### **Beneficiary Cost Sharing in Medicare Advantage** Varies from Traditional Medicare<sup>1</sup>

#### **Inpatient Hospital\***

Plan & Length of Stay	Hospital Cost Sharing	Out of Pocket Costs
<b>Traditional Medicare Benefit</b> National Average LOS: 5.8 days	<ul> <li>\$992 single deductible for days 1-60</li> <li>\$248 per day for days 61-90</li> <li>60 "lifetime reserve" days at \$496 per day</li> <li>\$496 per day for each "lifetime" day over 90 days per episode (max 60 for lifetime)</li> </ul>	\$992
Secure Horizons HMO New York, NY Average NY LOS: 7.5 days	<ul> <li>\$325 copay per day for day 1-9</li> <li>No copay after day 9</li> <li>No limit on number of days</li> </ul>	\$2600
Universal Health Care, Inc. St. Petersburg, FL. (HMO) Average FL LOS: 5.8 days	<ul> <li>\$300 copay per day for day 1-7</li> <li>No copay for days 8-90</li> <li>\$476 copay per day for each "lifetime" day over 90 days per year (max 60 for lifetime)</li> </ul>	\$1800
Physicians United Plan Winter Haven, FL (HMO) Average FL LOS: 5.8 days	<ul> <li>\$325 copay per day for day 1-7,</li> <li>Days 8 through 90 no copay.</li> <li>90 day maximum benefit</li> </ul>	\$1950

# **Skilled Nursing Facility**\*

Plan & Length of Stay	SNF Cost Sharing	Out of Pocket Costs
<b>Traditional Medicare Benefit</b> National Average LOS: 26 days	After hospital stay of at least 3 days: • \$0 copay for days 1-20 • \$124 per day for days 21-100 • 100 day cap per benefit period	\$620
<b>InStil Health Insurance Company</b> <b>Columbia, SC. (PFFS)</b> National Average LOS: 26 days	<ul> <li>After hospital stay of at least 3 days:</li> <li>\$0 copay for days 1-5</li> <li>\$75 copay per day for days 6-100</li> <li>100 days per benefit period</li> </ul>	\$1575
<b>MediSun Private Fee for Service</b> <b>Sun City, AZ (PFFS)</b> National Average LOS: 26 days	<ul> <li>\$50 copay per day for days 1-20</li> <li>\$100 copay per day for days 21-100</li> <li>100 days per benefit period</li> </ul>	\$1600
Advantra Freedom Houston TX (PFFS) National Average LOS: 26 days	<ul><li>\$0 copay for days 1-3</li><li>\$90 copay per day for days 4-100</li></ul>	\$2070
<b>Humana Gold Choice</b> <b>Louisville, KY (PFFS)</b> National Average LOS: 26 days	<ul> <li>\$0 copay for days 1-6</li> <li>\$125 copay per day for days 4-100</li> <li>100 days per benefit period</li> </ul>	\$2750

### Home Health

<u>Plan</u>	Home Health Cost Sharing
Traditional Medicare Benefit	<ul> <li>No Out of Pocket Expense</li> <li>No prior authorization required</li> <li>Must be restricted to home and need intermittent skilled care</li> </ul>
SelectCare of Texas Houston, TX. (HMO)	<ul><li> 20% of per-visit cost.</li><li> Requires pre-authorization</li></ul>
InStil Health Insurance Company Columbia, SC. (PFFS)	• 20% of per-visit cost
WellPoint Private Fee for Service Plans (PFFS): Anthem Blue Cross & Blue Shield Blue Cross and Blue Shield of GA. Unicare Life & Health Insurance Co. Anthem Insurance Companies, Inc. Blue Cross & Blue Shield of CO Blue Cross & Blue Shield of WI	• 15% of per-visit cost
Sterling Life Insurance Co. Bellingham, WA. (PFFS)	• 15% of per-visit cost

## **Durable Medical Equipment (DME)**

<u>Plan</u>	Durable Medical Equipment Cost Sharing
Traditional Medicare Benefits	<ul> <li>20% copay on Medicare approved DME</li> <li>No prior authorization required.</li> </ul>
Secure Horizons Maryland Heights, MO (HMO)	• 30% copay on Medicare approved DME
HealthNet of AZ Tempe, AZ (HMO)	<ul><li> 30% copay on Medicare approved DME</li><li> Pre-authorization rules apply.</li></ul>
WellPoint Plans (PFFS): Anthem Blue Cross & Blue Shield Blue Cross and Blue Shield of GA. Unicare Life & Health Insurance Co. Anthem Insurance Companies, Inc. Blue Cross & Blue Shield of CO Blue Cross & Blue Shield of WI	<ul> <li>30% copay on Medicare approved DME under \$750</li> <li>20% of charges for DME item over \$750</li> </ul>
WellCare Tampa, FL (PFFS)	• 25% copay on Medicare approved DME benefit

## **Inpatient Mental Health**

<u>Plan</u>	Inpatient Mental Health Cost Sharing
Traditional Medicare Benefits	<ul> <li>\$992 single deductible for days 1-60</li> <li>\$248 per day for days 61-90</li> <li>\$496 per day for each "lifetime" day over 150 days per year (max 60 lifetime days)</li> <li>Overall lifetime cap of 190 days in psychiatric hospitals</li> <li>190 day lifetime limit on inpatient psychiatric</li> </ul>
MediSun Private Fee for Service Sun City, AZ (PFFS)	<ul> <li>\$250 copay per day for day(s) 1 - 8 in a Medicare-covered hospital.</li> <li>For longer hospital stays:</li> <li>Days 9 - 30: 0 copay per day</li> <li>Days 31 - 90: \$300 copay per day</li> <li>Copayments may vary based on facility.</li> <li>190 day maximum lifetime limit</li> </ul>
Medical Health Plans Inc. Coral Gables, FL (PSO)	<ul> <li>\$175 copay per day for days 1-5</li> <li>No copay for days 6-90</li> <li>190 day lifetime limit in psychiatric hospital</li> <li>Requires Preauthorization</li> </ul>
Desert Canyon Community Care Prescott, AZ (HMO)	<ul> <li>\$200 copay per day for days 1-5</li> <li>No copay for days 6-90</li> <li>190 day lifetime limit in psychiatric hospital</li> <li>Requires Preauthorization</li> </ul>
Community Care Plans Little Rock & Fayettsville AR (HMO)	<ul> <li>\$250 copay per day for days 1-5 (depends on plan)</li> <li>\$0-\$50 copay per day for days 6-90</li> <li>190 day lifetime limit in psychiatric hospitals</li> <li>Requires pre-authorization.</li> </ul>
Community Care Plans: Spokane and Kennewick, WA (HMO)	<ul> <li>\$200 copay per day for days 1-5 (depends on plan)</li> <li>No copay for days 6-90</li> <li>190 day lifetime limit in psychiatric hospitals</li> <li>Requires pre-authorization.</li> </ul>

*NOTE: Plan locations listed are for headquarters only. Plans' business markets may vary. \* Aggregate utilization data available for inpatient hospital and skilled nursing only.* 

#### Sources

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Plan information derived from CMS Data: "MPPF – Medicare Advantage Data" Last accessed 5/10/07 online: <u>http://www.medicare.gov/Download/DownloadDB.asp</u>