Introduction

• Medicare is going to be 47 years old on July 30

• Seniors depend on Medicare to assist them with the ever-rising costs of health care

• Many are on fixed incomes, and without Medicare would be forced to choose between health care or heat or food
ABC’s of Medicare

- **Parts A and B**
  - Traditional or Original Medicare (Fee-For-Service)
  - 48 million enroll in Part A -- **HOSPITAL**
  - 44 million enroll in Part B (voluntary) -- **DOCTORS**

- **Part C** (Parts A & B combined)
  - Medicare Advantage (Private Plans)
  - 12 million enroll

- **Part D**
  - Prescription Drug Benefit
  - 35 million enroll (voluntary)
Benefits: What’s Covered

- **Part A**
  - Inpatient hospital stays
  - Post-hospital skilled nursing facility (SNF) care
  - Limited home health care (mostly post-hospital)
  - Hospice care

- **Part B**
  - Physician services (including physician-administered prescription drugs)
  - Laboratory and diagnostic services
  - Outpatient hospital services
  - Durable medical equipment
  - Rehab Therapy
  - Mental Health

- **Part C**
  - All A&B benefits through private health plans
  - Most plans include Part D benefits
  - May offer extra coverage such as vision, hearing or dental

- **Part D**
  - Prescription drugs
Benefits: What’s NOT Covered

In traditional Fee-For-Service, critical services such as:

• Hearing, including hearing aids
• Dental, including dentures
• Vision
• Long-term care
• Transportation

** Some Medicare Advantage plans cover some of these benefits
# Beneficiary Premiums

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Supplemental Coverage

• Medicare is not the generous program many think it is

• The basic cost-sharing structure for benefits is 80% paid by Medicare, 20% paid by beneficiary

• Types of supplemental:
  – Employer sponsored plans
  – Medigap
  – Medicaid
Structure of Medicare

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