

# 2025 Summary of Benefits

EmblemHealth City of New York 2025 GHI Standard Medicare Part D Prescription Drug Plan (PDP)



# **Medicare Summary of Benefits**

EmblemHealth City of New York/GHI Standard Medicare Part D Prescription Drug Plan for members enrolled in the GHI HMO Medicare Senior Supplement Program.

#### Jan. 1, 2025 - Dec. 31, 2025

City of New York retirees who also enroll in the City of New York/GHI HMO Medicare Supplement Plan can sign up for the EmblemHealth City of New York/GHI Standard Medicare Part D Prescription Drug Plan (PDP). This drug plan is **in addition** to your GHI HMO Supplement medical plan. You must keep your medical plan to add this drug plan.

The GHI Standard Medicare Part D PDP is a creditable Medicare prescription drug plan. If a plan is creditable, its drug coverage meets Medicare's minimum standards. Be sure you're enrolled in a plan with creditable coverage when you first become eligible for Medicare. If you do not, you may have to pay a late fee if you enroll in a Medicare drug plan at a later time.

This Summary of Benefits tells you some of the features of the plan. It doesn't list every drug we cover, or every limitation or exclusion. For a full list of prescription drugs we cover, please visit **emblemhealth.com/pharmacy**. To get a list of covered drugs (formulary) or an Evidence of Coverage (EOC) for a complete list of services, visit **my.emblemhealth.com** and select "My Documents" on the welcome screen. Select "Plan Documents" to view and download your EOC. For additional help, contact Customer Service at **800-624-2414** (TTY: **711**), 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., Monday through Friday.

## WHO IS ELIGIBLE AND HOW DO I ENROLL IN THIS PLAN?

You must have Medicare Parts A and/or B, be a City of New York retiree, and be enrolled in the GHI HMO Supplement Plan to enroll in this plan. The plan covers the following counties in New York State: Albany, Bronx, Broome, Columbia, Delaware, Dutchess, Fulton, Greene, Kings, Montgomery, Nassau, New York, Orange, Otsego, Putnam, Queens, Rensselaer, Richmond, Rockland, Saratoga, Schenectady, Schoharie, Suffolk, Sullivan, Ulster, Warren, Washington, and Westchester. You will automatically be enrolled in this plan if you are both:

1. A Medicare-eligible retiree or a Medicare-eligible dependent of a retiree of the City of New York.

2. Enrolled in the City of New York GHI HMO Supplement program with the optional rider for prescription drugs.

#### DO I HAVE TO ENROLL IN THIS PLAN?

No. To drop the GHI HMO Supplement Optional Rider, you must complete the Retiree Health Benefits Application/Change Form (which can be found under Forms and Downloads in the Retiree section of the City website at nvc.gov/hbp)

#### **HOW MUCH WILL THIS PLAN COST ME?**

Your monthly plan premium is **\$115** and is paid from your pension check each month.

If you qualify for a subsidy, we will send you a Low-Income Subsidy rider or Evidence of Coverage rider for People Who Get Extra Help Paying for Prescription Drugs.

This plan covers drugs in four tiers. Please see page 3 for more information about tiers.

Tier 1: Generic

Tier 2: Preferred Brand

Tier 3: Non-Preferred Drug

Tier 4: Specialty Tier

For drugs covered under this plan in Tiers 1 through 4:

- First, you pay \$590 toward the cost of prescription drugs before your plan begins to pay. This is the **deductible** stage. You do not pay your deductible on covered insulin and most vaccines.
- Then, you pay 25% of the cost of prescription drugs. You pay \$0 for most vaccines and \$35 per one-month supply of each covered insulin product. This is called the Initial Coverage Stage.
- 3. Once you have paid **\$2,000** out of pocket for Part D drugs, you will move to the next stage (the Catastrophic Coverage Stage). During this payment stage, the plan pays the full cost for your covered Part D drugs and you pay \$0.

### IMPORTANT MESSAGE ABOUT INSULIN AND VACCINE COSTS

You won't pay more than \$35 for a one-month supply of each insulin product covered by our plan, even if you haven't paid your deductible. Our plan covers most Part D vaccines at no cost to you. Call Express Scripts at 800-585-5786 (TTY: 800-899-2114), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for more information.

#### **HOW CAN I TRACK MY TrOOP?**

Troop costs help you figure out when catastrophic coverage begins. You will see a balance of your Troop amount in your monthly Explanation of Benefits (EOB) statements.

#### **HOW CAN I COMPARE MY OPTIONS?**

Contact your union or the Office of Labor Relations for questions on plans available to you.

#### WHERE CAN I GET MY PRESCRIPTIONS?

You can find a pharmacy in our network by calling Express Scripts at **800-585-5786** (TTY: **800-899-2114**), 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

#### **CAN I USE A MAIL ORDER PHARMACY?**

Yes. This plan includes the Express Scripts mail order pharmacy program. You can easily fill your prescriptions and have them delivered to your door. Using a mail order pharmacy may also save you money. To learn more, visit **emblemhealth.com/pharmacy** and read the Delivery & Refills section.

#### WHAT IS PRIOR AUTHORIZATION?

This plan requires that you get permission from your insurance plan before filling some drugs. This is called a prior authorization. This helps us make sure that you are getting drugs that are safe and necessary. To confirm if a drug requires prior authorization, call Express Scripts at **800-585-5786** (TTY: **800-899-2114**).

#### WHAT IS STEP THERAPY?

We may require step therapy for some drugs. Step therapy is the process of trying other medications first before moving to a higher-priced drug. Sometimes, a less expensive drug, such as a generic drug, may work just as well.

#### WHAT ARE DRUG QUANTITY LIMITS?

We may limit the quantity of drugs you get at one time to make sure that you are getting drugs that are safe, necessary, and in the right amounts.

# WHAT IS MEDICATION THERAPY MANAGEMENT (MTM)?

MTM is available for members who take multiple medications for different conditions. It involves having a medication review by phone with a pharmacist to make sure your medications are working well together. To learn more, call **844-866-3730** (TTY: **711**).



#### WHAT IF I NEED A DRUG THAT IS DENIED?

You have the right to request a coverage decision or appeal of a decision we already made. For more information, please see your Evidence of Coverage (EOC). You can find your EOC in your member portal account or on our website. Visit **my.emblemhealth.com** and select "My Documents" on the welcome screen. Select "Plan Documents" to view and download your EOC. Your doctor can also call Provider Services at **877-920-1470** (TTY: **800-716-3231**). Your doctor will need to submit a statement to support your request.

#### **Drug Categories**

This plan groups drugs into separate categories, but your coinsurance for all of them is the same. Even if a drug changes tiers, your cost will stay the same. Here is what each category represents:

- Tier 1: Generic. Generic drugs use the same active ingredients as their corresponding brand-name drug.
- **Tier 2:** Preferred Brand. Brand-name and generic drugs that are typically less expensive than non-preferred drugs.
- **Tier 3:** Non-Preferred Drug. This tier includes non-preferred generic and brand-name drugs as well as some drugs not included on the plan's drug list.
- **Tier 4:** Specialty Tier. Drugs used to treat complex, chronic conditions like rheumatoid arthritis, multiple sclerosis, and cancer.

Our in-network pharmacies work with us to bring you more cost savings. The price you pay for your drugs may also be lower on if you use a mail-order pharmacy like Express Scripts or if you request a 30- or 90-day supply. Tier 4 drugs are available for a 30-day supply only.

#### The Medicare Prescription Payment Plan

The Medicare Prescription Payment Plan is a new payment option that works with your current drug coverage, and it can help you manage your drug costs by spreading them across monthly payments that vary throughout the year (January – December). This payment option might help you manage your expenses, but it doesn't save you money or lower your drug costs. Extra Help from Medicare and help from your State Pharmacy Assistance Program (SPAP) and AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) for those who qualify, may be more advantageous than participation in the Medicare Prescription Payment Plan. All members are eligible to participate in this payment option, regardless of income level, and all Medicare drug plans and Medicare health plans with drug coverage must offer this payment option. Contact us or visit **medicare.gov** to find out if this payment option is right for you.

#### **Helpful Resources**

**Express Scripts, Inc. (ESI):** 

800-585-5786 (TTY: 800-899-2114), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, express-scripts.com

#### EmblemHealth Plan, Inc.:

800-624-2414 (TTY: 711), 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday, emblemhealth.com

#### Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS):

1-800-633-4227 (TTY: 1-877-486-2048), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, medicare.gov

You can call CMS or visit the CMS website to get a copy of the 2024 CMS Medicare & You brochure.





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