



Northeastern New York

Freedom Valor (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 Valor (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](https://www.medicare.highmark.com).

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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 Valor (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."

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Premium	\$0.00
Part B Premium Reduction	\$50.00
Deductible	\$0
Max Out-Of-Pocket	\$6,700 IN; \$10,000 combined IN and OON
Inpatient Hospital Stay	Days 1 - 7: \$290 copay per day per admit & Days 8 - 90: \$0 copay per admit IN*; 50% coinsurance per admit OON \$2,030 OOP Max per year for IN
Outpatient Hospital Coverage [†]	ASC ¹ : \$225 copay IN*; 50% coinsurance OON Facility: \$325 copay IN*; 50% coinsurance OON
Doctor Office Visit	PCP: \$0 copay IN; 50% coinsurance OON Specialist: \$35 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: \$0 copay IN*; 50% coinsurance OON Outpatient: \$0 copay IN*; 50% coinsurance OON Lab: \$0 copay; 50% coinsurance OON Diagnostic: IN: \$45 copay; 50% OON
X-Rays/ [†] Advanced Imaging	X-ray: \$45 copay IN*; 50% coinsurance OON Advanced Imaging: \$150 copay IN*; 50% coinsurance OON
Hearing Services	Medicare Covered: \$35 copay IN; 50% coinsurance OON. Routine: \$45 copay IN; \$45 copay OON (1 Per Year). (2 Aids Every Year IN/OON) TruHearing Advanced: \$699 copay; TruHearing Premium: \$999 copay
Dental Services	Medicare Covered: \$35 copay IN; 50% coinsurance OON. Office Visit: \$0 copay IN; \$0 copay OON (1 per six months). Office visit includes a cleaning. X-Rays: \$0 copay IN; \$0 copay OON (1 per year). Comprehensive (for all other Class I and Class II Services): 50% coinsurance with a maximum \$2,000 allowance IN/OON (Per Year)
Vision Services	Medicare Covered: \$35 copay IN; 50% coinsurance OON. Routine: \$25 copay IN; 20% coinsurance OON (1 Per Year). \$0 copay IN for eyeglasses or contact lenses after cataract surgery. \$100 annual eyewear allowance.
Mental Health Services [†]	Inpatient: Days 1 - 6: \$260 copay per day per admit & Days 7 - 90: \$0 copay per day per admit IN*; \$1,560 OOP Max per year for IN; 50% coinsurance per day per admit OON; Outpatient: \$40 copay IN*; 50% coinsurance OON
Skilled Nursing Facility	\$0 copay/day (days 1-20), \$196 copay/day (days 21-100) IN*; 50% coinsurance OON
Physical Therapy [†]	\$15 copay IN*; 50% coinsurance OON
Ambulance (per one-way trip)	Emergent: \$200 copay
Transportation	Not covered
Part B Drugs ^{††}	20% coinsurance IN*; 50% coinsurance OON
OTC	\$25 allowance once per quarter IN/OON
Routine Podiatry	\$35 copay IN; 50% coinsurance OON (3 visits per year)
Durable Medical Equipment [†]	20% coinsurance IN*; 50% coinsurance OON \$0 copay for compression stockings (IN only)
Fitness Benefit	Silver Sneakers covered in full IN; 50% coinsurance OON
Formulary	N/A

*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.



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Out-of-network/non-contracted providers are under no obligation to treat Freedom Valor (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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