

Out-of-Pocket (OOP) Rx Costs Are Enormous

Many Medicare patients are forced to pay upwards of \$10,000 every year for their cancer drugs



In 2019, a Medicare Part D beneficiary could expect to pay these OOP costs for blood cancer drugs.

\$26,271	Average annual income including Social Security
\$16,551	enasidenib
\$14,461	lenalidomide
\$11,830	midostaurin
\$10,175	acalabrutinib
\$8,983	imatinib

source: Kaiser Family Foundation, 2019

Sticker Shock

Patients filling their first prescription face burdensome costs at the pharmacy counter

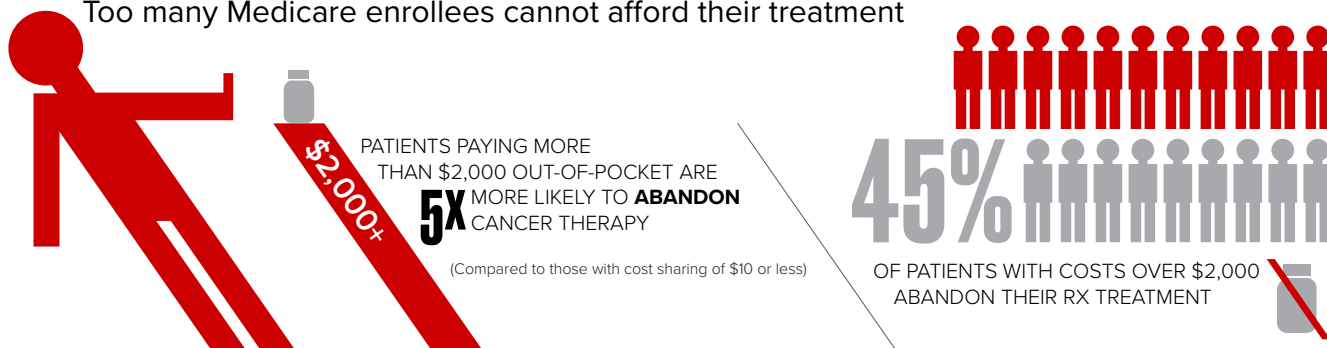
The cost of filling the first **monthly** prescription of the year can be \$1,000 more than the average January Social Security check.



source: SSA, 2019; Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2017; Doshi AJMC, 2017

Cost Puts Cancer Treatments Out of Reach

Too many Medicare enrollees cannot afford their treatment



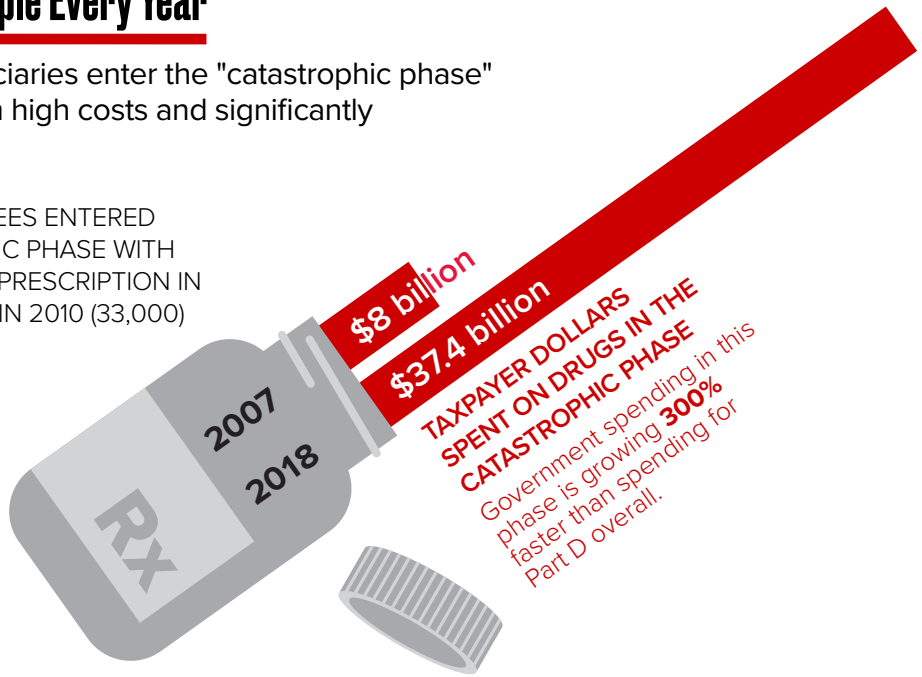
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High Costs Affect More People Every Year

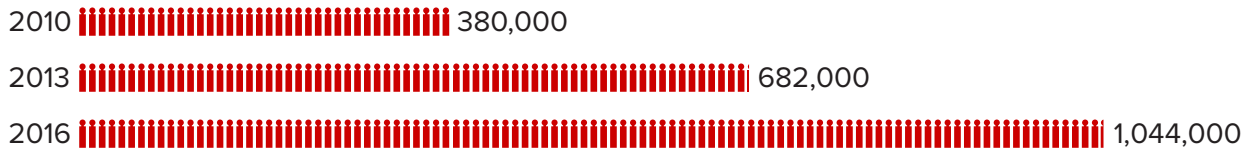
Each year, more Part D beneficiaries enter the "catastrophic phase" which provides little relief from high costs and significantly increases taxpayer spending


10X AS MANY ENROLLEES ENTERED THE CATASTROPHIC PHASE WITH A SINGLE COSTLY PRESCRIPTION IN 2016 (360,000) AS DID IN 2010 (33,000)

source: MedPAC, 2019



NUMBER OF PART D ENROLLEES WITH HIGH COST-SHARING



Each  represents 10,000 individuals

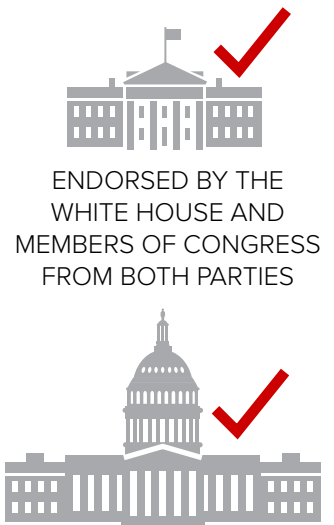
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A Simple, Popular Solution

A monthly out-of-pocket (OOP) cap is feasible, relatively inexpensive to implement, and would solve this problem for many in Part D

40¢ PER MONTH FROM EACH PART D ENROLLEE COULD FINANCE THE FULL COST OF AN ANNUAL OUT-OF-POCKET CAP

76%  OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE FAVOR AN ANNUAL LIMIT ON OOP DRUG COSTS FOR PEOPLE WITH MEDICARE



source: Trish, Health Affairs, 2018; Kaiser Family Foundation, 2019

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