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## Elderplan Flex (HMO-POS) offered by Elderplan, Inc.

### Annual Notice of Changes for 2024

You are currently enrolled as a member of Elderplan Flex (HMO). 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 [www.elderplan.org](http://www.elderplan.org). You may also call 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.**

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### 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 authorization requirements and costs.
  - Think about how much you will spend on premiums, deductibles, and cost sharing.

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- ❑ Check the changes in the 2024 “Drug List” to make sure the drugs you currently take are still covered.
  - ❑ Check to see if your primary care doctors, specialists, hospitals, and other providers, including pharmacies will be in our network next year.
  - ❑ 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 [www.medicare.gov/plan-compare](http://www.medicare.gov/plan-compare) website or review the list in the back of your *Medicare & You 2024* handbook.
- ❑ Once you narrow your choice to a preferred plan, confirm your costs and coverage on the plan’s website.

## 3. **CHOOSE:** Decide whether you want to change your plan

- If you don't join another plan by December 7, 2023, you will stay in Elderplan Flex (HMO-POS).
- To change to a **different plan**, you can switch plans between October 15 and December 7. Your new coverage will start on **January 1, 2024**. This will end your enrollment with Elderplan Flex (HMO-POS).
- If you recently moved into, currently live in, or just moved out of 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.

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## Additional Resources

- This document is available for free in Spanish and Chinese.
- Please contact our Member Services number at 1-800-353-3765 for additional information. (TTY users should call 711.) Hours are 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., 7 days a week. This call is free.
- This information is available in different formats, including braille and other alternate formats. Please call Member Services at the number listed above if you need plan information in another format or 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 [www.irs.gov/Affordable-Care-Act/Individuals-and-Families](http://www.irs.gov/Affordable-Care-Act/Individuals-and-Families) for more information.

## About Elderplan Flex (HMO-POS)

- Elderplan is an HMO plan with a Medicare contract. Enrollment in Elderplan depends on contract renewal. Anyone entitled to Medicare Parts A and B may apply. Enrolled members must continue to pay their Medicare Part B premium.
- When this document says “we,” “us”, or “our”, it means Elderplan, Inc. When it says “plan” or “our plan,” it means Elderplan Flex (HMO-POS).

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# Elderplan Flex (HMO-POS) Annual Notice of Changes for 2024

## Summary of Important Costs for 2024

The table below compares the 2023 costs and 2024 costs for Elderplan Flex (HMO-POS) in several important areas. **Please note this is only a summary of costs.**

<b>Cost</b>	<b>2023 (this year)</b>	<b>2024 (next year)</b>
<b>Monthly plan premium*</b> * Your premium may be higher than this amount. See Section 2.1 for details.	You do not pay a Part D Premium.	You do not pay a Part D Premium.  There is no change for 2024.
<b>Plan B Deductible</b>	There is no Part B Deductible.	There is no Part B Deductible.  There is no change for 2024.

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Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<p><b>Maximum out-of-pocket amount</b>            This is the <u>most</u> you will pay out-of-pocket for your in-network and out-of-network combined covered Part A and Part B services.            (See Section 2.2 for details.)</p>	<p><b>In-Network</b>             \$7,550</p>	<p><b>In-Network and Out-of-Network combined</b>             \$7,550</p>
<p><b>Doctor office visits</b></p>	<p><b>In-Network</b>             Primary care visits: You pay \$0 copayment per visit.</p>	<p><b>In-Network</b>             Primary care visits: You pay \$0 copayment per visit.             There is no change for 2024.</p>

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Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<b>Doctor office visits (continued)</b>	<p><b>In-Network</b></p> <p>Specialist visits: You pay \$35 copayment per visit.</p> <p><b>Out-of-Network</b></p> <p>Specialist visits are not covered.</p>	<p><b>In-Network and Out-of-Network</b></p> <p>Specialist visits: You pay \$35 copayment per visit.</p>



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Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<p><b>Inpatient hospital stays</b></p>	<p><b>In-Network:</b></p> <p>In 2023 the amounts for each benefit period are:</p> <p>Days 1-5: \$390 copayment each day.</p> <p>Days 6 and beyond: \$0 copayment each day.</p> <p>Authorization Required.</p>	<p><b>In-Network:</b></p> <p>In 2024 the amounts for each benefit period are:</p> <p>Days 1-5: \$390 copayment each day.</p> <p>Days 6 and beyond: \$0 copayment each day.</p> <p>Authorization Required.</p> <p>There is no change for 2024.</p>

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Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<p><b>Part D prescription drug coverage</b> (See Section 2.5 for details.)</p>	<p>Deductible: The Part D Deductible is \$375 for Tier 4: Non-Preferred Brand Drugs and Tier 5: Specialty Tier Drugs, except for covered insulin products and most adult Part D vaccines.</p> <p>During the Initial Coverage Stage:</p> <p><b>Standard Retail Cost Sharing (In-Network) *<math>\Omega</math></b></p> <p>Your cost for a one-month supply filled at a network pharmacy with standard cost sharing during the Initial Coverage Stage:</p>	<p>Deductible: The Part D Deductible is \$375 for Tier 4: Non-Preferred Brand Drugs and Tier 5: Specialty Tier Drugs, except for covered insulin products and most adult Part D vaccines.</p> <p>During the Initial Coverage Stage:</p> <p><b>Standard Retail Cost Sharing (In-Network) *<math>\Omega</math></b></p> <p>Your cost for a one-month supply filled at a network pharmacy with standard cost sharing during the Initial Coverage Stage:</p>

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Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<b>Part D prescription drug coverage (continued)</b>	<b>Tier 1: Preferred Generic Drugs –</b> You Pay \$4 copayment.	<b>Tier 1: Preferred Generic Drugs –</b> You Pay \$0 copayment.
	<b>Tier 2: Generic Drugs –</b> You Pay \$10 copayment.	<b>Tier 2: Generic Drugs –</b> You Pay \$10 copayment.
	<b>Tier 3: Preferred Brand Drugs –</b> You Pay \$47 copayment.	<b>Tier 3: Preferred Brand Drugs –</b> You Pay \$47 copayment.
	<b>Tier 4: Non-Preferred Drugs –</b> You Pay \$100 copayment.	<b>Tier 4: Non-Preferred Drugs –</b> You Pay \$100 copayment.
	<b>Tier 5: Specialty Tier Drugs –</b> You Pay 25% coinsurance.	<b>Tier 5: Specialty Tier Drugs –</b> You Pay 25% coinsurance.

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Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<p><b>Part D prescription drug coverage (continued)</b></p>	<p>Your cost for an extended supply (up to 90-days) †<sup>Ω</sup> filled at a network pharmacy with standard cost-sharing during the Initial Coverage Stage:</p> <p><b>Tier 1: Preferred Generic Drugs –</b>            Retail – You Pay \$12 copayment.            Mail Order – You Pay \$8 copayment.</p> <p><b>Tier 2: Generic Drugs –</b>            Retail – You Pay \$30 copayment.            Mail Order – You Pay \$20 copayment.</p>	<p>Your cost for an extended supply (up to 90-days) †<sup>Ω</sup> filled at a network pharmacy with standard cost-sharing during the Initial Coverage Stage:</p> <p><b>Tier 1: Preferred Generic Drugs –</b>            Retail – You Pay \$0 copayment.            Mail Order – You Pay \$0 copayment.</p> <p><b>Tier 2: Generic Drugs –</b>            Retail – You Pay \$30 copayment.            Mail Order – You Pay \$20 copayment.</p>

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Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<b>Part D prescription drug coverage (continued)</b>	<b>Tier 3: Preferred Brand Drugs –</b> Retail – You Pay \$141 copayment.	<b>Tier 3: Preferred Brand Drugs –</b> Retail – You Pay \$141 copayment.
	Mail Order – You Pay \$94 copayment.	Mail Order – You Pay \$94 copayment.
	<b>Tier 4: Non-Preferred Drugs –</b> Retail – You Pay \$300 copayment.	<b>Tier 4: Non-Preferred Drugs –</b> Retail – You Pay \$300 copayment.
	Mail Order – You Pay \$200 copayment.	Mail Order – You Pay \$200 copayment.
	<b>Tier 5: Specialty Tier Drugs –</b> Retail – You Pay 25% coinsurance.	<b>Tier 5: Specialty Tier Drugs –</b> Retail – You Pay 25% coinsurance.
	Mail Order – You Pay 25% coinsurance.	Mail Order – You Pay 25% coinsurance.

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Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<p><b>Part D prescription drug coverage (continued)</b></p>	<p>*60-Days supply is also available for Standard Retail.</p> <p>†NDS – Non-Extended Days Supply. Certain Specialty drugs will be limited up to a 30-day supply per fill.</p> <p>Ω – You will not pay more than \$35 for a one-month supply of each insulin product covered by our plan, no matter the cost-sharing for Part B and D drugs, even if you have not paid your deductible.</p>	<p>*60-Days supply is also available for Standard Retail.</p> <p>†NDS – Non-Extended Days Supply. Certain Specialty drugs will be limited up to a 30-day supply per fill.</p> <p>Ω – You will not pay more than \$35 for a one-month supply of each insulin product covered by our plan, no matter the cost-sharing for Part B and D drugs, even if you have not paid your deductible.</p>

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Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<p><b>Part D prescription drug coverage (continued)</b></p>	<p>Catastrophic Coverage:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• During this payment stage, the plan pays most of the cost for your covered drugs.</li> <li>• For each prescription, you pay whichever of these is larger: a coinsurance equal to 5% of the cost of the drug, or a copayment (\$4.15 for a generic drug or a drug that is treated like a generic, and \$10.35 for all other drugs).</li> </ul>	<p>Catastrophic Coverage:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• During this payment stage, the plan pays the full cost for your covered Part D drugs. You pay nothing.</li> </ul> <p>If you get “Extra Help” paying for your drugs, you may be eligible for reduced cost-sharing. Please refer to your “Low Income Subsidy (LIS) Rider.”</p>

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Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<b>Part D prescription drug coverage (continued)</b>	If you get “Extra Help” paying for your drugs, you may be eligible for reduced cost-sharing. Please refer to your “Low Income Subsidy (LIS) Rider.”	



**SECTION 1 We Are Changing the Plan's Name**

On January 1, 2024, our plan name will change from Elderplan Flex (HMO) to Elderplan Flex (HMO-POS).

We will mail you a new Elderplan member ID card. If you have questions, or if your Elderplan member ID card is damaged, lost, or stolen, call Member Services at 1-800-353-3765 (TTY users should call 711) right away and we will send you a new card.

You will see the new plan name reflected on future communications where the plan name is referenced.

**SECTION 2 Changes to Benefits and Costs for Next Year**

**Section 2.1 – Changes to the Monthly Premium**

<b>Cost</b>	<b>2023 (this year)</b>	<b>2024 (next year)</b>
<b>Monthly premium</b> (You must also continue to pay your Medicare Part B premium.)	You do not pay a Part D Premium.	You do not pay a Part D Premium.  There is no change for 2024.

- 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.

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## **Section 2.2 – Changes to Your Maximum Out-of-Pocket Amount**

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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.

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Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<p><b>Maximum out-of-pocket amount</b>            Your costs for covered medical services (such as copays) count toward your maximum out-of-pocket amount in-network and out-of-network combined.</p> <p>Your plan premium and your costs for prescription drugs do not count toward your in-network maximum out-of-pocket amount.</p>	<p><b>In-Network:</b>            \$7,550</p> <p>Once you have paid \$7,550 out-of-pocket for in network 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.</p>	<p><b>In-Network and Out-of-Network combined:</b>            \$7,550</p> <p>Once you have paid \$7,550 out-of-pocket for In-Network and Out-of-Network combined 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.</p>

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## Section 2.3 – Changes to the Provider and Pharmacy Networks

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Updated directories are located on our website at [www.elderplan.org](http://www.elderplan.org). You may also call 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 for next year. **Please review the 2024 Provider and Pharmacy Directory 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 Member Services so we may assist.

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## Section 2.4 – Changes to Benefits and Costs for Medical Services

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

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Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<p><b>Acupuncture Services (Non-Medicare Covered)</b></p>	<p><b>In-Network</b></p> <p>You pay no coinsurance or copayment per visit.</p> <p>You may receive up to 20 visits every year for Acupuncture services only.</p>	<p><b>In-Network</b></p> <p>You pay no coinsurance or copayment per visit.</p> <p>You may receive up to 20 visits every year for the following services:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Acupuncture</li> <li>● Cupping/Moxa</li> <li>● Acupressure</li> <li>● Tui Na</li> <li>● Gua Sha</li> <li>● Reflexology</li> <li>● Infrared Therapy</li> </ul>

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Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<p><b>Chiropractic Services</b></p>	<p><b>In-Network</b></p> <p>You pay \$20 copayment for Medicare-covered Chiropractic Services.</p>	<p><b>In-Network</b></p> <p>You pay \$15 copayment for Medicare-covered Chiropractic Services.</p>
<p><b>Dental services – Supplemental Preventive Dental Services</b></p>	<p><b>Supplemental Preventive Dental Services</b></p> <p><b>In-Network</b></p> <p>Coverage of Supplemental Preventive Dental Services is limited to selected service codes from the categories below.</p>	<p><b>Supplemental Preventive Dental Services</b></p> <p><b>In-Network and Out-of-Network combined</b></p> <p>Coverage of Supplemental Preventive Dental Services is limited to selected service codes from the categories below.</p>

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Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<p><b>Dental services – Supplemental Preventive Dental Services (continued)</b></p>	<p>You pay \$0 copayment for the following supplemental preventative dental services:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Oral Exams: 1 every 6 months</li> <li>• Cleanings (Prophylaxis): 1 every 6 months</li> <li>• Dental X-Rays: 1 every 12 months</li> <li>• Complete Series Dental X-Rays: 1 every 36 months</li> <li>• Panoramic &amp; Cephalometric Film: 1 every 12 months</li> </ul>	<p>You pay \$0 copayment for the following supplemental preventative dental services.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Oral Exams: 1 every 6 months</li> <li>• Cleanings (Prophylaxis): 1 every 6 months</li> <li>• Dental X-Rays: 1 every 12 months</li> <li>• Complete Series Dental X-Rays: 1 every 36 months</li> <li>• Panoramic &amp; Cephalometric Film: 1 every 12 months</li> </ul>

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Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<p><b>Dental services – Supplemental Preventive Dental Services (continued)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Oral/Facial Photographic images: 1 every 12 months</li> </ul> <p><b>Out-of-Network</b></p> <p>Supplemental Preventive Dental Services are not covered.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Oral/Facial Photographic images: 1 every 12 months</li> </ul> <p>For more information about which services are covered please contact Member Services.</p>
<p><b>Dental Services – Supplemental Comprehensive Dental Services</b></p>	<p><b>Supplemental Comprehensive Dental Services:</b></p> <p><b>In-Network</b></p> <p>You Pay: \$100 Deductible.</p>	<p><b>Supplemental Comprehensive Dental Services:</b></p> <p><b>In-Network and Out-of-Network Combined</b></p>



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Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<p><b>Dental Services – Supplemental Comprehensive Dental Services (Continued)</b></p>	<p>Once the in-network deductible is met, you pay \$0 copayment for Supplemental Comprehensive Dental Services up to the <b>\$1,500 annual maximum benefit.</b></p> <p>You pay all costs beyond benefit maximum. Benefit frequency may be limited per ADA guidelines to 1 service per tooth/per arch/per quadrant.</p>	<p>You pay \$0 copayment for Supplemental Comprehensive Dental Services up to the <b>\$1,500 annual maximum benefit.</b></p> <p>You pay all costs beyond benefit maximum. Benefit frequency may be limited per ADA guidelines to 1 service per tooth/per arch/per quadrant.</p>

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Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<b>Dental Services – Supplemental Comprehensive Dental Services (Continued)</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Restorative Services</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Selected Codes Only at \$0 copayment /1 every 6 months per tooth.</li> <li>• Selected Codes Only at \$0 copayment/1 every 24 months per tooth.</li> <li>• Selected codes at \$0 copayment/1 every 60 months per tooth.</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Restorative Services</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Selected Codes Only at \$0 copayment /1 every 6 months per tooth.</li> <li>• Selected Codes Only at \$0 copayment/1 every 24 months per tooth.</li> <li>• Selected codes at \$0 copayment/1 every 60 months per tooth.</li> </ul>

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Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<b>Dental Services – Supplemental Comprehensive Dental Services (Continued)</b>	<u>Endodontic Services</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Selected Codes Only \$0 copayment / 1 per lifetime, per tooth.</li> </ul>	<u>Endodontic Services</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Selected Codes Only \$0 copayment / 1 per lifetime, per tooth.</li> </ul>
	<u>Periodontics Services</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Selected Codes Only at \$0 copayment /1 every 36 months.</li> </ul>	<u>Periodontics Services</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Selected Codes Only at \$0 copayment /1 every 36 months.</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Selected Codes Only at \$0 copayment /1 every 36 months, per quadrant.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Selected Codes Only at \$0 copayment /1 every 36 months, per quadrant.</li> </ul>

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Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<p><b>Dental Services – Supplemental Comprehensive Dental Services (Continued)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Selected Codes Only at \$0 copayment /1 every 60 months, per quadrant.</li> </ul> <p><u>Maxillofacial Services</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Selected Codes Only at \$0 copayment.</li> <li>• Selected Codes Only at \$0 copayment /1 every 12 months.</li> <li>• Selected Codes Only at \$0 copayment /1 every 60 months.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Selected Codes Only at \$0 copayment /1 every 60 months, per quadrant.</li> </ul> <p><u>Maxillofacial Services</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Selected Codes Only at \$0 copayment.</li> <li>• Selected Codes Only at \$0 copayment /1 every 12 months.</li> <li>• Selected Codes Only at \$0 copayment /1 every 60 months.</li> </ul>

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Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<b>Dental Services – Supplemental Comprehensive Dental Services (Continued)</b>	<u>Prosthodontics Services</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Selected Codes Only at \$0 copayment, per unit.</li> <li>Selected Codes Only at \$0 copayment /1 every 60 months, per tooth.</li> </ul>	<u>Prosthodontics Services</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Selected Codes Only at \$0 copayment, per unit.</li> <li>Selected Codes Only at \$0 copayment /1 every 60 months, per tooth.</li> </ul>
	<u>Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Services</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Selected codes only at \$0 copayment.</li> <li>Selected codes only at \$0 copayment / 1 per lifetime, per tooth.</li> </ul>	<u>Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Services</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Selected codes only at \$0 copayment.</li> <li>Selected codes only at \$0 copayment / 1 per lifetime, per tooth.</li> </ul>

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<p><b>Dental Services – Supplemental Comprehensive Dental Services (Continued)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Selected codes only at \$0 copayment /1 every 12 months, per quadrant.</li> </ul> <p><u>Adjunctive General Services</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Selected codes only at \$0 copayment.</li> </ul> <p>For more information about which services are covered please contact Member Services.</p> <p><b>Out-of-Network</b></p> <p>Supplemental Comprehensive Dental Services are not covered.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Selected codes only at \$0 copayment /1 every 12 months, per quadrant.</li> </ul> <p><u>Adjunctive General Services</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Selected codes only at \$0 copayment.</li> </ul> <p>For more information about which services are covered please contact Member Services.</p>

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Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<b>Flex Card</b>	Flex Card <u>not</u> covered in 2023.	<p>There is no coinsurance or copayment for Flex Card.</p> <p>Flex Card benefit offers \$500 allowance to use in 2024 on out-of-pocket expenses for dental, vision, hearing, and/or fitness services.</p> <p>Any unused benefit dollars will expire at the end of the calendar year or if you disenroll from the plan.</p>

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Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<p><b>Outpatient Mental Health Care</b></p>	<p><b>In-Network</b></p> <p>You pay \$20 copayment for Medicare-covered Mental Health Specialty Services – Individual Sessions.</p> <p>You pay \$5 copayment for Medicare-covered Mental Health Specialty Services – Group Sessions.</p>	<p><b>In-Network and Out-of-Network</b></p> <p>You pay \$20 copayment for Medicare-covered Mental Health Specialty Services – Individual Sessions.</p> <p>You pay \$5 copayment for Medicare-covered Mental Health Specialty Services – Group Sessions.</p>



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Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<b>Outpatient Mental Health Care (continued)</b>	You pay \$25 copayment for Medicare-covered Psychiatric Services – Individual Sessions.	You pay \$25 copayment for Medicare-covered Psychiatric Services – Individual Sessions.
	You pay \$5 copayment for Medicare-covered Psychiatric Services – Group Sessions.	You pay \$5 copayment for Medicare-covered Psychiatric Services – Group Sessions.
	<p><b>Out-of-Network</b></p> <p>Outpatient mental health care is <u>not</u> covered.</p>	

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Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<p><b>Outpatient Rehabilitation Services</b></p>	<p><b>In-Network</b></p> <p>You pay \$35 copayment for Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, or Speech/Language Pathology services per visit.</p> <p>Authorization is required.</p> <p><b>Out-of-Network</b></p> <p>Outpatient rehabilitation services are <u>not</u> covered.</p>	<p><b>In-Network and Out-of-Network</b></p> <p>You pay \$35 copayment for Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, or Speech/Language Pathology services per visit.</p> <p>Authorization is required.</p>

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Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<p><b>Over the Counter (OTC)</b></p>	<p>You may purchase up to \$120 every quarter of eligible OTC items. The OTC card balance cannot be carried over to the next quarter.</p> <p>Your OTC benefit covers COVID 19 tests at select pharmacies and/or retailers.</p>	<p>You may purchase up to \$140 every quarter of eligible OTC items. The OTC card balance cannot be carried over to the next quarter.</p> <p>Your OTC benefit covers COVID 19 tests and Naloxone nasal spray at select pharmacies and/or retailers.</p>

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Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<b>Over the Counter (OTC) (continued)</b>	For eligible members the OTC benefits combines with Special Supplemental Benefits for the chronically Ill (SSBCI). See Special Supplemental Benefits for Chronically Ill section for additional details.	For eligible members the OTC benefits combines with Special Supplemental Benefits for the chronically Ill (SSBCI). See Special Supplemental Benefits for Chronically Ill section for additional details.

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Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<p><b>Physician/ Practitioner Services, <i>including doctor's office visits</i></b></p>	<p><b>In-Network</b></p> <p>You pay no coinsurance or coinsurance for each office visits for the following services:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Primary Care Provider (PCP) Services.</li> <li>• Endocrinologist Services.</li> </ul> <p>You pay a copayment for each office visit for the following Medicare-covered services:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$35 copayment for Specialist Services.</li> </ul>	<p><b>In-Network</b></p> <p>You pay no coinsurance or coinsurance for each office visits for the following services:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Primary Care Provider (PCP) Services.</li> </ul> <p><b>In-Network and Out-of-Network</b></p> <p>You pay a copayment for each office visit for the following Medicare-covered services:</p>

Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<p><b>Physician/ Practitioner Services, <i>including doctor’s office visits (continued)</i></b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$35 copayment for Other Healthcare Professionals Services. Authorization is only required for in home visits billed by a Nurse Practitioner or Physician Assistant directly.</li> </ul> <p><b>Out-of-Network</b></p> <p>Physician/ Practitioner services, including doctor’s office visits are <u>not</u> covered.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$0 copayment for Endocrinologist Services.</li> <li>• \$35 copayment for Specialist Services.</li> <li>• \$35 copayment for Other Healthcare Professionals Services. Authorization is only required for in home visits billed by a Nurse Practitioner or Physician Assistant directly.</li> </ul>

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Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<b>Podiatry – Medicare-Covered</b>	<b>In-Network</b>  You pay a \$35 copayment for Medicare-covered Podiatry Services.	<b>In-Network and Out-of-Network</b>  You pay a \$35 copayment for Medicare-covered Podiatry Services.
	<b>Out-of-Network</b>  Medicare-Covered podiatry is <u>not</u> covered.	

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Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<b>Podiatry - Supplemental Podiatry Services</b>	<b>In-Network</b> You pay a \$35 copayment for Supplemental Podiatry Services.	<b>In-Network</b> You pay a \$35 copayment for Supplemental Podiatry Services.
	You may receive up to 12 Routine Foot Care visits per year.	You may receive up to 12 Routine Foot Care visits per year.
	<b>Out-of-Network</b> Supplemental Podiatry Services are <u>not</u> covered.	<b>Out-of-Network</b> You pay a \$35 copayment for Supplemental Podiatry Services.
		You may receive up to 12 Routine Foot Care visits per year.



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Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<p><b>Pulmonary Rehabilitation Services</b></p>	<p><b>In-Network</b></p> <p>You pay \$20 copayment for Medicare-covered Pulmonary Rehabilitation Services. Authorization is required.</p>	<p><b>In-Network</b></p> <p>You pay \$15 copayment for Medicare-covered Pulmonary Rehabilitation Services. Authorization is required.</p>
<p><b>Select Extras OTC Benefit OR Transportation Benefit</b></p>	<p>There is no coinsurance or copayment for Select Extras benefits.</p>	<p>There is no coinsurance or copayment for Select Extras benefits.</p>

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Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<p><b>Select Extras OTC Benefit OR Transportation Benefit (continued)</b></p>	<p>Your plan entitles you to a choice of one of two supplemental benefits upon enrollment: a benefit to help you pay for Over-the-Counter (OTC) non-prescription drugs and/or health-related items OR non-emergent transportation to plan approved health-related locations. You may choose only one of the two benefits.</p>	<p>Your plan entitles you to a choice of one of two supplemental benefits upon enrollment: a benefit to help you pay for Over-the-Counter (OTC) non-prescription drugs and/or health-related items OR non-emergent transportation to plan approved health-related locations. You may choose only one of the two benefits.</p>

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Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<p><b>Select Extras OTC Benefit OR Transportation Benefit (continued)</b></p>	<p>Choice 1: OTC Benefit</p> <p>You may purchase up to \$120 every quarter of eligible OTC items. The OTC card balance cannot be carried over to the next quarter.</p> <p>Your OTC benefit covers COVID 19 tests at select pharmacies and/or retailers.</p>	<p>Choice 1: OTC Benefit</p> <p>You may purchase up to \$140 every quarter of eligible OTC items. The OTC card balance cannot be carried over to the next quarter.</p> <p>Your OTC benefit covers COVID 19 tests and Naloxone nasal spray at select pharmacies and/or retailers.</p>

# Elderplan Flex (HMO-POS) Annual Notice of Changes for 2024

Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<p><b>Select Extras OTC Benefit OR Transportation Benefit (continued)</b></p>	<p>For eligible members the OTC benefit combines with Special Supplemental Benefits for the chronically Ill (SSBCI). See Special Supplemental Benefits for Chronically Ill section for additional details.</p>	<p>For eligible members the OTC benefit combines with Special Supplemental Benefits for the chronically Ill (SSBCI). See Special Supplemental Benefits for Chronically Ill section for additional details.</p>

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Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<p><b>Select Extras OTC Benefit OR Transportation Benefit (continued)</b></p>	<p>Choice 2: Transportation Benefit</p> <p>You may take up to 48 one-way trips to a plan approved health-related location annually by Taxi, Bus, Subway, or Van.</p> <p>Any trips unused will not carry over to the following year.</p>	<p>Choice 2: Transportation Benefit</p> <p>You may take up to 48 one-way trips to a plan approved health-related location annually by Taxi, Bus, Subway, or Van.</p> <p>Any trips unused will not carry over to the following year.</p>
<p><b>Special Supplemental Benefit for the Chronically Ill (SSBCI)</b></p>	<p>There is no coinsurance or copayment for Special Supplemental Benefits for the Chronically Ill.</p>	<p>There is no coinsurance or copayment for Special Supplemental Benefits for the Chronically Ill.</p>

# Elderplan Flex (HMO-POS) Annual Notice of Changes for 2024

Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<p><b>Special Supplemental Benefit for the Chronically Ill (SSBCI) (continued)</b></p>	<p>Members eligible for Special Supplemental Benefits for the Chronically Ill (SSBCI) will receive a combined Over the Counter Non-Prescription Drug Coverage benefit to cover certain grocery items, which may only be used at select pharmacies and/or retailers. This benefit also covers home delivered meals that can be ordered online or by phone.</p>	<p>Members eligible for Special Supplemental Benefits for the Chronically Ill (SSBCI) will receive a combined Over the Counter Non-Prescription Drug Coverage benefit to cover certain grocery items, which may only be used at select pharmacies and/or retailers. This benefit also covers home delivered meals that can be ordered online or by phone.</p>

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Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<p><b>Special Supplemental Benefit for the Chronically Ill (SSBCI) (continued)</b></p>	<p>The combined OTC coverage of up to \$120 per quarter will be available every quarter. Benefits will not carry forward to the next quarter if it is unused.</p> <p>Members not eligible for Special Supplemental Benefits for Chronically Ill (SSBCI) will only receive Over-the Counter Non-Prescription Drug Coverage.</p>	<p>The combined OTC coverage of up to \$140 per quarter will be available every quarter. Benefits will not carry forward to the next quarter if it is unused.</p> <p>Members not eligible for Special Supplemental Benefits for Chronically Ill (SSBCI) will only receive Over-the Counter Non-Prescription Drug Coverage.</p>

<b>Cost</b>	<b>2023 (this year)</b>	<b>2024 (next year)</b>
<b>Vision Care (Supplemental)</b>	One routine eye exam for eyewear every calendar year.	One routine eye exam for eyewear every calendar year.
	Eyewear including prescription eyeglasses and contact lenses – Limited to \$200 annual maximum every calendar year.	Eyewear including prescription eyeglasses and contact lenses – Limited to \$250 annual maximum every calendar year.

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**Section 2.5 – Changes to Part D Prescription Drug Coverage**

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**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.



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, during the year, we might make other changes that are allowed by Medicare rules. For instance, we can immediately remove drugs considered unsafe by the FDA or withdrawn from the market by a product manufacturer. We update our online “Drug List” to provide the most up to date list of drugs.

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 Member Services for more information.

## **Changes to Prescription Drug 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 have included 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 with this packet, please call Member Services and ask for the LIS Rider.

There are four **drug payment stages**. The information below shows the changes to the first two stages – the Yearly Deductible Stage and the Initial Coverage Stage. (Most members do not reach the other two stages – the Coverage Gap Stage or the Catastrophic Coverage Stage).

**Changes to the Deductible Stage**

Stage	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<p><b>Stage 1: Yearly Deductible Stage</b>                      During this stage, you pay the full cost of your <b>Tier 4: Non-Preferred Drugs and Tier 5: Specialty Tier Drugs</b> until you have reached the yearly deductible. The deductible doesn't apply to covered insulin products and most adult Part D vaccines, including shingles, tetanus and travel vaccines.</p>	<p>There is no deductible for Tier 1: Preferred Generic Drugs, Tier 2: Generic Drugs, and Tier 3: Preferred Brand Drugs.</p>	<p>There is no deductible for Tier 1: Preferred Generic Drugs, Tier 2: Generic Drugs, and Tier 3: Preferred Brand Drugs.</p>

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Stage	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<b>Stage 1: Yearly Deductible Stage (continued)</b>	<p>The Part D Deductible is \$375 for Tier 4: Non-Preferred Drugs and Tier 5: Specialty Tier Drugs. During this stage, you pay the full cost of your Tier 4: Non-Preferred Drugs and Tier 5: Specialty Tier Drugs until you have reached the yearly deductible.</p>	<p>The Part D Deductible is \$375 for Tier 4: Non-Preferred Drugs and Tier 5: Specialty Tier Drugs. During this stage, you pay the full cost of drugs of your Tier 4: Non-Preferred Drugs and Tier 5: Specialty Tier Drugs until you have reached the yearly deductible.</p>

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

Stage	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<p><b>Stage 2: Initial Coverage Stage</b></p> <p>Once you pay the yearly deductible, you move to the Initial Coverage Stage. During this stage, the plan pays its share of the cost of your drugs, and <b>you pay your share of the cost.</b></p> <p>Most adult Part D vaccines are covered at no cost to you.</p> <p>The costs in this row are for a one-month (30-day) supply when you fill your prescription at a network pharmacy that provides standard cost sharing.</p>	<p><b>Standard Retail Cost Sharing (In-Network) *Ω</b></p> <p>Your cost for a one-month supply filled at a network pharmacy with standard cost sharing during the Initial Coverage Stage:</p> <p><b>Tier 1: Preferred Generic Drugs –</b> You Pay \$4 copayment.</p> <p><b>Tier 2: Generic Drugs –</b> You Pay \$10 copayment.</p>	<p><b>Standard Retail Cost Sharing (In-Network) *Ω</b></p> <p>Your cost for a one-month supply filled at a network pharmacy with standard cost sharing during the Initial Coverage Stage:</p> <p><b>Tier 1: Preferred Generic Drugs –</b> You Pay \$0 copayment.</p> <p><b>Tier 2: Generic Drugs –</b> You Pay \$10 copayment.</p>

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Stage	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<p><b>Stage 2: Initial Coverage Stage (continued)</b></p> <p>For information about the costs for a long-term supply or for mail-order prescriptions, look in Chapter 6, Section 5 of your <i>Evidence of Coverage</i>.</p> <p>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”.</p>	<p><b>Tier 3: Preferred Brand Drugs –</b> You Pay \$47 copayment.</p> <p><b>Tier 4: Non-Preferred Drugs –</b> You Pay \$100 copayment.</p> <p><b>Tier 5: Specialty Tier Drugs –</b> You Pay 25% coinsurance.</p>	<p><b>Tier 3: Preferred Brand Drugs –</b> You Pay \$47 copayment.</p> <p><b>Tier 4: Non-Preferred Drugs –</b> You Pay \$100 copayment.</p> <p><b>Tier 5: Specialty Tier Drugs –</b> You Pay 25% coinsurance.</p>

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Stage	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<b>Stage 2: Initial Coverage Stage (continued)</b>	<p>Your cost for an extended supply (up to 90-days)<sup>†</sup><sup>Ω</sup> filled at a network pharmacy with standard cost-sharing during the Initial Coverage Stage:</p> <p><b>Tier 1: Preferred Generic Drugs –</b>  Retail – You Pay \$12 copayment.  Mail Order – You Pay \$8 copayment.</p> <p><b>Tier 2: Generic Drugs –</b>  Retail – You Pay \$30 copayment.  Mail Order – You Pay \$20 copayment.</p>	<p>Your cost for an extended supply (up to 90-days)<sup>†</sup><sup>Ω</sup> filled at a network pharmacy with standard cost-sharing during the Initial Coverage Stage:</p> <p><b>Tier 1: Preferred Generic Drugs –</b>  Retail – You Pay \$0 copayment.  Mail Order – You Pay \$0 copayment.</p> <p><b>Tier 2: Generic Drugs –</b>  Retail – You Pay \$30 copayment.  Mail Order – You Pay \$20 copayment.</p>

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Stage	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<b>Stage 2: Initial Coverage Stage (continued)</b>	<p><b>Tier 3: Preferred Brand Drugs –</b>  Retail – You Pay \$141 copayment.  Mail Order – You Pay \$94 copayment.</p> <p><b>Tier 4: Non-Preferred Drugs –</b>  Retail – You Pay \$300 copayment.  Mail Order – You Pay \$200 copayment.</p> <p><b>Tier 5: Specialty Tier Drugs –</b>  Retail – You Pay 25% coinsurance.  Mail Order – You Pay 25% coinsurance.</p>	<p><b>Tier 3: Preferred Brand Drugs –</b>  Retail – You Pay \$141 copayment.  Mail Order – You Pay \$94 copayment.</p> <p><b>Tier 4: Non-Preferred Drugs –</b>  Retail – You Pay \$300 copayment.  Mail Order – You Pay \$200 copayment.</p> <p><b>Tier 5: Specialty Tier Drugs –</b>  Retail – You Pay 25% coinsurance.  Mail Order – You Pay 25% coinsurance.</p>



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Stage	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<p><b>Stage 2: Initial Coverage Stage (continued)</b></p>	<p>*60-Days supply is also available for Standard Retail.</p> <p>†NDS – Non-Extended Days Supply. Certain Specialty drugs will be limited up to a 30-day supply per fill.</p> <p>Ω – You will not pay more than \$35 for a one-month supply of each insulin product covered by our plan, no matter the cost-sharing for Part B and D drugs, even if you have not paid your deductible.</p>	<p>*60-Days supply is also available for Standard Retail.</p> <p>†NDS – Non-Extended Days Supply. Certain Specialty drugs will be limited up to a 30-day supply per fill.</p> <p>Ω – You will not pay more than \$35 for a one-month supply of each insulin product covered by our plan, no matter the cost-sharing for Part B and D drugs, even if you have not paid your deductible.</p>

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Stage	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
<p><b>Stage 2: Initial Coverage Stage (continued)</b></p>	<p>If you get “Extra Help” paying for your drugs, you may be eligible for reduced cost-sharing. Please refer to your “Low Income Subsidy (LIS) Rider.”</p> <hr/> <p>Once your total drug costs have reached \$4,660, you will move to the next stage (the Coverage Gap Stage).</p>	<p>If you get “Extra Help” paying for your drugs, you may be eligible for reduced cost-sharing. Please refer to your “Low Income Subsidy (LIS) Rider.”</p> <hr/> <p>Once your total drug costs have reached \$5,030, you will move to the next stage (the Coverage Gap Stage).</p>

## **Changes to the Coverage Gap and Catastrophic Coverage Stages**

The other two drug coverage stages – the Coverage Gap Stage and the Catastrophic Coverage Stage – are for people with high drug costs. **Most members do not reach the Coverage Gap Stage or the Catastrophic Coverage Stage.**

**Beginning in 2024, if you reach the Catastrophic Coverage Stage, you pay nothing for covered Part D drugs.**

For specific information about your costs in these stages, look at Chapter 6, Sections 6 and 7, in your *Evidence of Coverage*.

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

#### **Section 3.1 – If you want to stay in Elderplan Flex (HMO-POS)**

**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 Elderplan Flex (HMO-POS).

#### **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 2024 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 ([www.medicare.gov/plan-compare](http://www.medicare.gov/plan-compare)), read the *Medicare & You 2024* handbook, call your State Health Insurance Assistance Program (see Section 5), or call Medicare (see Section 7.2).

As a reminder, Elderplan Inc. 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 Elderplan Flex (HMO-POS).
- **To change to Original Medicare with a prescription drug plan**, enroll in the new drug plan. You will automatically be disenrolled from Elderplan Flex (HMO-POS).
- **To change to Original Medicare without a prescription drug plan**, you must either:

- Send us a written request to disenroll. Contact Member Services if you need more information on how to do so.
- – *or* – Contact **Medicare**, at 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and ask to be disenrolled. TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048.

## **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, 2024.

### **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, 2024, 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, 2024.

If you recently moved into, currently live in, or just moved out of 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.

## **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 New York State, the SHIP is called The Office for the Aging Health Insurance Information, Counseling and Assistance Program (HIICAP).

It is a state program that gets money from the Federal government to give **free** local health insurance counseling to people with Medicare. HIICAP 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 HIICAP at 1 (212) 602-4180 Inside the boroughs or 1-800-701-0501 Outside the boroughs. You can learn more about HIICAP by visiting their website (<https://aging.ny.gov/programs/medicare-and-health-insurance>)

**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, annual deductibles, and coinsurance. Additionally, those who qualify will not have a coverage gap or late enrollment penalty. To see if you qualify, call:
  - 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227). TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048, 24 hours a day/7 days a week;
  - The Social Security Office at 1-800-772-1213 between 8 a.m. and 7 p.m., Monday through Friday for a representative. Automated messages are available 24 hours a day. TTY users should call, 1-800-325-0778; or
  - Your State Medicaid Office (applications).

- **Help from your state’s pharmaceutical assistance program.** New York State has a program called Elderly Pharmaceutical Insurance Coverage (EPIC) that helps people pay for prescription drugs based on their financial need, age, or medical condition. To learn more about the program, check with your State Health Insurance Assistance Program.
- **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 New York State AIDS Drug Assistance Program. For information on eligibility criteria, covered drugs, or how to enroll in the program, please call 1-800-542-2437.

## SECTION 7 Questions?

### Section 7.1 – Getting Help from Elderplan Flex (HMO-POS)

Questions? We’re here to help. Please call Member Services at 1-800-353-3765. (TTY only, call 711). We are available for phone calls 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., 7 days a week. Calls to these numbers are free.



## Read your **2024 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 2024. For details, look in the *2024 Evidence of Coverage* for Elderplan Flex (HMO-POS). 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 [www.elderplan.org](http://www.elderplan.org). You may also call Member Services to ask us to mail you an *Evidence of Coverage*.

### Visit our Website

You can also visit our website at [www.elderplan.org](http://www.elderplan.org). As a reminder, our website has the most up-to-date information about our provider network (*Provider and Pharmacy Directory*) and our *List of Covered Drugs (Formulary/“Drug List”)*.

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## Section 7.2 – Getting Help from Medicare

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To get information directly from Medicare:

### Call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227)

You can call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048.

## Visit the Medicare Website

Visit the Medicare website ([www.medicare.gov](http://www.medicare.gov)). 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 [www.medicare.gov/plan-compare](http://www.medicare.gov/plan-compare).

## Read *Medicare & You 2024*

Read the *Medicare & You 2024* 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 (<https://www.medicare.gov/Pubs/pdf/10050-medicare-and-you.pdf>) or 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.

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Elderplan/HomeFirst complies with applicable Federal civil rights laws and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex. Elderplan, Inc. does not exclude people or treat them differently because of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex. Elderplan/HomeFirst.:

- Provides free aids and services to people with disabilities to communicate effectively with us, such as:
  - Qualified sign language interpreters
  - Written information in other formats (large print, audio, accessible electronic formats, other formats)
- Provides free language services to people whose primary language is not English, such as:
  - Qualified interpreters
  - Information written in other languages

If you need these services, contact Civil Rights Coordinator. If you believe that Elderplan/HomeFirst has failed to provide these services or discriminated in another way on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex, you may file a grievance with:

Elderplan, Inc.  
ATTN Civil Rights Coordinator  
55 Water Street  
New York NY 10041

Phone: 1-877-326-9978, TTY 711  
Fax: 1-718-759-3643

You may file a grievance in person or by mail, phone, or fax. If you need help filing a grievance, Civil Rights Coordinator, is available to help you.

You may also file a civil rights complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights, electronically through the Office for Civil Rights Complaint Portal, available at <https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf>, or by mail or phone at:

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services  
200 Independence Avenue, SW, Room 509F, HHH Building  
Washington, D.C. 20201  
1-800-368-1019, 1-800-537-7697 (TDD)

Complaint forms are available at <http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html>.

## Multi-language Interpreter Services

**English:** We have free interpreter services to answer any questions you may have about our health or drug plan. To get an interpreter, just call us at 1-800-353-3765 (TTY: 711). Someone who speaks English can help you. This is a free service.

**Spanish:** Tenemos servicios de intérprete sin costo alguno para responder cualquier pregunta que pueda tener sobre nuestro plan de salud o medicamentos. Para hablar con un intérprete, por favor llame al 1-800-353-3765 (TTY: 711). Alguien que hable español le podrá ayudar. Este es un servicio gratuito.

**Chinese Simplified:** 我们提供免费的翻译服务，帮助您解答关于健康或药物保险的任何疑问。如果您需要此翻译服务，请致电 1-800-353-3765 (TTY: 711)。我们的中文工作人员很乐意帮助您。这是一项免费服务。

**Chinese Traditional:** 您對我們的健康或藥物保險可能存有疑問，為此我們提供免費的翻譯服務。如需翻譯服務，請致電 1-800-353-3765 (TTY: 711)。我們講中文的人員將樂意為您提供幫助。這是一項免費服務。

**Tagalog:** Mayroon kaming libreng serbisyo sa pagsasalang-wika upang masagot ang anumang mga katanungan ninyo hinggil sa aming planong pangkalusugan o panggamot. Upang makakuha ng tagasalang-wika, tawagan lamang kami sa 1-800-353-3765 (TTY: 711). Maaari kayong tulungan ng isang nakakapagsalita ng Tagalog. Ito ay libreng serbisyo.

**French:** Nous proposons des services gratuits d'interprétation pour répondre à toutes vos questions relatives à notre régime de santé ou d'assurance-médicaments. Pour accéder au service d'interprétation, il vous suffit de nous appeler au 1-800-353-3765 (TTY: 711). Un interlocuteur parlant Français pourra vous aider. Ce service est gratuit.

**Vietnamese:** Chúng tôi có dịch vụ thông dịch miễn phí để trả lời các câu hỏi về chương sức khỏe và chương trình thuốc men. Nếu quý vị cần thông dịch viên xin gọi 1-800-353-3765 (TTY: 711) sẽ có nhân viên nói tiếng Việt giúp đỡ quý vị. Đây là dịch vụ miễn phí.

**German:** Unser kostenloser Dolmetscherservice beantwortet Ihren Fragen zu unserem Gesundheits- und Arzneimittelpflichtplan. Unsere Dolmetscher erreichen Sie unter 1-800-353-3765 (TTY: 711). Man wird Ihnen dort auf Deutsch weiterhelfen. Dieser Service ist kostenlos.

**Korean:** 당사는 의료 보험 또는 약품 보험에 관한 질문에 대해 드리고자 무료 통역 서비스를 제공하고 있습니다. 통역 서비스를 이용하려면 전화 1-800-353-3765 (TTY: 711) 번으로 문의해 주십시오. 한국어를 하는 담당자가 도와 드릴 것입니다. 이 서비스는 무료로 운영됩니다.

**Russian:** Если у вас возникнут вопросы относительно страхового или медикаментного плана, вы можете воспользоваться нашими бесплатными услугами переводчиков. Чтобы воспользоваться услугами переводчика, позвоните нам по телефону 1-800-353-3765 (TTY: 711). Вам окажет помощь сотрудник, который говорит по-русски. Данная услуга бесплатная.

**Arabic:** إننا نقدم خدمات المترجم الفوري المجانية للإجابة عن أي أسئلة تتعلق بالصحة أو جدول الأدوية لدينا. للحصول على مترجم بمساعدتك. هذه خدمة فوري، ليس عليك سوى الاتصال بنا على 1-800-353-3765 (TTY:711). سيقوم شخص ما يتحدث العربية مجاناً.

**Hindi:** हमारे स्वास्थ्य या दवा की योजना के बारे में आपके किसी भी प्रश्न के जवाब देने के लिए हमारे पास मुफ्त दुभाषिया सेवाएँ उपलब्ध हैं. एक दुभाषिया प्राप्त करने के लिए, बस हमें 1-800-353-3765 (TTY: 711) पर फोन करें. कोई व्यक्ति जो हिन्दी बोलता है आपकी मदद कर सकता है. यह एक मुफ्त सेवा है.

**Italian:** È disponibile un servizio di interpretariato gratuito per rispondere a eventuali domande sul nostro piano sanitario e farmaceutico. Per un interprete, contattare il numero 1-800-353-3765 (TTY: 711). Un nostro incaricato che parla Italianovi fornirà l'assistenza necessaria. È un servizio gratuito.

**Portugués:** Dispomos de serviços de interpretação gratuitos para responder a qualquer questão que tenha acerca do nosso plano de saúde ou de medicação. Para obter um intérprete, contacte-nos através do número 1-800-353-3765 (TTY: 711). Irá encontrar alguém que fale o idioma Português para o ajudar. Este serviço é gratuito.

**French Creole:** Nou genyen sèvis entèprèt gratis pou reponn tout kesyon ou ta genyen konsènan plan medikal oswa dwòg nou an. Pou jwenn yon entèprèt, jis rele nou nan 1-800-353-3765 (TTY: 711). Yon moun ki pale Kreyòl kapab ede w. Sa a se yon sèvis ki gratis.

**Polish:** Umożliwiamy bezpłatne skorzystanie z usług tłumacza ustnego, który pomoże w uzyskaniu odpowiedzi na temat planu zdrowotnego lub dawkowania leków. Aby skorzystać z pomocy tłumacza znającego język polski, należy zadzwonić pod numer 1-800-353-3765 (TTY: 711). Ta usługa jest bezpłatna.

**Japanese:** 当社の健康 健康保険と薬品 処方薬プランに関するご質問にお答えするために、無料の通訳サービスがあります。通訳をご用命になるには、1-800-353-3765 (TTY: 711) にお電話ください。日本語を話す人者が支援いたします。これは無料のサービスです。

**Albanian:** Ne ofrojmë shërbime interpretimi pa pagesë për t'ju përgjigjur çdo lloj pyetjeje që mund të keni rreth planit tonë të shëndetit ose të mjekimit. Për t'u lidhur me një interpret, telefononi në 1-800-353-3765 (TTY: 711). Një shqip folës mund t'ju ndihmojë. Ky shërbim është pa pagesë.

**Bengali:** আমাদের স্বাস্থ্য বা ওষুধপত্র বিষয়ক পরিকল্পনা সম্পর্কিত আপনার যে কোনো প্রশ্নের উত্তর দেওয়ার জন্য আমাদের বিনামূল্যে দোভাষী পরিষেবা রয়েছে। একজন দোভাষী পেতে, আমাদের কেবল 1-800-353-3765 (TTY: 711) নম্বরে কল করুন। বাংলা বলতে পারেন এমন কেউ আপনাকে সাহায্য করতে পারবেন। পরিষেবাটি বিনামূল্যে।

**Greek:** Διαθέτουμε υπηρεσία δωρεάν διερμηνείας προκειμένου να απαντούμε σε οποιοσδήποτε απορίες σας σχετικά με το πρόγραμμα υγείας ή φαρμάκων που προσφέρουμε. Προκειμένου να χρησιμοποιήσετε την υπηρεσία διερμηνείας, επικοινωνήστε μαζί μας καλώντας το 1-800-353-3765 (TTY: 711). Θα λάβετε βοήθεια από ένα άτομο που μιλά ελληνικά. Αυτή είναι μια υπηρεσία που παρέχεται δωρεάν.

**Yiddish:** מיר האבן אומזיסטע דאלמעטשער סערוויסעס צו ענטפערן סיי וועלכע פראגעס וואס איר קענט מעגליך האבן וועגן אונזער העלט אדער דראג פלאן. צו באקומען א דאלמעטשער, רופט אונז אויף 1-800-353-3765 (TTY: 711) איינער וואס רעדט אידיש/שפראך קען אייך העלפן. דאס איז אן אומזיסטע סערוויס.

**Urdu:** ہماری صحت یا دوا کے پلان کے بارے میں آپ کے کسی بھی سوال کا جواب دینے کے لیے ہمارے پاس مفت مترجم کی خدمات موجود ہیں۔ مترجم حاصل کرنے کے لیے، ہمیں بس 1-800-353-3765 (TTY: 711) پر کال کریں۔ اردو بولنے والا کوئی شخص آپ کی مدد کر سکتا ہے۔ یہ ایک مفت خدمت ہے۔