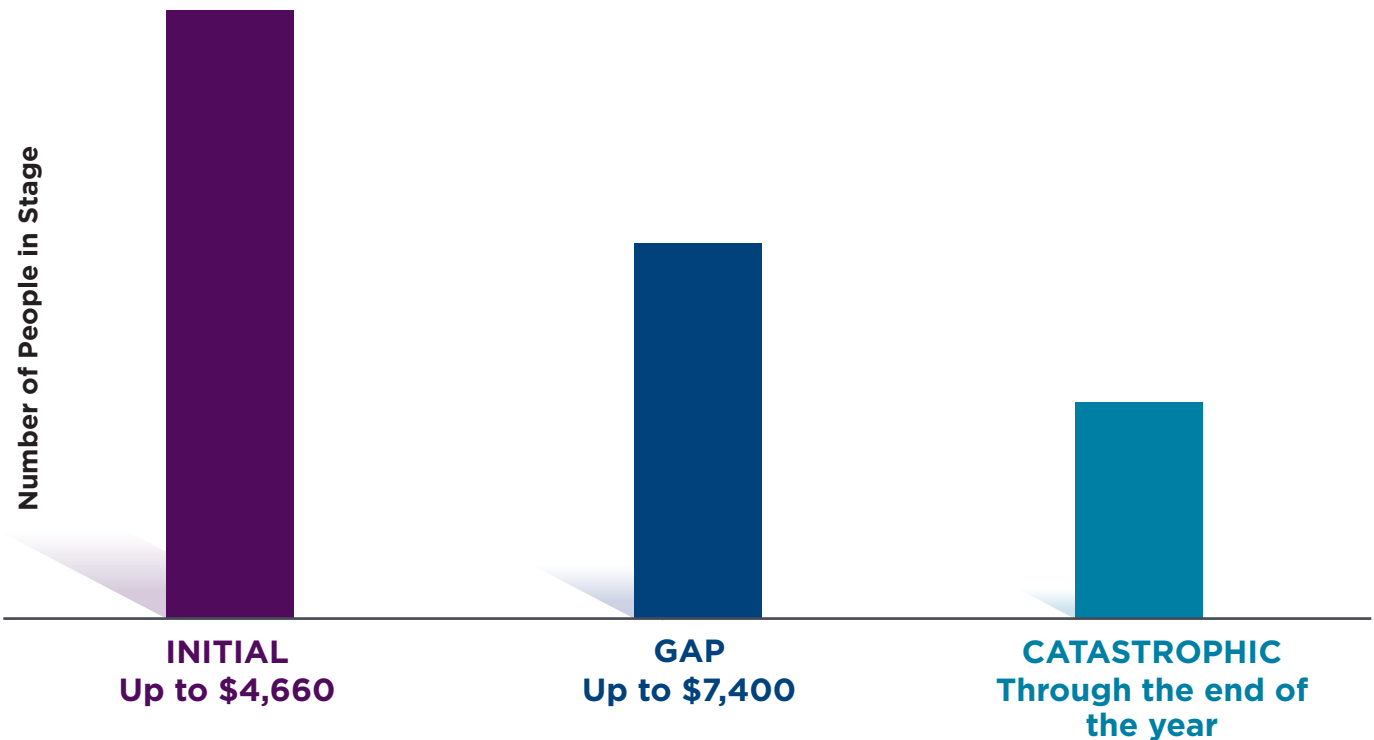


# Understanding Drug Payment Stages



## Initial Coverage Stage

During this stage, you pay a flat fee (copay) or a percentage of a drug’s total cost (coinsurance) for each prescription you fill.

**The plan pays the rest until your total drug costs (paid by you and the plan) reach \$4,660 (2023).**

## Coverage Gap Stage

During this stage, you pay 25 percent of the total cost for brand name drugs and 25 percent of the total cost for generic drugs PLUS a portion of the dispensing fee. Tier 1 generics are covered at same copay as in the initial coverage stage (see EOC for details).

**Once your out-of-pocket costs reach \$7,400 (2023), you move to catastrophic coverage.**

## Catastrophic Coverage Stage

In this stage, the plan will pay most of the cost of your drugs for the remainder of the year. You pay only a small copay or coinsurance for each filled prescription (see the EOC for details).

**The plan and Medicare pay the rest until the end of the calendar year.**