



Weekly Checkup

Medicare Part B's Historic Premium Increase

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With the focus on the Build Back Better Act (BBBA), you may have missed the recent news that **Medicare Part B premiums are increasing 14.5 percent for most beneficiaries next year**. There's a lot to unpack, but what stands out is that **much of this premium increase is for a "contingency reserve" to cover the costs of Biogen's new Alzheimer's drug Aduhelm—if Medicare ultimately decides to cover it.**