CCHP Senior Select Program (HMO D-SNP) offered by Chinese Community Health Plan

Annual Notice of Changes for 2024

You are currently enrolled as a member of *CCHP Senior Select Program (HMO D-SNP)*. Next year, there will be changes to the plan's costs and benefits. *Please see page 5 for a Summary of Important Costs, including Premium.*

This document tells about the changes to your plan. To get more information about costs, benefits, or rules please review the *Evidence of Coverage*, which is located on our website at *https://cchphealthplan.com/medicare-member/*. You may also call Member Services to ask us to mail you an *Evidence of Coverage*.

What to do now

1. ASK: Which changes apply to you

□ Check the changes to our benefits and costs to see if they affect you.

- Review the changes to Medical care costs (doctor, hospital).
- Review the changes to our drug coverage, including authorization requirements and costs.
- Think about how much you will spend on premiums, deductibles, and cost sharing.
- □ Check the changes in the 2024 "Drug List" to make sure the drugs you currently take are still covered.
- Check to see if your primary care doctors, specialists, hospitals, and other providers, including pharmacies will be in our network next year.
- ☐ Think about whether you are happy with our plan.
- 2. COMPARE: Learn about other plan choices
- ☐ Check coverage and costs of plans in your area. Use the Medicare Plan Finder at <u>www.medicare.gov/plan-compare</u> website or review the list in the back of your *Medicare & You 2024* handbook.
- □ Once you narrow your choice to a preferred plan, confirm your costs and coverage on the plan's website.

- 3. CHOOSE: Decide whether you want to change your plan
 - If you don't join another plan by December 7, 2023, you will stay in *CCHP Senior Select Program (HMO D-SNP)*.
 - To change to a **different plan**, you can switch plans between October 15 and December 7. Your new coverage will start on **January 1**, 2024. This will end your enrollment with *CCHP Senior Select Program (HMO D-SNP)*.
 - If you recently moved into, currently live in, or just moved out of an institution (like a skilled nursing facility or long-term care hospital), you can switch plans or switch to Original Medicare (either with or without a separate Medicare prescription drug plan) at any time.

Additional Resources

- This document is available for free in *Chinese and Spanish*.
- Please contact our Member Services number at *1-888-775-7888* for additional information. (TTY users should call *1-877-681-8898*.) Hours are 7 days a week from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. during the open enrollment period (October 1 March 31). During the non-open enrollment period (April 1 September 30), the hours are Mondays Fridays 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. This call is free.
- 此文件有其它的語言版本免費提供。了解詳情請致電: 1-888-775-7888 與會員服務中心聯絡。(聽力殘障人士請電 TTY1-877-681-8898), 10 月 1 日至 3 月31 日期間,每週七天,上午 8 時至晚上 8 時。4 月 1 日至 9 月 30 日期間,週一至週五,上午 8 時至晚上 8 時。會員服務中心也有提供免費其它語言的口譯服務。
- Por favor comuníquese con nuestro número de Servicios para Miembros al 1-888-775-7888 para obtener información adicional. (Los usuarios de TTY deben llamar al 1-877-681-8898). El horario es los 7 días de la semana, de 8:00 a. m. a 8:00 p. m. durante el período de inscripción abierta (1 de octubre al 31 de marzo). Durante el período de inscripción no abierta (del 1 de abril al 30 de septiembre), el horario es de lunes a viernes de 8:00 a. m. a 8:00 p. m. Esta llamada es gratis.
- This document may be available in other formats, such as Braille, large print, or alternate formats. You may call member services at 1-888-775-7888 for more information. TTY callers should call 1-877-681-8898.
- Coverage under this Plan qualifies as Qualifying Health Coverage (QHC) and satisfies the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act's (ACA) individual shared responsibility requirement. Please visit the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) website at www.irs.gov/Affordable-Care-Act/Individuals-and-Families for more information.

About CCHP Senior Select Program (HMO D-SNP)

• CCHP Senior Select Program (HMO D-SNP) is an HMO plan with a Medicare contract. The plan also has a written agreement with the California Medicaid program to coordinate your Medicaid benefits. • When this document says "we," "us," or "our", it means *Chinese Community Health Plan.* When it says "plan" or "our plan," it means *CCHP Senior Select Program (HMO D-SNP).*

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Summary of Important Costs for 2024

The table below compares the 2023 costs and 2024 costs for *CCHP Senior Select Program* (*HMO D-SNP*) in several important areas. **Please note this is only a summary of costs**.

Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
Monthly plan premium* * Your premium may be higher than this amount. See Section 2.1 for details.	\$0-\$38.90 per month	\$0 - \$41 per month
Doctor office visits	Primary care visits: \$0 per visit	Primary care visits: \$0 per visit
	Specialist visits: \$0 per visit	Specialist visits: \$0 per visit
Inpatient hospital stays	\$0 per day	\$0 per day
Part D prescription drug coverage (See Section 2.5 for details.)	Deductible: \$505 except for covered insulin products and most adult Part D vaccines.	Deductible: <i>\$545</i> except for covered insulin products and most adult Part D vaccines.
	 <i>Coinsurance</i> during the Initial Coverage Stage: Drug Tier 1: All drugs: 25% per prescription Catastrophic Coverage: During this payment stage, the plan pays much of the part for 	 <i>Coinsurance</i> during the Initial Coverage Stage: Drug Tier 1: All drugs: 25% per prescription You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.
	 most of the cost for your covered drugs. For each prescription, you pay whichever of these is larger: a payment equal to 5% of the cost of the drug 	 Catastrophic Coverage: During this payment stage, the plan pays the full cost for your

Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
	(this is called coinsurance), or a copayment (\$4.15 for a generic drug or a drug that is treated like a generic, and \$10.35 for all other drugs.).	covered Part D drugs. You pay nothing.
Maximum out-of-pocket amount This is the <u>most</u> you will pay out-of-pocket for your covered services. (See Section 2.2 for details.)	\$3,400	\$3,400

SECTION 1 Unless You Choose Another Plan, You Will Be Automatically Enrolled in CCHP Senior Select Program in 2024

If you do nothing in 2023, we will automatically enroll you in our *CCHP Senior Select Program (HMO D-SNP)*. This means starting January 1, 2024, you will be getting your medical and prescription drug coverage through *CCHP Senior Select Program (HMO D-SNP)*. If you want to change plans or switch to Original Medicare and get your prescription drug coverage through a Prescription Drug Plan you must do so between October 15 and December 7. The change will take effect on January 1, 2024.

SECTION 2 Changes to Benefits and Costs for Next Year

Section 2.1 – Changes to the Monthly Premium

Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
Monthly premium (You must also continue to pay your Medicare Part B premium unless it is paid for you by Medicaid.)	\$0 - \$38.90 per month	\$0 - \$41 per month

Section 2.2 – Changes to Your Maximum Out-of-Pocket Amount

Medicare requires all health plans to limit how much you pay out-of-pocket for the year. This limit is called the maximum out-of-pocket amount. Once you reach this amount, you generally pay nothing for covered services for the rest of the year.

Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
Maximum out-of-pocket amount	\$3,400	\$3,400
Because our members also get assistance from Medicaid, very few members ever reach this out- of-pocket maximum. If you are eligible for Medicaid assistance with Part A and Part B copays, you are not responsible for paying any out-of-pocket costs toward the maximum out-of-pocket amount for covered Part A and Part B services.		Once you have paid \$3,400 out-of-pocket for covered services, you will pay nothing for your covered services for the rest of the calendar year.
Your costs for covered medical services (such as copays count toward your maximum out-of- pocket amount. Your plan premium and your costs for prescription drugs do not count toward your maximum out-of-pocket amount.		

Section 2.3 – Changes to the Provider and Pharmacy Networks

Updated directories are located on our website at <u>www.CCHPHealthPlan.com/medicare</u>. You may also call Member Services for updated provider and/or pharmacy information or to ask us to mail you a directory, which we will mail within three business days.

There are changes to our network of providers for next year. Please review the 2024 *Provider Directory* to see if your providers (primary care provider, specialists, hospitals, etc.) are in our network.

There are changes to our network of pharmacies for next year. **Please review the 2024** *Pharmacy Directory* to see which pharmacies are in our network.

It is important that you know that we may make changes to the hospitals, doctors and specialists (providers), and pharmacies that are part of your plan during the year. If a mid-year change in our providers affects you, please contact Member Services so we may assist.

Section 2.4 – Changes to benefits and Costs for Medical Services

Please note that the *Annual Notice of Changes* tells you about changes to your Medicare benefits and costs.

We are making changes to costs and benefits for certain medical services next year. The information below describes these changes.

Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
Grocery Flex Card	You pay \$0 out-of-pocket for a Grocery Flex Card, administered by NationsBenefits.	You pay \$0 out-of-pocket for a Grocery Flex Card, administered by NationsBenefits.
	You can use the available benefit allowance of \$28.00 per month on the Grocery Card at participating retail locations.	The amount of the benefit allowance for the Grocery Card is being increased to \$45 per month.
		The Flex Card wallets for both the Grocery Card and OTC benefits are being merged. In 2024, you may use the combination of the \$45 monthly Grocery Card allowance and \$55 quarterly OTC allowance in any way that works for you to purchase healthy foods and OTC items.

Cost	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
Over-the-Counter (OTC) Items	 \$55 Allowance per quarter. You pay \$0 out-of-pocket for an OTC Flex Card, administered by NationsBenefits. You can order: Online – visit NationsOTC.com/cchp By Phone – call a NationsOTC Member Experience Advisor 877- 211-3132 (TTY:711), Monday to Friday, excluding holidays. By Mail – Fill out and return the order form in the NationsOTC Product Catalog. 	 You pay \$0 out-of-pocket for a Grocery Flex Card, administered by NationsBenefits. The Flex Card wallets for both the Grocery Card and OTC benefits are being merged. In 2024, you may use the combination of the \$45 monthly Grocery Card allowance and \$55 quarterly OTC allowance in any way that works for you to purchase healthy foods and OTC items. Herbal Supplements are being added to the plan approved OTC items. You can order: Online – visit NationsOTC.com/cchp By Phone – call a NationsOTC Member Experience Advisor 877-211-3132 (TTY: 711), Monday to Friday, excluding holidays. By Mail – Fill out and return the order form in the NationsOTC Product Catalog. <i>You may now also purchase OTC items at participating retail locations.</i>
Supplemental Benefits for the Chronically Ill (SSBCI) - Hypertension	SSBCI – Hypertension is not covered.	When hypertensive members opt into the program and complete the requirements, they will be given a \$10 monthly bonus for their OTC/Health Food card.

Section 2.5 – Changes to Part D Prescription Drug Coverage

Changes to Our "Drug List"

Our list of covered drugs is called a Formulary or "Drug List." A copy of our "Drug List" is provided electronically. **You can get the** *complete* **"Drug List**" by calling Member Services (see the back cover) or visiting our website www.CCHPHealthPlan.com/Medicare.

We made changes to our "Drug List," which could include removing or adding drugs, changing the restrictions that apply to our coverage for certain drugs or moving them to a different costsharing tier. **Review the "Drug List" to make sure your drugs will be covered next year and to see if there will be any restrictions, or if your drug has been moved to a different costsharing tier.**

Most of the changes in the "Drug List" are new for the beginning of each year. However, during the year, we might make other changes that are allowed by Medicare rules. For instance, we can immediately remove drugs considered unsafe by the FDA or withdrawn from the market by a product manufacturer. We update our online "Drug List" to provide the most up to date list of drugs.

If you are affected by a change in drug coverage at the beginning of the year or during the year, please review Chapter 9 of your Evidence of Coverage and talk to your doctor to find out your options, such as asking for a temporary supply, applying for an exception and/or working to find a new drug. You can also contact Member Services for more information.

Changes to Prescription Drug Costs

Note: If you are in a program that helps pay for your drugs ("Extra Help"), **the information about costs for Part D prescription drugs may not apply to you.** We have included a separate insert, called the "Evidence of Coverage Rider for People Who Get Extra Help Paying for Prescription Drugs" (also called the Low-Income Subsidy Rider or the LIS Rider), which tells you about your drug costs. If you receive "Extra Help" and didn't receive this insert with this packet, please call Member Services and ask for the LIS Rider.

There are four **drug payment stages**. The information below shows the changes to the first two stages – the Yearly Deductible Stage and the Initial Coverage Stage. (Most members do not reach the other two stages – the Coverage Gap Stage or the Catastrophic Coverage Stage.)

Changes to the Deductible Stage

Stage	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
Stage 1: Yearly Deductible Stage During this stage, you pay the full cost of your Part D drugs until you have reached the yearly deductible. The deductible doesn't apply to covered insulin products and most adult Part D vaccines, including shingles, tetanus and travel vaccines.	Your deductible amount is either \$0, \$104, or \$505, depending on the level of "Extra Help" you receive. (Look at the separate insert, the "LIS Rider," for your deductible amount.)	Your deductible amount is either \$0 or \$545, depending on the level of "Extra Help" you receive. (Look at the separate insert, the LIS Rider, for your deductible amount.)

Changes to Your Cost Sharing in the Initial Coverage Stage

Stage	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
Stage 2: Initial Coverage Stage Once you pay the yearly deductible, you move to the Initial Coverage Stage. During this stage, the plan pays its share of the cost of your drugs, and you	Your cost for a one-month supply filled at a network pharmacy with standard cost sharing:	Your cost for a one-month supply filled at a network pharmacy with standard cost sharing:
	All Drugs:	All Drugs: You pay 25% of the
pay your share of the cost. Most adult Part D vaccines are covered at no cost to you.	You pay 25% of the total Cost.	<i>total Cost.</i> You pay \$35 per month supply of each covered insulin product on this tier.
Stage 2: Initial Coverage Stage (continued)		
The costs in this row are for a one-month (30-day) <i>supply</i> when you fill your prescription at a network pharmacy that provides standard cost sharing. For information about the costs, look in Chapter 6, Section 5 of your <i>Evidence of Coverage</i> .	Once your total drug costs have reached \$4,660, you will move to the next stage (the Coverage Gap Stage). <i>OR</i> \$7,400 out-of- pocket for Part D drugs, you will move to the next stage (the Catastrophic Coverage Stage).	Once your total drug costs have reached \$5,030 you will move to the next stage (the Coverage Gap Stage). <i>OR</i> you have paid \$8,000 out-of-pocket for Part D drugs, you will move to the next stage

Stage	2023 (this year)	2024 (next year)
		(the Catastrophic Coverage Stage).

Changes to the Coverage Gap and Catastrophic Coverage Stages

The other two drug coverage stages – the Coverage Gap Stage and the Catastrophic Coverage Stage – are for people with high drug costs. Most members do not reach the Coverage Gap Stage or the Catastrophic Coverage Stage.

Beginning in 2024, if you reach the Catastrophic Coverage Stage, you pay nothing for covered Part D drugs.

For specific information about your costs in these stages, look at Chapter 6, Sections 6 and 7, in your *Evidence of Coverage*.

SECTION 3 Deciding Which Plan to Choose

Section 3.1 – If you want to stay in CCHP Senior Select Program (HMO D-SNP).

To stay in our plan, you don't need to do anything. If you do not sign up for a different plan or change to Original Medicare by December 7, you will automatically be enrolled in our *CCHP Senior Select Program (HMO D-SNP).*

Section 3.2 – If you want to change plans

We hope to keep you as a member next year but if you want to change plans for 2024 follow these steps:

Step 1: Learn about and compare your choices

- You can join a different Medicare health plan,
- -- *OR*-- You can change to Original Medicare. If you change to Original Medicare, you will need to decide whether to join a Medicare drug plan.

To learn more about Original Medicare and the different types of Medicare plans, use the Medicare Plan Finder (<u>www.medicare.gov/plan-compare</u>), read the *Medicare & You 2024* handbook, call your State Health Insurance Assistance Program (see Section 5), or call Medicare (see Section 7.2).

As a reminder, *Chinese Community Health Plan* offers other Medicare health plans. These other plans may differ in coverage, monthly premiums, and cost-sharing amounts.

Step 2: Change your coverage

• To change to a different Medicare health plan, enroll in the new plan. You will automatically be disenrolled from *CCHP Senior Select Program (HMO D-SNP)*.

- To **change to Original Medicare with a prescription drug plan**, enroll in the new drug plan. You will automatically be disenrolled from *CCHP Senior Select Program (HMO D-SNP)*.
- To change to Original Medicare without a prescription drug plan, you must either:
 - Send us a written request to disenroll. Contact Member Services if you need more information on how to do so.
 - \circ *or* Contact **Medicare**, at 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and ask to be disenrolled. TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048.

If you switch to Original Medicare and do **not** enroll in a separate Medicare prescription drug plan, Medicare may enroll you in a drug plan unless you have opted out of automatic enrollment.

SECTION 4 Changing Plans

If you want to change to a different plan or to Original Medicare for next year, you can do it from **October 15 until December 7.** The change will take effect on January 1, 2024.

Are there other times of the year to make a change?

In certain situations, changes are also allowed at other times of the year. Examples include people with Medicaid, those who get "Extra Help" paying for their drugs, those who have or are leaving employer coverage, and those who move out of the service area.

Because you have Medi-Cal, you may be able to end your membership in our plan or switch to a different plan one time during each of the following **Special Enrollment Periods**:

- January to March
- April to June
- July to September

If you enrolled in a Medicare Advantage plan for January 1, 2024, and don't like your plan choice, you can switch to another Medicare health plan (either with or without Medicare prescription drug coverage) or switch to Original Medicare (either with or without Medicare prescription drug coverage) between January 1 and March 31, 2024.

If you recently moved into, currently live in, or just moved out of an institution (like a skilled nursing facility or long-term care hospital), you can change your Medicare coverage **at any time**. You can change to any other Medicare health plan (either with or without Medicare prescription

drug coverage) or switch to Original Medicare (either with or without a separate Medicare prescription drug plan) at any time.

SECTION 5 Programs That Offer Free Counseling about Medicare

The State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) is an independent government program with trained counselors in every state. In *California*, the SHIP is called *Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program (HICAP)*.

It is a state program that gets money from the Federal government to give **free** local health insurance counseling to people with Medicare. *Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program (HICAP)* counselors can help you with your Medicare questions or problems. They can help you understand your Medicare plan choices and answer questions about switching plans. You can call *Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program (HICAP)* at 1-800-434-0222.

For questions about your Medi-Cal (Medicaid) benefits, contact California Department of Health Care Services, 1-916-445-4171. TTY users should call 1-916-445-0553. Ask how joining another plan or returning to Original Medicare affects how you get your Medi-Cal (Medicaid) coverage.

SECTION 6 Programs That Help Pay for Prescription Drugs

You may qualify for help paying for prescription drugs. Below we list different kinds of help:

- **"Extra Help" from Medicare.** People with limited incomes may qualify for "Extra Help" to pay for their prescription drug costs. If you qualify, Medicare could pay up to 75% or more of your drug costs including monthly prescription drug premiums, annual deductibles, and coinsurance. Additionally, those who qualify will not have a coverage gap or late enrollment penalty. To see if you qualify, call:
 - 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227). TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048, 24 hours a day/7 days a week;
 - The Social Security Office at 1-800-772-1213 between 8 am and 7 pm, Monday through Friday for a representative. Automated messages are available 24 hours a day. TTY users should call, 1-800-325-0778; or
 - Your State Medicaid Office (applications).
- **Prescription Cost-sharing Assistance for Persons with HIV/AIDS.** The AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) helps ensure that ADAP-eligible individuals living with HIV/AIDS have access to life-saving HIV medications. Individuals must meet certain criteria, including proof of State residence and HIV status, low income as defined by the State, and uninsured/under-insured status. Medicare Part D prescription drugs that are also covered by ADAP qualify for prescription cost-sharing assistance through the *California AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP)*. For information on eligibility

criteria, covered drugs, or how to enroll in the program, please call *California AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) – San Francisco County: 1-415-554-9172.*

SECTION 7 Questions?

Section 7.1 – Getting Help from CCHP Senior Select Program (HMO D-SNP)

Questions? We're here to help. Please call Member Services at *1*-888-775-7888. (TTY only, call 1-877-681-8898). We are available for phone calls 7 days a week from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. during the open enrollment period (October 1 - March 31). During the non-open enrollment period (April 1 – September 30), the hours are Mondays – Fridays 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Calls to these numbers are free.

Read your 2024 Evidence of Coverage (it has details about next year's benefits and costs)

This *Annual Notice of Changes* gives you a summary of changes in your benefits and costs for 2024. For details, look in the 2024 Evidence of Coverage for CCHP Senior Select Program (HMO D-SNP). The Evidence of Coverage is the legal, detailed description of your plan benefits. It explains your rights and the rules you need to follow to get covered services and prescription drugs. A copy of the Evidence of Coverage is located on our website at www.CCHPHealthPlan.com/Medicare. You may also call Member Services to ask us to mail you an Evidence of Coverage.

Visit our Website

You can also visit our website at www.CCHPHealthPlan.com/Medicare. As a reminder, our website has the most up-to-date information about our provider network (*Provider Directory*) and our *List of Covered Drugs (Formulary/"Drug List"*).

Section 7.2 – Getting Help from Medicare

To get information directly from Medicare:

Call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227)

You can call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048.

Visit the Medicare Website

Visit the Medicare website (<u>www.medicare.gov</u>). It has information about cost, coverage, and quality Star Ratings to help you compare Medicare health plans in your area. To view the information about plans, go to <u>www.medicare.gov/plan-compare</u>.

Read Medicare & You 2024

Read the *Medicare & You 2024* handbook. Every fall, this document is mailed to people with Medicare. It has a summary of Medicare benefits, rights and protections, and answers to the most frequently asked questions about Medicare. If you don't have a copy of this document, you can get it at the Medicare website (<u>https://www.medicare.gov/Pubs/pdf/10050-medicare-and-you.pdf</u>) or by calling 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048.

Section 7.3 – Getting Help from Medicaid

To get information from Medi-Cal (Medicaid) you can call California Department of Health Care Services at 1-916-445-4171. TTY users should call 1-916-445-0553.