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Section 9. Coordinating Benefits With Medicare and Other Coverage

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Suspended PSHB coverage to enroll in a Medicare Advantage plan: If you are an annuitant or former spouse, you can suspend your PSHB coverage to enroll in a Medicare Advantage plan, eliminating your PSHB premium. (OPM does not contribute to your Medicare Advantage plan premium.) For information on suspending your PSHB enrollment, contact your retirement or employing office. If you later want to re-enroll in the PSHB Program, generally you may do so only at the next Open Season unless you involuntarily lose coverage or move out of the Medicare Advantage plan's service area.

• Medicare prescription drug coverage (Part D)

When we are the primary payor, we process the claim first. If you (as an active employee eligible for Medicare Part D or their covered Medicare Part D-eligible family member) enroll in any open market Medicare Part D plan and we are the secondary payor, we will review claims for your prescription drug costs that are not covered by that Medicare Part D plan and consider them for payment under the PSHB plan.

Note: If you are a Postal Service annuitant or their covered Medicare-eligible family member enrolled in our Medicare Part D PDP EGWP, this does not apply to you because you may not be enrolled in more than one Medicare Part D plan at the same time. If you opt out of or disenroll from our PDP EGWP, you do not have our PSHB Program prescription drug coverage and we are not a secondary payor for prescription drug benefits.

• Medicare Prescription Drug Plan Employer Group Waiver Plan (PDP EGWP)

If you are enrolled in Medicare Part A and/or Part B, and are not enrolled in a Medicare Advantage Prescription Drug Plan (MAPD), you will be automatically enrolled into our Medicare PDP EGWP. Our PDP EGWP is a prescription drug benefit for Postal Service annuitants and their covered Medicare-eligible family members. This allows you to receive benefits that will never be less than the standard prescription drug coverage that is available to members with non-PDP EGWP prescription drug coverage. But more often you will receive benefits that are better than members with standard non-PDP EGWP prescription drug coverage. **Note: You have the choice to opt out of or disenroll from our PDP EGWP at any time and may obtain prescription drug coverage outside of the PSHB Program.**

When you are enrolled in our Medicare PDP EGWP for your prescription drug benefits, you continue to have our medical coverage.

Members with higher incomes may have a separate premium payment for their Medicare Part D Prescription Drug Plan (PDP) benefit. Please refer to the part D-IRMAA section of the Medicare website: <https://www.medicare.gov/drug-coverage-part-d/costs-for-medicare-drug-coverage/monthly-premium-for-drug-plans> to see if you would be subject to an additional premium.

For people with limited income and resources, Extra Help is a Medicare program to help with Medicare prescription drug plan costs. Information regarding this program is available through the Social Security Administration (SSA) online at www.socialsecurity.gov, or call the SSA at 800-772-1213, TTY 800-325-0778. You may also contact the number on the back of your ID card.

The PDP EGWP opt out process:

If you were automatically group enrolled into our PDP EGWP and choose to opt out, you may have to wait to re-enroll during Open Season or for a QLE. Contact us at 888.338.7737 for assistance.

The PDP EGWP disenrollment process:

When you are enrolled in our PDP EGWP, you may choose to disenroll at any time. For information about how to disenroll, visit us at www.fepblue.org/medicarerx and look for the disenrollment form under the auto enrollment process and follow the instructions provided.

Warning: If you opt out of or disenroll from our PDP EGWP, you will not have any PSHB Program prescription drug coverage.

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