



# Plumbers Local Union No.1 Trust Funds

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## Introducing the New Aetna Medicare<sup>SM</sup> Plan (PPO) for 2023!

Dear Medicare Retiree/Surviving Spouse:

The Plumbers Local Union No. 1 Welfare Fund and Aetna<sup>®</sup> have teamed up to provide you with medical and prescription drug coverage through the Aetna Medicare Plan (PPO) beginning on **January 1, 2023**. The PPO is a Medicare Advantage plan designed exclusively for Plumbers Local Union No. 1 Welfare Fund retirees/Surviving Spouses.

We're working closely with Aetna to ensure a smooth transition. The Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO plan offers:

- The same coverage as Original Medicare Part A and Part B
- Similar benefits as your current plan
- Access to health and wellness programs, at no extra cost

We're here to help you understand your benefits and how to get started with the Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO plan. To start taking advantage of these benefits, you don't have to do anything. You'll be automatically enrolled in the plan.

Sincerely,  
Plumbers Local Union No. 1 Welfare Fund  
**Board of Trustees**



### What if I want to opt out of the Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO plan?

If you want to opt out of the new plan, you need to do so by Nov 11, 2022. Just call the Welfare Fund office at **1-718-223-4313** by Nov 11th.

If you opt out of the new plan, you will not have coverage through Local 1 Welfare Fund for 2023, since the current plan will be replaced by the new Aetna Medicare Advantage plan. For plan details, give Aetna a call at the number below.

### Questions?



Just call Aetna at **1-800-307-4830 (TTY: 711)**, Monday–Friday, 8 AM–9 PM ET. You can also visit **AetnaRetireePlans.com** to learn more.

You are invited to attend a meeting on Wednesday, October 12th from 10:30 am – 11:30 am



## Learn about your new Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO plan

	What's staying the same?	What's different?
<b>Coverage</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medical and prescription drug benefits beyond Original Medicare Part A and Part B.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medical and prescription drug coverage through Aetna® under one ID Card.</li> <li>Additional benefits such as Resources For Living®, Healthy Home Visit, telehealth, Teladoc®, MDLIVE® behavioral health program and a 24-hour nurse line.</li> <li>Extra benefits including: SilverSneakers, Non-Emergency Transportation and Meal delivery following an inpatient stay.</li> </ul>
<b>Doctor access</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>You have the freedom to see any licensed doctor or hospital as long as they accept Medicare and your Aetna plan.</li> <li>You don't need referrals to get covered services.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Over <b>1,000,000</b> network providers, and more than <b>4,000</b> network hospitals accept the Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO plan.</li> </ul>
<b>Cost</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Predictable, low copays for prescription drugs.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No cost share for covered medical services after you've met your plan deductible.</li> </ul>



### What's next?

- 1 Meeting:** You are invited to attend a meeting on Wednesday, October 12th from 10:30 am – 11:30 am to learn more about the Aetna Medicare Advantage PPO plan and have your questions answered by an Aetna representative. This meeting will be held in the Plumbers Local Union No. 1 Headquarters Auditorium at 50-02 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Long Island City, NY 11101. If you are unable to travel to the live meeting, Aetna will be hosting additional conference calls and webinars so you can learn more about the new plan. Look for communications from Aetna in the near future for dates and times.
- 2 Informational Kit:** You'll soon receive materials that will help you transition to your new plan, including a Summary of Benefits.

**Welcome materials:** Once you're officially enrolled in the plan, you'll get more detailed plan information from Aetna, including a Schedule of Cost Sharing, Evidence of Coverage (EOC) and your new Aetna member ID card.

Aetna disclaimers: Aetna Medicare is a PPO plan with a Medicare contract. Enrollment in our plans depends on contract renewal. Plan features and availability may vary by service area. For accommodation of persons with special needs at meetings, call 1-800-307-4830 (TTY: 711). Out-of-network/noncontracted providers are under no obligation to treat Aetna members, except in emergency situations. Please call our customer service number or see your Evidence of Coverage for more information, including the cost-sharing that applies to out-of-network services. The formulary, provider and/or pharmacy network may change at any time. You will receive notice when necessary. Participating physicians, hospitals and other health care providers are independent contractors and are neither agents nor employees of Aetna. The availability of any particular provider cannot be guaranteed, and provider network composition is subject to change.