

Annual Wellness Visit Letter to Patients with Medicare

Hello,

Date of Visit: _____

We are pleased to offer the Medicare **free** benefit called the Annual Wellness Visit (AWV). During this visit we will work with you to make a plan for how to stay well.

What is the Annual Wellness Visit?

- This visit is for talking with your care team about your medical history, your risk for certain diseases, the current state of your health and your plan for staying well.
- We will measure your height, weight and blood pressure.
- We might refer you for screenings or services outside of the appointment.

How is the Annual Wellness Visit different from other visits?

- This is not the same as a yearly physical exam.
- We will not listen to your heart and lungs or check other parts of your body.
- You probably will not get screenings or blood tests during this visit.
- We would want to schedule another appointment if you are not feeling well or are concerned about a medical problem.

When do I get it?

- You can receive an Initial AWV when you are no longer within 12 months of your eligibility date for Medicare Part B and have not received an AWV in the past 12 months.
- You can schedule a Subsequent AWV annually after your first AWV.

Who pays for it?

- Medicare will pay for the Annual Wellness Visit so you will have no out of pocket expense.
- You might have a co-pay for some follow-up screening services and visits.
- If you receive additional tests or services during the same visit that aren't covered under these preventive benefits, you may have a co-pay and the Part B deductible may apply.

Things to bring to your Annual Wellness Visit:

Please complete the other side of this letter and bring it to your visit:

- A list of the members on your healthcare team including any specialists.
- The names of your home health agency and medical equipment supply companies (ex. oxygen supplier).
- The names and locations of the pharmacies you use.
- A copy of your Advance Directive, if you have one, and your insurance card.

Please bring a bag with all of the medicines you take including over-the-counter drugs, vitamins and herbals.

We look forward to working with you to make a plan to help you stay well,

Your Care Team at Axis Health System



Providers and Suppliers

Please provide us with a list of your current providers.

Provider Name	Provider Specialty (i.e. cardiology)	Contact Information (address/phone number)

Please provide us with a list of your current suppliers, i.e. oxygen, pharmacy, etc.

Supplier	Contact Information (address/phone number)