# 2025 Summary of Benefits EmblemHealth VIP Dual (HMO D-SNP)

**January 1, 2025 - December 31, 2025** 

#### Who Can Join?

To join **EmblemHealth VIP Dual (HMO D-SNP)**, you must be entitled to Medicare Part A, be enrolled in Medicare Part B and in New York State Medicaid, and live in our service area.

Our service area includes the following counties in **New York:** Bronx, Kings, Nassau, New York, Queens, Richmond, and Suffolk, **Capital Region:** Albany, Broome, Columbia, Delaware, Greene, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Schenectady, Warren, and Washington, and **Hudson Valley:** Dutchess, Orange, Rockland, Putnam, Sullivan, Ulster, and Westchester.

This plan does not require referrals.

To enroll in this Special Needs Plan, you must also be enrolled in one of these Medicaid programs:

- Full Benefit Dual Eligible (FBDE): Full Medicaid benefits.
- Qualified Medicare Beneficiary Plus (QMB+): Helps pay Medicare Part A and Part B premiums, and other cost-sharing (like deductibles, coinsurance, and copayments), plus full Medicaid benefits.

#### Which Doctors, Hospitals, and Pharmacies Can I Use?

**EmblemHealth VIP Dual (HMO D-SNP)** plan has a network of doctors, hospitals, pharmacies, and other providers. If you use the providers that are not in our network, the plan will not pay for these services.

When joining the **EmblemHealth VIP Dual (HMO D-SNP)** plan, you should choose a primary care doctor (PCP) in the VIP Bold Network. If you do not select a PCP, one will be selected for you. At any time, you can select a different PCP within the network. This network also includes additional medical providers like specialists, laboratories, and hospitals.

We cover Part D drugs. In addition, we cover Part B drugs such as chemotherapy and some drugs administered by your provider. You can see the complete plan formulary (list of Part D prescription drugs) and any restrictions on our website at **emblemhealth.com/medicare**. Or, call us and we'll send you a copy.

In most situations you must use network pharmacies to fill your prescriptions for covered Part D drugs.

You can see our plan's provider and pharmacy directories on our website at **emblemhealth.com/medicare**. Or, call us and we'll send you a copy.

#### **How To Reach Us**

To find out more about EmblemHealth plans and to enroll, please call us at 800-447-9169 (TTY: 711). From Oct. 1 to March 31, you can call us seven days a week from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. From April 1 to Sept. 30, you can call us Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Or visit us at our website, emblemhealth.com/medicare.

To get a complete list of services we cover, call us and ask for the "Evidence of Coverage (EOC)." You can also view the EOC online at **emblemhealth.com/medicare**. If you want to know more about the benefits, services, and costs of Original Medicare, look in your current "Medicare & You" handbook. View it online at **medicare.gov** or get a copy by calling **1-800-MEDICARE** (**1-800-633-4227**), 24 hours a day, seven days a week. If you use a TTY, please call **1-877-486-2048**. If you want to compare our plan with other Medicare Advantage plans we offer, you can visit us at **emblemhealth.com/medicare**.

Benefit	EmblemHealth VIP Dual (HMO D-SNP)
Monthly Plan Premium (The amount you pay for your insurance every month.)	You pay \$0  You must continue to pay your Medicare Part B premium unless your Part B premium is paid for you by Medicaid or another third party.
<b>Deductible</b> (The amount you pay before the plan starts to pay.)	You pay \$0
Maximum Out-of-Pocket Responsibility (The most you have to pay for covered services in a plan year. After you spend this amount on deductibles, and your share of the costs (copays, coinsurance), your health plan pays 100% of the costs of covered benefits. This does not include your premium or prescription drug costs.)	\$9,350 yearly for Medicare-covered services you receive from in-network health care professionals and facilities.
Inpatient Hospital Coverage (May require approval.)	You pay \$0 per day for days one through 90.  Our plan covers up to 90 days per each benefit period.  Our plan also covers 60 "lifetime reserve days" as long as the stay is covered under the plan.
Outpatient Hospital Coverage (May require approval.)  • Hospital observation:  • Outpatient hospital:  • Ambulatory surgery center:	You pay \$0 You pay \$0 You pay \$0
Doctor Visits (In-office/virtual)  • Primary care provider (PCP):	You pay \$0 You pay \$0 for annual physical exam.
• Specialists:	You pay \$0

Benefit	EmblemHealth VIP Dual (HMO D-SNP)
Preventive Care (Services that keep you healthy.)	You pay \$0
Our plan covers many preventive services, including:	<ul> <li>Bone mass measurement.</li> <li>Breast cancer screenings (mammogram).</li> <li>Cardiovascular screenings.</li> <li>Cervical and vaginal cancer screening.</li> <li>Colorectal cancer screenings (colonoscopy, fecal occult blood test, flexible sigmoidoscopy).</li> <li>Depression screenings.</li> <li>Diabetes screenings.</li> <li>Prostate cancer screenings (PSA).</li> <li>Vaccines, including flu shots, hepatitis B shots, pneumococcal shots, and COVID-19 vaccines.</li> <li>"Welcome to Medicare" preventive visit (one-time).</li> <li>Yearly "Wellness" visit.</li> <li>Any additional preventive services approved by Medicare during the contract year will be covered.</li> </ul>
Emergency Care	You pay \$0
	If you are admitted to the hospital within one day, you do not have to pay your share of the cost for emergency care. See the "Inpatient Hospital Coverage" section of this booklet for other costs.
Urgently Needed Services	You pay \$0
Diagnostic Services/Labs/Imaging (Lower costs when provided in a doctor's office or free-standing facility. May require approval.)	
<ul> <li>Diagnostic radiology services (such as MRIs, CT scans):</li> </ul>	You pay \$0
• Lab services:	You pay \$0
<ul> <li>Diagnostic tests and procedures:</li> </ul>	You pay \$0
• Outpatient x-rays:	You pay \$0
<ul> <li>Therapeutic radiology services (such as radiation treatment for cancer):</li> </ul>	You pay \$0

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Hearing Services	
Exam to diagnose and treat     hearing and balance issues:  Description beauting average.	You pay \$0
<ul> <li>Routine hearing exam (one every year):</li> </ul>	You pay \$0
<ul> <li>Hearing aid fitting/evaluation (one every year):</li> </ul>	You pay \$0
<ul> <li>Hearing aid (limited to two, both ears combined):</li> </ul>	Our plan pays up to \$300 every three years.
Dental Services Medicare-Covered Dental Services:	You pay \$0
Preventive Dental Services	
<ul> <li>Cleaning (one every six months):</li> </ul>	You pay \$0
<ul><li>Dental x-ray(s) (one every six months):</li></ul>	You pay \$0
<ul> <li>Fluoride treatment (one every six months):</li> </ul>	You pay \$0
<ul> <li>Oral exam         (one every six months):</li> </ul>	You pay \$0
Comprehensive Dental Services (May require approval.)	
• Restorative Services:	You pay \$0
• Endodontics, Periodontics, Extractions:	You pay \$0
<ul> <li>Prosthodontics, Oral/Maxillofacial Surgery, Implants, and Maintenance:</li> </ul>	You pay \$0

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Vision Services	
<ul> <li>Exam to diagnose and treat diseases and conditions of the eye (including yearly glaucoma screening):</li> </ul>	You pay \$0
• Routine eye exam (one every year):	You pay \$0
<ul> <li>Eyeglasses (frames and lenses) or contact lenses:</li> </ul>	Up to \$300 plan limit every two years. Unlimited up to allowance.
	Routine eyewear must be dispensed by EyeMed participating providers. For participating providers, please visit <b>emblemhealth.com/medicare</b> and click "Find a Doctor." Or, call toll-free at <b>844-790-3878</b> (TTY: <b>711</b> ).
Eyeglasses (frames and lenses) or contact lenses after cataract surgery:	You pay \$0
Mental Health Services (May require approval.)	
Inpatient visit:	You pay \$0 per day for days one through 90.
	Our plan covers up to 90 days per benefit period.
	Our plan also covers 60 "lifetime reserve days" as long as the stay is covered under the plan.
	Our plan covers up to 190 days in a lifetime for inpatient mental health services in a psychiatric hospital. The 190-day limit does not apply to mental health services provided in a psychiatric unit of a general hospital.
Outpatient group therapy visit:	You pay \$0
<ul> <li>Outpatient individual therapy visit (In-office/virtual):</li> </ul>	You pay \$0
Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF)	You pay \$0 per day for days one through 100.
(May require approval.)	Our plan covers up to 100 days in a SNF per benefit period.

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Physical and Speech Therapy	You pay \$0
Ambulance (May require approval; not waived if admitted.)	
• Ground:	You pay \$0
• Air:	You pay \$0
Transportation	Not covered.
Medicare Part B Drugs Chemotherapy drugs and other Part B drugs (may require approval):	You pay \$0
These drugs may require step therapy and/or prior approval.	

## Prescription Drugs for EmblemHealth VIP Dual (HMO D-SNP)

#### **Medicare Part D Drugs**

As a member of **EmblemHealth VIP Dual (HMO D-SNP)**, you are automatically enrolled in Medicare Part D. You must have Medicare and full Medicaid to enroll in this plan. Because you have full Medicaid, you automatically qualify for Extra Help.

This means that you will receive help in paying for your Medicare Part D premium (the amount you pay for insurance every month), yearly deductible (the amount you pay before your plan starts to pay), and prescription drug copays (the amount you pay for a drug), as applicable.

#### Part D Prescription Drug Cost-Sharing for a 30-Day Supply of Covered Drugs

How much you pay depends on what stage of the benefit you are in and your level of Extra Help.

Tier Name	Initial Coverage (\$0-\$2,000)	Catastrophic Coverage
All Formulary Drugs	Generic Drugs: \$0/\$1.60/\$4.90 Brand Drugs: \$0/\$4.80/\$12.15  The amount you pay depends on your level of Extra Help. Please refer to your Low-Income Subsidy (LIS) Rider for more information on what you pay.	\$O

\$0 for most adult Part D vaccines, including shingles, and some travel vaccines.

#### **Catastrophic Coverage**

After your year-to-date out-of-pocket costs reach **\$2,000**, you will pay nothing for covered Part D drugs.

Your cost will not change regardless of where you purchase your Part D prescription drugs. This includes our retail pharmacies, mail order, long-term care, or home infusion. See your Evidence of Coverage (EOC) for more information about your prescription drug coverage.

#### The Medicare Prescription Payment Plan

The Medicare Prescription Payment Plan is a new payment option that works with your current drug coverage, and it can help you manage your drug costs by spreading them across monthly payments that vary throughout the year (January – December). This payment option might help you manage your expenses, but it doesn't save you money or lower your drug costs.

All members are eligible to participate in this payment option, regardless of income level, and all Medicare drug plans and Medicare health plans with drug coverage must offer this payment option. Because you qualify for Extra Help, participating in the Medicare Prescription Payment Plan may not be the best choice for you. Contact us or visit **medicare.gov** for more information.

## **Additional Benefits**

Benefit	EmblemHealth VIP Dual (HMO D-SNP)
Acupuncture (May require approval.)	You pay \$0 for up to 20 visits for chronic low back pain every year (maximum of 12 visits in 90 days).
	You pay \$0 for up to 10 visits for conditions other than chronic low back pain.
Chiropractic Care	
Manipulation of the spine to correct a subluxation (when one or more of the bones of your spine move out of position):	You pay \$0
Foot Care	
Foot exams and treatment if you have	
diabetes-related nerve damage and/ or meet certain conditions:	You pay \$0
	Foot care includes removal of calluses and corns, and trimming of nails.
Routine foot care	
(up to four visits every year):	You pay \$0
Home Health Care (May require approval.)	You pay \$0
Hospice	You pay \$0 for hospice care from a Medicare- certified hospice. You may have to pay part of the costs for drugs and respite care. Hospice is covered outside of our plan. Please call us for more details.
Medical Equipment/Supplies	
Durable Medical Equipment (DME) (wheelchairs, oxygen, etc.): (May require approval.)	You pay \$0
Prosthetic Devices (braces, artificial limbs, etc.): (May require approval.)	
Prosthetic devices:	You pay \$0
• Related medical supplies:	You pay \$0
Diabetes Supplies and Services:	
<ul> <li>Diabetes monitoring supplies:</li> </ul>	You pay \$0
Diabetes self-management training:	You pay \$0
Therapeutic shoes or inserts:	You pay \$0

# **Additional Benefits (Continued)**

Benefit	EmblemHealth VIP Dual (HMO D-SNP)
Renal Dialysis	You pay \$0
Wellness Programs	
• Fitness:	SilverSneakers® — You pay \$0
Nurse Hotline:	You pay \$0
	Includes Nurse hotline 24 hours, seven days a week. Members can speak confidentially one-on-one with a registered nurse, at any time. Nurses are trained in telephone triage and will provide clinical support for everyday health issues and questions. Call 877-444-7988 (TTY: 711) for non-emergency health and medical questions.
• Teladoc®:	You pay \$0
Outpatient Substance Abuse (May require approval.)	
Group therapy visit:	You pay \$0
Individual therapy visit	V
(In-office/virtual):	You pay \$0
Over-the-Counter (OTC) Items (The amount does not roll over	\$20 per month if you live in Bronx, Brooklyn, Queens, or New York counties.
from month to month.)	\$60 per month if you live in Albany, Broome, Columbia, Delaware, Dutchess, Greene, Nassau, Orange, Putnam, Rensselaer, Richmond, Rockland, Saratoga, Schenectady, Suffolk, Sullivan, Ulster, Warren, Washington, and Westchester counties.
Worldwide Emergency and Urgent Coverage There is a combined \$50,000 annual limit for emergency care, urgent care, and ground emergent ambulance services outside of the United States. You are not covered for air ambulance services outside the United States. See page II-7 for additional cost-sharing information for ambulance services.	You pay \$0

### **Summary of Medicaid-Covered Benefits**

**EmblemHealth VIP Dual (HMO D-SNP)** has a contract with the New York State Department of Health. Because enrollment in this plan is limited to members with Medicaid and Medicare, New York State will continue to cover your Medicare cost-sharing and additional Medicaid benefits you have with full Medicaid.

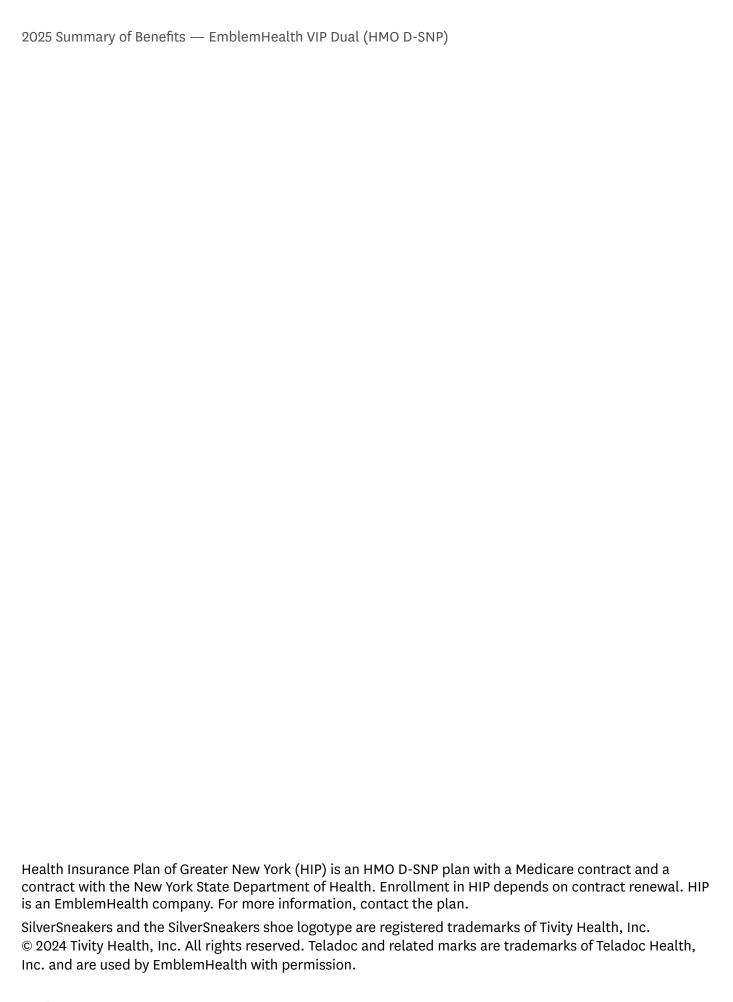
The kind of Medicaid benefits you get depends on your level of Medicaid. Your Medicaid coverage can change during the year based on your income or resources. It is important that you renew your Medicaid coverage regularly. If you lose your Medicaid eligibility or see a provider who does not accept Medicaid, you will be responsible for your share of the costs for Medicare Part A and Part B benefits.

Please remember to always show both your **EmblemHealth VIP Dual (HMO D-SNP)** member ID card and your New York State-issued Medicaid card to get the Medicaid-covered services listed below. Your provider will need this information to cover your share of the costs when you qualify for assistance in paying Medicare cost-sharing.

#### **Benefit**

- · Adult Day Health Care
- · AIDS Adult Day Health Care
- Audiology, Hearing Aids Services and Products
- Buprenorphine Prescribers
- Community Psychiatric Support and Treatment (Adult CPST)
- Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Services
- Court-Ordered Services
- Crisis Intervention Services
- Dental Services
- Durable Medical Equipment (DME)
- Education Support Services
- · Emergency Services
- Emergency Transportation
- Eye Care and Low Vision Services
- Family Planning and Reproductive Health Services
- Family Support and Training
- Foot Care Services
- Habilitation Services
- Home Delivered Meals
- Home Health Services
- Inpatient Hospital Services
- Inpatient Stay Pending Alternate Level of Medical Care
- Intensive Crisis Respite
- Intensive Supported Employment
- Laboratory Services
- Medical Social Services

- Mental Health Services including inpatient care over 190 days
- Midwifery Services
- Non-Emergency Transportation
- Nurse Practitioner Services
- Observation Services
- Ongoing Supported Employment
- Peer Supports
- Personal Care Services
- Personal Emergency Response System (PERS)
- Physician Services
- Prescription and Non-Prescription (OTC)
   Drugs, Medical Supplies, and Enteral Formula
- Preventive Health Services
- Pre-vocational Services
- Private Duty Nursing Services (Community Based)
- Prosthetic/Orthotic Services/ Orthopedic Footwear
- Psychosocial Rehabilitation
- Radiology Services
- Rehabilitation Services
- Renal Dialysis
- Residential Health Care Facility (Nursing Home) Services (RHCF)
- Short-term Crisis Respite
- Smoking Cessation Products
- Substance Use Disorder Services
- Transitional Employment
- Tuberculosis Directly Observed Therapy



# 2025 Pre-Enrollment Checklist

Before making an enrollment decision, it is important that you fully understand our benefits and rules. If you have any questions, you can call and speak to a Customer Service representative at **877-344-7364** (TTY: **711**), from Oct. 1 to March 31, seven days a week from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. From April 1 to Sept. 30, Monday through Saturday from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Ur	nderstanding the Benefits
	The Evidence of Coverage (EOC) provides a complete list of all coverage and services. It is important to review plan coverage, costs, and benefits before you enroll. Visit <b>emblemhealth.com/medicare</b> or call <b>877-344-7364</b> (TTY: <b>711</b> ) to view a copy of the EOC.
	Review the Provider Directory (or ask your doctor) to make sure the doctors you see now are in the network. If they are not listed, it means you will likely have to select a new doctor.
	Review the Pharmacy Directory to make sure the pharmacy you use for any prescription medicine is in the network. If the pharmacy is not listed, you will likely have to select a new pharmacy for your prescriptions.
	Review the formulary to make sure your drugs are covered.
Ur	nderstanding Important Rules
	<b>Effect on Current Coverage.</b> If you are currently enrolled in a Medicare Advantage plan, your current Medicare Advantage healthcare coverage will end once your new Medicare Advantage coverage starts. If you have Tricare, your coverage may be affected once your new Medicare Advantage coverage starts. Please contact Tricare for more information. If you have a Medigap plan, once your Medicare Advantage coverage starts, you may want to drop your Medigap policy because you will be paying for coverage you cannot use.
	In addition to your monthly plan premium, you must continue to pay your Medicare Part B premium. This premium is normally taken out of your Social Security check each month.
	Benefits, premiums, and/or copayments/coinsurance may change on January 1, 2025.
	Except in emergency or urgent situations, we do not cover services by out-of-network providers (doctors who are not listed in the Provider Directory).
	This plan is a dual eligible Special Needs Plan (D-SNP). Your ability to enroll will be based on verification that you are entitled to both Medicare and medical assistance from a state plan under Medicaid.