Hearing Benefit — With Start Hearing



Stay in the conversation through better hearing and enjoy a greater quality of life! Your Independent Health Medicare Advantage hearing aid benefit* provides you with high quality hearing aids and local professional care at a fraction of the cost. Many health plans — including original Medicare — don't offer a hearing aid benefit, leaving you to pay up to $3,000 or more per hearing aid on the retail market.

Your Hearing Benefit Includes:

- Hearing Aid Evaluation/Assessment — $45 copayment (performed by a network provider).
- Hearing aids purchased through Start Hearing.
- Rechargeable & Non-Rechargeable models available.**
- Six follow-up visits at no cost with an in-network provider for fitting and adjustment of hearing aids.
- A worry-free purchase with a 60-day trial and up to a 3-year warranty.***

HEARING AID OPTIONS	RETAIL COST	MEMBER COPAYMENT
Starkey Economy	$1,673 (per aid)	**$499 copayment (per aid)**
Starkey Low	$2,338 (per aid)	**$699 copayment (per aid)**
Starkey Select	$2,738 (per aid)	**$999 copayment (per aid)**
Starkey Advanced	$3,238 (per aid)	**$1,499 copayment (per aid)**
Starkey Premium	$3,498 (per aid)	**$1,949 copayment (per aid)**

Starkey Hearing Technologies is the only major hearing aid manufacturer that is American owned and operated.

How It Works — To Get Hearing Aids:

1. You must use a provider in the Start Hearing network.
2. To locate a participating Start Hearing audiologist near you, call Start Hearing at **1-888-821-4126**, or visit **StartHearing.com/IndependentHealthMA**
3. If hearing loss is discovered, your audiologist will help you choose the right hearing aids and order them through Start Hearing.
4. When the hearing aids arrive, you'll return to have them fitted and programmed by your audiologist.

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*Our hearing aid coverage includes a $45 copayment collected at the time of hearing aid evaluation exam. Benefit is limited to Starkey Hearing Aids through Start Hearing, which come in various styles and colors. You must see a Start Hearing provider to use this benefit. Routine hearing exam/fitting and hearing aid copayments are not subject to the out-of-pocket maximum. **Non-Rechargeable models include 40 batteries per hearing aid. ***Returns within the trial period may be subject to a restocking fee of $125. Three year warranty includes a one-time loss and damage coverage, subject to a deductible of $250 per ear. Independent Health is a Medicare Advantage organization with a Medicare contract offering HMO, HMO-SNP, HMO-POS and PPO plans. Enrollment in Independent Health depends on contract renewal.

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