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## Florida Blue Medicare Formulary Will Change in 2022

Florida Blue Medicare patients will receive their annual formulary change notification in early October. This will let them know of changes to the cost of prescription drugs for all Medicare plans each year. This means the cost for medications will change for Florida Blue Medicare and our members. Starting Jan. 1, 2022, some of your Florida Blue Medicare patients may have to pay more or less for certain medications. In addition, some drugs may no longer be covered or subject to new utilization requirements.

We are notifying and encouraging affected members to speak to their providers before Jan. 1, 2022, to discuss what action can be taken to help them lower their medication costs.

### How you can help your patients

- If your Medicare patients are concerned about the cost of medications in 2022, talk to them about the changes and see if their current medications can be switched to generic, less expensive brands or a therapeutic alternative in a lower tier.
- Medicare offers a program called **Extra Help** that may pay for some or most of your patient's out-of-pocket drug costs. If your patients are worried about how to pay for covered drugs, refer them to Social Security online at [ssa.gov](https://ssa.gov).
- Encourage your patients to sign up for home delivery that includes 90-day refills. They can do this through:
  - **AllianceRx Walgreens Prime** by going to [alliancerxwp.com](https://alliancerxwp.com) and clicking on **Home Delivery Pharmacy** to get information and sign up.
  - **Costco Mail Order Pharmacy** by visiting [costco.com/home-delivery](https://costco.com/home-delivery). This service is available even if your patient is not a Costco member.
  - **PillPack** at [pillpack.com](https://pillpack.com), or by calling 1-855-745-5725 (TTY, call 1-800-955-8770). They package drugs by dose, and members can get up to a 31-day supply.

### More information

To help your patients find a lower cost drug, please go to [floridablue.com/medicare/find-a-form](https://floridablue.com/medicare/find-a-form) and select Medicare Part C or Medicare Part D to find our medication guides.