# The Inflation Reduction Act of 2022 Democrats Deliver Lower Costs for Families

#### **HOW WASHINGTON BENEFITS**

The Inflation Reduction Act will reduce health care and prescription drug costs for Washington seniors, people with disabilities and families.

### Making Approved Vaccines Free Starting in 2023



Ensures approved vaccines under Medicare Part D are free, helping over 112,100 Washingtonians.<sup>1</sup>



#### Lowering Insulin Copays Starting in 2023

Reduces Medicare copays to a maximum of \$35 per month, lowering insulin costs for nearly 33,400 Washingtonians.<sup>2</sup>

#### \$ \$ \$ \$ \$

#### Reducing Health Care Premiums Starting in 2023

Lowers Marketplace premiums for roughly 187,000 Washingtonians by hundreds of dollars per person, on average, in 2023.<sup>3</sup>



#### Helping Low-Income Americans Starting in 2024

Increases financial assistance to nearly 7,400 low-income Washingtonians to help them afford their prescription medications.<sup>4</sup>



## Capping Out-of-Pocket Costs Starting in 2025

Caps prescription drug costs at \$2,000 a year for nearly 994,700 Washingtonians with Medicare Part D<sup>5</sup>– giving the more than 29,700 Washingtonians who will exceed this limit the help they need.<sup>6</sup>



## Lowering Prescription Drug Prices Through Negotiation Starting in 2026

Beginning in 2026, Medicare-negotiated prescription drug prices will go into effect, reducing costs for certain high-cost drugs and out-of-pocket costs for seniors and people with disabilities.



# The Inflation Reduction Act of 2022 Democrats Deliver Lower Costs for Families

#### **REFERENCES**

- 1. Neuman, T., Damico, A., Freed, M., & Cubanski, J. (2022, August 18). How will the prescription drug provisions in the Inflation Reduction Act affect Medicare beneficiaries? KFF. Retrieved from <a href="https://www.kff.org/medicare/issue-brief/how-will-the-prescription-drug-provisions-in-the-inflation-reduction-act-affect-medicare-beneficiaries/">https://www.kff.org/medicare/issue-brief/how-will-the-prescription-drug-provisions-in-the-inflation-reduction-act-affect-medicare-beneficiaries/</a>
- 2. Cubanski, J., & Damico, A. (2022, July 28). Insulin out-of-pocket costs in Medicare part D. KFF. Retrieved from <a href="https://www.kff.org/medicare/issue-brief/insulin-out-of-pocket-costs-in-medicare-part-d/">https://www.kff.org/medicare/issue-brief/insulin-out-of-pocket-costs-in-medicare-part-d/</a>
- 3. Branham, D. K., Eibner, C., Giros, F., Liu, J., Finegold, K., Peters, C., & Sommers, B. D. (2022, March 23). Projected Coverage and Subsidy Impacts If the American Rescue Plan's Marketplace Provisions Sunset in 2023. Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation. Retrieved from <a href="https://aspe.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/documents/1647ad29528ee85a48d6ffa9e7bfbc8f/arp-ptc-sunset-impacts-03-22-22%20Final.pdfKaiser Family Foundation.">https://aspe.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/documents/1647ad29528ee85a48d6ffa9e7bfbc8f/arp-ptc-sunset-impacts-03-22-22%20Final.pdfKaiser Family Foundation.</a> (2022, August 3). Medicare beneficiaries enrolled in part D <a href="mailto:coverage">coverage</a>
- 4. Neuman, T., Damico, A., Freed, M., & Cubanski, J. (2022, August 18). How will the prescription drug provisions in the Inflation Reduction Act affect Medicare beneficiaries? KFF. Retrieved from <a href="https://www.kff.org/medicare/issue-brief/how-will-the-prescription-drug-provisions-in-the-inflation-reduction-act-affect-medicare-beneficiaries/">https://www.kff.org/medicare/issue-brief/how-will-the-prescription-drug-provisions-in-the-inflation-reduction-act-affect-medicare-beneficiaries/</a>
- 5. Kaiser Family Foundation. (2022, August 3). Medicare beneficiaries enrolled in part D coverage. KFF. Retrieved from <a href="https://www.kff.org/other/state-indicator/medicare-beneficiaries-enrolled-in-part-d-coverage/?">https://www.kff.org/other/state-indicator/medicare-beneficiaries-enrolled-in-part-d-coverage/?</a>
  currentTimeframe=O&amp;sortModel=%7B%22colld%22%3A%22Location%22%2C%22sort%22%3A%22asc%22%7D
- 6. Neuman, T., Damico, A., Freed, M., & Cubanski, J. (2022, August 18). How will the prescription drug provisions in the Inflation Reduction Act affect Medicare beneficiaries? KFF. Retrieved from <a href="https://www.kff.org/medicare/issue-brief/how-will-the-prescription-drug-provisions-in-the-inflation-reduction-act-affect-medicare-beneficiaries/">https://www.kff.org/medicare/issue-brief/how-will-the-prescription-drug-provisions-in-the-inflation-reduction-act-affect-medicare-beneficiaries/</a>
- 7. Neuman, T., Damico, A., Freed, M., & Cubanski, J. (2022, August 18). How will the prescription drug provisions in the Inflation Reduction Act affect Medicare beneficiaries? KFF. Retrieved from <a href="https://www.kff.org/medicare/issue-brief/how-will-the-prescription-drug-provisions-in-the-inflation-reduction-act-affect-medicare-beneficiaries/">https://www.kff.org/medicare/issue-brief/how-will-the-prescription-drug-provisions-in-the-inflation-reduction-act-affect-medicare-beneficiaries/</a>

