

## Mount Carmel MediGold No Premium Choice (PPO) offered by Mount Carmel Health Insurance Company

### Annual Notice of Changes for 2024

You are currently enrolled as a member of MediGold Mount Carmel No Premium Choice (PPO). 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.mountcarmelhealth.com/medicare/for-members/view-coverage-benefits](http://www.mountcarmelhealth.com/medicare/for-members/view-coverage-benefits). 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.
- 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 Mount Carmel MediGold No Premium Choice (PPO).
- 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 MediGold Mount Carmel No Premium Choice (PPO).
- 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.

### Additional Resources

- Please contact our Member Services number at 1-800-240-3851 for additional information. (TTY users should call 711.) Hours are 8 a.m. – 8 p.m., 7 days a week. On certain holidays, your call will be handled by our automated phone system. This call is free.
- This document may be available in an alternate format such as braille, larger print or audio.
- **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.

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## About Mount Carmel MediGold No Premium Choice (PPO)

- Mount Carmel MediGold is a Medicare Advantage organization with a Medicare contract. Enrollment in Mount Carmel MediGold depends on contract renewal.
  - When this document says “we,” “us,” or “our”, it means Mount Carmel Health Insurance Company. When it says “plan” or “our plan,” it means Mount Carmel MediGold No Premium Choice (PPO).
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**Summary of Important Costs for 2024**

The table below compares the 2023 costs and 2024 costs for Mount Carmel MediGold No Premium Choice (PPO) in several important areas. **Please note this is only a summary of costs.**

| Cost  | 2023 (this year)   | 2024 (next year)   |
|---|--|--|
| <p><b>Monthly plan premium*</b></p> <p>* Your premium may be higher than this amount. See Section 2.1 for details.</p>  | \$0  | \$0  |
| <p><b>Maximum out-of-pocket amounts</b></p> <p>This is the <u>most</u> you will pay out-of-pocket for your covered Part A and Part B services. (See Section 2.2 for details.)</p> | <p>From network providers:<br/>\$5,700</p> <p>From network and out-of-network providers combined:<br/>\$8,950</p>  | <p>From network providers:<br/>\$5,700</p> <p>From network and out-of-network providers combined:<br/>\$8,950</p>  |
| <p><b>Doctor office visits</b></p>  | <p><b>In-Network:</b></p> <p>Primary care visits:<br/>\$5 per visit</p> <p>Specialist visits:<br/>\$35 per visit</p> <p><b>Out-of-Network:</b></p> <p>Primary care visits:<br/>\$25 per visit</p> <p>Specialist visits:<br/>\$60 per visit</p> | <p><b>In-Network:</b></p> <p>Primary care visits:<br/>\$0 per visit</p> <p>Specialist visits:<br/>\$35 per visit</p> <p><b>Out-of-Network:</b></p> <p>Primary care visits:<br/>\$25 per visit</p> <p>Specialist visits:<br/>\$60 per visit</p> |

| Cost  | 2023 (this year)   | 2024 (next year)   |
|---|--|--|
| <p><b>Inpatient hospital stays</b></p>  | <p><b>In-Network:</b><br/>                     \$375 Copay per day for days 1-4<br/>                     \$0 Copay per day after day 4</p> <p><b>Out-of-Network:</b><br/>                     50% Coinsurance per hospital admission.</p>  | <p><b>In-Network:</b><br/>                     \$375 Copay per day for days 1-4<br/>                     \$0 Copay per day after day 4</p> <p><b>Out-of-Network:</b><br/>                     50% Coinsurance per hospital admission.</p>  |
| <p><b>Part D prescription drug coverage</b><br/>                     (See Section 2.5 for details.)</p> | <p>Deductible: \$150 (for drugs in Tier 3, Tier 4 and Tier 5), except for covered insulin products and most adult Part D vaccines.</p> <p>Copayment/Coinsurance as applicable during the Initial Coverage Stage:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drug Tier 1: \$0</li> <li>• Drug Tier 2: \$10</li> <li>• Drug Tier 3: \$45<br/>You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.</li> <li>• Drug Tier 4: \$95</li> <li>• Drug Tier 5: 30%<br/>You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.</li> </ul> <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 payment equal to 5% of the cost of the drug (this is called coinsurance),</li> </ul> | <p>Deductible: \$150 (for drugs in Tier 3, Tier 4 and Tier 5), except for covered insulin products and most adult Part D vaccines.</p> <p>Copayment/Coinsurance as applicable during the Initial Coverage Stage:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drug Tier 1: \$0</li> <li>• Drug Tier 2: \$10</li> <li>• Drug Tier 3: \$45<br/>You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.</li> <li>• Drug Tier 4: \$95<br/>You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.</li> <li>• Drug Tier 5: 30%<br/>You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.</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.</li> <li>• You may have cost sharing for drugs that are covered under our enhanced benefit.</li> </ul> |

| Cost | 2023 (this year)   | 2024 (next year) |
|------|--|------------------|
|      | 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.). |                  |

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

On January 1, 2024, our plan name will change from MediGold Mount Carmel No Premium Choice (PPO) to Mount Carmel MediGold No Premium Choice (PPO).

You will receive new ID cards reflecting the plan name change in late November. All additional communications about your plan going forward will reflect your new plan name.

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

### Section 2.1 – Changes to the Monthly Premium

| Cost  | 2023 (this year)                                 | 2024 (next year)  |
|---|--|---|
| <b>Monthly premium</b><br>(You must also continue to pay your Medicare Part B premium.) | \$0  | No Change: \$0  |
| <b>Optional Supplemental Dental Benefits</b>  | You pay \$16 premium per month for Dental Silver | No change: You pay \$16 premium per month for Dental Silver |
|   | You pay \$43 premium per month for Dental Gold   | No change: You pay \$43 premium per month for Dental Gold   |

- 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.



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

| Cost   | 2023 (this year) | 2024 (next year)   |
|--|------------------|--|
| <p><b>In-network maximum out-of-pocket amount</b></p> <p>Your costs for covered medical services (such as copays) from network providers count toward your in-network maximum out-of-pocket amount. Your costs for prescription drugs do not count toward your maximum out-of-pocket amount.</p>   | \$5,700          | <p>No change: \$5,700</p> <p>Once you have paid \$5,700 out-of-pocket for covered Part A and Part B services, you will pay nothing for your covered Part A and Part B services from network providers for the rest of the calendar year.</p>                   |
| <p><b>Combined maximum out-of-pocket amount</b></p> <p>Your costs for covered medical services (such as copays) from in-network and out-of-network providers count toward your combined maximum out-of-pocket amount. Your costs for outpatient prescription drugs do not count toward your maximum out-of-pocket amount for medical services.</p> | \$8,950          | <p>No change: \$8,950</p> <p>Once you have paid \$8,950 out-of-pocket for covered Part A and Part B services, you will pay nothing for your covered Part A and Part B services from network or out-of-network providers for the rest of the calendar year.</p> |

Medicare requires all health plans to limit how much you pay out-of-pocket for the year. These limits are called the maximum out-of-pocket amounts. Once you reach this amount, you generally pay nothing for covered Part A and Part B services for the rest of the year.

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

Updated directories are also located on our website at [www.mountcarmelhealth.com/medicare/find-a-provider](http://www.mountcarmelhealth.com/medicare/find-a-provider). 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 Directory* to see if your providers (primary care provider, specialists, hospitals, etc.) are in our network.**

There are changes to our network of pharmacies for next year. **Please review the 2024 Pharmacy Directory to see which 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.

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

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

| Cost   | 2023 (this year)  | 2024 (next year)  |
|--|---|---|
| Additional Telehealth Services                     | <p><b>In-Network:</b></p> <p>You pay \$5 copay for a Primary Care visit.<br/>                     You pay \$35 copay for a Specialist visit.<br/>                     You pay \$40 copay for Mental Health visit.<br/>                     You pay \$40 copay for Psychiatric Service visit.</p> <p><b>Out-of-Network:</b></p> <p>Not covered</p> | <p><b>In-Network:</b></p> <p>You pay \$0 copay for a Primary Care visit.<br/>                     You pay \$35 copay for a Specialist visit.<br/>                     You pay \$40 copay for Mental Health visit.<br/>                     You pay \$40 copay for Psychiatric Service visit.</p> <p><b>Out-of-Network:</b></p> <p>Not covered</p> |
| Medicare-covered Diagnostic Procedures Tests       | <p><b>In-Network:</b></p> <p>You pay \$0 minimum copay for this benefit.<br/>                     You pay \$25 maximum copay for this benefit.</p>  | <p><b>In-Network:</b></p> <p>You pay \$25 copay for this benefit.</p>   |
| Medicare-covered Pulmonary Rehabilitation Services | <p><b>In-Network:</b></p>   | <p><b>In-Network:</b></p>   |

| Cost  | 2023 (this year)   | 2024 (next year)   |
|---|--|--|
|   | You pay \$20 copay for this benefit.   | You pay \$15 copay for this benefit.   |
| Medicare-covered Supervised Exercise Therapy (SET) for Symptomatic Peripheral Artery Disease (PAD) Services | <p><b>In-Network:</b></p> <p>You pay \$20 copay for this benefit.</p>  | <p><b>In-Network:</b></p> <p>You pay \$15 copay for this benefit.</p>  |
| Other Health Care Professional Services   | <p><b>In-Network:</b></p> <p>You pay \$5 minimum copay for this benefit.<br/>You pay \$35 maximum copay for this benefit.</p> <p><b>Out-of-Network:</b></p> <p>You pay \$25 minimum copay for this benefit.<br/>You pay \$60 maximum copay for this benefit.</p> | <p><b>In-Network:</b></p> <p>You pay \$0 minimum copay for this benefit.<br/>You pay \$35 maximum copay for this benefit.</p> <p><b>Out-of-Network:</b></p> <p>You pay \$25 minimum copay for this benefit.<br/>You pay \$60 maximum copay for this benefit.</p> |
| Outpatient Hospital Services  | Prior authorization required.  | Prior authorization not required.  |
| Primary Care Physician Services   | <p><b>In-Network:</b></p> <p>You pay \$5 copay for this benefit.</p> <p><b>Out-of-Network:</b></p>   | <p><b>In-Network:</b></p> <p>You pay \$0 copay for this benefit.</p> <p><b>Out-of-Network:</b></p>   |

| Cost  | 2023 (this year)   | 2024 (next year)  |
|---|--|---|
|   | You pay \$25 copay for this benefit.   | You pay \$25 copay for this benefit.  |
| Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF)<br>Medicare-covered stay | Prior authorization required.<br><b>In-Network:</b><br>You pay a \$0 copayment for days 1-20.<br>You pay a \$196 copayment for days 21-58.<br>You pay a \$0 copayment for days 59-100. | Prior authorization not required.<br><b>In-Network:</b><br>You pay a \$0 copayment for days 1-20.<br>You pay a \$203 copayment for days 21-56.<br>You pay a \$0 copayment for days 57-100.  |
| Supplemental Vision/Hearing Allowance                   | <b>In-Network and Out-of-Network:</b><br>Supplemental Vision/Hearing Allowance is not covered.   | <b>In-Network and Out-of-Network:</b><br>You receive \$1,000/year on your Flex Card to apply towards out-of-pocket costs for covered Vision/Hearing services. For a complete description of covered Vision/Hearing services, please refer to Chapter 4, Section 2.1 of your <i>Evidence of Coverage</i> . |

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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 and available on our website at [www.mountcarmelhealth.com/medicare/pharmacy-and-drug-benefits/formulary](http://www.mountcarmelhealth.com/medicare/pharmacy-and-drug-benefits/formulary) or by calling Member Services.

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 sent you 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 by September 30, 2023, 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><br/>                     During this stage, <b>you pay the full cost</b> of your Tier 3, Tier 4, and Tier 5 drugs 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>The deductible is \$150.<br/>                     During this stage, you pay \$0 cost sharing for drugs on Tier 1, \$10 cost sharing for drugs on Tier 2 and the full cost of drugs on Tier 3, Tier 4 and Tier 5 until you have reached the yearly deductible.</p> | <p>The deductible is \$150.<br/>                     During this stage, you pay \$0 cost sharing for drugs on Tier 1, \$10 cost sharing for drugs on Tier 2 and the full cost of drugs on Tier 3, Tier 4 and Tier 5 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> 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-days) supply when you fill your prescription at a network pharmacy that provides standard cost sharing. For information about the costs or a long-term supply or for mail-order prescriptions, look in Chapter 6, Section 5 of your <i>Evidence of Coverage</i>.</p> <p><b>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.</b></p> | <p>Your cost for a one-month supply filled at a network pharmacy with standard cost sharing:</p> <p><b>Tier 1 (Preferred Generic):</b><br/>You pay \$0 per prescription.</p> <p><b>Tier 2 (Generic):</b><br/>You pay \$10 per prescription.</p> <p><b>Tier 3 (Preferred Brand):</b><br/>You pay \$45 per prescription.<br/>You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.</p> <p><b>Tier 4 (Non-Preferred Brand):</b><br/>You pay \$95 per prescription.</p> <p><b>Tier 5 (Specialty Tier):</b><br/>You pay 30% of the total cost.<br/>You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.</p> <hr/> <p>Once your total drug costs have reached <b>\$4,660</b>, you will move to the next stage (the Coverage Gap Stage).</p> | <p>Your cost for a one-month supply filled at a network pharmacy with standard cost sharing:</p> <p><b>Tier 1 (Preferred Generic):</b><br/>You pay \$0 per prescription.</p> <p><b>Tier 2 (Generic):</b><br/>You pay \$10 per prescription.</p> <p><b>Tier 3 (Preferred Brand):</b><br/>You pay \$45 per prescription.<br/>You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.</p> <p><b>Tier 4 (Non-Preferred Brand):</b><br/>You pay \$95 per prescription.<br/>You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.</p> <p><b>Tier 5 (Specialty Tier):</b><br/>You pay 30% of the total cost.<br/>You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.</p> <hr/> <p>Once your total drug costs have reached <b>\$5,030</b>, 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. You may have cost sharing for excluded drugs that are covered under our enhanced benefit.**

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

### SECTION 3 Administrative Changes

| Description               | 2023 (this year)  | 2024 (next year)   |
|---------------------------|---|--|
| Diabetic Testing Supplies | Available through designated network providers. No specified meters or test strips. | Available through all network pharmacies. Members must utilize Accu-Chek or OneTouch meters and test strips.   |
| Flex Card                 | No Supplemental Vision/Hearing Allowance  | The \$1,000 Supplemental Vision/Hearing Allowance is administered through a Flex Card. Call (800) 240-3851 (TTY 771) for details.  |
| Member Rewards            | Member Rewards on a prepaid MasterCard  | Our Member Rewards program is administered through a Flex Card and allows you to earn rewards for completing healthy activities, and is offered to all new and existing members. Notification of personalized reward offerings will be received via mail. Call (800) 240-3851 (TTY 711) for details. |



| Description  | 2023 (this year)  | 2024 (next year)   |
|--------------|---|--|
| Plan Name    | The plan name is MediGold Mount Carmel No Premium Choice (PPO).   | The plan name is Mount Carmel MediGold No Premium Choice (PPO).  |
| Service Area | Crawford, Defiance, Fulton, Hancock, Hardin, Henry, Lucas, Morrow, Ottawa, Paulding, Putnam, Seneca, Wood, Wyandot Counties in Ohio | Allen, Crawford, Defiance, Fulton, Hancock, Hardin, Henry, Lucas, Mercer, Morrow, Ottawa, Paulding, Putnam, Seneca, Van Wert, Wood, Wyandot Counties in Ohio |

## SECTION 4 Deciding Which Plan to Choose

### Section 4.1 – If you want to stay in Mount Carmel MediGold No Premium Choice (PPO)

**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 Mount Carmel MediGold No Premium Choice (PPO).

### Section 4.2 – 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 6), or call Medicare (see Section 8.2).

## Step 2: Change your coverage

- To **change to a different Medicare health plan**, enroll in the new plan. You will automatically be disenrolled from Mount Carmel MediGold No Premium Choice (PPO).
- To **change to Original Medicare with a prescription drug plan**, enroll in the new drug plan. You will automatically be disenrolled from Mount Carmel MediGold No Premium Choice (PPO).
- 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 5 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 6 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 Ohio, the SHIP is called Ohio Senior Health Insurance Information Program.

It is a state program that gets money from the Federal government to give **free** local health insurance counseling to people with Medicare. Ohio Senior Health Insurance Information Program 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 Ohio Senior Health Insurance Information Program at 1-800-686-1578. You can learn more about Ohio Senior Health Insurance Information Program by visiting their website ([insurance.ohio.gov/about-us/divisions/oshiip](https://insurance.ohio.gov/about-us/divisions/oshiip)).

## SECTION 7 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 am and 7 pm, Monday through Friday for a representative. Automated messages are available 24 hours a day. TTY users should call 1-800-325-0778; or
  - The Ohio Department of Medicaid at 1-800-324-8680 (applications).
- **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 Ohio HIV Drug Assistance Program (OHDAP). For information on eligibility criteria, covered drugs, or how to enroll in the program, please call OHDAP at 1-800-777-4775.

## SECTION 8 Questions?

### Section 8.1 – Getting Help from Mount Carmel MediGold No Premium Choice (PPO)

Questions? We’re here to help. Please call Member Services at (800) 240-3851. (TTY only, call 711). We are available for phone calls 8 a.m. – 8 pm., 7 days a week. On certain holidays, your call will be handled by our automated phone system. 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 Mount Carmel MediGold No

Premium Choice (PPO). 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.mountcarmelhealth.com/medicare/for-members/view-coverage-benefits](http://www.mountcarmelhealth.com/medicare/for-members/view-coverage-benefits). 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.mountcarmelhealth.com/medicare](http://www.mountcarmelhealth.com/medicare). As a reminder, our website has the most up-to-date information about our provider network (*Provider Directory*) and our *List of Covered Drugs* (Formulary/“Drug List”).

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## Section 8.2 – 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.

## Notice of Nondiscrimination

Mount Carmel MediGold complies with applicable Federal civil rights laws and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, sexual orientation, sex (defined as sex at birth, legal sex and/or sex stereotyping), and gender (which includes gender identity, gender expression and/or pregnancy). Mount Carmel MediGold does not exclude people or treat them differently because of race, color, national origin, age, disability, sexual orientation, sex or gender. Mount Carmel MediGold:

- 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 Member Services.

If you believe that Mount Carmel MediGold has failed to provide these services or discriminated in another way on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, sexual orientation, sex or gender, you can file a grievance with: Daniel Hayes, Member Services Manager, 3100 Easton Square Place, Third Floor - Health Plan, Columbus, OH 43219, 1-800-240-3851 (TTY 711), 1-833-802-2200 fax, [HealthPlanAppeals@trinity-health.org](mailto:HealthPlanAppeals@trinity-health.org). You can file a grievance in person or by mail, fax, or email. If you need help filing a grievance, Daniel Hayes, Member Services Manager, is available to help you. You can 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 [ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf](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, DC 20201, 1-800-368-1019, 1-800-537-7697 (TDD). Complaint forms are available at [www.hhs.gov/ocr/complaints/index.html](https://www.hhs.gov/ocr/complaints/index.html).

**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 1-800-240-3851 (TTY 711). Someone who speaks English/Language 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 1-800-240-3851 (TTY 711). Alguien que hable español le podrá ayudar. Este es un servicio gratuito.

**Chinese Mandarin:** 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 1-800-240-3851 (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 Cantonese:** 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 1-800-240-3851 (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 pagsasaling-wika upang masagot ang anumang mga katanungan ninyo hinggil sa aming planong pangkalusugan o panggamot. Upang makakuha ng tagasaling-wika, tawagan lamang kami sa 1-800-240-3851 (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 1-800-240-3851 (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 1-800-240-3851 (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 Arzneimittelplan. Unsere Dolmetscher erreichen Sie unter 1-800-240-3851 (TTY 711). Man wird Ihnen dort auf Deutsch weiterhelfen. Dieser Service ist kostenlos.

**Korean:** 당사는 의료 보험 또는 약품 보험에 관한 질문에 답해 드리고자 무료 통역 서비스를 제공하고 있습니다. 통역 서비스를 이용하려면 전화 1-800-240-3851 (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 1-800-240-3851 (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 فوري، ليس عليك سوى الاتصال بنا على 1-800-240-3851 (TTY 711). سيقوم شخص ما يتحدث العربية بمساعدتك. هذه خدمة مجانية.

**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 1-800-240-3851 (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 1-800-240-3851 (TTY 711). Un nostro incaricato che parla Italianovi fornirà l'assistenza necessaria. È un servizio gratuito.

**Portuguese:** 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 1-800-240-3851 (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 1-800-240-3851 (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 1-800-240-3851 (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、1-800-240-3851 (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。

**Somali:** Waxaan leenahay adeegyo turjumaan oo lacag la'aan ah si aan uga jawaabno su'aalo kasta oo aad ka qabtid caafimaadkayaga ama qorshahayaga daawo ahaaneed. Si aad u hesho turjumaan, kaliya naga soo wac 1-800-240-3851 (TTY 711). Qof ku hadla luuqada Soomaliga ayaa ku caawin kara. Adeegani waa lacag la'aan.

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