Medicare is a federal health insurance program for people 65 or older, as well as some younger people who may qualify through Disability. Medicare coverage plays an important role in managing your medical costs as you age. While it does not cover all medical expenses, Medicare can significantly help with the cost of healthcare.

Medicare is operated by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) but applications and public information for Part A and B (also known as "original Medicare") are handled by the Social Security Administration (SSA). Medicare Part C and Part D coverage is provided through private insurers.

Parts of Medicare

Part A

Hospital

care.



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