

TRICARE® Prime Enrollment Fees

Beginning on October 1, 2011, TRICARE will make modest adjustments to TRICARE Prime enrollment fees that amount to an additional \$5 a month for families and \$2.50 a month for individuals. The new fees are outlined in the table below.

TRICARE PRIME ENROLLMENT FEE CHANGES

	Fiscal Year 2012 (October 1, 2011– September 30, 2012)
\$230/individual	\$260/individual
\$460/family	\$520/family

Retired service members and their eligible family members, survivors, and former spouses pay TRICARE Prime enrollment fees, which are applied to the annual catastrophic cap. There are no enrollment fees for active duty service members (ADSMs) and active duty family members enrolled in TRICARE Prime, TRICARE Prime Remote, or TRICARE Prime Remote for Active Duty Family Members.

NO CHANGE IN FEES THIS YEAR FOR **CURRENT ENROLLEES**

The fee increase applies only to **new** enrollees whose TRICARE Prime applications are received on or after October 1, 2011. The fee for current enrollees will be frozen at the fiscal year 2011 rate—so if you are already enrolled in TRICARE Prime, your payments will not change in the coming year, as long as you remain in TRICARE Prime. Moving forward, TRICARE

Prime enrollment fees will be subject to increases each fiscal year. Current enrollees, whose fees will not change for fiscal year 2012, will experience a yearly change in fees beginning in fiscal year 2013.

EXCEPTIONS FOR SURVIVORS AND MEDICALLY RETIRED SERVICE MEMBERS

An exception to the fee increase will be made to allow survivors of active duty deceased and medically retired uniformed service members and their dependents enrolled in TRICARE Prime to be exempt from future enrollment fee increases.

Beneficiaries in these categories before October 1, 2011, will have the annual enrollment fee frozen at the current rate of \$230 per individual and \$460 per family. Beneficiaries added to these categories on or after October 1, 2011, will have their fee frozen at the rate in effect at the time they are classified in either category. The fee remains frozen as long as at least one family member remains enrolled in TRICARE Prime and there is no break in enrollment. The fee charged for the dependents of a medically retired uniformed service member will not change if the dependents are later reclassified as survivors.

KEY POINTS TO REMEMBER

Moving forward, there will still be no out-of-pocket costs for ADSMs, no changes to TRICARE Standard and TRICARE Extra, and no change to the catastrophic cap for all plans. For more information, visit www.tricare.mil/costs.

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