

MEDICARE PART A OR PART B DRUG COVERAGE

Medicare Part A pays for medications during a Medicare-covered hospital or skilled nursing facility stay, while Part B covers drugs administered by a healthcare provider in settings like doctor's offices or outpatient facilities. Part B also covers intravenous treatments, tube feeding, and certain drugs related to organ transplants. If you're unsure about coverage, consult your doctor or contact your drug plan for clarification.

Sometimes, instead of Medicare Part D, Medicare Part A or B may pay for a drug. Part A covers the medications you need during a Medicare-covered stay in a hospital or skilled nursing facility. Part B covers drugs you wouldn't usually give to yourself, such as those you receive at a doctor's office or hospital outpatient setting. These injectable and infused drugs are covered by Part B in most instances because they aren't usually self-administered. Part B also covers intravenous treatments, tube feeding, and certain drugs used for transplant or to prevent rejection of transplanted organs. If Medicare helped pay

for your organ transplant, Part B can cover the medications related to it. If you are under age 65, are living with a kidney transplant, and meet other criteria, you will be eligible for Medicare coverage of your immunosuppressive drugs for the life of your transplant. Additionally, Medicare Part B can help pay for certain oral cancer drugs if there is an injectable version of the same drug available.

If you are unsure about which part of Medicare covers your drugs, you can talk to your doctor or call your drug plan to ask.

