



Patient Factsheet: Choose Your Primary Care Clinician on Medicare.gov



Why Choose Your Primary Care Clinician on Medicare.gov?

Your primary care clinician can help you make health care decisions and can improve how you manage your health care.

Your primary care clinician is a health care clinician—a doctor, physician assistant, nurse practitioner, or certified nurse specialist—who is responsible for coordinating your overall care, no matter where you choose to get health care services.

The **Making Care Primary Model (MCP)** is a Medicare model that aims to improve the quality and value of the primary care you receive. When you choose a primary care clinician that participates in MCP, your clinician gets access to tools and services to better coordinate your care and improve your health.

Things to Think About When Choosing Your Primary Care Clinician

Choose a Clinician



You can choose primary care doctors, nurse practitioners or physician assistants as your primary care clinician.

Stay Flexible



You can still go to any health care clinician who accepts Medicare, even after you choose a primary care clinician.

Change Anytime






You can choose a different health care clinician as your primary care clinician at any time. Your primary care clinician will remain the same unless you make a change on Medicare.gov.

To Choose Your Primary Care Clinician

Visit the Medicare Find and Compare Providers Near You web page (<https://www.medicare.gov/care-compare>) and add your primary care clinician to your favorites list.

Your Secure Medicare Account

Visit [Medicare.gov](https://www.medicare.gov) to log into (or create) your secure Medicare account. Your Medicare account gives you personalized information about your Medicare benefits and services at any time. You can:

-  Create a list of your favorite health care clinicians and choose a primary care clinician.
-  Find preventive services.
-  Check your health and prescription drug plan enrollment.

Need help choosing your primary care clinician on Medicare.gov? Call 1-800-MEDICARE (TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048) or your primary care practice. If you do not have internet access, we encourage you to work with family or friends or check in with your local State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) office, library, place of worship, or community center for help.

