

## Medicare: Insurance Continuation for Retirees/Dependents Over Age 65

Medicare is administered by Social Security Administration. It is secondary insurance while you are employed and insured through the University. When you retire, Medicare Part A and B become primary and a Medigap Policy secondary.

There are 3 parts to Medicare:

Part A	Part B	Part D
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Hospitalization insurance</li><li>• No cost to you</li><li>• 2008 deductible, \$1024</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Medical insurance that covers doctor visits, outpatient services</li><li>• 2008 monthly premium: \$96.40</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Prescription drug plan; choose between 53 different plans</li><li>• Average monthly premium: \$33</li><li>• 2008 standard deductible: \$275</li></ul>

More information regarding Medicare can be found through the following agencies:

- **Social Security Administration:** 1-800-772-1213 or [www.ssa.gov](http://www.ssa.gov); eligibility for Medicare, issue Medicare card, enroll in Part A and B
- **Medicare:** 1-800-633-4227 or [www.medicare.gov](http://www.medicare.gov); general information about Medicare, order Medicare booklets, enroll in Part D
- **State Health Insurance Assistance Program:** 1-800-525-2816; free insurance counseling services, help with choosing Medicare plans, Medigap policies, long-term health care policies, and other Medicare related questions.