Medicare Basics

See the chart below for more information about what Parts A and B cover.

ORIGINAL MEDICARE	WHAT'S COVERED	WHAT'S NOT COVERED	WHAT YOU PAY FOR
Part A	 Hospital stays Skilled nursing facility care Home health care Hospice	Your share of the costs for the services.	 Part A deductible Coinsurance and/ or copays for most other stays or services
B	 Doctor's office visits Other outpatient professional services, including surgeries Diagnostic lab, x-rays and complex medical imaging Diabetes self-monitoring training, nutrition therapy, and certain supplies (not insulin) Outpatient diagnostic and treatment services Outpatient rehabilitation services "Welcome to Medicare" exam within the first 12 months of enrolling in Part B Preventive care and routine screenings including alcohol abuse, certain cancers, cardiovascular, depression, diabetes, glaucoma, hepatitis C, HIV, STDs and obesity Cancer screenings such as mammograms, colonoscopies, and prostate exams Immunizations, vaccinations and flu shots Counseling to stop smoking 	 Routine eye care and eyeglasses or contacts Dental Care Routine hearing exams and hearing aids Hearing aids Most prescription drugs (only covered if you enroll in Part D) Your share of the costs for services 	Part B deductible Coinsurance per service Note: Under original Medicare there is no annual maximum limit to the amount of copays and coinsurance for which you are responsible when receiving covered services.