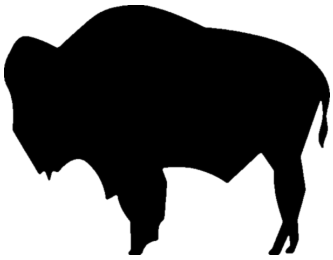
CASPER, WYOMING

Medicare in Casper: a short guide for 2027



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If your plan is ending

UnitedHealthcare's Medicare Advantage plans leave Natrona County on December 31, 2026 [3]. People whose plan was not renewed can pick new coverage from December 8 to the last day of February [1]. If you do nothing, Medicare moves you to Original Medicare when the plan ends [1]. You may also have a right to buy a Medigap policy without health questions if you apply within 63 days of your coverage ending. Keep the letter from your plan [7].

The dates

October 15 to December 7: anyone on Medicare can join, switch or drop a plan for January 1 [2]. January 1 to March 31: one more change if you are already in a Medicare Advantage plan [2].

Turning 65, or leaving a job

Your first sign-up window is seven months: three before the month you turn 65, that month, and three after [4]. If you are still covered by a job, you can often wait, and you get eight months to sign up once the job or its insurance ends [5].

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Original Medicare or a plan

With Original Medicare you can use any doctor or hospital that takes Medicare, anywhere in the U.S. A Medicare Advantage plan may need you to use its network for care that is not an emergency [6]. People in Casper who see specialists in Denver, Billings or Salt Lake City should ask a plan about those doctors first.

What Natrona County has for 2027

Medicare's list shows 3 Medicare Advantage plans from one insurer, and 9 stand-alone drug plans sold across Wyoming [3].

Help in Casper

WSHIIP, Wyoming's Medicare counseling program: 951 Werner Court, Suite 295, 1-877-634-1006. Its counselors sell nothing [8]. Medicare: 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227).

The full guide, with every situation answered:

WYMEDICARE.COM/CASPER

Online sign-up: coming soon

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