

# Employee Benefit Booklet

## Parkway School District Choice Plus Base Plan

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## SECTION 1 - WELCOME

### Quick Reference Box

- Member services, claim inquiries, Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> and Mental Health/Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Administrator: 866-633-2474;
- Claims submittal address: UnitedHealthcare - Claims, PO Box 30555 Salt Lake City UT 84130-0555; and
- Online assistance: [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com).

Parkway School District is pleased to provide you with this Employee Benefit Booklet (EBB), which describes the health Benefits available to you and your covered family members. It includes summaries of:

- who is eligible;
- services that are covered, called Covered Health Services;
- services that are not covered, called Exclusions;
- how Benefits are paid; and
- your rights and responsibilities under the Plan.

This SPD is designed to meet your information needs. It supersedes any previous printed or electronic SPD for this Plan.

### IMPORTANT

The healthcare service, supply or Pharmaceutical Product is only a Covered Health Service if it is Medically Necessary. (See definitions of Medically Necessary and Covered Health Service in Section 14, *Glossary*.) The fact that a Physician or other provider has performed or prescribed a procedure or treatment, or the fact that it may be the only available treatment for a Sickness, Injury, Mental Illness, substance-related and addictive disorders, disease or its symptoms does not mean that the procedure or treatment is a Covered Health Service under the Plan.

Parkway School District intends to continue this Plan, but reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to modify, change, revise, amend or terminate the Plan at any time, for any reason, and without prior notice. This SPD is not to be construed as a contract of or for employment. If there should be an inconsistency between the contents of this summary and the contents of the Plan, your rights shall be determined under the Plan and not under this summary.

UnitedHealthcare is a private healthcare claims administrator. UnitedHealthcare's goal is to give you the tools you need to make wise healthcare decisions. UnitedHealthcare also helps your employer to administer claims. Although UnitedHealthcare will assist you in many ways, it does not guarantee any Benefits. Parkway School District is solely responsible for paying Benefits described in this SPD.

Please read this SPD thoroughly to learn how the Choice Plus Base Plan works. If you have questions contact your local Finance Department department or call the number on the back of your ID card.

**How To Use This SPD**

- Read the entire SPD, and share it with your family. Then keep it in a safe place for future reference.
- Many of the sections of this SPD are related to other sections. You may not have all the information you need by reading just one section.
- You can find copies of your SPD and any future amendments or request printed copies by contacting Finance Department.
- Capitalized words in the SPD have special meanings and are defined in Section 14, *Glossary*.
- If eligible for coverage, the words "you" and "your" refer to Covered Persons as defined in Section 14, *Glossary*.
- Parkway School District is also referred to as Company.
- If there is a conflict between this SPD and any benefit summaries (other than Summaries of Material Modifications) provided to you, this SPD will control.

## SECTION 2 - INTRODUCTION

**What this section includes:**

- Who's eligible for coverage under the Plan.
- The factors that impact your cost for coverage.
- Instructions and timeframes for enrolling yourself and your eligible Dependents.
- When coverage begins.
- When you can make coverage changes under the Plan.

### Eligibility

You are eligible to enroll in the Plan if you are a regular full-time Participant who is scheduled to work at least 30 hours per week, 25 hours for bus drivers hours per week or a person who retires while covered under the Plan.

Your eligible Dependents may also participate in the Plan. An eligible Dependent is considered to be:

- your Spouse, as defined in Section 14, Glossary;
- your or your Spouse's child who is under age 26, including a natural child, stepchild, a legally adopted child, a child placed for adoption or a child for whom you or your Spouse are the legal guardian; or
- an unmarried child age 26 or over who is or becomes disabled and dependent upon you.

To be eligible for coverage under the Plan, a Dependent must reside within the United States.

**Note:** Your dependents may not enroll in the Plan unless you are also enrolled in this Plan or a District offered Medicare Advantage Plans. In addition, if you and your Spouse are both covered under the Plan, you may each be enrolled as a Participant or be covered as a Dependent of the other person, but not both. In addition, if you and your Spouse are both covered under the Plan, only one parent may enroll your child as a Dependent.

A Dependent also includes a child for whom health care coverage is required through a Qualified Medical Child Support Order or other court or administrative order, as described in Section 13, *Other Important Information*.

### Cost of Coverage

You and Parkway School District share in the cost of the Plan. Your contribution amount depends on the Plan you select and the family members you choose to enroll.

Your contributions are deducted from your paychecks on a before-tax basis. Before-tax dollars come out of your pay before federal income and Social Security taxes are withheld

and in most states, before state and local taxes are withheld. This gives your contributions a special tax advantage and lowers the actual cost to you.

Your contributions are subject to review and Parkway School District reserves the right to change your contribution amount from time to time.

You can obtain current contribution rates by calling Finance Department.

## **How to Enroll**

To enroll, call Finance Department within 31 days of the date you first become eligible for medical Plan coverage. If you do not enroll within 31 days, you will need to wait until the next annual Open Enrollment to make your benefit elections.

Each year during annual Open Enrollment, you have the opportunity to review and change your medical election. Any changes you make during Open Enrollment will become effective the following January 1.

### **Important**

If you wish to change your benefit elections following your marriage, birth, adoption of a child, placement for adoption of a child or other family status change, you must contact Finance Department within 31 days of the event. Otherwise, you will need to wait until the next annual Open Enrollment to change your elections.

## **When Coverage Begins**

Once Finance Department receives your properly completed enrollment, coverage will begin on the day immediately following the completion of a 30 waiting period. Coverage for your Dependents will start on the date your coverage begins, provided you have enrolled them in a timely manner.

Coverage for a Spouse or Dependent stepchild that you acquire via marriage becomes effective the date of your marriage, provided you notify Finance Department within 31 days of your marriage. Coverage for Dependent children acquired through birth, adoption, or placement for adoption is effective the date of the family status change, provided you notify Finance Department within 31 days of the birth, adoption, or placement.

### ***If You Are Hospitalized When Your Coverage Begins***

If you are an inpatient in a Hospital, Skilled Nursing Facility or Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility on the day your coverage begins, the Plan will pay Benefits for Covered Health Services related to that Inpatient Stay as long as you receive Covered Health Services in accordance with the terms of the Plan.

You should notify UnitedHealthcare within 48 hours of the day your coverage begins, or as soon as is reasonably possible. Network Benefits are available only if you receive Covered Health Services from Network providers.

## Changing Your Coverage

You may make coverage changes during the year only if you experience a change in family status. The change in coverage must be consistent with the change in status (e.g., you cover your Spouse following your marriage, your child following an adoption, etc.). The following are considered family status changes for purposes of the Plan:

- your marriage, divorce, legal separation or annulment;
- the birth, adoption, placement for adoption or legal guardianship of a child;
- a change in your Spouse's employment or involuntary loss of health coverage (other than coverage under the Medicare or Medicaid programs) under another employer's plan;
- loss of coverage due to the exhaustion of another employer's COBRA benefits, provided you were paying for premiums on a timely basis;
- the death of a Dependent;
- your Dependent child no longer qualifying as an eligible Dependent;
- a change in your or your Spouse's position or work schedule that impacts eligibility for health coverage;
- contributions were no longer paid by the employer (this is true even if you or your eligible Dependent continues to receive coverage under the prior plan and to pay the amounts previously paid by the employer);
- you or your eligible Dependent who were enrolled in an HMO no longer live or work in that HMO's service area and no other benefit option is available to you or your eligible Dependent;
- benefits are no longer offered by the Plan to a class of individuals that include you or your eligible Dependent;
- termination of your or your Dependent's Medicaid or Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) coverage as a result of loss of eligibility (you must contact Finance Department within 60 days of termination);
- you or your Dependent become eligible for a premium assistance subsidy under Medicaid or CHIP (you must contact Finance Department within 60 days of determination of subsidy eligibility);
- a strike or lockout involving you or your Spouse; or
- a court or administrative order.

Unless otherwise noted above, if you wish to change your elections, you must contact Finance Department within 31 days of the change in family status. Otherwise, you will need to wait until the next annual Open Enrollment.

While some of these changes in status are similar to qualifying events under COBRA, you, or your eligible Dependent, do not need to elect COBRA continuation coverage to take advantage of the special enrollment rights listed above. These will also be available to you or your eligible Dependent if COBRA is elected.

**Note:** Any child under age 26 who is placed with you for adoption will be eligible for coverage on the date the child is placed with you, even if the legal adoption is not yet final. If you do not legally adopt the child, all medical Plan coverage for the child will end when the placement ends. No provision will be made for continuing coverage (such as COBRA coverage) for the child.

***Change in Family Status - Example***

Jane is married and has two children who qualify as Dependents. At annual Open Enrollment, she elects not to participate in Parkway School District's medical plan, because her husband, Tom, has family coverage under his employer's medical plan. In June, Tom loses his job as part of a downsizing. As a result, Tom loses his eligibility for medical coverage. Due to this family status change, Jane can elect family medical coverage under Parkway School District's medical plan outside of annual Open Enrollment.

## SECTION 3 - HOW THE PLAN WORKS

**What this section includes:**

- Accessing Benefits.
- Eligible Expenses.
- Annual Deductible.
- Copayment.
- Coinsurance.
- Out-of-Pocket Maximum.

### Accessing Benefits

As a participant in this Plan, you have the freedom to choose the Physician or health care professional you prefer each time you need to receive Covered Health Services. The choices you make affect the amounts you pay, as well as the level of Benefits you receive and any benefit limitations that may apply.

You are eligible for the Network level of Benefits under this Plan when you receive Covered Health Services from Physicians and other health care professionals who have contracted with UnitedHealthcare to provide those services.

You can choose to receive Network Benefits or Non-Network Benefits.

**Network Benefits** apply to Covered Health Services that are provided by a Network Physician or other Network provider.

**Non-Network Benefits** apply to Covered Health Services that are provided by a non-Network Physician or other non-Network provider, or Covered Health Services that are provided at a non-Network facility.

Depending on the geographic area and the service you receive, you may have access through UnitedHealthcare's Shared Savings Program to non-Network providers who have agreed to discounts negotiated from their charges on certain claims for Covered Health Services. Refer to the definition of Shared Savings Program in Section 14, *Glossary*, of the SPD for details about how the Shared Savings Program applies.

You must show your identification card (ID card) every time you request health care services from a Network provider. If you do not show your ID card, Network providers have no way of knowing that you are enrolled under the Plan. As a result, they may bill you for the entire cost of the services you receive.

Generally, when you receive Covered Health Services from a Network provider, you pay less than you would if you receive the same care from a non-Network provider. Therefore, in most instances, your out-of-pocket expenses will be less if you use a Network provider.



If you choose to seek care outside the Network, the Plan generally pays Benefits at a lower level. You are required to pay the amount that exceeds the Eligible Expense. The amount in excess of the Eligible Expense could be significant, and this amount does not apply to the Out-of-Pocket Maximum. You may want to ask the non-Network provider about their billed charges before you receive care.

***Health Services from Non-Network Providers Paid as Network Benefits***

If specific Covered Health Services are not available from a Network provider, you may be eligible to receive Network Benefits when Covered Health Services are received from a non-Network provider. In this situation, your Network Physician will notify UnitedHealthcare, and if UnitedHealthcare confirms that care is not available from a Network provider, UnitedHealthcare will work with you and your Network Physician to coordinate care through a non-Network provider.

**Looking for a Network Provider?**

In addition to other helpful information, [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com), UnitedHealthcare's consumer website, contains a directory of health care professionals and facilities in UnitedHealthcare's Network. While Network status may change from time to time, [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) has the most current source of Network information. Use [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) to search for Physicians available in your Plan.

***Network Providers***

UnitedHealthcare or its affiliates arrange for health care providers to participate in a Network. At your request, UnitedHealthcare will send you a directory of Network providers free of charge. Keep in mind, a provider's Network status may change. To verify a provider's status or request a provider directory, you can call UnitedHealthcare at the number on your ID card or log onto [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com).

Network providers are independent practitioners and are not employees of Parkway School District or UnitedHealthcare.

UnitedHealthcare's credentialing process confirms public information about the providers' licenses and other credentials, but does not assure the quality of the services provided.

Before obtaining services you should always verify the Network status of a provider. A provider's status may change. You can verify the provider's status by calling UnitedHealthcare. A directory of providers is available online at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or by calling the number on your ID card to request a copy.

It is possible that you might not be able to obtain services from a particular Network provider. The network of providers is subject to change. Or you might find that a particular Network provider may not be accepting new patients. If a provider leaves the Network or is otherwise not available to you, you must choose another Network provider to get Network Benefits.

If you are currently undergoing a course of treatment utilizing a non-Network Physician or health care facility, you may be eligible to receive transition of care Benefits. This transition period is available for specific medical services and for limited periods of time. If you have

questions regarding this transition of care reimbursement policy or would like help determining whether you are eligible for transition of care Benefits, please contact UnitedHealthcare at the number on your ID card.

Do not assume that a Network provider's agreement includes all Covered Health Services. Some Network providers contract with UnitedHealthcare to provide only certain Covered Health Services, but not all Covered Health Services. Some Network providers choose to be a Network provider for only some of our products. Refer to your provider directory or contact us for assistance.

### ***Designated Providers and Other Providers***

If you have a medical condition that UnitedHealthcare believes needs special services, UnitedHealthcare may direct you to a Designated Provider chosen by UnitedHealthcare. If you require certain complex Covered Health Services for which expertise is limited, UnitedHealthcare may direct you to a Network facility or provider that is outside your local geographic area. If you are required to travel to obtain such Covered Health Services from a Designated Provider, UnitedHealthcare may reimburse certain travel expenses at UnitedHealthcare's discretion.

In both cases, Network Benefits will only be paid if your Covered Health Services for that condition are provided by or arranged by the Designated Provider or other provider chosen by UnitedHealthcare.

### ***Limitations on Selection of Providers***

If UnitedHealthcare determines that you are using health care services in a harmful or abusive manner, you may be required to select a Network Physician to provide and coordinate all of your future Covered Health Services. If you don't make a selection within 31 days of the date you are notified, UnitedHealthcare will select a single Network Physician for you. In the event that you do not use the selected Network Physician Covered Health Services will be paid as Non-Network Benefits.

### **Eligible Expenses**

Parkway School District has delegated to UnitedHealthcare the discretion and authority to decide whether a treatment or supply is a Covered Health Service and how the Eligible Expenses will be determined and otherwise covered under the Plan.

Eligible Expenses are the amount UnitedHealthcare determines that UnitedHealthcare will pay for Benefits. For Network Benefits, you are not responsible for any difference between Eligible Expenses and the amount the provider bills. For Network Benefits for Covered Health Services provided by a non-Network provider (other than Emergency Health Services or services otherwise arranged by UnitedHealthcare), you will be responsible to the non-Network Physician or provider for any amount billed that is greater than the amount UnitedHealthcare determines to be an Eligible Expense as described below.

For Non-Network Benefits, you are responsible for paying, directly to the non-Network provider, any difference between the amount the provider bills you and the amount UnitedHealthcare will pay for Eligible Expenses. Eligible Expenses are determined solely in

accordance with UnitedHealthcare's reimbursement policy guidelines, as described in the SPD.

**For Network Benefits**, Eligible Expenses are based on the following:

- When Covered Health Services are received from a Network provider, Eligible Expenses are UnitedHealthcare's contracted fee(s) with that provider.
- When Covered Health Services are received from a non-Network provider as arranged by UnitedHealthcare, Eligible Expenses are an amount negotiated by UnitedHealthcare or an amount permitted by law. Please contact UnitedHealthcare if you are billed for amounts in excess of your applicable Coinsurance, Copayment or any deductible. The Plan will not pay excessive charges or amounts you are not legally obligated to pay.

**For Non-Network Benefits**, Eligible Expenses are based on either of the following:

- When Covered Health Services are received from a non-Network provider, Eligible Expenses are determined, based on:
  - Negotiated rates agreed to by the non-Network provider and either UnitedHealthcare or one of UnitedHealthcare's vendors, affiliates or subcontractors, at UnitedHealthcare's discretion.

If rates have not been negotiated, then one of the following amounts:

- Eligible Expenses are determined based on 110% of the published rates allowed by the *Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)* for Medicare for the same or similar service within the geographic market, with the exception of the following:
  - 50% of *CMS* for the same or similar laboratory service.
  - 45% of *CMS* for the same or similar Durable Medical Equipment, or *CMS* competitive bid rates.
- When a rate is not published by *CMS* for the service, UnitedHealthcare uses an available gap methodology to determine a rate for the service as follows:
  - For services other than Pharmaceutical Products, UnitedHealthcare uses a gap methodology established by *OptumInsight* and/or a third party vendor that uses a relative value scale. The relative value scale is usually based on the difficulty, time, work, risk and resources of the service. If the relative value scale(s) currently in use become no longer available, UnitedHealthcare will use a comparable scale(s). UnitedHealthcare and *OptumInsight* are related companies through common ownership by UnitedHealth Group. Refer to UnitedHealthcare's website at **www.myuhc.com** for information regarding

the vendor that provides the applicable gap fill relative value scale information.

- For Pharmaceutical Products, UnitedHealthcare uses gap methodologies that are similar to the pricing methodology used by *CMS*, and produce fees based on published acquisition costs or average wholesale price for the pharmaceuticals. These methodologies are currently created by *RJ Health Systems*, *Thomson Reuters* (published in its *Red Book*), or UnitedHealthcare based on an internally developed pharmaceutical pricing resource.
- When a rate is not published by *CMS* for the service and a gap methodology does not apply to the service, the Eligible Expense is based on 50% of the provider's billed charge.
- For Mental Health Services and Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services the Eligible Expense will be reduced by 25% for Covered Health Services provided by a psychologist and by 35% for Covered Health Services provided by a masters level counselor.

UnitedHealthcare updates the *CMS* published rate data on a regular basis when updated data from *CMS* becomes available. These updates are typically implemented within 30 to 90 days after *CMS* updates its data.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** Non-Network providers may bill you for any difference between the provider's billed charges and the Eligible Expense described here.

**Don't Forget Your ID Card**

Remember to show your ID card every time you receive health care services from a provider. If you do not show your ID card, a provider has no way of knowing that you are enrolled under the Plan.

**Annual Deductible**

The Annual Deductible is the amount of Eligible Expenses you must pay each calendar year for Covered Health Services before you are eligible to begin receiving Benefits. There are separate Network and non-Network Annual Deductibles for this Plan. The amounts you pay toward your Annual Deductible accumulate over the course of the calendar year.

**Copayment**

A Copayment (Copay) is the amount you pay each time you receive certain Covered Health Services. The Copay is a flat dollar amount and is paid at the time of service or when billed by the provider. Copays count toward the Out-of-Pocket Maximum. Copays do not count toward the Annual Deductible. If the Eligible Expense is less than the Copay, you are only responsible for paying the Eligible Expense and not the Copay.

## Coinsurance

Coinsurance is the percentage of Eligible Expenses that you are responsible for paying. Coinsurance is a fixed percentage that applies to certain Covered Health Services after you meet the Annual Deductible.

### Coinsurance - Example

Let's assume that you receive Plan Benefits for outpatient surgery from a Network provider. Since the Plan pays 90% after you meet the Annual Deductible, you are responsible for paying the other 10%. This 10% is your Coinsurance.

## Out-of-Pocket Maximum

The annual Out-of-Pocket Maximum is the most you pay each calendar year for Covered Health Services. There are separate Network and non-Network Out-of-Pocket Maximums for this Plan. If your eligible out-of-pocket expenses in a calendar year exceed the annual maximum, the Plan pays 100% of Eligible Expenses for Covered Health Services through the end of the calendar year.

The following table identifies what does and does not apply toward your Network and non-Network Out-of-Pocket Maximums:

Plan Features	Applies to the Network Out-of-Pocket Maximum?	Applies to the Non-Network Out-of-Pocket Maximum?
Copays, except for those Covered Health Services identified in the Plan Highlights table that do not apply to the Out-of-Pocket Maximum	Yes	Yes
Payments toward the Annual Deductible	Yes	Yes
Coinsurance Payments	Yes	Yes
Charges for non-Covered Health Services	No	No
The amounts of any reductions in Benefits you incur by not obtaining prior authorization from the Claims Administrator	No	No
Charges that exceed Eligible Expenses	No	No

## SECTION 4 - CARE COORDINATION<sup>SM</sup> AND PRIOR AUTHORIZATION

**What this section includes:**

- An overview of the Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> program.
- Covered Health Services which Require Prior Authorization.

### Care Management

When you seek prior authorization as required, the Claims Administrator will work with you to implement the care management process and to provide you with information about additional services that are available to you, such as disease management programs, health education, and patient advocacy.

UnitedHealthcare provides a program called Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> designed to encourage personalized, efficient care for you and your covered Dependents.

Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> nurses center their efforts on prevention, education, and closing any gaps in your care. The goal of the program is to ensure you receive the most appropriate and cost-effective services available.

Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> nurses will provide a variety of different services to help you and your covered family members receive appropriate medical care. Program components are subject to change without notice. As of the publication of this SPD, the Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> program includes:

- **Admission counseling** - Nurse Advocates are available to help you prepare for a successful surgical admission and recovery. Call the number on the back of your ID card for support.
- **Inpatient care management** - If you are hospitalized, a Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> nurse will work with your Physician to make sure you are getting the care you need and that your Physician's treatment plan is being carried out effectively.
- **Readmission Management** - This program serves as a bridge between the Hospital and your home if you are at high risk of being readmitted. After leaving the Hospital, if you have a certain chronic or complex condition, you may receive a phone call from a Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> nurse to confirm that medications, needed equipment, or follow-up services are in place. The Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> nurse will also share important health care information, reiterate and reinforce discharge instructions, and support a safe transition home.
- **Risk Management** - Designed for participants with certain chronic or complex conditions, this program addresses such health care needs as access to medical specialists, medication information, and coordination of equipment and supplies. Participants may receive a phone call from a Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> nurse to discuss and share important health care information related to the participant's specific chronic or complex condition.

If you do not receive a call from a Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> nurse but feel you could benefit from any of these programs, please call the number on your ID card.

## Prior Authorization

UnitedHealthcare requires prior authorization for certain Covered Health Services. In general, your Network Primary Physician and other Network providers are responsible for obtaining prior authorization before they provide these services to you. There are some Benefits, however, for which you are responsible for obtaining prior authorization. For detailed information on the Covered Health Services that require prior authorization, please refer to Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.

It is recommended that you confirm with the Claims Administrator that all Covered Health Services listed below have been prior authorized as required. Before receiving these services from a Network provider, you may want to contact the Claims Administrator to verify that the Hospital, Physician and other providers are Network providers and that they have obtained the required prior authorization. Network facilities and Network providers cannot bill you for services they fail to prior authorize as required. You can contact the Claims Administrator by calling the number on the back of your ID card.

When you choose to receive certain Covered Health Services from non-Network providers, you are responsible for obtaining prior authorization before you receive these services. Note that your obligation to obtain prior authorization is also applicable when a non-Network provider intends to admit you to a Network facility or refers you to other Network providers.

**To obtain prior authorization, call the number on the back of your ID card.** This call starts the utilization review process. Once you have obtained the authorization, please review it carefully so that you understand what services have been authorized and what providers are authorized to deliver the services that are subject to the authorization.

The utilization review process is a set of formal techniques designed to monitor the use of, or evaluate the clinical necessity, appropriateness, efficacy, or efficiency of, health care services, procedures or settings. Such techniques may include ambulatory review, prospective review, second opinion, certification, concurrent review, case management, discharge planning, retrospective review or similar programs.

**Contacting UnitedHealthcare or Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> is easy.**  
Simply call the number on your ID card.

Network providers are generally responsible for obtaining prior authorization from the Claims Administrator before they provide certain services to you. However, there are some Network Benefits for which you are responsible for obtaining prior authorization from the Claims Administrator.

When you choose to receive certain Covered Health Services from non-Network providers, you are responsible for obtaining prior authorization from the Claims Administrator before you receive these services. In many cases, your Non-Network Benefits will be reduced if the Claims Administrator has not provided prior authorization.

Covered Health Services which Require Prior Authorization Network providers are generally responsible for obtaining prior authorization from the Claims Administrator or contacting Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> before they provide certain services to you. However, there are some Network Benefits for which you are responsible for obtaining prior authorization from the Claims Administrator.

When you choose to receive certain Covered Health Services from non-Network providers, you are responsible for obtaining prior authorization from the Claims Administrator before you receive these services. In many cases, your Non-Network Benefits will be reduced if the Claims Administrator has not provided prior authorization.

If you choose to receive a service that has been determined not to be a Medically Necessary Covered Health Service, you will be responsible for paying all charges and no Benefits will be paid.

**Services for which you are required to obtain prior authorization are identified in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*, within each Covered Health Service Benefit description. Please note that prior authorization timelines apply. Refer to the applicable Benefit description to determine how far in advance you must obtain prior authorization and any applicable reductions in Benefits.**

### **Special Note Regarding Medicare**

If you are enrolled in Medicare on a primary basis (Medicare pays before the Plan pays Benefits) the prior authorization requirements do not apply to you. Since Medicare is the primary payer, the Plan will pay as secondary payer as described in Section 10, *Coordination of Benefits (COB)*. You are not required to provide obtain authorization before receiving Covered Health Services.



## SECTION 5 - PLAN HIGHLIGHTS

**What this section includes:**

- Payment Terms and Features.
- Schedule of Benefits.

### Payment Terms and Features

The table below provides an overview of Copays that apply when you receive certain Covered Health Services, and outlines the Plan's Annual Deductible and Out-of-Pocket Maximum.

Plan Features	Network Amounts	Non-Network Amounts
<p><b>Copays</b></p> <p>In addition to these Copays, you may be responsible for meeting the Annual Deductible for the Covered Health Services described in the chart on the following pages.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Emergency Health Services.</li> <li>■ Physician's Office Services - Primary Physician.</li> <li>■ Physician's Office Services - Specialist.</li> <li>■ Urgent Care Center Services</li> <li>■ Virtual Visits.</li> </ul> <p>Copays do not apply toward the Annual Deductible.</p> <p>Copays apply toward the Out-of-Pocket Maximum.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">\$200</p> <p style="text-align: center;">\$25</p> <p style="text-align: center;">\$50</p> <p style="text-align: center;">\$75</p> <p style="text-align: center;">\$25</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">\$200</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Not Applicable</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Not Applicable</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Not Applicable</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Not Applicable</p>
<p><b>Annual Deductible</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Individual.</li> <li>■ Family (not to exceed the applicable Individual amount per Covered Person).</li> </ul> <p><b>Coupons:</b> The Plan Sponsor may not permit certain coupons or offers from</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">\$650</p> <p style="text-align: center;">\$1,300</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">\$2,000</p> <p style="text-align: center;">\$4,000</p>

<b>Plan Features</b>	<b>Network Amounts</b>	<b>Non-Network Amounts</b>
pharmaceutical manufacturers or an affiliate to apply to your Annual Deductible.		

Plan Features	Network Amounts	Non-Network Amounts
<p><b>Annual Out-of-Pocket Maximum</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Individual.</li> <li>■ Family (not to exceed the applicable Individual amount per Covered Person).</li> </ul> <p>The Annual Deductible applies toward the Out-of-Pocket Maximum for all Covered Health Services.</p> <p><b>Coupons:</b> The Plan Sponsor may not permit certain coupons or offers from pharmaceutical manufacturers or an affiliate to apply to your Annual Out-of-Pocket Maximum.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">\$2,000</p> <p style="text-align: center;">\$4,000</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">\$4,000</p> <p style="text-align: center;">\$8,000</p>
<p><b>Lifetime Maximum Benefit</b></p> <p>There is no dollar limit to the amount the Plan will pay for essential Benefits during the entire period you are enrolled in this Plan.</p> <p>Generally the following are considered to be essential benefits under the <i>Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act</i>:</p> <p>Ambulatory patient services; emergency services, hospitalization; maternity and newborn care, mental health and substance-related and addictive disorders services (including behavioral health treatment); prescription drug products; rehabilitative and habilitative services and devices; laboratory services; preventive and wellness services and chronic disease management; and pediatric services, including oral and vision care.</p>	<p>Unlimited</p>	

### Schedule of Benefits

This table provides an overview of the Plan's coverage levels. For detailed descriptions of your Benefits, refer to Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.

Covered Health Services <sup>1</sup> See Section 6, Additional Coverage Details, for details and/or limits	Benefit <i>(The Amount Payable by the Plan based on Eligible Expenses)</i>	
	Network	Non-Network
<b>Allergy Care</b> Refer to Physician's Office Services - Sickness and Injury section for allergy injections. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Allergy testing</li> <li>■ Allergy serum</li> </ul>	90% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Ambulance Services</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Emergency Ambulance</li> <li>■ Non-Emergency Ambulance</li> </ul> Ground or air ambulance, as the Claims Administrator determines appropriate.	<i>Ground and/or Air Ambulance</i>  90% after you meet the Annual Deductible  90% after you meet the Annual Deductible	<i>Ground and/or Air Ambulance</i>  Same as Network  Same as Network
<b>Autism Spectrum Disorders Treatment</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Inpatient.</li> <li>■ Outpatient</li> </ul>	90% after you meet the Annual Deductible  100% after you pay a Copayment of \$25 per visit	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible  60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Cancer Services</b> For Network Benefits, oncology services must be received by a Designated Provider.	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under

<b>Covered Health Services<sup>1</sup></b> <b>See Section 6, Additional Coverage Details, for details and/or limits</b>	<b>Benefit</b> <i>(The Amount Payable by the Plan based on Eligible Expenses)</i>	
	<b>Network</b>	<b>Non-Network</b>
<p>Depending upon the Covered Health Service, Benefit limits are the same as those stated under the specific Benefit category in this section.</p> <p>See <i>Cancer Resource Services (CRS)</i> in Section 6, <i>Additional Coverage Details</i>.</p>	<p>Covered Health Service category in this section.</p>	<p>each Covered Health Service category in this section.</p>
<p><b>Cellular and Gene Therapy</b></p> <p>Services must be received at a Designated Provider.</p>	<p>Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.</p>	<p>Non-Network Benefits are not available</p>
<p><b>Chiropractic Services</b></p> <p>Manipulative Benefits are limited to 30 visits per year.</p>	<p>100% after you pay a Copayment of \$25 per visit</p>	<p>60% after you meet the Annual Deductible</p>
<p><b>Clinical Trials</b></p> <p>Depending upon the Covered Health Service, Benefit limits are the same as those stated under the specific Benefit category in this section.</p> <p>Benefits are available when the Covered Health Services are provided by either Network or non-Network providers, however the non-Network provider must agree to accept the Network level of reimbursement by signing a network provider agreement specifically for the patient enrolling in the trial. (Non-Network Benefits are not available if the non-Network provider does not agree to accept the Network level of reimbursement.)</p>	<p>Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.</p>	<p>Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.</p>
<p><b>Congenital Heart Disease (CHD)</b></p>	<p>90% after you meet the Annual</p>	<p>60% after you meet the Annual</p>

<b>Covered Health Services<sup>1</sup></b> <b>See Section 6, Additional Coverage Details, for details and/or limits</b>	<b>Benefit</b> <i>(The Amount Payable by the Plan based on Eligible Expenses)</i>	
	<b>Network</b>	<b>Non-Network</b>
<b>Surgeries</b>  Network and Non-Network Benefits under this section include only the inpatient facility charges for the congenital heart disease (CHD) surgery. Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits for diagnostic services, cardiac catheterization and non-surgical management of CHD will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.  See <i>Congenital Heart Disease (CHD) Surgeries</i> in Section 6, Additional Coverage Details.	Deductible	Deductible
<b>Dental Services - Accident Only</b>  See Section 6, <i>Additional Coverage Details</i> , for limits	90% after you meet the Annual Deductible	Same as Network
<b>Dental Services – Anesthesia and Facility Charges</b>  See Section 6, <i>Additional Coverage Details</i> , for limits	90% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Diabetes Services</b>  Diabetes Self-Management and Training/ Diabetic Eye Examinations/Foot Care	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits for diabetes self-management and training/diabetic eye examinations/foot care will be paid the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits for diabetes self-management and training/diabetic eye examinations/foot care will be paid the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.

<b>Covered Health Services<sup>1</sup></b> See Section 6, Additional Coverage Details, for details and/or limits	<b>Benefit</b> <i>(The Amount Payable by the Plan based on Eligible Expenses)</i>	
	Network	Non-Network
<b>Diabetes Self-Management Items</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Diabetes equipment.</li> <li>■ Diabetes supplies.</li> </ul> <p>See <i>Durable Medical Equipment</i> in Section 6, <i>Additional Coverage Details</i>, for limits</p>	<p>Benefits for diabetes equipment will be the same as those stated under <i>Durable Medical Equipment</i> in this section.</p> <p>For diabetes supplies the Benefit is 90% after you meet the Annual Deductible.</p>	<p>Benefits for diabetes equipment will be the same as those stated under <i>Durable Medical Equipment</i> in this section.</p> <p>For diabetes supplies the Benefit is 60% after you meet the Annual Deductible.</p>
<b>Durable Medical Equipment (DME)</b> See <i>Durable Medical Equipment</i> in Section 6, <i>Additional Coverage Details</i> , for limits	90% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Early Intervention Services</b> See <i>Early Intervention Services</i> in Section 6, <i>Additional Coverage Details</i> , for details.	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.
<b>Emergency Health Services - Outpatient</b> If you are admitted as an inpatient to a Hospital within 48 hours of receiving outpatient Emergency treatment for the same condition, you will not have to pay this Copay. The Benefits for an Inpatient Stay in a Hospital will apply instead.	100% after you pay a Copayment of \$200 per visit	Same as Network

<b>Covered Health Services<sup>1</sup></b> <b>See Section 6, Additional Coverage Details, for details and/or limits</b>	<b>Benefit</b> <i>(The Amount Payable by the Plan based on Eligible Expenses)</i>	
	<b>Network</b>	<b>Non-Network</b>
<p><b>Enteral Formulas and Low Protein Modified Food Products</b></p> <p>Covered as sole source of nutrition only and inborn error of metabolism.</p> <p>Formula and low protein modified food products for Enrolled Dependent children under the age of six when recommended by a Physician for the treatment of a phenylketonuria (PKU) or any inherited disease of amino and organic acids.</p> <p>For purposes of this benefit, "low protein modified food products" means foods that are specifically formulated to have less than one gram of protein per serving and are intended to be used under the direction of a Physician for the dietary treatment of any inherited metabolic disease. Low protein modified food products do not include foods that are naturally low in protein.</p>	<p>Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.</p>	<p>Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.</p>
<p><b>Gender Dysphoria</b></p>	<p>Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section and in Express Scripts RX Plan.</p>	<p>Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section and in Express Scripts RX Plan.</p>
<p><b>Hearing Aids</b></p> <p>See Section 6, <i>Additional Coverage Details</i>, for limits</p>	<p>90% after you meet the Annual Deductible</p>	<p>60% after you meet the Annual Deductible</p>



<b>Covered Health Services<sup>1</sup></b> <b>See Section 6, Additional Coverage Details, for details and/or limits</b>	<b>Benefit</b> <i>(The Amount Payable by the Plan based on Eligible Expenses)</i>	
	<b>Network</b>	<b>Non-Network</b>
<b>Hearing Screenings for Newborns</b> See Section 6, <i>Additional Coverage Details</i> , for details	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.
<b>Home Health Care</b> See Section 6, <i>Additional Coverage Details</i> , for limits	90% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Hospice Care</b> Benefits for hospice care services and supplies are covered only when the attending Physician has diagnosed the Covered Person's condition as being terminal, determined that the person is not expected to live more than six months and placed the person under a hospice care plan. See Section 6, <i>Additional Coverage Details</i> , for limits	90% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Hospital - Inpatient Stay</b>	90% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Human Leukocyte Testing</b>	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.

<p><b>Covered Health Services<sup>1</sup></b>                      See Section 6, Additional Coverage Details, for details and/or limits</p>	<p><b>Benefit</b>                      (<i>The Amount Payable by the Plan based on Eligible Expenses</i>)</p>	
	<p><b>Network</b></p>	<p><b>Non-Network</b></p>
<p><b>Hyperhidrosis</b></p>	<p>90% after you meet the Annual Deductible</p>	<p>60% after you meet the Annual Deductible</p>
<p><b>Infertility Services and Fertility Solutions (FS) Program</b></p> <p>For Designated Network Benefits, infertility services must be received at a Designated Provider.</p> <p>Network Benefits include services received at a Network facility and performed by a Network Physician that is not a Designated Provider.</p> <p><b>See Section 6, <i>Additional Coverage Details</i>, for limits. This limit does not include Physician office visits for the treatment of infertility for which Benefits are described under <i>Physician's Office Services - Sickness and Injury</i> below.</b></p>	<p>Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.</p>	<p>Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.</p>
<p><b>Joint Replacement/ Orthopedic Surgery</b></p>	<p>Depending upon where the Covered Health Service are provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under Hospital - Inpatient Stay and Surgery-Outpatient Covered Health Service categories in this section.</p>	<p>Depending upon where the Covered Health Service are provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under Hospital - Inpatient Stay and Surgery-Outpatient Covered Health Service categories in this section.</p>
<p><b>Kidney Resource Services</b></p> <p>For Network Benefits, kidney services must be received by a Designated Provider.</p> <p>See <i>Kidney Resource Services (KRS)</i> in Section 6,</p>	<p>Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health</p>	<p>Not Covered</p>

<b>Covered Health Services<sup>1</sup></b> <b>See Section 6, Additional Coverage Details, for details and/or limits</b>	<b>Benefit</b> <i>(The Amount Payable by the Plan based on Eligible Expenses)</i>	
	<b>Network</b>	<b>Non-Network</b>
<i>Additional Coverage Details.</i>	Service category in this section.	

<b>Covered Health Services<sup>1</sup></b> See Section 6, Additional Coverage Details, for details and/or limits	<b>Benefit</b> <i>(The Amount Payable by the Plan based on Eligible Expenses)</i>	
	<b>Network</b>	<b>Non-Network</b>
<b>Lab, X-Ray and Diagnostics - Outpatient</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Lab Testing - Outpatient.</li> <li>■ X-Ray and Other Diagnostic Testing - Outpatient.</li> </ul>	90% after you meet the Annual Deductible  90% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible  60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Lab, X-Ray and Major Diagnostics – CT, PET, MRI, MRA and Nuclear Medicine - Outpatient</b>	90% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Mental Health Services</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Inpatient.</li> <li>■ Outpatient</li> </ul>	90% after you meet the Annual Deductible  100% after you pay a Copayment of \$25 per visit  100% after you pay a \$25 Copay per session for Partial Hospitalization/Intensive Outpatient Treatment	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible  60% after you meet the Annual Deductible  60% for Partial Hospitalization/Intensive Outpatient Treatment after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Neonatal Services</b>  For Network Benefits, neonatal services must be received by a Designated Provider.  Depending upon the Covered Health Service, Benefit limits are the same as those stated under the specific Benefit category in this section.  See <i>Neonatal Resource Services (NRS)</i> in Section 6, <i>Additional Coverage Details</i> .	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.

Covered Health Services <sup>1</sup> See Section 6, Additional Coverage Details, for details and/or limits	Benefit <i>(The Amount Payable by the Plan based on Eligible Expenses)</i>	
	Network	Non-Network
<b>Neurobiological Disorders - Autism Spectrum Disorder Services</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Inpatient.</li> <li>■ Outpatient</li> </ul>	<p>90% after you meet the Annual Deductible</p> <p>100% after you pay a Copayment of \$25 per visit</p> <p>100% after you pay a \$25 Copay per session for Partial Hospitalization/Intensive Outpatient Treatment</p>	<p>60% after you meet the Annual Deductible</p> <p>60% after you meet the Annual Deductible</p> <p>60% for Partial Hospitalization/Intensive Outpatient Treatment after you meet the Annual Deductible</p>
<b>Nutritional Counseling</b>	<p>100% after you pay a Copayment of \$25 per visit</p> <p>100% after you pay a Copayment of \$50 per Specialist visit</p>	<p>60% after you meet the Annual Deductible</p>
<b>Obesity Surgery</b> For Network Benefits, bariatric services must be received by a Designated Provider.  Non-Network Benefits include services provided at a Network facility that is not a Designated Provider and services provided at a non-Network facility.  See Section 6, <i>Additional Coverage Details</i> for limits.	<p>Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.</p>	<p>Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.</p>
<b>Osteoporosis Services</b>	<p>Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those</p>	<p>Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as</p>

<b>Covered Health Services<sup>1</sup></b> <b>See Section 6, Additional Coverage Details, for details and/or limits</b>	<b>Benefit</b> <i>(The Amount Payable by the Plan based on Eligible Expenses)</i>	
	<b>Network</b>	<b>Non-Network</b>
	stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.	those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.
<b>Ostomy Supplies</b> See Section 6, <i>Additional Coverage Details</i> for limits	90% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Pharmaceutical Products - Outpatient</b>	90% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services</b>	90% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Physician's Office Services - Sickness and Injury</b> No copayment applies when no Physician charge is assessed. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Primary Physician.</li> <li>■ Specialist Physician.</li> <li>■ Home visits.</li> </ul>	100% after you pay a Copayment of \$25 per visit  100% after you pay a Copayment of \$50 per visit  90% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible  60% after you meet the Annual Deductible  60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Pregnancy – Maternity Services</b> A Deductible will not apply for a newborn child whose length of stay in the Hospital is the same as the mother's length of stay.	Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.	Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.
<b>Preventive Care Services</b>		

<b>Covered Health Services<sup>1</sup></b> See Section 6, <b>Additional Coverage Details</b> , for details and/or limits	<b>Benefit</b> <i>(The Amount Payable by the Plan based on Eligible Expenses)</i>	
	<b>Network</b>	<b>Non-Network</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Physician Office Services</li>   <li>■ Lab, X-ray or Other Preventive Tests</li>   <li>■ Breast Pumps</li> </ul>	100%  100%  100%	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible  100%  60% after you meet the Annual Deductible  Immunizations for children up to age 5 are not subject to the Deductible.
<b>Private Duty Nursing - Outpatient</b> See Section 6, <i>Additional Coverage Details</i> , for limits	90% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible

<b>Covered Health Services<sup>1</sup></b> See Section 6, <b>Additional Coverage Details</b> , for details and/or limits	<b>Benefit</b> <i>(The Amount Payable by the Plan based on Eligible Expenses)</i>	
	<b>Network</b>	<b>Non-Network</b>
<b>Prosthetic and Orthotic Devices</b>  See Section 6, <i>Additional Coverage Details</i> , for limits	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.
<b>Reconstructive Procedures</b>	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.
<b>Rehabilitation Services - Outpatient Therapy and Manipulative Treatment</b>  See Section 6, <i>Additional Coverage Details</i> , for visit limits	90% after you meet the Annual Deductible  Manipulative Treatment: 100% after you pay a Copayment of \$25 per visit	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Scopic Procedures - Outpatient Diagnostic and Therapeutic</b>	90% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Skilled Nursing Facility/Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility Services</b>  See Section 6, <i>Additional Coverage Details</i> , for limits	90% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible



<b>Covered Health Services<sup>1</sup></b> See Section 6, Additional Coverage Details, for details and/or limits	<b>Benefit</b> <i>(The Amount Payable by the Plan based on Eligible Expenses)</i>	
	<b>Network</b>	<b>Non-Network</b>
<b>Speech and Hearing Services</b>	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.
<b>Spine Surgery</b>	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service are provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under Hospital - Inpatient Stay and Surgery-Outpatient Covered Health Service categories in this section.	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service are provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under Hospital - Inpatient Stay and Surgery-Outpatient Covered Health Service categories in this section.
<b>Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Inpatient.</li> <li>■ Outpatient</li> </ul>	90% after you meet the Annual Deductible  100% after you pay a Copayment of \$25 per visit  100% after you pay a \$25 Copay per session for Partial Hospitalization/Intensive Outpatient Treatment	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible  60% after you meet the Annual Deductible  60% for Partial Hospitalization/Intensive Outpatient Treatment after you meet the Annual Deductible

<b>Covered Health Services<sup>1</sup></b> See Section 6, <b>Additional Coverage Details</b> , for details and/or limits	<b>Benefit</b> <i>(The Amount Payable by the Plan based on Eligible Expenses)</i>	
	<b>Network</b>	<b>Non-Network</b>
<b>Surgery - Outpatient</b>	90% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Temporomandibular Joint (TMJ) Services</b>  See Section 6, <i>Additional Coverage Details</i> , for limits.	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.
<b>Therapeutic Treatments - Outpatient</b>	90% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible  For dialysis services, Non-Network Benefits are not available.
<b>Transplantation Services</b>  See Section 6, <i>Additional Coverage Details</i> , for details	90% after you meet the Annual Deductible	Not Covered
<b>Travel and Lodging</b>  Covered Health Services must be received by a Designated Provider.	For patient and companion(s) of patient undergoing transplant procedures	
<b>Urgent Care Center Services</b>	100% after you pay a Copayment of \$75 per visit	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Virtual Visits</b>  Network Benefits are available only when services are delivered through a Designated Virtual Network Provider. You can find a Designated Virtual Network Provider by going to	100% after you pay a Copayment of \$25 per visit	Non-Network Benefits are not available.

<b>Covered Health Services<sup>1</sup></b> <b>See Section 6, Additional Coverage Details, for details and/or limits</b>	<b>Benefit</b> <i>(The Amount Payable by the Plan based on Eligible Expenses)</i>	
	<b>Network</b>	<b>Non-Network</b>
www.myuhc.com or by calling the telephone number on your ID card.		

<b>Covered Health Services<sup>1</sup></b> <b>See Section 6, Additional Coverage Details, for details and/or limits</b>	<b>Benefit</b> <i>(The Amount Payable by the Plan based on Eligible Expenses)</i>	
	<b>Network</b>	<b>Non-Network</b>
<b>Vision Examinations</b> See Section 6, <i>Additional Coverage Details</i> , for limits	100% after you pay a Copayment of \$25 per visit	Not Covered
<b>Wigs</b> See Section 6, <i>Additional Coverage Details</i> , for limits	90% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible

<sup>1</sup>In general, your Network provider must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator or Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup>, as described in Section 4, *Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup>* before you receive certain Covered Health Services. There are some Network Benefits, however, for which you should notify the Claims Administrator or Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup>. See Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details* for further information.

## SECTION 6 - ADDITIONAL COVERAGE DETAILS

### What this section includes:

- Covered Health Services for which the Plan pays Benefits.
- Covered Health Services that require you to obtain prior authorization before you receive them, and any reduction in Benefits that may apply if you do not call obtain prior authorization.

This section supplements the second table in Section 5, *Plan Highlights*.

While the table provides you with Benefit limitations along with Copayment, Coinsurance and Annual Deductible information for each Covered Health Service, this section includes descriptions of the Benefits. These descriptions include any additional limitations that may apply, as well as Covered Health Services for which you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator as required. The Covered Health Services in this section appear in the same order as they do in the table for easy reference. Services that are not covered are described in Section 8, *Exclusions*.

### Ambulance Services

The Plan covers Emergency ambulance services and transportation provided by a licensed ambulance service to the nearest Hospital that offers Emergency Health Services. See Section 14, *Glossary* for the definition of Emergency.

Ambulance service by air is covered in an Emergency if ground transportation is impossible, or would put your life or health in serious jeopardy. If special circumstances exist, UnitedHealthcare may pay Benefits for Emergency air transportation to a Hospital that is not the closest facility to provide Emergency Health Services.

The Plan also covers transportation provided by a licensed professional ambulance (either ground or air ambulance, as UnitedHealthcare determines appropriate) between facilities when the transport is:

- From a non-Network Hospital to a Network Hospital.
- To a Hospital that provides a higher level of care that was not available at the original Hospital.
- To a more cost-effective acute care facility.
- From an acute facility to a sub-acute setting.

### Prior Authorization Requirement

In most cases, the Claims Administrator will initiate and direct non-Emergency ambulance transportation. If you are requesting non-Emergency ambulance services, please remember that you must obtain prior authorization as soon as possible prior to transport. If you fail to obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

## **Autism Spectrum Disorders Treatment**

No visit limits are applicable to Covered Health Services for the treatment of Autism Spectrum Disorders, including, but not limited to, habilitative or rehabilitative visit limits.

Benefits are provided for coverage for the diagnosis and treatment of Autism Spectrum Disorders.

We will not deny or refuse to issue coverage on, refuse to contract with, or refuse to renew or refuse to reissue or otherwise terminate or restrict coverage to you or your Dependent because the individual is diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder.

Coverage provided for Autism Spectrum Disorder is limited to medically necessary treatment that is ordered by the Covered Person's treating licensed Physician or licensed psychologist, pursuant to the powers granted under such licensed Physician's or licensed psychologist's license, in accordance with a treatment plan.

Upon our request, the treatment plan will include all elements necessary for us to pay claims. Such elements include, but are not limited to, a diagnosis, proposed treatment by type, frequency and duration of treatment, and goals.

Except for inpatient services, we have the right to review the treatment plan if a Covered Person is receiving treatment for an Autism Spectrum Disorder. We have the right to review the treatment plan not more than once every 6 months unless we and the Covered Person's treating Physician or psychologist agree that a more frequent review is necessary. Any such agreement regarding the right to review a treatment plan more frequently shall only apply to a particular Covered Person being treated for an Autism Spectrum Disorder and shall not apply to all Covered Persons being treated for Autism Spectrum Disorders by a Physician or psychologist. The cost of obtaining any review or treatment plan shall be borne by us.

Coverage is provided for medically necessary Applied Behavior Analysis for a Covered Person and is not subject to the age or dollar maximums for Applied Behavior Analysis stated in Missouri's law for Autism Spectrum Disorder coverage. There are no limits on the number of visits a Covered Person may make to an Autism Service Provider.

This Autism Spectrum Disorder Treatment benefit shall not be construed as limiting benefits which are otherwise available to a Covered Person under this Policy. The Autism Spectrum Disorder coverage required by Missouri law shall not be subject to any greater deductible, coinsurance, or co-payment than other physical health care services provided by us. Covered Health Services may be subject to other general exclusions and limitations of the Policy, not in conflict with the provisions of this Autism Spectrum Disorder Treatment benefit, such as coordination of benefits, exclusions for services provided by family or household members, and utilization review of Covered Health Care Services, including review of medical necessity and care management; however, coverage for treatment under the Autism Spectrum Disorder Treatment section shall not be denied on the basis that it is educational or habilitative in nature.

If we make payments or reimbursements for Applied Behavior Analysis, such payments or reimbursements shall be made to either:

- The Autism Service Provider, as defined in the Autism Spectrum Defined Terms section of the Definition section of the Policy; or
- The entity or group for whom such supervising person, who is certified as a board-certified behavior analyst by the Behavior Analyst Certification Board, works or is associated.

Such payments or reimbursements for Autism Spectrum Disorder coverage to an Autism Service Provider or a board-certified behavior analyst shall include payments or reimbursements for services provided by a Line Therapist under the supervision of such Autism Service Provider or behavior analyst if such services provided by the Line Therapist are deemed medically necessary.

Notwithstanding any other provision of Missouri's law to the contrary, we shall not be held liable for the actions of Line Therapists in the performance of their duties.

Because we are subject to the provisions of Missouri's Autism Spectrum Disorder law, we shall not be required to provide reimbursement for the Applied Behavior Analysis delivered to a person insured by us to the extent we are billed for such services by any Part C early intervention program or any school district for Applied Behavior Analysis rendered to the Covered Person by us. This shall not be construed as affecting any obligation to provide services to a Covered Person who has an individualized family service plan, an individualized education plan, or an individualized service plan. The Missouri's Autism Spectrum Disorder law shall not be construed as affecting any obligation to provide reimbursement pursuant to Missouri's Early Intervention Services law.

**Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits a scheduled admission Autism Spectrum Disorder Services you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator prior to the admission or as soon as is reasonably possible for non-scheduled admissions. In addition, for Non-Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator before the following services are received: Psychiatric Care, Psychological Care and Habilitative or Rehabilitative care including Applied Behavioral Analysis. Also, for Non-Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator five business days before receiving therapeutic care for Autism Spectrum Disorders. If you fail to obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

**Cancer Resource Services (CRS)**

The Plan pays Benefits for oncology services provided by Designated Providers participating in the Cancer Resource Services (CRS) program. Designated Provider is defined in Section 14, *Glossary*.

For oncology services and supplies to be considered Covered Health Services, they must be provided to treat a condition that has a primary or suspected diagnosis relating to cancer. If you or a covered Dependent has cancer, you may:

- Be referred to CRS by the Claims Administrator or Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup>.
- Call CRS at 1-866-936-6002.
- Visit [www.myoptumhealthcomplexmedical.com](http://www.myoptumhealthcomplexmedical.com).

To receive Benefits for a cancer-related treatment, you are not required to visit a Designated Provider. If you receive oncology services from a facility that is not a Designated Provider, the Plan pays Benefits as described under:

- Physician's Office Services - Sickness and Injury.
- Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services.
- Scopic Procedures - Outpatient Diagnostic and Therapeutic.
- Therapeutic Treatments - Outpatient.
- Hospital - Inpatient Stay.
- Surgery - Outpatient.

To receive Benefits under the CRS program, you must contact CRS prior to obtaining Covered Health Services. The Plan will only pay Benefits under the CRS program if CRS provides the proper notification to the Designated Provider performing the services (even if you self refer to a provider in that Network).

### Cellular and Gene Therapy

Cellular Therapy and Gene Therapy received on an inpatient or outpatient basis at a Hospital or on an outpatient basis at an Alternate Facility or in a Physician's office.

Benefits for CAR-T therapy for malignancies are provided as described under *Transplantation Services*.

#### **Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator as soon as the possibility of a Cellular or Gene Therapy arises. If you do not obtain prior authorization and if, as a result, the services are not received from a Designated Provider, Network Benefits will not be paid.



## Clinical Trials

Benefits are available for routine patient care costs incurred during participation in a qualifying Clinical Trial for the treatment of:

- Cancer or other life-threatening disease or condition. For purposes of this benefit, a life-threatening disease or condition is one from which the likelihood of death is probable unless the course of the disease or condition is interrupted.
- Cardiovascular disease (cardiac/stroke) which is not life threatening, for which, as UnitedHealthcare determines, a Clinical Trial meets the qualifying Clinical Trial criteria stated below.
- Surgical musculoskeletal disorders of the spine, hip and knees, which are not life threatening, for which, as UnitedHealthcare determines, a Clinical Trial meets the qualifying Clinical Trial criteria stated below.
- Other diseases or disorders which are not life threatening for which, as UnitedHealthcare determines, a Clinical Trial meets the qualifying Clinical Trial criteria stated below.

Benefits include the reasonable and necessary items and services used to prevent, diagnose and treat complications arising from participation in a qualifying Clinical Trial.

Benefits are available only when the Covered Person is clinically eligible for participation in the qualifying Clinical Trial as defined by the researcher.

Routine patient care costs for qualifying Clinical Trials include:

- Covered Health Services for which Benefits are typically provided absent a Clinical Trial.
- Covered Health Services required solely for the provision of the Experimental or Investigational Service(s) or item, the clinically appropriate monitoring of the effects of the service or item, or the prevention of complications.
- Covered Health Services needed for reasonable and necessary care arising from the provision of an Experimental or Investigational Service(s) or item.

Routine costs for Clinical Trials do not include:

- The Experimental or Investigational Service(s) or item. The only exceptions to this are:
  - Certain Category B devices.
  - Certain promising interventions for patients with terminal illnesses.
  - Other items and services that meet specified criteria in accordance with UnitedHealthcare's medical and drug policies.

- Items and services provided solely to satisfy data collection and analysis needs and that are not used in the direct clinical management of the patient.
- A service that is clearly inconsistent with widely accepted and established standards of care for a particular diagnosis.
- Items and services provided by the research sponsors free of charge for any person enrolled in the trial.

With respect to cancer or other life-threatening diseases or conditions, a qualifying Clinical Trial is a Phase I, Phase II, Phase III, or Phase IV Clinical Trial that is conducted in relation to the prevention, detection or treatment of cancer or other life-threatening disease or condition and which meets any of the following criteria in the bulleted list below.

With respect to cardiovascular disease or musculoskeletal disorders of the spine, hip and knees and other diseases or disorders which are not life-threatening, a qualifying Clinical Trial is a Phase I, Phase II, or Phase III Clinical Trial that is conducted in relation to the detection or treatment of such non-life-threatening disease or disorder and which meets any of the following criteria in the bulleted list below.

- Federally funded trials. The study or investigation is approved or funded (which may include funding through in-kind contributions) by one or more of the following:
  - National Institutes of Health (NIH). (Includes National Cancer Institute (NCI)).
  - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).
  - Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ).
  - Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).
  - A cooperative group or center of any of the entities described above or the Department of Defense (DOD) or the Veterans Administration (VA).
  - A qualified non-governmental research entity identified in the guidelines issued by the National Institutes of Health for center support grants.

The *Department of Veterans Affairs*, the *Department of Defense* or the *Department of Energy* as long as the study or investigation has been reviewed and approved through a system of peer review that is determined by the *Secretary of Health and Human Services* to meet both of the following criteria:

- Comparable to the system of peer review of studies and investigations used by the *National Institutes of Health*.
  - Ensures unbiased review of the highest scientific standards by qualified individuals who have no interest in the outcome of the review.
- The study or investigation is conducted under an investigational new drug application reviewed by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

- The study or investigation is a drug trial that is exempt from having such an investigational new drug application.
- The Clinical Trial must have a written protocol that describes a scientifically sound study and have been approved by all relevant institutional review boards (IRBs) before participants are enrolled in the trial. UnitedHealthcare may, at any time, request documentation about the trial.
- The subject or purpose of the trial must be the evaluation of an item or service that meets the definition of a Covered Health Service and is not otherwise excluded under the Plan.

**Prior Authorization Requirement**

You must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator as soon as the possibility of participation in a Clinical Trial arises. If you fail to obtain prior authorization as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

**Congenital Heart Disease (CHD) Surgeries**

The Plan pays Benefits for Congenital Heart Disease (CHD) surgeries which are ordered by a Physician. CHD surgical procedures include surgeries to treat conditions such as coarctation of the aorta, aortic stenosis, tetralogy of fallot, transposition of the great vessels and hypoplastic left or right heart syndrome.

UnitedHealthcare has specific guidelines regarding Benefits for CHD services. Contact UnitedHealthcare at the number on your ID card for information about these guidelines.

The Plan pays Benefits for Congenital Heart Disease (CHD) services ordered by a Physician and received at a CHD Resource Services program. Benefits include the facility charge and the charge for supplies and equipment. Benefits are available for the following CHD

services:

- Outpatient diagnostic testing.
- Evaluation.
- Surgical interventions.
- Interventional cardiac catheterizations (insertion of a tubular device in the heart).
- Fetal echocardiograms (examination, measurement and diagnosis of the heart using ultrasound technology).
- Approved fetal interventions.

CHD services other than those listed above are excluded from coverage, unless determined by the Claims Administrator to be proven procedures for the involved diagnoses. Contact CHD Resource Services at 1-888-936-7246 before receiving care for information about CHD services. More information is also available at [www.myoptumhealthcomplexmedical.com](http://www.myoptumhealthcomplexmedical.com).

If you receive Congenital Heart Disease services from a facility that is not a Designated Provider, the Plan pays Benefits as described under:

- Physician's Office Services - Sickness and Injury.
- Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services.
- Scopic Procedures - Outpatient Diagnostic and Therapeutic.
- Therapeutic Treatments - Outpatient.
- Hospital - Inpatient Stay.
- Surgery - Outpatient.

**Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator as soon as the possibility of a CHD surgery arises. If you fail to obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

It is important that you notify the Claims Administrator regarding your intention to have surgery. Your notification will open the opportunity to become enrolled in programs that are designed to achieve the best outcomes for you.

### **Dental Anesthesia and Facility Charges**

Outpatient administration of general anesthesia and Hospital charges for dental care if:

- The Covered Person is a child under the age of five.
- The Covered Person is severely disabled.
- The Covered Person has a medical or behavioral condition that requires hospitalization or general anesthesia when dental care is provided.

### **Dental Services - Accident Only**

Dental services are covered by the Plan when all of the following are true:

- Treatment is necessary because of accidental damage.
- Dental services are received from a Doctor of Dental Surgery or a Doctor of Medical Dentistry.
- The dental damage is severe enough that initial contact with a Physician or dentist occurs within 72 hours of the accident. (You may request an extension of this time period provided that you do so within 60 days of the Injury and if extenuating circumstances exist due to the severity of the Injury.)

Please note that dental damage that occurs as a result of normal activities of daily living or extraordinary use of the teeth is not considered having occurred as an accident. Benefits are not available for repairs to teeth that are damaged as a result of such activities.

The Plan also covers dental care (oral examination, X-rays, extractions and non-surgical elimination of oral infection) required for the direct treatment of a medical condition limited to:

- Dental services related to medical transplant procedures.
- Initiation of immunosuppressives (medication used to reduce inflammation and suppress the immune system).
- Direct treatment of acute traumatic Injury, cancer or cleft palate.

Dental services for final treatment to repair the damage caused by accidental Injury must be started within 3 months of the accident, or if not a Covered Person at the time of the accident, within the first three months of coverage under the Plan, unless extenuating circumstances exist (such as prolonged hospitalization or the presence of fixation wires from fracture care) and completed within 12 months of the accident, or if not a Covered Person at the time of the accident, within the first 12 months of coverage under the Plan.

The Plan pays for treatment of accidental Injury only for:

- Emergency examination.

- Necessary diagnostic X-rays.
- Endodontic (root canal) treatment.
- Temporary splinting of teeth.
- Prefabricated post and core.
- Simple minimal restorative procedures (fillings).
- Extractions.
- Post-traumatic crowns if such are the only clinically acceptable treatment.
- Replacement of lost teeth due to the Injury by implant, dentures or bridges.

### **Diabetes Services**

#### ***Diabetes Self-Management and Training/Diabetic Eye Examinations/Foot Care***

Outpatient self-management training for the treatment of diabetes, education and medical nutrition therapy services. Services must be ordered by a Physician and provided by appropriately licensed or registered health care professionals.

Benefits also include medical eye exams (dilated retinal exams) and preventive foot care for diabetes.

#### ***Diabetic Self-Management Items***

Insulin pumps that are not fully implanted into the body and supplies for the management and treatment of diabetes, based upon your medical needs include:

- Insulin pumps that are subject to all the conditions of coverage stated under Durable Medical Equipment (DME).
- Blood glucose meters including continuous glucose monitors.
- Insulin syringes with needles.
- Blood glucose and urine test strips.
- Ketone test strips and tablets.
- Lancets and lancet devices.

Benefits for diabetes equipment that meet the definition of Durable Medical Equipment are subject to the limit stated under *Durable Medical Equipment* in this section.

#### **Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator before obtaining any Durable Medical Equipment for the management and treatment of diabetes that exceeds \$1,000 in cost (either retail purchase cost or cumulative retail rental cost of a single item). If you fail to obtain prior authorization as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

## **Durable Medical Equipment (DME)**

The Plan pays for Durable Medical Equipment (DME) that is:

- Ordered or provided by a Physician for outpatient use.
- Used for medical purposes.
- Not consumable or disposable.
- Not of use to a person in the absence of a Sickness, Injury or disability.
- Durable enough to withstand repeated use.
- Appropriate for use in the home.

If more than one piece of DME can meet your functional needs, you will receive Benefits only for the most Cost-Effective piece of equipment. Benefits are provided for a single unit of DME (example: one insulin pump) and for repairs of that unit.

Examples of DME include but are not limited to:

- Equipment to administer oxygen.
- Equipment to assist mobility, such as a standard wheelchair.
- Hospital beds.
- Delivery pumps for tube feedings.
- Negative pressure wound therapy pumps (wound vacuums).
- Burn garments.
- Insulin pumps and all related necessary supplies as described under Diabetes Services in this section.

- External cochlear devices and systems. Surgery to place a cochlear implant is also covered by the Plan. Cochlear implantation can either be an inpatient or outpatient procedure. See Hospital - Inpatient Stay, Rehabilitation Services - Outpatient Therapy and Surgery - Outpatient in this section.
- Braces that stabilize an injured body part, including necessary adjustments to shoes to accommodate braces. Braces that stabilize an injured body part and braces to treat curvature of the spine are considered Durable Medical Equipment and are a Covered Health Service. Braces that straighten or change the shape of a body part are orthotic devices and are excluded from coverage. Dental braces are also excluded from coverage.
- Mechanical equipment necessary for the treatment of chronic or acute respiratory failure (except that air-conditioners, humidifiers, dehumidifiers, air purifiers and filters, and personal comfort items are excluded from coverage).

The Plan also covers tubings, nasal cannulas, connectors and masks used in connection with DME.

Benefits also include speech aid devices and tracheo-esophageal voice devices required for treatment of severe speech impediment or lack of speech directly attributed to Sickness or Injury. Benefits for the purchase of speech aid devices and tracheo-esophageal voice devices are available only after completing a required three-month rental period.

#### Foot Orthotic Appliances:

The initial purchase, fitting and repair of orthotic appliances such braces, splints or other appliances which are required for support for an injured or deformed part of the body as a result of a disabling condition or an injury or sickness. Replacements will be covered if there is sufficient change in the covered person's condition or if the original appliance is deemed no longer functional.

**Note:** DME is different from prosthetic devices - see *Prosthetic Devices* in this section.

Benefits for speech aid devices and tracheo-esophageal voice devices are limited to the purchase of one device during the entire period of time a Covered Person is enrolled under the Plan. Benefits for repair/replacement are limited to once every three years.

Benefits are provided for the repair/replacement of a type of Durable Medical Equipment once every 3 calendar years.

At UnitedHealthcare's discretion, replacements are covered for damage beyond repair with normal wear and tear, when repair costs exceed new purchase price, or when a change in the Covered Person's medical condition occurs sooner than the three year timeframe. Repairs, including the replacement of essential accessories, such as hoses, tubes, mouth pieces, etc., for necessary DME are only covered when required to make the item/device serviceable and



the estimated repair expense does not exceed the cost of purchasing or renting another item/device. Requests for repairs may be made at any time and are not subject to the three year timeline for replacement.

**Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator before obtaining any Durable Medical Equipment that exceeds \$1,000 in cost (either retail purchase cost or cumulative retail rental cost of a single item). If you fail to obtain prior authorization as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

**Early Intervention Services**

Services for medically necessary speech and language therapy, occupational therapy, physical therapy and assistive technology devices for children from birth to age three who are identified by the Part C early intervention system as eligible for services under Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C. Section 1431. Early Intervention services include services for an active individualized family services plan that enhance functional ability without effecting a cure.

**Emergency Health Services - Outpatient**

The Plan's Emergency services Benefit pays for outpatient treatment at a Hospital or Alternate Facility when required to stabilize a patient or initiate treatment.

Network Benefits will be paid for an Emergency admission to a non-Network Hospital as long as the Claims Administrator is notified within two business days of the admission or on the same day of admission if reasonably possible after you are admitted to a non-Network Hospital. The Claims Administrator may elect to transfer you to a Network Hospital as soon as it is medically appropriate to do so. If you continue your stay in a non-Network Hospital after the date your Physician determines that it is medically appropriate to transfer you to a Network Hospital, Network Benefits will not be provided. Non-Network Benefits may be available if the continued stay is determined to be a Covered Health Service. Eligible Expenses will be determined as described under *Eligible Expenses* in Section 3, *Plan Highlights*.

Benefits under this section are not available for services to treat a condition that does not meet the definition of an Emergency.

**Note:** If you are confined in a non-Network Hospital after you receive outpatient Emergency Health Services, you must notify the Claims Administrator within one business day or on the same day of admission if reasonably possible. The Claims Administrator may elect to transfer you to a Network Hospital as soon as it is medically appropriate to do so. If you choose to stay in the non-Network Hospital after the date the Claims Administrator decides a transfer is medically appropriate, Network Benefits will not be provided. Non-Network Benefits may be available if the continued stay is determined to be a Covered Health Service.

## Gender Dysphoria

Benefits for the treatment of Gender Dysphoria limited to the following services:

- **Psychotherapy** for Gender Dysphoria and associated co-morbid psychiatric diagnoses as described under Mental Health Services in this section.
- Cross-sex hormone therapy:
  - Cross-sex hormone therapy administered by a medical provider (for example during an office visit) is provided as described under *Pharmaceutical Products – Outpatient* in the section.
  - Cross-sex hormone therapy dispensed from a pharmacy is provided as described under ES – Express Scripts.
- Puberty suppressing medication injected or implanted by a medical provider in a clinical setting.
- Laboratory testing to monitor the safety of continuous cross-sex hormone therapy.
- Surgery for the treatment for Gender Dysphoria, including the surgeries listed below:

Male to Female:

- Clitoroplasty (creation of clitoris)
- Labiaplasty (creation of labia)
- Orchiectomy (removal of testicles)
- Penectomy (removal of penis)
- Urethroplasty (reconstruction of female urethra)
- Vaginoplasty (creation of vagina)

Female to Male:

- Bilateral mastectomy or breast reduction
- Hysterectomy (removal of uterus)
- Metoidioplasty (creation of penis, using clitoris)
- Penile prosthesis
- Phalloplasty (creation of penis)
- Salpingo-oophorectomy (removal of fallopian tubes and ovaries)
- Scrotoplasty (creation of scrotum)
- Testicular prosthesis
- Urethroplasty (reconstruction of male urethra)
- Vaginectomy (removal of vagina)

- Vulvectomy (removal of vulva)

**Genital Surgery and Bilateral Mastectomy or Breast Reduction Surgery  
Documentation Requirements:**

The Covered Person must provide documentation of the following for breast surgery:

- A written psychological assessment from at least one qualified behavioral health provider experienced in treating Gender Dysphoria. The assessment must document that the Covered Person meets all of the following criteria:
  - Persistent, well-documented Gender Dysphoria.
  - Capacity to make a fully informed decision and to consent for treatment.
  - Must be 18 years or older.
  - If significant medical or mental health concerns are present, they must be reasonably well controlled.

The Covered Person must provide documentation of the following for genital surgery:

- A written psychological assessment from at least two qualified behavioral health providers experienced in treating Gender Dysphoria, who have independently assessed the Covered Person. The assessment must document that the Covered Person meets all of the following criteria:
  - Persistent, well-documented Gender Dysphoria.
  - Capacity to make a fully informed decision and to consent for treatment.
  - Must 18 years or older.
  - If significant medical or mental health concerns are present, they must be reasonably well controlled.
  - Complete at least 12 months of successful continuous full-time real-life experience in the desired gender.
  - Complete 12 months of continuous cross-sex hormone therapy appropriate for the desired gender (unless medically contraindicated).
- The treatment plan is based on identifiable external sources including the *World Professional Association for Transgender Health (WPATH)* standards, and/or evidence-based professional society guidance.

**Prior Authorization Requirement for Surgical Treatment**

You must obtain prior authorization as soon as the possibility of surgery arises.

If you fail to obtain prior authorization as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

In addition, for Non-Network Benefits, you must contact the Claims Administrator 24 hours before admission for scheduled admissions or as soon as is reasonably possible for non-scheduled admissions (including Emergency admissions). **Prior Authorization Requirement for Non-Surgical Treatment**

Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, any applicable prior authorization requirements will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.

## Hearing Aids

The Plan pays Benefits for hearing aids required for the correction of a hearing impairment (a reduction in the ability to perceive sound which may range from slight to complete deafness). Hearing aids are electronic amplifying devices designed to bring sound more effectively into the ear. A hearing aid consists of a microphone, amplifier and receiver.

Benefits are available for a hearing aid that is purchased as a result of a written recommendation by a Physician. Benefits are provided for the hearing aid and for charges for associated fitting and testing.

If more than one type of hearing aid can meet your functional needs, Benefits are available only for the hearing aid that meets the minimum specifications for your needs. If you purchase a hearing aid that exceeds these minimum specifications, the Plan will pay only the amount that the Plan would have paid for the hearing aid that meets the minimum specifications, and you will be responsible for paying any difference in cost.

Benefits do not include bone anchored hearing aids. Bone anchored hearing aids are a Covered Health Service for which Benefits are available under the applicable medical/surgical Covered Health Services categories in this section only for Covered Persons who have either of the following:

- Craniofacial anomalies whose abnormal or absent ear canals preclude the use of a wearable hearing aid.
- Hearing loss of sufficient severity that it would not be adequately remedied by a wearable hearing aid.

Benefits are limited to a single purchase (including repair/replacement) per hearing impaired ear every three calendar years.

## Hearing Screenings for Newborns

Hearing screenings for newborns, including prescreening, audio logical assessment and follow-up, and initial amplification.

## Home Health Care

Covered Health Services are services that a Home Health Agency provides if you need care in your home due to the nature of your condition. Services must be:

- Ordered by a Physician.
- Provided by or supervised by a registered nurse in your home, or provided by either a home health aide or licensed practical nurse and supervised by a registered nurse.
- Not considered Custodial Care, as defined in Section 14, *Glossary*.
- Provided on a part-time, Intermittent Care schedule when Skilled Care is required. Refer to Section 14, *Glossary* for the definition of Skilled Care.

The Claims Administrator will determine if Skilled Care is needed by reviewing both the skilled nature of the service and the need for Physician-directed medical management. A service will not be determined to be "skilled" simply because there is not an available caregiver.

Any combination of Network Benefits and Non-Network Benefits is limited to 60 visits per calendar year. One visit equals four hours of Skilled Care services. This visit limit does not include any service which is billed only for the administration of intravenous infusion.

### **Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator five business days before receiving services, including nutritional foods or as soon as is reasonably possible. If you fail to obtain prior authorization as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

## Hospice Care

Hospice care is an integrated program recommended by a Physician which provides comfort and support services for the terminally ill. Hospice care can be provided on an inpatient or outpatient basis and includes physical, psychological, social, spiritual and respite care for the terminally ill person, and short-term grief counseling for immediate family members while the Covered Person is receiving hospice care. Benefits are available only when hospice care is received from a licensed hospice agency, which can include a Hospital.

### **Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator five business days before admission for an Inpatient Stay in a hospice facility or as soon as is reasonably possible. If you fail to obtain prior authorization as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

**In addition, for Non-Network Benefits, you must contact the Claims Administrator within 24 hours of admission for an Inpatient Stay in a hospice facility.**

## Hospital - Inpatient Stay

Hospital Benefits are available for:

- Non-Physician services and supplies received during an Inpatient Stay.
- Room and board in a Semi-private Room (a room with two or more beds).
- Physician services for radiologists, anesthesiologists, pathologists and Emergency room Physicians.

The Plan will pay the difference in cost between a Semi-private Room and a private room only if a private room is necessary according to generally accepted medical practice.

Benefits for an Inpatient Stay in a Hospital are available only when the Inpatient Stay is necessary to prevent, diagnose or treat a Sickness or Injury. Benefits for other Hospital-based Physician services are described in this section under *Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services*.

Benefits for Emergency admissions and admissions of less than 24 hours are described under *Emergency Health Services and Surgery - Outpatient*, *Scopic Procedures - Outpatient Diagnostic and Therapeutic*, and *Therapeutic Treatments - Outpatient*, respectively.

### **Prior Authorization Requirement**

Please remember for Non-Network Benefits for:

- A scheduled admission, you must obtain prior authorization five business days before admission.
- A non-scheduled admission (including Emergency admissions) you must provide notification as soon as is reasonably possible.

If authorization is not obtained as required, or notification is not provided, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

**In addition, for Non-Network Benefits, you must contact the Claims Administrator 24 hours before admission for scheduled admissions or as soon as is reasonably possible for non-scheduled admissions (including Emergency admissions).**

## Human Leukocyte Testing

Services for human leukocyte testing, also referred to as histocompatibility locus antigen testing, for A, B and DR antigens to be used in bone marrow transplants. The testing must be performed in a facility which is accredited by the American Association of Blood Banks or its successors, the College of American Pathologists, the American Society for Histocompatibility and Immunogenetics (ASHI) or any other national accrediting body with requirements that are substantially equivalent to or more stringent than those of the College of American Pathologists and be licensed under the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Act.

At the time of testing, the person being tested must complete and sign an informed consent form which also authorizes the results of the test to be used for participation in the National Marrow Donor Program.

## Infertility Services

Therapeutic services for the treatment of Infertility when provided by or under the direction of a Physician. Benefits under this section are limited to the following procedures:

- Assisted Reproductive Technologies (ART).
- Frozen Embryo Transfer cycle including the associated cryopreservation and storage of embryos.
- ICSI - (intracytoplasmic sperm injection).
- Insemination procedures (artificial insemination (AI) and intrauterine insemination (IUI)).
- Embryo transportation related network disruption.
- Ovulation induction (or controlled ovarian stimulation).
- Testicular Sperm Aspiration/Microsurgical Epididymal Sperm Aspiration (TESA/MESA) - male factor associated surgical procedures for retrieval of sperm.
- Surgical Procedures: Laparoscopy, Lysis of adhesions, tubotubal anastomosis, fimbrioplasty, salpingostomy, transcervical catheterization, cystoplasty, metroplasty.
- Electroejaculation.
- Pre-implantation Genetic Diagnosis (PGD) - when the genetic parents carry a gene mutation to determine whether that mutation has been transmitted to the embryo.

Treatment for the diagnosis and treatment of the underlying cause of Infertility is covered as described in the SPD. Benefits for diagnostic tests are described under, *Scopic Procedures - Outpatient Diagnostic and Therapeutic, Office Visits*.

Benefits for certain Pharmaceutical Products, including specialty Pharmaceutical Products, for the treatment of Infertility that are administered on an outpatient basis in a Hospital, Alternate Facility, Physician's office, or in your home are described under *Pharmaceutical Products*.

Benefits for Pharmaceutical Products for outpatient use that are filled by a prescription order or refill are described under *Outpatient Prescription Drugs*.

### Criteria to be eligible for Benefits

To be eligible for the Infertility services Benefit you must have a diagnosis of infertility.

- To meet the definition of Infertility you must meet one of the following:
  - You are not able to become pregnant after the following periods of time of regular unprotected intercourse or Therapeutic Donor Insemination:
    - ◆ One year, if you are a female under age 35.
    - ◆ Six months, if you are a female age 35 or older.

- You are female and have failed to achieve or maintain a Pregnancy due to impotence/sexual dysfunction;
- You are female and have infertility that is not related to voluntary sterilization or failed reversal of voluntary sterilization.
- You are male and have a diagnosis of a male factor causing infertility (e.g. treatment of sperm abnormalities including the surgical recovery of sperm).
- You are a female under age 44 and using own oocytes (eggs).
- You are a female under age 55 and using donor oocytes (eggs).
- You have Infertility that is not related to voluntary sterilization.
- You are male and have a diagnosis of a male factor causing Infertility (e.g. treatment of sperm abnormalities including the surgical recovery of sperm).
- Not a Child Dependent.

Note. For treatment initiated prior to pertinent birthday, services will be covered to completion of initiated cycle.

Any combination of Network Benefits and Non-Network Benefits are limited to \$5,000 per Covered Person during the entire period of time he or she is enrolled for coverage under the Plan. This limit includes Benefits for Infertility medications provided under Section 15, *Outpatient Prescription Drugs*.

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Only charges for the following apply toward the infertility lifetime maximum:

- Surgeon.
- Assistant surgeon.
- Anesthesia.
- Lab tests.
- Specific injections.

Charges for the following apply toward the infertility lifetime maximum:

- Hospital outpatient facility.
- Surgeon's and assistant surgeon's fees.
- Anesthesia.
- Lab and x-ray.
- Diagnostic services.



- Physician's office visits.
- Consultations.
- Injections.

Benefits for Assisted Reproductive Technology (ART) are limited to three procedures during the entire period of time a Covered Person is enrolled under the Plan.

### ***Fertility Solutions Program***

You must enroll in the Fertility Solutions Program to receive services from a Designated Provider. To enroll you can call the telephone number on your ID card or you can call the *Fertility Solutions Program Nurse Team* at 888-936-7246.

### **Kidney Resource Services (KRS)**

The Plan pays Benefits for Comprehensive Kidney Solution (CKS) that covers both chronic kidney disease and End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) provided by Designated Providers participating in the Kidney Resource Services (KRS) program. Designated Provider is defined in Section 14, *Glossary*.

In order to receive Benefits under this program, KRS must provide the proper notification to the Network provider performing the services. This is true even if you self refer to a Network provider participating in the program. Notification is required:

- Prior to vascular access placement for dialysis.
- Prior to any ESRD services.

You or a covered Dependent may:

- Be referred to KRS by the Claims Administrator or Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup>.
- Call KRS at 1-866-561-7518.

To receive Benefits related to ESRD and chronic kidney disease, you are not required to visit a Designated Provider. If you receive services from a facility that is not a Designated Provider, the Plan pays Benefits as described under:

- Physician's Office Services - Sickness and Injury.
- Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services.
- Scopic Procedures - Outpatient Diagnostic and Therapeutic.
- Therapeutic Treatments - Outpatient.
- Hospital - Inpatient Stay.
- Surgery - Outpatient.

To receive Benefits under the KRS program, you must contact KRS prior to obtaining Covered Health Services. The Plan will only pay Benefits under the KRS program if KRS provides the proper notification to the Designated Provider performing the services (even if you self refer to a provider in that Network).

**Lab, X-Ray and Diagnostics - Outpatient**

Services for Sickness and Injury-related diagnostic purposes, received on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility include:

- Lab and radiology/X-ray.
- Mammography.

Benefits under this section include:

- The facility charge and the charge for supplies and equipment.
- Physician services for radiologists, anesthesiologists and pathologists. (Benefits for other Physician services are described under Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services.)
- Presumptive Drug Tests and Definitive Drug Tests.

When these services are performed in a Physician's office, Benefits are described under *Physician's Office Services - Sickness and Injury* in this section.

Any combination of Network Benefits and Non-Network Benefits is limited to 18 Presumptive Drug Tests per calendar year.

Any combination of Network Benefits and Non-Network Benefits is limited to 18 Definitive Drug Tests per calendar year.

Benefits for other Physician services are described in this section under *Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services*. Lab, X-ray and diagnostic services for preventive care are described under *Preventive Care Services* in this section. CT scans, PET scans, MRI, MRA, nuclear medicine and major diagnostic services are described under *Lab, X-Ray and Major Diagnostics - CT, PET Scans, MRI, MRA and Nuclear Medicine - Outpatient* in this section.

**Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits for **Genetic Testing**, sleep studies, you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator five business days before scheduled services are received. If you fail to obtain prior authorization as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

**Lab, X-Ray and Major Diagnostics - CT, PET Scans, MRI, MRA and Nuclear Medicine - Outpatient**

Services for CT scans, PET scans, MRI, MRA, nuclear medicine, and major diagnostic services received on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility.

Benefits under this section include:

- The facility charge and the charge for supplies and equipment.
- Physician services for radiologists, anesthesiologists and pathologists.

When these services are performed in a Physician's office, Benefits are described under *Physician's Office Services - Sickness and Injury* in this section. Benefits for other Physician services are described in this section under *Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services*.

### **Lead Poisoning Testing**

Services related to the testing for lead poisoning.

### **Mental Health Services**

Mental Health Services include those received on an inpatient or outpatient basis in a Hospital and an Alternate Facility or in a provider's office. All services must be provided by or under the direction of a properly qualified behavioral health provider.

Benefits include the following levels of care:

- Inpatient treatment.
- Residential Treatment.
- Partial Hospitalization/Day Treatment.
- Intensive Outpatient Treatment.
- Outpatient treatment.

**Inpatient treatment and Residential Treatment includes room and board in a Semi-private Room (a room with two or more beds).**

Services include the following:

- Diagnostic evaluations, assessment and treatment planning.
- Treatment and/or procedures.
- Medication management and other associated treatments.
- Individual, family and group therapy.
- Provider-based case management services.
- Crisis intervention.

The Mental Health/Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Administrator provides administrative services for all levels of care.

You are encouraged to contact the Mental Health/Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Administrator for referrals to providers and coordination of care.

**Prior Authorization Requirement**

Please remember for Non-Network Benefits for:

- A scheduled admission for Mental Health Services (including an admission for services at a Residential Treatment facility) you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator five business days before admission.
- A non-scheduled admission (including Emergency admissions) you must provide notification as soon as is reasonably possible.

In addition, for Non-Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator before the following services are received. Services requiring prior authorization: Partial Hospitalization/Day Treatment; Intensive Outpatient Treatment programs; outpatient electro-convulsive treatment; psychological testing; transcranial magnetic stimulation; extended outpatient treatment visits, with or without medication management.

If you fail to obtain prior authorization from or provide notification to the Claims Administrator as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

**Neonatal Resource Services (NRS)**

The Plan pays Benefits for neonatal intensive care unit (NICU) services provided by Designated Providers participating in the Neonatal Resource Services (NRS) program. NRS provides guided access to a network of credentialed NICU providers and specialized nurse consulting services to manage NICU admissions. Designated Provider is defined in Section 14, *Glossary*.

To take part in the NRS program, call a neonatal nurse at 1-866-534-7209. The Plan will only pay Benefits under the NRS program if NRS provides the proper notification to the Designated Provider performing the services (even if you self refer to a provider in that Network).

You or a covered Dependent may also:

- Call the Claims Administrator or Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup>.
- Call NRS at 1-888-936-7246 and select the NRS prompt.

To receive NICU Benefits, you are not required to visit a Designated Provider. If you receive services from a facility that is not a Designated Provider, the Plan pays Benefits as described under:

- Physician's Office Services - Sickness and Injury.
- Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services.
- Scopic Procedures - Outpatient Diagnostic and Therapeutic.

- Therapeutic Treatments - Outpatient.
- Hospital - Inpatient Stay.
- Surgery - Outpatient.

### **Neurobiological Disorders - Autism Spectrum Disorder Services**

The Plan pays Benefits for behavioral services for Autism Spectrum Disorder including Intensive Behavioral Therapies such as *Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA)* that are the following:

- Focused on the treatment of core deficits of Autism Spectrum Disorder.
- Provided by a Board Certified Applied Behavior Analyst (BCBA) or other qualified provider under the appropriate supervision.
- Focused on treating maladaptive/stereotypic behaviors that are posing danger to self, others and property and impairment in daily functioning.

These Benefits describe only the behavioral component of treatment for Autism Spectrum Disorder. Medical treatment of Autism Spectrum Disorder is a Covered Health Service for which Benefits are available under the applicable medical Covered Health Services categories as described in this section.

Benefits include the following levels of care:

- Inpatient treatment.
- Residential Treatment.
- Partial Hospitalization/Day Treatment.
- Intensive Outpatient Treatment.
- Outpatient Treatment.

**Inpatient treatment and Residential Treatment includes room and board in a Semi-private Room (a room with two or more beds).**

Services include the following:

- Diagnostic evaluations, assessment and treatment planning.
- Treatment and/or procedures.
- Medication management and other associated treatments.
- Individual, family, and group therapy.
- Crisis intervention.
- Provider-based case management services.

The Mental Health/Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Administrator provides administrative services for all levels of care.

You are encouraged to contact the Mental Health/Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Administrator for referrals to providers and coordination of care.

**Prior Authorization Requirement**

Please remember for Non-Network Benefits for:

- A scheduled admission for Neurobiological Disorders – Autism Spectrum Disorder Services (including an admission for services at a Residential Treatment facility), you must obtain authorization from the Claims Administrator five business days before admission.
- A non-scheduled admission (including Emergency admissions) you must provide notification as soon as is reasonably possible.

In addition, for Non-Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator before the following services are received. Services requiring prior authorization: Partial Hospitalization/Day Treatment; Intensive Outpatient Treatment programs; psychological testing; extended outpatient treatment visits, with or without medication management; Intensive Behavioral Therapy, including *Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA)*.

If you fail to obtain prior authorization from or provide notification to the Claims Administrator as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

**Nutritional Counseling**

The Plan will pay for Covered Health Services for medical education services provided in a Physician's office by an appropriately licensed or healthcare professional when:

- Education is required for a disease in which patient self-management is an important component of treatment.
- There exists a knowledge deficit regarding the disease which requires the intervention of a trained health professional.

Some examples of such medical conditions include, but are not limited to:

- Coronary artery disease.
- Congestive heart failure.
- Severe obstructive airway disease.
- Gout (a form of arthritis).
- Renal failure.
- Phenylketonuria (a genetic disorder diagnosed at infancy).

- Hyperlipidemia (excess of fatty substances in the blood).

### Obesity Surgery

The Plan covers surgical treatment of obesity provided by or under the direction of a Physician provided either of the following is true:

- Morbid Obesity is a diagnosed condition in which the body weight exceeds the medically recommended weight by either 100 pounds or is twice the medically recommended weight for a person of the same height, age and mobility as the Covered Person.
- You have a minimum Body Mass Index (BMI) of 40.
- You have a minimum BMI of 35 with complicating co-morbidities (such as sleep apnea or diabetes) directly related to, or exacerbated by obesity.

In addition to meeting the above criteria the following must also be true:

- You have documentation from a Physician of a diagnosis of morbid obesity for a minimum of 5 years;
- You are over the age of 21;
- You have completed a 6-month physician supervised weight loss program;
- You have completed a pre-surgical psychological evaluation; and
- The surgery is performed at a Network Hospital by a Network surgeon even if there are no Network Hospitals near you.

#### **Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator as soon as the possibility of obesity surgery arises.

If you fail to obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

**In addition, for Non-Network Benefits you must contact the Claims Administrator 24 hours before admission for an Inpatient Stay.**

It is important that you provide notification regarding your intention to have surgery. Your notification will open the opportunity to become enrolled in programs that are designed to achieve the best outcomes for you.

### Osteoporosis Services

Services for the diagnosis, treatment, and appropriate management of osteoporosis for Covered Persons with a condition or medical history for which bone mass measurement is medically indicated.

## Ostomy Supplies

Benefits for ostomy supplies are limited to:

- Pouches, face plates and belts.
- Irrigation sleeves, bags and ostomy irrigation catheters.
- Skin barriers.

Benefits are not available for deodorants, filters, lubricants, tape, appliance cleaners, adhesive, adhesive remover, or other items not listed above.

## Pharmaceutical Products – Outpatient (Medical)

Please note that the plan has a separate prescription drug benefit administered by Express Scripts and described in ADDENDUM – PRESCRIPTION DRUG BENEFITS. Any prescription drugs or supplies that are obtained from a retail or mail order pharmacy must be purchased using your Express Scripts prescription drug card and will not be covered by the Plan's medical benefits described in this Section.

The medical Plan pays for Pharmaceutical Products that are administered on an outpatient basis in a Hospital, Alternate Facility, Physician's office, or in a Covered Person's home. Examples of what would be included under this category are antibiotic injections in the Physician's office or inhaled medication in an urgent care center for treatment of an asthma attack.

Benefits under this section are provided only for Pharmaceutical Products which, due to their characteristics (as determined by UnitedHealthcare), must typically be administered or directly supervised by a qualified provider or licensed/certified health professional. Depending on where the Pharmaceutical Product is administered, Benefits will be provided for administration of the Pharmaceutical Product under the corresponding Benefit category in this SPD. Benefits under this section do not include medications for the treatment of infertility.

If you require certain Pharmaceutical Products, including specialty Pharmaceutical Products, UnitedHealthcare may direct you to a designated dispensing entity with whom UnitedHealthcare has an arrangement to provide those Pharmaceutical Products. Such Dispensing Entities may include an outpatient pharmacy, specialty pharmacy, Home Health Agency provider, Hospital-affiliated pharmacy or hemophilia treatment center contracted pharmacy.

If you/your provider are directed to a designated dispensing entity and you/your provider choose not to obtain your Pharmaceutical Product from a designated dispensing entity, Network Benefits are not available for that Pharmaceutical Product.

Certain Pharmaceutical Products are subject to step therapy requirements. This means that in order to receive Benefits for such Pharmaceutical Products, you must use a different Pharmaceutical Product and/or prescription drug product first. You may find out whether a particular Pharmaceutical Product is subject to step therapy requirements by contacting UnitedHealthcare at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or by calling the telephone number on your ID card.



UnitedHealthcare may have certain programs in which you may receive an enhanced or reduced Benefit based on your actions such as adherence/compliance to medication or treatment regimens and/or participation in health management programs. You may access information on these programs through the Internet at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or by calling the number on your ID card.

### **Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services**

The Plan pays Physician fees for surgical procedures and other medical care received from a Physician in a Hospital, Skilled Nursing Facility, Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility, Alternate Facility or for Physician house calls.

### **Physician's Office Services - Sickness and Injury**

Benefits are paid by the Plan for Covered Health Services provided in a Physician's office for the diagnosis and treatment of a Sickness or Injury. Benefits are provided under this section regardless of whether the Physician's office is free-standing, located in a clinic or located in a Hospital. Benefits under this section include allergy injections and hearing exams in case of Injury or Sickness.

Covered Health Services include medical education services that are provided in a Physician's office by appropriately licensed or registered healthcare professionals when both of the following are true:

- Education is required for a disease in which patient self-management is an important component of treatment.
- There exists a knowledge deficit regarding the disease which requires the intervention of a trained health professional.

Covered Health Services include genetic counseling. Benefits are available for Genetic Testing which is ordered by the Physician and authorized in advance by UnitedHealthcare.

Benefits for preventive services are described under *Preventive Care Services* in this section.

Benefits under this section include lab, radiology/X-ray or other diagnostic services performed in the Physician's office.

**Please Note**

Your Physician does not have a copy of your SPD, and is not responsible for knowing or communicating your Benefits.

### **Pregnancy - Maternity Services**

Benefits for Pregnancy will be paid at the same level as Benefits for any other condition, Sickness or Injury. This includes all maternity-related medical services for prenatal care, postnatal care, delivery, and any related complications.

The Plan will pay Benefits for an Inpatient Stay of at least:

- 48 hours for the mother and newborn child following a vaginal delivery.
- 96 hours for the mother and newborn child following a cesarean section delivery.

These are federally mandated requirements under the *Newborns' and Mothers' Health Protection Act of 1996* which apply to this Plan. The Hospital or other provider is not required to get authorization for the time periods stated above. Authorizations are required for longer lengths of stay. If the mother agrees, the attending Physician may discharge the mother and/or the newborn child earlier than these minimum timeframes.

Both before and during a Pregnancy, Benefits include the services of a genetic counselor when provided or referred by a Physician. These Benefits are available to all Covered Persons in the immediate family. Covered Health Services include related tests and treatment.

**Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator as soon as reasonably possible if the Inpatient Stay for the mother and/or the newborn will be more than 48 hours for the mother and newborn child following a normal vaginal delivery, or more than 96 hours for the mother and newborn child following a cesarean section delivery. If you fail to obtain prior authorization as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

It is important that you notify us regarding your Pregnancy. Your notification will open the opportunity to become enrolled in prenatal programs that are designed to achieve the best outcomes for you and your baby.

**Healthy moms and babies**

The Plan provides a special prenatal program to help during Pregnancy. Participation is voluntary and free of charge. See Section 7, *Clinical Programs and Resources*, for details.

**Preventive Care Services**

The Plan pays Benefits for Preventive care services provided on an outpatient basis at a Physician's office, an Alternate Facility or a Hospital. Preventive care services encompass medical services that have been demonstrated by clinical evidence to be safe and effective in either the early detection of disease or in the prevention of disease, have been proven to have a beneficial effect on health outcomes and include the following as required under applicable law:

- Evidence-based items or services that have in effect a rating of "A" or "B" in the current recommendations of the United States Preventive Services Task Force.
- Immunizations that have in effect a recommendation from the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

- With respect to infants, children and adolescents, evidence-informed preventive care and screenings provided for in the comprehensive guidelines supported by the Health Resources and Services Administration.
- With respect to women, such additional preventive care and screenings as provided for in comprehensive guidelines supported by the Health Resources and Services Administration.

Preventive care Benefits defined under the *Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)* requirement include the cost of renting one breast pump per Pregnancy in conjunction with childbirth. Breast pumps must be ordered by or provided by a Physician. You can obtain additional information on how to access Benefits for breast pumps by going to **www.myuhc.com** or by calling the number on your ID card. Benefits for breast pumps also include the cost of purchasing one breast pump per Pregnancy in conjunction with childbirth. These Benefits are described under Section 5, *Plan Highlights*, under *Covered Health Services*.

If more than one breast pump can meet your needs, Benefits are available only for the most cost effective pump. UnitedHealthcare will determine the following:

- Which pump is the most cost effective.
- Whether the pump should be purchased or rented.
- Duration of a rental.
- Timing of an acquisition.

Benefits are only available if breast pumps are obtained from a DME provider or Physician.

For questions about your preventive care Benefits under this Plan call the number on the back of your ID card.

### **Private Duty Nursing - Outpatient**

The Plan covers Private Duty Nursing care given on an outpatient basis by a licensed nurse such as a Registered Nurse (R.N.), Licensed Practical Nurse (L.P.N.), or Licensed Vocational Nurse (L.V.N.).

## Prosthetic and Orthotic Devices

Benefits are paid by the Plan for external prosthetic devices that replace a limb or body part limited to:

- Artificial arms, legs, feet and hands.
- Artificial face, eyes, ears and noses.
- Breast prosthesis as required by the Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998. Benefits include mastectomy bras and lymphedema stockings for the arm.
- Internal prosthetic devices which replace all or part of an internal body organ (including colostomy bags and supplies directly related to colostomy care).
- Orthotic devices and provider services relating to the fitting and use of the orthotic devices. Orthotic devices includes leg, arm, back and neck braces. Dental devices (for example: braces, dentures, bridges) are not considered as orthotic devices.
- One pair of conventional eyeglasses or contact lenses following each cataract surgery with insertion of an intraocular lens.

Benefits under this section are provided only for external prosthetic devices and do not include any device that is fully implanted into the body.

If more than one prosthetic device can meet your functional needs, Benefits are available only for the prosthetic device that meets the minimum specifications for your needs. The device must be ordered or provided either by a Physician, or under a Physician's direction. If you purchase a prosthetic device that exceeds these minimum specifications, the Plan will pay only the amount that it would have paid for the prosthetic that meets the minimum specifications, and you may be responsible for paying any difference in cost.

### Foot Orthotic Appliances:

The initial purchase, fitting and repair of orthotic appliances such braces, splints or other appliances which are required for support for an injured or deformed part of the body as a result of a disabling condition or an injury or sickness. Replacements will be covered if there is sufficient change in the covered person's condition or if the original appliance is deemed no longer functional.

Benefits are available for repairs and replacement, except that:

- There are no Benefits for repairs due to misuse, malicious damage or gross neglect.
- There are no Benefits for replacement due to misuse, malicious damage, gross neglect or for lost or stolen prosthetic devices.

**Note:** Prosthetic devices are different from DME - see *Durable Medical Equipment (DME)* in this section.

**Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator before obtaining prosthetic devices that exceed \$1,000 in cost per device. If prior authorization is not obtained as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

**Reconstructive Procedures**

Reconstructive procedures are services performed when the primary purpose of the procedure is either to treat a medical condition or to improve or restore physiologic function for an organ or body part. Reconstructive procedures include surgery or other procedures which are associated with an Injury, Sickness or Congenital Anomaly. The primary result of the procedure is not a changed or improved physical appearance.

Improving or restoring physiologic function means that the organ or body part is made to work better. An example of a reconstructive procedure is surgery on the inside of the nose so that a person's breathing can be improved or restored.

Benefits for reconstructive procedures include breast reconstruction following a mastectomy and reconstruction of the non-affected breast to achieve symmetry. Replacement of an existing breast implant is covered by the Plan if the initial breast implant followed mastectomy. Other services required by the *Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998*, including breast prostheses and treatment of complications, are provided in the same manner and at the same level as those for any other Covered Health Service. You can contact UnitedHealthcare at the number on your ID card for more information about Benefits for mastectomy-related services.

There may be times when the primary purpose of a procedure is to make a body part work better. However, in other situations, the purpose of the same procedure is to improve the appearance of a body part. Cosmetic procedures are excluded from coverage. Procedures that correct an anatomical Congenital Anomaly without improving or restoring physiologic function are considered Cosmetic Procedures. A good example is upper eyelid surgery. At times, this procedure will be done to improve vision, which is considered a reconstructive procedure. In other cases, improvement in appearance is the primary intended purpose, which is considered a Cosmetic Procedure. This Plan does not provide Benefits for Cosmetic Procedures, as defined in Section 14, *Glossary*.

The fact that a Covered Person may suffer psychological consequences or socially avoidant behavior as a result of an Injury, Sickness or Congenital Anomaly does not classify surgery (or other procedures done to relieve such consequences or behavior) as a reconstructive procedure.

**Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits for:

- A scheduled Reconstructive Procedure, you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator five business days before a scheduled Reconstructive Procedures is performed.

- A non-scheduled Reconstructive Procedure, you must provide notification within one business day or as soon as is reasonably possible.

If authorization is not obtained from the Claims Administrator as required, or notification is not provided, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

**In addition, for Non-Network Benefits, you must contact the Claims Administrator 24 hours before admission for scheduled admissions or as soon as is reasonably possible for non-scheduled admissions (including Emergency admissions).**

### **Rehabilitation Services - Outpatient Therapy and Manipulative Treatment**

The Plan provides short-term outpatient rehabilitation services (including habilitative services) limited to:

- Physical therapy.
- Occupational therapy.
- Manipulative Treatment.
- Speech therapy.
- Post-cochlear implant aural therapy.
- Pulmonary rehabilitation.
- Cardiac rehabilitation.
- Cognitive rehabilitation therapy following a post-traumatic brain Injury or stroke.

Rehabilitation visit limits are prohibited with diagnosis of Autism Spectrum Disorder and delivered by a licensed autism service provider.

For all rehabilitation services, a licensed therapy provider, under the direction of a Physician (when required by state law), must perform the services. Benefits under this section include rehabilitation services provided in a Physician's office or on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility. Rehabilitative services provided in a Covered Person's home by a Home Health Agency are provided as described under Home Health Care. Rehabilitative services provided in a Covered Person's home other than by a Home Health Agency are provided as described under this section.

Benefits can be denied or shortened for Covered Persons who are not progressing in goal-directed rehabilitation services or if rehabilitation goals have previously been met. Benefits under this section are not available for maintenance/preventive treatment.

For outpatient rehabilitation services for speech therapy, the Plan will pay Benefits for the treatment of disorders of speech, language, voice, communication and auditory processing only when the disorder results from Injury, stroke, cancer, Congenital Anomaly. The Plan will pay Benefits for cognitive rehabilitation therapy only when Medically Necessary following a post-traumatic brain Injury or stroke.

### ***Habilitative Services***

For the purpose of this Benefit, "habilitative services" means Medically Necessary skilled health care services that help a person keep, learn or improve skills and functioning for daily living. Habilitative services are skilled when all of the following are true:

- The services are part of a prescribed plan of treatment or maintenance program that is Medically Necessary to maintain a Covered Person's current condition or to prevent or slow further decline.
- It is ordered by a Physician and provided and administered by a licensed provider.
- It is not delivered for the purpose of assisting with activities of daily living, including dressing, feeding, bathing or transferring from a bed to a chair.
- It requires clinical training in order to be delivered safely and effectively.
- It is not Custodial Care.

The Claims Administrator will determine if Benefits are available by reviewing both the skilled nature of the service and the need for Physician-directed medical management. Therapies provided for the purpose of general well-being or conditioning in the absence of a disabling condition are not considered habilitative services. A service will not be determined to be "skilled" simply because there is not an available caregiver

Benefits are provided for habilitative services provided for Covered Persons with a disabling condition when both of the following conditions are met:

- The treatment is administered by a licensed speech-language pathologist, licensed audiologist, licensed occupational therapist, licensed physical therapist or Physician.
- The initial or continued treatment must be proven and not Experimental or Investigational.

Benefits for habilitative services do not apply to those services that are solely educational in nature or otherwise paid under state or federal law for purely educational services. Custodial Care, respite care, day care, therapeutic recreation, vocational training and Residential Treatment are not habilitative services. A service that does not help the Covered Person to meet functional goals in a treatment plan within a prescribed time frame is not a habilitative service.

The Plan may require that a treatment plan be provided, request medical records, clinical notes, or other necessary data to allow the Plan to substantiate that initial or continued medical treatment is needed. When the treating provider anticipates that continued treatment is or will be required to permit the Covered Person to achieve demonstrable progress, the Plan may request a treatment plan consisting of diagnosis, proposed treatment by type, frequency, anticipated duration of treatment, the anticipated goals of treatment, and how frequently the treatment plan will be updated.

Benefits for Durable Medical Equipment and prosthetic devices, when used as a component of habilitative services, are described under *Durable Medical Equipment* and *Prosthetic Devices* in this section.

Other than as described under Habilitative Services above, please note that the Plan will pay Benefits for speech therapy for the treatment of disorders of speech, language, voice, communication and auditory processing only when the disorder results from Injury, stroke, cancer, Congenital Anomaly, or Autism Spectrum Disorder.

Benefits are limited to:

- 60 visits per calendar year for physical, occupational, pulmonary, cardiac, post-cochlear implant aural therapy, speech therapy and cognitive rehabilitation therapy combined.
- 30 visits per calendar year for Manipulative Treatment.

These visit limits apply to Network Benefits and Non-Network Benefits combined.

### **Scopic Procedures - Outpatient Diagnostic and Therapeutic**

The Plan pays for diagnostic and therapeutic scopic procedures and related services received on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility.

Diagnostic scopic procedures are those for visualization, biopsy and polyp removal. Examples of diagnostic scopic procedures include colonoscopy, sigmoidoscopy, and endoscopy.

Benefits under this section include:

- The facility charge and the charge for supplies and equipment.
- Physician services for radiologists, anesthesiologists and pathologists.

When these services are performed in a Physician's office, Benefits are described under *Physician's Office Services - Sickness and Injury* in this section. Benefits for other Physician services are described in this section under *Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services*.

Please note that Benefits under this section do not include surgical scopic procedures, which are for the purpose of performing surgery. Benefits for surgical scopic procedures are described under *Surgery - Outpatient*. Examples of surgical scopic procedures include arthroscopy, laparoscopy, bronchoscopy, hysteroscopy.

When these services are performed for preventive screening purposes, Benefits are described in this section under *Preventive Care Services*.

### **Skilled Nursing Facility/Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility Services**

Facility services for an Inpatient Stay in a Skilled Nursing Facility or Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility are covered by the Plan. Benefits include:



- Supplies and non-Physician services received during the Inpatient Stay.
- Room and board in a Semi-private Room (a room with two or more beds).
- Physician services for radiologists, anesthesiologists and pathologists.

Benefits are available when skilled nursing and/or Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility services are needed on a daily basis. Benefits are also available in a Skilled Nursing Facility or Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility for treatment of a Sickness or Injury that would have otherwise required an Inpatient Stay in a Hospital.

Benefits for other Physician services are described in this section under *Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services*.

UnitedHealthcare will determine if Benefits are available by reviewing both the skilled nature of the service and the need for Physician-directed medical management. A service will not be determined to be "skilled" simply because there is not an available caregiver.

Benefits are available only if both of the following are true:

- The initial confinement in a Skilled Nursing Facility or Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility was or will be a Cost Effective alternative to an Inpatient Stay in a Hospital.
- You will receive skilled care services that are not primarily Custodial Care.

Skilled care is skilled nursing, skilled teaching, and skilled rehabilitation services when all of the following are true:

- It must be delivered or supervised by licensed technical or professional medical personnel in order to obtain the specified medical outcome, and provide for the safety of the patient.
- It is ordered by a Physician.
- It is not delivered for the purpose of assisting with activities of daily living, including dressing, feeding, bathing or transferring from a bed to a chair.
- It requires clinical training in order to be delivered safely and effectively.

You are expected to improve to a predictable level of recovery. Benefits can be denied or shortened for Covered Persons who are not progressing in goal-directed rehabilitation services or if discharge rehabilitation goals have previously been met.

**Note:** The Plan does not pay Benefits for Custodial Care or Domiciliary Care, even if ordered by a Physician, as defined in Section 14, *Glossary*.

Any combination of Network Benefits and Non-Network Benefits is limited to 60 days per calendar year.

**Prior Authorization Requirement**

Please remember for Non-Network Benefits for:

- A scheduled admission, you must obtain prior authorization five business days before admission.
- A non-scheduled admission (or admissions resulting from an Emergency) you must provide notification as soon as is reasonably possible.

If authorization is not obtained as required, or notification is not provided, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

**In addition, for Non-Network Benefits, you must contact the Claims Administrator 24 hours before admission for scheduled admissions or as soon as is reasonably possible for non-scheduled admissions (including Emergency admissions).**

### **Speech and Hearing Services**

Services include treatment for loss or impairment of speech or hearing, including those communicative disorders generally treated by a speech pathologist, audiologist or speech/language pathologist licensed by the state board of healing arts or certified by the American Speech-Language and Hearing Association (ASHA) or both, and which fall within the scope of his or her license or certification.

### **Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services**

Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services include those received on an inpatient or outpatient basis in a Hospital or an Alternate Facility and those received on an outpatient basis in a provider's office or at an Alternate Facility. All services must be provided by or under the direction of a properly qualified behavioral health provider.

Benefits include the following levels of care:

- Inpatient treatment.
- Residential Treatment.
- Partial Hospitalization/Day Treatment.
- Intensive Outpatient Treatment.
- Outpatient treatment.

**Inpatient treatment and Residential Treatment includes room and board in a Semi-private Room (a room with two or more beds).**

Services include the following:

- Diagnostic evaluations, assessment and treatment planning.
- Treatment and/or procedures.
- Medication management and other associated treatments.
- Individual, family and group therapy.

- Provider-based case management services.
- Crisis intervention.

The Mental Health/Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Administrator provides administrative services for all levels of care.

You are encouraged to contact the Mental Health/Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Administrator for referrals to providers and coordination of care.

**Prior Authorization Requirement**

Please remember for Non-Network Benefits for:

- A scheduled admission for Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services (including an admission for services at a Residential Treatment facility), you must obtain authorization from the Claims Administrator five business days before admission.
- A non-scheduled admission (including Emergency admissions) you must provide notification as soon as is reasonably possible.

In addition, for Non-Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator before the following services are received. Services requiring prior authorization: Partial Hospitalization/Day Treatment; Intensive Outpatient Treatment programs; psychological testing; extended outpatient treatment visits, with or without medication management.

If you fail to obtain prior authorization from or provide notification to the Claims Administrator as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

**Surgery - Outpatient**

The Plan pays for surgery and related services received on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility.

Benefits under this section include certain scopic procedures. Examples of surgical scopic procedures include arthroscopy, laparoscopy, bronchoscopy and hysteroscopy.

Benefits under this section include:

- The facility charge and the charge for supplies and equipment.
- Physician services for radiologists, anesthesiologists and pathologists. Benefits for other Physician services are described in this section under Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services.

**Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits for vein procedures, and sleep apnea surgeries, cochlear implant and orthognathic surgeries you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator five business days before scheduled services are received or for non-scheduled services, within one business day or as soon as is reasonably possible. If you fail to obtain prior authorization as required Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

### **Temporomandibular Joint (TMJ) Services**

The Plan covers Services for the evaluation and treatment of temporomandibular joint syndrome (TMJ) and associated muscles.

Diagnosis: Examination, radiographs and applicable imaging studies and consultation.

Non-surgical treatment including clinical examinations, oral appliances (orthotic splints), arthrocentesis and trigger-point injections.

Benefits are provided for surgical treatment if the following criteria are met:

- There is clearly demonstrated radiographic evidence of significant joint abnormality.
- Non-surgical treatment has failed to adequately resolve the symptoms.
- Pain or dysfunction is moderate or severe.

Benefits for surgical services include arthrocentesis, arthroscopy, arthroplasty, arthrotomy, open or closed reduction of dislocations.

Benefits for an Inpatient Stay in a Hospital and Hospital-based Physician services are described in this section under *Hospital - Inpatient Stay* and *Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services*, respectively.

### **Therapeutic Treatments - Outpatient**

The Plan pays Benefits for therapeutic treatments received on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility or in a Physician's office, including dialysis (both hemodialysis and peritoneal dialysis), intravenous chemotherapy or other intravenous infusion therapy and radiation oncology. Non-Network dialysis is not covered.

Covered Health Services include medical education services that are provided on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility by appropriately licensed or registered healthcare professionals when:

- Education is required for a disease in which patient self-management is an important component of treatment.
- There exists a knowledge deficit regarding the disease which requires the intervention of a trained health professional.

Benefits under this section include:

- The facility charge and the charge for related supplies and equipment.
- Physician services for anesthesiologists, pathologists and radiologists. Benefits for other Physician services are described in this section under Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services.

When these services are performed in a Physician's office, Benefits are described under *Physician's Office Services*.

**Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits for the following outpatient therapeutic services you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator five business days before scheduled services are received or, for non-scheduled services, within one business day or as soon as is reasonably possible. Services that require prior authorization: IV infusion, radiation oncology, intensity modulated radiation therapy and MR-guided focused ultrasound.

If you fail to obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator, as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

**Transplantation Services**

Organ and tissue transplants including CAR-T cell therapy for malignancies when ordered by a Physician. Benefits are available for transplants when the transplant meets the definition of a Covered Health Service, and is not an Experimental or Investigational or Unproven Service.

Examples of transplants for which Benefits are available include bone marrow including CAR-T cell therapy for malignancies, heart, heart/lung, lung, kidney, kidney/pancreas, liver, liver/small bowel, pancreas, small bowel and cornea.

Benefits are available to the donor and the recipient when the recipient is covered under this Plan. Donor costs that are directly related to organ removal or procurement are Covered Health Services for which Benefits are payable through the organ recipient's coverage under the Plan.

The Claims Administrator has specific guidelines regarding Benefits for transplant services. Contact the Claims Administrator at the number on your ID card for information about these guidelines.

Transplantation services including evaluation for transplant, organ procurement and donor searches and transplantation procedures must be received by a Designated Provider.

Benefits are also available for cornea transplants. You are not required to obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator for a cornea transplant nor is the cornea transplant required to be performed by a Designated Provider.

**Note:** The services described under *Travel and Lodging* are Covered Health Services only in connection with transplant services received by a Designated Provider.

**Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator as soon as the possibility of a transplant arises (and before the time a pre-transplantation evaluation is performed at a transplant center). If you don't obtain prior authorization and if, as a result, the services are not performed by a Designated Provider, Network Benefits will not be paid.

**Support in the event of serious illness**

If you or a covered family member needs an organ or bone marrow transplant, UnitedHealthcare can put you in touch with quality treatment centers around the country.

**Travel and Lodging**

Your Plan Sponsor may provide you with Travel and Lodging assistance. Travel and Lodging assistance is only available for you or your eligible family member if you meet the qualifications for the benefit, including receiving care at a Designated Provider and the distance from your home address to the facility. Eligible Expenses are reimbursed after the expense forms have been completed and submitted with the appropriate receipts.

If you have specific questions regarding Travel and Lodging, please call the Travel and Lodging office at 1-800-842-0843.

***Travel and Lodging Expenses***

The Plan covers expenses for travel and lodging for the patient, provided he or she is not covered by Medicare, and a companion as follows:

- Transportation of the patient and one companion who is traveling on the same day(s) to and/or from the site of the qualified procedure provided by a Designated Provider for the purposes of an evaluation, the procedure or necessary post-discharge follow-up.
- The Eligible Expenses for lodging for the patient (while not a Hospital inpatient) and one companion.
- If the patient is an enrolled Dependent minor child, the transportation expenses of two companions will be covered.
- Travel and lodging expenses are only available if the patient resides more than 50 miles from the Designated Provider.
- Reimbursement for certain lodging expenses for the patient and his/her companion(s) may be included in the taxable income of the Plan participant if the reimbursement exceeds the per diem rate.
- The cancer, congenital heart disease and transplant programs offers a combined overall lifetime maximum of \$10,000 per Covered Person for all transportation and lodging

expenses incurred by you and reimbursed under the Plan in connection with all qualified procedures.

The Claims Administrator must receive valid receipts for such charges before you will be reimbursed. Reimbursement is as follows:

***Lodging***

- A per diem rate, up to \$50.00 per day, for the patient or the caregiver if the patient is in the Hospital.
- A per diem rate, up to \$100.00 per day, for the patient and one caregiver. When a child is the patient, two persons may accompany the child.

Examples of items that are not covered:

- Groceries.
- Alcoholic beverages.
- Personal or cleaning supplies.
- Meals.
- Over-the-counter dressings or medical supplies.
- Deposits.
- Utilities and furniture rental, when billed separate from the rent payment.
- Phone calls, newspapers, or movie rentals.

***Transportation***

Automobile mileage (reimbursed at the IRS medical rate) for the most direct route between the patient's home and the Designated Provider.

- Taxi fares (not including limos or car services).
- Economy or coach airfare.
- Parking.
- Trains.
- Boat.

- Bus.
- Tolls.

**Support in the event of serious illness**

If you or a covered family member has cancer or needs an organ or bone marrow transplant, UnitedHealthcare can put you in touch with quality treatment centers around the country.

**Urgent Care Center Services**

The Plan provides Benefits for services, including professional services, received at an Urgent Care Center, as defined in Section 14, *Glossary*. When Urgent Care services are provided in a Physician's office, the Plan pays Benefits as described under *Physician's Office Services - Sickness and Injury*.

**Virtual Visits**

Virtual visits for Covered Health Services that include the diagnosis and treatment of low acuity medical conditions for Covered Persons, through live audio with video technology or audio only. Virtual visits provide communication of medical information in real-time between the patient and a distant Physician or health care specialist, through use of interactive audio with video communications or audio only equipment outside of a medical facility (for example, from home or from work).

Network Benefits are available only when services are delivered through a Designated Virtual Network Provider. You can find a Designated Virtual Network Provider by going to [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or by calling the telephone number on your ID card.

**Please Note:** Not all medical conditions can be appropriately treated through virtual visits. The Designated Virtual Network Provider will identify any condition for which treatment by in-person Physician contact is necessary.

**Benefits under this section do not include email, fax and standard telephone calls, or for telehealth/telemedicine visits that occur within medical facilities (CMS defined originating facilities).****Vision Examinations**

The Plan pays Benefits for:

- Vision screenings, which could be performed as part of an annual physical examination in a provider's office (vision screenings do not include refractive examinations to detect vision impairment).
- one routine vision exam, including refraction, to detect vision impairment by a provider in the provider's office every other calendar year.

**Wigs**

The Plan pays Benefits for wigs and other scalp hair prosthesis only for loss of hair resulting from chemotherapy.





## SECTION 7 - CLINICAL PROGRAMS AND RESOURCES

### **What this section includes:**

Health and well-being resources available to you, including:

- Consumer Solutions and Self-Service Tools.
- Disease and Condition Management Services.
- Wellness Programs.

Parkway School District believes in giving you the tools you need to be an educated health care consumer. To that end, Parkway School District has made available several convenient educational and support services, accessible by phone and the Internet, which can help you to:

- take care of yourself and your family members;
- manage a chronic health condition; and
- navigate the complexities of the health care system.

### ***NOTE:***

Information obtained through the services identified in this section is based on current medical literature and on Physician review. It is not intended to replace the advice of a doctor. The information is intended to help you make better health care decisions and take a greater responsibility for your own health. UnitedHealthcare and Parkway School District are not responsible for the results of your decisions from the use of the information, including, but not limited to, your choosing to seek or not to seek professional medical care, or your choosing or not choosing specific treatment based on the text.

## **Consumer Solutions and Self-Service Tools**

### ***Health Survey***

You are invited to learn more about your health and wellness at **www.myuhc.com** and are encouraged to participate in the online health survey. The health survey is an interactive questionnaire designed to help you identify your healthy habits as well as potential health risks.

Your health survey is kept confidential. Completing the survey will not impact your Benefits or eligibility for Benefits in any way.

To find the health survey, log in to **www.myuhc.com**. After logging in, access your personalized *Health & Wellness* page. If you need any assistance with the online survey, please call the number on the back of your ID card.

### ***Health Improvement Plan***

You can start a Health Improvement Plan at any time. This plan is created just for you and includes information and interactive tools, plus online health coaching recommendations based on your profile.

Online coaching is available for:

- nutrition;
- exercise;
- weight management;
- stress;
- smoking cessation;
- diabetes; and
- heart health.

To help keep you on track with your Health Improvement Plan and online coaching, you'll also receive personalized messages and reminders - Parkway School District's way of helping you meet your health and wellness goals.

### ***UnitedHealth Premium® Program***

To help people make more informed choices about their health care, the *UnitedHealth Premium®* program recognizes Network Physicians who meet standards for quality and cost efficiency. UnitedHealthcare uses evidence-based medicine and national industry guidelines to evaluate quality. The cost efficiency standards rely on local market benchmarks for the efficient use of resources in providing care.

For details on the *UnitedHealth Premium® Program* including how to locate a UnitedHealth Premium Physician or facility, log onto **www.myuhc.com** or call the number on your ID card.

### ***www.myuhc.com***

UnitedHealthcare's member website, **www.myuhc.com**, provides information at your fingertips anywhere and anytime you have access to the Internet. **www.myuhc.com** opens the door to a wealth of health information and convenient self-service tools to meet your needs.

With **www.myuhc.com** you can:

- research a health condition and treatment options to get ready for a discussion with your Physician;
- search for Network providers available in your Plan through the online provider directory;
- complete a health risk assessment to identify health habits you can improve, learn about healthy lifestyle techniques and access health improvement resources;

- use the treatment cost estimator to obtain an estimate of the costs of various procedures in your area; and
- use the Hospital comparison tool to compare Hospitals in your area on various patient safety and quality measures.

**Registering on [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com)**

If you have not already registered as a **[www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com)** subscriber, simply go to **[www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com)** and click on "Register Now." Have your ID card handy. The enrollment process is quick and easy.

Visit **[www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com)** and:

- make real-time inquiries into the status and history of your claims;
- view eligibility and Plan Benefit information, including Copays and Annual Deductibles;
- view and print all of your Explanation of Benefits (EOBs) online; and
- order a new or replacement ID card or print a temporary ID card.

**Want to learn more about a condition or treatment?**

Log on to **[www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com)** and research health topics that are of interest to you. Learn about a specific condition, what the symptoms are, how it is diagnosed, how common it is, and what to ask your Physician.

**Disease and Condition Management Services**

***HealthNotes<sup>SM</sup>***

UnitedHealthcare provides a service called HealthNotes<sup>SM</sup> to help educate members and make suggestions regarding your medical care. HealthNotes<sup>SM</sup> provides you and your Physician with suggestions regarding preventive care, testing or medications, potential interactions with medications you have been prescribed, and certain treatments. In addition, your HealthNotes<sup>SM</sup> report may include health tips and other wellness information.

UnitedHealthcare makes these suggestions through a software program that provides retrospective, claims-based identification of medical care. Through this process patients are identified whose care may benefit from suggestions using the established standards of evidence based medicine as described in Section 14, *Glossary* under the definition of Covered Health Services.

If your Physician identifies any concerns after reviewing his or her HealthNotes<sup>SM</sup> report, he or she may contact you if he or she believes it to be appropriate. In addition, you may use the information in your report to engage your Physician in discussions regarding your health and the identified suggestions. Any decisions regarding your care, though, are always between you and your Physician.

If you have questions or would like additional information about this service, please call the number on the back of your ID card.

## **Wellness Programs**

### ***Maternity Support Program***

If you are pregnant or thinking about becoming pregnant, and you are enrolled in the medical Plan, you can get valuable educational information, advice and comprehensive case management by calling the number on your ID card. Your enrollment in the program will be handled by an OB nurse who is assigned to you.

This program offers:

- Enrollment by an OB nurse.
- Pre-conception health coaching.
- Written and online educational resources covering a wide range of topics.
- First and second trimester risk screenings.
- Identification and management of at- or high-risk conditions that may impact pregnancy.
- Pre-delivery consultation.
- Coordination with and referrals to other benefits and programs available under the medical plan.
- A phone call from a nurse approximately two weeks postpartum to provide information on postpartum and newborn care, feeding, nutrition, immunizations and more.
- Post-partum depression screening.

Participation is completely voluntary and without extra charge. To take full advantage of the program, you are encouraged to enroll within the first trimester of Pregnancy. You can enroll any time, up to your 34th week. To enroll, call the number on the back of your ID card.

As a program participant, you can always call your nurse with any questions or concerns you might have.

### ***Fertility Solutions***

Fertility Solutions is a program administered by UnitedHealthcare or its affiliates made available to you by the Plan Sponsor. The Infertility Solutions program provides:

- Specialized clinical consulting services to Participants and Enrolled Dependents to educate on infertility treatment options.
- Access to specialized Network facilities and Physicians for infertility services.

The Plan pays Benefits for the infertility services described above when provided by Designated Providers participating in the Fertility Solutions program. The Fertility Solutions provides education, counseling, infertility management and access to a national Network of premier infertility treatment clinics.

Covered Persons who do not live within a 60 mile radius of a Fertility Solutions Designated Provider will need to contact an Fertility Solutions case manager to determine a Network Provider prior to starting treatment. For infertility services and supplies to be considered Covered Health Services through this program, contact Fertility Solutions and enroll with a nurse consultant prior to receiving services.

You or a covered Dependent may:

- Be referred to Fertility Solutions by the Claims Administrator.
- Call the telephone number on your ID card.
- Call Fertility Solutions directly at 1-866-774-4626.

To take part in the Fertility Solutions program, call a nurse at 1-866-774-4626. The Plan will only pay Benefits under the Fertility Solutions program if Fertility Solutions provides the proper notification to the Designated Provider performing the services (even if you self-refer to a provider in that Network).

## SECTION 8 - EXCLUSIONS AND LIMITATIONS: WHAT THE MEDICAL PLAN WILL NOT COVER

**What this section includes:**

- Services, supplies and treatments that are not Covered Health Services, except as may be specifically provided for in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.

The Plan does not pay Benefits for the following services, treatments or supplies even if they are recommended or prescribed by a provider or are the only available treatment for your condition.

When Benefits are limited within any of the Covered Health Services categories described in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*, those limits are stated in the corresponding Covered Health Service category in Section 5, *Plan Highlights*. Limits may also apply to some Covered Health Services that fall under more than one Covered Health Service category. When this occurs, those limits are also stated in Section 5, *Plan Highlights*. Please review all limits carefully, as the Plan will not pay Benefits for any of the services, treatments, items or supplies that exceed these benefit limits.

**Please note that in listing services or examples, when the SPD says "this includes," or "including but not limiting to", it is not UnitedHealthcare's intent to limit the description to that specific list. When the Plan does intend to limit a list of services or examples, the SPD specifically states that the list "is limited to."**

### Alternative Treatments

1. Acupressure and acupuncture.
2. Aromatherapy.
3. Hypnotism.
4. Massage therapy.
5. Rolfing.
6. Art therapy, music therapy, dance therapy, horseback therapy and other forms of alternative treatment as defined by the *National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine (NCCAM)* of the *National Institutes of Health*. This exclusion does not apply to Manipulative Treatment and non-manipulative osteopathic care for which Benefits are provided as described in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.

## Dental

1. Dental care (which includes dental X-rays, supplies and appliances and all associated expenses, including hospitalizations and anesthesia).

This exclusion does not apply to accident-related dental services for which Benefits are provided as described under *Dental Services - Accident Only* or under *Dental Anesthesia and Facility Charges* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.

This exclusion does not apply to dental care (oral examination, X-rays, extractions and non-surgical elimination of oral infection) required for the direct treatment of a medical condition for which Benefits are available under the Plan, limited to:

- Transplant preparation.
  - Prior to the initiation of immunosuppressives drugs.
  - The direct treatment of acute traumatic Injury, cancer or cleft palate.
  - Dental care that is required to treat the effects of a medical condition, but that is not necessary to directly treat the medical condition, is excluded. Examples include treatment of dental caries resulting from dry mouth after radiation treatment or as a result of medication.
  - Endodontics, periodontal surgery and restorative treatment are excluded.
2. Preventive care, diagnosis, treatment of or related to the teeth, jawbones or gums. Examples include:
    - Extractions (including wisdom teeth), restoration and replacement of teeth.
    - Medical or surgical treatments of dental conditions.
    - Services to improve dental clinical outcomes.

This exclusion does not apply to preventive care for which Benefits are provided under the *United States Preventive Services Task Force* requirement or the *Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)* requirement. This exclusion also does not apply to accident-related dental services for which Benefits are provided as described under *Dental Services - Accident Only* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*. This exclusion does not apply to dental care (oral examination, X-rays, extractions/sails).

3. Dental implants, bone grafts, and other implant-related procedures.

This exclusion does not apply to accident-related dental services for which Benefits are provided as described under *Dental Services - Accident Only* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.

4. Dental braces (orthodontics).
5. Treatment of congenitally missing, malpositioned or supernumerary (extra) teeth, even if part of a Congenital Anomaly.



## Devices, Appliances and Prosthetics

1. Devices used specifically as safety items or to affect performance in sports-related activities.
2. Orthotic appliances and devices that straighten or re-shape a body part, except as described under *Durable Medical Equipment (DME)* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.

Examples of excluded orthotic appliances and devices include but are not limited to, foot orthotics and some type of braces, including orthotic braces available over-the-counter. This exclusion does not include diabetic footwear which may be covered for a Covered Person with diabetic foot disease.

3. Cranial **molding helmets and cranial banding except when used to avoid the need for surgery, and/or to facilitate a successful surgical outcome.**
4. **Powered and non-powered exoskeleton devices.**
5. The following items are excluded, even if prescribed by a Physician:
  - Blood pressure cuff/monitor.
  - Enuresis alarm.
  - Non-wearable external defibrillator.
  - Trusses.
  - Ultrasonic nebulizers.
6. Repairs to prosthetic devices due to misuse, malicious damage or gross neglect.
7. Replacement of prosthetic devices due to misuse, malicious damage or gross neglect or to replace lost or stolen items.
8. Devices and computers to assist in communication and speech except for speech aid devices and tracheo-esophageal voice devices for which Benefits are provided as described under *Durable Medical Equipment* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.
9. Oral appliances for snoring.

## Drugs

1. Prescription drug products for outpatient use that are filled by a prescription order or refill. Please see Addendum - Prescription Drug Benefits for the Plan's prescription drug benefits.
2. **Self-administered or self-infused medications. This exclusion does not apply to medications which, due to their characteristics, (as determined by UnitedHealthcare), must typically be administered or directly supervised by a qualified provider or**

licensed/certified health professional in an outpatient setting. This exclusion does not apply to hemophilia treatment centers contracted to dispense hemophilia factor medications directly to Covered Persons for self-infusion.

3. Non-injectable medications given in a Physician's office. This exclusion does not apply to non-injectable medications that are required in an Emergency and consumed in the Physician's office.
4. Over-the-counter drugs and treatments.
5. Growth hormone therapy.
6. Certain specialty medications ordered by a Physician through ES – Express Scripts.
7. Certain New Pharmaceutical Products and/or new dosage forms until the date as determined by the Claims Administrator or the Claims Administrator's designee, but no later than December 31st of the following calendar year.

This exclusion does not apply if you have a life-threatening Sickness or condition (one that is likely to cause death within one year of the request for treatment). If you have a life-threatening Sickness or condition, under such circumstances, Benefits may be available for the New Pharmaceutical Product to the extent provided for in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.

8. A Prescription Drug Product that contains (an) active ingredient(s) available in and Therapeutically Equivalent to another covered Prescription Drug Product. Such determinations may be made up to six times during a calendar year, and UnitedHealthcare may decide at any time to reinstate Benefits for a Prescription Drug Product that was previously excluded under this provision.
9. A Prescription Drug Product that contains (an) active ingredient(s) which is (are) a modified version of and Therapeutically Equivalent to another covered Prescription Drug Product. Such determinations may be made up to six times during a calendar year, and UnitedHealthcare may decide at any time to reinstate Benefits for a Prescription Drug Product that was previously excluded under this provision.
10. Certain Prescription Drug Products for which there are Therapeutically Equivalent alternatives available, unless otherwise required by law or approved by UnitedHealthcare. Such determinations may be made up to six times during a calendar year, and UnitedHealthcare may decide at any time to reinstate Benefits for a Prescription Drug Product that was previously excluded under this provision.
11. Benefits for Pharmaceutical Products for the amount dispensed (days' supply or quantity limit) which exceeds the supply limit.
12. A Pharmaceutical Product with an approved biosimilar or a biosimilar and therapeutically equivalent (having essentially the same efficacy and adverse effect profile) to another covered Pharmaceutical Product. For the purpose of this exclusion a "biosimilar" is a biological Pharmaceutical Product approved based on showing that it is

highly similar to a reference product (a biological Pharmaceutical Product) and has no clinically meaningful differences in terms of safety and effectiveness from the reference product. Such determinations may be made up to six times per calendar year.

13. Certain Pharmaceutical Products for which there are therapeutically equivalent (having essentially the same efficacy and adverse effect profile) alternatives available, unless otherwise required by law or approved by us. Such determinations may be made up to six times during a calendar year.

### **Experimental or Investigational or Unproven Services**

1. Experimental or Investigational Services and Unproven Services and all services related to Experimental or Investigational and Unproven Services are excluded. The fact that an Experimental or Investigational or Unproven Service, treatment, device or pharmacological regimen is the only available treatment for a particular condition will not result in Benefits if the procedure is considered to be Experimental or Investigational or Unproven in the treatment of that particular condition.

This exclusion does not apply to Covered Health Services provided during a Clinical Trial for which Benefits are provided as described under *Clinical Trials* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.

### **Foot Care**

1. Routine foot care, examples include the cutting or removal of corns and calluses.

This exclusion does not apply to preventive foot care for Covered Persons with diabetes for which Benefits are provided as described under *Diabetes Services* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*. Routine foot care services that are not covered include:

- Nail trimming or cutting.
- Debriding (removal of dead skin or underlying tissue).

2. Hygienic and preventive maintenance foot care. Examples include:

- Cleaning and soaking the feet.
- Applying skin creams in order to maintain skin tone.

This exclusion does not apply to preventive foot care for Covered Persons who are at risk of neurological or vascular disease arising from diseases such as diabetes.

3. Treatment of flat feet.
4. Treatment of subluxation of the foot.
5. Shoe inserts.
6. Arch supports.

7. Shoes.
8. Shoe orthotics.

### **Gender Dysphoria**

Cosmetic Procedures, including the following:

- Abdominoplasty.
- Blepharoplasty.
- Breast enlargement, including augmentation mammoplasty and breast implants.
- Body contouring, such as lipoplasty.
- Brow lift.
- Calf implants.
- Cheek, chin, and nose implants.
- Injection of fillers or neurotoxins.
- Face lift, forehead lift, or neck tightening.
- Facial bone remodeling for facial feminizations.
- Hair removal.
- Hair transplantation.
- Lip augmentation.
- Lip reduction.
- Liposuction.
- Mastopexy.
- Pectoral implants for chest masculinization.
- Rhinoplasty.
- Skin resurfacing.
- Thyroid cartilage reduction; reduction thyroid chondroplasty; trachea shave (removal or reduction of the Adam's Apple).
- Voice modification surgery.

### **Medical Supplies and Equipment**

1. Prescribed or non-prescribed medical supplies. Examples include:
  - Compression stockings, ace bandages, gauze and dressings.
  - Urinary catheters.

This exclusion does not apply to:

- Ostomy bags and related supplies for which Benefits are provided as described under Ostomy Supplies in Section 6, Additional Coverage Details.
  - Disposable supplies necessary for the effective use of Durable Medical Equipment for which Benefits are provided as described under *Durable Medical Equipment* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.
  - Diabetic supplies for which Benefits are provided as described under *Diabetes Services* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.
2. Tubings and masks except when used with Durable Medical Equipment as described under *Durable Medical Equipment*.

**Mental Health, Autism Spectrum Disorder, Neurobiological Disorders - Autism Spectrum Disorder Services and Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services**

In addition to all other exclusions listed in this Section 8, *Exclusions and Limitations*, the exclusions listed directly below apply to services described under *Autism Spectrum Disorders Treatment, Mental Health Services, Neurobiological Disorders - Autism Spectrum Disorder Services* and/or *Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.

1. Services performed in connection with conditions not classified in the current edition of the *International Classification of Diseases section on Mental and Behavioral Disorders* or *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association*.
2. Outside of initial assessment, services as treatments for the primary diagnoses of learning disabilities, conduct and disruptive impulse control and conduct disorders, gambling disorder and paraphilic disorders.
3. Services that are solely educational in nature or otherwise paid under state or federal law for purely educational purposes.
4. Tuition for or services that are school-based for children and adolescents required to be provided by, or paid for by, the school under the *Individuals with Disabilities Education Act*.
5. Outside of an initial assessment, services as treatments for a primary diagnosis of conditions and problems that may be a focus of clinical attention, but are specifically noted not to be mental disorders within the current edition of the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association*.
6. Outside of initial assessment, unspecified disorders for which the provider is not obligated to provide clinical rationale as defined in the current edition of the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association*.
9. Transitional Living services.

## **Nutrition**

1. Nutritional or cosmetic therapy using high dose or mega quantities of vitamins, minerals or elements, and other nutrition based therapy. Examples include supplements, electrolytes and foods of any kind (including high protein foods and low carbohydrate foods).
2. Nutritional counseling for either individuals or groups, except as identified under *Diabetes Services*, and except as defined under *Nutritional Counseling* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.

3. Food of any kind. Foods that are not covered include:
  - Enteral feedings and other nutritional and electrolyte formulas, including infant formula and donor breast milk, even if they are the only source of nutrition or even if they are specifically created to treat inborn errors of metabolism such as phenylketonuria (PKU). Infant formula available over the counter is always excluded.
  - Foods to control weight, treat obesity (including liquid diets), lower cholesterol or control diabetes.
  - Oral vitamins and minerals.
  - Meals you can order from a menu, for an additional charge, during an Inpatient Stay.
  - Other dietary and electrolyte supplements.
4. Health education classes unless offered by UnitedHealthcare or its affiliates, including but not limited to asthma, smoking cessation, and weight control classes.

### **Personal Care, Comfort or Convenience**

1. Television.
2. Telephone.
3. Beauty/barber service.
4. Guest service.
5. Supplies, equipment and similar incidentals for personal comfort. Examples include:
  - Air conditioners, air purifiers and filters and dehumidifiers.
  - Batteries and battery chargers.
  - Breast pumps. This exclusion does not apply to breast pumps for which Benefits are provided under the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) requirement;
  - Car seats.
  - Chairs, bath chairs, feeding chairs, toddler chairs, ergonomically correct chairs, chair lifts and recliners.
  - Exercise equipment and treadmills.
  - Hot tubs.
  - Humidifiers.
  - Jacuzzis.
  - Medical alert systems.

- Motorized beds, non-Hospital beds, comfort beds and mattresses.
- Music devices.
- Personal computers.
- Pillows.
- Power-operated vehicles.
- Radios.
- Saunas.
- Stair lifts and stair glides.
- Strollers.
- Safety equipment.
- Treadmills.
- Vehicle modifications such as van lifts.
- Video players.
- Whirlpools.

### Physical Appearance

1. Cosmetic Procedures. See the definition in Section 14, *Glossary*. Examples include:
  - Liposuction or removal of fat deposits considered undesirable, including fat accumulation under the male breast and nipple.
  - Pharmacological regimens, nutritional procedures or treatments.
  - Scar or tattoo removal or revision procedures (such as salabrasion, chemosurgery and other such skin abrasion procedures).
  - Sclerotherapy treatment of veins.
  - Hair removal or replacement by any means.
  - Treatments for skin wrinkles or any treatment to improve the appearance of the skin.
  - Treatment for spider veins.
  - Skin abrasion procedures performed as a treatment for acne.
  - Treatments for hair loss.
  - Varicose vein treatment of the lower extremities, when it is considered cosmetic.
  
2. Replacement of an existing intact breast implant if the earlier breast implant was performed as a Cosmetic Procedure. **Note:** Replacement of an existing breast implant is considered reconstructive if the initial breast implant followed mastectomy. See *Reconstructive Procedures* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.



3. Physical conditioning programs such as athletic training, body-building, exercise, fitness, flexibility, health club memberships and programs, spa treatments and diversion or general motivation.
4. Weight loss programs whether or not they are under medical supervision or for medical reasons, even if for morbid obesity.
5. Wigs and other scalp hair prosthesis regardless of the reason for the hair loss except for loss of hair resulting from cancer.
6. Treatment of benign gynecomastia (abnormal breast enlargement in males).

### **Procedures and Treatments**

1. Biofeedback.
2. Medical and surgical treatment of snoring, except when provided as a part of treatment for documented obstructive sleep apnea.
3. Rehabilitation services and Manipulative Treatment to improve general physical condition that are provided to reduce potential risk factors, where significant therapeutic improvement is not expected, including routine, long-term or maintenance/preventive treatment.
4. Speech therapy to treat stuttering, stammering, or other articulation disorders.
5. Speech therapy, except when required for treatment of a speech impediment or speech dysfunction that results from Injury, stroke, cancer, Congenital Anomaly or autism spectrum disorder as identified under *Rehabilitation Services - Outpatient Therapy and Manipulative Treatment* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.
6. Habilitative services for maintenance/preventive treatment.
7. Excision or elimination of hanging skin on any part of the body. Examples include plastic surgery procedures called abdominoplasty or abdominal panniculectomy and brachioplasty.
8. Psychosurgery (lobotomy).
9. Stand-alone multi-disciplinary smoking cessation programs. These are programs that usually include health care providers specializing in smoking cessation and may include a psychologist, social worker or other licensed or certified professional. The programs usually include intensive psychological support, behavior modification techniques and medications to control cravings.
10. Chelation therapy, except to treat heavy metal poisoning.

11. Physiological modalities and procedures that result in similar or redundant therapeutic effects when performed on the same body region during the same visit or office encounter.
12. The following treatments for obesity:
  - Non-surgical treatment of obesity, even if for morbid obesity.
  - Surgical treatment of obesity unless there is a diagnosis of morbid obesity as described under Obesity Surgery in Section 6, Additional Coverage Details.
13. Medical and surgical treatment of excessive sweating (hyperhidrosis).
14. The following services for the diagnosis and treatment of temporomandibular joint syndrome (TMJ): surface electromyography, Doppler analysis, vibration analysis, computerized mandibular scan or jaw tracking, cranosacral therapy, orthodontics, occlusal adjustment, and dental restorations.
15. Upper and lower jawbone surgery, orthognathic surgery and jaw alignment. This exclusion does not apply to reconstructive jaw surgery required for Covered Persons because of a Congenital Anomaly, Developmental Anomaly, acute traumatic Injury, dislocation, tumors, cancer or obstructive sleep apnea.
16. Breast reduction surgery except as coverage is required by the *Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998* for which Benefits are described under *Reconstructive Procedures* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.
17. **Intracellular micronutrient testing.**

### **Providers**

1. Services performed by a provider who is a family member by birth or marriage, including your Spouse, brother, sister, parent or child. This includes any service the provider may perform on himself or herself.
2. Services performed by a provider with your same legal residence.
3. Services ordered or delivered by a Christian Science practitioner.
4. Services performed by an unlicensed provider or a provider who is operating outside of the scope of his/her license.
5. Services provided at a free-standing or Hospital-based diagnostic facility without an order written by a Physician or other provider. Services that are self-directed to a free-standing or Hospital-based diagnostic facility. Services ordered by a Physician or other provider who is an employee or representative of a free-standing or Hospital-based diagnostic facility, when that Physician or other provider:
  - Has not been actively involved in your medical care prior to ordering the service.

- Is not actively involved in your medical care after the service is received.

This exclusion does not apply to mammography.

## Reproduction

1. The following treatment-related services:
  - Cryo-preservation and other forms of preservation of reproductive materials except as described under Infertility.
  - Long-term storage (greater than one year) of reproductive materials such as sperm, eggs, embryos, ovarian tissue and testicular tissue.
  - Donor services and non-medical costs of oocyte or sperm donation such as donor agency fees.
  - Embryo or oocyte accumulation defined as a fresh oocyte retrieval prior to the depletion of previously banked frozen embryos or oocytes.
  - Natural cycle insemination in the absence of sexual dysfunction or documented congenital or acquired cervical disease.
  - Ovulation predictor kits.
2. The following services related to Gestational Carrier or Surrogate:
  - Fees for the use of a Gestational Carrier or Surrogate.
  - Insemination costs of Surrogate or transfer embryo to Gestational Carrier, **except as provided under *Additional Benefit Coverage for Reciprocal IVF or Partner IVF***.
  - Pregnancy services for a Gestational Carrier or Surrogate who is not a Covered Person.
3. The following services related to donor services for donor sperm, ovum (egg cell) or oocytes (eggs), or embryos (fertilized eggs):
  - Donor eggs – The cost of donor eggs, including medical costs related to donor stimulation and egg retrieval. This exclusion may not apply to certain procedures related to Assisted Reproductive Technologies (ART) as described under *Infertility Services* including the cost for fertilization (in vitro fertilization or intracytoplasmic sperm injection), embryo culture, and embryo transfer.
  - Donor sperm – The cost of procurement and storage of donor sperm. This exclusion may not apply to certain insemination procedures as described under *Infertility Services* including thawing and insemination.
4. The reversal of voluntary sterilization.
5. **Health care services and related expenses for surgical, non-surgical or drug-induced Pregnancy termination. This exclusion does not apply to treatment of a molar Pregnancy, ectopic Pregnancy, or missed abortion (commonly known as a miscarriage).**
6. In vitro fertilization that is not an Assisted Reproductive Technology for the treatment of Infertility.
7. **Artificial reproductive treatments done for non-genetic disorder sex selection or eugenic (selective breeding) purposes.**

8. Infertility treatment with voluntary sterilization currently in place (vasectomy, bilateral tubal ligation).
9. Infertility treatment following unsuccessful reversal of voluntary sterilization.
10. Infertility Treatment following the reversal of voluntary sterilization (tubal reversal/reanastomosis; vasectomy reversal/vasovasostomy or vasoepididymostomy).

### **Services Provided under Another Plan**

Services for which coverage is available:

1. Under another plan, except for Eligible Expenses payable as described in Section 10, *Coordination of Benefits (COB)*.
2. Under workers' compensation, no-fault automobile coverage or similar legislation if you could elect it, or could have it elected for you.
3. While on active military duty.
4. For treatment of military service-related disabilities when you are legally entitled to other coverage, and facilities are reasonably available to you.

### **Transplants**

1. Health services for organ and tissue transplants except as identified under *Transplantation Services* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details* unless UnitedHealthcare determines the transplant to be appropriate according to UnitedHealthcare's transplant guidelines.
2. Health services for transplants involving animal organs.
3. Health services connected with the removal of an organ or tissue from you for purposes of a transplant to another person. (Donor costs for removal are payable for a transplant through the organ recipient's Benefits under the Plan.)

### **Travel**

1. Health services provided in a foreign country, unless required as Emergency Health Services.
2. Travel or transportation expenses, even if ordered by a Physician, except as identified under *Travel and Lodging* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*. Additional travel expenses related to Covered Health Services received from a Designated Provider may be reimbursed at the Plan's discretion. This exclusion does not apply to ambulance transportation for which Benefits are provided as described under *Ambulance Services* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.

### **Types of Care**

1. Custodial Care or maintenance care as defined in Section 14, *Glossary* or maintenance care.
2. Domiciliary Care, as defined in Section 14, *Glossary*.
3. Multi-disciplinary pain management programs provided on an inpatient basis for acute pain or for exacerbation of chronic pain.
4. Private Duty Nursing received on an inpatient basis.
5. Respite care. This exclusion does not apply to respite care that is part of an integrated hospice care program of services provided to a terminally ill person by a licensed hospice care agency for which Benefits are provided as described under *Hospice Care* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.
6. Rest cures.
7. Services of personal care attendants.
8. Work hardening (individualized treatment programs designed to return a person to work or to prepare a person for specific work).

### **Vision and Hearing**

1. Implantable lenses used only to correct a refractive error (such as *Intacs* corneal implants).
2. Purchase cost and associated fitting charges for eyeglasses or contact lenses.

3. Bone anchored hearing aids except when either of the following applies:
  - For Covered Persons with craniofacial anomalies whose abnormal or absent ear canals preclude the use of a wearable hearing aid.
  - For Covered Persons with hearing loss of sufficient severity that it would not be adequately remedied by a wearable hearing aid.
  - The Plan will not pay for more than one bone anchored hearing aid per Covered Person who meets the above coverage criteria during the entire period of time the Covered Person is enrolled in this Plan. In addition, repairs and/or replacement for a bone anchored hearing aid for Covered Persons who meet the above coverage are not covered, other than for malfunctions.
4. Eye exercise or vision therapy.
5. Surgery and other related treatment that is intended to correct nearsightedness, farsightedness, presbyopia and astigmatism including, but not limited to, procedures such as laser and other refractive eye surgery and radial keratotomy.

### **All Other Exclusions**

1. Autopsies and other coroner services and transportation services for a corpse.
2. Charges for:
  - Missed appointments.
  - Room or facility reservations.
  - Completion of claim forms.
  - Record processing.
3. Charges prohibited by federal anti-kickback or self-referral statutes.
4. Diagnostic tests that are:
  - Delivered in other than a Physician's office or health care facility.
  - Self-administered home diagnostic tests, including but not limited to HIV and Pregnancy tests.
5. Expenses for health services and supplies:
  - That are received as a result of war or any act of war, whether declared or undeclared, while part of any armed service force of any country. This exclusion does not apply to Covered Persons who are civilians injured or otherwise affected by war, any act of war or terrorism in a non-war zone.

- That are received after the date your coverage under this Plan ends, including health services for medical conditions which began before the date your coverage under the Plan ends.
  - For which you have no legal responsibility to pay, or for which a charge would not ordinarily be made in the absence of coverage under this Benefit Plan.
  - That exceed Eligible Expenses or any specified limitation in this SPD.
  - For which a non-Network provider waives the Copay, Annual Deductible or Coinsurance amounts.
6. Foreign language and sign language services.
7. Long term (more than 30 days) storage of blood, umbilical cord or other material.
8. Health services and supplies that do not meet the definition of a Covered Health Service - see the definition in Section 14, *Glossary*. Covered Health Services are those health services including services, supplies or Pharmaceutical Products, which the Claims Administrator determines to be all of the following:
- Medically Necessary.
  - Described as a Covered Health Service in this SPD under Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details* and in Section 5, *Plan Highlights*.
  - Not otherwise excluded in this SPD under this Section 8, *Exclusions and Limitations*.
9. Health services related to a non-Covered Health Service: When a service is not a Covered Health Service, all services related to that non-Covered Health Service are also excluded. This exclusion does not apply to services the Plan would otherwise determine to be Covered Health Services if they are to treat complications that arise from the non-Covered Health Service.
- For the purpose of this exclusion, a "complication" is an unexpected or unanticipated condition that is superimposed on an existing disease and that affects or modifies the prognosis of the original disease or condition. Examples of a "complication" are bleeding or infections, following a Cosmetic Procedure, that require hospitalization.
10. Physical, psychiatric or psychological exams, testing, vaccinations, immunizations or treatments when:
- Required solely for purposes of education, sports or camp, travel, career or employment, insurance, marriage or adoption; or as a result of incarceration.
  - Conducted for purposes of medical research. This exclusion does not apply to Covered Health Services provided during a Clinical Trial for which Benefits are provided as described under Clinical Trials in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.
  - Related to judicial or administrative proceedings or orders.
  - Required to obtain or maintain a license of any type.

## SECTION 9 - CLAIMS PROCEDURES

**What this section includes:**

- How Network and non-Network claims work.
- What to do if your claim is denied, in whole or in part.

### Network Benefits

In general, if you receive Covered Health Services from a Network provider, UnitedHealthcare will pay the Physician or facility directly. If a Network provider bills you for any Covered Health Service other than your Copay or Coinsurance, please contact the provider or call UnitedHealthcare at the phone number on your ID card for assistance.

Keep in mind, you are responsible for meeting the Annual Deductible and paying any Copay or Coinsurance owed to a Network provider at the time of service, or when you receive a bill from the provider.

### Non-Network Benefits

If you receive a bill for Covered Health Services from a non-Network provider, you (or the provider if they prefer) must send the bill to UnitedHealthcare for processing. To make sure the claim is processed promptly and accurately, a completed claim form must be attached and mailed to UnitedHealthcare at the address on the back of your ID card.

### If Your Provider Does Not File Your Claim

You can obtain a claim form by visiting [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com), calling the toll-free number on your ID card or contacting Finance Department. If you do not have a claim form, simply attach a brief letter of explanation to the bill, and verify that the bill contains the information listed below. If any of these items are missing from the bill, you can include them in your letter:

- Your name and address.
- The patient's name, age and relationship to the Participant.
- The number as shown on your ID card.
- The name, address and tax identification number of the provider of the service(s).
- A diagnosis from the Physician.
- The date of service.
- An itemized bill from the provider that includes:
  - The Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) codes.
  - A description of, and the charge for, each service.
  - The date the Sickness or Injury began.



A statement indicating either that you are, or you are not, enrolled for coverage under any other health insurance plan or program. If you are enrolled for other coverage you must include the name and address of the other carrier(s).

Failure to provide all the information listed above may delay any reimbursement that may be due you.

For medical claims, the above information should be filed with UnitedHealthcare at the address on your ID card.

After UnitedHealthcare has processed your claim, you will receive payment for Benefits that the Plan allows. It is your responsibility to pay the non-Network provider the charges you incurred, including any difference between what you were billed and what the Plan paid.

### ***Payment of Benefits***

You may not assign your Benefits under the Plan or any cause of action related to your Benefits under the Plan to a non-Network provider without UnitedHealthcare's consent. When you assign your Benefits under the Plan to a non-Network provider with UnitedHealthcare's consent, and the non-Network provider submits a claim for payment, you and the non-Network provider represent and warrant that the Covered Health Services were actually provided and were medically appropriate.

When UnitedHealthcare has not consented to an assignment, UnitedHealthcare will send the reimbursement directly to you (the Participant) for you to reimburse the non-Network provider upon receipt of their bill. However, UnitedHealthcare reserves the right, in its discretion, to pay the non-Network provider directly for services rendered to you. When exercising its discretion with respect to payment, UnitedHealthcare may consider whether you have requested that payment of your Benefits be made directly to the non-Network provider. Under no circumstances will UnitedHealthcare pay Benefits to anyone other than you or, in its discretion, your provider. Direct payment to a non-Network provider shall not be deemed to constitute consent by UnitedHealthcare to an assignment or to waive the consent requirement. When UnitedHealthcare in its discretion directs payment to a non-Network provider, you remain the sole beneficiary of the payment, and the non-Network provider does not thereby become a beneficiary. Accordingly, legally required notices concerning your Benefits will be directed to you, although UnitedHealthcare may in its discretion send information concerning the Benefits to the non-Network provider as well. If payment to a non-Network provider is made, the Plan reserves the right to offset Benefits to be paid to the provider by any amounts that the provider owes the Plan (including amounts owed as a result of the assignment of other plans' overpayment recovery rights to the Plan), pursuant to *Refund of Overpayments* in Section 10, *Coordination of Benefits*.

### ***Form of Payment of Benefits***

Payment of Benefits under the Plan shall be in cash or cash equivalents, or in the form of other consideration that UnitedHealthcare in its discretion determines to be adequate. Where Benefits are payable directly to a provider, such adequate consideration includes the forgiveness in whole or in part of amounts the provider owes to other plans for which UnitedHealthcare makes payments, where the Plan has taken an assignment of the other plans' recovery rights for value.

UnitedHealthcare will pay Benefits to you unless:

- The provider notifies UnitedHealthcare that you have provided signed authorization to assign Benefits directly to that provider.
- You make a written request for the non-Network provider to be paid directly at the time you submit your claim.

UnitedHealthcare will only pay Benefits to you or, with written authorization by you, your Provider, and not to a third party, even if your provider has assigned Benefits to that third party.

### **Health Statements**

Each month in which UnitedHealthcare processes at least one claim for you or a covered Dependent, you will receive a Health Statement in the mail. Health Statements make it easy for you to manage your family's medical costs by providing claims information in easy-to-understand terms.

If you would rather track claims for yourself and your covered Dependents online, you may do so at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com). You may also elect to discontinue receipt of paper Health Statements by making the appropriate selection on this site.

### **Explanation of Benefits (EOB)**

You may request that UnitedHealthcare send you a paper copy of an Explanation of Benefits (EOB) after processing the claim. The EOB will let you know if there is any portion of the claim you need to pay. If any claims are denied in whole or in part, the EOB will include the reason for the denial or partial payment. If you would like paper copies of the EOBs, you may call the toll-free number on your ID card to request them. You can also view and print all of your EOBs online at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com). See Section 14, *Glossary*, for the definition of Explanation of Benefits.

#### **Important - Timely Filing of Non-Network Claims**

All claim forms for non-Network services must be submitted within 12 months after the date of service. Otherwise, the Plan will not pay any Benefits for that Eligible Expense, or Benefits will be reduced, as determined by UnitedHealthcare. This 12-month requirement does not apply if you are legally incapacitated. If your claim relates to an Inpatient Stay, the date of service is the date your Inpatient Stay ends.

### **Claim Denials and Appeals**

#### ***If Your Claim is Denied***

If a claim for Benefits is denied in part or in whole, you may call UnitedHealthcare at the number on your ID card before requesting a formal appeal. If UnitedHealthcare cannot resolve the issue to your satisfaction over the phone, you have the right to file a formal appeal as described below.

### ***How to Appeal a Denied Claim***

If you wish to appeal a denied pre-service request for Benefits, post-service claim or a rescission of coverage as described below, you or your authorized representative must submit your appeal in writing within 180 days of receiving the adverse benefit determination. You do not need to submit urgent care appeals in writing. This communication should include:

- The patient's name and ID number as shown on the ID card.
- The provider's name.
- The date of medical service.
- The reason you disagree with the denial.
- Any documentation or other written information to support your request.

You or your authorized representative may send a written request for an appeal to:

UnitedHealthcare - Appeals  
P.O. Box 30432  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84130-0432

For urgent care requests for Benefits that have been denied, you or your provider can call UnitedHealthcare at the toll-free number on your ID card to request an appeal.

#### **Types of claims**

The timing of the claims appeal process is based on the type of claim you are appealing. If you wish to appeal a claim, it helps to understand whether it is an:

- Urgent care request for Benefits.
- Pre-service request for Benefits.
- Post-service claim.
- Concurrent claim.

### ***Review of an Appeal***

UnitedHealthcare will conduct a full and fair review of your appeal. The appeal may be reviewed by:

- An appropriate individual(s) who did not make the initial benefit determination.
- A health care professional with appropriate expertise who was not consulted during the initial benefit determination process.

Once the review is complete, if UnitedHealthcare upholds the denial, you will receive a written explanation of the reasons and facts relating to the denial.

**Note:** Upon written request and free of charge, any Covered Persons may examine documents relevant to their claim and/or appeals and submit opinions and comments.

UnitedHealthcare will review all claims in accordance with the rules established by the U.S. Department of Labor.

### ***Filing a Second Appeal***

Your Plan offers two levels of appeal. If you are not satisfied with the first level appeal decision, you have the right to request a second level appeal from UnitedHealthcare within 60 days from receipt of the first level appeal determination.

**Note:** Upon written request and free of charge, any Covered Persons may examine documents relevant to their claim and/or appeals and submit opinions and comments. UnitedHealthcare will review all claims in accordance with the rules established by the *U.S. Department of Labor*.

### **Federal External Review Program**

If, after exhausting your internal appeals, you are not satisfied with the determination made by UnitedHealthcare, or if UnitedHealthcare fails to respond to your appeal in accordance with applicable regulations regarding timing, you may be entitled to request an external review of UnitedHealthcare's determination. The process is available at no charge to you.

If one of the above conditions is met, you may request an external review of adverse benefit determinations based upon any of the following:

- Clinical reasons.
- The exclusions for Experimental or Investigational Service(s) or Unproven Service(s).
- Rescission of coverage (coverage that was cancelled or discontinued retroactively).
- As otherwise required by applicable law.

You or your representative may request a standard external review by sending a written request to the address set out in the determination letter. You or your representative may request an expedited external review, in urgent situations as detailed below, by calling the number on your ID card or by sending a written request to the address set out in the determination letter. A request must be made within four months after the date you received UnitedHealthcare's decision.

An external review request should include all of the following:

- A specific request for an external review.
- The Covered Person's name, address, and insurance ID number.
- Your designated representative's name and address, when applicable.
- The service that was denied.
- Any new, relevant information that was not provided during the internal appeal.

An external review will be performed by an Independent Review Organization (IRO). UnitedHealthcare has entered into agreements with three or more IROs that have agreed to perform such reviews. There are two types of external reviews available:

- A standard external review.
- An expedited external review.

***Standard External Review***

A standard external review is comprised of all of the following:

- A preliminary review by UnitedHealthcare of the request.
- A referral of the request by UnitedHealthcare to the IRO.
- A decision by the IRO.

Within the applicable timeframe after receipt of the request, UnitedHealthcare will complete a preliminary review to determine whether the individual for whom the request was submitted meets all of the following:

- Is or was covered under the Plan at the time the health care service or procedure that is at issue in the request was provided.
- Has exhausted the applicable internal appeals process.
- Has provided all the information and forms required so that UnitedHealthcare may process the request.

After UnitedHealthcare completes the preliminary review, UnitedHealthcare will issue a notification in writing to you. If the request is eligible for external review, UnitedHealthcare will assign an IRO to conduct such review. UnitedHealthcare will assign requests by either rotating claims assignments among the IROs or by using a random selection process.

The IRO will notify you in writing of the request's eligibility and acceptance for external review. You may submit in writing to the IRO within ten business days following the date of receipt of the notice additional information that the IRO will consider when conducting the external review. The IRO is not required to, but may, accept and consider additional information submitted by you after ten business days.

UnitedHealthcare will provide to the assigned IRO the documents and information considered in making UnitedHealthcare's determination. The documents include:

- All relevant medical records.
- All other documents relied upon by UnitedHealthcare.
- All other information or evidence that you or your Physician submitted. If there is any information or evidence you or your Physician wish to submit that was not previously provided, you may include this information with your external review

request and UnitedHealthcare will include it with the documents forwarded to the IRO.

In reaching a decision, the IRO will review the claim anew and not be bound by any decisions or conclusions reached by UnitedHealthcare. The IRO will provide written notice of its determination (the "Final External Review Decision") within 45 days after it receives the request for the external review (unless they request additional time and you agree). The IRO will deliver the notice of Final External Review Decision to you and UnitedHealthcare, and it will include the clinical basis for the determination.

Upon receipt of a Final External Review Decision reversing UnitedHealthcare determination, the Plan will immediately provide coverage or payment for the benefit claim at issue in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Plan, and any applicable law regarding plan remedies. If the Final External Review Decision is that payment or referral will not be made, the Plan will not be obligated to provide Benefits for the health care service or procedure.

### ***Expedited External Review***

An expedited external review is similar to a standard external review. The most significant difference between the two is that the time periods for completing certain portions of the review process are much shorter, and in some instances you may file an expedited external review before completing the internal appeals process.

You may make a written or verbal request for an expedited external review if you receive either of the following:

- An adverse benefit determination of a claim or appeal if the adverse benefit determination involves a medical condition for which the time frame for completion of an expedited internal appeal would seriously jeopardize the life or health of the individual or would jeopardize the individual's ability to regain maximum function and you have filed a request for an expedited internal appeal.
- A final appeal decision, if the determination involves a medical condition where the timeframe for completion of a standard external review would seriously jeopardize the life or health of the individual or would jeopardize the individual's ability to regain maximum function, or if the final appeal decision concerns an admission, availability of care, continued stay, or health care service, procedure or product for which the individual received emergency services, but has not been discharged from a facility.

Immediately upon receipt of the request, UnitedHealthcare will determine whether the individual meets both of the following:

- Is or was covered under the Plan at the time the health care service or procedure that is at issue in the request was provided.
- Has provided all the information and forms required so that UnitedHealthcare may process the request.

After UnitedHealthcare completes the review, UnitedHealthcare will immediately send a notice in writing to you. Upon a determination that a request is eligible for expedited external review, UnitedHealthcare will assign an IRO in the same manner UnitedHealthcare utilizes to assign standard external reviews to IROs. UnitedHealthcare will provide all necessary documents and information considered in making the adverse benefit determination or final adverse benefit determination to the assigned IRO electronically or by telephone or facsimile or any other available expeditious method. The IRO, to the extent the information or documents are available and the IRO considers them appropriate, must consider the same type of information and documents considered in a standard external review.

In reaching a decision, the IRO will review the claim anew and not be bound by any decisions or conclusions reached by UnitedHealthcare. The IRO will provide notice of the final external review decision for an expedited external review as expeditiously as the claimant's medical condition or circumstances require, but in no event more than 72 hours after the IRO receives the request. If the initial notice is not in writing, within 48 hours after the date of providing the initial notice, the assigned IRO will provide written confirmation of the decision to you and to UnitedHealthcare.

You may contact UnitedHealthcare at the toll-free number on your ID card for more information regarding external review rights, or if making a verbal request for an expedited external review.

### ***Timing of Appeals Determinations***

Separate schedules apply to the timing of claims appeals, depending on the type of claim. There are three types of claims:

- Urgent care request for Benefits - a request for Benefits provided in connection with urgent care services.
- Pre-Service request for Benefits - a request for Benefits which the Plan must approve or in which you must notify UnitedHealthcare before non-urgent care is provided.
- Post-Service - a claim for reimbursement of the cost of non-urgent care that has already been provided.

Please note that the decision is based only on whether or not Benefits are available under the Plan for the proposed treatment or procedure.

You may have the right to external review through an *Independent Review Organization (IRO)* upon the completion of the internal appeal process. Instructions regarding any such rights, and how to access those rights, will be provided in the Claims Administrator's decision letter to you.

The tables below describe the time frames which you and UnitedHealthcare are required to follow.

<b>Urgent Care Request for Benefits*</b>	
<b>Type of Request for Benefits or Appeal</b>	<b>Timing</b>
If your request for Benefits is incomplete, UnitedHealthcare must notify you within:	<b>24 hours</b>
You must then provide completed request for Benefits to UnitedHealthcare within:	<b>48 hours</b> after receiving notice of additional information required
UnitedHealthcare must notify you of the benefit determination within:	<b>72 hours</b>
If UnitedHealthcare denies your request for Benefits, you must appeal an adverse benefit determination no later than:	<b>180 days</b> after receiving the adverse benefit determination
UnitedHealthcare must notify you of the appeal decision within:	<b>72 hours</b> after receiving the appeal

\*You do not need to submit urgent care appeals in writing. You should call UnitedHealthcare as soon as possible to appeal an urgent care request for Benefits.

<b>Pre-Service Request for Benefits*</b>	
<b>Type of Request for Benefits or Appeal</b>	<b>Timing</b>
If your request for Benefits is filed improperly, UnitedHealthcare must notify you within:	<b>5 days</b>
If your request for Benefits is incomplete, UnitedHealthcare must notify you within:	<b>15 days</b>
You must then provide completed request for Benefits information to UnitedHealthcare within:	<b>45 days</b>
UnitedHealthcare must notify you of the benefit determination:	
■ if the initial request for Benefits is complete, within:	<b>15 days</b>
■ after receiving the completed request for Benefits (if the initial request for Benefits is incomplete), within:	<b>15 days</b>
You must appeal an adverse benefit determination no later than:	<b>180 days</b> after receiving the adverse benefit determination



<b>Pre-Service Request for Benefits*</b>	
<b>Type of Request for Benefits or Appeal</b>	<b>Timing</b>
UnitedHealthcare must notify you of the first level appeal decision within:	<b>15 days</b> after receiving the first level appeal
You must appeal the first level appeal (file a second level appeal) within:	<b>60 days</b> after receiving the first level appeal decision
UnitedHealthcare must notify you of the second level appeal decision within:	<b>15 days</b> after receiving the second level appeal

\*UnitedHealthcare may require a one-time extension for the initial claim determination, of no more than 15 days, only if more time is needed due to circumstances beyond control of the Plan.

<b>Post-Service Claims</b>	
<b>Type of Claim or Appeal</b>	<b>Timing</b>
If your claim is incomplete, UnitedHealthcare must notify you within:	<b>30 days</b>
You must then provide completed claim information to UnitedHealthcare within:	<b>45 days</b>
UnitedHealthcare must notify you of the benefit determination:	
■ if the initial claim is complete, within:	<b>30 days</b>
■ after receiving the completed claim (if the initial claim is incomplete), within:	<b>30 days</b>
You must appeal an adverse benefit determination no later than:	<b>180 days</b> after receiving the adverse benefit determination
UnitedHealthcare must notify you of the first level appeal decision within:	<b>30 days</b> after receiving the first level appeal
You must appeal the first level appeal (file a second level appeal) within:	<b>60 days</b> after receiving the first level appeal decision
UnitedHealthcare must notify you of the second level appeal decision within:	<b>30 days</b> after receiving the second level appeal

### **Limitation of Action**

You cannot bring any legal action against Parkway School District or the Claims Administrator to recover reimbursement until 90 days after you have properly submitted a request for reimbursement as described in this section and all required reviews of your claim have been completed. If you want to bring a legal action against Parkway School District or the Claims Administrator, you must do so within three years from the expiration of the time period in which a request for reimbursement must be submitted or you lose any rights to bring such an action against Parkway School District or the Claims Administrator.

You cannot bring any legal action against Parkway School District or the Claims Administrator for any other reason unless you first complete all the steps in the appeal process described in this section. After completing that process, if you want to bring a legal action against Parkway School District or the Claims Administrator you must do so within three years of the date you are notified of the final decision on your appeal or you lose any rights to bring such an action against Parkway School District or the Claims Administrator.

## SECTION 10 - COORDINATION OF BENEFITS (COB)

### What this section includes:

- How your Benefits under this Plan coordinate with other medical plans.
- How coverage is affected if you become eligible for Medicare.
- Procedures in the event the Plan overpays Benefits.

Coordination of Benefits (COB) applies to you if you are covered by more than one health benefits plan, including any one of the following:

- Another employer sponsored health benefits plan.
- A medical component of a group long-term care plan, such as skilled nursing care.
- No-fault or traditional "fault" type medical payment benefits or personal injury protection benefits under an auto insurance policy.
- Medical payment benefits under any premises liability or other types of liability coverage.
- Medicare or other governmental health benefit.

If coverage is provided under two or more plans, COB determines which plan is primary and which plan is secondary. The plan considered primary pays its benefits first, without regard to the possibility that another plan may cover some expenses. Any remaining expenses may be paid under the other plan, which is considered secondary. The secondary plan may determine its benefits based on the benefits paid by the primary plan. How much this Plan will reimburse you, if anything, will also depend in part on the allowable expense. The term, "allowable expense," is further explained below.

### Don't forget to update your Dependents' Medical Coverage Information

Avoid delays on your Dependent claims by updating your Dependent's medical coverage information. Just log on to [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or call the toll-free number on your ID card to update your COB information. You will need the name of your Dependent's other medical coverage, along with the policy number.

## Determining Which Plan is Primary

### *Order of Benefit Determination Rules*

If you are covered by two or more plans, the benefit payment follows the rules below in this order:

- This Plan will always be secondary to medical payment coverage or personal injury protection coverage under any auto liability or no-fault insurance policy.
- When you have coverage under two or more medical plans and only one has COB provisions, the plan without COB provisions will pay benefits first.
- A plan that covers a person as an employee pays benefits before a plan that covers the person as a dependent.

- If you are receiving COBRA continuation coverage under another employer plan, this Plan will pay Benefits first.
- Your dependent children will receive primary coverage from the parent whose birth date occurs first in a calendar year. If both parents have the same birth date, the plan that pays benefits first is the one that has been in effect the longest. This birthday rule applies only if:

The parents are married or living together whether or not they have ever been married and not legally separated.

A court decree awards joint custody without specifying that one party has the responsibility to provide health care coverage.

- If two or more plans cover a dependent child of divorced or separated parents and if there is no court decree stating that one parent is responsible for health care, the child will be covered under the plan of:

The parent with custody of the child; then

The Spouse of the parent with custody of the child; then

The parent not having custody of the child; then

The Spouse of the parent not having custody of the child.

- Plans for active employees pay before plans covering laid-off or retired employees.
- The plan that has covered the individual claimant the longest will pay first.
- Finally, if none of the above rules determines which plan is primary or secondary, the allowable expenses shall be shared equally between the plans meeting the definition of Plan. In addition, this Plan will not pay more than it would have paid had it been the primary Plan.

The following examples illustrate how the Plan determines which plan pays first and which plan pays second.

**Determining Primary and Secondary Plan - Examples**

1) Let's say you and your Spouse both have family medical coverage through your respective employers. You are unwell and go to see a Physician. Since you're covered as a Participant under this Plan, and as a Dependent under your Spouse's plan, this Plan will pay Benefits for the Physician's office visit first.

2) Again, let's say you and your Spouse both have family medical coverage through your respective employers. You take your Dependent child to see a Physician. This Plan will look at your birthday and your Spouse's birthday to determine which plan pays first. If you were born on June 11 and your Spouse was born on May 30, your Spouse's plan will pay first.

## When This Plan is Secondary

If this Plan is secondary to any plan other than Medicare, it determines the amount it will pay for a Covered Health Service by following the steps below.

- The Plan determines the amount it would have paid based on the allowable expense.
- If this Plan would have paid the same amount or less than the primary plan paid, this Plan pays no Benefits.
- If this Plan would have paid more than the primary plan paid, the Plan will pay the difference.

You will not be responsible for any Copay, Coinsurance or Deductible payments as part of the COB payment. The maximum combined payment you can receive from all plans may be less than 100% of the allowable expense.

### *Determining the Allowable Expense If This Plan is Secondary*

#### **What is an allowable expense?**

For purposes of COB, an allowable expense is a health care expense that is covered at least in part by one of the health benefit plans covering you.

When the provider is a Network provider for both the primary plan and this Plan, the allowable expense is the primary plan's network rate. When the provider is a network provider for the primary plan and a non-Network provider for this Plan, the allowable expense is the primary plan's network rate. When the provider is a non-Network provider for the primary plan and a Network provider for this Plan, the allowable expense is the reasonable and customary charges allowed by the primary plan. When the provider is a non-Network provider for both the primary plan and this Plan, the allowable expense is the greater of the two Plans' reasonable and customary charges. If this plan is secondary to Medicare, please also refer to the discussion in the section below, titled *Determining the Allowable Expense When This Plan is Secondary to Medicare*.

## When a Covered Person Qualifies for Medicare

### *Determining Which Plan is Primary*

As permitted by law, this Plan will pay Benefits second to Medicare when you become eligible for Medicare, even if you don't elect it. There are, however, Medicare-eligible individuals for whom the Plan pays Benefits first and Medicare pays benefits second:

- Employees with active current employment status age 65 or older and their Spouses age 65 or older (however, domestic partners are excluded as provided by Medicare).
- Individuals with end-stage renal disease, for a limited period of time.
- Disabled individuals under age 65 with current employment status and their Dependents under age 65.

***Determining the Allowable Expense When This Plan is Secondary to Medicare***

If this Plan is secondary to Medicare, the Medicare approved amount is the allowable expense, as long as the provider accepts reimbursement directly from Medicare. If the provider accepts reimbursement directly from Medicare, the Medicare approved amount is the charge that Medicare has determined that it will recognize and which it reports on an "explanation of Medicare benefits" issued by Medicare (the "EOMB") for a given service. Medicare typically reimburses such providers a percentage of its approved charge – often 80%.

If the provider does not accept assignment of your Medicare benefits, the Medicare limiting charge (the most a provider can charge you if they don't accept Medicare – typically 115% of the Medicare approved amount) will be the allowable expense. Medicare payments, combined with Plan Benefits, will not exceed 100% of the allowable expense.

If you are eligible for, but not enrolled in, Medicare, and this Plan is secondary to Medicare, or if you have enrolled in Medicare but choose to obtain services from a provider that does not participate in the Medicare program (as opposed to a provider who does not accept assignment of Medicare benefits), Benefits will be paid on a secondary basis under this Plan and will be determined as if you timely enrolled in Medicare and obtained services from a Medicare participating provider.

When calculating the Plan's Benefits in these situations, for administrative convenience UnitedHealthcare will treat the provider's billed charges for covered services as the allowable expense for both the Plan and Medicare, rather than the Medicare approved amount or Medicare limiting charge.

***If This Plan is Secondary to Medicare***

If this Plan is secondary to Medicare, it determines the amount it will pay for a Covered Health Service by following the steps below.

- The Plan determines the amount it would have paid based on the primary plan's allowable expense.
- If this Plan would have paid less than the primary plan paid, the Plan pays no Benefits.
- If this Plan would have paid more than the primary plan paid, the Plan will pay the difference.

The maximum combined payment you can receive from all plans may be less than 100% of the total allowable expense.

**Right to Receive and Release Needed Information**

Certain facts about health care coverage and services are needed to apply these COB rules and to determine benefits payable under this Plan and other plans. UnitedHealthcare may get the facts needed from, or give them to, other organizations or persons for the purpose of applying these rules and determining benefits payable under this Plan and other plans covering the person claiming benefits.

UnitedHealthcare does not need to tell, or get the consent of, any person to do this. Each person claiming benefits under this Plan must give UnitedHealthcare any facts needed to apply those rules and determine benefits payable. If you do not provide UnitedHealthcare the information needed to apply these rules and determine the Benefits payable, your claim for Benefits will be denied.

### **Overpayment and Underpayment of Benefits**

If you are covered under more than one medical plan, there is a possibility that the other plan will pay a benefit that the Plan should have paid. If this occurs, the Plan may pay the other plan the amount owed.

If the Plan pays you more than it owes under this COB provision, you should pay the excess back promptly. Otherwise, the Company may recover the amount in the form of salary, wages, or benefits payable under any Company-sponsored benefit plans, including this Plan. The Company also reserves the right to recover any overpayment by legal action or offset payments on future Eligible Expenses.

If the Plan overpays a health care provider, UnitedHealthcare reserves the right to recover the excess amount, by legal action if necessary.

### ***Refund of Overpayments***

If Parkway School District pays for Benefits for expenses incurred on account of a Covered Person, that Covered Person, or any other person or organization that was paid, must make a refund to Parkway School District if:

- All or some of the expenses were not paid by the Covered Person or did not legally have to be paid by the Covered Person.
- All or some of the payment Parkway School District made exceeded the Benefits under the Plan.
- All or some of the payment was made in error.

The amount that must be refunded equals the amount the Plan paid in excess of the amount that should have been paid under the Plan. If the refund is due from another person or organization, the Covered Person agrees to help the Plan get the refund when requested.

If the refund is due from the Covered Person and the Covered Person does not promptly refund the full amount owed, the Plan may recover the overpayment by reallocating the overpaid amount to pay, in whole or in part, future Benefits for the Covered Person that are payable under the Plan. If the refund is due from a person or organization other than the Covered Person, the Plan may recover the overpayment by reallocating the overpaid amount to pay, in whole or in part, (i) future Benefits that are payable in connection with services provided to other Covered Persons under the Plan; or (ii) future benefits that are payable in connection with services provided to persons under other plans for which UnitedHealthcare makes payments, pursuant to a transaction in which the Plan's overpayment recovery rights are assigned to such other plans in exchange for such plans' remittance of the amount of the reallocated payment. The reallocated payment amount will equal the amount of the required

refund or, if less than the full amount of the required refund, will be deducted from the amount of refund owed to the Plan. The Plan may have other rights in addition to the right to reallocate overpaid amounts and other enumerated rights, including the right to commence a legal action.



## SECTION 11 - SUBROGATION AND REIMBURSEMENT

The Plan has a right to subrogation and reimbursement. References to “you” or “your” in this *Subrogation and Reimbursement* section shall include you, your estate and your heirs and beneficiaries unless otherwise stated.

Subrogation applies when the plan has paid Benefits on your behalf for a Sickness or Injury for which any third party is allegedly responsible. The right to subrogation means that the Plan is substituted to and shall succeed to any and all legal claims that you may be entitled to pursue against any third party for the Benefits that the Plan has paid that are related to the Sickness or Injury for which any third party is considered responsible.

### ***Subrogation – Example***

Suppose you are injured in a car accident that is not your fault, and you receive Benefits under the Plan to treat your injuries. Under subrogation, the Plan has the right to take legal action in your name against the driver who caused the accident and that driver's insurance carrier to recover the cost of those Benefits.

The right to reimbursement means that if it is alleged that any third party caused or is responsible for a Sickness or Injury for which you receive a settlement, judgment, or other recovery from any third party, you must use those proceeds to fully return to the Plan 100% of any Benefits you receive for that Sickness or Injury. The right of reimbursement shall apply to any Benefits received at any time until the rights are extinguished, resolved or waived in writing.

### ***Reimbursement – Example***

Suppose you are injured in a boating accident that is not your fault, and you receive Benefits under the Plan as a result of your injuries. In addition, you receive a settlement in a court proceeding from the individual who caused the accident. You must use the settlement funds to return to the plan 100% of any Benefits you received to treat your injuries.

The following persons and entities are considered third parties:

- A person or entity alleged to have caused you to suffer a Sickness, Injury or damages, or who is legally responsible for the Sickness, Injury or damages.
- Any insurer or other indemnifier of any person or entity alleged to have caused or who caused the Sickness, Injury or damages.
- The Plan Sponsor in a workers’ compensation case or other matter alleging liability.
- Any person or entity who is or may be obligated to provide Benefits or payments to you, including Benefits or payments for underinsured or uninsured motorist protection, no-fault or traditional auto insurance, medical payment coverage (auto, homeowners or otherwise), workers' compensation coverage, other insurance carriers or third party administrators.

- Any person or entity against whom you may have any claim for professional and/or legal malpractice arising out of or connected to a Sickness or Injury you allege or could have alleged were the responsibility of any third party.
- Any person or entity that is liable for payment to you on any equitable or legal liability theory.

You agree as follows:

- You will cooperate with the Plan in protecting its legal and equitable rights to subrogation and reimbursement in a timely manner, including, but not limited to:
  - Notifying the Plan, in writing, of any potential legal claim(s) you may have against any third party for acts which caused Benefits to be paid or become payable.
  - Providing any relevant information requested by the Plan.
  - Signing and/or delivering such documents as the Plan or its agents reasonably request to secure the subrogation and reimbursement claim.
  - Responding to requests for information about any accident or injuries.
  - Making court appearances.
  - Obtaining the Plan's consent or its agents' consent before releasing any party from liability or payment of medical expenses.
  - Complying with the terms of this section.

Your failure to cooperate with the Plan is considered a breach of contract. As such, the Plan has the right to terminate your Benefits, deny future Benefits, take legal action against you, and/or set off from any future Benefits the value of Benefits the Plan has paid relating to any Sickness or Injury alleged to have been caused or caused by any third party to the extent not recovered by the Plan due to you or your representative not cooperating with the Plan. If the Plan incurs attorneys' fees and costs in order to collect third party settlement funds held by you or your representative, the Plan has the right to recover those fees and costs from you. You will also be required to pay interest on any amounts you hold which should have been returned to the Plan.

- The Plan has a first priority right to receive payment on any claim against any third party before you receive payment from that third party. Further, the Plan's first priority right to payment is superior to any and all claims, debts or liens asserted by any medical providers, including but not limited to hospitals or emergency treatment facilities, that assert a right to payment from funds payable from or recovered from an allegedly responsible third party and/or insurance carrier.
- The Plan's subrogation and reimbursement rights apply to full and partial settlements, judgments, or other recoveries paid or payable to you or your representative, your estate, your heirs and beneficiaries, no matter how those proceeds are captioned or characterized. Payments include, but are not limited to, economic, non-economic, pecuniary, consortium and punitive damages. The Plan is not required to help you to pursue your claim for damages or personal injuries and no amount of associated costs, including attorneys' fees, shall be deducted from the Plan's recovery without the Plan's express written consent. No so-called "Fund Doctrine" or "Common Fund Doctrine" or "Attorney's Fund Doctrine" shall defeat this right.

- Regardless of whether you have been fully compensated or made whole, the Plan may collect from you the proceeds of any full or partial recovery that you or your legal representative obtain, whether in the form of a settlement (either before or after any determination of liability) or judgment, no matter how those proceeds are captioned or characterized. Proceeds from which the Plan may collect include, but are not limited to, economic, non-economic, and punitive damages. No "collateral source" rule, any "Made-Whole Doctrine" or "Make-Whole Doctrine," claim of unjust enrichment, nor any other equitable limitation shall limit the Plan's subrogation and reimbursement rights.
- Benefits paid by the Plan may also be considered to be Benefits advanced.
- If you receive any payment from any party as a result of Sickness or Injury, and the Plan alleges some or all of those funds are due and owed to the Plan, you and/or your representative shall hold those funds in trust, either in a separate bank account in your name or in your representative's trust account.
- By participating in and accepting Benefits from the Plan, you agree that (i) any amounts recovered by you from any third party shall constitute Plan assets to the extent of the amount of Plan Benefits provided on behalf of the Covered Person, (ii) you and your representative shall be fiduciaries of the Plan (within the meaning of ERISA) with respect to such amounts, and (iii) you shall be liable for and agree to pay any costs and fees (including reasonable attorney fees) incurred by the Plan to enforce its reimbursement rights.
- The Plan's rights to recovery will not be reduced due to your own negligence.
- By participating in and accepting Benefits from the Plan, you agree to assign to the Plan any Benefits, claims or rights of recovery you have under any automobile policy - including no-fault Benefits, PIP Benefits and/or medical payment Benefits - other coverage or against any third party, to the full extent of the Benefits the Plan has paid for the Sickness or Injury. By agreeing to provide this assignment in exchange for participating in and accepting Benefits, you acknowledge and recognize the Plan's right to assert, pursue and recover on any such claim, whether or not you choose to pursue the claim, and you agree to this assignment voluntarily.
- The Plan may, at its option, take necessary and appropriate action to preserve its rights under these provisions, including but not limited to, providing or exchanging medical payment information with an insurer, the insurer's legal representative or other third party; filing an ERISA reimbursement lawsuit to recover the full amount of medical Benefits you receive for the Sickness or Injury out of any settlement, judgment or other recovery from any third party considered responsible and filing suit in your name or your estate's name, which does not obligate the Plan in any way to pay you part of any recovery the Plan might obtain. Any ERISA reimbursement lawsuit stemming from a refusal to refund Benefits as required under the terms of the Plan is governed by a six-year statute of limitations.
- You may not accept any settlement that does not fully reimburse the Plan, without its written approval.
- The Plan has the authority and discretion to resolve all disputes regarding the interpretation of the language stated herein.

- In the case of your death, giving rise to any wrongful death or survival claim, the provisions of this section apply to your estate, the personal representative of your estate, and your heirs or beneficiaries. In the case of your death the Plan's right of reimbursement and right of subrogation shall apply if a claim can be brought on behalf of you or your estate that can include a claim for past medical expenses or damages. The obligation to reimburse the Plan is not extinguished by a release of claims or settlement agreement of any kind.
- No allocation of damages, settlement funds or any other recovery, by you, your estate, the personal representative of your estate, your heirs, your beneficiaries or any other person or party, shall be valid if it does not reimburse the Plan for 100% of its interest unless the Plan provides written consent to the allocation.
- The provisions of this section apply to the parents, guardian, or other representative of a Dependent child who incurs a Sickness or Injury caused by any third party. If a parent or guardian may bring a claim for damages arising out of a minor's Sickness or Injury, the terms of this subrogation and reimbursement clause shall apply to that claim.
- If any third party causes or is alleged to have caused you to suffer a Sickness or Injury while you are covered under this Plan, the provisions of this section continue to apply, even after you are no longer covered.
- In the event that you do not abide by the terms of the Plan pertaining to reimbursement, the Plan may terminate Benefits to you, your dependents or the employee, deny future Benefits, take legal action against you, and/or set off from any future Benefits the value of Benefits the Plan has paid relating to any Sickness or Injury alleged to have been caused or caused by any third party to the extent not recovered by the Plan due to your failure to abide by the terms of the Plan. If the Plan incurs attorneys' fees and costs in order to collect third party settlement funds held by you or your representative, the Plan has the right to recover those fees and costs from you. You will also be required to pay interest on any amounts you hold which should have been returned to the Plan.
- The Plan and all Administrators administering the terms and conditions of the Plan's subrogation and reimbursement rights have such powers and duties as are necessary to discharge its duties and functions, including the exercise of its discretionary authority to (1) construe and enforce the terms of the Plan's subrogation and reimbursement rights and (2) make determinations with respect to the subrogation amounts and reimbursements owed to the Plan.

### **Right of Recovery**

The Plan also has the right to recover Benefits it has paid on you or your Dependent's behalf that were:

- Made in error.
- Due to a mistake in fact.
- Advanced during the time period of meeting the calendar year Deductible.
- Advanced during the time period of meeting the Out-of-Pocket Maximum for the calendar year.

Benefits paid because you or your Dependent misrepresented facts are also subject to recovery.

If the Plan provides a Benefit for you or your Dependent that exceeds the amount that should have been paid, the Plan will:

- Require that the overpayment be returned when requested.
- Reduce a future Benefit payment for you or your Dependent by the amount of the overpayment.

If the Plan provides an advancement of Benefits to you or your Dependent during the time period of meeting the Deductible and/or meeting the Out-of-Pocket Maximum or the calendar year, the Plan will send you or your Dependent a monthly statement identifying the amount you owe with payment instructions. The Plan has the right to recover Benefits it has advanced by:

- Submitting a reminder letter to you or a covered Dependent that details any outstanding balance owed to the Plan.
- Conducting courtesy calls to you or a covered Dependent to discuss any outstanding balance owed to the Plan.

## SECTION 12 - WHEN COVERAGE ENDS

**What this section includes:**

- Circumstances that cause coverage to end.
- Extended coverage.
- How to continue coverage after it ends.

Your entitlement to Benefits automatically ends on the date that coverage ends, even if you are hospitalized or are otherwise receiving medical treatment on that date. Please note that this does not affect coverage that is extended under *Extended Coverage for Total Disability* below.

When your coverage ends, Parkway School District will still pay claims for Covered Health Services that you received before your coverage ended. However, once your coverage ends, Benefits are not provided for health services that you receive after coverage ended, even if the underlying medical condition occurred before your coverage ended. Please note that this does not affect coverage that is extended under *Extended Coverage for Total Disability* below.

Your coverage under the Plan will end on the earliest of:

- The last day of the month your employment with the Company ends.
- The date the Plan ends.
- The last day of the month you stop making the required contributions.
- The last day of the month you are no longer eligible.
- The last day of the month UnitedHealthcare receives written notice from Parkway School District to end your coverage, or the date requested in the notice, if later.
- The last day of the month you retire or are pensioned under the Plan, unless specific coverage is available for retired or pensioned persons and you are eligible for that coverage.

Coverage for your eligible Dependents will end on the earliest of:

- The date your coverage ends.
- The last day of the month you stop making the required contributions.
- The last day of the month UnitedHealthcare receives written notice from Parkway School District to end your coverage, or the date requested in the notice, if later.
- The last day of the month your Dependents no longer qualify as Dependents under this Plan.

### ***Other Events Ending Your Coverage***

The Plan will provide at least thirty days' prior written notice to you that your coverage will end on the date identified in the notice if you commit an act, practice, or omission that constituted fraud, or an intentional misrepresentation of a material fact including, but not limited to, knowingly providing incorrect information relating to another person's eligibility or status as a Dependent. You may appeal this decision during the 30-day notice period. The notice will contain information on how to pursue your appeal.

**Note:** If UnitedHealthcare and Parkway School District find that you have performed an act, practice, or omission that constitutes fraud, or have made an intentional misrepresentation of material fact Parkway School District has the right to demand that you pay back all Benefits Parkway School District paid to you, or paid in your name, during the time you were incorrectly covered under the Plan.

### **Coverage for a Disabled Child**

If an unmarried enrolled Dependent child with a mental or physical disability reaches an age when coverage would otherwise end, the Plan will continue to cover the child, as long as:

- The child is unable to be self-supporting due to a mental or physical handicap or disability.
- The child depends mainly on you for support.
- You provide to Parkway School District proof of the child's incapacity and dependency within 31 days of the date coverage would have otherwise ended because the child reached a certain age.
- You provide proof, upon Parkway School District's request, that the child continues to meet these conditions.

The proof might include medical examinations at Parkway School District's expense. However, you will not be asked for this information more than once a year. If you do not supply such proof within 31 days, the Plan will no longer pay Benefits for that child.

Coverage will continue, as long as the enrolled Dependent is incapacitated and dependent upon you, unless coverage is otherwise terminated in accordance with the terms of the Plan.

### **Extended Coverage for Total Disability**

If a Covered Person has a Total Disability on the date their coverage under the Plan ends, their Benefits will not end automatically. The Plan will temporarily extend coverage, only for treatment of the condition causing the Total Disability. Benefits will be paid until the earlier of:

- The Total Disability ends.
- three months from the date coverage would have ended.

## Continuing Coverage Through COBRA

If you lose your Plan coverage, you may have the right to extend it under the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 (COBRA), as defined in Section 14, *Glossary*.

Continuation coverage under COBRA is available only to Plans that are subject to the terms of COBRA. You can contact your Plan Administrator to determine if Parkway School District is subject to the provisions of COBRA.

### *Continuation Coverage under Federal Law (COBRA)*

Much of the language in this section comes from the federal law that governs continuation coverage. You should call your Plan Administrator if you have questions about your right to continue coverage.

In order to be eligible for continuation coverage under federal law, you must meet the definition of a "Qualified Beneficiary". A Qualified Beneficiary is any of the following persons who were covered under the Plan on the day before a qualifying event:

- A Participant.
- A Participant's enrolled Dependent, including with respect to the Participant's children, a child born to or placed for adoption with the Participant during a period of continuation coverage under federal law.
- A Participant's former Spouse.

### *Qualifying Events for Continuation Coverage under COBRA*

The following table outlines situations in which you may elect to continue coverage under COBRA for yourself and your Dependents, and the maximum length of time you can receive continued coverage. These situations are considered qualifying events.

If Coverage Ends Because of the Following Qualifying Events:	You May Elect COBRA:		
	For Yourself	For Your Spouse	For Your Child(ren)
Your work hours are reduced	18 months	18 months	18 months
Your employment terminates for any reason (other than gross misconduct)	18 months	18 months	18 months
You or your family member become eligible for Social Security disability benefits at any time within the first 60 days of losing coverage <sup>1</sup>	29 months	29 months	29 months
You die	N/A	36 months	36 months



If Coverage Ends Because of the Following Qualifying Events:	You May Elect COBRA:		
	For Yourself	For Your Spouse	For Your Child(ren)
You divorce (or legally separate)	N/A	36 months	36 months
Your child is no longer an eligible family member (e.g., reaches the maximum age limit)	N/A	N/A	36 months
You become entitled to Medicare	N/A	See table below	See table below
Parkway School District files for bankruptcy under Title 11, United States Code. <sup>2</sup>	36 months	36 months <sup>3</sup>	36 months <sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Subject to the following conditions: (i) notice of the disability must be provided within the latest of 60 days after a). the determination of the disability, b). the date of the qualifying event, c). the date the Qualified Beneficiary would lose coverage under the Plan, and in no event later than the end of the first 18 months; (ii) the Qualified Beneficiary must agree to pay any increase in the required premium for the additional 11 months over the original 18 months; and (iii) if the Qualified Beneficiary entitled to the 11 months of coverage has non-disabled family members who are also Qualified Beneficiaries, then those non-disabled Qualified Beneficiaries are also entitled to the additional 11 months of continuation coverage. Notice of any final determination that the Qualified Beneficiary is no longer disabled must be provided within 30 days of such determination. Thereafter, continuation coverage may be terminated on the first day of the month that begins more than 30 days after the date of that determination.

<sup>2</sup>This is a qualifying event for any Retired Participant and his or her enrolled Dependents if there is a substantial elimination of coverage within one year before or after the date the bankruptcy was filed.

<sup>3</sup>From the date of the Participant's death if the Participant dies during the continuation coverage.

***How Your Medicare Eligibility Affects Dependent COBRA Coverage***

The table below outlines how your Dependents' COBRA coverage is impacted if you become entitled to Medicare.

If Dependent Coverage Ends When:	You May Elect COBRA Dependent Coverage For Up To:
You become entitled to Medicare and don't experience any additional qualifying events	18 months
You become entitled to Medicare, after which you experience a second qualifying event* before the initial 18-month period expires	36 months

If Dependent Coverage Ends When:	You May Elect COBRA Dependent Coverage For Up To:
You experience a qualifying event*, after which you become entitled to Medicare before the initial 18-month period expires; and, if absent this initial qualifying event, your Medicare entitlement would have resulted in loss of Dependent coverage under the Plan	36 months

\* Your work hours are reduced or your employment is terminated for reasons other than gross misconduct.

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You will be notified by mail if you become eligible for COBRA coverage as a result of a reduction in work hours or termination of employment. The notification will give you instructions for electing COBRA coverage, and advise you of the monthly cost. Your monthly cost is the full cost, including both Participant and Employer costs, plus a 2% administrative fee or other cost as permitted by law.

You will have up to 60 days from the date you receive notification or 60 days from the date your coverage ends to elect COBRA coverage, whichever is later. You will then have an additional 45 days to pay the cost of your COBRA coverage, retroactive to the date your Plan coverage ended.

During the 60-day election period, the Plan will, only in response to a request from a provider, inform that provider of your right to elect COBRA coverage, retroactive to the date your COBRA eligibility began.

While you are a participant in the medical Plan under COBRA, you have the right to change your coverage election:

- During Open Enrollment.
- Following a change in family status, as described under Changing Your Coverage in Section 2, Introduction.

***Notification Requirements***

If your covered Dependents lose coverage due to divorce, legal separation, or loss of Dependent status, you or your Dependents must notify the Plan Administrator within 60 days of the latest of:

- The date of the divorce, legal separation or an enrolled Dependent's loss of eligibility as an enrolled Dependent.
- The date your enrolled Dependent would lose coverage under the Plan.
- The date on which you or your enrolled Dependent are informed of your obligation to provide notice and the procedures for providing such notice.

You or your Dependents must also notify the Plan Administrator when a qualifying event occurs that will extend continuation coverage.

If you or your Dependents fail to notify the Plan Administrator of these events within the 60 day period, the Plan Administrator is not obligated to provide continued coverage to the affected Qualified Beneficiary. If you are continuing coverage under federal law, you must notify the Plan Administrator within 60 days of the birth or adoption of a child.

Once you have notified the Plan Administrator, you will then be notified by mail of your election rights under COBRA.

***Notification Requirements for Disability Determination***

If you extend your COBRA coverage beyond 18 months because you are eligible for disability benefits from Social Security, you must provide Finance Department with notice of the Social Security Administration's determination within 60 days after you receive that determination, and before the end of your initial 18-month continuation period.

The notice requirements will be satisfied by providing written notice to the Plan Administrator at the address stated in Section 15, *Important Administrative Information*. The contents of the notice must be such that the Plan Administrator is able to determine the covered Employee and qualified beneficiary(ies), the qualifying event or disability, and the date on which the qualifying event occurred.

***Trade Act of 2002***

The Trade Act of 2002 amended COBRA to provide for a special second 60-day COBRA election period for certain Participants who have experienced a termination or reduction of hours and who lose group health plan coverage as a result. The special second COBRA election period is available only to a very limited group of individuals: generally, those who are receiving trade adjustment assistance (TAA) or 'alternative trade adjustment assistance' under a federal law called the Trade Act of 1974. These Participants are entitled to a second opportunity to elect COBRA coverage for themselves and certain family members (if they did not already elect COBRA coverage), but only within a limited period of 60 days from the first day of the month when an individual begins receiving TAA (or would be eligible to receive TAA but for the requirement that unemployment benefits be exhausted) and only during the six months immediately after their group health plan coverage ended.

If a Participant qualifies or may qualify for assistance under the Trade Act of 1974, he or she should contact the Plan Administrator for additional information. The Participant must contact the Plan Administrator promptly after qualifying for assistance under the Trade Act of 1974 or the Participant will lose his or her special COBRA rights. COBRA coverage elected during the special second election period is not retroactive to the date that Plan coverage was lost, but begins on the first day of the special second election period.

## When COBRA Ends

COBRA coverage will end, before the maximum continuation period, on the earliest of the following dates:

- The date, after electing continuation coverage, that coverage is first obtained under any other group health plan.
- The date, after electing continuation coverage, that you or your covered Dependent first becomes entitled to Medicare;
- The date coverage ends for failure to make the first required premium payment (premium is not paid within 45 days).
- The date coverage ends for failure to make any other monthly premium payment (premium is not paid within 30 days of its due date).
- The date the entire Plan ends.
- The date coverage would otherwise terminate under the Plan as described in the beginning of this section.

**Note:** If you selected continuation coverage under a prior plan which was then replaced by coverage under this Plan, continuation coverage will end as scheduled under the prior plan or in accordance with the terminating events listed in this section, whichever is earlier.

## Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act

A Participant who is absent from employment for more than 30 days by reason of service in the Uniformed Services may elect to continue Plan coverage for the Participant and the Participant's Dependents in accordance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act of 1994, as amended (USERRA).

The terms "Uniformed Services" or "Military Service" mean the Armed Forces, the Army National Guard and the Air National Guard when engaged in active duty for training, inactive duty training, or full-time National Guard duty, the commissioned corps of the Public Health Service, and any other category of persons designated by the President in time of war or national emergency.

If qualified to continue coverage pursuant to the USERRA, Participants may elect to continue coverage under the Plan by notifying the Plan Administrator in advance, and providing payment of any required contribution for the health coverage. This may include the amount the Plan Administrator normally pays on a Participant's behalf. If a Participant's Military Service is for a period of time less than 31 days, the Participant may not be required to pay more than the regular contribution amount, if any, for continuation of health coverage.

A Participant may continue Plan coverage under USERRA for up to the lesser of:

- The 24 month period beginning on the date of the Participant's absence from work.
- The day after the date on which the Participant fails to apply for, or return to, a position of employment.

Regardless of whether a Participant continues health coverage, if the Participant returns to a position of employment, the Participant's health coverage and that of the Participant's eligible Dependents will be reinstated under the Plan. No exclusions or waiting period may be imposed on a Participant or the Participant's eligible Dependents in connection with this reinstatement, unless a Sickness or Injury is determined by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to have been incurred in, or aggravated during, the performance of military service.

You should call the Plan Administrator if you have questions about your rights to continue health coverage under USERRA.

## SECTION 13 - OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

### What this section includes:

- Court-ordered Benefits for Dependent children.
- Your relationship with UnitedHealthcare and Parkway School District.
- Relationships with providers.
- Interpretation of Benefits.
- Information and records.
- Incentives to providers and you.
- The future of the Plan.
- How to access the official Plan documents.

### Qualified Medical Child Support Orders (QMCSOs)

A qualified medical child support order (QMCSO) is a judgment, decree or order issued by a court or appropriate state agency that requires a child to be covered for medical benefits. Generally, a QMCSO is issued as part of a paternity, divorce, or other child support settlement.

If the Plan receives a medical child support order for your child that instructs the Plan to cover the child, the Plan Administrator will review it to determine if it meets the requirements for a QMCSO. If it determines that it does, your child will be enrolled in the Plan as your Dependent, and the Plan will be required to pay Benefits as directed by the order.

You may obtain, without charge, a copy of the procedures governing QMCSOs from the Plan Administrator.

**Note:** A National Medical Support Notice will be recognized as a QMCSO if it meets the requirements of a QMCSO.

### Your Relationship with UnitedHealthcare and Parkway School District

In order to make choices about your health care coverage and treatment, Parkway School District believes that it is important for you to understand how UnitedHealthcare interacts with the Plan Sponsor's benefit Plan and how it may affect you. UnitedHealthcare helps administer the Plan Sponsor's benefit plan in which you are enrolled. UnitedHealthcare does not provide medical services or make treatment decisions. This means:

- UnitedHealthcare communicates to you decisions about whether the Plan will cover or pay for the health care that you may receive (the Plan pays for Covered Health Services, which are more fully described in this SPD).
- The Plan may not pay for all treatments you or your Physician may believe are necessary. If the Plan does not pay, you will be responsible for the cost.

Parkway School District and UnitedHealthcare may use individually identifiable information about you to identify for you (and you alone) procedures, products or services that you may find valuable. Parkway School District and UnitedHealthcare will use individually identifiable information about you as permitted or required by law, including in operations and in research. Parkway School District and UnitedHealthcare will use de-identified data for commercial purposes including research.

### **Relationship with Providers**

The Claims Administrator has agreements in place that govern the relationships between it and **Parkway School District** and Network providers, some of which are affiliated providers. Network providers enter into agreements with the Claims Administrator to provide Covered Health Services to Covered Persons.

Parkway School District and UnitedHealthcare do not provide health care services or supplies, nor do they practice medicine. Instead, Parkway School District and UnitedHealthcare arrange for health care providers to participate in a Network and administer payment of Benefits. Network providers are independent practitioners who run their own offices and facilities. UnitedHealthcare's credentialing process confirms public information about the providers' licenses and other credentials, but does not assure the quality of the services provided. They are not Parkway School District's employees nor are they employees of UnitedHealthcare. Parkway School District and UnitedHealthcare are not responsible for any act or omission of any provider.

UnitedHealthcare is not considered to be an employer of the Plan Administrator for any purpose with respect to the administration or provision of benefits under this Plan.

Parkway School District is solely responsible for:

- Enrollment and classification changes (including classification changes resulting in your enrollment or the termination of your coverage).
- The timely payment of the service fee to UnitedHealthcare.
- The funding of Benefits on a timely basis.
- Notifying you of the termination or modifications to the Plan.

## Your Relationship with Providers

The relationship between you and any provider is that of provider and patient. You:

- Are responsible for choosing your own provider.
- Are responsible for paying, directly to your provider, any amount identified as a member responsibility, including Copayments, Coinsurance, any deductible and any amount that exceeds Eligible Expenses.
- Are responsible for paying, directly to your provider, the cost of any non-Covered Health Service.
- Must decide if any provider treating you is right for you (this includes Network providers you choose and providers to whom you have been referred).
- Must decide with your provider what care you should receive.

Your provider is solely responsible for the quality of the services provided to you.

- The relationship between you and Parkway School District is that of employer and employee, Dependent or other classification as defined in this SPD.

## Interpretation of Benefits

Parkway School District and UnitedHealthcare have the sole and exclusive discretion to:

- Interpret Benefits under the Plan.
- Interpret the other terms, conditions, limitations and exclusions of the Plan, including this SPD and any Summary of Material Modifications and/or Amendments.
- Make factual determinations related to the Plan and its Benefits.

Parkway School District and UnitedHealthcare may delegate this discretionary authority to other persons or entities that provide services in regard to the administration of the Plan.

In certain circumstances, for purposes of overall cost savings or efficiency, Parkway School District may, in its discretion, offer Benefits for services that would otherwise not be Covered Health Services. The fact that Parkway School District does so in any particular case shall not in any way be deemed to require Parkway School District to do so in other similar cases.

## Information and Records

Parkway School District and UnitedHealthcare may use your individually identifiable health information to administer the Plan and pay claims, to identify procedures, products, or services that you may find valuable, and as otherwise permitted or required by law. Parkway School District and UnitedHealthcare may request additional information from you to decide your claim for Benefits. Parkway School District and UnitedHealthcare will keep this



information confidential. Parkway School District and UnitedHealthcare may also use your de-identified data for commercial purposes, including research, as permitted by law.

By accepting Benefits under the Plan, you authorize and direct any person or institution that has provided services to you to furnish Parkway School District and UnitedHealthcare with all information or copies of records relating to the services provided to you. Parkway School District and UnitedHealthcare have the right to request this information at any reasonable time. This applies to all Covered Persons, including enrolled Dependents whether or not they have signed the Participant's enrollment form. Parkway School District and UnitedHealthcare agree that such information and records will be considered confidential.

Parkway School District and UnitedHealthcare have the right to release any and all records concerning health care services which are necessary to implement and administer the terms of the Plan, for appropriate medical review or quality assessment, or as Parkway School District is required to do by law or regulation. During and after the term of the Plan, Parkway School District and UnitedHealthcare and its related entities may use and transfer the information gathered under the Plan in a de-identified format for commercial purposes, including research and analytic purposes.

For complete listings of your medical records or billing statements Parkway School District recommends that you contact your health care provider. Providers may charge you reasonable fees to cover their costs for providing records or completing requested forms.

If you request medical forms or records from UnitedHealthcare, they also may charge you reasonable fees to cover costs for completing the forms or providing the records.

In some cases, Parkway School District and UnitedHealthcare will designate other persons or entities to request records or information from or related to you, and to release those records as necessary. UnitedHealthcare's designees have the same rights to this information as does the Plan Administrator.

### **Incentives to Providers**

Network providers may be provided financial incentives by UnitedHealthcare to promote the delivery of health care in a cost efficient and effective manner. These financial incentives are not intended to affect your access to health care.

Examples of financial incentives for Network providers are:

- Bonuses for performance based on factors that may include quality, member satisfaction, and/or cost-effectiveness.
- A practice called capitation which is when a group of Network providers receives a monthly payment from UnitedHealthcare for each Covered Person who selects a Network provider within the group to perform or coordinate certain health services. The Network providers receive this monthly payment regardless of whether the cost of providing or arranging to provide the Covered Person's health care is less than or more than the payment.

- Bundled payments - certain Network providers receive a bundled payment for a group of Covered Health Services for a particular procedure or medical condition. Your Copayment and/or Coinsurance will be calculated based on the provider type that received the bundled payment. The Network providers receive these bundled payments regardless of whether the cost of providing or arranging to provide the Covered Person's health care is less than or more than the payment. If you receive follow-up services related to a procedure where a bundled payment is made, an additional Copayment and/or Coinsurance may not be required if such follow-up services are included in the bundled payment. You may receive some Covered Health Services that are not considered part of the inclusive bundled payment and those Covered Health Services would be subject to the applicable Copayment and/or Coinsurance as described in your Section 5, *Plan Highlights*.

If you have any questions regarding financial incentives you may contact the telephone number on your ID card. You can ask whether your Network provider is paid by any financial incentive, including those listed above; however, the specific terms of the contract, including rates of payment, are confidential and cannot be disclosed. In addition, you may choose to discuss these financial incentives with your Network provider.

### **Incentives to You**

Sometimes you may be offered coupons or other incentives to encourage you to participate in various wellness programs or certain disease management programs, surveys, discount programs and/or programs to seek care in a more cost effective setting and/or from Designated Providers. In some instances, these programs may be offered in combination with a non-UnitedHealthcare entity. The decision about whether or not to participate is yours alone but Parkway School District recommends that you discuss participating in such programs with your Physician. These incentives are not Benefits and do not alter or affect your Benefits. You may call the number on the back of your ID card if you have any questions. Additional information may be found in Section 7, *Clinical Programs and Resources*.

### **Rebates and Other Payments**

Parkway School District and UnitedHealthcare may receive rebates for certain drugs that are administered to you in a Physician's office, or at a Hospital or Alternate Facility. This includes rebates for those drugs that are administered to you before you meet your Annual Deductible. Parkway School District and UnitedHealthcare may pass a portion of these rebates on to you. When rebates are passed on to you, they may be taken into account in determining your Copays or Coinsurance.

### **Workers' Compensation Not Affected**

Benefits provided under the Plan do not substitute for and do not affect any requirements for coverage by workers' compensation insurance.

### **Future of the Plan**

Although the Company expects to continue the Plan indefinitely, it reserves the right to discontinue, alter or modify the Plan in whole or in part, at any time and for any reason, at its sole determination.

The Company's decision to terminate or amend a Plan may be due to changes in federal or state laws governing employee benefits, the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code or any other reason. A plan change may transfer plan assets and debts to another plan or split a plan into two or more parts. If the Company does change or terminate a plan, it may decide to set up a different plan providing similar or different benefits.

If this Plan is terminated, Covered Persons will not have the right to any other Benefits from the Plan, other than for those claims incurred prior to the date of termination, or as otherwise provided under the Plan. In addition, if the Plan is amended, Covered Persons may be subject to altered coverage and Benefits.

The amount and form of any final benefit you receive will depend on any Plan document or contract provisions affecting the Plan and Company decisions. After all Benefits have been paid and other requirements of the law have been met, certain remaining Plan assets will be turned over to the Company and others as may be required by any applicable law.

## Plan Document

This Employee Benefit Booklet (EBB) represents an overview of your Benefits. In the event there is a discrepancy between the SPD and the official plan document, the plan document will govern. A copy of the plan document is available for your inspection during regular business hours in the office of the Plan Administrator. You (or your personal representative) may obtain a copy of this document by written request to the Plan Administrator, for a nominal charge.

## Review and Determine Benefits in Accordance with UnitedHealthcare Reimbursement Policies

UnitedHealthcare develops its reimbursement policy guidelines, in its sole discretion, in accordance with one or more of the following methodologies:

- As indicated in the most recent edition of the Current Procedural Terminology (CPT), a publication of the American Medical Association, and/or the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).
- As reported by generally recognized professionals or publications.
- As used for Medicare.
- As determined by medical staff and outside medical consultants pursuant to other appropriate sources or determinations that UnitedHealthcare accepts.

Following evaluation and validation of certain provider billings (e.g., error, abuse and fraud reviews), UnitedHealthcare's reimbursement policies are applied to provider billings. UnitedHealthcare shares its reimbursement policies with Physicians and other providers in UnitedHealthcare's Network through UnitedHealthcare's provider website. Network Physicians and providers may not bill you for the difference between their contract rate (as may be modified by UnitedHealthcare's reimbursement policies) and the billed charge. However, non-Network providers are not subject to this prohibition, and may bill you for any amounts the Plan does not pay, including amounts that are denied because one of UnitedHealthcare's reimbursement policies does not reimburse (in whole or in part) for the service billed. You may obtain copies of UnitedHealthcare's reimbursement policies for yourself or to share with your non-Network Physician or provider by going to [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or by calling the telephone number on your ID card.

UnitedHealthcare may apply a reimbursement methodology established by *OptumInsight* and/or a third party vendor, which is based on *CMS* coding principles, to determine appropriate reimbursement levels for Emergency Health Services. The methodology is usually based on elements reflecting the patient complexity, direct costs, and indirect costs of an Emergency Health Service. If the methodology(ies) currently in use become no longer available, UnitedHealthcare will use a comparable methodology(ies). UnitedHealthcare and *OptumInsight* are related companies through common ownership by *UnitedHealth Group*. Refer to UnitedHealthcare's website at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) for information regarding the vendor that provides the applicable methodology.

## SECTION 14 - GLOSSARY

**What this section includes:**

- Definitions of terms used throughout this SPD.

Many of the terms used throughout this SPD may be unfamiliar to you or have a specific meaning with regard to the way the Plan is administered and how Benefits are paid. This section defines terms used throughout this SPD, but it does not describe the Benefits provided by the Plan.

**Addendum** - any attached written description of additional or revised provisions to the Plan. The benefits and exclusions of this SPD and any amendments thereto shall apply to the Addendum except that in the case of any conflict between the Addendum and SPD and/or Amendments to the SPD, the Addendum shall be controlling.

**Alternate Facility** - a health care facility that is not a Hospital and that provides one or more of the following services on an outpatient basis, as permitted by law:

- Surgical services.
- Emergency Health Services.
- Rehabilitative, laboratory, diagnostic or therapeutic services.

An Alternate Facility may also provide Mental Health Services or Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services on an outpatient basis or inpatient basis (for example a Residential Treatment facility).

**Amendment** - any attached written description of additional or alternative provisions to the Plan. Amendments are effective only when distributed by the Plan Sponsor or the Plan Administrator. Amendments are subject to all conditions, limitations and exclusions of the Plan, except for those that the amendment is specifically changing.

**Annual Deductible (or Deductible)** - the amount you must pay for Covered Health Services in a calendar year before the Plan will begin paying Benefits in that calendar year. The Deductible is shown in the first table in Section 5, *Plan Highlights*.

**Assisted Reproductive Technology (ART)** – the comprehensive term for procedures involving the manipulation of human reproductive materials (such as sperm, eggs, and/or embryos) to achieve Pregnancy. Examples of such procedures are:

- In vitro fertilization (IVF).
- Gamete intrafallopian transfer (GIFT).
- Pronuclear stage tubal transfer (PROST).
- Tubal embryo transfer (TET).
- Zygote intrafallopian transfer (ZIFT).

**Autism Spectrum Disorders** - a condition marked by enduring problems communicating and interacting with others, along with restricted and repetitive behavior, interests or activities.

**Benefits** - Plan payments for Covered Health Services, subject to the terms and conditions of the Plan and any Addendums and/or Amendments.

**Body Mass Index (BMI)** - a calculation used in obesity risk assessment which uses a person's weight and height to approximate body fat.

**BMI** - see Body Mass Index (BMI).

**Cancer Resource Services (CRS)** - a program administered by UnitedHealthcare or its affiliates made available to you by Parkway School District. The CRS program provides:

- Specialized consulting services, on a limited basis, to Participants and enrolled Dependents with cancer.
- Access to cancer centers with expertise in treating the most rare or complex cancers.
- Education to help patients understand their cancer and make informed decisions about their care and course of treatment.

**Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup>** - programs provided by UnitedHealthcare that focus on prevention, education, and closing the gaps in care designed to encourage an efficient system of care for you and your covered Dependents.

**Cellular Therapy** - administration of living whole cells into a patient for the treatment of disease.

**CHD** - see Congenital Heart Disease (CHD).

**Claims Administrator** - UnitedHealthcare (also known as United Healthcare Services, Inc.) and its affiliates, who provide certain claim administration services for the Plan.

**Clinical Trial** - a scientific study designed to identify new health services that improve health outcomes. In a Clinical Trial, two or more treatments are compared to each other and the patient is not allowed to choose which treatment will be received.

**COBRA** - see Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 (COBRA).

**Coinsurance** - the charge, stated as a percentage of Eligible Expenses, that you are required to pay for certain Covered Health Services as described in Section 3, *How the Plan Works*.

**Company** - Parkway School District.

**Congenital Anomaly** - a physical developmental defect that is present at birth and is identified within the first twelve months of birth.

**Congenital Heart Disease (CHD)** - any structural heart problem or abnormality that has been present since birth. Congenital heart defects may:

- Be passed from a parent to a child (inherited).
- Develop in the fetus of a woman who has an infection or is exposed to radiation or other toxic substances during her Pregnancy.
- Have no known cause.

**Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 (COBRA)** - a federal law that requires employers to offer continued health insurance coverage to certain employees and their dependents whose group health insurance has been terminated.

**Copayment (or Copay)** - the charge, stated as a set dollar amount, that you are required to pay for certain Covered Health Services as described in Section 3, *How the Plan Works*.

Please note that for Covered Health Services, you are responsible for paying the lesser of the following:

- The applicable Copayment.
- The Eligible Expense.

**Cosmetic Procedures** - procedures or services that change or improve appearance without significantly improving physiological function, as determined by the Claims Administrator.

**Cost-Effective** - the least expensive equipment that performs the necessary function. This term applies to Durable Medical Equipment and prosthetic devices.

**Covered Health Services** - those health services, including services, supplies or Pharmaceutical Products, which the Claims Administrator determines to be:

- Provided for the purpose of preventing, evaluating, diagnosing or treating a Sickness, Injury, Mental Illness, substance-related and addictive disorders, condition, disease or its symptoms.
- Medically Necessary.
- Described as a Covered Health Service in this SPD under Section 5, *Plan Highlights* and 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.
- Provided to a Covered Person who meets the Plan's eligibility requirements, as described under *Eligibility* in Section 2, *Introduction*.
- Not otherwise excluded in this SPD under Section 8, *Exclusions and Limitations*.

**Covered Person** - either the Participant or an enrolled Dependent, but this term applies only while the person is enrolled and eligible for Benefits under the Plan. References to "you" and "your" throughout this SPD are references to a Covered Person.

**CRS** - see Cancer Resource Services (CRS).

**Custodial Care** - services that are any of the following:

- Non-health-related services, such as assistance in activities of daily living (examples include feeding, dressing, bathing, transferring and ambulating).
- Health-related services that are provided for the primary purpose of meeting the personal needs of the patient or maintaining a level of function (even if the specific services are considered to be skilled services), as opposed to improving that function to an extent that might allow for a more independent existence.
- Services that do not require continued administration by trained medical personnel in order to be delivered safely and effectively.

**Deductible** - see Annual Deductible.

**Definitive Drug Test** - test to identify specific medications, illicit substances and metabolites and is qualitative or quantitative to identify possible use or non-use of a drug.

**Dependent** - an individual who meets the eligibility requirements specified in the Plan, as described under *Eligibility* in Section 2, *Introduction*. A Dependent does not include anyone who is also enrolled as a Participant. No one can be a Dependent of more than one Participant.

**Designated Provider** - a provider and/or facility that:

- Has entered into an agreement with UnitedHealthcare, or with an organization contracting on UnitedHealthcare's behalf, to provide Covered Health Services for the treatment of specific diseases or conditions; or
- UnitedHealthcare has identified through UnitedHealthcare's designation programs as a Designated Provider. Such designation may apply to specific treatments, conditions and/or procedures.

A Designated Provider may or may not be located within your geographic area. Not all Network Hospitals or Network Physicians are Designated Providers.

You can find out if your provider is a Designated Provider by contacting UnitedHealthcare at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or the telephone number on your ID card.

**Designated Virtual Network Provider** - a provider or facility that has entered into an agreement with the Claims Administrator, or with an organization contracting on the Claims Administrator's behalf, to deliver Covered Health Services via interactive audio and video modalities.

**DME** - see Durable Medical Equipment (DME).

**Durable Medical Equipment (DME)** - medical equipment that is all of the following:



- Is used to serve a medical purpose with respect to treatment of a Sickness, Injury or their symptoms.
- Is not disposable.
- Is generally not useful to a person in the absence of a Sickness, Injury or their symptoms.
- Can withstand repeated use.
- Is not implantable within the body.
- Is appropriate for use, and is primarily used, within the home.

**Eligible Expenses** - for Covered Health Services, incurred while the Plan is in effect, Eligible Expenses are determined by UnitedHealthcare as stated below and as detailed in Section 3, *How the Plan Works*.

Eligible Expenses are determined solely in accordance with UnitedHealthcare's reimbursement policy guidelines. UnitedHealthcare develops the reimbursement policy guidelines, in UnitedHealthcare's discretion, following evaluation and validation of all provider billings in accordance with one or more of the following methodologies:

- As indicated in the most recent edition of the Current Procedural Terminology (CPT), a publication of the American Medical Association, and/or the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).
- As reported by generally recognized professionals or publications.
- As used for Medicare.
- As determined by medical staff and outside medical consultants pursuant to other appropriate source or determination that UnitedHealthcare accept.

**Emergency** - a medical condition manifesting itself by acute symptoms of sufficient severity (including severe pain) so that a prudent layperson, who possesses an average knowledge of health and medicine, could reasonably expect the absence of immediate medical attention to result in any of the following:

- Placing the health of the Covered Person (or, with respect to a pregnant woman, the health of the woman or her unborn child) in serious jeopardy.
- Serious impairment to bodily functions.
- Serious dysfunction of any bodily organ or part.

**Emergency Health Services** - with respect to an Emergency, both of the following:

- A medical screening examination (as required under section 1867 of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. 1395dd) that is within the capability of the emergency department of a Hospital, including ancillary services routinely available to the emergency department to evaluate such Emergency.

- Such further medical examination and treatment, to the extent they are within the capabilities of the staff and facilities available at the Hospital, as are required under section 1867 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395dd(e)(3)).

**Employer** - Parkway School District.

**EOB** - see Explanation of Benefits (EOB).

**Experimental or Investigational Services** - medical, surgical, diagnostic, psychiatric, mental health, substance-related and addictive disorders or other health care services, technologies, supplies, treatments, procedures, drug therapies, medications or devices that, at the time the Claims Administrator makes a determination regarding coverage in a particular

case, are determined to be any of the following:

- Not approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to be lawfully marketed for the proposed use and not identified in the American Hospital Formulary Service or the United States Pharmacopoeia Dispensing Information as appropriate for the proposed use.
- Subject to review and approval by any institutional review board for the proposed use. (Devices which are FDA approved under the Humanitarian Use Device exemption are not considered to be Experimental or Investigational.)
- The subject of an ongoing Clinical Trial that meets the definition of a Phase I, II or III Clinical Trial set forth in the FDA regulations, regardless of whether the trial is actually subject to FDA oversight.

Exceptions:

- Clinical Trials for which Benefits are available as described under Clinical Trials in Section 6, Additional Coverage Details.
- If you are not a participant in a qualifying Clinical Trial as described under Section 6, Additional Coverage Details, and have a Sickness or condition that is likely to cause death within one year of the request for treatment, the Claims Administrator may, at its discretion, consider an otherwise Experimental or Investigational Service to be a Covered Health Service for that Sickness or condition. Prior to such consideration, the Claims Administrator must determine that, although unproven, the service has significant potential as an effective treatment for that Sickness or condition.

**Explanation of Benefits (EOB)** - a statement provided by UnitedHealthcare to you, your Physician, or another health care professional that explains:

- The Benefits provided (if any).
- The allowable reimbursement amounts.
- Deductibles.
- Coinsurance.

- Any other reductions taken.
- The net amount paid by the Plan.
- The reason(s) why the service or supply was not covered by the Plan.

**Fertility Solutions (FS)** – a program administered by UnitedHealthcare or its affiliates made available to you by Parkway School District. The FS program provides:

- Specialized clinical consulting services to Employees and enrolled Dependents to educate on infertility treatment options.
- Access to specialized Network facilities and Physicians for infertility services.

**Gender Dysphoria** - A disorder characterized by the following diagnostic criteria classified in the current edition of the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association*:

- Diagnostic criteria for adults and adolescents:
- A marked incongruence between one's experienced/expressed gender and assigned gender, of at least six months' duration, as manifested by at least two of the following:
  - A marked incongruence between one's experienced/expressed gender and primary and/or secondary sex characteristics (or in young adolescents, the anticipated secondary sex characteristics).
  - A strong desire to be rid of one's primary and/or secondary sex characteristics because of a marked incongruence with one's experienced/expressed gender or in young adolescents, a desire to prevent the development of the anticipated secondary sex characteristics).
  - A strong desire for the primary and/or secondary sex characteristics of the other gender.
  - A strong desire to be of the other gender (or some alternative gender different from one's assigned gender).
  - A strong desire to be treated as the other gender (or some alternative gender different from one's assigned gender).
  - A strong conviction that one has the typical feelings and reactions of the other gender (or some alternative gender different from one's assigned gender).

The condition is associated with clinically significant distress or impairment in social, occupational or other important areas of functioning.

- Diagnostic criteria for children:

A marked incongruence between one's experienced/expressed gender and assigned gender, of at least six months' duration, as manifested by at least six of the following (one of which must be criterion as shown in the first bullet below):

- A strong desire to be of the other gender or an insistence that one is the other gender (or some alternative gender different from one's assigned gender).
- In boys (assigned gender), a strong preference for cross-dressing or simulating female attire; or in girls (assigned gender), a strong preference for wearing only typical masculine clothing and a strong resistance to the wearing of typical feminine clothing.
- A strong preference for cross-gender roles in make-believe play or fantasy play.
- A strong preference for the toys, games or activities stereotypically used or engaged in by the other gender.
- A strong preference for playmates of the other gender.

- In boys (assigned gender), a strong rejection of typically masculine toys, games and activities and a strong avoidance of rough-and-tumble play; or in girls (assigned gender), a strong rejection of typically feminine toys, games and activities.
- A strong dislike of ones' sexual anatomy.
- A strong desire for the primary and/or secondary sex characteristics that match one's experienced gender.

The condition is associated with clinically significant distress or impairment in social, school or other important areas of functioning.

**Gene Therapy** - therapeutic delivery of nucleic acid (DNA or RNA) into a patient's cells as a drug to treat a disease.

**Genetic Counseling** - counseling by a qualified clinician that includes:

- Identifying your potential risks for suspected genetic disorders;
- An individualized discussion about the benefits, risks and limitations of Genetic Testing to help you make informed decisions about Genetic Testing; and
- Interpretation of the Genetic Testing results in order to guide health decisions.

Certified genetic counselors, medical geneticists and physicians with a professional society's certification that they have completed advanced training in genetics are considered qualified clinicians when Covered Health Services for Genetic Testing require Genetic Counseling.

**Genetic Testing** - exam of blood or other tissue for changes in genes (DNA or RNA) that may indicate an increased risk for developing a specific disease or disorder, or provide information to guide the selection of treatment of certain diseases, including cancer.

**Gestational Carrier** - a Gestational Carrier is a female who becomes pregnant by having a fertilized egg (embryo) implanted in her uterus for the purpose of carrying the fetus to term for another person. The carrier does not provide the egg and is therefore not biologically (genetically) related to the child.

**Health Statement(s)** - a single, integrated statement that summarizes EOB information by providing detailed content on account balances and claim activity.

**Home Health Agency** - a program or organization authorized by law to provide health care services in the home.

**Hospital** - an institution, operated as required by law, which is:

- Primarily engaged in providing health services, on an inpatient basis, for the acute care and treatment of sick or injured individuals. Care is provided through medical, mental health, substance-related and addictive disorders, diagnostic and surgical facilities, by or under the supervision of a staff of Physicians.

- Has 24 hour nursing services.

A Hospital is not primarily a place for rest, Custodial Care or care of the aged and is not a Skilled Nursing Facility, convalescent home or similar institution.

**Infertility** - A disease (an interruption, cessation, or disorder of body functions, systems, or organs) of the reproductive tract which prevents the conception of a child or the ability to carry a pregnancy to delivery. It is defined by the failure to achieve a successful pregnancy after 12 months or more of appropriate, timed unprotected intercourse or Therapeutic Donor Insemination. Earlier evaluation and treatment may be justified based on medical history and physical findings and is warranted after 6 months for women age 35 years or older.

**Injury** - bodily damage other than Sickness, including all related conditions and recurrent symptoms.

**Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility** - a long term acute rehabilitation center, a Hospital (or a special unit of a Hospital designated as an Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility) that provides rehabilitation services (including physical therapy, occupational therapy and/or speech therapy) on an inpatient basis, as authorized by law.

**Inpatient Stay** - an uninterrupted confinement, following formal admission to a Hospital, Skilled Nursing Facility or Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility.

**Intensive Behavioral Therapy (IBT)** – outpatient behavioral/educational services that aim to reinforce adaptive behaviors, reduce maladaptive behaviors and improve the mastery of functional age appropriate skills in people with Autism Spectrum Disorders. Examples include *Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA)*, *The Denver Model*, and *Relationship Development Intervention (RDI)*.

**Intensive Outpatient Treatment** - a structured outpatient mental health or substance-related and addictive disorders treatment program that may be free-standing or Hospital-based and provides services for at least three hours per day, two or more days per week.

**Intermittent Care** - skilled nursing care that is provided or needed either:

- Fewer than seven days each week.
- Fewer than eight hours each day for periods of 21 days or less.

Exceptions may be made in special circumstances when the need for additional care is finite and predictable.

**Kidney Resource Services (KRS)** - a program administered by UnitedHealthcare or its affiliates made available to you by Parkway School District. The KRS program provides:

- Specialized consulting services to Participants and enrolled Dependents with ESRD or chronic kidney disease.
- Access to dialysis centers with expertise in treating kidney disease.

- Guidance for the patient on the prescribed plan of care.

**Manipulative Treatment** - the therapeutic application of chiropractic and/or manipulative treatment with or without ancillary physiologic treatment and/or rehabilitative methods rendered to restore/improve motion, reduce pain and improve function in the management of an identifiable neuromusculoskeletal condition.

**Medicaid** - a federal program administered and operated individually by participating state and territorial governments that provides medical benefits to eligible low-income people needing health care. The federal and state governments share the program's costs.

**Medically Necessary** - health care services that are all of the following as determined by the Claims Administrator or its designee, within the Claims Administrator's sole discretion. The services must be:

- In accordance with *Generally Accepted Standards of Medical Practice*.
- Clinically appropriate, in terms of type, frequency, extent, service site and duration, and considered effective for your Sickness, Injury, Mental Illness, substance-related and addictive disorders, disease or its symptoms.
- Not mainly for your convenience or that of your doctor or other health care provider.
- Not more costly than an alternative drug, service(s) service site or supply that is at least as likely to produce equivalent therapeutic or diagnostic results as to the diagnosis or treatment of your Sickness, Injury, disease or symptoms.

*Generally Accepted Standards of Medical Practice* are standards that are based on credible scientific evidence published in peer-reviewed medical literature generally recognized by the relevant medical community, relying primarily on controlled clinical trials, or, if not available, observational studies from more than one institution that suggest a causal relationship between the service or treatment and health outcomes.

If no credible scientific evidence is available, then standards that are based on Physician specialty society recommendations or professional standards of care may be considered. The Claims Administrator reserves the right to consult expert opinion in determining whether health care services are Medically Necessary. The decision to apply Physician specialty society recommendations, the choice of expert and the determination of when to use any such expert opinion, shall be within the Claims Administrator's sole discretion.

The Claims Administrator develops and maintains clinical policies that describe the *Generally Accepted Standards of Medical Practice* scientific evidence, prevailing medical standards and clinical guidelines supporting its determinations regarding specific services. These clinical policies (as developed by the Claims Administrator and revised from time to time), are available to Covered Persons on [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or by calling the number on your ID card, and to Physicians and other health care professionals on [www.UHCprovider.com](http://www.UHCprovider.com).

**Medicare** - Parts A, B, C and D of the insurance program established by Title XVIII, United States Social Security Act, as amended by 42 U.S.C. Sections 1394, et seq. and as later amended.

**Mental Health Services** –services for the diagnosis and treatment of those mental health or psychiatric categories that are listed in the current edition of the *International Classification of Diseases section on Mental and Behavioral Disorders* or the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association*. The fact that a condition is listed in the current edition of the *International Classification of Diseases section on Mental and Behavioral Disorders* or *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association* does not mean that treatment for the condition is a Covered Health Service.

**Mental Health/Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Administrator** - the organization or individual designated by Parkway School District who provides or arranges Mental Health and Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services under the Plan.

**Mental Illness** – those mental health or psychiatric diagnostic categories listed in the current edition of the *International Classification of Diseases section on Mental and Behavioral Disorders* or *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association*. The fact that a condition is listed in the current edition of the *International Classification of Diseases section on Mental and Behavioral Disorders* or *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association* does not mean that treatment for the condition is a Covered Health Service.

**Neonatal Resource Services (NRS)** - a program administered by UnitedHealthcare or its affiliates made available to you by Parkway School District. The NRS program provides guided access to a network of credentialed NICU providers and specialized nurse consulting services to help manage NICU admissions.

**Network** - when used to describe a provider of health care services, this means a provider that has a participation agreement in effect (either directly or indirectly) with the Claims Administrator or with its affiliate to participate in the Network; however, this does not include those providers who have agreed to discount their charges for Covered Health Services by way of their participation in the Shared Savings Program. The Claims Administrator's affiliates are those entities affiliated with the Claims Administrator through common ownership or control with the Claims Administrator or with the Claims Administrator's ultimate corporate parent, including direct and indirect subsidiaries.

A provider may enter into an agreement to provide only certain Covered Health Services, but not all Covered Health Services, or to be a Network provider for only some products. In this case, the provider will be a Network provider for the Covered Health Services and products included in the participation agreement, and a non-Network provider for other Covered Health Services and products. The participation status of providers will change from time to time.

**Network Benefits** - for Benefit Plans that have a Network Benefit level, this is the description of how Benefits are paid for Covered Health Services provided by Network providers. Refer to Section 5, *Plan Highlights* to determine whether or not your Benefit plan offers Network Benefits and Section 3, *How the Plan Works*, for details about how Network Benefits apply.

**New Pharmaceutical Product** - a Pharmaceutical Product or new dosage form of a previously approved Pharmaceutical Product. It applies to the period of time starting on the



date the Pharmaceutical Product or new dosage form is approved by the *U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)* and ends on the earlier of the following dates.

- The date it is reviewed.
- December 31st of the following calendar year.

**Non-Network Benefits** - for Benefit Plans that have a Non-Network Benefit level, this is the description of how Benefits are paid for Covered Health Services provided by non-Network providers. Refer to Section 5, *Plan Highlights* to determine whether or not your Benefit plan offers Non-Network Benefits and Section 3, *How the Plan Works*, for details about how Non-Network Benefits apply.

**Open Enrollment** - the period of time, determined by Parkway School District, during which eligible Participants may enroll themselves and their Dependents under the Plan. Parkway School District determines the period of time that is the Open Enrollment period.

**Out-of-Pocket Maximum** - the maximum amount you pay every calendar year. Refer to Section 5, *Plan Highlights* for the Out-of-Pocket Maximum amount. See Section 3, *How the Plan Works* for a description of how the Out-of-Pocket Maximum works.

**Partial Hospitalization/Day Treatment** - a structured ambulatory program that may be a free-standing or Hospital-based program and that provides services for at least 20 hours per week.

**Participant** - a full-time Participant of the Employer who meets the eligibility requirements specified in the Plan, as described under *Eligibility* in Section 2, *Introduction*. A Participant must live and/or work in the United States.

**Pharmaceutical Product(s)** – *U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)*-approved prescription medications or products administered in connection with a Covered Health Service by a Physician.

**Physician** - any *Doctor of Medicine* or *Doctor of Osteopathy* who is properly licensed and qualified by law.

Please note: Any podiatrist, dentist, psychologist, chiropractor, optometrist or other provider who acts within the scope of his or her license will be considered on the same basis as a Physician. The fact that a provider is described as a Physician does not mean that Benefits for services from that provider are available to you under the Plan.

**Plan** - The Parkway School District Medical Plan.

**Plan Administrator** - Parkway School District or its designee.

**Plan Sponsor** - Parkway School District.

**Pregnancy** - includes all of the following: prenatal care, postnatal care, childbirth, and any complications associated with the above.

**Presumptive Drug Test** - test to determine the presence or absence of drugs or a drug class in which the results are indicated as negative or positive result.

**Primary Physician** - a Physician who has a majority of his or her practice in general pediatrics, internal medicine, obstetrics/gynecology, family practice or general medicine.

**Private Duty Nursing** - nursing care that is provided to a patient on a one-to-one basis by licensed nurses in a home setting when any of the following are true:

- No skilled services are identified.
- Skilled nursing resources are available in the facility.
- The skilled care can be provided by a Home Health Agency on a per visit basis for a specific purpose.
- The service is provided to a Covered Person by an independent nurse who is hired directly by the Covered Person or his/her family. This includes nursing services provided on a home-care basis, whether the service is skilled or non-skilled independent nursing.

**Reconstructive Procedure** - a procedure performed to address a physical impairment where the expected outcome is restored or improved function. The primary purpose of a Reconstructive Procedure is either to treat a medical condition or to improve or restore physiologic function. Reconstructive Procedures include surgery or other procedures which are associated with an Injury, Sickness or Congenital Anomaly. The primary result of the procedure is not changed or improved physical appearance. The fact that a person may suffer psychologically as a result of the impairment does not classify surgery or any other procedure done to relieve the impairment as a Reconstructive Procedure.

**Residential Treatment** - treatment in a facility which provides Mental Health Services or Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services treatment. The facility meets all of the following requirements:

- It is established and operated in accordance with applicable state law for Residential Treatment programs.
- It provides a program of treatment under the active participation and direction of a Physician and approved by the Mental Health/Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Administrator.
- It has or maintains a written, specific and detailed treatment program requiring full-time residence and full-time participation by the patient.
- It provides at least the following basic services in a 24-hour per day, structured milieu:
  - Room and board.

- Evaluation and diagnosis.
- Counseling.
- Referral and orientation to specialized community resources.
- A Residential Treatment facility that qualifies as a Hospital is considered a Hospital.

**Retired Employee** - an Employee who retires while covered under the Plan.

**Semi-private Room** - a room with two or more beds. When an Inpatient Stay in a Semi-private Room is a Covered Health Service, the difference in cost between a Semi-private Room and a private room is a benefit only when a private room is necessary in terms of generally accepted medical practice, or when a Semi-private Room is not available.

**Shared Savings Program** – a program in which UnitedHealthcare may obtain a discount to a non-Network provider’s billed charges. This discount is usually based on a schedule previously agreed to by the non-Network provider. When this happens, you may experience lower out-of-pocket amounts. Plan coinsurance and any applicable deductible would still apply to the reduced charge. Sometimes Plan provisions or administrative practices supersede the scheduled rate, and a different rate is determined by UnitedHealthcare. **This means, when contractually permitted, the Plan may pay the lesser of the Shared Savings Program discount or an amount determined by the Claims Administrator, such as a percentage of the published rates allowed by the *Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)* for the same or similar service within the geographic market, an amount determined based on available data resources of competitive fees in that geographic area, a fee schedule established by a third party vendor or a negotiated rate with the provider.** In this case the non-Network provider may bill you for the difference between the billed amount and the rate determined by UnitedHealthcare. If this happens you should call the number on your ID Card. Shared Savings Program providers are not Network providers and are not credentialed by UnitedHealthcare.

**Sickness** - physical illness, disease or Pregnancy. The term Sickness as used in this SPD includes Mental Illness or substance-related and addictive disorders, regardless of the cause or origin of the Mental Illness or substance-related and addictive disorder.

**Skilled Care** - skilled nursing, teaching, and rehabilitation services when:

- They are delivered or supervised by licensed technical or professional medical personnel in order to obtain the specified medical outcome and provide for the safety of the patient.
- A Physician orders them.
- They are not delivered for the purpose of assisting with activities of daily living, including dressing, feeding, bathing or transferring from a bed to a chair.
- They require clinical training in order to be delivered safely and effectively.
- They are not Custodial Care, as defined in this section.

**Skilled Nursing Facility** - a nursing facility that is licensed and operated as required by law. A Skilled Nursing Facility that is part of a Hospital is considered a Skilled Nursing Facility for purposes of the Plan.

**Specialist Physician** - a Physician who has a majority of his or her practice in areas other than general pediatrics, internal medicine, obstetrics/gynecology, family practice or general medicine.

**Spouse** - an individual to whom you are legally married.

**Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services** –services for the diagnosis and treatment of alcoholism and substance-related and addictive disorders that are listed in the current edition of the *International Classification of Diseases section on Mental and Behavioral Disorders* or *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association*. The fact that a disorder is listed in the edition of the *International Classification of Diseases section on Mental and Behavioral Disorders* or *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association* does not mean that treatment of the disorder is a Covered Health Service.

**Surrogate** - a female who becomes pregnant usually by artificial insemination or transfer of a fertilized egg (embryo) for the purpose of carrying the fetus for another person. The surrogate provides the egg and is therefore biologically (genetically) related to the child.

**Therapeutic Donor Insemination (TDI)** - Insemination with a donor sperm sample for the purpose of conceiving a child.

**Total Disability** - a Participant's inability to perform all substantial job duties because of physical or mental impairment, or a Dependent's or retired person's inability to perform the normal activities of a person of like age and gender.

**Transitional Living** - Mental Health Services/Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services that are provided through facilities, group homes and supervised apartments that provide 24-hour supervision that are either:

- Sober living arrangements such as drug-free housing, alcohol/drug halfway houses. These are transitional, supervised living arrangements that provide stable and safe housing, an alcohol/drug-free environment and support for recovery. A sober living arrangement may be utilized as an adjunct to ambulatory treatment when treatment doesn't offer the intensity and structure needed to assist the Covered Person with recovery.
- Supervised living arrangements which are residences such as facilities, group homes and supervised apartments that provide members with stable and safe housing and the opportunity to learn how to manage their activities of daily living. Supervised living arrangements may be utilized as an adjunct to treatment when treatment doesn't offer the intensity and structure needed to assist the Covered Person with recovery.

**UnitedHealth Premium® Program** - a program that identifies Network Physicians or facilities that have been designated as a UnitedHealth Premium® Program Physician or facility for certain medical conditions.

To be designated as a UnitedHealth Premium® provider, Physicians and facilities must meet program criteria. The fact that a Physician or facility is a Network Physician or facility does not mean that it is a UnitedHealth Premium® Program Physician or facility.

**Unproven Services** - health services, including medications that are determined not to be effective for treatment of the medical condition and/or not to have a beneficial effect on health outcomes due to insufficient and inadequate clinical evidence from well-conducted randomized controlled trials or cohort studies in the prevailing published peer-reviewed medical literature.

- Well-conducted randomized controlled trials are two or more treatments compared to each other, with the patient not being allowed to choose which treatment is received.
- Well-conducted cohort studies from more than one institution are studies in which patients who receive study treatment are compared to a group of patients who receive standard therapy. The comparison group must be nearly identical to the study treatment group.

UnitedHealthcare has a process by which it compiles and reviews clinical evidence with respect to certain health services. From time to time, UnitedHealthcare issues medical and drug policies that describe the clinical evidence available with respect to specific health care services. These medical and drug policies are subject to change without prior notice. You can view these policies at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com).

Please note:

- If you have a life threatening Sickness or condition (one that is likely to cause death within one year of the request for treatment), UnitedHealthcare may, at its discretion, consider an otherwise Unproven Service to be a Covered Health Service for that Sickness or condition. Prior to such a consideration, UnitedHealthcare must first establish that there is sufficient evidence to conclude that, albeit unproven, the service has significant potential as an effective treatment for that Sickness or condition.

The decision about whether such a service can be deemed a Covered Health Service is solely at UnitedHealthcare's discretion. Other apparently similar promising but unproven services may not qualify.

**Urgent Care** – care that requires prompt attention to avoid adverse consequences, but does not pose an immediate threat to a person's life. Urgent care is usually delivered in a walk-in setting and without an appointment. Urgent care facilities are a location, distinct from a hospital emergency department, an office or a clinic. The purpose is to diagnose and treat illness or injury for unscheduled, ambulatory patients seeking immediate medical attention.

**Urgent Care Center** – a facility that provides Covered Health Services that are required to prevent serious deterioration of your health, and that are required as a result of an unforeseen Sickness, Injury, or the onset of acute or severe symptoms.

## SECTION 15 - IMPORTANT ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

**What this section includes:**

- Plan administrative information.

This section includes information on the administration of the medical Plan. While you may not need this information for your day-to-day participation, it is information you may find important.

### *Additional Plan Description*

**Claims Administrator:** The company which provides certain administrative services for the Plan Benefits described in this Employee Benefit Booklet.

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The Claims Administrator shall not be deemed or construed as an employer for any purpose with respect to the administration or provision of benefits under the Plan Sponsor's Plan. The Claims Administrator shall not be responsible for fulfilling any duties or obligations of an employer with respect to the Plan Sponsor's Plan.

**Type of Administration of the Plan:** The Plan Sponsor provides certain administrative services in connection with its Plan. The Plan Sponsor may, from time to time in its sole discretion, contract with outside parties to arrange for the provision of other administrative services including arrangement of access to a Network Provider; claims processing services, including coordination of benefits and subrogation; utilization management and complaint resolution assistance. This external administrator is referred to as the Claims Administrator. For Benefits as described in this Employee Benefit Booklet, the Plan Sponsor also has selected a provider network established by UnitedHealthcare Insurance Company. The named fiduciary of Plan is Parkway School District, the Plan Sponsor.

The Plan Sponsor retains all fiduciary responsibilities with respect to the Plan except to the extent the Plan Sponsor has delegated or allocated to other persons or entities one or more fiduciary responsibility with respect to the Plan.

## **ATTACHMENT I - HEALTH CARE REFORM NOTICES**

### **Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act ("PPACA")**

#### *Patient Protection Notices*

The Claims Administrator generally allows the designation of a primary care provider. You have the right to designate any primary care provider who participates in the Claims Administrator's network and who is available to accept you or your family members. For information on how to select a primary care provider, and for a list of the participating primary care providers, contact the Claims Administrator at the number on the back of your ID card.

For children, you may designate a pediatrician as the primary care provider.

You do not need prior authorization from the Claims Administrator 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 the Claims Administrator's 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 the Claims Administrator at the number on the back of your ID card.



## **ATTACHMENT II - LEGAL NOTICES**

### **Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998**

As required by the *Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998*, the Plan provides Benefits under the Plan for mastectomy, including reconstruction and surgery to achieve symmetry between the breasts, prostheses, and complications resulting from a mastectomy (including lymphedema).

If you are receiving Benefits in connection with a mastectomy, Benefits are also provided for the following Covered Health Services, as you determine appropriate with your attending Physician:

- All stages of reconstruction of the breast on which the mastectomy was performed.
- Surgery and reconstruction of the other breast to produce a symmetrical appearance.
- Prostheses and treatment of physical complications of the mastectomy, including lymphedema.

The amount you must pay for such Covered Health Services (including Copayments and any Annual Deductible) are the same as are required for any other Covered Health Service. Limitations on Benefits are the same as for any other Covered Health Service.

### **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 a physician or other health care provider obtain authorization for prescribing a length of stay of up to 48 hours (or 96 hours). However, to use certain providers or facilities, or to reduce your out-of-pocket costs, you may be required to obtain prior authorization or notify the Claims Administrator. For information on notification or prior authorization, contact your issuer.

## ATTACHMENT III – NONDISCRIMINATION AND ACCESSIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

When the Plan uses the words "Claims Administrator" in this Attachment, it is a reference to United HealthCare Services, Inc., on behalf of itself and its affiliated companies.

The Claims Administrator on behalf of itself and its affiliated companies complies with applicable Federal civil rights laws and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex. UnitedHealthcare does not exclude people or treat them differently because of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex.

The Claims Administrator provides free aids and services to people with disabilities to communicate effectively with us, such as:

- Qualified sign language interpreters
- Written information in other formats (large print, audio, accessible electronic formats, other formats)
- Provides free language services to people whose primary language is not English, such as: Qualified interpreters
- Information written in other languages

If you need these services, please call the toll-free member number on your health plan ID card, TTY 711 or the Plan Sponsor.

If you believe that the Claims Administrator has failed to provide these services or discriminated in another way on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex, you can file a grievance in writing by mail or email with the Civil Rights Coordinator identified below. A grievance must be sent within 60 calendar days of the date that you become aware of the discriminatory action and contain the name and address of the person filing it along with the problem and the requested remedy.

A written decision will be sent to you within 30 calendar days. If you disagree with the decision, you may file an appeal within 15 calendar days of receiving the decision.

<b>Claims Administrator Civil Rights Coordinator</b>
<b>United HealthCare Services, Inc. Civil Rights Coordinator</b> UnitedHealthcare Civil Rights Grievance P.O. Box 30608 Salt Lake City, UT 84130 The toll-free member phone number listed on your health plan ID card, TTY 711 UHC_Civil_Rights@UHC.com

If you need help filing a grievance, the Civil Rights Coordinator identified above is available to help you.

You can also file a complaint directly with the U.S. Dept. of Health and Human services online, by phone or mail:

Online <https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf>

Complaint forms are available at <http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html>

Phone: Toll-free 1-800-368-1019, 800-537-7697 (TDD)

Mail: U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, 200 Independence Avenue, SW Room 509F, HHH Building, Washington, D.C. 20201

## ATTACHMENT IV – GETTING HELP IN OTHER LANGUAGES OR FORMATS

You have the right to get help and information in your language at no cost. To request an interpreter, call the toll-free member phone number listed on your health plan ID card, press 0. TTY 711.

This letter is also available in other formats like large print. To request the document in another format, please call the toll-free member phone number listed on your health plan ID card, press 0. TTY 711, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Language	Translated Taglines
1. Albanian	Ju keni të drejtë të merrni ndihmë dhe informacion falas në gjuhën tuaj. Për të kërkuar një përkthyes, telefononi në numrin që gjendet në kartën e planit tuaj shëndetësor, shtypni 0. TTY 711.
2. Amharic	ያለ ምንም ክፍያ በቋንቋዎ እርዳታና መረጃ የማግኘት መብት አላችሁ። አስተርጓሚ እንዲቀርብልዎ ከራሉን በጤና ፕላን መታወቂያዎት ላይ ባለው በተጻ መስመር ስልክ ቁጥር ይደውሉና 0ን ይጫኑ። TTY 711
3. Arabic	لك الحق في الحصول على المساعدة والمعلومات بلغتك دون تحمل أي تكلفة. لطلب مترجم فوري، اتصل برقم الهاتف المجاني الخاص بالأعضاء المدرج ببطاقة مُعرّف العضوية الخاصة بخططك الصحية، واضغط على 0. الهاتف النصي (TTY) 711
4. Armenian	Թարգմանիչ պահանջելու համար, զանգահարե՛ք Ձեր առողջապահական ծրագրի ինքնուրոյան (ID) տոմսի վրա նշված անվճար Անդամների հեռախոսահամարով, սեղմե՛ք 0: TTY 711
5. Bantu-Kirundi	Urafise uburenganzira bwo kuronka ubufasha n’amakuru mu rurimi rwawe ku buntu. Kugira usabe umusemuzi, hamagara inomero ya telephone y’ubuntu yagenewe abanywanyi iri ku rutonde ku karangamuntu k’umugambi wawe w’ubuzima, fyonda 0. TTY 711
6. Bisayan-Visayan (Cebuano)	Aduna kay katungod nga mangayo og tabang ug impormasyon sa imong lengguwahe nga walay bayad. Aron mohangyo og tighubad, tawag sa toll-free nga numero sa telepono sa miyembro nga nakalista sa imong ID kard sa plano sa panglawas, pindota ang 0. TTY 711
7. Bengali-Bangala	অনুবাদকরে অনুরোধ থাকলে, আপনার স্বাস্থ্য পরিকল্পনার আই ডি কার্ড এ তালিকাভুক্ত ও কর দিতে হবে না এমন টেলিফোন নম্বরে ফোন করুন। (০) শূন্য চাপুন। TTY 711
8. Burmese	ကုန်ကျစရိတ်ပေးရန်မလိုဘဲ မိမိဘာသာစကားဖြင့် အကူအညီနှင့် သတင်းအချက်အလက်များ ကိုရယူနိုင်ခြင်း သည်သင်၏အခွင့်အရေးဖြစ်သည်။ စကားပြန်တစ်ဦးတောင်းဆိုရန်သင်၏ကျန်းမာရေးအစီအစဉ် လက်မှတ်ပေါ်ရှိအသင်းဝင်များအတွက်အခမဲ့ဖုန်းလိုင်းသို့ခေါ်ဆိုပြီး 0 ကိုနှိပ်ပါ။ TTY 711



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19. Gujarati	તમને વનિ મૂલ્યે મદદ અને તમારી ભાષામાં માહતી મેળવવાનો અધકીર છે. દુભાષણિ માટે વનિતી કરવા, તમારા હેલ્થ પ્લાન ID કાર્ડ પરની સૂચીમાં આપેલ ટોલ-ફ્રી મેમ્બર ફોન નંબર ઉપર કોલ કરો, ૦ દબાવો. TTY 711
20. Hawaiian	He pono ke kōkua ‘ana aku iā ‘oe ma ka maopopo ‘ana o kēia ‘ike ma loko o kāu ‘ōlelo pono‘ī me ka uku ‘ole ‘ana. E kama‘ilio ‘oe me kekahi kanaka unuhi, e kāhea i ka helu kelepona kāki ‘ole ma kou kāleka olakino, a e kaomi i ka helu 0. TTY 711.
21. Hindi	आप के पास अपनी भाषा में सहायता एवं जानकारी नःशुल्क प्राप्त करने का अधिकार है। दुभाषण के लिए अनुरोध करने के लिए, अपने हैल्थ प्लान ID कार्ड पर सूचीबद्ध टोल-फ्री नंबर पर फोन करें, 0 दबाएं। TTY 711
22. Hmong	Koj muaj cai tau kev pab thiab tau cov ntaub ntawv sau ua koj hom lus pub dawb. Yog xav tau ib tug neeg txhais, hu tus xov tooj rau tswv cuab hu dawb uas sau muaj nyob ntawm koj daim yuaj them nqi kho mob, nias 0. TTY 711.
23. Ibo	Inwere ikike inweta enyemaka nakwa imuta asusụ gi n’efu n’akwughị ugwo. Maka ikpoturu onye nsughari okwu, kpoo akara ekwentị nke di n’akwukwo njirimara gi nke emere maka ahụike gi, pia 0. TTY 711.
24. Ilocano	Adda karbengam nga makaala ti tulong ken impormasyon iti pagsasaom nga libre. Tapno agdawat iti maysa nga agipatarus, tumawag iti toll-free nga numero ti telepono nga para kadagiti kameng nga nakalista ayan ti ID card mo para ti plano ti salun-at, ipindut ti 0. TTY 711
25. Indonesian	Anda berhak untuk mendapatkan bantuan dan informasi dalam bahasa Anda tanpa dikenakan biaya. Untuk meminta bantuan penerjemah, hubungi nomor telepon anggota, bebas pulsa, yang tercantum pada kartu ID rencana kesehatan Anda, tekan 0. TTY 711
26. Italian	Hai il diritto di ottenere aiuto e informazioni nella tua lingua gratuitamente. Per richiedere un interprete, chiama il numero telefonico verde indicato sulla tua tessera identificativa del piano sanitario e premi lo 0. Dispositivi per non udenti/TTY: 711

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27. Japanese	ご希望の言語でサポートを受けたり、情報を入力したりすることができます。料金はかかりません。通訳をご希望の場合は、医療プランのIDカードに記載されているメンバー用のフリーダイヤルまでお電話の上、0を押してください。TTY専用番号は711です。
28. Karen	မူအိဉ်ဒီးတၢ်ခွဲတၢ်ဖၢလၢနကးန့ၢ်ဘၣ်တၢ်မၤစၢၤဒီးတၢ်ဂၢၢ်တၢ်ဂၢၢ်လၢနက့ၢ်ဒၣ်န့ၢ်လၢတလိၣ်ဟ့ၣ်အပူၤဘၣ်န့ၢ်လီၤလၢတၢ်ကယုန့ၢ်ပုၤကတိၤဂၢၢ်ထီၣ်တၢ်အဂီၢ်ဂီၢ်လိၣ်တဲးအဂီၢ်လၢကရုၤအတလိၣ်ဟ့ၣ်အပူၤလၢအိဉ်လၢနတၢ်အိဉ်ဆူၢ်အိဉ်ရဲၣ်တၢ်ဂၢၢ်အကးအလီၤဒီးအိဉ်လီၤနီၢ်ဂံၢ် 0 တက့ၢ်. TTY 711
29. Korean	귀하는 도움과 정보를 귀하의 언어로 비용 부담없이 얻을 수 있는 권리가 있습니다. 통역사를 요청하기 위해서는 귀하의 플랜 ID카드에 기재된 무료 회원 전화번호로 전화하여 0번을 누르십시오. TTY 711
30. Kru- Bassa	Ni gwe kunde I bat mahola ni mawin u hop nan nipehmes be to dolla. Yu kwel ni Kobol mahop seblana, soho ni sebel numba I ni tehe mu I ticket I docta I nan, bep 0. TTY 711
31. Kurdish-Sorani	مافهه ئهعمهت ههيه كه بئهمرامبهه، يارمهته و زانيارى پئويست به زمانى خوت وهرگرهت. بو داواكردى وهرگىرئى كى زاركى، پهيوهندى بكه به ژماره تلهفونى نووسراو لهناو ئاى دى كارتى پيناسمى پلانى تهندروستى خوت و پاشان 0 داگره .TTY 711
32. Laotian	ທ່ານມສິດິທຈີະໄດ້ຮັບການຊ່ວຍເຫຼືອແລະຂໍ້ມູນຂ່າວສານທດີບັນພາສາຂອງທ່ານບໍ່ມີຄ່າໃຊ້ຈ່າຍ. ເພື່ອຂໍອ້າງນາຍພາສາ, ໂທພຣຫົາຫມາຍເລກໂທລະສັບສໍາລັບສະມາຊກິທດີ໌ລະບ໌ໄວໃນບັດສະມາຊກິຂອງທ່ານ, ກດີເລກ 0. TTY 711
33. Marathi	आपल्याला आपल्या भाषेत वनिमूल्य मदत आणि माहती मळिण्याचा अधिकार आहे. दूभाषकास वनिती करण्यासाठी आपल्या आरोग्य योजना ओळखपत्रावरील सूचीबद्ध केलेल्या सदस्यास वनिमूल्य फोन नंबरवर संपर्क करण्यासाठी दाबा 0. TTY 711
34. Marshallese	Eor aṃ maroñ ñan bok jipañ im melele ilo kajin eo aṃ ilo ejjelok wōṇāān. Ñan kajjitōk ñan juon ri-ukok, kūrlōk nōm̄ba eo emōj an jeje ilo kaat in ID in karōk in ājmour eo aṃ, jiped 0. TTY 711
35. Micronesian-	Komw ahneki manaman unsek komwi en alehdi sawas oh

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Pohnpeian	mengihtik ni pein omwi tungoal lokaia ni soh isepe. Pwen peki sawas en soun kawehweh, eker delepwohn nempe ong towehkan me soh isepe me ntingihdi ni pein omwi doaropwe me pid koasoandi en kehl, padik 0. TTY 711.
36. Navajo	T'áá jíík'eh doo bááh 'alínígóó bee baa hane'ígíí t'áá ni nizaád bee níká'e'eyeeego bee ná'ahoot'i'. 'Ata' halne'í la yíníkeedgo, ninaaltsoos nit'ízi 'ats'íís bee baa'ahayá bee nééhozinígíí bikáá' béesh bee hane'í t'áá jíík'eh bee hane'í biká'ígíí bich'í' hodíilnih dóó 0 bíł 'adidíilchíł. TTY 711
37. Nepali	तपाईंले आफ्नो भाषामा नःशुल्क सहयोग र जानकारी प्राप्त गर्ने अधिकार तपाईंसँग छ। अनुवादक प्राप्त गरीपाऊँ भनी अनुरोध गर्न, तपाईंको स्वास्थ्य योजना परिचय कार्डमा सूचीकृत टोल-फ्री सदस्य फोन नम्बरमा सम्पर्क गर्नुहोस्, 0 थचिनुहोस्। TTY 711
38. Nilotic-Dinka	Yin nɔŋ lɔŋ bē yi kuɔny nē wēřeyic de thɔŋ du ābac ke cin wēu tāāue ke piny. Ācān bā ran yē kɔc ger thok thiēc, ke yin cɔl nāmba yene yup abac de ran tɔŋ ye kɔc wāār thok tɔ nē ID kat duɔn de pānakim yic, thāny 0 yic. TTY 711.
39. Norwegian	<b>Du har rett til å få gratis hjelp og informasjon på ditt eget språk. For å be om en tolk, ring gratisnummeret for medlemmer som er oppført på helsekortet ditt og trykk 0. TTY 711</b>
40. Pennsylvania Dutch	Du hoscht die Recht fer Hilf unn Information in deine Schprooch griege, fer nix. Wann du en Iwwersetzer hawwe willscht, kannscht du die frei Telefon Nummer uff dei Gesundheit Blann ID Kaarde yuuse, dricke 0. TTY 711
41. Persian-Farsi	شما حق دارید که کمک و اطلاعات به زبان خود را به طور رایگان دریافت نمایید. برای درخواست مترجم شفاهی با شماره تلفن رایگان قید شده در کارت شناسایی برنامه بهداشتی خود تماس حاصل نموده و 0 را فشار دهید. TTY 711
42. Punjabi	ਤੁਹਾਡੇ ਕੋਲ ਆਪਣੀ ਭਾਸ਼ਾ ਵਿੱਚ ਸਹਾਇਤਾ ਅਤੇ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਮੁਫਤ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤ ਕਰਨ ਦਾ ਅਧਿਕਾਰ ਹੈ। ਦੁਭਾਸ਼ੀਏ ਲਈ ਤੁਹਾਡੇ ਹੈਲਥ ਪਲਾਨ ਆਈਡੀ ਦੱਤੇ ਗਏ ਟਾਲ ਫ੍ਰੀ ਮੈਂਬਰ ਫੋਨ ਨੰਬਰ ਟੀਟੀਵਾਈ 711 ਤੇ ਕਾਲ ਕਰੋ, 0 ਦੱਬੋ।
43. Polish	Masz prawo do uzyskania bezpłatnej informacji i pomocy we własnym języku. Po usługi tłumacza zadzwoń pod bezpłatny numer umieszczony na karcie identyfikacyjnej planu medycznego i wciśnij 0. TTY 711
44. Portuguese	Você tem o direito de obter ajuda e informação em seu idioma e sem custos. Para solicitar um intérprete, ligue para o número de telefone gratuito que consta no cartão de ID do seu plano de saúde, pressione 0. TTY 711





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54. Telugu	<p>ఎలాంటి ఖర్చు లేకుండా మీ భాషలో నాయంబు మరియు సమాచార విండడ సౌకరిక మీకు హాకీకు ఉంది. ఒకవేళ దుబాషి కావాలంటే, మీ హాల్త్ ప్లాన్ ఐడి కార్డు మీద జాబితా చేయబడ్డ టోల్ ఫ్రీ నెంబరుకు ఫోన్ చేసి, 0 వరన్ చేసకో. TTY 711</p>
55. Thai	<p>คุณมีสิทธิที่จะได้รับความช่วยเหลือและข้อมูลในภาษาของคุณได้โดยไม่มีค่าใช้จ่าย หากต้องการขอคำแปลภาษา โปรดโทรศัพท์ถึงหมายเลขโทรศัพท์ที่อยู่บนบัตรประจำตัวสำหรับแผนสุขภาพของคุณ แล้วกด 0 สำหรับผู้ที่มีความบกพร่องทางการได้ยินหรือการพูด โปรดโทรฯถึงหมายเลข 711</p>
56. Tongan-Fakatonga	<p>‘Oku ke ma’u ‘a e totonu ke ma’u ‘a e tokoni mo e ‘u fakamatala ‘i ho’o lea fakafonua ta’etotongi. Ke kole ha tokotaha fakatonulea, ta ki he fika telefoni ta’etotongi ma’ae kau memipa ‘a ee ‘oku lisi ‘I ho’o kaati ID ki ho’o palani ki he mo’uilelei, Lomi’I ‘a e 0. TTY 711</p>
57. Trukese (Chuukese)	<p>Mi wor omw pwung om kopwe nounou ika amasou noum ekkewe aninis ika toropwen aninis nge epwe awewetiw non kapasen fonuom, ese kamo. Ika ka mwochen tungoren aninisin chiakku, kori ewe member nampa, ese pwan kamo, mi pachanong won an noum health plan katen ID, iwe tiki "0". Ren TTY, kori 711.</p>
58. Turkish	<p>Kendi dilinizde ücretsiz olarak yardım ve bilgi alma hakkınız bulunmaktadır. Bir tercüman istemek için sağlık planı kimlik kartınızın üzerinde yer alan ücretsiz telefon numarasını arayınız, sonra 0'a basınız. TTY (yazılı iletişim) için 711</p>
59. Ukrainian	<p>У Вас є право отримати безкоштовну допомогу та інформацію на Вашій рідній мові. Щоб подати запит про надання послуг перекладача, зателефонуйте на безкоштовний номер телефону учасника, вказаний на вашій ідентифікаційній карті плану медичного страхування, натисніть 0. TTY 711</p>
60. Urdu	<p>آپ کو اپنی زبان میں مفت مدد اور معلومات حاصل کرنے کا حق ہے۔ کسی ترجمان سے بات کرنے کے لئے، ٹول فری ممبر فون نمبر پر کال کریں جو آپ کے ہیلتھ پلان آئی ڈی کارڈ پر درج ہے، 0 دبائیں۔ TTY 711</p>
61. Vietnamese	<p>Quý vị có quyền được giúp đỡ và cấp thông tin bằng ngôn ngữ của quý vị miễn phí. Để yêu cầu được thông dịch viên giúp đỡ, vui lòng gọi số điện thoại miễn phí dành cho hội viên được nêu trên thẻ ID chương trình bảo hiểm y tế của quý vị, bấm số 0. TTY 711</p>
62. Yiddish	<p>איר האט די רעכט צו באקומען הילף און אינפארמאציע אין אייער שפראך פריי פון אפצאל. צו פארלאנגען א דאלמעטשער, רופט דעם טאל פרייע מעמבער טעלעפאן נומער וואס שטייט אויף אייער העלט פלאן ID קארטל, דרוקט 0. TTY 711</p>

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63. Yoruba	O ní ẹ̀tọ̀ lati rí iranwọ̀ àti ifitónilétí gbà ní èdè ẹ̀ láìsanwó. Látí bá ògbufo kan sọ̀rọ̀, pè sọ̀rí nọmbà ẹ̀rọ̀ ibánisọ̀rọ̀ láìsanwó ibodè ti a tò sọ̀rí kádi idánimọ̀ ti ètò ilera ẹ̀, tẹ̀ '0'. TTY 711



## **ADDENDUM – REAL APPEAL**

This Addendum to the Plan provides Benefits for virtual obesity counseling services for eligible Covered Persons through Real Appeal. There are no deductibles, Copayments or Coinsurance you must meet or pay for when receiving these services.

### ***Real Appeal***

The Plan provides a virtual lifestyle intervention for weight-related conditions to eligible Covered Persons 18 years of age or older. Real Appeal is designed to help those at risk from obesity-related diseases.

This intensive, multi-component behavioral intervention provides 52 weeks of support. This support includes one-on-one coaching with a live virtual coach and online group participation with supporting video content. The experience will be personalized for each individual through an introductory online session.

These Covered Health Services will be individualized and may include, but is not limited to, the following:

- Virtual support and self-help tools: Personal one-on-one coaching, group support sessions, educational videos, tailored kits, integrated web platform and mobile applications.
- Education and training materials focused on goal setting, problem-solving skills, barriers and strategies to maintain changes.
- Behavioral change counseling by a specially trained coach for clinical weight loss.

If you would like information regarding these Covered Health Services, you may contact the Claims Administrator through [www.realappeal.com](http://www.realappeal.com), or at the number shown on your ID card.

## **ADDENDUM – PRESCRIPTION DRUG BENEFITS**

**CAVEAT:** UnitedHealthcare does not administer the Pharmacy Plan. The Plan is responsible for ensuring that the language is compliant with applicable laws and regulations, and is consistent with Plan intent.

### **Addendum to Summary Plan Description for the Parkway School District Health Benefit Plan**

### **Prescription Drug Coverage – Administered by Express Scripts**

#### **PARKWAY SCHOOL DISTRICT HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN**

#### **Prescription Drug Coverage**

**Addendum to Summary Plan Description January 1, 2019**

## PRESCRIPTION DRUG COVERAGE

As a Participant in the Parkway School District Choice Plus Base Plan, you are eligible for the prescription drug coverage described on the following pages. This coverage is provided by Parkway School District, Inc. and administered by Express Scripts. With your prescription drug coverage, you may purchase Prescription Drugs from a retail pharmacy or Express Scripts' Home Delivery Pharmacy.

## COVERAGE STATEMENT

The prescription drug coverage described in this booklet applies to Participants in the Parkway School District Choice Plus Base Plan. Like all other coverages sponsored by Parkway School District, prescription drug coverage is not guaranteed. Parkway School District hopes to continue the Parkway School District Choice Plus Base Plan, but reserves the right to change or discontinue all or part of the medical plan or this prescription drug coverage at any time. Premiums, copayments/co-insurance and all other charges or fees paid by a participant may change from year to year.

This Addendum states the terms and conditions under which prescription drug coverage is available through the Parkway School District Choice Plus Base Plan. The terms and conditions stated in this booklet shall control in the case of any question or dispute concerning such coverage.

The prescription drug coverage is not insured by Express Scripts; it is paid from Parkway School District funds. Express Scripts provides certain administrative services under the program.

## DEFINITIONS

**Brand-Name Drug:** A Prescription Drug that is protected by a patent, supplied by a single company and marketed under the manufacturer's brand name.

**Copayment (Copay):** The specified charge you are required to pay for a Covered Drug.

**Covered Drug:** Prescription Drugs and certain supplies that are covered.

**Formulary:** A list of Federal Drug Administration (FDA) approved Prescription Drugs and supplies developed by a Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee, and/or customized by Parkway School District. This list reflects the current clinical judgment of practicing health care practitioners-- based on a review of current data, medical journals, and research information. In your prescription drug coverage, the Formulary Drug list classifies brand name drugs as Preferred and Non-Preferred and is used as a guide for determining your costs for each prescription. Drugs not listed on the Formulary are not covered.

**Formulary Drug:** A Brand-Name Drug that is listed on your Formulary.

**Generic Drug:** A Prescription Drug that is therapeutically equivalent and interchangeable with drugs having an identical amount of the same active ingredient(s) and is approved by the FDA.

**Health Plan Subscriber:** An individual who is a subscriber who is properly enrolled in the Parkway School District Choice Plus Base Plan. The term “you” or “your” refers to the Health Plan Subscriber.

**Home Delivery Pharmacy:** An Express Scripts’ mail-order pharmacy that is under contract with Parkway School District to fill prescriptions by mail for Participants under this coverage.

**Maintenance Drug:** A medication that is used for chronic health conditions on an ongoing or long-term basis (e.g., antihypertensive medication taken daily to control high blood pressure).

**Maximum Out-of-Pocket:** The maximum amount a Participant pays for Eligible Expenses (medical and prescription drugs) per calendar year. Once the maximum expense limit is met, the Participant pays nothing for Covered Drugs for the remainder of the year. Please see Section 3 for details on the Plan’s Out-of-Pocket Maximum.

**Network Retail Pharmacy:** A retail pharmacy that is under contract with Express Scripts that provides lower copays and/or co-insurance.

**Not covered/Non-Formulary Drug:** A Brand-Name drug that is not included on the Formulary and the Participant is responsible for paying 100% of the drug cost. Covered Generic and/or Preferred Brand- Name Drug therapeutic alternatives are available for Non-Formulary Drugs.

**Non-preferred Brand-Name Drug:** Non-preferred brand drugs treat conditions or illnesses that can also be treated by a Preferred Brand Name or Generic Drug.

**Non-Network Retail Pharmacy:** A retail pharmacy that is not under contract with Express Scripts and features reduced reimbursement rates.

**Over-the-Counter Drug (OTC):** Any medical substance that can be purchased without a prescription.

**Participant:** A Health Plan Subscriber or Eligible Dependent, as determined by Parkway School District, who has met all conditions of eligibility and has successfully enrolled under this program.

**Preferred Brand-Name Drug:** A Brand-Name Drug that has been determined by the pharmacy benefit manager as an effective and cost efficient treatment for certain conditions and illnesses.

**Prescription Drug:** Any medication, which by federal or state law, may not be dispensed without a prescription from a licensed health care professional authorized to prescribe drugs.

**Preventive Care Medications** - the medications that are obtained at a Network Pharmacy with a Prescription Order or Refill from a Physician and that are payable at 100% of the Prescription Drug Charge (without application of any Copayment) as required by applicable law under any of the following:



- Evidence-based items or services that have in effect a rating of "A" or "B" in the current recommendations of the *United States Preventive Services Task Force*.
- With respect to infants, children and adolescents, evidence-informed preventive care and screenings provided for in the comprehensive guidelines supported by the *Health Resources and Services Administration*.
- With respect to women, such additional preventive care and screenings as provided for in comprehensive guidelines supported by the *Health Resources and Services Administration*.

You may determine whether a drug is a Preventive Care Medication through the internet at [www.express-scripts.com](http://www.express-scripts.com) or by calling Express Scripts at the number on your ID card.

**Prior Authorization:** Verification that must be obtained before a medication is dispensed to ensure it is being used for a medically-approved indication.

**Quantity Level Limit (QLL):** Specific maximum quantity per dispensing, allowed for a drug.

**Step Therapy:** The practice of beginning drug therapy for a medical condition with the most cost-effective and safest drug, and stepping up through a sequence of alternative drug therapies as a preceding treatment option fails.

## ENROLLMENT PROVISIONS

The prescription drug coverage provided by Parkway School District. is combined with a medical plan. To be enrolled in this prescription drug coverage, you must be enrolled in the Parkway School District Choice Plus Base Plan. Enrollment eligibility is defined in accordance with the terms of the Parkway School District Choice Plus Base Plan.

## COVERAGE FEATURES AND FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITIES

### Copayments

Copayments (Copays) must be paid at the time the prescription order is submitted. Note: If the cost of the drug is less than the Copayment, you will pay the lower amount. Copayment amounts are based on the type of medication. Generic and Preferred/Non-Preferred Brand-Name medication types are established and updated periodically by a nationally recognized drug pricing and classification source. Medication Formulary status may change without advance notice. You will be required to pay the applicable Copayment for the Covered Drug when the Formulary status of a medication changes until your Maximum Out-of-Pocket is met. To confirm a Copayment amount before you have a prescription filled, sign in at [www.express-scripts.com](http://www.express-scripts.com), or call Express Scripts toll-free at 1-800-282-2881.

### Retail Pharmacies

With the appropriate prescription, you can obtain up to a maximum 31-day supply of brand medication. Up to a 90-day supply of medications is available at a network retail pharmacy at three times the retail Copay.

**Network Retail Pharmacies** — The network includes a variety of independent and chain pharmacies nationwide. The network currently includes, but is not limited to, large chain pharmacies like CVS, Walgreens, Target and Wal-Mart. You only pay what the Copayment amount shown below for covered medications when your pharmacy participates in the network. The network is subject to change.

For a list of network pharmacies, call Express Scripts toll-free at 1-800-282-2881 or visit [www.express-scripts.com](http://www.express-scripts.com). The retail pharmacy network includes independent and chain pharmacies nationwide.

When you have your prescriptions filled at a Network Pharmacy, your Copayment amounts are as follows:

	<b>Network Retail Pharmacy* (30 day supply)</b>	<b>Express Scripts' Mail Order Pharmacy (90-day supply)</b>
<b>Generic</b>	\$12	\$24
<b>Preferred Brand</b>	\$40	\$60
<b>Non-Preferred Brand</b>	\$60	\$120
<b>Non-Formulary</b>	Not Covered	Not Covered

\* If you utilize a non-network pharmacy, you are responsible for any difference between what a non-network pharmacy charges and the amount Express Scripts would have paid for the same prescription drug dispensed from a Network Pharmacy.

**Home Delivery Pharmacy** — With the appropriate prescription, you can obtain up to a maximum 90-day supply of medication through Express Scripts' Home Delivery Pharmacy. Copayments must be paid at the time the order is submitted. Medications will generally be delivered to your home within two weeks from the date Express Scripts receives your prescription order. You are responsible for any applicable postage when mailing prescriptions to Express Scripts.

## **BENEFITS FOR PREVENTIVE CARE MEDICATIONS**

Benefits under the Prescription Drug Plan include those for Preventive Care Medications described in the Definitions section above at no cost to you. You may determine whether a drug is a Preventive Care Medication through the internet at [www.express-scripts.com](http://www.express-scripts.com) or by calling Express Scripts at the number on your ID card.

## COVERED DRUGS AND SUPPLIES

To obtain coverage for Covered Drugs and supplies, a written prescription from your doctor indicating that the medication or supply item is prescribed for the diagnosis or treatment of your diabetes is required.

Only FDA-approved pharmaceuticals requiring a written prescription, issued by a licensed physician, dentist, osteopath, podiatrist, optometrist (licensed professionals) or licensed advance practice certified nurse and dispensed by a licensed pharmacist will be considered Covered Drugs.

For details on Covered Drugs and supplies, as well as any limitations and exclusions, please go to [www.express-scripts.com](http://www.express-scripts.com), or call Express Scripts toll-free at 1-800-282-2881.

## COVERAGE LIMITATIONS

- Up to a maximum 30-day supply of brand medication per original prescription or refill, as prescribed by your doctor, may be obtained at one time from a Network Retail Pharmacy (excludes Over-the-Counter PPIs). May not be filled more than once in a 31-day period.
- Up to a maximum 90-day supply of medication per original prescription or refill, as prescribed by your doctor, may be obtained through a Network Retail Pharmacy or Express Scripts' Home Delivery Pharmacy.
- Prescribed medications, especially certain controlled substances, may be subject by law to dispensing limitations and to the professional judgment of the pharmacist.
- Through Express Scripts' Home Delivery Pharmacy, if your doctor prescribes a drug that is available as both a Generic Drug and a Brand-Name Drug, the Generic Drug will be dispensed if allowed by state law unless you or your doctor specifically indicates otherwise.
- Drug manufacturer coupons cannot be used toward Copayment/Co-insurance costs when using Express Scripts' Home Delivery Pharmacy.

## COVERAGE EXCLUSIONS

Additional exclusions and limitations may apply. Please go to [www.express-scripts.com](http://www.express-scripts.com) or call Express Scripts toll-free at 1-800-282-2881 for additional details about your prescription drug coverage.

Coverage is not provided for:

- Over-the-Counter Drugs;
- Charges you are not required to pay or charges made only because health care coverage exists (subject to the right, if any, of the U.S. government to recover

reasonable and customary charges for care provided in a military or veterans' hospital);

- Medication for which coverage is payable under workers' compensation or any occupational disease or similar law, whether such coverage is insured or self-insured;
- Drugs or supplies that are covered under the medical portion of your health care coverage;
- Any charge for the administration or injection of any drug;
- Any amount of medicine that is more than a 90-day supply;
- Drugs that may be received by a Health Plan Subscriber or an Eligible Dependent at no charge under local, state or federal programs;
- Drugs to be taken by or given to a Health Plan Subscriber or an Eligible Dependent while he or she is confined in a hospital or other health care facility;
- Any prescription or refill in excess of the number specified by the licensed professional or applicable law or any refill dispensed after one year from the licensed professional's original order;
- Drugs prescribed for sickness or injury resulting from war or acts of war;
- Experimental, investigational or unproven drugs, or drugs used for a treatment not approved by the FDA, even though a charge is made to the covered person;
- Compounded preparations that: include components not approved by the FDA (e.g., bioidentical hormones); are not approved by the FDA (e.g., transdermal verapamil); or are deemed experimental, investigational or unproven by the FDA;
- Drugs dispensed outside of the United States, except in an Emergency;

## **PRIOR AUTHORIZATION**

Certain Prescription Drugs are subject to Prior Authorization or need to be preapproved by Express Scripts before they will be a Covered Drug. Drugs subject to Prior Authorization may cause potentially serious side effects and/or have a high potential for inappropriate use. Physicians now have access to EPA (electronic prior authorization), which is a process that allows the prescriber to request and complete a Prior Authorization (PA) with Express Scripts electronically from the electronic medical record (EMR) used in their normal daily workflow.

Your doctor may initiate the Prior Authorization process by calling Express Scripts toll-free at 11-800-282-2881. They can also initiate using the ExpressPAth web-based portal at [www.Express-PAth.com](http://www.Express-PAth.com) after completing the registration process. If you plan to have your prescription for a Prior Authorization drug filled at a Network Retail Pharmacy, consider working with your provider and completing the Prior Authorization process

before you go to the Network Retail Pharmacy. A registered pharmacist working at the Network Retail Pharmacy may also initiate or assist in the process. If you pay out of pocket waiting for a Prior Authorization approval, be aware that reimbursement will only be for 90 days from the approval date.

If approved, your prescription will be filled within any stated coverage limits. If the medication is not approved for coverage, you will be responsible for paying the full cost of the drug. However, rejection of coverage may be appealed. To appeal, you or your doctor must follow the procedure outlined in the Appeals section.

## **MAKING A COMPLAINT**

This section explains how to use the process for filing a complaint with Express Scripts. The complaint process is used for problems related to quality of care, waiting times, and the customer service you receive from Express Scripts. Here are examples of the kinds of problems handled by the complaint process. If you have any of these problems you can file a complaint:

- Disrespect, poor customer service, or other negative behaviors
- Unhappy about how Customer Service has dealt with you
- Kept waiting too long by a pharmacist or Customer Service
- Unhappy with the cleanliness or condition of a pharmacy
- Believe the written information Express Scripts has given you is too hard to understand
- Believe Express Scripts has not given you the notice they are required to give
- Right to privacy was not respected

Reasons for possible complaints may also be related to the timeliness of Express Scripts' actions in respect to the coverage decisions and appeals process. If you have already asked for a coverage decision or made an appeal, and you think Express Scripts is not responding quickly enough, you can also make a complaint about their response time:

- You asked Express Scripts to give you a 'fast response' and they have said they will not.
- You believe Express Scripts is not meeting the deadlines for giving you a coverage decision or answer to an appeal.
- You believe Express Scripts is not meeting the deadlines for covering or reimbursing you for an approved coverage decision or appeal.
- Express Scripts does not give you a decision on time, and fails to forward your case to the Independent Review Entity within the required time limit.

### **Who Can File a Complaint?**

You can file a grievance yourself, or you can have someone act for you. If you want a friend, relative, your doctor, or other person to be your representative, call Express Scripts Customer Service and ask for the form to give that person permission to act on your behalf. The form must be signed by you and by the person who you would like to act on your behalf. You must give Express Scripts a copy of the signed form.

### **Contact Express Scripts to File a Complaint**

Call Express Scripts at the number on the back of your ID card for filing a grievance. If you do not wish to call (or you called and were not satisfied), you can put your complaint in writing and send it to Express Scripts. The complaint must be made within 60 calendar days after you had the problem you want to complain about.

If you are making a complaint because Express Scripts denied your request for a fast response to a coverage decision or appeal, Express Scripts will automatically give you a fast complaint. If you have a “fast” complaint, it means Express Scripts will give you an answer within 24 hours.

### **Express Scripts Reviews Your Complaint and Gives you an Answer**

If possible, Express Scripts will answer you right away. If you call Express Scripts with a complaint, they may be able to give you an answer on the same phone call. If your health condition requires Express Scripts to answer quickly, Express Scripts will do that.

Most complaints are answered in 30 calendar days. If Express Scripts needs more information and the delay is in your best interest or if you ask for more time, they can take up to 14 more days to answer your complaint. In some cases, you can get a fast grievance, and they will respond within 24 hours.

If Express Scripts does not agree with some or all of your complaint or doesn't take responsibility for the problem you are complaining about, they will let you know. Express Scripts' response will include reasons for this answer. Express Scripts must respond whether they agree with the complaint or not.

### **CLAIMS PROCEDURE**

You must use and exhaust the administrative claims and appeals procedure set forth below before bringing a suit in either state or federal court. Similarly, failure to follow the prescribed procedures in a timely manner will also cause you to lose your right to sue regarding an adverse benefit determination.

A pre-service claim is a request for coverage of a medication when your coverage requires you to obtain approval before a benefit will be payable. For example, a request for prior authorization is considered a pre-service claim. For these types of claims (unless urgent as described below) you will be notified of the decision not later than 15 days after receipt of a pre-service claim that is not an urgent care claim, provided you have submitted sufficient information to decide your claim. A post-service claim is a request for coverage or reimbursement when you have already received the medication. For post-service claims, you will be notified of the decision no later than 30 days after

receipt of the post-service claim, as long as all needed information was provided with the claim.

If sufficient information to complete the review has not been provided, you will be notified that the claim is missing information within 15 days from receipt of your pre-service claim and 30 days from receipt of your post-service claim. You will have 45 days to provide the information. If the needed information is received within the 45-day time-frame, you will be notified of the decision not later than 15 days after the later of receipt of the information or the end of that additional time period. If you don't provide the needed information within the 45-day period, your claim is considered "deemed" denied and you have the right to appeal as described below.

If your claim is denied, in whole or in part, the denial notice will include information to identify the claim involved, the specific reasons for the decision, the provisions on which the decision is based, a description of applicable internal and external review processes and contact information for an office of consumer assistance or ombudsman (if any) that might be available to assist you with the claims and appeals processes and any additional information needed to perfect your claim. You have the right to a full and fair impartial review of your claim. You have the right to review your file and the right to receive, upon request and at no charge, the information used to review your claim. If you do not speak English well and require assistance in your native language to understand the letter or your claims and appeals rights, please call 1-800-753-2851. In addition, you may also have the right to request a written translation of your letter if 10 percent or more of the people in the county where notification is mailed do not speak English well and are fluent in the same non-English language (e.g., Spanish, Chinese, Navajo or Tagalog). If you are not satisfied with the decision on your claim (or your claim is deemed denied), you have the right to appeal as described below.

### **Urgent Claims (Expedited Reviews)**

An urgent care claim is defined as a request for treatment when, in the opinion of your attending provider, the application of the time periods for making non-urgent care determinations could seriously jeopardize your life or health or your ability to regain maximum function or would subject you to severe pain that cannot be adequately managed without the care or treatment that is the subject of your claim. In the case of a claim for coverage involving urgent care, you will be notified of the benefit determination within 72 hours of receipt of the claim provided there is sufficient information to decide the claim.

If the claim does not contain sufficient information to determine whether, or to what extent, benefits are covered, you will be notified within 24 hours after receipt of your claim that information is necessary to complete the claim. You will then have 48 hours to provide the information and will be notified of the decision within 48 hours of receipt of the information. If you don't provide the needed information within the 48-hour period, your claim is considered "deemed" denied and you have the right to appeal as described below.

If your claim is denied, in whole or in part, the denial notice will include information to identify the claim involved, the specific reasons for the decision, the provisions on which the decision is based, a description of applicable internal and external review processes and contact information for an office of consumer assistance or ombudsman (if any) that might be available to assist you with the claims and appeals processes and any

additional information needed to perfect your claim. You have the right to a full and fair impartial review of your claim. You have the right to review your file and the right to receive, upon request and at no charge, the information used to review your claim. If you do not speak English well and require assistance in your native language to understand the letter or your claims and appeals rights, please call 1-800-753-2851. In addition, you may also have the right to request a written translation of your letter if 10 percent or more of the people in the county where notification is mailed do not speak English well and are fluent in the same non-English language (e.g., Spanish, Chinese, Navajo or Tagalog). If you are not satisfied with the decision on your claim (or your claim is deemed denied), you have the right to appeal as described below.

### **Non-Urgent Appeal**

If you are not satisfied with the decision regarding your benefit coverage or you receive an adverse benefit determination following a request for coverage of a prescription benefit claim (including a claim considered “deemed” denied because missing information was not timely submitted), you have the right to appeal the adverse benefit determination in writing within 180 days of receipt of notice of the initial coverage decision. An appeal may be initiated by you or your authorized representative (such as your physician). To initiate an appeal for coverage, provide in writing:

- Your name
- Member ID
- Phone number
- The prescription drug for which benefit coverage has been denied, and
- Any additional information that may be relevant to your appeal.

This information should be mailed to Express Scripts, P.O. Box 631850, Irving, TX 75063-0030 Attn: Appeals. A decision regarding your appeal will be sent to you within 15 days of receipt of your written request for pre-service claims or 30 days of receipt of your written request for post-service claims. If your appeal is denied, the denial notice will include information to identify the claim involved, the specific reasons for the decision, the provisions on which the decision is based, a description of applicable internal and external review processes and contact information for an office of consumer assistance or ombudsman (if any) that might be available to assist you with the claims and appeals processes and any additional information needed to perfect your claim. You have the right to a full and fair impartial review of your claim. You have the right to review your file and the right to receive, upon request and at no charge, the information used to review your appeal. You also have the right to request the diagnosis code and treatment code and their corresponding meanings which will be provided to you if available (i.e., if the information was submitted, relied upon, considered or generated in connection with the determination of your claim). If you do not speak English well and require assistance in your native language to understand the letter or your claims and appeals rights, please call 1-800-753-2851. In addition, you may also have the right to request a written translation of your letter if 10 percent or more of the people in the county where notification is mailed do not speak English well and are fluent in the same non-English language (e.g., Spanish, Chinese, Navajo or Tagalog).

If you are not satisfied with the coverage decision made on your appeal, you may request in writing, within 90 days of the receipt of notice of the decision, a second level



appeal A second level appeal may be initiated by you or your authorized representative (such as your physician). To initiate a second level appeal, provide in writing:

- Your name
- Member ID
- Phone number
- The prescription drug for which benefit coverage has been denied, and
- Any additional information that may be relevant to your appeal.

This information should be mailed to Express Scripts, PO Box 631850, Irving, TX 75063-0030 Attn: Appeals. A decision regarding your request will be sent to you in writing within 15 days of receipt of your written request for pre-service claims or 30 days of receipt of your written request for post-service claims. If the appeal is denied, the denial notice will include information to identify the claim involved, the specific reasons for the decision, new or additional evidence, if any considered in relation to your appeal, the provisions on which the decision is based, a description of applicable external review processes and contact information for an office of consumer assistance or ombudsman (if any) that might be available to assist you with the claims and appeals processes. You have the right to a full and fair impartial review of your claim. You have the right to review your file, the right to receive, upon request and at no charge, the information used to review your second level appeal, and present evidence and testimony as part of your appeal. You also have the right to request the diagnosis code and treatment code and their corresponding meanings which will be provided to you if available (i.e., if the information was submitted, relied upon, considered or generated in connection with the determination of your claim). If you do not speak English well and require assistance in your native language to understand the letter or your claims and appeals rights, please call 1-800-753-2851. In addition, you may also have the right to request a written translation of your letter if 10 percent or more of the people in the county where notification is mailed do not speak English well and are fluent in the same non-English language (e.g., Spanish, Chinese, Navajo or Tagalog). If new information is received and considered or relied upon in the review of your second level appeal, such information will be provided to you together with an opportunity to respond prior to issuance to any final adverse determination of this appeal. The decision made on your second level appeal is final and binding.

If your second level appeal is denied and you are not satisfied with the decision of the second level appeal (i.e., your final adverse benefit determination') or your initial benefit denial notice or any appeal denial notice (i.e., any 'adverse benefit determination notice' or 'final adverse benefit determination') does not contain all of the information required under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ('ERISA'), you have the right to bring a civil action under ERISA section 502(a).

In addition, for cases involving medical judgment or rescission, if your second level appeal is denied and you are not satisfied with the decision of the second level appeal (i.e., your "final adverse benefit determination") or your initial benefit denial notice or any appeal denial notice (i.e., any "adverse benefit determination notice" or "final adverse benefit determination') does not contain all of the information required under ERISA, you have the right to an independent review by an external review organization. Details about the process to appeal your claim and initiate an external review will be described in any notice of an adverse benefit determination and are also described below. The

right to an independent external review is only available for claims involving medical judgment or rescission. For example, claims based purely on the terms of the prescription drug coverage (e.g., prescription drug coverage only covers a quantity of 30 tablets with no exceptions), generally would not qualify as a medical judgment claim.

### **Urgent Appeal (Expedited Review)**

You have the right to request an urgent appeal of an adverse benefit determination (including a claim considered denied because missing information was not timely submitted) if your situation is urgent. An urgent situation is one where in the opinion of your attending provider, the application of the time periods for making non-urgent care determinations could seriously jeopardize your life or health or your ability to regain maximum function or would subject you to severe pain that cannot be adequately managed without the care or treatment that is the subject of your claim. To initiate an urgent claim or appeal request, you or your physician (or other authorized representative) must call 1-800-753-2851 or fax the request to 1-888-235-8551. Claims and appeals submitted by mail will not be considered for urgent processing unless and until you call or fax and request that your claim or appeal be considered for urgent processing. In the case of an urgent appeal (for coverage involving urgent care), you will be notified of the benefit determination within 72 hours of receipt of the claim. If the appeal is denied, the denial notice will include information to identify the claim involved, the specific reasons for the decision, new or additional evidence, if any considered in relation to your appeal, the provisions on which the decision is based, a description of applicable external review processes and contact information for an office of consumer assistance or ombudsman (if any) that might be available to assist you with the claims and appeals processes. You have the right to a full and fair impartial review of your claim. You have the right to review your file, the right to receive, upon request and at no charge, the information used to review your appeal, and present evidence and testimony as part of your appeal. You also have the right to request the diagnosis code and treatment code and their corresponding meanings which will be provided to you if available (i.e., if the information was submitted, relied upon, considered or generated in connection with the determination of your claim). If you do not speak English well and require assistance in your native language to understand the letter or your claims and appeals rights, please call 1-800-753-2851. In addition, you may also have the right to request a written translation of your letter if 10 percent or more of the people in the county where notification is mailed do not speak English well and are fluent in the same non-English language (e.g., Spanish, Chinese, Navajo or Tagalog). If new information is received and considered or relied upon in the review of your appeal, such information will be provided to you together with an opportunity to respond prior to issuance of any final adverse determination. The decision made on your urgent appeal is final and binding. In the urgent care situation, there is only one level of appeal prior to an external review.

If your appeal is denied and you are not satisfied with the decision of the appeal (i.e., your “final adverse benefit determination”) or any appeal denial notice (i.e., “adverse benefit determination notice” or “final adverse benefit determination”) does not contain all of the information required under ERISA, you have the right to bring a civil action under ERISA section 502(a).

In addition, for cases involving medical judgment or rescission, if your appeal is denied and you are not satisfied with the decision (i.e., your “final adverse benefit

determination') or your initial benefit denial notice or any appeal denial notice (i.e., your "adverse benefit determination" or "final adverse benefit determination') does not contain all of the information required under ERISA, you have the right to an independent review by an external review organization.

In addition, in urgent situations where the appropriate timeframe for making a non-urgent care determination would seriously jeopardize your life or health or your ability to regain maximum function, you also have the right to immediately request an urgent (expedited) external review, rather than waiting until the internal appeal process, described above, has been exhausted, provided you file your request for an internal appeal of the adverse benefit determination at the same time you request the independent external review. If you are not satisfied or you do not agree with the determination of the external review organization, you have the right to bring a civil action under ERISA section 502(a).

Details about the process to appeal your claim and initiate an external review will be described in any notice of an adverse benefit determination and are also described below. The right to an independent external review is only available for claims involving medical judgment or rescission. For example, claims based purely on the terms of the prescription drug coverage (e.g., prescription drug coverage only covers a quantity of 30 tablets with no exceptions), generally would not qualify as a medical judgment claim.

### **External Review Procedures**

The right to an independent external review is only available for claims involving medical judgment or rescission. For example, claims based purely on the terms of the prescription drug coverage (e.g., prescription drug coverage only covers a quantity of 30 tablets with no exceptions), generally would not qualify as a medical judgment claim. You can request an external review by an Independent Review Organization (IRO) as an additional level of appeal prior to, or instead of, filing a civil action with respect to your claim under Section 502(a) of ERISA. Generally, to be eligible for an independent external review, you must exhaust the internal claim review process described above, unless your claim and appeals were not reviewed in accordance with all of the legal requirements relating to pharmacy benefit claims and appeals or your appeal is urgent. In the case of an urgent appeal, you can submit your appeal in accordance with the above process and also request an external independent review at the same time, or alternatively you can submit your urgent appeal for the external independent review after you have completed the internal appeal process.

To file for an independent external review, your external review request must be received within 4 months of the date of the adverse benefit determination (If the date that is 4 months from that date is a Saturday, Sunday or holiday, the deadline is the next business day). Your request should be mailed or faxed to: Express Scripts, Attn: External Review Requests, P.O. Box 631850, Irving TX 75063-0030. Phone: 1-800-753-2851. Fax: 1-888-235-8551.

### **Non-Urgent External Review**

Once you have submitted your external review request, your claim will be reviewed within 5 business days to determine if it is eligible to be forwarded to an Independent Review Organization (IRO) and you will be notified within 1 business day of the decision.

If your request is eligible to be forwarded to an IRO, your request will randomly be assigned to an IRO and your appeal information will be compiled and sent to the IRO within 5 business days. The IRO will notify you in writing that it has received the request for an external review and if the IRO has determined that your claim involves medical judgment or rescission, the letter will describe your right to submit additional information within 10 business days for consideration to the IRO. Any additional information you submit to the IRO will also be sent back to the claims administrator for reconsideration. The IRO will review your claim within 45 calendar days and send you, the prescription drug coverage sponsor, and Express Scripts written notice of its decision. If you are not satisfied or you do not agree with the decision, you have the right to bring civil action under ERISA section 502(a). If the IRO has determined that your claim does not involve medical judgment or rescission, the IRO will notify you in writing that your claim is ineligible for a full external review and you have the right to bring civil action under ERISA section 502(a).

### **Urgent External Review**

Once you have submitted your urgent external review request, your claim will immediately be reviewed to determine if you are eligible for an urgent external review. An urgent situation is one where in the opinion of your attending provider, the application of the time periods for making non-urgent care determinations could seriously jeopardize your life or health or your ability to regain maximum function or would subject you to severe pain that cannot be adequately managed without the care or treatment that is the subject of your claim.

If you are eligible for urgent processing, your claim will immediately be reviewed to determine if your request is eligible to be forwarded to an IRO, and you will be notified of the decision. If your request is eligible to be forwarded to an IRO, your request will randomly be assigned to an IRO and your appeal information will be compiled and sent to the IRO. The IRO will review your claim within 72 hours and send you, the prescription drug coverage sponsor, and Express Scripts written notice of its decision. If you are not satisfied or you do not agree with the decision, you have the right to bring civil action under ERISA section 502(a).



