

SENIORCARE[®]

Prescription Drugs for Wisconsin Seniors



Information About SeniorCare

What is SeniorCare?

SeniorCare is a prescription drug assistance program for Wisconsin residents who are 65 years of age or older and meet the enrollment requirements. The program is designed to help seniors with their prescription drug costs.

Who can enroll in SeniorCare?

To enroll in SeniorCare you must:

- Be a Wisconsin resident.
- Be a U.S. citizen or have qualifying immigrant status.
- Be 65 years of age or older.

How can I apply for SeniorCare?

To apply for SeniorCare, request an application from the SeniorCare Customer Service hotline at 1-800-657-2038 or print one at dhs.wisconsin.gov/seniorcare. On the application, you will need to provide your Social Security number. You will also have to pay a \$30 annual enrollment fee per person.

When can I apply?

The earliest you can apply is during the calendar month of your 65th birthday. If you are already age 65 or older, you can apply at any time. Your benefits will begin in the month after you apply.

How much will SeniorCare cover?

Your annual income determines your level of coverage in SeniorCare and how much SeniorCare will cover. See the table on the following page for out-of-pocket expenses and benefits for each level of participation.

What prescriptions are covered by SeniorCare?

SeniorCare covers most generic and brand name prescription drugs and over-the-counter insulin; coverage may vary based on the level of benefits you have. Reimbursement for most drugs is limited to a 34-day supply. Some maintenance drugs may be provided in a three-month supply.

What if I have other prescription drug coverage?

If you already have prescription drug coverage under another health insurance plan, you are still eligible to enroll in SeniorCare. SeniorCare will coordinate benefit coverage with your existing plan. People enrolled in Medicaid are not eligible for SeniorCare.

What is a copay?

A copay is the amount you pay out of pocket each time you get a covered drug from your pharmacy.

What is a deductible?

A deductible is the amount that members in Levels 2a, 2b, and 3 pay annually for covered drugs at the SeniorCare rate before SeniorCare copays begin. Only covered drugs purchased at the SeniorCare rate will be used to meet the deductible.

What is a SeniorCare rate?

The SeniorCare rate is a discounted rate for most covered drugs. Members who are still paying toward their deductible will pay the SeniorCare rate on covered drugs.

What is a spenddown?

A spenddown is the total amount you have to pay for covered drugs before you move to the deductible phase of your enrollment. If you are a SeniorCare member with Level 3 coverage, you are required to meet an annual spenddown. The spenddown amount is shared for a married couple when both are eligible for SeniorCare. Your spenddown is the difference between your gross annual income and 240% of the current federal poverty level (FPL).

Only SeniorCare-covered drugs purchased at the pharmacies' retail price will be used to meet your spenddown. Covered drug costs for the spenddown will be tracked automatically by the SeniorCare program. During the spenddown, there is no discount on drug costs.

Where can I get more information?

- Call the SeniorCare Customer Service hotline at 1-800-657-2038 (voice) or 711 (TTY).
- Visit the SeniorCare website, dhs.wisconsin.gov/seniorcare.

SeniorCare 2017 Annual Income Limits and Out-of-Pocket Expenses by Level of Participation		
Level 1	Income Limits	Out-of-Pocket Expenses
	Income at or below 160% of the FPL <i>Individual: \$19,296</i> <i>Couple: \$25,984</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No deductible or spenddown. • \$5 copay for each covered generic prescription drug. • \$15 copay for each covered brand name prescription drug.
Level 2A	Income Limits	Out-of-Pocket Expenses
	Income between 160% and 200% of the FPL <i>Individual: \$19,297-\$24,120</i> <i>Couple: \$25,985-\$32,480</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$500 deductible per person. • Pay the SeniorCare rate for covered drugs until the \$500 deductible is met. • After \$500 deductible is met, pay a \$5 copay for each covered generic prescription drug and a \$15 copay for each covered brand name prescription drug.
Level 2B	Income Limits	Out-of-Pocket Expenses
	Income between 200% and 240% of the FPL <i>Individual: \$24,121-\$28,944</i> <i>Couple: \$32,481-\$38,976</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$850 deductible per person. • Pay the SeniorCare rate for covered drugs until the \$850 deductible is met. • After \$850 deductible is met, pay a \$5 copay for each covered generic prescription drug and a \$15 copay for each covered brand name prescription drug.
Level 3	Income Limits	Out-of-Pocket Expenses
	Income more than 240% of the FPL <i>Individual: \$28,945 or greater</i> <i>Couple: \$38,977 or greater</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pay retail price for covered drugs during spenddown. • After the spenddown is met, meet an \$850 deductible per person. • Pay the SeniorCare rate for covered drugs until the \$850 deductible is met. • After \$850 deductible is met, pay a \$5 copay for each covered generic prescription drug and a \$15 copay for each covered brand name prescription drug.

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