



## Your Guide to Medicare Special Needs Plans (Snps)

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Medicare SNPs limit membership to people with specific diseases or characteristics, and tailor their benefits, provider choices, and drug formularies (list of covered drugs) to best meet the specific needs of the groups they serve. This publication has important information about Medicare Special Needs Plans, including the following: How they work; Services and benefits; Joining and switching; Deciding if one is right for you. You can join a Medicare SNP if you have Medicare Part A (Hospital Insurance) and Medicare Part B (Medical Insurance), live in the plan's service area, and meet the plan's eligibility requirements, such as one of the following: Chronic Condition SNP (C-SNP): You have one or more of the following severe or disabling chronic conditions: Chronic alcohol and other drug dependence; Autoimmune disorders; Cancer (excluding pre-cancer conditions); Cardiovascular disorders; Chronic heart failure; Dementia; Diabetes mellitus; End-stage liver disease; End-Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) requiring any mode of dialysis; Severe hematologic disorders; HIV/AIDS; Chronic lung disorders; Chronic...



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