



# Medicare at a Glance

*for those seeking care at Sunrise Haven*

1. Sunrise Haven **is** enrolled in Medicare.
2. Medicare will pay for Christian Science nursing care when a patient is eligible for Medicare and our in-house committee determines that their needs are coverable by Medicare.
3. For the nursing services to be coverable the individual must need skilled assistance in several areas such as personal care, bed care, wound care, mobility, and food needs.
4. Nursing care at Sunrise Haven is covered only by Medicare Part A. Neither home care nor practitioner's fees are covered by Medicare.
5. Medicare Part B NEVER applies to Sunrise Haven because Part B requires the approval of a physician.
6. Medicare is NOT automatic and does NOT pay the entire bill when a patient receives covered care. Medicare is set up to have the patient pay for a portion of the care that's covered. For instance, this year a deductible of \$912 is payable by each patient despite the length of stay.
7. NOTE: a 3-day stay in a hospital is NOT necessary when coming to Sunrise – despite what's written in the federal Medicare handbook. That's because Sunrise receives reimbursement as an inpatient hospital and not a nursing home.
8. We advise Christian Scientists, as they approach age of eligibility for Medicare to apply for and obtain their Medicare card for Part A only. There is no charge for Part A; Part B has a monthly premium.
9. At Sunrise Haven we have additional information about Medicare, including phone numbers for you to contact Medicare directly with further questions. Feel free to give us a call!
10. Even if a Christian Scientist does NOT have Medicare or has used up all Medicare coverage, you are still invited to call us whenever you are in need of nursing care. Thanks to generous donations from our field, we do have a program for financial assistance or benevolence. Anyone who does not have funds to pay for care is eligible to apply for this program. There is always a way to work out the financial arrangements for care at Sunrise Haven; no one is ever turned away due to lack of funds.
11. Again, please feel free to call us at any time with your questions or need for nursing care.