

DIFFERENCE IN TOTAL PRIVATE MASSACHUSETTS MEDICARE PLAN MEMBERSHIP BETWEEN 2017 AND 2018

Medicare Supplement, Medicare HMO,  
and Medicare Advantage Plan Total Members

|  | 2017    | 2018    | Change<br>2017-2018 |
|--|---------|---------|---------------------|
| Group (Retirees of Union/Employer Plans) | 106,419 | 83,316  | (23,103)            |
| Individual                               | 522,475 | 552,587 | 30,112              |
| Total                                    | 628,894 | 635,903 | 7,009               |

Medicare Supplement Plans<sup>1</sup>

|  | 2017    | 2018    | Change<br>2017-2018 |
|--|---------|---------|---------------------|
| Group (Retirees of Union/Employer Plans) | 46,657  | 32,677  | (13,980)            |
| Individual                               | 278,645 | 290,489 | 11,844              |
| Total                                    | 325,302 | 323,166 | (2,136)             |

Medicare HMO and Medicare Advantage Plans

|  | 2017    | 2018    | Change<br>2017-2018 |
|--|---------|---------|---------------------|
| Group (Retirees of Union/Employer Plans) | 59,762  | 50,639  | (9,123)             |
| Individual                               | 243,830 | 262,098 | 18,268              |
| 1. Medicare Advantage <sup>3</sup>       | 243,798 | 262,072 | 18,274              |
| 2. Medicare Wraparound <sup>4</sup>      | 32      | 26      | (6)                 |
| Total                                    | 303,592 | 312,737 | 9,145               |

Medicare Stand-Alone Prescription Drug Plans <sup>5</sup>

|  | 2017    | 2018    | Change<br>2017-2018 |
|--|---------|---------|---------------------|
| Group (Retirees of Union/Employer Plans) | 67,681  | 74,412  | 6,731               |
| Individual                               | 514,375 | 513,307 | (1,068)             |
| Total                                    | 582,056 | 587,719 | 5,663               |

Medicare Supplement, Medicare HMO, and Medicare Advantage  
Plan Members with Unlimited Drug Coverage

|  | 2017    | 2018    | Change<br>2017-2018 |
|--|---------|---------|---------------------|
| Group (Retirees of Union/Employer Plans) | 33,151  | 23,099  | (10,052)            |
| Individual                               | 229,228 | 255,797 | 26,569              |
| Total                                    | 262,379 | 278,896 | 16,517              |

Medicare Supplement Plan  
Members with Unlimited Drug Coverage<sup>6</sup>

|  | 2017  | 2018  | Change<br>2017-2018 |
|--|-------|-------|---------------------|
| Group (Retirees of Union/Employer Plans) | 4,979 | 4,564 | (415)               |
| Individual                               | 3,664 | 2,837 | (827)               |
| Total                                    | 8,643 | 7,401 | (1,242)             |

Medicare HMO and Medicare Advantage Plan  
Members with Unlimited Drug Coverage

|  | 2017    | 2018    | Change<br>2017-2018 |
|--|---------|---------|---------------------|
| Group (Retirees of Union/Employer Plans) | 28,172  | 18,535  | (9,637)             |
| Individual                               | 225,564 | 252,960 | 27,396              |
| 1. Medicare Advantage <sup>2</sup>       | 225,532 | 252,934 | 27,402              |
| 2. Medicare Wraparound                   | 32      | 26      | (6)                 |
| Total                                    | 253,736 | 271,495 | 17,759              |

<sup>1</sup> Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Massachusetts, Inc. ("BCBSMA") began offering an alternate innovative benefits rider with its Medicare Supplement Core Policy in 2004. The Medex Core Plus Rider offers prescription drug benefits with an unlimited generic drug coverage but with a \$150 limit on brand name drugs per calendar quarter.

<sup>2</sup> Due to provisions in the federal Medicare Prescription Drug Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003, Medicare Supplement 2 Plans were no longer marketed after December 31, 2005.

<sup>3</sup> The program was formerly named Medicare+Choice. The Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003 ("MMA") renamed the program Medicare Advantage ("MA").

<sup>4</sup> Closed blocks of HMO Medicare "wrap-around" certificates of coverage issued prior to July 31, 1992.

<sup>5</sup> Medicare Part D Plans provide coverage for drugs with or without a gap in coverage period where an enrollee would typically pay 100% of his or her drug costs.

<sup>6</sup> Starting with the first quarter 2018, carriers are no longer submitting data for this report directly to the Division. Instead, the data in this report was produced by the Center for Health Information and Analysis using data submissions by the HMOs to the All-Payer Claims Database. As a result, comparing membership from 2017 to 2018 may not be appropriate as the data is taken from separate sources.