

# HCP MEDICARE QUICK GUIDE

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**AccessPoint**<sup>™</sup>

**Medicare can be  
challenging. Help your  
patients find solutions.**

This brochure is intended for general informational purposes. Refer to the patient's health plan for specific information regarding coverage. Deciphera does not guarantee coverage or payer reimbursement.

**QINLOCK**<sup>®</sup>  
(ripretinib) 50 mg tablets

# NAVIGATING MEDICARE CAN BE COMPLEX

YOU CAN HELP SIMPLIFY THE PROCESS—STARTING WITH THE BASICS



Medicare is a government health plan that covers  
**69 MILLION PEOPLE IN 2025<sup>1</sup>**

To be eligible for Medicare, patients must meet one or more of the following criteria<sup>2</sup>:

- Aged 65 or older
- Under age 65 with disabilities
- Any age with end-stage renal disease

## MEDICARE COVERAGE IS DIVIDED INTO PARTS A THROUGH D<sup>3</sup>



### **Part A: Hospital insurance**

Covers inpatient care, skilled nursing facilities, hospice care, and home healthcare



### **Part B: Medical insurance**

Covers services from doctors and other healthcare providers, drugs administered in-office, outpatient care, home healthcare, durable medical equipment, and many preventive services



### **Part C: Medicare Advantage**

Run by private payers, replaces Parts A, B, and often D



### **Part D: Prescription Drug Plans (PDPs)**

Run by private payers, covers prescription drugs

**Medigap or supplemental insurance** can be purchased from private insurance companies to cover services that Original Medicare doesn't cover, including deductibles, coinsurance, and copays.



**MANY OF YOUR PATIENTS MAY HAVE MEDICARE.  
CALL DECIPHERA ACCESSPOINT™ FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION  
OR ASSISTANCE FOR YOUR QINLOCK® (ripetinib) PATIENTS**

# 2025 MEDICARE PART D BENEFIT DESIGN

## \$2,000 CAP ON OUT-OF-POCKET (OOP) COSTS MAKES PRESCRIPTIONS MORE AFFORDABLE FOR PATIENTS<sup>4</sup>

The Medicare Part D benefit design is made up of 3 phases of coverage: **1) Annual Deductible;** **2) Initial Coverage;** **3) Catastrophic Coverage.**<sup>5,6</sup>

### Phase 1: Annual Deductible

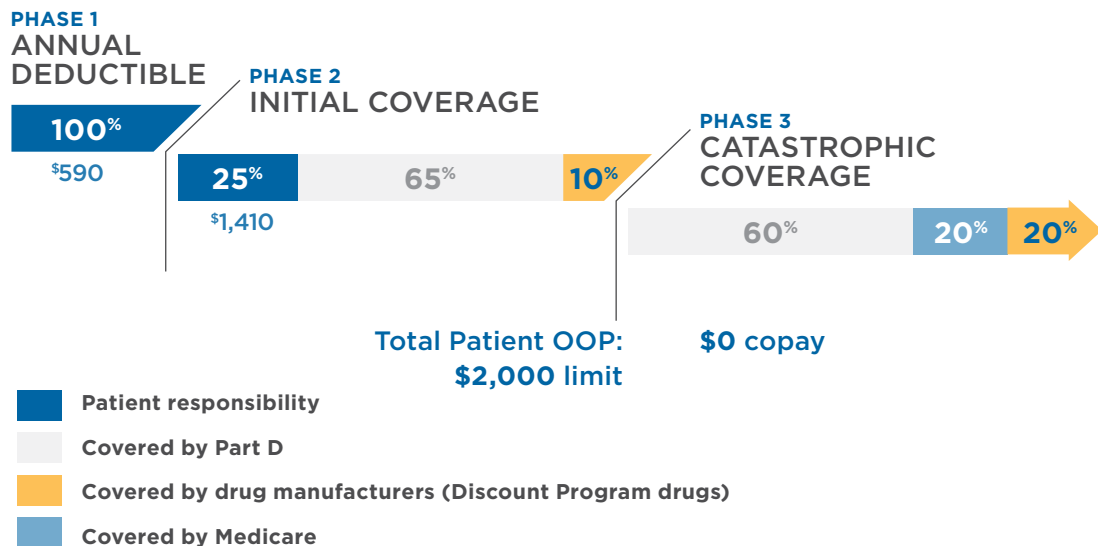
The Annual Deductible for 2025 is **\$590**. Patients are responsible for 100% of this cost.<sup>7</sup>

### Phase 2: Initial Coverage

After that, patients pay 25% of retail drug costs until they have spent **\$2,000** on drugs. At this point, they have reached their **Out-of-Pocket (OOP) Threshold**. Through 2024, this phase was followed by a Coverage Gap phase, which has been eliminated entirely beginning in 2025.<sup>6-8</sup>

### Phase 3: Catastrophic Coverage **NEW IN 2025**

Once total OOP spending has reached **\$2,000**, patients move into Catastrophic Coverage. During this phase, plans typically pay 60% of Part D drug costs. Medicare pays the remaining 40%, except for drugs covered by the new Manufacturer Discount Program, in which Medicare pays 20% and manufacturers provide a 20% discount. **Patients pay 0%.**<sup>8</sup>



**WITH MEDICARE'S NEW PRESCRIPTION PAYMENT PLAN, PATIENTS CAN PAY THEIR OOP PRESCRIPTION EXPENSES IN MONTHLY PAYMENTS INSTEAD OF AT THE POINT OF SALE<sup>9</sup>**

Refer to the following pages for financial assistance options, or call **Deciphera AccessPoint™** to see if your QINLOCK® (riporetinib) patients are eligible for funding from foundations or other organizations.

# LOW-INCOME SUBSIDY (LIS)

OR “EXTRA HELP”

## LIS PROVIDES ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE TO MEDICARE PATIENTS WHO QUALIFY

LIS, also known as “Extra Help,” is an extra benefit for patients with low income and limited resources. It can help them get assistance with monthly premiums, annual deductibles, and prescription copays related to their Part D expenses.<sup>10</sup>

## 2025 LIS ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

### Eligibility (determined by state)<sup>10-12</sup>

- Medicare **AND**
  - Medicaid (dual eligible), or
  - Medicare Savings Program, or
  - Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- **Income levels:** at or below 150% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL\*)
- **Resource limits<sup>†</sup>:**
  - Individual:** \$17,220
  - Couple:** \$34,360

### Benefits<sup>11</sup>

- **Premium:** 100% covered
- **Deductible:** \$0
- **Copay for brand name drugs:** no more than \$11.20<sup>13</sup>

\*The Federal Poverty Level is an income measure that changes every year. It is used to figure out if people qualify for LIS. It also depends on household size.

<sup>†</sup>Resources refer to the value of patient assets. Some examples are: real estate (other than the patient’s primary residence), bank accounts including checking, savings and certificates of deposit, stocks, bonds (including US savings bonds), mutual funds, retirement accounts, and cash.

**ABOUT 26% OF MEDICARE PART D PATIENTS ARE ENROLLED IN LIS<sup>14</sup>**



## HOW PATIENTS CAN APPLY FOR LIS:



Call Social Security  
**(800) 772-1213**  
TTY: (800) 325-0778



Visit  
**[socialsecurity.gov/extrahelp](https://www.socialsecurity.gov/extrahelp)**



Visit their local  
**Social Security office**

For more information about LIS and Medicare, visit [Medicare.gov](https://www.Medicare.gov).

# INFLATION REDUCTION ACT (IRA) STRENGTHENS FINANCIAL PROTECTION FOR PART D BENEFICIARIES<sup>4</sup>

## 2025 PART D REDESIGN PROGRAM

The IRA establishes the following, designed to make medicines more affordable and reduce OOP costs for Medicare patients.<sup>13,15</sup>



### **OOP spending cap**

- Starting in 2025, the Act introduces a cap on OOP costs at \$2,000. Once this threshold is reached, patients pay \$0 OOP for their prescriptions.<sup>15</sup>



### **Expanded eligibility for LIS**

- Partial assistance LIS has been eliminated and replaced with full subsidy in 2024, making full assistance available to ~300,000 more enrollees.<sup>13,16</sup>



### **Smoothing option to pay OOP costs in monthly installments**

- Starting in 2025, Medicare introduces the Medicare Prescription Payment Plan, enabling patients to pay OOP costs more evenly throughout the year.<sup>9,17</sup>

## MEDICARE PRESCRIPTION PAYMENT PLAN<sup>17,18</sup>

**Part D plans must offer enrollees the option to pay OOP drug costs in capped monthly payments, instead of all at once at the pharmacy.**

- Program participants pay \$0 at the pharmacy for covered Part D drugs.
- Part D plans bill participants monthly for any cost sharing incurred.
- Part D plans pay the pharmacies at the point of sale.
- Program goes into effect January 1, 2025.
  - Enrollees may opt in prior to the beginning of a plan year or in any month during a plan year.
  - Plans must process requests received before the plan year begins within 10 calendar days.
  - Requests received during the plan year must be processed within 24 hours.
- Participation is voluntary; beneficiaries can opt in through their plan by phone, online, or written request form.





# MEDICARE OPEN ENROLLMENT

The annual plan election period runs from October 15 through December 7 each year. During this annual window, Medicare plan enrollees can reevaluate their coverage and make changes or purchase new policies if they wish.

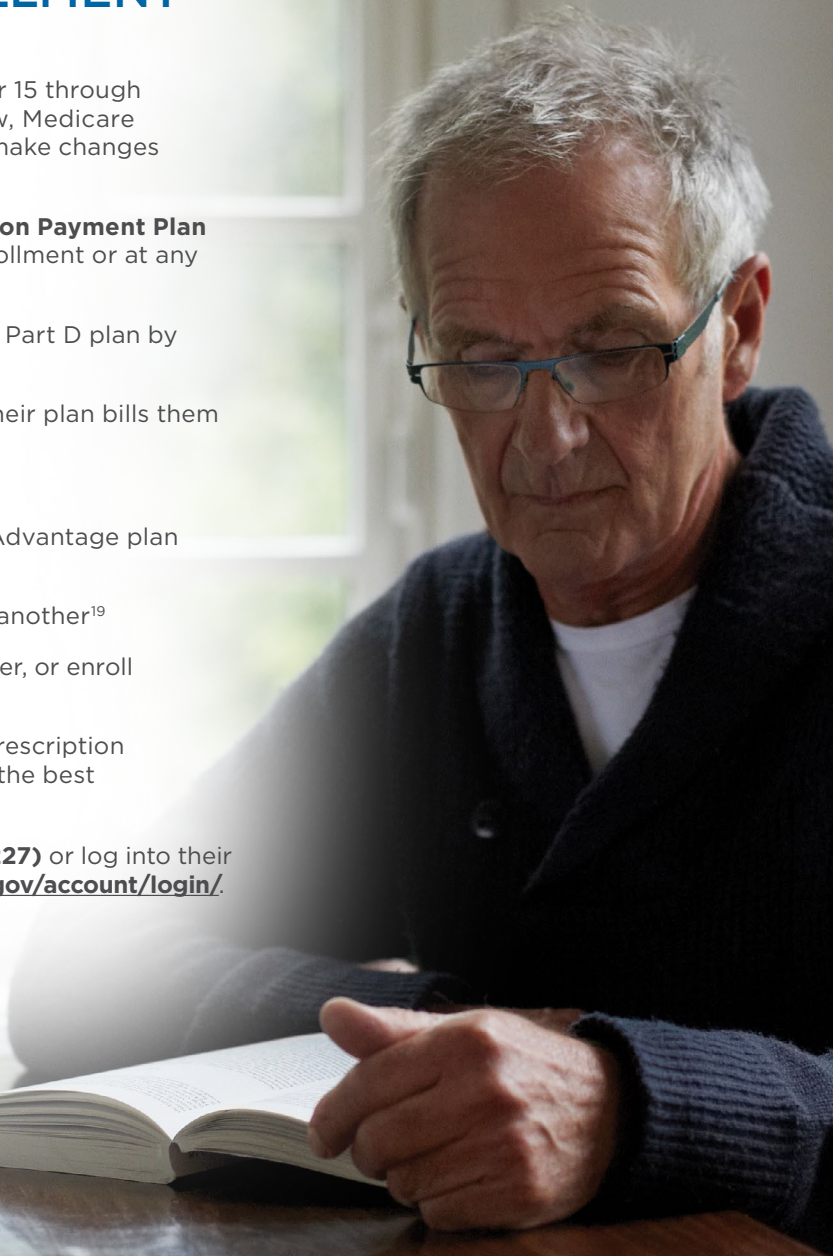
- Patients may opt into the **Medicare Prescription Payment Plan** (also known as “smoothing”) during open enrollment or at any time after the start of the plan year.<sup>17</sup>
- Enrollment is easy—patients can contact their Part D plan by phone or visit the plan’s website.<sup>18</sup>
- Patients pay \$0 copay at the pharmacy and their plan bills them monthly.<sup>17</sup>

## Patients may

- switch from Original Medicare to a Medicare Advantage plan or vice versa<sup>19</sup>
- switch from one Medicare Advantage plan to another<sup>19</sup>
- switch from one Medicare Part D PDP to another, or enroll in a Part D PDP if not previously enrolled<sup>20</sup>

Urge patients to call Medicare with a list of their prescription medications to ensure their current plan provides the best coverage for their daily medications.

Patients can call **1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227)** or log into their secure Medicare account at <https://www.medicare.gov/account/login/>.



# HELP YOUR MEDICARE PATIENTS FIND ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT

For Medicare patients who aren't eligible for LIS, there are a number of other resources available to help them afford QINLOCK® (ripretinib).

## DECIPHERA ACCESSPOINT™

Medicare patients may be eligible to receive assistance from Deciphera or funding from independent foundations or other organizations. Contact our dedicated Case Managers and we'll help connect you:

CALL



**1-833-4DACCES (1-833-432-2237)**

Monday-Friday 8AM-8PM ET

EMAIL



**info@decipheraaccesspoint.com**

to schedule a call back

## OTHER RESOURCES FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

NOTE: The list below is not exhaustive. Deciphera is not affiliated with these organizations, does not endorse any particular service or group, and is not responsible for the content on their websites or any services or resources they may provide.

### Accessia Health (formerly Patient Services Inc.)

A non-profit 501(c)(3) organization that provides programs and services to those living with rare or chronic health conditions.

- Go to [accessiahealth.org](https://www.accessiahealth.org) for more information.

### State Health Insurance Assistance Programs (SHIPs)

This national network of programs provides local, in-depth, and objective insurance counseling and assistance to Medicare-eligible individuals, their families, and caregivers.

- Go to [shiptacenter.org](https://www.shiptacenter.org) for more information.

### Life Raft Group

This organization can connect patients with support options, from help with copays to travel assistance and lodging.

- Go to [liferaftgroup.org](https://www.liferaftgroup.org) for more information.

# ENROLL YOUR MEDICARE PATIENTS IN DECIPHERA ACCESSPOINT™ TO GET THEM STARTED RIGHT AWAY



**TIME MATTERS. WE MAY BE ABLE TO HELP WITH YOUR MEDICARE PATIENTS' ACCESS ISSUES**



Fax a completed enrollment form to **1-833-DCPH-FAX**

Be sure to include:

- ✗ Prescription
- ✗ Prescriber signatures
- ✗ Patient signatures
- ✗ **Recommended:**  
A request for a temporary 10-day supply of free medication, dispensed in case the patient faces an insurance delay or interruption

The enrollment form is available in your Deciphera AccessPoint Office Toolkit or visit [DAPEnroll.com](https://www.deciphera.com/DAPEnroll.com)



Deciphera AccessPoint assesses coverage and helps identify financial assistance options.



Specialty pharmacy delivers the prescription directly to your patients, or eligible offices may dispense via an in-office pharmacy.

## To get started:

Fax the enrollment form to **1-833-DCPH-FAX (1-833-327-4329)**.

Call our dedicated Case Managers at **1-833-4DACCES (1-833-432-2237)**

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Or email [info@decipheraaccesspoint.com](mailto:info@decipheraaccesspoint.com) to schedule a call back.

**QUESTIONS ABOUT 2025  
MEDICARE BENEFITS? CONTACT  
DECIPHERA ACCESSPOINT**

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