

## Who can use this form?

People with Medicare who want to join a Medicare Advantage Plan.

### To join a plan, you must:

- Be a United States citizen or be lawfully present in the U.S.
- Live in the plan's service area

**Important:** To join a Medicare Advantage Plan, you must also have both:

- Medicare Part A (Hospital Insurance)
- Medicare Part B (Medical Insurance)

## When do I use this form?

You can join a plan:

- Between October 15 - December 7 each year (for coverage starting January 1).
- Within 3 months of first getting Medicare
- In certain situations where you're allowed to join or switch plans

Visit [Medicare.gov](https://www.Medicare.gov) to learn more about when you can sign up for a plan.

## What do I need to complete this form?

- Your Medicare number (the number on your red, white, and blue Medicare card)
- Your permanent address and phone number

**Note:** You must complete all items in Section 1. The items in Section 2 are optional - you can't be denied coverage because you don't fill them out.

## Reminders:

- If you want to join a plan during fall open enrollment (October 15 - December 7), the plan must get your completed form by December 7.
- Your plan will send you a bill for the plan's premium. You can choose to sign up to have your premium payments deducted from your bank account or your monthly Social Security (or Railroad Retirement Board) benefit.

## What happens next?

Send your completed and signed form to:

Alterwood Advantage  
Attn: Sales Department  
PO Box 4175  
Timonium, MD 21094

Once we process your request to join, we'll contact you.

## How do I get help with this form?

Call Alterwood Advantage at 1-866-550-1011. TTY users can call 711.

Or call Medicare at 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227). TTY users can call 1-877-486-2048.

**En español:** Llame a Alterwood Advantage al 1-866-550-1011 (TTY: 711) o a Medicare gratis al 1-800-633-4227 y oprima el 2 para asistencia en español y un representante estará disponible para asistirle.

## Individuals experiencing homelessness:

If you want to join a plan but have no permanent residence, a Post Office Box, an address of a shelter or clinic, or the address where you receive mail (e.g., social security checks) may be considered your permanent residence address.

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is 0938-1378. The time required to complete this information is estimated to average 20 minutes per response, including the time to review instructions, search existing data resources, gather the data needed, and complete and review the information collection. If you have any comments concerning the accuracy of the time estimate(s) or suggestions for improving this form, please write to: CMS, 7500 Security Boulevard, Attn: PRA Reports Clearance Officer, Mail Stop C4-26-05, Baltimore, Maryland 21244-1850.

### IMPORTANT

**Do not send this form or any items with your personal information (such as claims, payments, medical records, etc.) to the PRA Reports Clearance Office. Any items we get that aren't about how to improve this form or its collection burden (outlined in OMB 0938-1378) will be destroyed. It will not be kept, reviewed, or forwarded to the plan. See "What happens next?" on this page to send your completed form to the plan.**

**Section 1 - All Fields on this Page are Required (unless marked optional):**

Select the plan you want to join:

- Alterwood Advantage Select (H9306-009-001): \$0 per month
- Alterwood Advantage Select (H9306-009-002): \$0 per month (Baltimore City)
- Alterwood Advantage Choice (H9306-008-001): \$30 per month
- Alterwood Advantage Choice (H9306-008-002): \$40 per month (Baltimore City)
- Alterwood Advantage Choice Plus (H9306-002): \$122 per month
- Alterwood Advantage Freedom (H9306-003): \$0 per month
- Alterwood Advantage Dual Secure (H9306-004): \$0 - \$40.20 per month (Based on your level of "Extra Help")
- Alterwood Advantage Dual Value (H9306-007): \$0 - \$36.90 per month (Based on your level of "Extra Help")

FIRST Name:

LAST Name:

Middle Initial:

Birth Date: (MM/DD/YYYY)

Sex:

- Male  Female

Home Phone Number (Landline):

(\_\_\_\_)\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone Number:

(\_\_\_\_)\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_

Email Address (optional):

Preferred Number:

- Home  Cell

I authorize the health plan to email and text me helpful reminders, articles and tips on healthy living, surveys, and general information about the plan. I understand that I may opt-out of receiving these messages by contacting Member Services at 1-866-675-3944 (TTY: 711), 8 am - 8 pm, ET, 7 days a week from Oct. 1 - Mar. 31 and 8 am - 8 pm, ET, Monday - Friday from Apr. 1 - Sept. 30.

- Yes, I would like to receive messages  No, I do not want to receive messages

Permanent Residence Street Address (Don't enter a PO Box. Note: For individuals experiencing homelessness, a PO Box may be considered your permanent residence address.):

Apt. Number:

City:

County:

State:

ZIP code:

**Mailing Address** (only if different from your Permanent Residence Address):

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Apt. Number: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP code: \_\_\_\_\_

**Your Medicare Information:**

Medicare Number: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

**Answer these Important Questions:**

1. Will you have other prescription drug coverage (like VA, TRICARE) in addition to Alterwood Advantage?  Yes  No

Name of other coverage: \_\_\_\_\_ Member number for this coverage: \_\_\_\_\_ Group number for this coverage: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Are you enrolled in your State Medicaid program?  Yes  No

If yes, please provide your 11-digit Medicaid number: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Are you enrolled in the Maryland Senior Prescription Drug Assistance Program (SPDAP)?  Yes  No

If yes, please provide your SPDAP number: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Are you a resident of a long-term facility, such as a nursing home?  Yes  No

If "yes," please provide the following information:

Name of Facility: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number of Facility: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Facility: \_\_\_\_\_

### Information to Determine Your Enrollment Period

**Typically, you may enroll in a Medicare Advantage plan only during the annual enrollment period from October 15 through December 7 of each year.** There are exceptions that may allow you to enroll in a Medicare Advantage plan outside of this period. Please read the following statements carefully, and check the box if the statement applies to you. By checking any of the following boxes you are certifying that, to the best of your knowledge, you are eligible for an enrollment period. If we later determine this information is incorrect, you may be disenrolled.

I am new to Medicare (insert date) \_\_\_\_\_.

I am making a change during the Annual Enrollment Period (AEP) from October 15 to December 7.

I am enrolled in a Medicare Advantage plan and want to make a change during the Medicare Advantage Open Enrollment Period (MA OEP) from January 1 to March 31.

I recently moved outside of the service area for my current plan or I recently moved and this plan is a new option for me. I moved on (insert date) \_\_\_\_\_.

I recently was released from incarceration. I was released on (insert date) \_\_\_\_\_.

I recently returned to the United States after living permanently outside of the U.S.  
I returned to the U.S. on (insert date) \_\_\_\_\_.

I recently obtained lawful presence status in the United States. I got this status on (insert date) \_\_\_\_\_.

I recently had a change in my Medicaid (newly got Medicaid, had a change in level of Medicaid assistance, or lost Medicaid) on (insert date) \_\_\_\_\_.

I recently had a change in my Extra Help paying for Medicare prescription drug coverage (newly got Extra Help, had a change in the level of Extra Help, or lost Extra Help) on (insert date) \_\_\_\_\_.

I have both Medicare and Medicaid (or my state helps pay for my Medicare premiums) or I get Extra Help paying for my Medicare prescription drug coverage, but I haven't had a change.

I am moving into, live in, or recently moved out of a Long-Term Care Facility (for example, a nursing home or long term care facility). I moved/will move into/out of the facility on (insert date) \_\_\_\_\_.

I recently left a PACE program on (insert date) \_\_\_\_\_.

I recently involuntarily lost my creditable prescription drug coverage (coverage as good as Medicare's). I lost my drug coverage on (insert date) \_\_\_\_\_.

I am leaving employer or union coverage on (insert date) \_\_\_\_\_.

I belong to a pharmacy assistance program provided by my state.

My plan is ending its contract with Medicare, or Medicare is ending its contract with my plan.

I was enrolled in a plan by Medicare (or my state) and I want to choose a different plan. My enrollment in that plan started on (insert date) \_\_\_\_\_.

I was enrolled in a Special Needs Plan (SNP) but I have lost the special needs qualification required to be in that plan. I was disenrolled from the SNP on (insert date) \_\_\_\_\_.

I was affected by an emergency or major disaster (as declared by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) or by a Federal, state, or local government entity). One of the other statements here applied to me, but I was unable to make my enrollment request because of the natural disaster.

If none of these statements applies to you or you're not sure, please contact Alterwood Advantage at **1-866-675-3944 (TTY: 711)** to see if you are eligible to enroll. We are open October 1 through March 31, seven days a week from 8 am - 8 pm, and April 1 through September 30, Monday through Friday from 8 am - 8 pm.

**Section 2 - All Fields in this Section are Optional**

**Answering these questions are your choice. You can't be denied coverage because you don't fill them out.**

1. Are you Hispanic, Latino/a, or Spanish origin? Select all that apply.

- No, not of Hispanic, Latino/a, or Spanish origin
- Yes, Mexican, Mexican American, Chicano/a
- Yes, Puerto Rican
- Yes, Cuban
- Yes, another Hispanic, Latino/a, or Spanish origin
- I choose not to answer

2. What's your race? Select all that apply.

- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Asian Indian
- Black or African American
- Chinese
- Filipino
- Guamanian or Chamorro
- Japanese
- Korean
- Native Hawaiian
- Other Asian
- Other Pacific Islander
- Samoan
- Vietnamese
- White
- I choose not to answer

3. What is your gender? Select one.

- Woman
- I use a different term: \_\_\_\_\_
- Man
- I choose not to answer
- Non-binary

4. Which of the following best represents how you think of yourself? Select one.

- Lesbian or gay
- I use a different term: \_\_\_\_\_
- Straight, that is, not gay or lesbian
- I don't know
- Bisexual
- I choose not to answer

5. Select one if you want us to send you information in a language other than English.

- Spanish
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

6. Select one if you want us to send you information in an accessible format.

- Braille
- Large print
- Audio CD

Please contact Alterwood Advantage at 1-866-675-3944 if you need information in an accessible format or language other than what is listed above. Our office hours are 8 am - 8 pm ET, 7 days a week, October 1 - March 31; 8 am - 8 pm ET, Monday - Friday, April 1 - September 30. TTY users should call 711.

7. Do you work?  Yes  No Does your spouse work?  Yes  No

8. Please choose the name of a Primary Care Physician (PCP). Refer to the plan website or Provider & Pharmacy Directory to choose.

PCP Name \_\_\_\_\_

PCP Address \_\_\_\_\_

Are you now seeing or have you recently seen this doctor?  Yes  No

9. I want to get the following materials via email. Select one or more.

- Evidence of Coverage (EOC)
- Provider & Pharmacy Directory
- Drug Formulary

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Paying Your Plan Premium:**

You can pay your monthly plan premium (including any late enrollment penalty that you currently have or may owe) by mail or Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) each month. **You can also choose to pay your premium by having it automatically taken out of your Social Security or Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) benefit each month. If you have to pay a Part D-Income Related Monthly Adjustment Amount (Part D-IRMAA), you must pay this extra amount in addition to your monthly premium.** The amount is usually taken out of your Social Security benefit, or you may get a bill from Medicare (or the RRB). DON'T pay Alterwood Advantage the Part D-IRMAA.

**Please select a premium payment option:**

- Get a monthly bill
- Electronic funds transfer (EFT) from your bank checking account each month.

Please enclose a VOIDED check or provide the following:

Account holder name: \_\_\_\_\_

Bank routing number: \_\_\_\_\_ Bank account number: \_\_\_\_\_

- Automatic deduction from your monthly Social Security or Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) benefit check.

I get monthly benefits from:  Social Security  RRB

Note: It may take up to 60 days for Social Security or RRB to approve your deduction request. We will mail you a bill until the automatic deductions start.

**IMPORTANT - Read and Sign Below:**

- I must keep both Hospital (Part A) and Medical (Part B) to stay in Alterwood Advantage.
- By joining this Medicare Advantage Plan, I acknowledge that Alterwood Advantage will share my information with Medicare, who may use it to track my enrollment, to make payments, and for other purposes allowed by Federal law that authorize the collection of this information (see Privacy Act Statement below). Your response to this form is voluntary. However, failure to respond may affect enrollment in the plan.
- I understand that I can be enrolled in only one MA plan at a time – and that enrollment in this plan will automatically end my enrollment in another MA plan (exceptions apply for MA PFFS, MA MSA plans).
- I understand that when my Alterwood Advantage coverage begins, I must get all of my medical and prescription drug benefits from Alterwood Advantage. Benefits and services provided by Alterwood Advantage and contained in my Alterwood Advantage “Evidence of Coverage” document (also known as a member contract or subscriber agreement) will be covered. Neither Medicare nor Alterwood Advantage will pay for benefits or services that are not covered.
- The information on this enrollment form is correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that if I intentionally provide false information on this form, I will be disenrolled from the plan.
- I understand that my signature (or the signature of the person legally authorized to act on my behalf) on this application means that I have read and understand the contents of this application. If signed by an authorized representative (as described above), this signature certifies that:
  1. This person is authorized under State law to complete this enrollment, and
  2. Documentation of this authority is available upon request by Medicare.

**PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT:** The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) collects information from Medicare plans to track beneficiary enrollment in Medicare Advantage (MA) Plans, improve care, and for the payment of Medicare benefits. Sections 1851 of the Social Security Act and 42 CFR §§ 422.50 and 422.60 authorize the collection of this information. CMS may use, disclose and exchange enrollment data from Medicare beneficiaries as specified in the System of Records Notice (SORN) “Medicare Advantage Prescription Drug (MARx)”, System No. 09-70-0588. Your response to this form is voluntary. However, failure to respond may affect enrollment in the plan.

**Signature:**

**Today's Date:**

**If you're the authorized representative, sign above and fill out these fields:**

Name:

Address:

Phone Number:

Relationship to Enrollee:

**For Individual Helping Enrollee with Completing this Form Only:**

Complete this section if you're an individual (i.e. agents, brokers, SHIP counselors, family members, or other third parties) helping an enrollee fill out this form.

Name:

Signature:

Relationship to Enrollee:

Agent ID:

Initial Receipt Date:

Proposed Effective Date: