Opioid treatment programs for people with Medicare

Medicare now covers opioid use disorder treatment services for people with Medicare when you get them from an opioid treatment program (OTP).

**What’s covered?**
Medicare covers medication-assisted treatment, counseling, drug testing, and individual and group therapy.
Counseling and therapy services are covered in person and by virtual delivery (using 2-way audio/video communication technology).

**What do I pay?**
You pay nothing for these services if you get them from an OTP that’s enrolled in Medicare, and the Part B deductible applies.

**What if I’m in a Medicare Advantage Plan?**
If you’re in a Medicare Advantage Plan, you may have to switch from your current opioid treatment provider (if they’re not enrolled in Medicare) to a Medicare-enrolled opioid treatment provider to make sure your treatment isn’t interrupted. You may also be charged a copayment.

**I have both Medicare and Medicaid, and Medicaid paid for my OTP services in the past. Who pays now for my OTP services?**
Medicare is now the primary payer for OTP services. Medicare is working with opioid treatment providers and State Medicaid agencies so you won’t have a break in your care.
Where can I get more information about opioid use disorder treatment services?

Visit Medicare.gov/coverage/opioid-use-disorder-treatment-services.

You have the right to get Medicare information in an accessible format, like large print, Braille, or audio. You also have the right to file a complaint if you feel you’ve been discriminated against. Visit Medicare.gov/about-us/accessibility-nondiscrimination-notice, or call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227) for more information. TTY users can call 1-877-486-2048.

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