

Apple Health Medicare Connect (D-SNP) Plan Benefit Packages

What are Medicare Advantage Plan Benefit Packages?

Medicare Advantage (MA) Plan Benefit Packages (PBP) are benefits specific to an MA plan or a stand-alone prescription drug plan. A PBP may be different depending on the plan's coverage and service area. [Contact the MA plan](#) with questions about their PBP.

What is a Medicare Advantage Plan

Medicare Advantage (MA) plans, also known as Medicare Part C, is a type of Medicare health plan offered by a private insurance company that is approved by and contracted with Medicare. Medicare Advantage Plans include Medicare Part A for in-patient hospital, Medicare Part B for out-patient medical, and usually includes Medicare Part D for prescription coverage. MA plans also offer extra benefits that Original Medicare (Part A and B) do not cover. MA Dual-Eligible Special Needs (D-SNP) plans are a subset of MA Part C plans specifically designed for dual-eligible individuals.

What does it mean if a client is dual-eligible?

Dual-eligible clients are eligible for both Medicare and Apple Health (Medicaid) coverage.

What are Apple Health Medicare Connect Medicare Advantage Dual-Eligible Special Needs Plans?

Dual-Eligible Special Needs Plans (D-SNP) are a specific type of MA plans designed specifically to better meet the physical, behavioral, and social needs of dual-eligible clients. In Washington State, D-SNPs are known as Apple Health Medicare Connect. The state has a contract D-SNPs to coordinate with the client's Apple Health (Medicaid) coverage. All Apple Health Medicare Connect plans include Medicare Parts A, B, and D coverage. care coordination in addition to supplemental benefits and other services not covered by original Medicare. Apple Health Medicare Connect MA D-SNPs are available in every county, view the [D-SNP Service Area Guide](#) to learn more.

What services are covered by Medicare versus Apple Health cover?

Medicare is Apple Health Medicare Connects client's primary coverage for their physical health needs. This includes Part A for in-patient hospital, Part B for outpatient provider services, and Part D is coverage for prescription drugs.

Apple Health (Medicaid) acts as a secondary insurance covering services not covered by Medicare including nursing home care, personal care, transportation to medical services, home and community-based services (HCBS), dental, vision, and hearing services.

Behavioral health services, including mental health and substance use disorder treatment services, are covered through Apple Health Behavioral Health Services Only (BHSO) coverage.

Where can I learn more about Apple Health Medicare Connect?

- [Client webpage](#)
- [Stakeholder and assister webpage](#)
 - View the [Understanding Medicaid and Medicare fact sheet](#) to learn more and view Medicare Savings Programs break downs for partial and full-benefit dual-eligible individuals.