (25% Coinsurance including 70% discount)				



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Out-of-network/non-contracted providers are under no obligation to treat Freedom Basic (PPO) members, except in emergency situations. For a decision about whether we will cover an out-of-network service, we encourage you or your provider to ask us for a pre-service organization determination before you receive the service. Please call our customer service number or see your Evidence of Coverage for more information, including the cost sharing that applies to out-of-network services.

This information is not a complete description of benefits. Call 1-855-856-8348 (TTY users may call 711) for more information.

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