

30.2 – Part B only Plans

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An MA Part B only plan is a plan offered to individuals eligible for Part B who do not have Part A coverage. Part B only plans are required to cover the Medicare benefits that are covered under Part B and any supplemental benefits the plan may offer. Regulations at 42 CFR 422.50 prohibit creating new Part B only plans except for EGWPs that are granted a waiver. Non-EGWP Part B only plans created before the MMA may continue operating as long as they have membership and provided they do not enroll new Part B only members. For a complete discussion of Part B only plans offered by Employer Group Waiver Plans (EGWPs), see chapter 9 of this manual.

For information on Part B only beneficiaries enrolling in Medicare cost plans under section 1876 of the Social Security Act, see Section 40.