



Supporting retirees through their next chapter

Understanding the differences between Life & Health Medicare Plan (Medicare Supplement) and Medicare Preferred (PPO) plans



Anthem offers health plans to support retirees' health and well-being, which includes Life & Health Medicare Plan (Medicare Supplement) and Medicare Preferred (PPO) plans. These plans offer additional benefits that Medicare does not. Retirees must have a Medicare Part A and B to be able to enroll in these plans.

The differences between the nationwide plans can be seen in the chart below. Medicare Preferred plan requires prior authorization for certain services from Anthem.

	Life & Health Medicare Plan (Medicare Supplement)	Medicare Preferred (PPO) Plan
24/7 Nurseline	Included	Included
Anthem Network	Prudent Buyer Plan (CA) and BlueCard PPO (outside California)	Anthem Medicare Preferred (CA) and BCBSA Medicare Advantage Network Sharing (outside California)
Assistive Devices	Not included	Included
Cancer Care Navigator	Included	Included
Community Resource Connections	Not Included	Included
Concierge Care Programs (Covid, Type 2 Diabetes & Post-Discharge)	Not included	Included
Coverage outside the plan's network	Retirees can visit any doctor, specialist, or hospital who accepts Medicare without a referral.	Retirees can visit any doctor, specialist, or hospital who accepts Medicare without a referral.
Coordination of benefits	Medicare pays first, Medicare Supplement pays second	Anthem Blue Cross pays primary
Single ID card	Not included	Included
First Impressions TelephoneLine	Not included	Included
Health and Fitness Tracker	Not included	Included
Hearing coverage	Up to \$2,000 per ear, per year, every 36 months for routine hearing tests* and hearing aids	Up to \$2,000 per ear, per year, every 36 months for routine hearing tests* and hearing aids from Anthem's supplier
Home Lab Kits/Screenings Program	Not included	Included

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House Calls Program	Not Included	Included
In-Home Palliative Care Program	Not included	Included
Medicare Community Resource Support (MCRS)	Not included	Included
Member Connect Program	Not included	Included
Non-Emergency Transportation Program	Not included	Included
Over the Counter Benefit	Not included	Included
Personal Emergency Response System	Not included	Included
Personal Home Helper	Not included	Included
SilverSneakers	Included	Included
Special Offers	Included	Included
Routine foot care	Coverage available for diabetes-related foot complications for both foot care and compression stockings.	Up to 12 covered visits every calendar year for hygienic and preventive maintenance, including compression stockings.
Vision coverage	The Anthem Blue View Vision plan is a separate vision plan offered by LACERS. Optometric services, including eye exercises and routine eye exams, are not covered by this plan.	In addition to the Anthem Blue View Vision. Routine vision exams up to \$70 maximum benefit every calendar year. Eye wear allowance includes \$100 maximum benefit every 2 calendar years.



We are here to help. Contact us.

Life & Health Medicare Plan: **866-940-8303**, TTY 711 Prescription Drug Line Senior RX: **833-285-4636** (Medicare Supplement)

Medicare Preferred (PPO) plan: **833-848-8730**, TTY 711 Prescription Drug Line MAPD Senior RX: **833-360-3662**

LACERS: **800-779-8328**, RTT **888-349-3996**

For more information, please review the Anthem Medicare Enrollment Booklet. If you have questions about your medical needs, please contact Anthem directly.

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* Services must be received from a care provider who accepts Medicare.

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