



# Summary of Benefits 2025

## **UnitedHealthcare® Group Medicare Advantage (PPO)**

Group Name (Plan Sponsor): Duke Energy Plan II

Group Number: 16756, 16757

H2001-837-000

Look inside to learn more about the plan and the health and drug services it covers.  
Contact us for more information about the plan.



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Group Medicare Advantage

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January 1, 2025 - December 31, 2025

This is a summary of what we cover and what you pay. Review the Evidence of Coverage (EOC) for a complete list of covered services, limitations and exclusions. You can call Customer Service if you want a copy of the EOC or need help. When you enroll in the plan, you will get more information on how to view your plan details online.

## UnitedHealthcare® Group Medicare Advantage (PPO)

### Medical premium, deductible and limits

	In-network and out-of-network
<b>Monthly plan premium</b>	Contact your group plan benefit administrator to determine your actual premium amount, if applicable.
<b>Annual medical deductible</b>	Your plan has an annual combined in-network and out-of-network medical deductible of \$50 each plan year.
<b>Maximum out-of-pocket amount</b> (does not include prescription drugs)	<p>Your plan has an annual combined in-network and out-of-network out-of-pocket maximum of \$350 for this plan year.</p> <p>If you reach the limit on out-of-pocket costs, you keep getting covered for hospital and medical services and we will pay the full cost for the rest of the plan year.</p> <p>Please note that you will still need to pay your monthly premiums, if applicable, and cost-sharing for your Part D prescription drugs.</p>

### Medical benefits

	In-network and out-of-network
<b>Inpatient hospital care<sup>1</sup></b>	<p>\$50 copay per day: for days 1-7 \$0 copay per day: for days 8 and beyond</p> <p>Our plan covers an unlimited number of days for an inpatient hospital stay.</p>
<b>Outpatient hospital<sup>1</sup></b>	Ambulatory surgical center (ASC) 20% coinsurance

## Medical benefits

	In-network and out-of-network	
Cost sharing for additional plan covered services will apply.	Outpatient surgery	20% coinsurance
	Outpatient hospital services, including observation	20% coinsurance
 <b>Doctor visits</b>	Primary care provider (PCP)	\$35 copay
	Virtual visit	\$0 copay for designated providers \$35 copay for other providers
	Specialist <sup>1</sup>	\$50 copay
<b>Preventive services</b>	Routine physical	\$0 copay; 1 per plan year*
	Medicare-covered	\$0 copay
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Abdominal aortic aneurysm screening</li> <li>Alcohol misuse counseling</li> <li>Annual wellness visit</li> <li>Bone mass measurement</li> <li>Breast cancer screening (mammogram)</li> <li>Cardiovascular disease (behavioral therapy)</li> <li>Cardiovascular screening</li> <li>Cervical and vaginal cancer screening</li> <li>Colorectal cancer screenings (colonoscopy, fecal occult blood test, flexible sigmoidoscopy)</li> <li>Depression screening</li> <li>Diabetes screenings and monitoring</li> <li>Diabetes – Self-Management training</li> <li>Dialysis training</li> <li>Glaucoma screening</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hepatitis C screening</li> <li>HIV screening</li> <li>Kidney disease education</li> <li>Lung cancer with low dose computed tomography (LDCT) screening</li> <li>Medical nutrition therapy services</li> <li>Medicare Diabetes Prevention Program (MDPP)</li> <li>Obesity screenings and counseling</li> <li>Prostate cancer screenings (PSA)</li> <li>Sexually transmitted infections screenings and counseling</li> <li>Tobacco use cessation counseling (counseling for people with no sign of tobacco-related disease)</li> </ul>

## Medical benefits

### In-network and out-of-network

- Vaccines, including those for the flu, Hepatitis B, pneumonia, or COVID-19
- “Welcome to Medicare” preventive visit (one-time)

Any additional preventive services approved by Medicare during the contract year will be covered.

This plan covers preventive care screenings and annual physical exams at 100%.

#### Emergency care

\$90 copay (worldwide)

If you are admitted to the hospital within 24 hours, you pay the inpatient hospital cost sharing instead of the emergency care copay. See the “Inpatient Hospital Care” section of this booklet for other costs.

#### Urgently needed services

\$65 copay (worldwide)

If you are admitted to the hospital within 24 hours, you pay the inpatient hospital cost sharing instead of the urgently needed services copay. See the “Inpatient Hospital Care” section of this booklet for other costs.

#### Diagnostic tests, lab and radiology services, and X-rays

Diagnostic radiology services (e.g. MRI, CT scan)<sup>1</sup>

20% coinsurance

Lab services<sup>1</sup>

\$0 copay

Diagnostic tests and procedures<sup>1</sup>

20% coinsurance

Therapeutic radiology<sup>1</sup>

20% coinsurance

Outpatient X-rays<sup>1</sup>

20% coinsurance

#### Hearing services

Exam to diagnose and treat hearing and balance issues<sup>1</sup>

\$50 copay

Routine hearing exam

\$0 copay, 1 exam per plan year\*

## Medical benefits

		In-network and out-of-network
	Hearing Aids UnitedHealthcare Hearing	Through UnitedHealthcare Hearing, the plan pays a \$500 allowance for hearing aids (combined for both ears) every 3 years. Hearing aid coverage under this plan is only available through UnitedHealthcare Hearing.
 <b>Vision services</b>	Exam to diagnose and treat diseases and conditions of the eye <sup>1</sup>	\$50 copay
	Eyewear after cataract surgery	\$0 copay
	Routine eye exam	\$0 copay, 1 exam every 12 months*
<b>Mental health</b>	Inpatient visit <sup>1</sup>	\$50 copay per day: days 1-7 \$0 copay per day: days 8-190  Our plan covers 190 days for an inpatient hospital stay.
	Outpatient group therapy visit <sup>1</sup>	\$35 copay
	Outpatient individual therapy visit <sup>1</sup>	\$40 copay
	Outpatient therapy or office visit with a psychiatrist <sup>1</sup>	\$40 copay
	Virtual behavioral visits	\$40 copay
	<b>Skilled nursing facility (SNF)<sup>1</sup></b>	\$0 copay per day: days 1-20 \$25 copay per day: days 21-34 \$0 copay per day: days 35-100  Our plan covers up to 100 days in a SNF per benefit period.
<b>Outpatient Rehabilitation (physical, occupational, or speech/language therapy)<sup>1</sup></b>	20% coinsurance	

Medical benefits		
		In-network and out-of-network
<b>Ambulance<sup>2</sup></b>		\$175 copay
<b>Routine transportation</b>		Not covered
<b>Medicare Part B Drugs</b>	Chemotherapy drugs <sup>1</sup>	\$0 copay
Part B drugs may be subject to Step Therapy. See your Evidence of Coverage for details.	Other Part B drugs <sup>1</sup>	20% coinsurance

## Good news for 2025

The Coverage Gap, or “donut hole”, has been eliminated and your out-of-pocket limit (the amount you and others on your behalf pay) is \$2,000. That means you're more protected from high drug costs in 2025.

Prescription drugs	
<b>Deductible</b>	Your plan has a \$300 prescription drug deductible (does not apply to Tier 1 or Tier 2 drugs). There is no deductible for drugs in Tier 1 or Tier 2. Your coverage for these drugs starts in the Initial Coverage stage. There is a \$300 deductible for drugs in Tier 3, Tier 4 and Tier 5. You pay the full cost for your drugs in these tiers until you reach the deductible amount. Then you move to the Initial Coverage stage.
<b>Initial coverage</b>	In this stage, you'll pay your plan copays or coinsurance. The plan pays the rest. Once you, and others on your behalf, have paid a combined total of \$2,000, which includes the amount you paid towards your deductible, you move to the Catastrophic Coverage stage.

Prescription drugs		
Tier drug coverage (After you pay your deductible, if applicable)	Retail Cost-Sharing	Mail Order Cost-Sharing
	30-day supply	90-day supply
<b>Tier 1:</b> Preferred Generic	\$0 copay	\$0 copay
<b>Tier 2:</b> Generic	\$8 copay	\$16 copay
<b>Tier 3:</b> Preferred Brand ~	\$40 copay	\$80 copay
<b>Tier 4:</b> Non-preferred Drug ~	\$90 copay	\$180 copay
<b>Tier 5:</b> Specialty tier ~	29% coinsurance	29% coinsurance
<b>Catastrophic coverage</b>	<p>Once you're in this stage, you won't pay anything for your Medicare-covered Part D drugs for the rest of the plan year.</p> <p>If your plan includes additional prescription drug coverage, you will continue to pay the cost-sharing amounts from the Initial Coverage stage for those drugs. Please see your Additional Drug Coverage list for more information.</p>	

~ Subject to Medicare guidance, coinsurance may not apply to Part D insulin products. You will pay a maximum of \$35 for a 1-month supply of each Part D insulin product covered by our plan even if you haven't paid your Part D deductible. Most adult Part D vaccines are covered at no cost to you.

If the actual cost for a drug is less than the normal cost-sharing amount for that drug, you will pay the actual cost, not the higher cost-sharing amount.

Your plan sponsor offers drug coverage in addition to your Part D prescription drug benefit. The drug copays in this section are for drugs that are covered by both your Part D benefit and your additional drug coverage. For more information, see your Additional Drug Coverage list. You can also view the Certificate of Coverage at [retiree.uhc.com/duke-energy](http://retiree.uhc.com/duke-energy) or call Customer Service to have a hard copy sent to you.

If you reside in a long-term care facility, you will pay the same for a 31-day supply as a 30-day supply at a retail pharmacy.

**\$0**

## You may qualify for Extra Help from Medicare

Extra Help is a program for people with limited incomes who need help paying Part D premiums, deductibles and copays. There's no penalty for applying, and you can re-apply every year. To see if you qualify for Extra Help, call:

- The Social Security Administration at 1-800-772-1213, TTY 1-800-325-0778
- Your state Medicaid office



## The UnitedHealthcare Savings Promise

UnitedHealthcare is committed to keeping your prescription drug costs down. As a UnitedHealthcare member, you have our Savings Promise that you'll get the lowest price available. That low price may be your plan copay, the pharmacy's retail price or our contracted price with the pharmacy.

### Additional benefits

		In-network and out-of-network
<b>Acupuncture services</b>	Medicare-covered acupuncture (for chronic low back pain)	\$20 copay
<b>Chiropractic services</b>	Medicare-covered chiropractic care (manual manipulation of the spine to correct subluxation) <sup>1</sup>	\$20 copay
 <b>Diabetes management</b>	Diabetes monitoring supplies <sup>1</sup>	<p>\$0 copay</p> <p>We only cover Contour® and Accu-Chek® brands. Other brands are not covered by your plan.</p> <p>Covered glucose monitors include: Contour® Plus Blue, Contour® Next EZ, Contour® Next Gen, Contour® Next One, Accu-Chek® Guide Me, and Accu-Chek® Guide.</p> <p>Test strips: Contour®, Contour® Plus, Contour® Next, Accu-Chek® Guide, and Accu-Chek® Aviva Plus.</p>

## Additional benefits

		In-network and out-of-network
	Medicare covered Continuous Glucose Monitors (CGMs) and supplies <sup>1</sup>	\$0 copay
	Diabetes self-management training	\$0 copay
	Therapeutic shoes or inserts <sup>1</sup>	20% coinsurance
<b>Durable medical equipment (DME) and related supplies</b>	Durable Medical Equipment (e.g., wheelchairs, oxygen) <sup>1</sup>	20% coinsurance
	Prosthetics (e.g., braces, artificial limbs) <sup>1</sup>	20% coinsurance
 <b>Fitness program</b> Renew Active® by UnitedHealthcare	<p>\$0 copay for Renew Active® by UnitedHealthcare, the gold standard in Medicare fitness programs. It includes a free gym membership at a fitness location you select from a large nationwide network, plus online classes and fun social activities.</p> <p>Sign in to your member site, look for My Coverage and select Access gym code or call the number on your UnitedHealthcare member ID card to obtain your code.</p>	
<b>Foot care (podiatry services)</b>	Foot exams and treatment <sup>1</sup>	\$50 copay
	Routine foot care	\$50 copay, 6 visits per plan year*
 <b>UnitedHealthcare Healthy at Home</b> Post-discharge program	<p>\$0 copay for the following benefits for up to 30 days following each inpatient hospital and SNF stay:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•28 home-delivered meals, referral required</li> <li>•12 one-way trips to medically related appointments and the pharmacy, up to 50 miles per trip, referral required</li> <li>•6 hours of non-medical personal care services like companionship, meal prep, medication</li> </ul>	

Additional benefits		In-network and out-of-network
		reminders and more with a professional caregiver, no referral required  Services must be provided by approved vendors. Call Customer Service for more information, to request a referral after each discharge and to use your benefits.
 Home health care <sup>1</sup>		\$0 copay
<b>Hospice</b>		You pay nothing for hospice care from any Medicare-approved hospice. You may have to pay part of the costs for drugs and respite care. Hospice is covered by Original Medicare, outside of our plan.
<b>Opioid treatment program services<sup>1</sup></b>		\$0 copay
<b>Outpatient substance use disorder services</b>	Outpatient group therapy visit <sup>1</sup>	\$35 copay
	Outpatient individual therapy visit <sup>1</sup>	\$40 copay
<b>Renal dialysis<sup>1</sup></b>		20% coinsurance

<sup>1</sup> Some of the network benefits listed may require your provider to obtain prior authorization. You never need approval in advance for plan covered services from out-of-network providers. Please refer to the Evidence of Coverage for a complete list of services that may require prior authorization.

<sup>2</sup> Authorization is required for non-emergency Medicare-covered ambulance air transportation. Authorization is not required for non-emergency Medicare-covered ambulance ground transportation. Emergency ambulance (ground or air) does not require authorization.

\*Benefits are combined in and out-of-network

## About this plan

UnitedHealthcare® Group Medicare Advantage (PPO) is a Medicare Advantage PPO plan with a Medicare contract.

To join this plan, you must be entitled to Medicare Part A, be enrolled in Medicare Part B, live in our service area as listed below, be a United States citizen or lawfully present in the United States, and meet the eligibility requirements of your former employer, union group or trust administrator (plan sponsor).

Our service area includes the 50 United States, the District of Columbia and all US territories.

## About providers and network pharmacies

UnitedHealthcare® Group Medicare Advantage (PPO) has a network of doctors, hospitals, pharmacies and other providers. You can see any provider (network or out-of-network) at the same cost share, as long as they accept the plan and have not opted out of or been excluded or precluded from the Medicare program. If you use pharmacies that are not in our network, the plan may not pay for those drugs, or you may pay more than you pay at a network pharmacy.

You can go to [retiree.uhc.com/duke-energy](https://retiree.uhc.com/duke-energy) to search for a network provider or pharmacy using the online directories. You can also view the plan Drug List (Formulary) to see what drugs are covered and if there are any restrictions.

## Required Information

UnitedHealthcare® Group Medicare Advantage (PPO) is insured through UnitedHealthcare Insurance Company or one of its affiliated companies, a Medicare Advantage organization with a Medicare contract. Enrollment in the plan depends on the plan's contract renewal with Medicare.

Plans may offer supplemental benefits in addition to Part C and Part D benefits.

If you want to know more about the coverage and costs of Original Medicare, look in your current "Medicare & You" handbook. View it online at [www.medicare.gov](http://www.medicare.gov) or get a copy by calling 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048.

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UnitedHealthcare ofrece servicios gratuitos para ayudarle a que se comunice con nosotros. Por ejemplo, documentos en otros idiomas, braille, en letra grande o en audio. O bien, usted puede pedir un intérprete. Para obtener más información, llame a Servicio al Cliente al número que se encuentra en su tarjeta de ID de miembro o en la portada de la guía de su plan.

This information is available for free in other languages. Please call our Customer Service number located on the first page of this book.

Benefits, features and/or devices vary by plan/area. Limitations and exclusions may apply.

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The Formulary, pharmacy network, and/or provider network may change at any time. You will receive notice when necessary.

You must continue to pay your Medicare Part B premium.

Out-of-network/non-contracted providers are under no obligation to treat UnitedHealthcare members, except in emergency situations. Please call our customer service number or see your Evidence of Coverage for more information, including the cost-sharing that applies to out-of-network services.

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