

The Medicare Basics

An animated marker scribbles blue text and an animated figure with question marks around it on a white background. An animated eraser swipes across the screen and the marker draws a birthday cake with yellow candles on top.

ON SCREEN TEXT: MEDICARE

ON SCREEN TEXT: 65

MALE NARRATOR: Okay, so you're trying to understand Medicare. And it can be really confusing. Like, when do you have to start thinking about all this stuff? Well, if you're coming up on the magic 6-5, it's time.

The eraser swipes across the screen and the marker draws a figure beneath a ruler with numbers over the increments. The figure moves toward the higher numbers. Blue text with a red slash through it appear in front of the figure.

ON SCREEN TEXT: 60 65 70 75 80 85

ON SCREEN TEXT: ACME
Insurance

NARRATOR: Or if you're like a lot of us and retiring later, you're ready as soon as you don't have employer health insurance anymore.

The eraser swipes across the screen and blue text appears on the left side of the screen. The marker draws an arrow to the right and orange text appears on the other side of it.

ON SCREEN TEXT: ACME
Insurance

ON SCREEN TEXT: JONES
Insurance

NARRATOR: Maybe you already have a Medicare plan but you're thinking about switching it up a little bit. No matter what's going on, you need to know some basics.

The eraser swipes across the screen and the marker scribbles blue text at the top of the screen. One by one, five circular icons appear beneath it.

ON SCREEN TEXT: MEDICARE

ON SCREEN TEXT: PART A

ON SCREEN TEXT: PART B

ON SCREEN TEXT: PART C

ON SCREEN TEXT: PART D

ON SCREEN TEXT: MED SUPP

NARRATOR: So let's get started. Medicare has four parts: A, B, C, and yep, you guessed it, D. Plus, there's this fifth thing called supplemental. We'll get back to that. So what do the letters really mean?

The eraser swipes across the screen and one circular icon appears at the top of the screen. The marker scribbles a figure next to an animated hospital building and a green form with a red X over it beside that.

NARRATOR: Well, Part A is for when you go to the hospital.

WOMAN OVER PA SYSTEM: Paging Dr. Bender.

NARRATOR: And you get it just by signing up for Medicare. We have a whole nother video that explains signing up. For most, you get Part A automatically and it costs you zip, zero, nothing.

The eraser swipes across the screen and a trio of the circular icons appear in a column at the left of the screen. The marker scribbles blue text next to each. Then the marker draws animated dollar bills on the right side of the screen.

ON SCREEN TEXT: PART B

ON SCREEN TEXT: DOCTOR

ON SCREEN TEXT: PART C

ON SCREEN TEXT: MEDICARE ADVANTAGE

ON SCREEN TEXT: PART D

ON SCREEN TEXT: PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

NARRATOR: Parts B, C, and D, on the other hand, are optional. If you want them, you buy them.

The eraser swipes across the screen and a circular icon appears at the top of the screen. The marker scribbles blue text next to it and an animated doctor figure, a stethoscope, and a mallet aimed at a knee below.

ON SCREEN TEXT: PART B

ON SCREEN TEXT: DOCTOR

NARRATOR: Part B is for when you go to the doctor, stuff like routine physicals, blood pressure checks, tests, you know, things like that.

The eraser swipes across the screen and the marker scribbles animated glasses and a toothy grin above a circular icon.

ON SCREEN TEXT: PART C

ON SCREEN TEXT: MEDICARE ADVANTAGE

NARRATOR: Part C, well, let's say you want to add eye care or dental coverage or something else. That's where Part C comes in. It's also called Medicare Advantage, and it's pretty cool.

The eraser swipes across the screen and a trio of the circular icons appear in a row separated by mathematical signs. The marker scribbles animated glasses and a toothy grin at the end of the row.

ON SCREEN TEXT: PART C

ON SCREEN TEXT: = PART A

ON SCREEN TEXT: + PART B

ON SCREEN TEXT: +

NARRATOR: Part C combines A and B along with some of the other stuff you want.

The eraser swipes across the screen and a circular icon appears. The marker scribbles animated pills beneath and green dollar bills above the icon. Another icon appears to the left of the first and a gift box appears around both.

ON SCREEN TEXT: PART D

ON SCREEN TEXT: PART C

NARRATOR: Then there's Part D. Part D is prescription drug coverage. Now, you can buy it on its own or you can get it with Part C and wrap the whole thing up in one neat little package.

The eraser swipes across the screen and a circular icon appears. The marker scribbles blue text next to it. Then two more icons appear on the right side of the screen and the marker draws animated green bills beneath the two icons. The green bills move beneath the other icon and its blue text.

ON SCREEN TEXT: MED SUPP

ON SCREEN TEXT: SUPPLEMENTAL

ON SCREEN TEXT: PART A
PART B

NARRATOR: You can also buy a supplemental policy if you want. They're called that because they cover some of the costs not included in A or B.

The eraser swipes across the screen and the five circular icons appear. The marker scribbles blue text next to them.

ON SCREEN TEXT: PART A

ON SCREEN TEXT: PART B

ON SCREEN TEXT: PART C

ON SCREEN TEXT: PART D

ON SCREEN TEXT: MED SUPP

ON SCREEN TEXT: FIND OUT MORE

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ON SCREEN TEXT: [medicaremadeclear.com](https://www.medicaremadeclear.com)

NARRATOR: Well, there you go. Those are the basics. Still want to know more? Go to [medicare.gov](https://www.medicare.gov) or check the other videos in this series at [medicaremadeclear.com](https://www.medicaremadeclear.com).

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