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Welcome

At Aetna, your health goals lead the way, so we're joining you to put them first. We believe that whatever you decide to do for your health, you can do it with the right support. And no matter where you are on this personal journey, it's our job to enable you to feel the joy of achieving your best health.

Welcome to Aetna.

Introduction

This is your booklet. It describes your **covered services** – what they are and how to get them. The schedule of benefits tells you how we share expenses for **covered services** and explains any limits. Together, these documents describe the benefits covered by your Employer's self-funded health benefit. Each may have amendments attached to them. These change or add to the document. This booklet takes the place of any others sent to you before.

If you need help or information, see the Contact us section below.

How we use words

When we use:

- "You" and "your" we mean you and any covered dependents (if your plan allows dependent coverage)
- "Us," "we," and "our" we mean Aetna
- Words that are in bold, we define them in the *Glossary* section

Contact us

Your plan includes the Aetna concierge program. It provides immediate access to consultants trained in the specific details of your plan.

For questions about your plan, you can contact us by:

- Calling the toll-free number on your ID card
- Logging in to the Aetna website at <u>https://www.aetna.com</u>
- Writing us at 151 Farmington Ave, Hartford, CT 06156

Your member website is available 24/7. With your member website, you can:

- See your coverage, benefits and costs
- Print an ID card and various forms
- Find a **provider**, research **providers**, care and treatment options
- View and manage claims
- Find information on health and wellness

Your ID card

Show your ID card each time you get **covered services** from a **provider**. Only members on your plan can use your ID card. We will mail you your ID card. If you haven't received it before you need **covered services**, or if you lose it, you can print a temporary one using your member website.

Discount arrangements

We can offer you discounts on health care related goods or services. Sometimes, other companies provide these discounted goods and services. These companies are called "third party service providers". These third party service providers may pay us so that they can offer you their services.

Third party service providers are independent contractors. The third party service provider is responsible for the goods and services they deliver. We have the right to change or end the arrangements at any time.

These discount arrangements are not insurance. We don't pay the third party service providers for the services they offer. You are responsible for paying for their services and discounted goods.

Coverage and exclusions

Providing covered services

Your plan provides **covered services**. These are:

- Described in this section.
- Not listed as an exclusion in this section or the *General plan exclusions* section.
- Not beyond any limits in the schedule of benefits.
- **Medically necessary**. See the *How your plan works Medical necessity and precertification requirements* section and the *Glossary* for more information.

This plan provides coverage for many kinds of **covered services**, such as a doctor's care and **hospital stays**, but some services aren't covered at all or are limited. For other services, the plan pays more of the expense.

For example:

- **Physician** care generally is covered but **physician** care for cosmetic **surgery** is never covered. This is an exclusion.
- Home health care is generally covered but it is a **covered service** only up to a set number of visits a year. This is a limitation.
- Your **provider** may recommend services that are considered **experimental or investigational** services. But an **experimental or investigational** service is not covered and is also an exclusion, unless it is recognized as part of an approved clinical trial when you have cancer or a **terminal illness**. See *Clinical trials* in the list of services below.
- Preventive services. Usually the plan pays more, and you pay less. Preventive services are designed to help keep you healthy, supporting you in achieving your best health. To find out what these services are, see the *Preventive care* section in the list of services below. To find out how much you will pay for these services, see *Preventive care* in your schedule of benefits.

Some services require **precertification** from us. For more information see the *How your plan works* – *Medical necessity and precertification requirements* section.

The **covered services** and exclusions below appear alphabetically to make it easier to find what you're looking for. You can find out about limitations for **covered services** in the schedule of benefits. If you have questions, contact us.

Acupuncture

Covered services include acupuncture services provided by a **physician** if the service is provided as a form of anesthesia in connection with a covered **surgical procedure**.

Covered services also include services performed to alleviate, treat, or limit:

- Chronic pain
- Postoperative and chemotherapy-induced nausea and vomiting
- Nausea during pregnancy
- Postoperative dental pain
- Temporomandibular disorders (TMD)
- Migraine headache
- Pain from osteoarthritis of the knee or hip

The following are not **covered services**:

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Ambulance services

An ambulance is a vehicle staffed by medical personnel and equipped to transport an ill or injured person.

Emergency Ground Ambulance

Covered services include emergency transport to a **hospital** by a licensed ambulance:

- To the first **hospital** to provide **emergency services**
- From one hospital to another if the first hospital can't provide the emergency services you need
- When your condition is unstable and requires medical supervision and rapid transport

Non-emergency Ground Ambulance

Covered services also include precertified transportation to a **hospital** by a licensed ambulance:

- From a hospital to your home or to another facility if an ambulance is the only safe way to transport you
- From your home to a **hospital** if an ambulance is the only safe way to transport you; limited to 100 miles
- When during a covered inpatient **stay** at a **hospital**, **skilled nursing facility** or acute rehabilitation **hospital**, an ambulance is required to safely and adequately transport you to or from inpatient or outpatient treatment

The following are not **covered services**:

• Ambulance services for routine transportation to receive outpatient or inpatient services

Applied behavior analysis

Covered services include certain early intensive behavioral interventions such as applied behavior analysis. Applied behavior analysis is an educational service that is the process of applying interventions that:

- Systematically change behavior
- Are responsible for observable improvements in behavior

Autism spectrum disorder

Autism spectrum disorder is defined in the most recent edition of the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders* (DSM) of the American Psychiatric Association.

Covered services include services and supplies provided by a physician or behavioral health provider for:

- The diagnosis and treatment of autism spectrum disorder
- Physical, occupational, and speech therapy associated with the diagnosis of autism spectrum disorder

Behavioral health

Mental health treatment

Covered services include the treatment of **mental health disorders** provided by a **hospital**, **psychiatric hospital**, **residential treatment facility**, **physician**, or **behavioral health provider** including:

- Inpatient room and board at the semi-private room rate (your plan will cover the extra expense of a
 private room when appropriate because of your medical condition), and other services and supplies
 related to your condition that are provided during your stay in a hospital, psychiatric hospital, or
 residential treatment facility
- Outpatient treatment received while not confined as an inpatient in a **hospital**, **psychiatric hospital**, or **residential treatment facility**, including:
 - Office visits to a **physician** or **behavioral health provider** such as a psychiatrist, psychologist, social worker, or licensed professional counselor (includes **telemedicine** consultation)
 - Individual, group, and family therapies for the treatment of mental health disorders

- Other outpatient mental health treatment such as:
 - Partial hospitalization treatment provided in a facility or program for mental health treatment provided under the direction of a **physician**
 - Intensive outpatient program provided in a facility or program for mental health treatment provided under the direction of a **physician**
 - Skilled behavioral health services provided in the home, but only when all of the following criteria are met:
 - You are homebound
 - Your **physician** orders them
 - The services take the place of a **stay** in a **hospital** or a **residential treatment facility**, or you are unable to receive the same services outside your home
 - The skilled behavioral health care is appropriate for the active treatment of a condition, illness, or disease
 - Electro-convulsive therapy (ECT)
 - Transcranial magnetic stimulation (TMS)
 - Psychological testing
 - Neuropsychological testing
 - Observation
 - Peer counseling support by a peer support specialist

A peer support specialist serves as a role model, mentor, coach, and advocate. They must be certified by the state where the services are provided or a private certifying organization recognized by us. Peer support must be supervised by a **behavioral health provider**.

Substance related disorders treatment

Covered services include the treatment of **substance related disorders** provided by a **hospital**, **psychiatric hospital**, **residential treatment facility**, **physician**, or **behavioral health provider** as follows:

- Inpatient room and board, at the semi-private room rate (your plan will cover the extra expense of a
 private room when appropriate because of your medical condition), and other services and supplies that
 are provided during your stay in a hospital, psychiatric hospital, or residential treatment facility.
- Outpatient treatment received while not confined as an inpatient in a **hospital**, **psychiatric hospital**, or **residential treatment facility**, including:
 - Office visits to a **physician** or **behavioral health provider** such as a psychologist, social worker, or licensed professional counselor (includes **telemedicine** consultation)
 - Individual, group, and family therapies for the treatment of substance related disorders
 - Other outpatient **substance related disorders** treatment such as:
 - Partial hospitalization treatment provided in a facility or program for treatment of **substance** related disorders provided under the direction of a **physician**
 - Intensive outpatient program provided in a facility or program for treatment of **substance** related disorders provided under the direction of a **physician**
 - Ambulatory or outpatient **detoxification** which include outpatient services that monitor withdrawal from alcohol or other substances, including administration of medications
 - Observation
 - o Peer counseling support by a peer support specialist

A peer support specialist serves as a role model, mentor, coach, and advocate. They must be certified by the state where the services are provided or a private certifying organization recognized by us. Peer support must be supervised by a **behavioral health provider**.

Clinical trials

Routine patient costs

Covered services include routine patient costs you have from a **provider** in connection with participation in an approved clinical trial as defined in the federal Public Health Service Act, Section 2709.

The following are not covered services:

- Services and supplies related to data collection and record-keeping needed only for the clinical trial
- Services and supplies provided by the trial sponsor for free
- The experimental intervention itself (except Category B investigational devices and promising experimental or investigational interventions for terminal illnesses in certain clinical trials in accordance with our policies)

Experimental or investigational therapies

Covered services include drugs, devices, treatments, or procedures from a **provider** under an "approved clinical trial" only when you have cancer or a **terminal illness**. All of the following conditions must be met:

- Standard therapies have not been effective or are not appropriate
- We determine you may benefit from the treatment

An approved clinical trial is one that meets all of these requirements:

- The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has approved the drug, device, treatment, or procedure to be investigated or has granted it investigational new drug (IND) or group c/treatment IND status, when this is required
- The clinical trial has been approved by an institutional review board that will oversee it
- The clinical trial is sponsored by the National Cancer Institute (NCI) or similar federal organization and:
 - It conforms to standards of the NCI or other applicable federal organization
 - It takes place at an NCI-designated cancer center or at more than one institution
- You are treated in accordance with the procedures of that study

Durable medical equipment (DME)

DME and the accessories needed to operate it are:

- Made to withstand prolonged use
- Mainly used in the treatment of illness or injury
- Suited for use in the home
- Not normally used by people who do not have an illness or injury
- Not for altering air quality or temperature
- Not for exercise or training

Your plan only covers the same type of DME that Medicare covers but, there are some DME items Medicare covers that your plan does not.

Covered services include the expense of renting or buying DME and accessories you need to operate the item from a DME supplier. If you purchase DME, that purchase is only covered if you need it for long-term use.

Covered services also include:

- One item of DME for the same or similar purpose
- Repairing DME due to normal wear and tear
- A new DME item you need because your physical condition has changed
- Buying a new DME item to replace one that was damaged due to normal wear, if it would be cheaper than repairing it or renting a similar item

The following are not **covered services**:

- Communication aid
- Elevator
- Maintenance and repairs that result from misuse or abuse
- Massage table
- Message device (personal voice recorder)
- Over bed table
- Portable whirlpool pump
- Sauna bath
- Telephone alert system
- Vision aid
- Whirlpool

Emergency services

When you experience an **emergency medical condition**, you should go to the nearest emergency room. You can also dial 911 or your local emergency response service for medical and ambulance help.

Covered services include only outpatient services to evaluate and stabilize an **emergency medical condition** in a **hospital** emergency room. You can get **emergency services** from **network providers** or **out-of-network providers**.

If your **physician** decides you need to stay in the **hospital** (emergency admission) or receive follow-up care, these are not **emergency services**. Different benefits and requirements apply. Please refer to the *How your plan works* – *Medical necessity and precertification requirements* section and the *Coverage and exclusions* section that fits your situation (for example, *Hospital care* or *Physician services*). You can also contact us or your **network physician** or **primary care physician** (**PCP**).

Non-emergency services

If you go to an emergency room for what is not an **emergency medical condition**, the plan may not cover your expenses. See the schedule of benefits for this information.

Gender Reassignment surgery, counseling and hormone therapy

Eligible health services include procedures for gender reassignment surgery.

You must be at least 18 years old to be eligible for this benefit.

Eligible health services include:

- The surgical procedure
- Physician pre-operative and post-operative hospital and office visits
- Inpatient and outpatient services
- Gender reassignment counseling by a behavioral health provider
- Hormone therapy

Important note:

Just log into your secure member website at <u>www.aetna.com</u> for detailed information about this **covered benefit,** including eligibility requirements. You can also call *Member Services* at the telephone number on your I.D. card.

Habilitation therapy services

Habilitation therapy services help you keep, learn or improve skills and functioning for daily living (e.g. therapy for a child who isn't walking or talking at the expected age). The services must follow a specific treatment plan, ordered by your **physician**. The services must be performed by a:

- Licensed or certified physical, occupational or speech therapist
- Hospital, skilled nursing facility or hospice facility
- Home health care agency
- Physician

Outpatient physical, occupational, and speech therapy

Covered services include:

- Physical therapy if it is expected to develop any impaired function
- Occupational therapy if it is expected to develop any impaired function
- Speech therapy if it is expected to develop speech function that resulted from delayed development (speech function is the ability to express thoughts, speak words and form sentences)

The following are not **covered services**:

- Services provided in an educational or training setting or to teach sign language
- Vocational rehabilitation or employment counseling

Hearing aids

Hearing aid means:

- Any wearable, non-disposable instrument or device designed to aid or make up for impaired hearing
- Parts, attachments or accessories

Covered services include prescribed hearing aids and the following hearing aid services:

- Audiometric hearing visit and evaluation for a hearing aid **prescription** performed by:
 - A physician certified as an otolaryngologist or otologist
 - An audiologist who:
 - Is legally qualified in audiology
 - Holds a certificate of Clinical Competence in Audiology from the American Speech and Hearing Association in the absence of any licensing requirements
 - o Performs the exam at the written direction of a legally qualified otolaryngologist or otologist
- Electronic hearing aids, installed in accordance with a **prescription** written during a covered hearing exam
- Any other related services necessary to access, select, and adjust or fit a hearing aid

The following are not **covered services**:

- Replacement of a hearing aid that is lost, stolen or broken
- Replacement parts or repairs for a hearing aid
- Batteries or cords
- A hearing aid that does not meet the specifications prescribed for correction of hearing loss

Hearing exams

Covered services include hearing exams for evaluation and treatment of illness, injury or hearing loss when performed by a hearing **specialist**.

The following are not **covered services**:

• Hearing exams given during a **stay** in a **hospital** or other facility, except those provided to newborns as part of the overall **hospital stay**

Home health care

Covered services include home health care provided by a **home health care agency** in the home, but only when all of the following criteria are met:

- You are homebound
- Your **physician** orders them
- The services take the place of a **stay** in a **hospital** or a **skilled nursing facility**, or you are unable to receive the same services outside your home
- The services are a part of a home health care plan
- The services are **skilled nursing services**, home health aide services or medical social services, or are short-term speech, physical or occupational therapy
- Home health aide services are provided under the supervision of a registered nurse
- Medical social services are provided by or supervised by a **physician** or social worker

If you are discharged from a **hospital** or **skilled nursing facility** after a **stay**, the intermittent requirement may be waived to allow coverage for continuous **skilled nursing services**. See the schedule of benefits for more information on the intermittent requirement.

Short-term physical, speech, and occupational therapy provided in the home are subject to the same conditions and limitations imposed on therapy provided outside the home. See *Rehabilitation services* and *Habilitation therapy services* in this section and the schedule of benefits.

The following are not **covered services**:

- Custodial care
- Services provided outside of the home (such as in conjunction with school, vacation, work, or recreational activities)
- Transportation
- Services or supplies provided to a minor or dependent adult when a family member or caregiver is not present

Hospice care

Covered services include inpatient and outpatient hospice care when given as part of a hospice care program. The types of hospice care services that are eligible for coverage include:

- Room and board
- Services and supplies furnished to you on an inpatient or outpatient basis
- Services by a hospice care agency or hospice care provided in a hospital
- Psychological and dietary counseling
- Pain management and symptom control
- Bereavement counseling
- Respite care

Hospice care services provided by the **providers** below will be covered, even if the **providers** are not an employee of the hospice care agency responsible for your care:

- A **physician** for consultation or case management
- A physical or occupational therapist
- A home health care agency for:
 - Physical and occupational therapy
 - Medical supplies
 - Outpatient **prescription** drugs
 - Psychological counseling
 - Dietary counseling

The following are not **covered services**:

- Funeral arrangements
- Pastoral counseling
- Financial or legal counseling including estate planning and the drafting of a will
- Homemaker services, caretaker services, or any other services not solely related to your care, which may include:
 - Sitter or companion services for you or other family members
 - Transportation
 - Maintenance of the house

Hospital care

Covered services include inpatient and outpatient **hospital** care. This includes:

- Semi-private **room and board**.
- Services and supplies provided by the outpatient department of a **hospital**, including the facility charge.
- Services of **physicians** employed by the **hospital**.
- Administration of blood and blood derivatives, but not the expense of the blood or blood product.

The following are not **covered services**:

- All services and supplies provided in:
 - Rest homes
 - Any place considered a person's main residence or providing mainly custodial or rest care
 - Health resorts
 - Spas
 - Schools or camps

Infertility services

Basic infertility

Covered services include seeing a provider:

- To diagnose and evaluate the underlying medical cause of **infertility**.
- To do **surgery** to treat the underlying medical cause of **infertility**. Examples are endometriosis **surgery** or, for men, varicocele **surgery**.

The following are not **covered services**:

- All **infertility** services associated with or in support of an ovulation induction cycle while on injectable medication to stimulate the ovaries. This includes, but is not limited to, imaging, laboratory services, and professional services.
- Artificial insemination services.

Jaw joint disorder treatment

Covered services include the diagnosis and surgical treatment of **jaw joint disorder** by a **provider**, including:

- The jaw joint itself, such as temporomandibular joint dysfunction (TMJ) syndrome
- The relationship between the jaw joint and related muscle and nerves, such as myofascial pain dysfunction (MPD)

The following are not **covered services**:

• Non-surgical medical and dental services, and therapeutic services related to jaw joint disorder

Maternity and related newborn care

Covered services include pregnancy (prenatal) care, care after delivery and obstetrical services. After your child is born, **covered services** include:

- No less than 48 hours of inpatient care in a **hospital** after a vaginal delivery
- No less than 96 hours of inpatient care in a hospital after a cesarean delivery
- A shorter **stay**, if the attending **physician**, with the consent of the mother, discharges the mother or newborn earlier

Covered services also include services and supplies needed for circumcision by a **provider**.

The following are not **covered services**:

• Any services and supplies related to births that take place in the home or in any other place not licensed to perform deliveries

Oral and maxillofacial treatment (mouth, jaws and teeth)

Covered services include the following when provided by a **physician**, a dentist and **hospital**:

- Cutting out:
 - Teeth partly or completely impacted in the bone of the jaw
 - Teeth that will not erupt through the gum
 - Other teeth that cannot be removed without cutting into bone
 - The roots of a tooth without removing the entire tooth
 - Cysts, tumors, or other diseased tissues.
- Cutting into gums and tissues of the mouth
 - Only when not associated with the removal, replacement or repair of teeth

Outpatient surgery

Covered services include services provided and supplies used in connection with outpatient **surgery** performed in a **surgery** center or a **hospital's** outpatient department.

Important note:

Some surgeries can be done safely in a **physician's** office. For those surgeries, your plan will pay only for **physician**, **PCP** services and not for a separate fee for facilities.

The following are not **covered services**:

- A stay in a hospital (see *Hospital care* in this section)
- A separate facility charge for **surgery** performed in a **physician's** office
- Services of another **physician** for the administration of a local anesthetic

Physician services

Covered services include services by your physician to treat an illness or injury. You can get services:

- At the physician's office
- In your home
- In a hospital
- From any other inpatient or outpatient facility

Other services and supplies that your **physician** may provide:

- Allergy testing and allergy injections
- Radiological supplies, services, and tests
- Immunizations that are not covered as preventive care

Preventive care

Preventive **covered services** are designed to help keep you healthy, supporting you in achieving your best health through early detection. If you need further services or testing such as diagnostic testing, you may pay more as these services aren't preventive. If a **covered service** isn't listed here under preventive care, it still may be covered under other **covered services** in this section. For more information, see your schedule of benefits.

The following agencies set forth the preventive care guidelines in this section:

- Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
- United States Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF)
- Health Resources and Services Administration
- American Academy of Pediatrics/Bright Futures/Health Resources and Services Administration guidelines for children and adolescents

These recommendations and guidelines may be updated periodically. When updated, they will apply to this plan. The updates are effective on the first day of the year, one year after the updated recommendation or guideline is issued.

For frequencies and limits, contact your **physician** or us. This information is also available at <u>https://www.healthcare.gov/</u>.

Important note:

Gender-specific preventive care benefits include **covered services** described regardless of the sex you were assigned at birth, your gender identity, or your recorded gender.

Breast-feeding support and counseling services

Covered services include assistance and training in breast-feeding and counseling services during pregnancy or after delivery. Your plan will cover this counseling only when you get it from a certified breast-feeding support **provider**.

Breast pump, accessories and supplies

Covered services include renting or buying equipment you need to pump and store breast milk.

Coverage for the purchase of breast pump equipment is limited to one item of equipment, for the same or similar purpose, and the accessories and supplies needed to operate the item. You are responsible for the entire cost of any additional pieces of the same or similar equipment you purchase or rent for personal convenience or mobility.

Counseling services

Covered services include preventive screening and counseling by your **health professional** for:

- Alcohol or drug misuse
 - Preventive counseling and risk factor reduction intervention
 - Structured assessment
- Genetic risk for breast and ovarian cancer
- Obesity and healthy diet
 - Preventive counseling and risk factor reduction intervention
 - Nutritional counseling
 - Healthy diet counseling provided in connection with hyperlipidemia (high cholesterol) and other known risk factors for cardiovascular and diet-related chronic disease
- Sexually transmitted infection
- Tobacco cessation
 - Preventive counseling to help stop using tobacco products
 - Treatment visits
 - Class visits

Family planning services – female contraceptives

Covered services include family planning services as follows:

- Counseling services provided by a **physician** on contraceptive methods. These will be covered when you get them in either a group or individual setting.
- Contraceptive devices (including any related services or supplies) when they are provided, administered, or removed by a **physician** during an office visit.
- Voluntary sterilization including charges billed separately by the **provider** for female voluntary sterilization procedures and related services and supplies. This also could include tubal ligation and sterilization implants.

The following are not preventive **covered services**:

- Services provided as a result of complications resulting from a voluntary sterilization procedure and related follow-up care
- Any contraceptive methods that are only "reviewed" by the FDA and not "approved" by the FDA
- Male contraceptive methods, sterilization procedures or devices

Immunizations

Covered services include preventive immunizations for infectious diseases.

The following are not preventive **covered services**:

 Immunizations that are not considered preventive care, such as those required due to your employment or travel

Prenatal care

Covered services include your routine pregnancy physical exams at the **physician**, **PCP**, OB, GYN or OB/GYN office. The exams include initial and subsequent visits for:

- Anemia screening
- Blood pressure
- Chlamydia infection screening
- Fetal heart rate check
- Fundal height
- Gestational diabetes screening
- Gonorrhea screening

- Hepatitis B screening
- Maternal weight
- Rh incompatibility screening

Preventive care drugs

Contraceptives (birth control)

For females who are able to become pregnant, **covered services** include certain drugs and devices that the FDA has approved to prevent pregnancy. You will need a **prescription** from you **provider** and must fill it at a network pharmacy. At least one form of each FDA-approved contraception methods is a **covered service**. You can access a list of covered drugs and devices. See the *Contact us* section for how.

We also cover over-the-counter (OTC) and **generic prescription drugs** and devices for each of the methods identified by the FDA at no cost to you. If a **generic prescription drug** or device is not available for a certain method, you may obtain certain **brand-name prescription drugs** or devices for that method at no cost.

The following is not a **covered service**:

Brand-name prescription drug forms of contraception in each of the methods identified by the FDA

Important note:

You may qualify for a medical exception if your **provider** determines that the contraceptives covered as preventive care are not medically appropriate for you. Your **provider** may request a medical exception and submit the exception to us for review.

Preventive care drugs and supplements

Covered services include preventive care drugs and supplements, including OTC ones, as required by the ACA, when you have a **prescription** and it is filled at a network pharmacy.

Risk reducing breast cancer prescription drugs

Covered services include **prescription** drugs used to treat people who are at an increased risk for breast cancer and a low risk for adverse medication side effects. You will need a **prescription** from your **provider** and have it filled at a network pharmacy.

Tobacco cessation prescription and OTC drugs

Covered services include FDA-approved drugs and OTC aids, drugs to help stop the use of tobacco products, including nicotine replacement therapy. All OTC aids must be prescribed by a **provider**.

Routine cancer screenings

Covered services include the following routine cancer screenings:

- Colonoscopies including pre-procedure **specialist** consultation, removal of polyps during a screening procedure, and a pathology exam on any removed polyp
- Digital rectal exams (DRE)
- Double contrast barium enemas (DCBE)
- Fecal occult blood tests (FOBT)
- Lung cancer screenings
- Mammograms
- Prostate specific antigen (PSA) tests
- Sigmoidoscopies

Routine physical exams

A routine preventive exam is a medical exam given for a reason other than to diagnose or treat a suspected or identified illness or injury and also includes:

- Evidence-based items that have in effect a rating of A or B in the current recommendations of the United States Preventive Services Task Force.
- Services as recommended in the American Academy of Pediatrics/Bright Futures/Health Resources and Services Administration guidelines for children and adolescents.
- Screenings and counseling services as provided for in the comprehensive guidelines recommended by the Health Resources and Services Administration. These services may include but are not limited to:
 - Screening and counseling services on topics such as:
 - o Interpersonal and domestic violence
 - Sexually transmitted diseases
 - Human immune deficiency virus (HIV) infections
 - High risk human papillomavirus (HPV) DNA testing for women

Covered services include:

- Office visit to a **physician**
- Hearing screening
- Vision screening
- Radiological services, lab and other tests
- For covered newborns, an initial **hospital** checkup

Well woman preventive visits

A routine well woman preventive exam is a medical exam given for a reason other than to diagnose or treat a suspected or identified illness or injury and also includes:

- Office visit to a physician, PCP, OB, GYN or OB/GYN for services including Pap smears
- Preventive care breast cancer (BRCA) gene blood testing
- Screening for diabetes after pregnancy for women with a history of diabetes during pregnancy
- Screening for urinary incontinence

Prosthetic device

A prosthetic device is a device that temporarily or permanently replaces all or part of an external body part lost or impaired as a result of illness, injury or congenital defects.

Covered services include the initial provision and subsequent replacement of a prosthetic device that your **physician** orders and administers.

Coverage includes:

- Instruction and other services (such as attachment or insertion) so you can properly use the device
- Repairing or replacing the original device you outgrow or that is no longer appropriate because your physical condition changed
- Replacements required by ordinary wear and tear or damage

You may receive a prosthetic device as part of another **covered service** and therefore it will not be covered under this benefit.

The following are not covered services:

- Orthopedic shoes and therapeutic shoes, unless the orthopedic shoe is an integral part of a covered leg brace
- Trusses, corsets, and other support items
- Repair and replacement due to loss, misuse, abuse or theft

Reconstructive breast surgery and supplies

Covered services include all stages of reconstructive **surgery** by your **provider** and related supplies provided in an inpatient or outpatient setting only in the following circumstances:

- Your **surgery** reconstructs the breast where a necessary mastectomy was performed, such as an implant and areolar reconstruction. It also includes:
 - Surgery on a healthy breast to make it symmetrical with the reconstructed breast
 - Treatment of physical complications of all stages of the mastectomy, including lymphedema
 - Prostheses

Reconstructive surgery and supplies

Covered services include all stages of reconstructive **surgery** by your **provider** and related supplies provided in an inpatient or outpatient setting only in the following circumstances:

- Your **surgery** is to implant or attach a covered prosthetic device.
- Your surgery corrects a gross anatomical defect present at birth. The surgery will be covered if:
 - The defect results in severe facial disfigurement or major functional impairment of a body part
 - The purpose of the **surgery** is to improve function
- Your **surgery** is needed because treatment of your illness resulted in severe facial disfigurement or major functional impairment of a body part, and your **surgery** will improve function.

Covered services also include the procedures or **surgery** to sound natural teeth injured due to an accident and performed as soon as medically possible, when:

- The teeth were stable, functional and free from decay or disease at the time of the injury.
- The surgery or procedure returns the injured teeth to how they functioned before the accident.

These dental related services are limited to:

- The first placement of a permanent crown or cap to repair a broken tooth
- The first placement of dentures or bridgework to replace lost teeth
- Orthodontic therapy to pre-position teeth

Short-term cardiac and pulmonary rehabilitation services

Cardiac rehabilitation

Covered services include cardiac rehabilitation services you receive at a **hospital**, **skilled nursing facility** or **physician's** office, but only if those services are part of a treatment plan determined by your risk level and ordered by your **physician**.

Pulmonary rehabilitation

Covered services include pulmonary rehabilitation services as part of your inpatient **hospital stay** if they are part of a treatment plan ordered by your **physician**. A course of outpatient pulmonary rehabilitation may also be covered if it is performed at a **hospital**, **skilled nursing facility**, or **physician's** office, is used to treat reversible pulmonary disease states, and is part of a treatment plan ordered by your **physician**.

Short-term rehabilitation services

Short-term rehabilitation services help you restore or develop skills and functioning for daily living. The services must follow a specific treatment plan, ordered by your **physician**. The services have to be performed by a:

- Licensed or certified physical, occupational, or speech therapist
- Hospital, skilled nursing facility, or hospice facility
- Home health care agency
- Physician

Covered services include:

• Spinal manipulation to correct a muscular or skeletal problem. Your **provider** must establish or approve a treatment plan that details the treatment and specifies frequency and duration.

Cognitive rehabilitation, physical, occupational, and speech therapy

Covered services include:

- Physical therapy, but only if it is expected to significantly improve or restore physical functions lost as a result of an acute illness, injury, or **surgical procedure**
- Occupational therapy, but only if it is expected to do one of the following:
 - Significantly improve, develop, or restore physical functions you lost as a result of an acute illness, injury, or **surgical procedure**
 - Help you relearn skills so you can significantly improve your ability to perform the activities of daily living on your own
- Speech therapy, but only if it is expected to do one of the following:
 - Significantly improve or restore lost speech function or correct a speech impairment resulting from an acute illness, injury, or **surgical procedure**
 - Improve delays in speech function development caused by a gross anatomical defect present at birth (Speech function is the ability to express thoughts, speak words and form sentences. Speech impairment is difficulty with expressing one's thoughts with spoken words.)
- Cognitive rehabilitation associated with physical rehabilitation, but only when:
 - Your cognitive deficits are caused by neurologic impairment due to trauma, stroke, or encephalopathy
 - The therapy is coordinated with us as part of a treatment plan intended to restore previous cognitive function

Short-term physical, speech and occupational therapy services provided in an outpatient setting are subject to the same conditions and limitations for outpatient short-term rehabilitation services. See the *Short-term rehabilitation services* section in the schedule of benefits.

The following are not **covered services**:

- Services provided in an educational or training setting or to teach sign language
- Vocational rehabilitation or employment counseling

Skilled nursing facility

Covered services include **precertified** inpatient **skilled nursing facility** care. This includes:

- Room and board, up to the semi-private room rate
- Services and supplies provided during a stay in a skilled nursing facility

Tests, images and labs

Diagnostic complex imaging services

Covered services include:

- Computed tomography (CT) scans, including for preoperative testing
- Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) including magnetic resonance spectroscopy (MRS), magnetic resonance venography (MRV) and magnetic resonance angiogram (MRA)
- Nuclear medicine imaging including positron emission tomography (PET) scans
- Other imaging service where the billed charge exceeds \$500

Complex imaging for preoperative testing is covered under this benefit.

Diagnostic lab work

Covered services include:

- Lab
- Pathology
- Other tests

These are covered only when you get them from a licensed radiology **provider** or lab.

Diagnostic x-ray and other radiological services

Covered services include x-rays, scans and other services (but not complex imaging) only when you get them from a licensed radiology **provider**. See *Diagnostic complex imaging services* above for more information.

Therapies – chemotherapy, GCIT services, infusion, radiation

Chemotherapy

Covered services for chemotherapy depend on where treatment is received. In most cases, chemotherapy is covered as outpatient care. However, your **hospital** benefit covers the initial dose of chemotherapy after a cancer diagnosis during a **hospital stay**.

Gene-based, cellular and other innovative therapies (GCIT)

Covered services include GCIT provided by a **physician**, **hospital** or other **provider**.

Covered services for GCIT include:

- Cellular immunotherapies.
- Genetically modified oncolytic viral therapy.
- Other types of cells and tissues from and for use by the same person (autologous) and cells and tissues from one person for use by another person (allogenic) for certain therapeutic conditions.
- All human gene therapy that seeks to change the function of a gene or alter the biologic properties of living cells for therapeutic use. Examples include therapies using:
 - Luxturna[®] (Voretigene neparvovec)
 - Zolgensma® (Onasemnogene abeparvovec-xioi)
 - Spinraza[®] (Nusinersen)
- Products derived from gene editing technologies, including CRISPR-Cas9.
 - Oligonucleotide-based therapies. Examples include:
 - Antisense. An example is Spinraza.
 - siRNA.
 - mRNA.
 - microRNA therapies.

Facilities/providers for gene-based, cellular and other innovative therapies

We designate facilities/providers to provide GCIT services or procedures. GCIT physicians, hospitals and other providers are GCIT-designated facilities/providers for Aetna and CVS Health.

Important note:

You must get GCIT **covered services** from the GCIT-designated facility/**provider**. If there are no GCITdesignated facilities/**providers** assigned in your local network, we will arrange for and coordinate your care at a GCIT-designated facility/**provider**. If you do not get your GCIT services at the facility/**provider** we designate, they will not be **covered services**.

The following are not **covered services** unless you receive prior written approval from us:

- GCIT services received at a facility or with a **provider** that is not a GCIT-designated facility/**provider**
- All associated services when GCIT services are not covered. Examples include infusion, laboratory, radiology, anesthesia, and nursing services.

Key Terms

To help you understand this section, here are some key terms we use.

Cellular

Relating to or consisting of living cells.

GCIT

Any services that are:

- Gene-based
- Cellular and innovative therapeutics

We call these "GCIT services".

They have a basis in genetic/molecular medicine and are not covered under the Institutes of Excellence (IOE) programs.

Gene

A unit of heredity which is transferred from a parent to child and is thought to determine some feature of the child.

Molecular

Relating to or consisting of molecules. A molecule is a group of atoms bonded together, making the smallest vital unit of a chemical compound that can take part in a chemical reaction.

Therapeutic

A treatment, therapy, or drug meant to have a good effect on the body or mind; adding to a sense of well-being.

Infusion therapy

Infusion therapy is the intravenous (IV) administration of prescribed medications or solutions. **Covered services** include infusion therapy you receive in an outpatient setting including but not limited to:

- A freestanding outpatient facility
- The outpatient department of a hospital
- A **physician's** office
- Your home from a home care **provider**

You can access the list of preferred infusion locations by contacting us.

When Infusion therapy services and supplies are provided in your home, they will not count toward any applicable home health care maximums.

Radiation therapy

Covered services include the following radiology services provided by a **health professional**:

- Accelerated particles
- Gamma ray
- Mesons
- Neutrons
- Radioactive isotopes
- Radiological services
- Radium

Transplant services

Covered services include transplant services provided by a physician and hospital.

This includes the following transplant types:

- Solid organ
- Hematopoietic stem cell
- Bone marrow
- CAR-T and T Cell receptor therapy for FDA-approved treatments
- Thymus tissue for FDA-approved treatments]

Covered services also include:

- Travel and lodging expenses
 - If you are working with an Institutes of Excellence[™] (IOE) facility that is 100 or more miles away from where you live, travel and lodging expenses are **covered services** for you and a companion, to travel between home and the IOE facility
 - Coach class air fare, train or bus travel are examples of covered services

Network of transplant facilities

We designate facilities to provide specific services or procedures. They are listed as Institutes of Excellence[™] (IOE) facilities in your **provider** directory.

You must get transplant services from the IOE facility we designate to perform the transplant you need. Transplant services received from an IOE facility are subject to the network **copayment**, **payment percentage**, **deductible**, **maximum out-of-pocket** and limits, unless stated differently in this booklet and schedule of benefits.

Important note:

If there are no IOE facilities assigned to perform your transplant type in your network, it's important that you contact us so we can help you determine if there are other facilities that may meet your needs. If you don't get your transplant services at the facility we designate, they will not be **covered services**.

Many pre and post transplant medical services, even routine ones, are related to and may affect the success of your transplant. If your transplant care is being coordinated by the National Medical Excellence[®] (NME) program, all medical services must be managed through NME so that you receive the highest level of benefits at the appropriate facility. This is true even if the **covered service** is not directly related to your transplant.

The following are not **covered services**:

- Services and supplies furnished to a donor when the recipient is not a covered person
- Harvesting and storage of organs, without intending to use them for immediate transplantation for your existing illness
- Harvesting and/or storage of bone marrow, hematopoietic stem cells, or other blood cells without intending to use them for transplantation within 12 months from harvesting, for an existing illness

Urgent care services

Covered services include services and supplies to treat an **urgent condition** at an urgent care center. An "urgent care center" is a facility licensed as a freestanding medical facility to treat **urgent conditions**. **Urgent conditions** need prompt medical attention but are not life-threatening.

If you need care for an **urgent condition**, you should first seek care through your **physician**, **PCP**. If your **physician**, **PCP** is not reasonably available to provide services, you may access urgent care from an urgent care facility.

If you go to an urgent care center for what is not an **urgent condition**, the plan may not cover your expenses. See the schedule of benefits for more information.

Covered services include services and supplies to treat an **urgent condition** at an urgent care center as described below:

- **Urgent condition** within the network (in-network)
 - If you need care for an urgent condition, you should first seek care through your physician, PCP. If your physician is not reasonably available, you may access urgent care from an urgent care center that is in-network.
- **Urgent condition** outside the network (out-of-network)
 - You are covered for urgent care obtained from a facility that is out-of-network if you are temporarily unable to get services in-network and getting the health care service cannot be delayed.

Walk-in clinic

Covered services include, but are not limited to, health care services provided at a **walk-in clinic** for:

- Scheduled and unscheduled visits for illnesses and injuries that are not emergency medical conditions
- Preventive care immunizations administered within the scope of the clinic's license

The following are not **covered services** under your plan:

Abortion

Services and supplies provided for an abortion except when the pregnancy is the result of rape or incest or if it places the woman's life in serious danger

Behavioral health treatment

Services for the following based on categories, conditions, diagnoses or equivalent terms as listed in the most recent version of the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders* (DSM) of the American Psychiatric Association:

- **Stay** in a facility for treatment for dementia and amnesia without a behavioral disturbance that necessitates mental health treatment
- School and/or education service, including special education, remedial education, wilderness treatment programs, or any such related or similar programs
- Services provided in conjunction with school, vocation, work or recreational activities
- Transportation
- Sexual deviations and disorders except for gender identity disorders
- Tobacco use disorders and nicotine dependence except as described in the *Coverage and exclusions*-*Preventive care* section
- Pathological gambling, kleptomania, and pyromania
- Specific developmental disorders of scholastic skills (learning disorders/learning disabilities)
- Specific developmental disorder of motor functions
- Specific developmental disorders of speech and language
- Other disorders of psychological development

Blood, blood plasma, synthetic blood, blood derivatives or substitutes

Examples of these are:

- The provision of blood to the **hospital**, other than blood derived clotting factors
- Any related services including processing, storage or replacement expenses
- The service of blood donors, including yourself, apheresis or plasmapheresis
- The blood you donate for your own use, excluding administration and processing expenses and except where described in the *Coverage and exclusions*, *Transplant services* section

Cosmetic services and plastic surgery

Any treatment, **surgery** (cosmetic or plastic), service or supply to alter, improve or enhance the shape or appearance of the body, whether or not for psychological or emotional reasons, except where described in *Coverage and exclusions* under the *Reconstructive breast surgery and supplies* and *Reconstructive surgery and supplies* and *Reconstructive surgery and supplies* sections

Court-ordered services and supplies

This includes court-ordered services and supplies, or those required as a condition of parole, probation, release or because of any legal proceeding, unless they are a **covered service** under your plan

Custodial care

Services and supplies meant to help you with activities of daily living or other personal needs. Examples of these are:

- Routine patient care such as changing dressings, periodic turning and positioning in bed
- Administering oral medications
- Care of stable tracheostomy (including intermittent suctioning)
- Care of a stable colostomy/ileostomy
- Care of stable gastrostomy/jejunostomy/nasogastric tube (intermittent or continuous) feedings
- Care of a bladder catheter, including emptying or changing containers and clamping tubing
- Watching or protecting you
- Respite care, adult or child day care, or convalescent care
- Institutional care, including room and board for rest cures, adult day care and convalescent care
- Help with walking, grooming, bathing, dressing, getting in or out of bed, going to the bathroom, eating, or preparing foods
- Any other services that a person without medical or paramedical training could be trained to perform

Dental services

The following are not **covered services**:

- Services normally covered under a dental plan
- Dental implants

Educational services

Examples of these are:

- Any service or supply for education, training or retraining services or testing. This includes:
 - Special education
 - Remedial education
 - Wilderness treatment programs (whether or not the program is part of a **residential treatment facility** or otherwise licensed institution)
 - Job training
 - Job hardening programs
- Educational services, schooling or any such related or similar program, including therapeutic programs within a school setting.

Examinations

Any health or dental examinations needed:

- Because a third party requires the exam. Examples include examinations to get or keep a job, and examinations required under a labor agreement or other contract.
- To buy coverage or to get or keep a license.
- To travel
- To go to a school, camp, sporting event, or to join in a sport or other recreational activity.

Experimental or investigational

Experimental or investigational drugs, devices, treatments or procedures unless otherwise covered under clinical trials.

Foot care

Routine services and supplies for the following:

- Routine pedicure services, such as routine cutting of nails, when there is no illness or injury in the nails
- Supplies (including orthopedic shoes), ankle braces, guards, protectors, creams, ointments and other equipment, devices and supplies
- Treatment of calluses, bunions, toenails, hammertoes or fallen arches
- Treatment of weak feet, chronic foot pain or conditions caused by routine activities, such as walking, running, working, or wearing shoes

Foot orthotic devices

Foot orthotics or other devices to support the feet, such as arch supports and shoe inserts, unless required for the treatment of or to prevent complications of diabetes

Growth/height care

- A treatment, device, drug, service or supply to increase or decrease height or alter the rate of growth
- Surgical procedures, devices and growth hormones to stimulate growth

Jaw joint disorder treatment

Surgical and non-surgical medical, dental, diagnostic or therapeutic services related to jaw joint disorder

Maintenance care

Care made up of services and supplies that maintain, rather than improve, a level of physical or mental function, except for habilitation therapy services

Medical supplies – outpatient disposable

Any outpatient disposable supply or device. Examples of these include:

- Sheaths
- Bags
- Elastic garments
- Support hose
- Bandages
- Bedpans
- Home test kits not related to diabetic testing
- Splints
- Neck braces
- Compresses
- Other devices not intended for reuse by another patient

Missed appointments

Any cost resulting from a canceled or missed appointment

Nutritional support

Any food item, including:

- Infant formulas
- Nutritional supplements
- Vitamins
- Prescription vitamins
- Medical foods
- Other nutritional items

Obesity surgery and services

Weight management treatment or drugs intended to decrease or increase body weight, control weight or treat obesity, including morbid obesity except as described in the *Coverage and exclusions* section, including preventive services for obesity screening and weight management interventions. This is regardless of the existence of other medical conditions. Examples of these are:

- Liposuction, banding, gastric stapling, gastric by-pass and other forms of bariatric surgery
- **Surgical procedures**, medical treatments and weight control/loss programs primarily intended to treat, or are related to the treatment of obesity, including morbid obesity
- Drugs, stimulants, preparations, foods or diet supplements, dietary regimens and supplements, food supplements, appetite suppressants and other medications
- Hypnosis, or other forms of therapy
- Exercise programs, exercise equipment, membership to health or fitness clubs, recreational therapy or other forms of activity or activity enhancement

Oral and maxillofacial (treatment of mouth, jaws and teeth)

Surgical and non-surgical medical, dental, diagnostic or therapeutic services related to treatment of the mouth, jaws and teeth

Other non-covered services

- Services you have no legal obligation to pay
- Services that would not otherwise be charged if you did not have the coverage under the plan

Other primary payer

Payment for a portion of the charges that Medicare or another party is responsible for as the primary payer

Personal care, comfort or convenience items

Any service or supply primarily for your convenience and personal comfort or that of a third party

Prescription or non-prescription drugs and medicines - outpatient

• Drugs that are included on the list of **specialty prescription drugs** as covered under your outpatient **prescription drug** plan

Routine exams

Routine physical exams, routine eye exams, routine dental exams, routine hearing exams and other preventive services and supplies, except as specifically provided in the *Coverage and exclusions* section

Services provided by a family member

Services provided by a spouse, civil union partner, domestic partner, parent, child, stepchild, brother, sister, inlaw, or any household member

Services, supplies and drugs received outside of the United States

Non-emergency medical services, outpatient **prescription** drugs or supplies received outside of the United States. They are not covered even if they are covered in the United States under this booklet.

Sexual dysfunction and enhancement

Any treatment, **prescription** drug, or supply to treat sexual dysfunction, enhance sexual performance or increase sexual desire, including:

- **Surgery**, **prescription** drugs, implants, devices or preparations to correct or enhance erectile function, enhance sensitivity or alter the shape of a sex organ
- Sex therapy, sex counseling, marriage counseling, or other counseling or advisory services

Strength and performance

Services, devices and supplies such as drugs or preparations designed primarily to enhance your strength, physical condition, endurance or physical performance

Telemedicine

- Services given when you are not present at the same time as the **provider**
 - Services including:
 - Telephone calls
 - Telemedicine kiosks
 - Electronic vital signs monitoring or exchanges, (e.g. Tele-ICU, Tele-stroke)

Therapies and tests

- Full body CT scans
- Hair analysis
- Hypnosis and hypnotherapy
- Massage therapy, except when used for physical therapy treatment
- Sensory or hearing and sound integration therapy

Tobacco cessation

Any treatment, drug, service or supply to stop or reduce smoking or the use of other tobacco products or to treat or reduce nicotine addiction, dependence or cravings, including, medications, nicotine patches and gum unless recommended by the United States Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF). This also includes:

- Counseling, except as specifically provided in the Covered services and exclusions section
- Hypnosis and other therapies
- Medications, except as specifically provided in the Covered services and exclusions section
- Nicotine patches
- Gum

Treatment in a federal, state, or governmental entity

Any care in a **hospital** or other facility owned or operated by any federal, state or other governmental entity unless coverage is required by applicable laws

Voluntary sterilization

• Reversal of voluntary sterilization procedures, including related follow-up care

Wilderness treatment programs

See Educational services in this section

Work related illness or injuries

Coverage available to you under workers' compensation or a similar program under local, state or federal law for any illness or injury related to employment or self-employment

Important note:

A source of coverage or reimbursement is considered available to you even if you waived your right to payment from that source. You may also be covered under a workers' compensation law or similar law. If you submit proof that you are not covered for a particular illness or injury under such law, then that illness or injury will be considered "non-occupational" regardless of cause.

How your medical plan works while you are covered in-network

Your in-network coverage:

- Helps you get and pay for a lot of but not all health care services
- Generally pays only when you get care from **network providers**

Providers

Our **provider** network is there to give you the care you need. You can find **network providers** and see important information about them by logging in to your member website. There you'll find our online provider directory. See the Contact us section for more information.

You choose a **PCP** to oversee your care. Your **PCP** will provide routine care and send you to other **providers** when you need specialized care. Your plan may pay a bigger share for **covered services** you get through your **PCP**, so choose a **PCP** as soon as you can.

For more information about the network and the role of your **PCP**, see the *Who provides the care* section.

Service area

Your plan generally pays for **covered services** only within a specific geographic area, called a service area. There are some exceptions, such as for **emergency services**, urgent care, and transplant services. See the *Who provides the care* section below.

Keeping a provider you go to now (continuity of care)

You may have to find a new **provider** when:

- You join the plan and the **provider** you have now is not in the network
- You are already an Aetna member and your **provider** stops being in our network

However, in some cases, you may be able to keep going to your current **provider** to complete a treatment or to have treatment that was already scheduled. This is called continuity of care.

If this situation applies to you, contact us for details. If we approve your request to keep going to your current **provider**, we will tell you how long you can continue to see the **provider**. If you are pregnant and have entered your second trimester, this will include the time required for postpartum care directly related to the delivery.

We will authorize coverage only if the **provider** agrees to our usual terms and conditions for contracting **providers**.

Who provides the care

Network providers

We have contracted with **providers** in the service area to provide **covered services** to you. These **providers** make up the network for your plan.

To get network benefits, you must use **network providers**. There are some exceptions:

- **Emergency services** see the description of **emergency services** in the *Coverage and exclusions* section.
- Urgent care see the description of urgent care in the *Coverage and exclusions* section.
- Network provider not reasonably available You can get services from an out-of-network provider if an appropriate network provider is not reasonably available. You must request approval from us before you get the care. Contact us for assistance.
- Transplants see the description of transplant services in the *Coverage and exclusions* section.

You may select a **network provider** from the online directory through your member website.

You will not have to submit claims for services received from **network providers**. Your **network provider** will take care of that for you. And we will pay the **network provider** directly for what the plan owes.

Your PCP

We encourage you to get **covered services** through a **PCP**. They will provide you with primary care.

How you choose your PCP

You can choose a **PCP** from the list of **PCP**s in our directory.

Each covered family member is encouraged to select a **PCP**. You may each choose a different **PCP**. You should select a **PCP** for your covered dependent if they are a minor or cannot choose a **PCP** on their own.

What your PCP will do for you

Your **PCP** will coordinate your medical care or may provide treatment. They may send you to other **network providers**.

Changing your PCP

You may change your **PCP** at any time by contacting us.

If you do not select a PCP

Because having a **PCP** is so important, we may choose one for you. You will get an ID card in the mail. We will tell you the name, address and telephone number of your **PCP**. If you wish, you can change the **PCP** by following the directions above for *Changing your PCP*.

Until a **PCP** is selected, benefits will be limited to care provided by direct access **network providers**, **emergency services** and urgent care services.

Medical necessity and precertification requirements

Your plan pays for its share of the expense for **covered services** only if the general requirements are met. They are:

- The service is medically necessary
- For in-network benefits, you get the service from a network provider
- You or your **provider precertifies** the service when required

Medically necessary, medical necessity

The **medical necessity** requirements are in the *Glossary* section, where we define **"medically necessary, medical necessity**." That is where we also explain what our medical directors or a **physician** they assign consider when determining if a service is **medically necessary**.

Important note:

We cover medically necessary, sex-specific covered services regardless of identified gender.

Precertification

You need pre-approval from us for some **covered services**. Pre-approval is also called **precertification**.

In-network

Your network **physician** is responsible for obtaining any necessary **precertification** before you get the care. **Network providers** cannot bill you if they fail to ask us for **precertification**. But if your **physician** requests **precertification** and we deny it, and you still choose to get the care, you will have to pay for it yourself.

Timeframes for **precertification** are listed below. For **emergency services**, **precertification** is not required, but you should notify us as shown.

To obtain **precertification**, contact us. You, your **physician** or the facility must call us within these timelines:

Type of care	Timeframe	
Non-emergency admission	Call at least 14 days before the date you are	
	scheduled to be admitted	
Emergency admission	Call within 48 hours or as soon as reasonably	
	possible after you have been admitted	
Urgent admission	Call before you are scheduled to be admitted	
Outpatient non-emergency medical services	Call at least 14 days before the care is provided,	
	or the treatment or procedure is scheduled	

An urgent admission is a **hospital** admission by a **physician** due to the onset of or change in an illness, the diagnosis of an illness, or injury.

We will tell you and your **physician** in writing of the **precertification** decision, where required by state law. An approval is valid for 180 days as long as you remain enrolled in the plan.

For an inpatient **stay** in a facility, we will tell you, your **physician** and the facility about your **precertified** length of **stay**. If your **physician** recommends that you stay longer, the extra days will need to be **precertified**. You, your **physician**, or the facility will need to call us as soon as reasonably possible, but no later than the final authorized day. We will tell you and your **physician** in writing of an approval or denial of the extra days.

If you or your **provider** request **precertification** and we don't approve coverage, we will tell you why and explain how you or your **provider** may request review of our decision. See the *Complaints, claim decisions and appeal procedures* section.

Types of services that require precertification

Inpatient services and supplies	Outpatient services and supplies	
Stays in a hospital	Applied behavior analysis	
Stays in a skilled nursing facility	Complex imaging	
Stays in a rehabilitation facility	Comprehensive infertility services and ART	
	services	
Stays in a hospice facility	Cosmetic and reconstructive surgery	
Stays in a residential treatment facility for	Transportation by airplane	
treatment of mental disorders and substance		
related disorders		
Inpatient services and supplies for gene-based,	Injectables, (immunoglobulins, growth hormones,	
cellular and other innovative therapies (GCIT)	multiple sclerosis medications, osteoporosis	
	medications, Botox, hepatitis C medications)	
Obesity surgery (bariatric)	Outpatient services and supplies for gene-based,	
	cellular and other innovative therapies (GCIT)	
	Kidney dialysis	
	Outpatient back surgery not performed in a	
	physician's office	
	Private duty nursing services	
	Sleep studies	
	Knee surgery	
	Wrist surgery	
	Transcranial magnetic stimulation (TMS)	
	Partial hospitalization treatment – mental disorder	
	and substance related disorders treatment	
	diagnoses	

Precertification is required for the following types of services and supplies:

Contact us to get a list of the services that require **precertification**. The list may change from time to time.

Sometimes you or your **provider** may want us to review a service that doesn't require **precertification** before you get care. This is called a predetermination, and it is different from **precertification**. Predetermination means that you or your **provider** requests the pre-service clinical review of a service that does not require **precertification**.

Our clinical policy bulletins explain our policy for specific services and supplies. We use these bulletins and other resources to help guide individualized coverage decisions under our plans. You can find the bulletins and other information at https://www.aetna.com/health-care-professionals/clinical-policy-bulletins.html.

What the plan pays and what you pay

Who pays for your **covered services** – this plan, both of us, or just you? That depends.

The general rule

The schedule of benefits lists what you pay for each type of **covered service**. In general, this is how your benefit works:

- You pay the **deductible**, when it applies.
- Then the plan and you share the expense. Your share is called a **copayment** or **payment percentage**.
- Then the plan pays the entire expense after you reach your **maximum out-of-pocket limit**.

When we say "expense" in this general rule, we mean the **negotiated charge** for a **network provider**.

Negotiated charge

For health coverage:

This is the amount a **network provider** has agreed to accept or that we have agreed to pay them or a third party vendor (including any administrative fee in the amount paid).

Some **providers** are part of Aetna's **network** for some Aetna plans but are not considered **network providers** for your plan. For those **providers**, the **negotiated charge** is the amount that **provider** has agreed to accept for rendering services or providing **prescription** drugs to members of your plan.

We may enter into arrangements with **network providers** or others related to:

- The coordination of care for members
- Improving clinical outcomes and efficiencies

Some of these arrangements are called:

- Value-based contracting
- Risk sharing
- Accountable care arrangements

These arrangements will not change the **negotiated charge** under this plan.

For **prescription** drug services:

When you get a **prescription** drug, we have agreed to this amount for the **prescription** or paid this amount to the network pharmacy or third party vendor that provided it. The **negotiated charge** may include a rebate, additional service or risk charges and administrative fees. It may include additional amounts paid to or received from third parties under price guarantees.

Paying for covered services – the general requirements

There are several general requirements for the plan to pay any part of the expense for a **covered service**. For in**network** coverage, they are:

- The service is **medically necessary**
- You get your care from a **network provider**
- You or your provider precertifies the service when required

Generally, your plan and you share the cost for **covered services** when you meet the general requirements. But sometimes your plan will pay the entire expense, and sometimes you will. For details, see your schedule of benefits and the information below.

You pay the entire expense when:

- You get services or supplies that are not medically necessary.
- Your plan requires **precertification**, your **physician** requests it, we deny it and you get the services without **precertification**.
- You get care from someone who is not a **network provider**, except for emergency, urgent care and transplant services. See *Who provides the care* in this section for details.

In all these cases, the **provider** may require you to pay the entire charge. Any amount you pay will not count towards your **deductible** or your **maximum out-of-pocket limit**.

Where your schedule of benefits fits in

The schedule of benefits shows any out-of-pocket costs you are responsible for when you receive **covered services** and any benefit limitations that apply to your plan. It also shows any **maximum out-of-pocket limits** that apply.

Limitations include things like maximum age, visits, days, hours, and admissions. Out-of-pocket costs include things like **deductibles**, **copayments** and **coinsurance**.

Keep in mind that you are responsible for paying your part of the cost sharing. You are also responsible for costs not covered under this plan.

Coordination of benefits

Some people have health coverage under more than one health plan. If you do, we will work with your other plan to decide how much each plan pays. This is called coordination of benefits (COB).

Key Terms

Here are some key terms we use in this section. These will help you understand this COB section.

Allowable expense means a health care expense that any of your health plans cover.

In this section when we talk about "plan" through which you may have other coverage for health care expenses we mean:

- Group or non-group, blanket, or franchise health insurance policies issued by insurers, HMOs, or health care service contractors
- Labor-management trustee plans, labor organization plans, employer organization plans, or employee benefit organization plans
- An automobile insurance policy
- Medicare or other government benefits
- Any contract that you can obtain or maintain only because of membership in or connection with a particular organization or group

How COB works

- When this is your primary plan, we pay your medical claims first as if there is no other coverage.
- When this is your secondary plan:
 - We pay benefits after the primary plan and reduce our payment based on any amount the primary plan paid.
 - Total payments from this plan and your other coverage will never add up to more than 100% of the allowable expenses.

- Each family member has a separate benefit reserve for each year. The benefit reserve balance is:
 - \circ ~ The amount that the secondary plan saved due to COB ~
 - Used to cover any unpaid allowable expenses
 - Erased at the end of the year

Determining who pays

The basic rules are listed below. Reading from top to bottom the first rule that applies will determine which plan is primary and which is secondary. Contact us if you have questions or want more information.

A plan that does not contain a COB provision is always the primary plan.

COB rule	Primary Plan	Secondary plan
Non-dependent or dependent	Plan covering you as an employee, retired employee or subscriber (not as a dependent)	Plan covering you as a dependent
Child – parents married or living together	Plan of parent whose birthday (month and day) is earlier in the year (Birthday rule)	Plan of parent whose birthday is later in the year
Child – parents separated, divorced, or not living together	 Plan of parent responsible for health coverage in court order Birthday rule applies if both parents are responsible or have joint custody in court order Custodial parent's plan if there is no court order 	 Plan of other parent Birthday rule applies (later in the year) Non-custodial parent's plan
Child – covered by individuals who are not parents (i.e. stepparent or grandparent)	Same rule as parent	Same rule as parent
Active or inactive employee	Plan covering you as an active employee (or dependent of an active employee)	Plan covering you as a laid off or retired employee (or dependent of a former employee)
Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA) or state continuation	Plan covering you as an employee or retiree (or dependent of an employee or retiree)	COBRA or state continuation coverage
Longer or shorter length of coverage	Plan that has covered you longer	Plan that has covered you for a shorter period of time
Other rules do not apply	Plans share expenses equally	Plans share expenses equally

How COB works with Medicare

If your other coverage is under Medicare, federal laws explain whether Medicare will pay first or second. COB with Medicare will always follow federal requirements. Contact us if you have any questions about this.

When you are eligible for Medicare, we coordinate the benefits we pay with the benefits that Medicare pays. If you are eligible but not covered, and Medicare would be your primary payer, we may still pay as if you are covered by Medicare and coordinate with the benefits Medicare would have paid. Sometimes, this plan pays benefits before Medicare pays. Sometimes, this plan pays benefits after Medicare or after an amount that Medicare would have paid if you had been covered.

You are eligible for Medicare if you are covered under it. You are also eligible for Medicare even if you are not covered or if you refused it, dropped it, or didn't make a request for it.

Effect of prior plan coverage

If you are in a continuation period from a prior plan at the time you join this plan you may not receive the full benefit paid under this plan. See the schedule of benefits for more information.

Your current and prior plan must be offered through the same employer.

Other health coverage updates – contact information

You should contact us if you have any changes to your other coverage. We want to be sure our records are accurate so your claims are processed correctly.

Our rights

We have the right to:

- Release or obtain any information we need for COB purposes, including information we need to recover any payments from your other health plans
- Reimburse another health plan that paid a benefit we should have paid
- Recover any excess payment from a person or another health plan, if we paid more than we should have paid

Benefit payments and claims

A claim is a request for payment that you or your health care **provider** submits to us when you want or get **covered services**. There are different types of claims. You or your **provider** may contact us at various times, to make a claim, to request approval, or payment, for your benefits. This can be before you receive your benefit, while you are receiving benefits and after you have received the benefit.

It is important that you carefully read the previous sections within *How your plan works*. When a claim comes in, we review it, make a decision and tell you how you and we will split the expense. The amount of time we have to tell you about our decision on a claim depends on the type of claim.

Claim type and timeframes

Urgent care claim

An urgent claim is one for which the doctor treating you decides a delay in getting medical care could put your life or health at risk. Or a delay might put your ability to regain maximum function at risk. It could also be a situation in which you need care to avoid severe pain. We will make a decision within 24 hours.

If you are pregnant, an urgent claim also includes a situation that can cause serious risk to the health of your unborn baby.

Pre-service claim

A pre-service claim is a claim that involves services you have not yet received and which we will pay for only if we **precertify** them. We will make a decision within 15 days.

Post-service claim

A post-service claim is a claim that involves health care services you have already received. We will make a decision within 30 days.

Concurrent care claim extension

A concurrent care claim extension occurs when you need us to approve more services than we already have approved. Examples are extending a **hospital stay** or adding a number of visits to a **provider**. You must let us know you need this extension 24 hours before the original approval ends. We will have a decision within 24 hours for an urgent request. You may receive the decision for a non-urgent request within 15 days.

Concurrent care claim reduction or termination

A concurrent care claim reduction or termination occur when we decide to reduce or stop payment for an already approved course of treatment. We will notify you of such a determination. You will have enough time to file an appeal. Your coverage for the service or supply will continue until you receive a final appeal decision from us or an external review organization if the situation is eligible for external review.

During this continuation period, you are still responsible for your share of the costs, such as **copayments**, **payment percentage** and **deductibles** that apply to the service or supply. If we uphold our decision at the final internal appeal, you will be responsible for all of the expenses for the service or supply received during the continuation period.

Filing a claim

When you see a **network provider**, that office will usually send us a detailed bill for your services. If you see an **out-of-network provider**, you may receive the bill (proof of loss) directly. This bill forms the basis of your postservice claim. If you receive the bill directly, you should send it to us as soon as possible with a claim form that you can either get online or contact us to provide. You should always keep your own record of the date, **providers** and cost of your services.

The benefit payment determination is made based on many things, such as your **deductible** or **payment percentage**, the necessity of the service you received, when or where you receive the services, or even what other insurance you may have. We may need to ask you or your **provider** for some more information to make a final decision. You can always contact us directly to see how much you can expect to pay for any service.

We will pay the claim within 30 days from when we receive all the information necessary. Sometimes we may pay only some of the claim. Sometimes we may deny payment entirely. We may even rescind your coverage entirely. Rescission means you lose coverage going forward and going backward. If we paid claims for your past coverage, we will want the money back.

We will give you our decision in writing. You may not agree with our decision. There are several ways to have us review the decisions. Please see the *Complaints, claim decisions and appeal procedures* section for that information.

In the previous section, we explained how you and the plan share responsibility for paying for your **eligible health services**.

When a claim comes in, you will receive a decision on how you and the plan will split the expense. We also explain what you can do if you think we got it wrong.

Claims are processed in the order in which they are received.

Claim procedures

For claims involving **out-of-network providers:**

Notice	Requirement	Deadline
Submit a claim	 You should notify and request a claim form from your employer. The claim form will provide instructions on how to complete and where to send the form(s). 	 Within 15 working days of your request. If the claim form is not sent on time, we will accept a written description that is the basis of the claim as proof of loss. It must detail the nature and extent of loss within 90 days of your loss.
Proof of loss (claim)	A completed claim form and any additional information required by your employer.	 No later than 90 days after you have incurred expenses for covered benefits. We won't void or reduce your claim if you can't send us notice and proof of loss within the required time. But you must send us notice and proof as soon as reasonably possible. Proof of loss may not be given later than 2 years after the time proof is otherwise required, except if you are legally unable to notify us.
Benefit payment	 Written proof must be provided for all benefits. If any portion of a claim is contested by us, the uncontested portion of the claim will be paid promptly after the receipt of proof of loss. 	 Benefits will be paid as soon as the necessary proof to support the claim is received.

Types of claims and communicating our claim decisions

You or your **provider** are required to send us a claim in writing. You can request a claim form from us. And we will review that claim for payment to the **provider**.

There are different types of claims. The amount of time that we have to tell you about our decision on a claim depends on the type of claim. The section below will tell you about the different types of claims.

Urgent care claim

An urgent claim is one for which delay in getting medical care could put your life or health at risk. Or a delay might put your ability to regain maximum function at risk. Or it could be a situation in which you need care to avoid severe pain.

If you are pregnant, an urgent claim also includes a situation that can cause serious risk to the health of your unborn baby.

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Post-service claim

A post service claim is a claim that involves health care services you have already received.

Concurrent care claim extension

A concurrent care claim extension occurs when you ask us to approve more services than we already have approved. Examples are extending a **hospital stay** or adding a number of visits to a **provider**.

Concurrent care claim reduction or termination

A concurrent care claim reduction or termination occurs when we decide to reduce or stop payment for an already approved course of treatment. We will notify you of such a determination. You will have enough time to file an appeal. Your coverage for the service or supply will continue until you receive a final appeal decision from us or an external review organization if the situation is eligible for external review.

During this continuation period, you are still responsible for your share of the costs, such as **copayments/**payment percentage and **deductibles** that apply to the service or supply. If we uphold our decision at the final internal appeal, you will be responsible for all of the expenses for the service or supply received during the continuation period.

The chart below shows a timetable view of the different types of claims and how much time we have to tell you about our decision.

We may need to tell your **physician** about our decision on some types of claims, such as a concurrent care claim, or a claim when you are already receiving the health care services or are in the **hospital**.

Type of notice	Urgent care	Pre-service	Post-service	Concurrent care
	claim	claim	claim	claim
Initial determination (us)	72 hours	15 days	30 days	24 hours for
				urgent request*
				15 calendar days
				for non-urgent
				request
Extensions	None	15 days	15 days	Not applicable
Additional information	72 hours	15 days	30 days	Not applicable
request (us)				
Response to additional	48 hours	45 days	45 days	Not applicable
information request (you)				

*We have to receive the request at least 24 hours before the previously approved health care services end.

Adverse benefit determinations

We pay many claims at the full rate **negotiated charge** with a **network provider**, except for your share of the costs. But sometimes we pay only some of the claim. And sometimes we deny payment entirely. Any time we deny even part of the claim that is an "adverse benefit determination" or "adverse decision". It is also an "adverse benefit determination" if we rescind your coverage entirely.

If we make an adverse benefit determination, we will tell you in writing.

The difference between a complaint and an appeal

A Complaint

You may not be happy about a **provider** or an operational issue, and you may want to complain. You can call or write Member Services. Your complaint should include a description of the issue. You should include copies of any records or documents that you think are important. We will review the information and provide you with a written response within 30 calendar days of receiving the complaint. We will let you know if we need more information to make a decision.

An Appeal

You can ask us to re-review an adverse benefit determination. This is called an appeal. You can appeal to us verbally or in writing.

Appeals of adverse benefit determinations

You can appeal our adverse benefit determination. We will assign your appeal to someone who was not involved in making the original decision. You must file an appeal within 180 calendar days from the time you receive the notice of an adverse benefit determination.

You can appeal by sending a written appeal to Member Services at the address on the notice of adverse benefit determination. Or you can call Member Services at the number on your ID card. You need to include:

- Your name
- The employer's name
- A copy of the adverse benefit determination
- Your reasons for making the appeal
- Any other information you would like us to consider

Another person may submit an appeal for you, including a **provider**. That person is called an authorized representative. You need to tell us if you choose to have someone else appeal for you (even if it is your **provider**). You should fill out an authorized representative form telling us that you are allowing someone to appeal for you. You can get this form by contacting us. You can use an authorized representative at any level of appeal.

You can appeal two times under this plan. If you appeal a second time you must present your appeal within 60 calendar days from the date you receive the notice of the first appeal decision.

Urgent care or pre-service claim appeals

If your claim is an urgent claim or a pre-service claim, your **provider** may appeal for you without having you fill out an authorized representative form telling us that you are allowing the provider to appeal for you.

We will provide you with any new or additional information that we used or that was developed by us to review your claim. We will provide this information at no cost to you before we give you a decision at your last available level of appeal. This decision is called the final adverse benefit determination. You can respond to this information before we tell you what our final decision is.

Timeframes for deciding appeals

The amount of time that we have to tell you about our decision on an appeal claim depends on the type of claim. The chart below shows a timetable view of the different types of claims and how much time we have to tell you about our decision.

Type of notice	Urgent care claim	Pre-service claim	Post-service claim	Concurrent care claim
Appeal determinations at each level (us)	36 hours	15 days	30 days	As appropriate to type of claim
Extensions	None	None	None	

Exhaustion of appeals process

In most situations you must complete the two levels of appeal with us before you can take these other actions:

- Appeal through an external review process.
- Pursue arbitration, litigation or other type of administrative proceeding.

But sometimes you do not have to complete the two levels of appeals process before you may take other actions. These situations are:

- You have an urgent claim or a claim that involves ongoing treatment. You can have your claim reviewed internally and at the same time through the external review process.
- We did not follow all of the claim determination and appeal requirements of the Federal Department of Health and Human Services. But, you will not be able to proceed directly to external review if:
 - The rule violation was minor and not likely to influence a decision or harm you.
 - The violation was for a good cause or beyond our control.
 - The violation was part of an ongoing, good faith exchange between you and us.

External review

External review is a review done by people in an organization outside of **Aetna**. This is called an external review organization (ERO).

You have a right to external review only if:

- Our claim decision involved medical judgment.
- We decided the service or supply is not **medically necessary** or not appropriate.
- We decided the service or supply is **experimental or investigational**.
- You have received an adverse determination.

If our claim decision is one for which you can seek external review, we will say that in the notice of adverse benefit determination or final adverse benefit determination we send you. That notice also will describe the external review process. It will include a copy of the Request for External Review form at the final adverse determination level.

You must submit the Request for External Review Form:

- To Aetna
- Within 123 calendar days (four months) of the date you received the decision from us
- And you must include a copy of the notice from us and all other important information that supports your request

You will pay for any information that you send and want reviewed by the ERO. We will pay for information we send to the ERO plus the cost of the review.

Aetna will:

- Contact the ERO that will conduct the review of your claim.
- Assign the appeal to one or more independent clinical reviewers that have the proper expertise to do the review.
- Consider appropriate credible information that you sent.
- Follow our contractual documents and your plan of benefits.
- Send notification of the decision within 45 calendar days of the date we receive your request form and all the necessary information.

We will stand by the decision that the ERO makes, unless we can show conflict of interest, bias or fraud

How long will it take to get an ERO decision?

We will tell you of the ERO decision not more than 45 calendar days after we receive your Notice of External Review Form with all the information you need to send in.

But sometimes you can get a faster external review decision. Your **provider** must call us or send us a Request for External Review Form.

There are two scenarios when you may be able to get a faster external review:

For initial adverse determinations

Your **provider** tells us that a delay in your receiving health care services would:

- Jeopardize your life, health or ability to regain maximum function, or
- Be much less effective if not started right away (in the case of **experimental or investigational** treatment)

For final adverse determinations

Your **provider** tells us that a delay in your receiving health care services would:

- Jeopardize your life, health or ability to regain maximum function
- Be much less effective if not started right away (in the case of **experimental or investigational** treatment), or
- The final adverse determination concerns an admission, availability of care, continued stay or health care service for which you received **emergency services**, but have not been discharged from a facility

If your situation qualifies for this faster review, you will receive a decision within 72 hours of us getting your request.

Recordkeeping

We will keep the records of all complaints and appeals for at least 10 years.

Fees and expenses

We do not pay any fees or expenses incurred by you in pursuing a complaint or appeal.

Eligibility

Who is eligible

Your employer decides and tells us who is eligible for health coverage.

When you can join the plan

You must live or work in the service area to enroll in this plan.

You can enroll:

- At the end of any waiting period your employer requires
- Once each year during the annual enrollment period
- At other special times during the year (see the Special times you can join the plan section below)

You can enroll eligible family members (these are your "dependents") at this time too.

If you don't enroll when you first quality for benefits, you may have to wait until the next annual enrollment period to join.

Who can be a dependent on this plan

You can enroll the following family members:

- Your legal spouse
- Your domestic partner who meets employer rules and requirements under state law
- Dependent children yours or your spouse's or partner's
 - Dependent children must be:
 - Under 26 years of age
 - Dependent children include:
 - Natural children
 - Stepchildren
 - Adopted children including those placed with you for adoption
 - o Foster children
 - Children you are responsible for under a qualified medical support order or court order
 - o Grandchildren in your legal custody

Adding new dependents

You can add new dependents during the year. These include any dependents described in the *Who can be a dependent on this plan* section above.

Coverage begins on the date of the event for new dependents that join your plan for the following reasons:

- Birth
- Adoption or placement for adoption
- Marriage
- Legal guardianship
- Court or administrative order

We must receive a completed enrollment form not more than 31 after the event date.

Special times you can join the plan

You can enroll in these situations:

- You didn't enroll before because you had other coverage and that coverage has ended
- Your COBRA coverage has ended
- A court orders that you cover a dependent on your health plan
- When your dependent moves outside the service area for your employee plan

We must receive the completed enrollment information within 31 days of the date when coverage ends.

You can also enroll in these situations:

- You or your dependent lose your eligibility for enrollment in Medicaid or an S-CHIP plan
- You are now eligible for state fee assistance under Medicaid or S-CHIP which will pay your fee contribution under this plan

We must receive the completed enrollment information within 60 days of the date when coverage ends.

Notification of change in status

Tell us of any changes that may affect your benefits. Please contact us as soon as possible when you have a:

- Change of address
- Dependent status change
- Dependent who enrolls in Medicare or any other health plan

Starting coverage

Your coverage under this plan has a start and an end. You must start coverage after you complete the eligibility and enrollment process. You can ask your employer to confirm your effective date.

Stopping coverage

Your coverage typically ends when you leave your job; but it can happen for other reasons. Ending coverage doesn't always mean you lose coverage with us. There will be circumstances that will still allow you to continue coverage. See the *Special coverage options after your coverage ends* section.

We will send you notice if your coverage is ending. This notice will tell you the date that your coverage ends.

When will your coverage end

Your coverage under this plan will end if:

- This plan is no longer available
- You ask to end coverage
- Your employer asks to end coverage
- You are no longer eligible for coverage, including when you move out of the service area
- Your work ends
- You stop making required contributions, if any apply
- We end your coverage
- You start coverage under another medical plan offered by your employer

When dependent coverage ends

Dependent coverage will end if:

- A dependent is no longer eligible for coverage.
- You stop making contributions, if any apply.
- Your coverage ends for any of the reasons listed above except:
 - Exhaustion of your overall maximum benefit.
 - You enroll under a group Medicare plan we offer. However, dependent coverage will end if your coverage ends under the Medicare plan.
- The date this plan no longer allows coverage for domestic partners or civil unions.
- The date the domestic partnership or civil union ends.
 - You will need to complete a Declaration of Termination of Domestic Partnership.

What happens to your dependents if you die?

Coverage for dependents may continue for some time after your death. See the *Special coverage options after your coverage ends* section for more information.

Why would we end your coverage?

Your coverage may end if you act in a way that prevents you from having a good relationship with a **network provider**. We may also end your coverage if you act in a way that affects our business operations. We will give you 30 days notice in writing if we end your coverage for any of these reasons.

We may immediately end your coverage if you commit fraud or you intentionally misrepresented yourself when you applied for or obtained coverage. You can refer to the *General provisions – other things you should know* section for more information on rescissions.

On the date your coverage ends, we will refund to your employer any prepayment for periods after the date your coverage ended.

Special coverage options after your coverage ends

When coverage may continue under the plan

This section explains options you may have after your coverage ends under this plan. Your individual situation will determine what options you will have. Contact your employer to see what options apply to you.

In some cases, fee payment is required for coverage to continue. Your coverage will continue under the plan as long as your employer and we have agreed to do so. It is your employer's responsibility to let us know when your work ends. If your employer and we agree in writing, we will extend the limits.

Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA) What are your COBRA rights?

The federal COBRA law usually applies to employers of group sizes of 20 or more and gives employees and their covered dependents the right to keep their health coverage for 18, 29 or 36 months after a qualifying event. The qualifying event is something that happens that results in you losing your coverage.

The qualifying events are:

- Your active employment ends for reasons other than gross misconduct
- Your working hours are reduced
- You divorce or legally separate and are no longer responsible for dependent coverage
- You become entitled to benefits under Medicare
- Your covered dependent children no longer qualify as dependents under the plan

- You die
- You are a retiree eligible for retiree health coverage and your former employer files for bankruptcy

Talk with your employer if you have questions about COBRA or to enroll.

How you can extend coverage for your disabled child beyond the plan age limits

You have the right to extend coverage for your dependent child beyond plan age limits, if the child is not able to be self-supporting because of mental or physical disability and depends mainly (more than 50% of their income) on you for support.

The right to coverage will continue only as long as a **physician** certifies that your child still is disabled.

We may ask you to send us proof of the disability within 90 days of the date coverage would have ended. Before we extend coverage, we may ask that your child get a physical exam. We will pay for that exam.

We may ask you to send proof that your child is disabled after coverage is extended. We won't ask for this proof more than once a year. You must send it to us within 31 days of our request. If you don't, we can terminate coverage for your dependent child.

How you can extend coverage for hearing services and supplies when coverage ends

If you are not totally disabled when your coverage ends, coverage for hearing services and supplies may be extended for 30 days after your coverage ends:

- If the **prescription** for the hearing aid is written during the 30 days before your coverage ends
- If the hearing aid is ordered during the 30 days before your coverage ends

Administrative provisions

How you and Aetna will interpret this booklet

Aetna prepared this booklet according to ERISA and other federal and state laws that apply. You and Aetna will interpret it according to these laws. Also, you are bound by Aetna's interpretation of this booklet when Aetna administers your coverage.

How Aetna administers this plan

Aetna will apply policies and procedures which Aetna has developed to administer this plan.

Who's responsible to you

Aetna is responsible to you for what Aetna's employees and other agents do.

Aetna is not responsible for what is done by your **providers**. Even **network providers** are not Aetna's employees or agents.

Coverage and services

Your coverage can change

Sometimes things happen outside of Aetna's control. These are things such as natural disasters, epidemics, fire, and riots. Aetna will try hard to get you access to the services you need even if these things happen.

Your coverage is defined by the group health plan. This document may have amendments and riders too. Under certain circumstances, Aetna, or our customer (e.g. the employer), or the law may change your plan. When an emergency or epidemic is declared, Aetna may modify or waive **precertification**, **prescription** quantity limits or your cost share if you are affected. Only Aetna may waive a requirement of your plan. No other person, including the customer or **provider**, can do this.

Legal action

You must complete the internal appeal process, if your plan has one, before you take any legal action against Aetna for any expense or bill. See the *Complaints, claim decisions and appeal procedures section*. You cannot take any action until 60 days after Aetna receives written submission of a claim.

No legal action can be brought to recover payment under any benefit after 3 years from the deadline for filing claims.

Physical examination and evaluations

At Aetna's expense, Aetna has the right to have a **physician** of Aetna's choice examine you. This will be done at reasonable times while certification or a claim for benefits is pending or under review.

Records of expenses

You should keep complete records of your expenses. They may be needed for a claim. Important things to keep are:

- Names of physicians and others who furnish services
- Dates expenses are incurred
- Copies of all bills and receipts

Honest mistakes and intentional deception

Honest mistakes

You or the customer may make an honest mistake when you share facts with us. When we learn of the mistake, we may make a fair change in contributions or in your coverage. If we do, we will tell you what the mistake was. We won't make a change if the mistake happened more than 2 years before we learned of it.

Intentional deception

If we learn that you defrauded us or you intentionally misrepresented material facts, we can take actions that can have serious consequences for your coverage. These serious consequences include, but are not limited to:

- Denial of benefits
- Recovery of amounts we already paid

We also may report fraud to criminal authorities.

You have special rights if we rescind your coverage:

- We will give you 30 days advance written notice of any rescission of coverage
- You have the right to an Aetna appeal
- You have the right to a third party review conducted by an independent ERO

Some other money issues

Assignment of benefits

When you see a **network provider**, they will usually bill us directly. When you see an **out-of-network provider**, we may choose to pay you or to pay the **provider** directly. To the extent allowed by law, we will not accept an assignment to an **out-of-network provider**.

Financial sanctions exclusions

If coverage provided under this booklet violates or will violate any economic or trade sanctions, the coverage will be invalid immediately. For example, Aetna cannot pay for **covered services** if it violates a financial sanction regulation. This includes sanctions related to a person or a country under sanction by the United States, unless it is allowed under a written license from the Office of Foreign Asset Control (OFAC).

You can find out more by visiting <u>http://www.treasury.gov/resource-center/sanctions/Pages/default.aspx</u>.

Recovery of overpayments

If a benefit payment is made by the Plan, to or on your behalf, which exceeds the benefit amount that you are entitled to receive, the Plan has the right to require the return of the overpayment. One of the ways Aetna recovers overpayments is by reducing future payments to the provider by the amount of the overpayment. These future payments may involve this Plan or other health plans that are administered by Aetna. Aetna would then credit the recovered amount to the plan that overpaid the provider. Payments to providers under this Plan may be subject to this same process when Aetna recovers overpayments for other plans administered by Aetna.

This right does not affect any other right of recovery the Plan may have with respect to overpayments.

SUBROGATION AND RIGHT OF RECOVERY

The provisions of this section apply to all current or former plan participants and also to the parents, guardian, or other representative of a dependent child who incurs claims and is or has been covered by the plan. The plan's right to recover (whether by subrogation or reimbursement) shall apply to the personal representative of your estate, your decedents, minors, and incompetent or disabled persons. "You" or "your" includes anyone on whose behalf the plan pays benefits. No adult Covered Person hereunder may assign any rights that it may have to recover medical expenses from any tortfeasor or other person or entity to any minor child or children of said adult covered person without the prior express written consent of the Plan.

The plan's right of subrogation or reimbursement, as set forth below, extend to all insurance coverage available to you due to an injury, illness or condition for which the plan has paid medical claims (including, but not limited to, liability coverage, uninsured motorist coverage, underinsured motorist coverage, personal umbrella coverage, medical payments coverage, workers compensation coverage, no fault automobile coverage or any first party insurance coverage).

Your health plan is always secondary to automobile no-fault coverage, personal injury protection coverage, or medical payments coverage.

No disbursement of any settlement proceeds or other recovery funds from any insurance coverage or other source will be made until the health plan's subrogation and reimbursement interest are fully satisfied.

Subrogation

The right of subrogation means the plan is entitled to pursue any claims that you may have in order to recover the benefits paid by the plan. Immediately upon paying or providing any benefit under the plan, the plan shall be subrogated to (stand in the place of) all of your rights of recovery with respect to any claim or potential claim against any party, due to an injury, illness or condition to the full extent of benefits provided or to be provided by the Plan. The Plan may assert a claim or file suit in your name and take appropriate action to assert its subrogation claim, with or without your consent. The plan is not required to pay you part of any recovery it may obtain, even if it files suit in your name.

Reimbursement

If you receive any payment as a result of an injury, illness or condition, you agree to reimburse the plan first from such payment for all amounts the plan has paid and will pay as a result of that injury, illness or condition, up to and including the full amount of your recovery.

Constructive Trust

By accepting benefits (whether the payment of such benefits is made to you or made on your behalf to any provider) you agree that if you receive any payment as a result of an injury, illness or condition, you will serve as a constructive trustee over those funds. Failure to hold such funds in trust will be deemed a breach of your fiduciary duty to the plan. No disbursement of any settlement proceeds or other recovery funds from any insurance coverage or other source will be made until the health plan's subrogation and reimbursement interest are fully satisfied.

Lien Rights

Further, the plan will automatically have a lien to the extent of benefits paid by the plan for the treatment of the illness, injury or condition upon any recovery whether by settlement, judgment or otherwise, related to treatment for any illness, injury or condition for which the plan paid benefits. The lien may be enforced against any party who possesses funds or proceeds representing the amount of benefits paid by the plan including, but not limited to, you, your representative or agent, and/or any other source that possessed or will possess funds representing the amount of benefits paid by the plan.

Assignment

In order to secure the plan's recovery rights, you agree to assign to the plan any benefits or claims or rights of recovery you have under any automobile policy or other coverage, to the full extent of the plan's subrogation and reimbursement claims. This assignment allows the plan to pursue any claim you may have, whether or not you choose to pursue the claim.

First-Priority Claim

By accepting benefits from the plan, you acknowledge that the plan's recovery rights are a first priority claim and are to be repaid to the plan before you receive any recovery for your damages. The plan shall be entitled to full reimbursement on a first-dollar basis from any payments, even if such payment to the plan will result in a recovery which is insufficient to make you whole or to compensate you in part or in whole for the damages sustained. The plan is not required to participate in or pay your court costs or attorney fees to any attorney you hire to pursue your damage claim.

Applicability to All Settlements and Judgments

The terms of this entire subrogation and right of recovery provision shall apply and the plan is entitled to full recovery regardless of whether any liability for payment is admitted and regardless of whether the settlement or judgment identifies the medical benefits the plan provided or purports to allocate any portion of such settlement or judgment to payment of expenses other than medical expenses. The plan is entitled to recover from *any and all* settlements or judgments, even those designated as pain and suffering, non-economic damages and/or general damages only. The plan's claim will not be reduced due to your own negligence.

Cooperation

You agree to cooperate fully with the plan's efforts to recover benefits paid. It is your duty to notify the plan within 30 days of the date when any notice is given to any party, including an insurance company or attorney, of your intention to pursue or investigate a claim to recover damages or obtain compensation due to your injury, illness or condition. You and your agents agree to provide the plan or its representatives notice of any recovery you or your agents obtain prior to receipt of such recovery funds or within 5 days if no notice was given prior to receipt. Further, you and your agents agree to provide notice prior to any disbursement of settlement or any other recovery funds obtained. You and your agents shall provide all information requested by the plan, the Claims Administrator or its representative including, but not limited to, completing and submitting any applications or other forms or statements as the plan may reasonably request and all documents related to or filed in personal injury litigation. Failure to provide this information, failure to assist the plan in pursuit of its subrogation rights or failure to reimburse the plan from any settlement or recovery you receive may result in the denial of any future benefit payments or claim until the plan is reimbursed in full, termination of your health benefits or the institution of court proceedings against you.

You shall do nothing to prejudice the plan's subrogation or recovery interest or prejudice the plan's ability to enforce the terms of this plan provision. This includes, but is not limited to, refraining from making any settlement or recovery that attempts to reduce or exclude the full cost of all benefits provided by the plan or disbursement of any settlement proceeds or other recovery prior to fully satisfying the health plan's subrogation and reimbursement interest.

You acknowledge that the plan has the right to conduct an investigation regarding the injury, illness or condition to identify potential sources of recovery. The plan reserves the right to notify all parties and his/her agents of its lien. Agents include, but are not limited to, insurance companies and attorneys.

You acknowledge that the plan has notified you that it has the right pursuant to the Health Insurance Portability & Accountability Act ("HIPAA"), 42 U.S.C. Section 1301 *et seq*, to share your personal health information in exercising its subrogation and reimbursement rights.

Interpretation

In the event that any claim is made that any part of this subrogation and right of recovery provision is ambiguous or questions arise concerning the meaning or intent of any of its terms, the Claims Administrator for the plan shall have the sole authority and discretion to resolve all disputes regarding the interpretation of this provision.

Jurisdiction

By accepting benefits from the Plan, you agree that any court proceeding with respect to this provision may be brought in any court of competent jurisdiction as the plan may elect. By accepting such benefits, you hereby submit to each such jurisdiction, waiving whatever rights may correspond by reason of your present or future domicile. By accepting such benefits, you also agree to pay all attorneys' fees the plan incurs in successful attempts to recover amounts the plan is entitled to under this section.

Your health information

We will protect your health information. We will only use or share it with others as needed for your care and treatment. We will also use and share it to help us process your claims and manage your plan.

You can get a free copy of our Notice of Privacy Practices. Just contact us.

When you accept coverage under this plan, you agree to let your **providers** share information with us. We need information about your physical and mental condition and care.

Sutter Health and Affiliates Services

Sutter Health and Affiliates, the dominant health system in much of northern California, uses its bargaining power to insist on unique requirements to participate in the Aetna network. Aetna's contract with Sutter requires payment of claims that would otherwise be denied, such as those not medically necessary or experimental or investigational (but does not require payment for services the Plan expressly excludes from coverage, such as for cosmetic surgery). Aetna will charge the Plan for these claims in order to be able to continue providing Plan Participants with access to Sutter's services on an in-network basis.

Behavioral health provider

A health professional who is licensed or certified to provide covered services for mental health and substance related disorders in the state where the person practices.

Brand-name prescription drug

An FDA-approved drug marketed with a specific name by the company that manufactures it; often the same company that developed and patents it.

Copay, copayment

Copays are flat fees for certain visits. A **copay** can be a dollar amount or percentage.

Covered service

The benefits, subject to varying cost shares, covered in this plan. These are:

- Described in the Providing covered services section
- Not listed as an exclusion in the *Coverage and exclusions Providing covered services* section or the *General plan exclusions* section
- Not beyond any limits in the schedule of benefits
- **Medically necessary**. See the *How your plan works Medical necessity and precertification requirements* section and the *Glossary* for more information

Deductible

A **deductible** is the amount you pay out-of-pocket for **covered services** per year before we start to pay.

Detoxification

The process of getting alcohol or other drugs out of an addicted person's system and getting them physically stable.

Drug guide

A list of **prescription** drugs and devices established by us or an affiliate. It does not include all **prescription** drugs and devices. This list can be reviewed and changed by us or an affiliate. A copy is available at your request. Go to <u>https://www.aetna.com/individuals-families/find-a-medication.html</u>.

Emergency medical condition

A severe medical condition that:

- Comes on suddenly
- Needs immediate medical care
- Leads a person with average knowledge of health and medicine to believe that, without immediate medical care, it could result in:
 - Danger to life or health
 - Loss of a bodily function
 - Loss of function to a body part or organ
 - Danger to the health of an unborn baby

Emergency services

Treatment given in a **hospital's** emergency room. This includes evaluation of and treatment to stabilize the **emergency medical condition**.

Experimental or investigational

Drugs, treatments or tests not yet accepted by **physicians** or by insurance plans as standard treatment. They may not be proven as effective or safe for most people.

A drug, device, procedure, or treatment is **experimental or investigational** if:

- There is not enough outcome data available from controlled clinical trials published in the peerreviewed literature to validate its safety and effectiveness for the illness or injury involved.
- The needed approval by the FDA has not been given for marketing.
- A national medical or dental society or regulatory agency has stated in writing that it is **experimental or investigational** or suitable mainly for research purposes.
- It is the subject of a Phase I, Phase II or the experimental or research arm of a Phase III clinical trial. These terms have the meanings given by regulations and other official actions and publications of the FDA and Department of Health and Human Services.
- Written protocols or a written consent form used by a facility **provider** state that it is **experimental or investigational**.

Generic prescription drug

An FDA-approved drug with the same intended use as the brand-name product. It offers the same:

- Dosage
- Safety
- Strength
- Quality
- Performance

Health professional

A person who is authorized by law to provide health care services to the public; for example, **physicians**, nurses and physical therapists.

Home health care agency

An agency authorized by law to provide home health services, such as skilled nursing and other therapeutic services.

Hospital

An institution licensed as a **hospital** by applicable law and accredited by The Joint Commission (TJC). This is a place that offers medical care. Patients can **stay** overnight for care. Or they can be treated and leave the same day. All **hospitals** must meet set standards of care. They can offer general or acute care. They can also offer service in one area, like rehabilitation.

Infertile, infertility

A disease defined by the failure to become pregnant:

- For a female with a male partner, after:
 - 1 year of frequent, unprotected heterosexual sexual intercourse if under the age of 35
 - 6 months of frequent, unprotected heterosexual sexual intercourse if age 35 or older
- For a female without a male partner, after:
 - At least 12 cycles of donor insemination if under the age of 35
 - 6 cycles of donor insemination if age 35 or older

- For a male without a female partner, after:
 - At least 2 abnormal semen analyses obtained at least 2 weeks apart
- For an individual or their partner who has been clinically diagnosed with gender identity disorder.

Jaw joint disorder

This is:

- A temporomandibular joint (TMJ) dysfunction or any similar disorder of the jaw joint
- A myofascial pain dysfunction (MPD) of the jaw
- Any similar disorder in the relationship between the jaw joint and the related muscles and nerves

Mail order pharmacy

A pharmacy where **prescription** drugs are legally dispensed by mail or another carrier.

Maximum out-of-pocket limit

The **maximum out-of-pocket limit** is the most a covered person will pay per year in **copayments**, **contribution** and **deductible**, if any, for **covered services**.

Medically necessary, medical necessity

Health care services that we determine a **provider**, exercising prudent clinical judgment, would provide to a patient for the purpose of preventing, evaluating, diagnosing, or treating an illness, injury, disease or its symptoms, and that we determine are:

- In accordance with generally accepted standards of medical practice
- Clinically appropriate, in terms of type, frequency, extent, site and duration, and considered effective for the patient's illness, injury or disease
- Not primarily for the convenience of the patient, physician or other health care provider
- Not more costly than an alternative service or sequence of services at least as likely to produce
 equivalent therapeutic or diagnostic results as to the diagnosis or treatment of that patient's illness,
 injury or disease

Generally accepted standards of medical practice means:

- Standards that are based on credible scientific evidence published in peer-reviewed medical literature generally recognized by the relevant medical community
- Following the standards set forth in our clinical policies and applying clinical judgment

Mental health disorder

A **mental health disorder** is in general, a set of symptoms or behavior associated with distress and interference with personal function. A complete definition of **mental health disorder** is in the most recent edition of *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM) of the American Psychiatric Association*.

Negotiated charge

See How your plan works – What the plan pays and what you pay.

Network provider

A **provider** listed in the directory for your plan. A NAP **provider** listed in the NAP directory is not a **network provider**. A **network provider** can also be referred to as an in-network provider.

Out-of-network provider

A provider who is not a network provider.

Physician

A **health professional** trained and licensed to practice and prescribe medicine under the laws of the state where they practice; specifically, doctors of medicine or osteopathy. Under some plans, a **physician** can also be a **primary care physician** (**PCP**).

Precertification, precertify

Pre-approval that you or your **provider** receives from us before you receive certain **covered services**. This may include a determination by us as to whether the service is **medically necessary** and eligible for coverage.

Prescription

This is an instruction written by a **physician** that authorizes a patient to receive a service, supply, medicine or treatment.

Primary care physician (PCP)

A **physician** who:

- The directory lists as a PCP
- Is selected by a covered person from the list of **PCPs** in the directory
- Supervises, coordinates and provides initial care and basic medical services to a covered person
- Shows in our records as your PCP

A **PCP** can be any of the following **providers**:

- General practitioner
- Family **physician**
- Internist
- Pediatrician
- OB, GYN, and OB/GYN
- Medical group (primary care office)

Provider

A **physician**, **health professional**, person, or facility, licensed or certified by law to provide health care services to you. If state law does not specifically provide for licensure or certification, they must meet all Medicare approval standards even if they don't participate in Medicare.

Psychiatric hospital

An institution licensed or certified as a **psychiatric hospital** by applicable laws to provide a program for the diagnosis, evaluation, and treatment of alcoholism, drug abuse or **mental health disorders** (including **substance related disorders)**.

Residential treatment facility

An institution specifically licensed as a **residential treatment facility** by applicable laws to provide for mental health or **substance related disorder** residential treatment programs. It is credentialed by us or is accredited by one of the following agencies, commissions or committees for the services being provided:

- The Joint Commission (TJC)
- The Committee on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF)
- The American Osteopathic Association's Healthcare Facilities Accreditation Program (HFAP)
- The Council on Accreditation (COA)

In addition to the above requirements, an institution must meet the following:

For residential treatment programs treating **mental health disorders**:

- A **behavioral health provider** must be actively on duty 24 hours/day for 7 days/week
- The patient must be treated by a psychiatrist at least once per week
- The medical director must be a psychiatrist
- It is not a wilderness treatment program (whether or not the program is part of a licensed **residential treatment facility** or otherwise licensed institution)

For substance related residential treatment programs:

- A **behavioral health provider** or an appropriately state certified professional (CADC, CAC, etc.) must be actively on duty during the day and evening therapeutic programming
- The medical director must be a **physician**
- It is not a wilderness treatment program (whether or not the program is part of a licensed **residential treatment facility** or otherwise licensed institution)

For **detoxification** programs within a residential setting:

- An R.N. must be onsite 24 hours/day for 7 days/week within a residential setting
- Residential care must be provided under the direct supervision of a **physician**

Retail pharmacy

A community pharmacy that dispenses outpatient **prescription** drugs at retail prices.

Room and board

A facility's charge for your overnight stay and other services and supplies expressed as a daily or weekly rate.

Semi-private room rate

An institution's **room and board** charge for most beds in rooms with 2 or more beds. If there are no such rooms, we will calculate the rate based on the rate most commonly charged by similar institutions in the same geographic area.

Skilled nursing facility

A facility specifically licensed as a **skilled nursing facility** by applicable laws to provide skilled nursing care. **Skilled nursing facilities** also include:

- Rehabilitation hospitals
- Portions of a rehabilitation hospital
- A hospital designated for skilled or rehabilitation services

Skilled nursing facility does not include institutions that provide only:

- Minimal care
- Custodial care
- Ambulatory care
- Part-time care

It does not include institutions that primarily provide for the care and treatment of **mental health disorders** or **substance related disorders**.

Skilled nursing services

Services provided by a registered nurse or licensed practical nurse within the scope of their license.

Specialist

A physician who practices in any generally accepted medical or surgical sub-specialty.

Stay

A full-time inpatient confinement for which a **room and board** charge is made.

Substance related disorder

This is a physical or psychological dependency, or both, on a drug or alcohol. These are defined in the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders* (DSM) published by the American Psychiatric Association. This term does not include an addiction to nicotine products, food or caffeine.

Surgery, surgical procedure

The diagnosis and treatment of injury, deformity and disease by manual and instrumental means, such as:

- Cutting
- Abrading
- Suturing
- Destruction
- Ablation
- Removal
- Lasering
- Introduction of a catheter (e.g., heart or bladder catheterization) or scope (e.g., colonoscopy or other types of endoscopy)
- Correction of fracture
- Reduction of dislocation
- Application of plaster casts
- Injection into a joint
- Injection of sclerosing solution
- Otherwise physically changing body tissues and organs

Telemedicine

A consultation between you and a **provider** who is performing a clinical medical or behavioral health service that can be provided electronically by:

- Two-way audiovisual teleconferencing
- Telephone calls
- Any other method required by law

Terminal illness

A medical prognosis that you are not likely to live more than 12 months.

Urgent condition

An illness or injury that requires prompt medical attention but is not a life-threatening **emergency medical condition**.

Walk-in clinic

A health care facility that provides limited medical care on a scheduled and unscheduled basis. A **walk-in clinic** may be located in, near or within a:

- Drug store
- Pharmacy
- Retail store
- Supermarket

The following are not considered a **walk-in clinic**:

- Ambulatory surgical center
- Emergency room
- Hospital
- Outpatient department of a hospital
- Physician's office
- Urgent care facility

Additional Information Provided by

Learning Care Group, Inc.

The following information is provided to you in accordance with the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

Name of Plan:

Learning Care Group, Inc. Health and Welfare Benefit Plan

Employer Identification Number:

Refer to your employer for this information

Plan Number:

Refer to your employer for this information

Type of Plan: Welfare

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Type of Administration:

Administrative Services Contract with:

Aetna Life Insurance Company 151 Farmington Avenue Hartford, CT 06156

Plan Administrator:

Learning Care Group, Inc. 21333 Haggerty Road, Ste. 100 Novi, MI 48375 Telephone Number: (248) 697-9072

Agent For Service of Legal Process:

Learning Care Group, Inc. 21333 Haggerty Road, Ste. 100 Novi, MI 48375

Service of legal process may also be made upon the Plan Administrator

End of Plan Year:

December 31

Source of Contributions:

Employer and Employee

Procedure for Amending the Plan:

The Employer may amend the Plan from time to time by a written instrument signed by the person designated by the Plan Administrator.

ERISA Rights

As a participant in the group benefit plan you are entitled to certain rights and protections under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974. ERISA provides that all plan participants shall be entitled to:

Receive Information about Your Plan and Benefits

Examine, without charge, at the Plan Administrator's office and at other specified locations, such as worksites and union halls, all documents governing the Plan, including insurance contracts, collective bargaining agreements, and a copy of the latest annual report (Form 5500 Series) that is filed by the Plan with the U.S. Department of Labor and available at the Public Disclosure Room of the Employee Benefits Security Administration.

Obtain, upon written request to the Plan Administrator, copies of documents governing the operation of the Plan, including insurance contracts, collective bargaining agreements, and copies of the latest annual report (Form 5500 Series), and an updated Summary Plan Description. The Administrator may make a reasonable charge for the copies.

Receive a summary of the Plan's annual financial report. The Plan Administrator is required by law to furnish each participant with a copy of this summary annual report.

Receive a copy of the procedures used by the Plan for determining a qualified domestic relations order (QDRO) or a qualified medical child support order (QMCSO).

Continue Group Health Plan Coverage

Continue health care coverage for yourself, your spouse, or your dependents if there is a loss of coverage under the Plan as a result of a qualifying event. You or your dependents may have to pay for such coverage. Review this summary plan description and the documents governing the Plan for the rules governing your COBRA continuation coverage rights.

Prudent Actions by Plan Fiduciaries

In addition to creating rights for plan participants, ERISA imposes duties upon the people who are responsible for the operation of the employee benefit plan. The people who operate your Plan, called "fiduciaries" of the Plan, have a duty to do so prudently and in your interest and that of other plan participants and beneficiaries. No one, including your employer, your union, or any other person, may fire you or otherwise discriminate against you in any way to prevent you from obtaining a welfare benefit or exercising your rights under ERISA.

Enforce Your Rights

If your claim for a welfare benefit is denied or ignored, in whole or in part, you have a right to know why this was done, to obtain documents relating to the decision without charge, and to appeal any denial, all within certain time schedules.

Under ERISA there are steps you can take to enforce the above rights. For instance, if you request materials from the Plan and do not receive them within 30 days you may file suit in a federal court. In such a case, the court may require the Plan Administrator to provide the materials and pay up to \$ 110 a day until you receive the materials, unless the materials were not sent because of reasons beyond the control of the Administrator.

If you have a claim for benefits which is denied or ignored, in whole or in part, you may file suit in a state or federal court. In addition, if you disagree with the Plan's decision or lack thereof concerning the status of a domestic relations order or a medical child support order, you may file suit in a federal court.

If it should happen that plan fiduciaries misuse the Plan's money or if you are discriminated against for asserting your rights, you may seek assistance from the U.S. Department of Labor or you may file suit in a federal court. The court will decide who should pay court costs and legal fees. If you are successful, the court may order the person you have sued to pay these costs and fees. If you lose, the court may order you to pay these costs and fees, for example, if it finds your claim is frivolous.

Assistance with Your Questions

If you have any questions about your Plan, you should contact the Plan Administrator.

If you have any questions about this statement or about your rights under ERISA, you should contact:

- the nearest office of the Employee Benefits Security Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, listed in your telephone directory; or
- the Division of Technical Assistance and Inquiries, Employee Benefits Security Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington D.C. 20210.

You may also obtain certain publications about your rights and responsibilities under ERISA by calling the publications hotline of the Employee Benefits Security Administration.

Statement of Rights under the Newborns' and Mothers' Health Protection Act

Under federal law, group health plans and health insurance issuers offering group health insurance coverage generally may not restrict benefits for any hospital length of stay in connection with childbirth for the mother or newborn child to less than 48 hours following a vaginal delivery, or less than 96 hours following a delivery by cesarean section. However, the plan or issuer may pay for a shorter stay if the attending provider (e.g., your physician, nurse midwife, or physician assistant), after consultation with the mother, discharges the mother or newborn earlier.

Also, under federal law, plans and issuers may not set the level of benefits or out-of-pocket costs so that any later portion of the 48-hour (or 96-hour) stay is treated in a manner less favorable to the mother or newborn than any earlier portion of the stay.

In addition, a plan or issuer may not, under federal law, require that you, your physician, or other health care provider obtain authorization for prescribing a length of stay of up to 48 hours (or 96 hours). However, you may be required to obtain precertification for any days of confinement that exceed 48 hours (or 96 hours). For information on precertification, contact your plan administrator.

Notice Regarding Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act

Under this health plan, as required by the Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998, coverage will be provided to a person who is receiving benefits in connection with a mastectomy and who elects breast reconstruction in connection with the mastectomy for:

- (1) all stages of reconstruction of the breast on which a mastectomy has been performed;
- (2) surgery and reconstruction of the other breast to produce a symmetrical appearance;
- (3) prostheses; and
- (4) treatment of physical complications of all stages of mastectomy, including lymphedemas.

This coverage will be provided in consultation with the attending physician and the patient, and will be provided in accordance with the plan design, limitations, copays, deductibles, and referral requirements, if any, as outlined in your plan documents.

If you have any questions about our coverage of mastectomies and reconstructive surgery, please contact the Member Services number on your ID card.

For more information, you can visit this U.S. Department of Health and Human Services website, http://www.cms.gov/home/regsguidance.asp, and this U.S. Department of Labor website, http://www.cms.gov/home/regsguidance.asp, and this U.S. Department of Labor website, https://www.dol.gov/agencies/ebsa/employers-and-advisers/plan-administration-and-compliance/health-plans.

IMPORTANT HEALTH CARE REFORM NOTICES

CHOICE OF PROVIDER

If your Aetna plan generally requires or allows the designation of a primary care provider, you have the right to designate any primary care provider who participates in our network and who is available to accept you or your family members. If the plan or health insurance coverage designates a primary care provider automatically, then until you make this designation, Aetna designates one for you. For information on how to select a primary care provider, and for a list of the participating primary care providers, contact your Employer or, if you are a current member, your Aetna contact number on the back of your ID card.

If your Aetna plan allows for the designation of a primary care provider for a child, you may designate a pediatrician as the primary care provider.

If your Aetna plan provides coverage for obstetric or gynecological care and requires the designation of a primary care provider then you do not need prior authorization from Aetna or from any other person (including a primary care provider) in order to obtain access to obstetrical or gynecological care from a health care professional in our network who specializes in obstetrics or gynecology. The health care professional, however, may be required to comply with certain procedures, including obtaining prior authorization for certain services, following a pre-approved treatment plan, or procedures for making referrals. For a list of participating health care professionals who specialize in obstetrics or gynecology, contact your Employer or, if you are a current member, your Aetna contact number on the back of your ID card.

Continuation of Coverage During an Approved Leave of Absence Granted to Comply With Federal Law

This continuation of coverage section applies only for the period of any approved family or medical leave (approved FMLA leave) required by Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 (FMLA). If your Employer grants you an approved FMLA leave for a period in excess of the period required by FMLA, any continuation of coverage during that excess period will be subject to prior written agreement between Aetna and your Employer.

If your Employer grants you an approved FMLA leave in accordance with FMLA, you may, during the continuance of such approved FMLA leave, continue Health Expense Benefits for you and your eligible dependents.

At the time you request the leave, you must agree to make any contributions required by your Employer to continue coverage. Your Employer must continue to make premium payments.

If Health Expense Benefits has reduction rules applicable by reason of age or retirement, Health Expense Benefits will be subject to such rules while you are on FMLA leave.

Coverage will not be continued beyond the first to occur of:

- The date you are required to make any contribution and you fail to do so.
- The date your Employer determines your approved FMLA leave is terminated.
- The date the coverage involved discontinues as to your eligible class. However, coverage for health expenses
 may be available to you under another plan sponsored by your Employer.

Any coverage being continued for a dependent will not be continued beyond the date it would otherwise terminate.

If Health Expense Benefits terminate because your approved FMLA leave is deemed terminated by your Employer, you may, on the date of such termination, be eligible for Continuation Under Federal Law on the same terms as though your employment terminated, other than for gross misconduct, on such date. If the group contract provides any other continuation of coverage (for example, upon termination of employment, death, divorce or ceasing to be a defined dependent), you (or your eligible dependents) may be eligible for such continuation on the date your Employer determines your approved FMLA leave is terminated or the date of the event for which the continuation is available.

If you acquire a new dependent while your coverage is continued during an approved FMLA leave, the dependent will be eligible for the continued coverage on the same terms as would be applicable if you were actively at work, not on an approved FMLA leave.

If you return to work for your Employer following the date your Employer determines the approved FMLA leave is terminated, your coverage under the group contract will be in force as though you had continued in active employment rather than going on an approved FMLA leave provided you make request for such coverage within 31 days of the date your Employer determines the approved FMLA leave to be terminated. If you do not make such request within 31 days, coverage will again be effective under the group contract only if and when Aetna gives its written consent.

If any coverage being continued terminates because your Employer determines the approved FMLA leave is terminated, any Conversion Privilege will be available on the same terms as though your employment had terminated on the date your Employer determines the approved FMLA leave is terminated.

Schedule of benefits

If this is an ERISA plan, you may have certain rights under this plan. ERISA may not apply to a church or government group. Please contact the policyholder for additional information.

Prepared for:	
Employer:	Learning Care Group, Inc.
Contract number:	MSA-868615
Control number:	868615, 868671
Plan name:	Open Access Aetna Select - Savers Plan
Summary of Coverage:	1C
Plan effective date:	January 1, 2021
Plan issue date:	March 17, 2021

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Schedule of benefits

This schedule of benefits (schedule) lists the **deductibles**, **copayments** or **payment percentage**, if any apply to the **covered services** you receive under the plan. You should review this schedule to become aware of these and any limits that apply to these services.

How your cost share works

- The **deductibles** and **copayments**, if any, listed in the schedule below are the amounts that you pay for **covered services**.
 - For the **covered services** under your medical plan, you will be responsible for the dollar amount
 - For pharmacy benefits where a percentage cost share acts like a copayment, you will be responsible for the percentage amount
- **Payment percentage** amounts, if any, listed in the schedule below are what the plan will pay for **covered services**.
- Sometimes your cost share shows a combination of your dollar amount **copayment** that you will be responsible for and the **payment percentage** that your plan will pay.
- You are responsible to pay any **deductibles**, **copayments** and remaining **payment percentage**, if they apply and before the plan will pay for any **covered services**.
- This plan doesn't cover every health care service. You pay the full amount of any health care service you get that is not a **covered service**.
- This plan has limits for some **covered services**. For example, these could be visit, day or dollar limits. They may be:

- Based on a rolling, 12 month period starting with the date of your most recent visit under this plan See the schedule of benefits for more information about limits.

• Your cost share may vary if the **covered service** is preventive or not. Ask your **physician** or contact us if you have a question about what your cost share will be.

For examples of how cost share and **deductible** work, go to the *Using your Aetna benefits* section under Individuals & Families at <u>https://www.aetna.com/</u>.

Important note:

Covered services are subject to the **deductible**, **maximum out-of-pocket**, limits, **copayment** or **payment percentage** unless otherwise stated in this schedule of benefits.

Under this plan, you will:

- 1. Pay your **copayment**
- 2. Then pay any remaining **deductible**
- 3. Then pay your payment percentage

Your **copayment** does not apply to any **deductible**.

How your deductible works

The **deductible** is the amount you pay for **covered services** each year before the plan starts to pay. This is in addition to any **copayment** or **payment percentage** you pay when you get **covered services** from a **network provider**. This schedule of benefits shows the **deductible** amounts that apply to your plan. Once you have met your **deductible**, we will start sharing the cost when you get **covered services**. You will continue to pay **copayments** or **payment percentage**, if any, for **covered services** after you meet your **deductible**.

How your PCP or physician office visit cost share works

You will pay the **PCP** cost share when you get **covered services** from any **PCP**.

How your maximum out-of-pocket works

This schedule of benefits shows the **maximum out-of-pocket limits** that apply to your plan. Once you reach your **maximum out-of-pocket limit**, your plan will pay for **covered services** for the remainder of that year.

Contact us

We are here to answer questions. See the *Contact us* section in your booklet.

This schedule replaces any schedule of benefits previously in use. Keep it with your booklet.

Deductible

You have to meet your **deductible** before this plan pays for benefits.

Deductible type	In-network
Individual	\$1,400 per year
Family	\$2,800 per year

Deductible waiver

There is no in-network **deductible** for the following **covered services**:

- Preventive care
- Family planning services female contraceptives

Deductible and cost share waiver for contraceptives (birth control)

The **prescription** drug **deductible** and per **prescription** cost share will not apply to female contraceptive methods when obtained at a network pharmacy. This means they will be paid at 100%. This includes certain OTC and generic contraceptive **prescription** drugs and devices for each of the methods identified by the FDA. If a **generic prescription drug** is not available, the **brand-name prescription drug** for that method will be paid at 100%.

The **prescription** drug **deductible** and cost share will apply to **prescription** drugs that have a generic equivalent or alternative available within the same therapeutic drug class obtained at a network pharmacy unless we approve a medical exception. A therapeutic drug class is a group of drugs or medications that have a similar or identical mode of action or are used for the treatment of the same or similar disease or injury.

Maximum out-of-pocket limit

Maximum out-of-pocket	In-network
type	
Individual	\$4,200 per year
Family	\$8,400 per year

General coverage provisions

This section explains the **deductible**, maximum out-of-pocket limit and limitations listed in this schedule.

Deductible provisions

Covered services that are subject to the **deductible** include those provided under the medical plan and the **prescription** drug plan.

In-network **covered services** will apply only to the in-network **deductible**.

The **deductible** may not apply to some **covered services**. You still pay the **copayment** or **payment percentage**, if any, for these **covered services**.

Individual deductible

You pay for **covered services** each year before the plan begins to pay. After the amount paid for **covered services** reaches this individual **deductible**, this plan starts to pay for **covered services** for the rest of the year. The individual **deductible** applies to a person who is enrolled for self-only coverage with no dependent coverage.

Family deductible

You and your covered dependents pay for **covered services** each year before the plan begins to pay. After the amount paid for **covered services** reaches this family **deductible**, this plan starts to pay for **covered services** for the rest of the year. The family **deductible** applies to a person enrolled with one or more dependents.

Deductible carryover

Any amounts that you paid for **covered services** in the last 90 days of a year that apply toward that year's **deductible** will also count toward the following year's **deductible**.

Payment Percentage

This is the percentage of the bill you pay after you meet your **deductible**. This is in addition to any out-of-pocket costs you have to pay to meet your **deductible**, if you have one.

Maximum out-of-pocket limit provisions

Maximum out-of-pocket limit

The **maximum out-of-pocket limit** is the most you will pay per year in **copayments**, **payment percentage** and **deductible**, if any, for **covered services**. **Covered services** that are subject to the **maximum out-of-pocket limit** include those provided under the medical plan and the outpatient **prescription** drug plan.

Individual maximum out-of-pocket limit

- This plan may have an individual and family **maximum out-of-pocket limit**. As to the individual **maximum out-of-pocket limit**, each of you must meet your **maximum out-of-pocket limit** separately.
- After you or your covered dependents meet the individual **maximum out-of-pocket limit**, this plan will pay 100% of the eligible charge for **covered services** that would apply toward the limit for the rest of the year for that person.

Family maximum out-of-pocket limit

After you or your covered dependents meet the family **maximum out-of-pocket limit**, this plan will pay 100% of the eligible charge for **covered services** that would apply toward the limit for the remainder of the year for all covered family members. The family **maximum out-of-pocket limit** is a cumulative **maximum out-of-pocket limit** for all family members.

To satisfy this **maximum out-of-pocket limit** for the rest of the year, the following must happen:

- The family maximum out-of-pocket limit is met by a combination of family members
- No one person within a family will contribute more than the individual **maximum out-of-pocket limit** amount in a year

If the **maximum out-of-pocket limit** does not apply to a **covered service**, your cost share for that service will not count toward satisfying the **maximum out-of-pocket limit** amount.

Certain costs that you have do not apply toward the **maximum out-of-pocket limit**. These include:

- All costs for non-covered services which are identified in the booklet and the schedule
- Charges, expenses or costs in excess of the allowable amount

Your financial responsibility and decisions regarding benefits

We base your financial responsibility for the cost of **covered services** on when the service or supply is provided, not when payment is made. Benefits will be pro-rated to account for treatment or portions of **stays** that occur in more than one year. Decisions regarding when benefits are covered are subject to the terms and conditions of the group policy.

Outpatient prescription drug maximum out-of-pocket limits provisions

Covered services that are subject to the **maximum out-of-pocket limit** include **covered services** provided under the medical plan and the **prescription** drug plan.

The maximum out-of-pocket limit is the most you will pay per year in copayments, payment percentage and deductible, if any, for covered services. This plan may have an individual and family maximum out-of-pocket limit.

Covered services

Acupuncture

Description	In-network
Acupuncture 809	0% per visit after deductible

Visit limit per year

Ambulance services

Description	In-network
Emergency services	80% per trip after deductible
Description	In-network
Non-emergency services	80% per trip after deductible

Applied behavior analysis

Description	In-network
Applied behavior analysis	Covered based on type of service and where it is received

Autism spectrum disorder

Description	In-network
Diagnosis and testing	Covered based on type of service and where it is received
Treatment	Covered based on type of service and where it is received
Occupational (OT), physical (PT) and speech (ST) therapy for autism spectrum disorder	Covered based on type of service and where it is received

Behavioral health

Mental health treatment

Coverage provided is the same as for any other illness

Description	In-network
Inpatient services-room	80% per admission after deductible
and board	
including residential	
treatment facility	

Description	In-network
Outpatient office visit to	80% per visit after deductible
a physician or	
behavioral health	
provider	
Includes telemedicine	
consultation	
Outpatient mental	80% per visit after deductible
health telemedicine	
cognitive therapy	
consultations by a	
physician or behavioral	
health provider	

Description	In-network
 Other outpatient services including: Behavioral health services in the home Partial hospitalization treatment Intensive outpatient program 	100% per visit, no deductible applies
The cost share doesn't apply to in-network peer counseling support services after you meet your deductible	

Substance related disorders treatment

Includes **detoxification**, rehabilitation and **residential treatment facility** Coverage provided is the same as for any other illness

Description	In-network
Inpatient services-room	80% per admission after deductible
and board during a	
hospital stay	

Description	In-network
Outpatient office visit to	80% per visit after deductible
a physician or	
behavioral health	
provider	
Includes telemedicine	
consultation	
Outpatient telemedicine	80% per visit after deductible
cognitive therapy	
consultations by a	
physician or behavioral	
health provider	

Description	In-network
 Other outpatient services including: Behavioral health services in the home Partial hospitalization treatment Intensive outpatient program 	100% per visit, no deductible applies
The cost share doesn't apply to in-network peer counseling support services after you meet your deductible	

Clinical trials

Description	In-network
Experimental or	Covered based on type of service and where it is received
investigational therapies	
Routine patient costs	Covered based on type of service and where it is received

Durable medical equipment (DME)

Description	In-network
DME	80% per item after deductible

Emergency services

Description	In-network	Out-of-network
Emergency room	80% per visit after deductible	Paid same as in-network
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Non-emergency care in	80% per visit after deductible	Not covered
a hospital emergency		
room		

Emergency services important note:

Out-of-network providers do not have a contract with us. The **provider** may not accept payment of your cost share as payment in full. You may receive a bill for the difference between the amount billed by the **provider** and the amount paid by the plan. If the **provider** bills you for an amount above your cost share, you are not responsible for payment of that amount. You should send the bill to the address on your ID card and we will resolve any payment issue with the **provider**. Make sure the member ID is on the bill.

Habilitation therapy services

Physical (PT), occupational (OT) and speech (ST) therapies

\$3,000

Description	In-network
PT, OT, ST therapies	Covered based on type of service and where it is received

Hearing aids

Description	In-network	
Hearing aids	80% per item after deductible	

Hearing exams

Limit per 24 months

Description	In-network
Hearing exams	Covered based on type of service and where it is received
Visit limit	1 visit every 24 months

Home health care

A visit is a period of 4 hours or less

Description	In-network
Home health care 8	30% per visit after deductible

Visit limit per year	120
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Home health care important note:

Intermittent visits are periodic and recurring visits that skilled nurses make to ensure your proper care. The intermittent requirement may be waived to allow for coverage for up to 12 hours with a daily maximum of 3 visits. Services must be provided within 10 days of discharge.

Hospice care

Description	In-network
Inpatient services -	80% per admission after deductible
room and board	

Description	In-network
Outpatient services	80% per visit after deductible

Limit per lifetime	unlimited
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Hospice important note:

This includes part-time or infrequent nursing care by an R.N. or L.P.N. to care for you up to 8-12 hours a day. It also includes part-time or infrequent home health aide services to care for you up to 8-12 hours a day.

Hospital care

Description	In-network
Inpatient services -	80% per admission after deductible
room and board	

Infertility services

Basic infertility

Description	In-network
Treatment of basic	Covered based on type of service and where it is received
infertility	

Maternity and related newborn care

Includes complications

Description	In-network
Inpatient services – room and board	80% per admission after deductible
Services performed in physician or specialist office or a facility	80% per visit after deductible
Other services and supplies	80% after deductible

Maternity and related newborn care important note:

Any cost share collected applies only to the delivery and postpartum care services provided by an OB, GYN or OB/GYN. Review the *Maternity* section of the certificate. It will give you more information about coverage for maternity care under this plan.

Oral and maxillofacial treatment (mouth, jaws and teeth)

Description	In-network
Treatment of mouth,	Covered based on type of service and where it is received
jaws and teeth	

Outpatient surgery

Description	In-network
At hospital outpatient	80% per visit after deductible
department	

Physician and specialist services

Physician services-general or family practitioner

Description	In-network
Physician office hours (not-surgical, not preventive)	80% per visit after deductible
Physician surgical services	80% per visit after deductible

Description	In-network
Physician telemedicine	80% per visit after deductible
consultation	

Description	In-network
Physician visit during	80% per visit after deductible
inpatient stay	

Specialist

Description	In-network
Specialist office hours (not surgical, not preventive)	80% per visit after deductible
Specialist surgical services	80% per visit after deductible

Specialist

Description	In-network
Specialist telemedicine	80% per visit after deductible
consultation	

All other services not shown above	
Description	In-network
All other services	80% per visit after deductible

Preventive care

Description	In-network
Preventive care services	
	100% per visit, no deductible applies
Breast feeding	100% per visit, no deductible applies
counseling and support	Cuisite in a group or individual satting
Breast feeding counseling and support	6 visits in a group or individual setting
limit	Visits that exceed the limit are covered under the physician services office visit
Breast pump,	Electric pump: 1 every 3 years
accessories and supplies	
limit	Manual pump: 1 per pregnancy
	Pump supplies and accessories: 1 purchase per pregnancy if not eligible to
	purchase a new pump
Breast pump waiting	Electric pump: 3 years to replace an existing electric pump
period	
Counseling for alcohol or	100% per visit, no deductible applies
drug misuse	
Counseling for alcohol or	5 visits/Calendar Year
drug misuse visit limit	
Counseling for obesity,	100% per visit, no deductible applies
healthy diet	
Counseling for obesity,	Age 22 and older: 26 visits per Calendar Year, of which up to 10 visits may be used
healthy diet visit limit	for healthy diet counseling.
Counseling for sexually	100% per visit, no deductible applies
transmitted infection	
Counseling for sexually	2 visits/Calendar Year
transmitted infection	
visit limit	
Counseling for tobacco	100% per visit, no deductible applies
cessation	
Counseling for tobacco	8 visits/Calendar Year
cessation visit limit	
Family planning services	100% per visit, no deductible applies
(female contraception	
counseling)	
Family planning services	Contraceptive counseling limited to 2 visits/Calendar Year in a group or individual
(female contraception	setting
counseling) limit Immunizations	100% no deductible applies
Immunizations	100%, no deductible applies
	Subject to any age limits provided for in the comprehensive guidelines supported by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the Centers for Disease
	Control and Prevention
	For details, contact your physician
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Generic preventive care	100%
contraceptives (birth	
control)	4000/
Preventive care drugs	100%
and supplements	
Preventive care drugs	Subject to any sex, age, medical condition, family history and frequency guidelines
and supplements limit	as recommended by the USPSTF
	For a current list of covered preventive care drugs and supplements or more
	information, see the <i>Contact us</i> section
Preventive care risk	100%
reducing breast cancer	
prescription drugs	
Preventive care risk	Subject to any sex, age, medical condition, family history and frequency guidelines
reducing breast cancer	as recommended by the USPSTF
prescription drugs limit	
	For a current list of covered preventive care drugs and supplements or more
	information, see the Contact us section
Preventive care tobacco	100%
cessation prescription	
and OTC drugs	
Limit	Two 90 day treatments only
Routine cancer	100% per visit, no deductible applies
screenings	
Routine cancer	Subject to any age, family history and frequency guidelines as set forth in the most
screening limits	current:
	Evidence-based items that have a rating of A or B in the current recommendations
	of the USPSTF
	The comprehensive guidelines supported by the Health Resources and Services
	Administration
	For more information contact your physician or see the <i>Contact us</i> section
Lung cancer screening	100% per visit, no deductible applies
Routine lung cancer	1 screening every Calendar Year
screening limit	5 ,
5	Screenings that exceed this limit covered as outpatient diagnostic testing
Routine physical exam	100% per visit, no deductible applies
Routine physical exam	Subject to any age and visit limits provided for in the comprehensive guidelines
limits	supported by the American Academy of Pediatrics/Bright Futures/Health
	Resources and Services Administration for children and adolescents
	Limited to 7 exams from age 0-1 year; 3 exams every 12 months age 1-2; 3 exams
	every 12 months age 2-3; and 1 exam every Calendar Year after that age, up to age
	22; 1 exam every Calendar Year after age 22
	22, 1 Chain every calendar rear after age 22
	High risk Human Papillomavirus (HPV) DNA testing for woman age 30 and older
	limited to 1 every 36 months
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Well woman GYN exam	100% per visit, no deductible applies
Well woman GYN exam	Subject to any age and visit limits provided for in the comprehensive guidelines
limit	supported by the Health Resources and Services Administration
Limit	1 visit

Prosthetic devices

Description	In-network
Prosthetic devices	Covered based on type of service and where it is received

Reconstructive surgery and supplies

Including breast **surgery**

Description	In-network
Surgery and supplies	Covered based on type of service and where it is received

Short-term rehabilitation services

Cardiac Rehabilitation

Description	
Cardiac rehabilitation	Covered based on type of service and where it is received
Pulmonary Rehabilitation	
Description	
Pulmonary	Covered based on type of service and where it is received
Cognitive Rehabilitation	
Description	
Cognitive Rehabilitation	Covered based on type of service and where it is received

Physical, occupational and speech therapies

Description	In-network
PT, OT and ST	80% per visit after deductible

Physical, occupational and speech therapies

Description	In-network
Visit limit per year	100

Spinal Manipulation

Description	In-network
Spinal Manipulation	80% per visit after deductible

Visit limit per year 30		
	Visit limit per year	

Skilled nursing facility

Description	In-network
Inpatient services - room and board	80% per admission after deductible
Other inpatient services and supplies	80% per admission after deductible

Day limit per year 120

Tests, images and labs - outpatient

Diagnostic complex imaging services

Description	In-network
	80% per visit after deductible

Diagnostic lab work

Description	In-network
	80% per visit after deductible

Diagnostic x-ray and other radiological services

Description	In-network
	80% per visit after deductible

Therapies

Chemotherapy

Description	In-network
Chemotherapy services	Covered based on type of service and where it is received

Gene-based, cellular and other innovative therapies (GCIT)

Description	In-network (GCIT-designated facility/provider)
Services and supplies	Covered based on type of service and where it is received

Infusion

Outpatient services

Description	In-network
	80% per visit after deductible

Radiation therapy

Description	In-network
Radiation therapy	Covered based on type of service and where it is received

Respiratory therapy

Description	In-network
Respiratory therapy	Covered based on type of service and where it is received

Transplant services

Description	In-network (IOE facility)	
Inpatient services and supplies	80% per transplant after deductible	
Physician services	Covered based on type of service and where it is received	

Urgent care services

At a freestanding facility or **provider** that is not a **hospital**

A separate urgent care cost share will apply for each visit to an urgent care facility or provider

Description	In-network	Out-of- network
Urgent care facility	80% per visit after deductible	Not covered

Walk-in clinic

Not all preventive care services are available at a **walk-in clinic**. All services are available from a network **physician**.

Description	Designated network	Non-designated network
Non-emergency services	100% per visit after deductible	80% per visit after deductible
Preventive	100% per visit, no deductible applies	100% per visit, no deductible applies
immunizations		
Immunization limits	Subject to any age and frequency limits provided for in the comprehensive guidelines supported by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention	Subject to any age and frequency limits provided for in the comprehensive guidelines supported by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
	For details, contact your physician	For details, contact your physician
Preventive screening	100% per visit, no deductible applies	100% per visit, no deductible applies
and counseling services		
Preventive screening	See the <i>Preventive care services</i> section	See the <i>Preventive care services</i> section
and counseling limits	of the schedule	of the schedule

Important Note:

Designated network provider

A network provider listed in the directory under *Best Results for your plan* as a provider for your plan.

Non-designated network provider

A **provider** listed in the directory under the *All other results* tab as a **provider** for your plan. See the *Contact us* section if you have questions.

You will pay less cost share when you use a designated network **walk-in clinic provider**. Non-designated network **walk-in clinic providers** are available to you, but the cost share will be at a higher level when these **providers** are used.

Assistive Technology

Persons using assistive technology may not be able to fully access the following information. For assistance, please call 1-888-982-3862.

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TTY: 711

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Para acceder a los servicios de idiomas sin costo, llame al 1-888-982-3862. (Spanish)

如欲使用免費語言服務,請致電 1-888-982-3862。(Chinese)

Afin d'accéder aux services langagiers sans frais, composez le 1-888-982-3862. (French)

Para ma-access ang mga serbisyo sa wika nang wala kayong babayaran, tumawag sa 1-888-982-3862. (Tagalog)

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N dyi wudu-dù kà kò dò bě dyi móuń nì Pídyi ní, nìí, dá nòbà nìà kɛ: 1-888-982-3862. (Kru-Bassa)

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For tilgang til kostnadsfri språktjenester, ring 1-888-982-3862. (Norwegian)

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Pentru a accesa gratuit serviciile de limbă, apelați 1-888-982-3862. (Romanian)

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PRESCRIPTION DRUG CARD PROGRAM

Eligible expenses include Prescription Drugs and medicines prescribed by a Physician or authorized prescriber and dispensed by a licensed pharmacist, which are deemed necessary for treatment of an Illness or Injury including but not limited to: insulin; hypodermic needles or syringes, but only when dispensed upon a written prescription of a licensed Physician or authorized prescriber; diabetic supplies; medication; growth hormones; and contraceptives (regardless of intended use).

Please note Prescription Drugs are subject to the cost-sharing provisions described in the Prescription Drug Schedule of Benefits unless the Prescription Drug qualifies as a Preventive Care Drug (as described below). When your prescription is filled at a retail pharmacy, the maximum amount or quantity of Prescription Drugs covered per Copay is a 30-day supply. Maintenance drugs of more than a 30-day supply may be purchased through the mail order program or any participating CVS retail pharmacy.

When using the mail order program, the maximum amount or quantity of Prescription Drugs covered per Copay is a 90-day supply.

Expenses for injectables that are not covered under the Prescription Drug Card Program and are Medically Necessary for the treatment of a covered Illness or Injury will be payable under the medical benefits section of the Plan subject to any applicable major medical Deductibles and Coinsurance as well as any coverage limitations and exclusions applicable to the major medical component of the Plan. Please refer to the Eligible Medical Expenses and the General Limitations and Exclusions section of the Plan.

NOTE: Coverage, limitations and exclusions for Prescription Drugs will be determined through the Prescription Drug Card Program elected by the Plan Sponsor, OptumRx, and will not be subject to any limitations and exclusions under the major medical component of the Plan (except for injectables that are not covered under the Prescription Drug Card Program). For a complete listing of Prescription Drugs available under the Prescription Drug Card Program, as well as any exclusions or limitations that may apply, please go to www.optumrx.com or call the OptumRx customer service representative at 800.797.9791.

Maintenance Drug Program

All maintenance drugs must be filled either at OptumRx mail order or any participating CVS retail pharmacy.

Specialty Pharmacy Program

Self-administered Specialty Care Prescription Drugs that do not require administration under the direct supervision of a Physician must be obtained directly from OptumRx specialty pharmacy. For additional information, please contact OptumRx Customer Service at 855.427.4682.

Specialty Care Prescription Drugs that must be administered in a Physician's office, infusion center or other clinical setting, or the Covered Person's home by a third party, usually will be considered under the Medical Benefits section of the Plan. In some cases, these products will be dispensed by the Pharmacy provider. Many of the drugs that can be self-administered and do not require the direct supervision of a Physician are only eligible under the Prescription Drug Program. The Specialty Pharmacy team at OptumRx will assist to assure a smooth transition.

Copay Assistance Program

Discounts coupons, or similar financial assistance provided by drug manufacturers or pharmacies to assist you in covering the cost of your specialty medications (including any prescription drug discount/coupons provided to pharmacies when you fill a prescription) will not count against your annual deductible or maximum out-of-pocket requirement. Only the amount that you pay separate and apart from the financial assistance will be credited as true out-of-pocket payment that will apply to your annual deductible and maximum out-of-pocket requirement.

Example:

If your specialty medication costs \$100, and you use an \$80 coupon or debit card and then pay the remaining \$20 out of pocket, only the \$20 will apply to your annual deductible or maximum out-of-pocket limits.

In order for the plan to better manage available manufacturer-funded copay assistance, copays for certain specialty medications may vary and be set to approximate the maximum of any available manufacturer-funded copay assistance programs. However, in no case will true out-of-pocket costs to the participant be greater than the maximum copayment published in the Plan Document and Summary Plan Description. Finally, manufacturer-funded copay assistance received will not be credited to your annual deductible or maximum out-of-pocket requirement.

Brand-Name Prescription Drug: A prescription drug with a proprietary name assigned to it by the manufacturer and so indicated by First DataBank or any other similar publication designated by OptumRx or an affiliate.

Generic Prescription Drug: A prescription drug, whether identified by its chemical, proprietary, or nonproprietary name, that is accepted by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration as therapeutically equivalent and interchangeable with drugs having an identical amount of the same active ingredient and so indicated by First DataBank or any other publication designated by OptumRx or an affiliate.

Non-Preferred Brand-Name Prescription Drug (Non-Formulary): A Brand-Named prescription drug or generic prescription drug that does not appear on the preferred drug guide.

Preferred Brand-Name Prescription Drug (Formulary): Is a Brand-Named prescription drug or generic prescription drug that appears on the preferred drug guide.

Prescription Drug: Any of the following: (a) a Food and Drug Administration-approved drug or medicine, which, under federal law, is required to bear the legend, "Caution: federal law prohibits dispensing without prescription"; (b) injectable insulin; or (c) hypodermic needles or syringes, but only when dispensed upon a written prescription of a licensed Physician. Such drug must be Medically Necessary in the treatment of an Illness or Injury.

Preventive Care Drug means items which have been identified by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) as a preventive service.

For a list of Preventive Care Drugs, contact OptumRx customer service at 800.797.9791.

Specialty medications are generally defined as drugs that have one or more of the following characteristics:

- the drug and/or disease state is complex, and screening or ongoing clinical monitoring is necessary to ensure drug efficacy and/or to manage potential side effects;
- administration may be complicated (e.g. injectables), requiring robust patient education and monitoring;
- o they may require special handling or storage conditions;
- these drugs are likely high cost.

You may access a complete list of Specialty prescription Drugs by going to OptumRx.com or calling OptumRx specialty pharmacy at 855.427.4682.

Accessing Pharmacies and Benefits

This Plan provides access to covered benefits through a network of pharmacies, vendors, and suppliers. OptumRx has contracted for these Network Pharmacies to provide Prescription Drugs and other supplies to you. Obtaining your benefits through Network Pharmacies has many advantages. Benefits and cost sharing may also vary by the type of Network Pharmacy where you obtain your Prescription Drug and whether you purchase a brand-name or generic drug. Network Pharmacies include retail, mail order and specialty pharmacies. The Plan will only pay for outpatient Prescription Drugs that you obtain from a Network Pharmacy.

You may select a Network Pharmacy from OptumRx's on-line provider directory which can be found at OptumRx.com. You can search OptumRx's online directory, for names and locations of Network Pharmacies. If you cannot locate a Network Pharmacy in your area, call OptumRx customer service at 800.797.9791.

You must present your ID card to the Network Pharmacy every time you get a Prescription filled to be eligible for Network Pharmacy benefits. The Network Pharmacy will calculate your claim online. You will pay any Deductible, Copay or Coinsurance directly to the Network Pharmacy. You do not have to complete or submit claim forms. The Network Pharmacy will take care of claim submission.

What the Plan Covers

The Plan covers charges for Medically Necessary outpatient Prescription Drugs for the treatment of an Illness or Injury, subject to the *Prescription Drug Limitations* section below and the *General Limitations* and *Exclusions* section of the Plan. Prescriptions must be written by a Prescriber licensed to prescribe federal legend Prescription Drugs.

Your Prescription Drug benefit coverage is based on drugs covered under the OptumRx formulary. Your out-of-pocket expenses may be higher if your Physician prescribes a covered Prescription Drug that is considered a Non-Preferred Brand-Name drug.

Preferred Generic Prescription Drugs may be substituted by your pharmacist for Brand-Name Prescription Drugs. You may minimize your out-of-pocket expenses by selecting a Generic Prescription Drug when available. Coverage of Prescription Drugs may, in OptumRx's sole discretion, be subject to Prior Authorization or other OptumRx requirements or limitations. Prescription Drugs covered by this Plan are subject to drug and narcotic utilization review by OptumRx, your Provider and/or your Network Pharmacy. This may include limiting access of Prescription Drugs prescribed by a specific Provider. Such limitation may be enforced in the event that OptumRx identifies an unusual pattern of claims for Covered Expenses. Coverage for Prescription Drugs and supplies is limited to the supply limits as described below.

Retail Pharmacy Benefits

Outpatient Prescription Drugs are covered when dispensed by a Retail Pharmacy. Each Prescription is limited to a maximum 30 day supply when filled at a Retail Pharmacy. Prescriptions for 31 to 90 day supply can be filled at any CVS retail pharmacy.

Maintenance medications: Maximum 30 day supply allowed at a retail pharmacy. Maintenance prescriptions can be filled for a 31 to 90 day supply at any CVS retail pharmacy or through OptumRx mail order service.

Mail Order Pharmacy Benefits

Generally, the drugs available through mail order are maintenance drugs that you take on a regular basis for a chronic or long-term medical condition. All maintenance drug prescriptions must be filled by OptumRx mail order service or a CVS retail pharmacy.

How Do I Get Started?

Sign in to OptumRx.com. Once you register, you may review details about your medications, request new prescriptions or refills, and manage your shipping/payment details. You can request email or text updates be sent about your orders.

How Do I Set Up New Prescriptions?

Option #1: Your Doctor Sends Your Prescription to OptumRx

Have your doctor submit your prescription electronically to OptumRx.

Option #2: Mail OptumRx Your Prescription

Have your doctor write a prescription for a 90-day supply, with up to three refills.

Complete the order form, available from OptumRx at OptumRx.com.

Send the prescription and order form to the mail order service with your form of payment. Once you have mailed your prescriptions, allow two to three weeks for delivery. If you need to start taking the medication right away, ask your doctor to write a second prescription for up to a 30-day supply. You can have this short-term prescription filled at a network retail pharmacy.

Prescriptions from OptumRx should arrive within 5 business days after your complete order is received. You can check the status of your orders at OptumRx.com or on the mobile app.

Questions? Call OptumRx customer service at 800.797.9791.

Network Benefits for Specialty Care Drugs

Specialty Prescription Drugs often include typically high-cost drugs that require special handling, special storage or monitoring and include but are not limited to oral, topical, inhaled and you can also call OptumRx specialty customer service for assistance at 855.427.4682.

Specialty Prescription Drugs are covered when dispensed through OptumRx. All Specialty Prescription Drugs, except as noted below, fills including the initial fill must be filled at OptumRx.

Note: In some cases, anticoagulant specialty drugs may not need to be filled at OptumRx. Please contact OptumRx to verify coverage before purchase.

Other Covered Expenses

The following Prescription Drugs, medications and supplies are also Covered Expenses under this coverage.

Off-Label Use

FDA approved Prescription Drugs may be covered when the off-label use of the drug has not been approved by the FDA for that indication.

Diabetic Supplies

Covered expenses include but are not limited to the following diabetic supplies upon Prescription by a Physician:

- 1. Diabetic needles and syringes.
- 2. Test strips for glucose monitoring and/or visual reading.
- 3. Lancets/lancing devices.

Contraceptives

Covered Expenses include charges made by a Network Pharmacy for the following contraceptive methods when prescribed by a Prescriber and the Prescription is submitted to the pharmacist for processing:

- 1. Female oral and injectable contraceptives that are Generic Prescription Drugs and Brand-Name Prescription Drugs.
- 2. Female contraceptive devices.
- 3. FDA-approved female generic emergency contraceptives; and.
- 4. FDA-approved female generic over-the-counter (OTC) contraceptives.

Contraceptives can be paid either under your Medical plan or Pharmacy plan depending on the type of expense and how and where the expense is Incurred. Benefits are paid under your Medical plan for female contraceptive prescription drugs and devices (including any related services and supplies) when they are provided, administered, or removed, by a Physician during an office visit.

Important Notes:

This Plan does not cover all contraceptives. For a current listing, contact OptumRx customer service at 800.797.9791 or go to OptumRx.com.

Refer to the *Copay and Deductible Waiver* section of your *Prescription Schedule of Benefits* for costsharing information.

Preventive Care Drugs and Supplements

Covered Expenses include preventive care drugs and supplements (including over-the-counter drugs and supplements) obtained at a Network Pharmacy. They are covered when they are:

- 1. Prescribed by a Physician;
- 2. Obtained at a Pharmacy; and
- 3. Submitted to a pharmacist for processing.

The preventive care drugs and supplements covered under this Plan include, but may not be limited to:

- 1. Aspirin: Benefits are available to adults.
- 2. Oral Fluoride Supplements: Benefits are available to children whose primary water source is deficient in fluoride.
- 3. Folic Acid Supplements: Benefits are available to adult females planning to become pregnant or capable of pregnancy.
- 4. Risk-Reducing Breast Cancer Prescription Drugs: Covered medical expenses include charges Incurred for Generic Prescription Drugs prescribed by a Physician for a woman who is at increased risk for breast cancer and is at low risk for adverse medication side effects.
- 5. Vaccines
- 6. Bowel Prep Products
- 7. Nicotine products for Tobacco Cessation

Important Note:

For details on the guidelines and the current list of covered preventive care drugs and supplements, contact your Physician or OptumRx customer service at 800.797.9791.

Tobacco Cessation Prescription and Over-the-Counter Drugs

Covered Expenses include FDA-approved Prescription Drugs and over-the-counter (OTC) drugs to help stop the use of tobacco products, when prescribed by a Prescriber and the Prescription is submitted to the pharmacist for processing.

Refer to the *Prescription Schedule of Benefits* for the cost-sharing and supply limits that apply to these benefits.

Vaccine Program

The Vaccine Program assist members with vaccines and flu shots at in network pharmacies at no cost to the member. The program includes the following

- Flu (seasonal influenza)
- Tetanus/Diphtheria/Pertussis
- Hepatitis
- Human Papillomavirus (HPV)
- Meningitis
- Pneumonia
- Shingles/Zoster

• Childhood Vaccines (MMR, etc.)

Coverage of vaccines will be subject to any sex, age, medical condition, family history, and frequency guidelines in the recommendations of the United States Preventive Services Task Force.

Prior Authorization

Some medications are not covered unless you first receive approval through a coverage review (also known as prior authorization). This review uses plan rules based on FDA-approved prescribing and safety information, clinical guidelines and uses that are considered reasonable, safe and effective.

There are other mediations that may be covered, but with limits (for example, only for a certain amount or for certain uses), unless you receive approval through a coverage review. During this review, OptumRx asks your doctor for more information than what is on the prescription before the medications may be covered under your plan. To find out whether a medication requires a coverage review log in to OptumRx.com, select "Member Tools" under "Drug Pricing and Information," and search for your medication. A coverage review alert will appear if applicable, and on the pricing results page, select "View coverage notes" to see coverage details.

Benefits will be reduced or denied if OptumRx does not prior authorize your Prescription Drug.

How to Obtain Prior Authorization

If an outpatient Prescription Drug requires Prior Authorization and you use a Network Pharmacy, the Prescriber should obtain Prior Authorization for you.

If Prior Authorization is denied OptumRx will notify you how the decision can be appealed.

Pharmacy Benefit Limitations

OptumRx will not reimburse you for out-of-pocket expenses for Prescription Drugs purchased from an Out-of-Network Pharmacy.

OptumRx retains the right to review all requests for reimbursement and in its sole discretion make reimbursement determinations subject to the Claim Procedures section of the Plan.

The number of Copays/Deductibles you are responsible for per vial of Depo-Provera, an injectable contraceptive, or similar type contraceptive dispensed for more than a 30 day supply, will be based on the 90 day supply level. Coverage is limited to a maximum of 1 injection/vial every 90 days.

Some Prescription Drugs are subject to quantity limits. These quantity limits help your Prescriber and pharmacist check that your Prescription Drug is used correctly and safely. OptumRx relies on medical guidelines, FDA-approved recommendations from drug makers and other criteria to set these quantity limits. The quantity limit may restrict either the amount dispensed per Prescription order or refill.

Depending on the form and packing of the product, some Prescription Drugs are limited to a single commercially prepackaged item excluding insulin, diabetic supplies, test strips dispensed per Prescription order or refill.

Depending on the form and packing of the product, some Prescription Drugs are limited to 100 units excluding insulin dispensed per Prescription order or refill.

Any Prescription Drug that has duration of action extending beyond one month shall require the number of Copays per prescribing unit that is equal to the anticipated duration of the medication. For example, a single injection of a drug that is effective for 3 months would require 3 Copays.

Pharmacy Benefit Exclusions

Not every health care service or supply is covered by the Plan. Even if prescribed, recommended, or approved by your Physician or Dentist it may not be covered. The Plan covers only those services and supplies that are Medically Necessary and included in the *What the Plan Covers* section or the plans formulary which can be accessed at OptumRx.com. Charges made for the following are not covered except to the extent listed under the *What the Plan Covers* section or by amendment attached to this Plan. In addition, some services are specifically limited or excluded. This section describes expenses that are not covered or subject to special limitations.

These Prescription Drug exclusions are in addition to the exclusions listed under the *General Exclusions* and *Limitations* section of the Plan.

- 1. Abortion drugs.
- 2. Administration or injection of any drug.
- 3. Any charges in excess of the benefit, dollar, day, or supply limits stated in this Plan.
- 4. Allergy sera and extracts.
- 5. Any non-emergency charges incurred outside of the United States if you traveled to such location to obtain Prescription Drugs, or supplies, even if otherwise covered under this Plan. This also includes Prescription Drugs or supplies if:
 - (a) Such drugs or supplies are unavailable or illegal in the United States, or
 - (b) The purchase of such Prescription Drugs or supplies outside the United States is considered illegal.
- 6. Biological sera, blood, blood plasma, blood products or substitutes or any other blood products.
- 7. Contraception:
 - (a) Over the counter contraceptive supplies including but not limited to:
 - (i) condoms;
 - (ii) contraceptive foams;
 - (iii) jellies; and
 - (iv) ointments.
 - (b) Services associated with the prescribing, monitoring and/or administration of contraceptives.
- 8. Cosmetic drugs, medications or preparations used for Cosmetic purposes or to promote hair growth or removal, including but not limited to:
 - (a) health and beauty aids;
 - (b) chemical peels;
 - (c) dermabrasion;
 - (d) treatments;
 - (e) bleaching;
 - (f) creams;
 - (g) ointments or other treatments or supplies, to remove tattoos, scars or to alter the appearance or texture of the skin.
- 9. Compounded Prescriptions over the \$50 limit or when ingredients are not on the formulary.
- 10. Devices and appliances that do not have the National Drug Code (NDC).
- 11. Dietary supplements including medical foods.
- 12. Drugs given or entirely consumed at the time and place it is prescribed or dispensed.
- 13. Drugs for which the cost is recoverable under any federal, state, or government agency or any medication for which there is no charge made to the recipient.
- 14. Drugs which do not, by federal or state law, require a Prescription order (i.e. over-the-counter (OTC) drugs), even if a Prescription is written (except as specifically covered in the *What the Plan Covers* section).
- 15. Drugs provided by, or while the person is an Inpatient in, any healthcare facility; or for any drugs provided on an outpatient basis in any such institution to the extent benefits are payable for it.
- 16. Drugs that include vitamins and minerals, both over-the counter (OTC) and legend, except legend pre-natal vitamins for pregnant or nursing females, liquid or chewable legend pediatric vitamins and potassium supplements to prevent/treat low potassium and legend vitamins that

are Medically Necessary for the treatment of renal disease, hyperparathyroidism, or other covered conditions with prior approval from OptumRx unless recommended by the United States Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF).

- 17. All drugs or growth hormones used to stimulate growth and treat idiopathic short stature unless there is evidence that the Covered Person meets one or more clinical criteria detailed in our Prior Authorization and clinical policies.
- 18. Durable Medical Equipment monitors and other equipment (except as specifically covered in the *What the Plan Covers* section).
- 19. Experimental and/or Investigational drugs or devices.
- 20. Food items: Any food item, including:
 - (a) infant formulas;
 - (b) nutritional supplements;
 - (c) vitamins;
 - (d) medical foods and other nutritional items, even if it is the sole source of nutrition.
- 21. Genetics: Any treatment, device, drug, or supply to alter the body's genes, genetic make-up, or the expression of the body's genes except for the correction of congenital birth defects.
- 22. Glucometers. May be obtained free of charge through a manufacturer.
- 23. Implantable drugs and associated devices (except as specifically covered in the *What the Plan Covers* section).
- 24. Injectables:
 - (a) Any charges for the administration or injection of Prescription Drugs or injectable insulin and other injectable drugs covered by the Plan;
 - (b) Injectable drugs dispensed by Out-of-Network Pharmacies;
 - (c) Needles and syringes, except for diabetic needles and syringes;
- 25. Prescription Drugs dispensed by an Out-of-Network Pharmacy.
- 26. Prescription orders filled prior to the effective date or after the termination date of coverage under this Plan.
- 27. Tobacco use: Any treatment, drug, service, or supply to stop or reduce smoking or the use of other tobacco products or to treat or reduce nicotine addiction, dependence or cravings. This includes medications, nicotine patches and gum (except as specifically covered in the *What the Plan Covers* section).
- 28. Strength and performance: Drugs or preparations, devices or supplies to enhance strength, physical condition, endurance, or physical performance, including performance enhancing steroids.
- 29. Supplies, devices, or equipment of any type, except as specifically provided in the *What the Plan Covers* section.
- 30. Test agents except diabetic test agents
- 31. Drugs specifically listed as not covered.

PRESCRIPTION DRUG SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS Medical Plan Name: Savers HDHP

Copays/Deductibles

PER PRESCRIPTION COPAY/DEDUCTIBLE	NETWORK BENEFIT	OUT-OF-NETWORK BENEFIT
Generic Prescription Drugs For each 30 day supply filled at a retail Pharmacy	\$15 copay after deductible	
For all fills of at least a 31 day supply up to a 90 day supply filled at OptumRx or any CVS retail pharmacy.	\$30 copay after deductible	Not Covered
Preferred Brand-Name Prescription Drugs For each 30 day supply filled at a retail Pharmacy	\$45 copay after deductible	Not Covered
For all fills of at least a 31 day supply up to a 90 day supply filled at OptumRx or any CVS retail pharmacy.	\$90 copay after deductible	Not Covered
Non-Preferred Brand-Name Prescription Drugs For each 30 day supply filled at a retail Pharmacy	\$80 copay after deductible	Not Covered
For all fills of at least a 31 day supply up to a 90 day supply filled at OptumRx or any CVS retail pharmacy.	\$160 copay after deductible	Not Covered
Specialty Prescription Drugs For each 30 day supply. Must be ordered through OptumRx. Limited to 30 day supply	25% coinsurance after deductible up to \$250	Not Covered

If you or your Prescriber request a covered Brand-Name Prescription Drug when a covered Generic Prescription Drug equivalent is available, you will be responsible for the cost difference between the Generic Prescription Drug and the Brand-Name Prescription Drug, plus the applicable cost sharing.

Copay and Deductible Waiver

Waiver for Risk-Reducing Breast Cancer Prescription Drugs

The per Prescription Copay/Deductible and any Prescription Drug Calendar Year Deductible will not apply to risk-reducing breast cancer Generic Prescription Drugs when obtained at a Network Pharmacy. This means that such risk-reducing breast cancer Generic Prescription Drugs will be paid at 100%.

Deductible and Copay/Coinsurance waiver for tobacco cessation prescription and over-the-counter drugs

The Prescription Drug Deductible and the per Prescription Copay/Coinsurance will not apply to the first two 90-day treatment regimens for tobacco cessation Prescription Drugs and OTC drugs when obtained at a Network Pharmacy. This means that such Prescription Drugs and OTC drugs will be paid at 100%. Your Prescription Drug Deductible and any Prescription Copay/Coinsurance will apply after those 2 regimens have been exhausted.

Waiver for Prescription Drug Contraceptives

The per Prescription Copay/Deductible and any Prescription Drug Calendar Year Deductible will not apply to contraceptive methods that are:

- 1. Generic Prescription Drugs; contraceptive devices; or
- 2. FDA-approved female generic emergency contraceptives, when obtained at a Network Pharmacy. This means that such contraceptive methods will be paid at 100%.

Refer to the Pharmacy Plan Features for information on coverage for FDA-Approved female over-thecounter contraceptives (Non-Emergency).

The per prescription Copay/Deductible and any Prescription Drug Calendar Year Deductible continue to apply:

- 1. When the contraceptive methods listed above are obtained at an Out-of-Network Pharmacy
- 2. For contraceptive methods that are:
 - a. Brand-Name Prescription Drugs and devices and
 - b. FDA-approved female brand-name emergency contraceptives, that have a generic equivalent, or generic alternative available within the same therapeutic drug class obtained at an Out-of-Network Pharmacy or Network Pharmacy unless you are granted a medical exception.

PLAN FEATURES	NETWORK BENEFIT	OUT-OF-NETWORK BENEFIT
FDA-Approved Female Generic Over-the Counter Contraceptives	100% per supply	Not covered
For each 30 day supply filled at a retail Pharmacy	No Copay or Deductible applies	
FDA-Approved Female Generic Emergency Over-the-Counter Contraceptives	100% per supply No Copay or Deductible applies	Not covered
Important Note: This Plan does not cover all over-the-counter OptumRx customer service at 800.797.9791 c Preventive Care Drugs and Supplements Preventive care drugs and supplements filled at a Pharmacy with a Prescription:		
Coverage will be subject to any sex, age, medical condition, family history, and frequency guidelines in the recommendations of the United States Preventive Services Task Force. For details on the guidelines and the current list of covered preventive care drugs and supplements, contact your Physician or OptumRx customer service at 800.797.9791.	100% per item No Copay or Deductible applies	Not Covered
Important Note:		

Refer to the \Preventive Care section for a cor supplements covered under this Plan and for a Tobacco Cessation Prescription and Over the Counter Drugs		
Tobacco cessation Prescription Drugs and OTC drugs filled at a Pharmacy for each 90 day supply.	100% per supply No Copay or Deductible applies	Not Covered
Maximums: Coverage is permitted for two 90-day treatment regimens only. Any additional treatment regimens will be subject to the cost sharing in your schedule of benefits below. Coverage will be subject to any sex, age, medical condition, family history, and frequency guidelines in the recommendations of the United States Preventive Services Task Force. For details on the guidelines and the current list of covered tobacco cessation prescription drugs and OTC drugs, contact OptumRx customer service at 800.797.9791.		

Coinsurance

BENEFIT DESCRIPTION	NETWORK BENEFIT	OUT-OF-NETWORK BENEFIT
Prescription Drug Plan Coinsurance	100% of the negotiated charge	Not Covered

The Prescription Drug Plan Coinsurance is the percentage of Prescription Drug Covered Expenses that the Plan pays after any applicable Deductibles and Copays have been met.

Prescription Drug Payment Limit

BENEFIT DESCRIPTION	NETWORK BENEFIT	OUT-OF-NETWORK BENEFIT
Prescription Drug Payment Limit	\$4,200 Individual	N/A
Medical and Pharmacy Combined	\$8,400 Family	

Individual Prescription Drug Payment Limit: Your Plan has limitations set for what you are expected to contribute. Your Plan will pay benefits for Prescription Drug Covered Expenses, as follows:

- 1. Network Prescription Drug Payment Limit When your share or your covered Dependent's share of Network Prescription Drug Covered Expenses reach the Prescription Drug payment limit in a Calendar Year, your Plan will pay 100% of that person's Network Prescription Drug Covered Expenses for the rest of the Calendar Year.
- 2. Out-of-Network Prescription Drug Payment Limit Does not apply.

Family Prescription Drug Payment Limit. Your Plan has limitations set for what your family is expected to contribute. Your Plan will pay benefits for Covered Expenses as follows:

1. Network Prescription Drug Payment Limit

When your share and your covered Dependents share of Network Prescription Drug Covered Expenses combined reach the family Prescription Drug Payment Limit in a Calendar Year, your Plan will pay 100% of the family's Network Prescription Drug Covered Expenses for the rest of the Calendar Year.

2. Out-of-Network Prescription Drug Payment Limit Does not apply.

Excluded Covered Expenses

Certain Prescription Drug Covered Expenses do not apply toward your individual Prescription Drug Payment Percentage limit and the family Prescription Drug Payment Percentage limit. These include:

- 1. Expenses applied toward a Deductible or Copay amount.
- 2. Expenses above the recognized charge.
- 3. Expenses Incurred because you failed to obtain any necessary Prior Authorization.
- 4. Non-covered expenses.
- 5. Any manufacturer-funded copay assistance received.

Prior Authorization for certain Prescription Drugs is required. If Prior Authorization is not obtained, the Prescription Drug will not be covered.

Expense Provisions The following provisions apply to the Major Medical portion of the Plan.

This Prescription Schedule of Benefits replaces any Prescription Schedule of Benefits previously in effect under your Plan.

Copay Provisions

This is a specified dollar amount or percentage, shown in the Prescription Schedule of Benefits, you are required to pay for Covered Expenses.

Payment Provisions

Payment Percentage

This is the percentage of your Covered Expenses that the Plan pays and the percentage of Covered Expenses that you pay. The percentage that the Plan pays is referred to as the "Plan Payment Percentage". Once applicable Deductibles have been met, your Plan will pay a percentage of the Covered Expenses, and you will be responsible for the rest of the costs. The Payment Percentage may vary by the type of expense. Refer to your Prescription Schedule of Benefits for Payment Percentage amounts for each covered benefit.

Submitting a Claim

In an emergency, you may need to request reimbursement for prescriptions that you have filled and paid for yourself. To submit a claim, you must provide specific information about the prescription, the reason you are requesting reimbursement, and any payments made by primary insurers. Complete the appropriate claim form and mail it along with the appropriate pharmacy receipt to:

OptumRx P.O. Box 650334 Dallas, TX 75265-0334

How do I file an appeal?

OptumRx offers a two-level appeal process for Learning Care Group members. These levels are:

- Level 1 initial benefit reconsideration appeal
- Level 2 medical necessity appeal

Initial Benefit Reconsideration (1st level)

Appeals not relating to clinical benefits (e.g., eligibility, copay issues, plan exclusions, quantity limits, etc.) are reviewed by the appeals analyst who has knowledge of the plan document. These benefit appeals are reviewed strictly against the plan design.

Appeal determinations for clinical based denials (e.g., diagnosis, prior authorization) are reviewed by the appeals pharmacist. These appeals are reviewed against the client approved criteria for the drug based on its approved FDA indication(s). These appeals are not reviewed for medical necessity. They are reviewed to be sure the criteria

were applied correctly and if the information submitted with the appeal would now meet the criteria. If the appeals pharmacist denies the Level 1 clinical based appeal, the participant or physician may submit for a second level appeal to determine medical necessity.

Medical Necessity Appeals (2nd level)

Medical necessity appeals are only for prior authorization (diagnosis based) denials that were upheld in the first appeal. If the appeals pharmacist has denied a clinical appeal, the participant or physician may submit a second appeal for medical necessity.

All medical necessity appeals are sent to an external medical review organization. An independent physician will review the criteria, patient/physician documentation and available medical literature to determine if the drug is medically necessary for the participant's situation. A medical necessity review will consider criteria outside the standard FDA approved indications.

Appeal Review Time Frame

First level appeals not related to clinical benefits are reviewed within 30 days. First level clinical appeals are reviewed within 15 days. Second level medical necessity appeals are reviewed within 15 days.

Urgent appeals may only be requested for clinical based (e.g., diagnosis based, prior authorization) appeals and can only be requested by the participant's physician. Urgent appeals are reviewed within 72 hours.

Participants are notified in writing of the appeal decision. If the appeal decision is a denial, the participant is also advised of their rights for their next option in the appeals process.

Submitting an Appeal

The participant or their representative (e.g., physician) should submit their appeal in writing either by fax or mail to the OptumRx Appeals Coordinator. This information is provided in Prior Authorization denial letters and notifies members of their right to appeal within 60 days of notice.

OptumRx c/o Appeals Coordinator P.O. Box 25184 Santa Ana, CA 92799 Fax: 877.239.4565