



AlaskaCare Benefit Clarification

Benefit Title	COB with Medicare	Group Number	866219-30, 31, 32, and 50
Effective Date	January 1, 2014	Date Submitted	May 15, 2014

Applicable Benefit Plan (check all that apply):

- Active
 Retiree
 Long-Term Care
 Medical
 Dental
 Vision
 Audio
 Pharmacy
 Other

<p>Description: Coordination of Benefits when member qualifies for Medicare prior to age 65.</p>
<p>AlaskaCare Insurance Information Booklet Reference(s):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2003 AlaskaCare Retiree Insurance Information Booklet: Page 16, Effect of Medicare AS 39.35.535(b), AS 14.25.168(b), AS 22.25.090(b), & AS 39.37.145 Medical Benefits
<p>Decision: When coordinating, do not estimate Medicare B benefit payments for Medicare eligible members under the age of 65, unless they have already enrolled for Medicare B Coverage. This would also apply to Medicare A coverage when the member is not eligible for Medicare A premium free.</p>

Plan Administrator Approval:

Signature

Title Deputy Commissioner
Department of Administration

Date

9/11/14

Comments: These medications should continue to be covered under the medical benefits (versus pharmacy) when the medication is administered by any person acting within his or her capacity as a health care professional.

This benefit clarification applies to the AlaskaCare Retiree Health Plan as amended January 1, 2014.

A benefit clarification is one mechanism by which the Plan Administrator provides guidance to the Third Party Administrator (TPA) as to the proper adjudication of a specific provision of the AlaskaCare Health Plan(s). A benefit clarification does not amend the AlaskaCare Health Plan(s); rather, it provides clarification as to the Plan Administrator's intent with regard to a specific provision of the plan document. No covered person will have any vested interest in a benefit clarification. The Commissioner of Administration, as administrator of the AlaskaCare Health Plans, reserves the right, in his sole discretion, to alter, amend, delete, cancel or otherwise modify this benefit clarification at any time and from time to time, and to any extent that he deems advisable.