

How to compare Medicare Advantage plans or Medicare Prescription Drug plans on Medicare's Website.

1. Go to www.medicare.gov

2. Click on Find plans
3. You'll be given an opportunity to log in or create an account. You can also continue without logging in.

If you create an account you'll be able to see your personalized Medicare history.

We'll continue without logging in.

4. Next, decide what type of plan you'd like to review, or learn more about your options.

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We will first look at the Drug plan option.

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Adds drug coverage to Original Medicare.

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Enter your ZIP code

14904

Continue

5. Enter your Zip code so you will be able to see plans available to you where you live. Then continue.

Do you get help with your costs from one of these programs?

- Medicaid
- Supplemental Security Income
- Medicare Savings Program
- Extra Help from Social Security
- I'm not sure
- I don't get help from any of these programs

Next

6. If you know if you will get extra help because of your income and resources check the appropriate box. (*hint if you create an account that information will already be populated).

7. If you take prescriptions it's a great idea to enter them. You will get a very good estimate of cost. You can select both mail order and/or retail pharmacy. Click Next when you are ready.

Tell us your search preferences

Do you want to see your drug costs when you compare plans?

Yes

Great!

To see drug costs, get ready to enter the name, dosage, quantity, and frequency for each drug you take regularly.

No

How do you normally fill your prescriptions?

Retail pharmacy

Mail order pharmacy

Both

You'll need to tell us the pharmacies you use most to get accurate drug costs.

Next

8. Add your medication, click 'Add Drug' in the green box when you find your medication.

Add your prescription drugs

Begin typing to find & select your drug.

Simvastatin

Add Drug

[Clear search](#)

[Browse drugs A-Z](#)

[Can't find your drug?](#)

9. Select your dosage then click on 'Add to my Drug List'

Tell us about this drug

Simvastatin

Dosage

20mg tablet

Quantity

30

Frequency

Every month

[Cancel](#)

Add to My Drug List

10. When your drug list is complete click the green 'done adding drugs' tab.

Confirm your drug list

Drug list

Celecoxib 200mg capsule generic Remove drug	Quantity 30	Frequency Every month Edit drug
Lisinopril 20mg tablet generic Remove drug	Quantity 30	Frequency Every month Edit drug
Simvastatin 20mg tablet generic Remove drug	Quantity 30	Frequency Every month Edit drug

[Add Another Drug](#)

[Done Adding Drugs](#)

11. Select up to 2 pharmacies for comparison shopping. Not finding the pharmacy you want? There are pages to choose from. After completing your selection click 'Done' in the lower right corner.

Pharmacy selection

Showing 10 pharmacies near 14904 Chemung, NY

[Change location](#)

Add mail order to my pharmacies.

1 Walgreens #10865 424 South Main St Elmira, NY 149041314 (607) 737-1090	<input type="checkbox"/>	2 Rite Aid Pharmacy 10887 209 Mt Zoar Street Elmira, NY 14904 (607) 733-5636	<input type="checkbox"/>
3 Gerould's Pharmacy #1 130 S Main St Elmira, NY 14904 (607) 733-6696	<input type="checkbox"/>	4 Gerould's Pharmacy #1 130 South Main Street Elmira, NY 14904 (607) 733-6696	<input type="checkbox"/>
5 Rite Aid Pharmacy 00260 1000 Pennsylvania Avenue Elmira, NY 149042609 (607) 733-6262	<input type="checkbox"/>	6 Gerould's Pharmacy #2 215 Hoffman St Elmira, NY 149052493 (607) 732-0597	<input type="checkbox"/>

[Done](#)

Now you have some results!

You can sort plans by premiums, deductibles and drug cost. Look to the right side of your page under the plan filters to chose your sorting preference.

27 Prescription Drug Plans available



Chemung, NY [Change location](#)

[Edit your drugs & pharmacies](#)

Filter Plans

No filters selected

Showing 10 of 27 drug plans

Sort plans by

12. If you see something that looks good, click on the tab that says 'plan details' below the premium of the plan you are interested in.

Plan Details

You'll then be able to see a further breakdown in cost for the medications you've entered.

Selected drugs	Retail cost	Cost before deductible	Cost after deductible	Cost in coverage gap	Cost after coverage gap
Celecoxib 200mg capsule	\$5.75	\$5.75	\$2.42	\$1.44	\$3.60
Lisinopril 20mg tablet	\$3.35	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.84	\$3.35
Simvastatin 20mg tablet	\$3.65	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.91	\$3.60
Monthly totals	\$12.75	\$5.75	\$2.42	\$3.19	\$10.55

Want to look at a different type of plan? Return to the Search Results and click in the upper right corner, if you're in prescription plans, Advantage plans will show as another plan type to review, your medications will still be available to review.

[View 32 available Medicare Advantage Plans](#)

Found the plan you like? Click on the green 'Enroll' button and follow the prompts to enroll in your plan choice.

Enroll