



Good news!

\$0 Part D prescription copays for FIDE D-SNP members in Virginia beginning July 1, 2026



Aetna Medicare FIDE (HMO D-SNP)

Starting July 1st, 2026 our FIDE D-SNP members in Virginia will have a \$0 copay for covered Part D prescription drugs.

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Important Notes



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Utilization management requirements, such as prior authorization, step therapy and quantity limits, still apply



Members will continue to use their current member ID card at an in-network pharmacy, as usual. The benefit will be applied automatically by the pharmacy. There is nothing additional members need to do.

Frequently Asked Questions

What are Medicaid Value Added Benefits?



Medicaid Value Added Benefits (VABs) are additional benefits provided by Medicaid Managed Care Organizations (MCOs), including integrated D-SNP plans, for the member. These benefits are included as part of the plan as long as the member maintains active Medicaid eligibility. If a member loses Medicaid eligibility and is in deeming aka grace period, they are no longer eligible for this benefit. They will then pay the cost share outlined in the Evidence of Coverage (EOC).



What is changing with the prescription drug benefit?

Starting July 1, 2026, the Aetna Medicare FIDE (HMO D-SNP) plan in VA will offer a Medicaid Value Added Benefit that lowers the member's cost-sharing for covered Part D prescription medications to \$0. This is an added plan feature and is separate from the standard Medicare benefit structure.



Does the \$0 copay apply to all prescription drugs?

The \$0 copay applies to all covered Part D prescription drugs on the plan's formulary.



Does this benefit affect a member's Low-Income Subsidy (LIS/Extra Help)?

No. A member's eligibility for Extra Help is not impacted by this benefit. Even if a member receives documentation indicating a copay, they should note that the Value Added Benefit will override those amounts, reducing eligible Part D prescription costs to \$0 (as long as they have active Medicaid coverage).

Questions?

We're here to help

If you have general questions about this communication, please contact our Provider Services Department 1-855-463-0933. Or email us, COEProviderServices@aetna.com.

