

First-time Medicare Enrollment Periods

IEP: Initial Enrollment Period

Period during which you can sign up for Medicare when you first become Medicare-eligible.

8-month SEP: 8-month Special Enrollment Period

8-month period during which you can enroll into Medicare, if you did not sign up for Medicare during your Initial Enrollment Period (IEP), because you were covered by active employer insurance.

GEP: General Enrollment Period

Period during which you can enroll into Medicare Part B (Medicare medical insurance), if you missed your IEP and were not covered by active employer insurance.

Making Change to Existing Medicare Coverage

Fall OEP: Fall Open Enrollment Period

Period during which you can make any changes to your Medicare health and/or drug coverage.

ACEP: Annual Coordinated Election Period

Also known as Fall Open Enrollment Period.

MADP: Medicare Advantage Disenrollment Period

Period during which you can switch from a Medicare Advantage plan to Original Medicare and a Part D plan.

SEP: Special Enrollment Period

Period allowing you to switch Medicare health and/or drug coverage outside of standard enrollment periods.