

Summary of Benefits & Coverage

All private health plans must use this standard form. The information is laid out the same for every plan, making it easier for you to compare.

Insurance Company 1: Plan Option 1

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This is only a summary. If you want more detail about your coverage and costs, you can get the complete terms in the policy or plan document at [www.\[insert\]](#) or by calling 1-800-[insert].

Important Questions	Answers	Why this Matters:
What is the overall <u>deductible</u> ?	\$500 person / \$1,000 family Doesn't apply to preventive care	You must pay all the costs up to the deductible amount before this plan begins to pay for covered services you use. Check your policy or plan document to see when the deductible starts over (usually, but not always, January 1st). See the chart starting on page 2 for how much you pay for covered services after you meet the deductible .
Are there other <u>deductibles</u> for specific services?	Yes. \$300 for prescription drug coverage. There are no other specific deductibles .	You must pay all of the costs for these services up to the specific deductible amount before this plan begins to pay for these services.
Is there an <u>out-of-pocket limit</u> on my expenses?	Yes. For participating providers \$2,500 person / \$5,000 family For non-participating providers \$4,000 person / \$8,000 family	The out-of-pocket limit is the most you could pay during a coverage period (usually one year) for your share of the cost of covered services. This limit helps you plan for health care expenses.
What is not included in the <u>out-of-pocket limit</u> ?	Premiums, balance-billed charges, and health care this plan doesn't cover.	Even though you pay these expenses, they don't count toward the out-of-pocket limit .
Is there an overall annual limit on what the plan pays?	No.	The chart starting on page 2 describes any <u>limits on what the plan will pay for specific covered services</u> , such as office visits.
Does this plan use a <u>network of providers</u> ?	Yes. See www.[insert].com or call 1-800-[insert] for a list of participating providers.	If you use an in-network doctor or other health care provider , this plan will pay some or all of the costs of covered services. Be aware, your in-network doctor or hospital may use an out-of-network provider for some services. Plans use the term in-network, preferred , or participating for providers in their network . See the chart starting on page 2 for how this plan pays different kinds of providers .
Do I need a referral to see a <u>specialist</u> ?	No. You don't need a referral to see a specialist.	You can see the specialist you choose without permission from this plan.
Are there services this plan doesn't cover?	Yes.	Some of the services this plan doesn't cover are listed on page 4. See your policy or plan document for additional information about excluded services .

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Didn't get this form?

You're legally entitled to it (except if it is a Medicare plan), so ask your insurance company or benefits manager for a copy.

Worst-case scenario. Add together this out-of-pocket limit and your annual premiums. This is the most you will have to pay in a year, no matter how much it costs overall.

The vast majority of plans cover all major medical services, but may still exclude certain things such as cosmetic surgery, assisted reproductive treatments, or dental care for adults.

If there are hospitals or doctors you prefer, make sure they participate with a plan before you select it. Using providers outside your plan's network can be very costly.

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- **Copayments** are fixed dollar amounts (for example, \$15) you pay for covered health care, usually when you receive the service.
- **Coinsurance** is *your* share of the costs of a covered service, calculated as a percent of the **allowed amount** for the service. For example, if the plan's **allowed amount** for an overnight hospital stay is \$1,000, your **coinsurance** payment of 20% would be \$200. This may change if you haven't met your **deductible**.
- The amount the plan pays for covered services is based on the **allowed amount**. If an out-of-network **provider** charges more than the **allowed amount**, you may have to pay the difference. For example, if an out-of-network hospital charges \$1,500 for an overnight stay and the **allowed amount** is \$1,000, you may have to pay the \$500 difference. (This is called **balance billing**.)
- This plan may encourage you to use participating **providers** by charging you lower **deductibles, copayments** and **coinsurance** amounts.

Translation: the insurance company gets to decide how much it will pay for out-of-network care. You're responsible for the rest. It can be a lot.

Common Medical Event	Services You May Need	Your Cost If You Use a Participating Provider	Your Cost If You Use a Non-Participating Provider	Limitations & Exceptions
If you visit a health care provider's office or clinic	Primary care visit to treat an injury or illness	\$35 copay/visit	40% coinsurance	_____none_____
	Specialist visit	\$50 copay/visit	40% coinsurance	_____none_____
	Other practitioner office visit	20% coinsurance for chiropractor and acupuncture	40% coinsurance for chiropractor and acupuncture	_____none_____
	Preventive care/screening/immunization	No charge	40% coinsurance	
If you have a test	Diagnostic test (x-ray, blood work)	\$10 copay/test	40% coinsurance	_____none_____
	Imaging (CT/PET scans, MRIs)	\$50 copay/test	40% coinsurance	_____none_____

Think about your own medical needs and look at the detail on pages 2-4 of the form to estimate what you can expect to pay for those specific services.

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If you need drugs to treat your illness or condition More information about <u>prescription drug coverage</u> is available at www.[insert] .	Generic drugs	\$10 copay/prescription (retail and mail order)	40% coinsurance	Covers up to a 30-day supply (retail prescription); 31-90 day supply (mail order prescription)
	Preferred brand drugs	20% coinsurance (retail and mail order)	40% coinsurance	—————none—————
	Non-preferred brand drugs	40% coinsurance (retail and mail order)	60% coinsurance	—————none—————
	Specialty drugs	50% coinsurance	70% coinsurance	—————none—————
If you have outpatient surgery	Facility fee (e.g., ambulatory surgery center)	20% coinsurance	40% coinsurance	—————none—————
	Physician/surgeon fees	20% coinsurance	40% coinsurance	—————none—————
If you need immediate medical attention	Emergency room services	20% coinsurance	20% coinsurance	—————none—————
	Emergency medical transportation	20% coinsurance	20% coinsurance	—————none—————
	Urgent care	20% coinsurance	40% coinsurance	—————none—————
If you have a hospital stay	Facility fee (e.g., hospital room)	20% coinsurance	40% coinsurance	—————none—————
	Physician/surgeon fee	20% coinsurance	40% coinsurance	—————none—————

Expensive drugs live here. “Specialty drugs,” many of which have to be injected, tend to be for cancer, multiple sclerosis, and other serious diseases. They can cost thousands of dollars a month. If you take one of these drugs, check the plan’s formulary list of covered drugs, to make sure it is covered.

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Excluded Services & Other Covered Services:

Services Your Plan Does NOT Cover (This isn't a complete list. Check your policy or plan document for other excluded services.)

- Cosmetic surgery
- **Dental care (Adult)**
- Infertility treatment
- Long-term care
- Non-emergency care when traveling outside the U.S.
- Private-duty nursing
- **Routine eye care (Adult)**
- Routine foot care

Dental and vision coverage are important, but not always included. Check to see if you can buy separately.

Other Covered Services (This isn't a complete list. Check your policy or plan document for other covered services and your costs for these services.)

- Acupuncture (if prescribed for rehabilitation purposes)
- Bariatric surgery
- Chiropractic care
- Hearing aids
- Most coverage provided outside the United States. See [www.\[insert\]](#)
- Weight loss programs

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Your Rights to Continue Coverage:

** Individual health insurance sample –

Federal and State laws may provide protections that allow you to keep this health insurance coverage as long as you pay your **premium**. There are exceptions, however, such as if:

- You commit fraud
- The insurer stops offering services in the State
- You move outside the coverage area

For more information on your rights to continue coverage, contact the insurer at [contact number]. You may also contact your state insurance department at [insert applicable State Department of Insurance contact information].

** Group health coverage sample –

If you lose coverage under the plan, then, depending upon the circumstances, Federal and State laws may provide protections that allow you to keep health coverage. Any such rights may be limited in duration and will require you to pay a **premium**, which may be significantly higher than the premium you pay while covered under the plan. Other limitations on your rights to continue coverage may also apply.

OR

For more information on your rights to continue coverage, contact the plan at [contact number]. You may also contact your state insurance department, the U.S. Department of Labor, Employee Benefits Security Administration at 1-866-444-3272 or www.dol.gov/ebsa, or the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services at 1-877-267-2323 x61565 or www.cciio.cms.gov.

You will see only information for individual or group coverage depending on what kind you have.

Your Grievance and Appeals Rights:

If you have a complaint or are dissatisfied with a denial of coverage for claims under your plan, you may be able to **appeal** or file a **grievance**. For questions about your rights, this notice, or assistance, you can contact: [insert applicable contact information from instructions].

In case your plan denies a claim, here is where to start the process of appealing. The new health care law gives consumers more appeal rights than they used to have, especially those who work for large companies.

Does this Coverage Provide Minimum Essential Coverage?

The Affordable Care Act requires most people to have health care coverage that qualifies as “minimum essential coverage.” **This plan or policy [does/does not] provide minimum essential coverage.**

Very handy indication if this coverage meets minimum standards. Almost all will.

Does this Coverage Meet the Minimum Value Standard?

The Affordable Care Act establishes a minimum value standard of benefits of a health plan. The minimum value standard is 60% (actuarial value). **This health coverage [does/does not] meet the minimum value standard for the benefits it provides.**

This is a different standard. If your employer plan falls below it OR costs you more than 9.5% of your income, you may qualify for financial help to purchase a plan from your state Health Insurance Marketplace.

To see examples of how this plan might cover costs for a sample medical situation, see the next page.

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Coverage Examples

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About these Coverage Examples:

These examples show how this plan might cover medical care in given situations. Use these examples to see, in general, how much financial protection a sample patient might get if they are covered under different plans.



This is not a cost estimator.

Don't use these examples to estimate your actual costs under this plan. The actual care you receive will be different from these examples, and the cost of that care will also be different.

See the next page for important information about these examples.

Having a baby (normal delivery)

- Amount owed to providers: \$7,540
- Plan pays \$5,490
- Patient pays \$2,050

Sample care costs:

Hospital charges (mother)	\$2,700
Routine obstetric care	\$2,100
Hospital charges (baby)	\$900
Anesthesia	\$900
Laboratory tests	\$500
Prescriptions	\$200
Radiology	\$200
Vaccines, other preventive	\$40
Total	\$7,540

Patient pays:

Deductibles	\$700
Copays	\$30
Coinsurance	\$1320
Limits or exclusions	\$0
Total	\$2,050

Managing type 2 diabetes (routine maintenance of a well-controlled condition)

- Amount owed to providers: \$5,400
- Plan pays \$3,520
- Patient pays \$1,880

Sample care costs:

Prescriptions	\$2,900
Medical Equipment and Supplies	\$1,300
Office Visits and Procedures	\$700
Education	\$300
Laboratory tests	\$100
Vaccines, other preventive	\$100
Total	\$5,400

Patient pays:

Deductibles	\$800
Copays	\$500
Coinsurance	\$500
Limits or exclusions	\$80
Total	\$1,880

Note: These numbers assume the patient is participating in our diabetes wellness program. If you have diabetes and do not participate in the wellness program, your costs may be higher. For more information about the diabetes wellness program, please contact: [insert].

This is a big deal. You may not be pregnant or diabetic but these coverage examples can help you compare how much of your health costs different plans are likely to pick up.

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