**MEDICARE CHANGES FOR 2022**

There are two premiums for Medicare – one for Part B (Medical) and one for Part A (Hospital). However, 99% of all Medicare beneficiaries pay no Part A premiums because they have worked the required 40 quarters (10 years). However, all Medicare beneficiaries must pay Part B (Medical) premiums. The Part B premium for 2022 is increasing a whopping 14.5% - from $148.50 (2021) to $170.10 (2022).

Premiums for some Medicare enrollees will be higher than this because premiums vary by income. Part B beneficiaries with annual incomes greater than $91,000 will pay more – how much more will depend on their level of income. For example, someone filing an individual tax return for income between $91,000 and $114,000 will pay $238.10 (instead of $170.10) for Part B. Those with higher incomes will pay even higher Part B premiums.

Most Medicare enrollees must pay the Part B premiums whether they have original Medicare or a Medicare Advantage Plan.

The annual Part B deductible will increase $30 for 2022 from $203 to $233.

The Part A (Hospital) deductible only applies to folks who did not work 40 quarters (10 years); however, it is increasing. In 2022 the Part A deductible (for each hospital admission) will increase by $72 from $1484 to $1556 (2022).

That appears to be the extent of the Medicare changes for 2022. This information taken from the Medicare website.