

This letter is for information only. You do not need to do anything.

You are getting this letter because you have both Medicare and Medicaid (AHCCCS).

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has a rule for some people with both Medicare and Medicaid. If you choose a Medicare Advantage Dual Eligible Special Needs Plan (D-SNP), your AHCCCS Complete Care (**ACC**) health plan will need to be with the same health plan company.

AHCCCS will match your ACC health plan with your Medicare D-SNP if:

- You are new to Medicare and choose a Medicare Advantage D-SNP, as identified in the bullet list below.
- You switch from original Medicare and a separate prescription drug plan (PDP) to a Medicare Advantage D-SNP, as identified in the bullet list below.
- You switch from a Medicare Advantage plan to a Medicare Advantage D-SNP, as identified in the bullet list below.
- You switch from one Medicare Advantage D-SNP to another Medicare Advantage D-SNP, as identified in the bullet list below.

What does this mean to you?

AHCCCS will enroll you in the Medicare Advantage D-SNP's matching ACC health plan if you add or switch to one of these Medicare Advantage D-SNP on or after January 1, 2027:

- Banner Medicare Advantage Dual
- BCBSAZ Health Choice Pathway
- Mercy Care Advantage
- Molina Medicare Complete Care
- UHC Dual Complete AZ-S001
- Wellcare with Arizona Complete Health

This means your Medicare and Medicaid plans will be with related health plan companies. This is called aligned enrollment.

Your AHCCCS ACC health plan will not change if you do not change your current Medicare plan.

If you enroll in a Medicare Advantage Dual Eligible Special Needs Plan (D-SNP) or switch your current Medicare Advantage D-SNP, your ACC health plan may change to assure aligned enrollment occurs. Remember, all ACC health plans offer a Medicare Advantage D-SNP.

When will AHCCCS start aligning my ACC plan?

Starting January 1st of 2027, if you choose a Medicare Advantage Dual Special Needs Plan (D-SNP), AHCCCS will align your AHCCCS ACC plan to the chosen Medicare Advantage D-SNP. Members who already have a Medicare Advantage D-SNP and AHCCCS ACC plan that don't align can choose to stay unaligned.

By 2030, all Medicare Advantage D-SNPs affected by this rule must operate with Exclusively Aligned Enrollment (EAE). AHCCCS will align the member's AHCCCS ACC plan to a Medicare Advantage D-SNP when the member has chosen a Medicare Advantage D-SNP.

What are the benefits?

Having plans aligned makes accessing healthcare easier. Benefits include:

- Your healthcare providers work together through one parent company.
- More seamless care coordination for health services and prescription drugs.
- Extra health and wellness benefits.
- You only need to carry one health plan member ID card.

What if I do not want to change my Medicare plan?

You do not have to change your Medicare plan.

Where can I get more information?

- Visit Medicare Plan Finder: <https://www.medicare.gov>
- Call the Arizona State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) confidential helpline: 1-800-432-4040.
- Your Medicare Advantage D-SNP Member Services (located on Medicare Advantage D-SNP member ID card).