

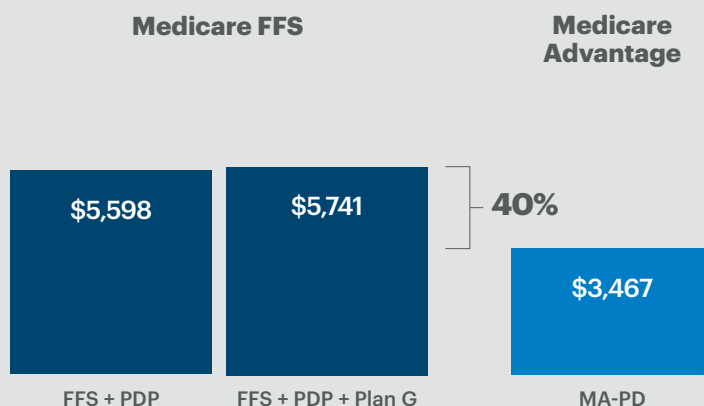
Arkansas Medicare Advantage Beneficiaries Receive Better Value and Spend 40% Less than Beneficiaries in Medicare FFS

43% (280,000) of Medicare beneficiaries in Arkansas were enrolled in Medicare Advantage in 2023.[†]

In Arkansas, a Medicare Advantage-Prescription Drug (MA-PD) plan beneficiary of average age (73 years old) and average health spends:

 **40% less (\$3,467 vs. \$5,741 annually)** than a comparable beneficiary in Medicare Fee-for-Service (FFS) with a prescription drug plan (PDP) and Medigap Plan G.*

Estimated Annual Health Care Spending by Comparable Beneficiaries in Arkansas, 2023*



Across age groups in Arkansas, MA-PD beneficiaries spend less than those in Medicare FFS.*

A **65-year-old** MA-PD beneficiary in average health spends:
\$1,862 to \$2,499 Less
than a Medicare FFS beneficiary



An **85-year-old** MA-PD beneficiary in average health spends:
\$1,828 to \$2,551 Less
than a Medicare FFS beneficiary

In addition to the dental, vision, and hearing benefits typically offered, **the average MA-PD beneficiary in Arkansas receives \$194 each year in additional services** that are not covered by Medicare FFS,* such as:



In-home health visits



Over-the-counter drug cards



Transportation to provider visits



Nutrition and meal delivery

[†] Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, "Medicare Monthly Enrollment," February 2023. Accessed March 22, 2023.
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