Seniors Win with Health Reform
The new health care law guarantees seniors no-cost annual check-ups, free preventative care and other new benefits -- get the facts today!

Health reform improves Medicare and lowers costs for seniors.

- Seniors will get free yearly check-ups, better prescription drug coverage, and will be freed from co-pays for preventive care like mammograms and colonoscopies.

- In 2010, $250 checks were automatically sent to seniors who hit the gap in Medicare’s prescription drug coverage, known as the “donut hole.” This year, seniors in the “donut hole” will get a 50% discount on brand-name prescription drugs.

- The Medicare “donut hole” will be completely eliminated by 2020.

“My Father died of colon cancer at 70.
What a relief to know my colon cancer screening this year was covered.
With the new health care law, Medicare will now cover the cost of my yearly check-ups, which makes a big difference on my fixed income.

“I was afraid I might lose my doctor. So I asked her. She told me that won’t happen.
She told me that the new health care law actually helps family doctors like her by giving them more funding and getting rid of confusing paperwork.”

Health reform gives seniors greater access to doctors and quality care.

- Doctors will have less insurance paperwork to fill out, and more time for you.

- To increase the number of primary care doctors, Medicare will raise their pay and help them pay off costly student loans, a burden that drives many young doctors into high paying specialty care and away from primary care.

- Medicare will offer incentives to doctors and hospitals that improve the quality of care and reduce errors.
Health reform changes insurance rules so that your family and friends can get and keep good, secure health coverage, including the 32 million Americans who currently lack insurance.

- Insurance companies will be prohibited from canceling policies or denying coverage because of a pre-existing condition. And, they will no longer be able to place a dollar limit on how much coverage is available to you in your lifetime.
- Insurers will no longer be able to charge higher premiums for women or for those with a history of illness.
- Insurers will now be required to cover physicals and preventive treatments, and allow adult children to remain on their parent’s health insurance policy until age 26.

“Finding out that the new health care law requires my Senators and Congressman to get their insurance from the same place I get mine was a great comfort.

Finally, we’re all in this together!”

- Insurers will be required to spend more of our premiums on medical care, and less on corporate profits.
- Reform will provide assistance to millions of America’s lower-income families and small businesses to afford good health insurance.

And don’t forget....

- Health reform requires Members of Congress and their staffs to get their health care coverage from the same plans as millions of Americans.


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