

**KelseyCare Advantage Essential (HMO)
Annual Notice of Changes for 2012**

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This booklet tells you how your benefits and costs will change next year if you stay in KelseyCare Advantage Essential (HMO). These changes will take effect on January 1, 2012 if you stay in this plan.

To decide what's best for you, compare this information with the benefits and costs of other Medicare health plans in your area, as well as the benefits and costs of Original Medicare.

This plan, KelseyCare Advantage Essential (HMO), is offered by KS Plan Administrators LLC. (When this *Annual Notice of Changes* says "we", "us" or "our", it means KS Plan Administrators LLC. When it says "plan" or "our plan", it means KelseyCare Advantage Essential (HMO).)

KelseyCare Advantage Essential (HMO) is offered by KS Plan Administrators LLC, a Medicare Advantage HMO with a Medicare contract.

This information is available for free in other languages. Please contact our Member Services number at 713-442-CARE (2273) or toll free at 1-866-535-8343 for additional information. (TTY users should call 1-866-302-9336.) From October 15 to February 14, hours are 8:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. seven days per week. From February 15-October 14, hours are 8:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. Monday through Friday. During this time period on Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays, calls are handled by our voice mail system. Member Services also has free language interpreter services available for non-English speakers.

Esta información está disponible de forma gratuita en otros idiomas. Por favor, póngase en contacto con nuestro departamento para miembros, y llame el número de Servicios al 713-442-CARE (2273) o llame gratis al 1-866-535-8343 para obtener información adicional. (Los usuarios de TTY deben llamar al 1-866-302-9336.) Desde el 15 de Octubre al 14 de Febrero, horas son 8:00 am a 8:00 pm, siete días a la semana. Desde 15 Febrero-14 Octubre, horas son 8:00 am a 8:00 pm, de Lunes a Viernes. Durante este período de tiempo los Sábados, Domingos y días festivos, las llamadas son manejadas por nuestro sistema de correo de voz. Servicios a los miembros tiene servicios de intérprete de lengua libre disponibles para no hablantes de inglés.

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Section 1. Important things to know

The Annual Enrollment Period ends on December 7th

Starting this year, you have from October 15 **until December 7 to make a change** to your Medicare coverage.

You are currently enrolled in KelseyCare Advantage Essential (HMO), which is a Medicare HMO.

You are currently enrolled as a member of KelseyCare Advantage Essential (HMO). This plan is a Medicare Advantage HMO (HMO stands for Health Maintenance Organization). Like all Medicare Advantage Plans, this Medicare HMO is approved by Medicare and run by a private company. We are pleased to be providing your Medicare health care coverage.

If you stay enrolled in KelseyCare Advantage Essential (HMO) for 2012, there will be some changes to your benefits and to what you pay.

Each year, Medicare health plans may decide to change the premiums, cost-sharing amounts, and benefits they offer. These changes may include increasing or decreasing premiums, increasing or decreasing cost-sharing amounts, and adding or subtracting benefits.

We're sending you this *Annual Notice of Changes* to tell you how your benefits and costs as a member of KelseyCare Advantage Essential (HMO) will change next year from your current benefits. The changes will take effect on January 1, 2012. Medicare has approved these changes.

This Annual Notice of Changes is only a summary (see your Evidence of Coverage for the details).

This *Annual Notice of Changes* gives you a summary of the changes in your benefits and what you will pay for these services in 2012. This notice is a brief summary, not a comprehensive description of benefits. For more information, contact the plan or look in your *Evidence of Coverage*.

- To get the details, you can look in the 2012 *Evidence of Coverage* for KelseyCare Advantage Essential (HMO). The *Evidence of Coverage* is the legal, detailed description of your benefits and costs for 2012. It explains your rights and the rules you need to follow to get your covered services. (We have included a copy of the *Evidence of Coverage* in the same envelope with this *Annual Notice of Changes*. If you do not have this copy, please call Member Services.)
- If you have questions or need more information, you can always call Member Services at 713-442-CARE (2273) or toll free at 1-866-535-8343 (TTY only, call 1-866-302-9336). From October 15 to February 14, hours are 8:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. seven days per week. From February 15-October 14, hours are 8:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. Monday through Friday. During this time period on Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays, calls are handled by our voice mail system and calls to these numbers are free.

What should you do?

We want you to know what's ahead for next year, so **please read the rest of this document very soon to see how the changes in benefits and costs will affect you if you stay enrolled in KelseyCare Advantage Essential (HMO) for 2012.** Starting this year, **you have only until December 7 to make a change** to your Medicare coverage. If you make a change, your new coverage will start on January 1, 2012.

To decide what's best for you, compare this information about the 2012 benefits and costs for KelseyCare Advantage Essential (HMO) to what your benefits and costs would be if you switched to a different Medicare health plan or to Original Medicare.

If you have access to the Internet, you can find information about plans available in your area by using the Medicare Plan Finder on the Medicare website at <http://www.medicare.gov>. The Plan Finder helps you compare your choices by giving you information about plans' benefits and costs and showing you how Medicare rates the plans. For example, these ratings let you compare how well plans are doing in different categories that include detecting and preventing illness, member satisfaction, and customer service. (To view the information about plans, go to <http://www.medicare.gov>. Click on the "Health & Drug Plans" button on the left and then choose "Compare Drug and Health Plans.") If you want us to mail you a copy of the ratings for KelseyCare Advantage Essential (HMO) that are shown on the Medicare website, please call us at 713-442-CARE (2273) or toll free at 1-866-535-8343. From October 15 to February 14, hours are 8:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. seven days per week. From February 15-October 14, hours are 8:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. Monday through Friday. During this time period on Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays, calls are handled by our voice mail system. TTY users call 1-866-302-9336.

To get information about Original Medicare and about Medicare plans available in your area, you can also call Medicare or your State Health Insurance Assistance Program. For numbers to call, see Section 7 of this *Annual Notice of Changes*.

We value your membership in KelseyCare Advantage Essential (HMO) and hope to keep you as a member. But if you want to make a change for 2012, see "*When can you change to a different plan?*" in Section 6 for time periods when you can make a change.

Section 2. Changes to your monthly premium

	2011 (this year)	2012 (next year)
Monthly premium	\$0 (You must continue to pay your Medicare Part B premium.)	\$0 (You must continue to pay your Medicare Part B premium.)

Section 3. Medical services: Changes to your benefits and "out-of-pocket" costs

Changes to your benefits

Our benefits will be exactly the same in 2012 as they are in 2011. However, there are some changes in what you will pay for these covered services. See the next section for more information about the change in what you pay for covered services.

Changes to your cost sharing ("out-of-pocket" costs)

Cost sharing is your share of the cost of covered medical services. It is the amount you pay "out-of-pocket"

for coinsurance and copayments. You usually pay these amounts at the time services are received. The chart below summarizes changes from 2011 to 2012 to your “out-of-pocket” costs. For details, see Chapter 4, *Medical Benefits Chart (what is covered and what you pay)*, in your *Evidence of Coverage*.

	2011 (this year)	2012 (next year)
<p>Maximum out-of-pocket amount for in-network medical services</p> <p>The maximum out-of-pocket amount is the most that you pay for copayments and coinsurance during the calendar year for in-network covered Part A and Part B services.</p> <p>Amounts you pay for your copayments and coinsurance count toward your maximum out-of-pocket amount.</p>	<p>\$3,400</p> <p>This is the most you pay out-of-pocket for in-network covered Part A and Part B services.</p> <p>Once you have paid \$3,400 out-of-pocket for in-network covered Part A and Part B services, you pay nothing for your in-network covered Part A and Part B services for the rest of the calendar year.</p>	<p>\$3,400</p> <p>This is the most you pay out-of-pocket for in-network covered Part A and Part B services.</p> <p>Once you have paid \$3,400 out-of-pocket for in-network covered Part A and Part B services, you pay nothing for your in-network covered Part A and Part B services for the rest of the calendar year.</p>
Inpatient hospital care	<p>\$375 copayment per each acute hospital admission</p> <p>No limit to the number of covered acute days</p>	<p>\$500 copayment per admission for days 1-90</p> <p>Days 91-150: \$100 copayment per day</p> <p>150-day limit per benefit period</p>
Inpatient mental health care	<p>\$375 copayment per each acute inpatient mental health admission</p> <p>190 lifetime days</p>	<p>\$500 copayment per admission for days 1-90</p> <p>Days 91-150: \$100 copayment per day</p> <p>190 lifetime days</p>
Partial hospitalization	\$25 copayment for each day	\$35 copayment for each day
Emergency care	\$50 copayment	\$60 copayment
Home health care	\$0 copayment for Medicare-covered services	\$10 copayment for each Medicare-covered home visit
Doctor office visits – PCP	\$0 copayment	\$10 copayment
Chiropractic services	\$0 copayment	\$20 copayment
Outpatient rehabilitation-cardiac and pulmonary rehab	\$15 copayment	\$20 copayment
Doctor office visits – Specialist	\$0 copayment	\$20 copayment
Podiatry services	\$0 copayment	\$20 copayment
Hospice consultation services	\$0 copayment	\$10 copayment

Physical therapy/speech and language therapy/occupational therapy, wound care, lymphadema	\$0 copayment	\$20 copayment
Advanced radiology (CT scan, MRI, PET scans)	\$100 copayment	\$150 copayment
Outpatient services – hospital and ambulatory surgery center (ASC)	\$150 copayment	\$200 copayment
Durable medical equipment	10% coinsurance	20% coinsurance
Dental services	\$0 copayment for Medicare-covered dental benefits No routine dental coverage	\$20 copayment for Medicare-covered dental benefits No routine dental coverage
Vision services	\$0 copayment for diagnosis and treatment \$0 copayment for routine vision exam \$150 plan coverage limit for eye wear, glasses and/or contact lenses every two years. Allowance can only be used on one date of service.	\$20 copayment for diagnosis and treatment \$0 copayment for routine vision exam \$75 plan coverage limit for eye wear, glasses and/or contact lenses every year. Allowance can only be used on one date of service.
Hearing services	\$0 copayment for Medicare-covered diagnostic hearing exam \$0 copayment for routine hearing exam \$0 copayment for up to one hearing aid fitting evaluation every two years \$1,000 plan coverage limit for hearing aids once every two years	\$20 copayment for Medicare-covered diagnostic hearing exam \$20 copayment for routine hearing exam \$20 copayment for up to one hearing aid fitting evaluation every year \$500 plan coverage limit for hearing aids once every year
Part B drugs	10% coinsurance for Part B covered drugs, including Part B covered chemotherapy	20% coinsurance for Part B covered drugs, including Part B covered chemotherapy
Insulin pump and supplies	10% coinsurance	20% coinsurance

Section 4. What about changes to the plan's network of providers?

Will your doctors and other providers still be in the plan's network next year?

There are changes to the network of providers for 2012. In addition, it's possible for the network of plan providers to change at any time during the year.

- **Please check with your doctors and other providers you currently use** to make sure they will continue to be part of the provider network for KelseyCare Advantage Essential (HMO) in 2012.
- For the most up-to-date information on the network of providers, check our website www.kelseycareadvantage.com or call Member Services (see phone numbers on the back cover of this booklet).

Section 5. Do I have drug coverage that is as good as Medicare's standard prescription drug coverage?

How do I know if I have drug coverage that is at least as good as Medicare's standard coverage?

Our plan does not include Medicare prescription drug coverage. If you haven't signed up for creditable prescription drug coverage, you may need to pay a late enrollment penalty if you join a Medicare drug plan later. ("Creditable" coverage means the coverage is expected to pay, on average, at least as much as Medicare's standard prescription drug coverage.) You will pay the penalty if you go without creditable coverage for a continuous period of 63 days or more. The longer you wait to enroll in a Medicare drug plan, the higher the penalty may be.

If you currently have other prescription drug coverage through your (or your spouse's) employer or retiree group, your employer or retiree group should send you a notice that tells if your prescription drug coverage is "creditable." If you received a notice this year that you no longer have creditable coverage, consider adding Medicare prescription drug coverage.

What are my options for getting Medicare prescription drug coverage?

If you would like to get Medicare prescription drug coverage, you have many plan options. You can get Medicare prescription drug coverage by joining another Medicare health plan that includes drug coverage. Our organization offers the following plans that include Medicare drug coverage:

KelseyCare Advantage Rx (HMO)

KelseyCare Advantage Rx+Choice (HMO-POS)

For more information, please contact our Member Services number at 713-442-CARE (2273) or toll free at 1-866-535-8343 for additional information. (TTY users should call 1-866-302-9336.) From October 15 to February 14, hours are 8:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. seven days per week. From February 15-October 14, hours are 8:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. Monday through Friday. During this time period on Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays, calls are handled by our voice mail system.

To find other plans available in your area, visit the Medicare website (<http://www.medicare.gov>). Click on the "Health & Drug Plans" button on the left and then choose "Compare Drug and Health Plans." Or, call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048.

If you join another Medicare health plan or a Medicare drug plan, you will be disenrolled from our plan when your enrollment in the new plan begins.

How much will Medicare prescription drug coverage cost?

Monthly plan premiums for Medicare prescription drug plans vary depending on the plan. You can find information about plan costs on the Medicare website (<http://www.medicare.gov>) or by calling 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048.

Here are some important things to keep in mind about the plan premiums:

- If you are required to pay a late enrollment penalty (because you went at least 63 days without Part D or other “creditable” prescription drug coverage anytime after the end of your Part D initial enrollment period), your monthly premium will be the plan’s premium amount *plus* the amount of your late enrollment penalty.
- Most people pay a standard monthly Part D premium. However, some people pay an extra amount because of their yearly income. If your income is \$85,000 or above for an individual (or married individuals filing separately) or \$170,000 or above for married couples, you must pay an extra premium amount for your Medicare Part D coverage. If you have to pay an extra premium amount, the Social Security Administration, not your Medicare plan, will send you a letter telling you what that extra amount will be. For more information about Part D premiums based on income, you can visit <http://www.medicare.gov> on the web or call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048. You may also call the Social Security Administration at 1-800-772-1213. TTY users should call 1-800-325-0778.

Section 6. Do you want to stay in the plan or make a change?

Do you want to stay with KelseyCare Advantage Essential (HMO)?

If you want to keep your membership in KelseyCare Advantage Essential (HMO) for 2012, it’s easy. You don’t need to tell us or fill out any paperwork. **You will automatically remain enrolled as a member if you do not sign up for a different plan or Original Medicare.**

Do you want to make a change?

If you decide to leave KelseyCare Advantage Essential (HMO), you can switch to a different Medicare health plan (either with or without Medicare prescription drug coverage) or you can cancel your plan enrollment and switch to Original Medicare (either with or without a separate Medicare prescription drug plan).

If you want to change to a different plan, there are many choices. If you have access to the Internet, you can find information about plans available in your area by using the Medicare Plan Finder on the Medicare website. (To view the information about plans, go to <http://www.medicare.gov> and click on the “Health & Drug Plans” button on the left. Then choose “Compare Drug and Health Plans.”) You can also get information about plans from Medicare or from your State Health Insurance Assistance Program. (For numbers to call, see Section 7 of this *Annual Notice of Changes*). As a reminder, KelseyCare Advantage offers other Medicare health plans in addition to the plan you are now enrolled in. These other plans may differ in coverage, monthly premiums, and cost-sharing amounts.

When can you change to a different plan?

- During the **yearly enrollment period (called the “annual coordinated election period”)** from **October 15 through December 7, 2011**, you can change to another Medicare health plan (either with or without Medicare prescription drug coverage) or you can cancel your plan enrollment and switch to Original Medicare (either with or without a separate Medicare prescription drug plan). Your new coverage will begin on January 1, 2012.
- You also have **another, more limited enrollment period from January 1 through February 14, 2012**. During this period (called the annual “Medicare Advantage Disenrollment Period”), you could switch from KelseyCare Advantage Essential (HMO) to Original Medicare. Your coverage will begin the first day of the month after we get your request to switch to Original Medicare.
 - If you choose to switch to Original Medicare during this annual disenrollment period, you have until February 14 to join a separate Medicare prescription drug plan to add drug coverage. Your drug coverage will begin the first day of the month after the drug plan gets your enrollment form.
 - For more information about your choices during the January 1 through February 14 annual disenrollment period, please see Chapter 8, Section 2.2 of the Evidence of Coverage.

Are these the only times of the year to choose a different plan?

For most people, yes. Certain individuals, such as those with Medicaid or those who move out of the service area, can make changes at other times. There may be other situations in which you are allowed to change plans. For more information, see Chapter 8, Section 2.3 of the *Evidence of Coverage*.

Check on this before you make a change

- **Are you a member of an employer or retiree group plan?** If you are, please check with the benefits administrator of your employer or retiree group *before you change your plan*. This is important because you may lose benefits you currently receive under your employer or retiree group coverage if you switch plans.

Section 7. Do you need some help? Would you like more information?

We have information and answers for you

To learn more, read the information we sent in the same package with this *Annual Notice of Changes*. This includes a copy of the *Evidence of Coverage*.

If you have any questions, we are here to help. Please call Member Services at 713-442-CARE (2273) or toll free at 1-866-535-8343 (TTY only, call 1-866-302-9336). From October 15 to February 14, hours are 8:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. seven days per week. From February 15-October 14, hours are 8:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. Monday through Friday. During this time period on Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays, calls are handled by our voice mail system. Calls to these numbers are free.

You can get help and information from your State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP)

The State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) is a government program with trained counselors in every state. In Texas, the SHIP is called The Texas Department of Aging and Disabilities Services (DADS).

The Texas Department of Aging and Disabilities Services (DADS) is independent (not connected with any insurance company or health plan). It is a state program that gets money from the Federal government to give **free** local health insurance counseling to people with Medicare. The Texas Department of Aging and Disabilities Services (DADS) counselors can help you with your Medicare questions or problems. They can help you understand your Medicare plan choices and answer questions about switching plans. You can call The Texas Department of Aging and Disabilities Services (DADS) at 1-800-252-9240, including TTY number Texas Relay 1-800-735-2989. You can learn more about the Texas Department of Aging and Disabilities by visiting their website www.dads.state.tx.us.

You can get help and information from Medicare

Here are three ways to get information directly from Medicare:

- **Call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227)**, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048.
- **Visit the Medicare website** (<http://www.medicare.gov>).
- **Read *Medicare & You 2012 Handbook***. Every year in the fall, this booklet is mailed to people with Medicare. It has a summary of Medicare benefits, rights and protections, and answers to the most frequently asked questions about Medicare. If you don't have a copy of this booklet, you can get it at the Medicare website (<http://www.medicare.gov>) or by calling 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048.

KelseyCare Advantage Essential (HMO) Member Services

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TTY	1-866-302-9336 This number requires special telephone equipment and is only for people who have difficulties with hearing or speaking. Calls to this number are free. Hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday-Friday.
FAX	713-442-5450
WRITE	KelseyCare Advantage, Attention Member Services, 8900 Lakes at 610 Drive, Suite 1100, Houston, TX 77054 or PO Box 300427, Houston, TX 77230
WEBSITE	www.kelseycareadvantage.com

Texas Department of Aging and Disabilities (DADS)

The Texas Department of Aging and Disabilities Services (DADS) is a state program that gets money from the Federal government to give free local health insurance counseling to people with Medicare.

CALL	1-800-252-9240 or 1-512-438-3011
TTY	Texas Relay 1-800-735-2989 This number requires special telephone equipment and is only for people who have difficulties with hearing or speaking.
WRITE	Texas Department of Aging and Disabilities Services (DADS) 701 West 51 st Street, Austin, Texas 78751
WEBSITE	www.dads.state.tx.us

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