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# **Basic and Refresher**

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# Introduction

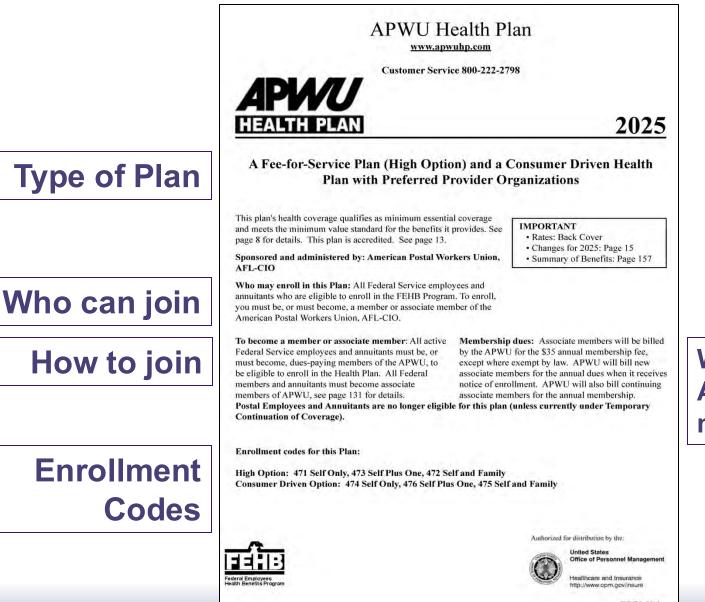


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# Review APWU Health Plan Benefits Changes for 2025

## **Brochure: Tour**





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# Introduction



- Health Plan Address
- Healthcare Fraud
- Never Event
- Patient Safety
- FEHB Facts



Who's Covered and When?



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# Section 1: How This Plan Works



# How This Plan Works (pgs.13-14)



#### Section 1. How This Plan Works We are a FFS This Plan is a fee-for-service (FFS) plan. OPM requires that FEHB plans be accredited to validate that plan operations and/ or care management meet or exceed nationally recognized standards. APWU Health Plan holds the following accreditations: Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care (www.aaahc.org); National Committee for Quality Assurance (www. Plan ncga.org); URAC (www.urac.org). To learn more about this plan's accreditation(s), please visit the following website: www. apwuhp.com. You can choose your own physicians, hospitals, and other healthcare providers. We give you a choice of enrollment in a High Option or a Consumer Driven Health Plan (CDHP). We reimburse you or your provider for your covered services, usually based on a percentage of the amount we allow. The type and extent of covered services, and the amount we allow, may be different from other plans. Read brochures carefully. We have Preferred Provider Organizations (PPOs) We offer PPO Our fee-for-service plans offer services through PPO networks. This means that certain hospitals and other healthcare providers are "preferred providers." When you use our network providers, you will receive covered services at a reduced cost. APWU Health Plan is solely responsible for the selection of PPO providers in your area. Contact us for the names of PPO providers and to verify their continued participation. You can also go to our Web page, which you can reach through the FEHB website, www.opm gov/insure. Contact AWPU Health Plan at 800-222-2798 to request a PPO directory. Non-PPO is The non-PPO benefits are the standard benefits of this Plan. PPO benefits apply only when you use a PPO provider. Provider networks may be more extensive in some areas than others. We cannot guarantee the availability of every specialty in all areas. If no PPO provider is available, or you do not use a PPO provider, the standard non-PPO benefits apply. standard General features of our High Option (HO) High Option PPO Network: You can go to our website, www.apwuhp.com to access an online High Option PPO directory. **High Option** If you need assistance in identifying a participating provider, call the APWU Health Plan at 800-222-2798. The Plan uses UnitedHealthcare as its PPO network in all states and the U.S. Virgin Islands, as well as its mental health/substance use disorder treatment provider network (all states). When out of your state of residence, if you do not use a UnitedHealthcare PPO provider or a UnitedHealthcare PPO provider is not available, standard non-PPO benefits apply. For assistance in identifying a provider in the network, call the APWU Health Plan at 800-222-2798. Consumer General features of our Consumer Driven Health Plan (CDHP) Consumer Driven Option PPO Network: If you need assistance identifying a participating provider or to verify their **Driven Option** continued participation, call the Plan's Consumer Driven Option administrator, UnitedHealthcare, at 800-718-1299 or you can go to their website, myuhc.com, for a full nationwide online provider directory. UnitedHealthcare is the PPO network for all states and Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Printed provider directories are not available. Preventive benefits: Preventive care services are generally covered with no cost-sharing and are not subject to copayments, deductibles or annual limits when received from a network provider. · For mental health/substance usedisorder treatment providers (all states), call UnitedHealthcare Behavioral Health Solutions toll-free 800-718-1299. Personal Care Account (PCA) benefits: This component is used first to provide first dollar coverage for covered medical, dental and vision care services until the account balance is exhausted. Traditional benefits: After you have used up your Personal Care Account and satisfied a Deductible, the Plan starts paying benefits under the Traditional Health Coverage as described in Section 5 CDHP. 2025 APWU Health Plan 13 Section 1

You can choose your own physicians, hospitals and other health care providers

High Option PPO Vendors: UnitedHealthcare United Behavioral Health

Consumer Driven Option PPO Vendors: UnitedHealthcare United Behavioral Health

# How This Plan Works (pgs.13-14)



#### How we pay providers

**PPO Providers:** Allowable benefits are based upon charges and discounts which we or our PPO administrators have negotiated with participating providers. PPO provider charges are always within our Plan allowance.

**For non-PPO providers,** we base the Plan allowance on the lesser of the provider's actual charges or the allowed amount for the service you received. We determine the allowed amount by using healthcare charge guides which compare charges of other providers for similar services in the same geographical area. We update these charge guides at least once a year. For surgery, doctor's services, X-ray, lab and therapies (physical, speech and occupational), we use the following:

- For the High Option Plan we use guides specifically prepared by Context4Healthcare at the 60<sup>th</sup> percentile.
- For the Consumer Driven Option we use guides specifically prepared by Fair Health at the 80<sup>th</sup> percentile.
- If this information is not available, we will use other credible sources including our own data.

#### Your rights and responsibilities

OPM requires that all FEHB plans provide certain information to their FEHB members. You may get information about us, our networks, and our providers. OPM's FEHB website, <u>www.opm.gov/insure</u> lists the specific types of information that we must make available to you. Some of the required information is listed below.

- The American Postal Workers Union Health Plan is a not-for-profit Voluntary Employee's Beneficiary Association (VEBA) formed in 1972.
- We meet applicable State and Federal licensing and accreditation requirements for fiscal solvency, confidentiality and transfer of medical records.

You are also entitled to a wide range of consumer protections and have specific responsibilities as a member of this Plan. You can view the complete list of these rights and responsibilities by visiting our website, <u>www.apwuhp.com</u>. You can also contact us to request that we mail a copy to you by calling 800-222-2798, or write to APWU Health Plan, P.O. Box 8660 Elkridge, MD 21075. You may also contact us by fax at 410-424-1564.

By law, you have the right to access your protected health information (PHI). For more information regarding access to PHI, visit our website APWU Health Plan at <u>www.apwuhp.com</u> to obtain our Notice of Privacy Practices. You can also contact us to request that we mail you a copy of that Notice.

#### Your medical and claims records are confidential

We will keep your medical and claims records confidential. Please note that we may disclose your medical and claims information (including your prescription drug utilization) to any of your treating physicians or dispensing pharmacies.

#### Member rights

**Provider payments** 



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# Section 2: Changes for 2025



## Changes for 2025 - High Option APV/ Section 2, (pg. 15)

- **Premium:** Your share of the premium rate will decrease for Self Only, Self Plus One and Self and Family. See back cover.
- **TeleHealth Visits:** The Plan will now cover your first two virtual visits with Teladoc with no member cost share. See Section 5(a), Medical Services and Supplies, page 36.
- **Preventive Care:** The Plan will move RSV prophylaxis coverage from Section 5(f), Prescription DrugBenefits to Section 5(a), Medical Services and Supplies, page 35. There is no cost share for members.
- Omada Program for Weight Loss: New virtual health program that will help members lose weight and create healthier behaviors. See Section 5(h), Wellness and Other Special Features, page 78.
- Medicare Advantage: The Plan will increase Part B reimbursement from \$85 to \$100. The Medicare Advantage Plan will also provide a new eyewear allowance every 24 months (\$130 glasses; \$175 contacts). See Section 9, Coordinating Benefits with Medicare and Other Coverage, page 144.

# Changes for 2025 Consumer Driven Option



- **Premium:** Your share of the premium rate will increase for Self Only, Self Plus One and Self and Family. See back cover.
- Wellness Incentive: The Plan will add a \$25 health reward for completion of a mammogram and cervical screening as an incentive. Members will receive \$25 to their PCA for each visit. See Section 5(i), Health Education Resources and Account Management Tools, page 129.
- **Personal Care Account (PCA):** Medicare Part B enrollees may request Part B premium reimbursement, if PCA funds are available. See Section 5, Personal Care Account (PCA), page 87.

## Postal Service Health Benefits (PSHB)



- The PSHB brochure will be available after November 1, 2024
- Most everything is the same between the FEHB program and the PSHB except for the following:
  - Premiums
  - Pharmacy Section
    - Retiree pharmacy PDP Section 5f(a)
  - Certain program requirements, i.e. Omada program requirement for weight loss meds is N/A
  - o New ID Cards



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# Section 3: How You Get Care



# How You Get Care (pgs. 16-24)



- ID Cards
- Precertification Process
  - Inpatient Hospital Admission
  - <sup>o</sup> \$500 Penalty
  - High Option: Call UnitedHealthcare at 866-569-2064
  - Consumer Driven Option: Call UnitedHealthcare at 800-718-1299

# ID Cards



- FEHB Cards: Due to the Health Plan's office move, all FEHB members will receive a new ID card with the new Health Plan P.O. Box.
- PSHB Cards: Members enrolled in the PSHB will receive a new ID card:
  - New Medical Group Number: 78-800681
  - New RxGRP Number: APW95B4
  - New Rx Phone Number: 866-716-7354

## Do I need a precertification? High Option (pgs. 18-19)



#### YES

- ✓ Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA)
- ✓ Bariatric Surgery
- Durable Medical Equipment (DME)
- ✓ Gender Reassignment Surgery
- ✓ Gene Therapy
- ✓ Genetic Testing (i.e. BRCA)
- ✓ Hysterectomy
- ✓ Functional endoscopic sinus surgery
- In-patient Admission-Medical and/or Mental Health
- ✓ IOP Treatment
- Orthognathic (Oral maxillofacial surgery)
- ✓ Outpatient Radiology Services (CT/MRI/MRA/PET)
- ✓ Potential Cosmetic Surgery
- ✓ Residential Treatment Center (RTC)
- ✓ Radiation Therapy IMRT, PPBRT and SRT
- ✓ Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF)
- Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation (TMS)
- ✓ Treatment Back/Neck Pain

#### NO

- ✓ Acupuncture Treatment
- ✓ Chiropractic Care
- Maternity Care/ Admissions
- Outpatient Services at VA
- Physical, Occupational, and Speech Therapy
- ECT/Psych and Neuropsych testing

If you have questions, call the precertification number on the back of your ID card.

## **Do I need prior approval?** Consumer Driven Option (pg.19)



#### YES

- ✓ Air Ambulance Non-emergent
- ✓ Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA)
- ✓ Bariatric Surgery
- Cardiology Services i.e. outpatient cardiac catheterizations, echocardiograms, stress echocardiograms, and outpatient electrophysiology implant procedures
- Chemotherapy-outpatient
- ✓ Clinical Trials
- ✓ Congenital Heart Disease
- ✓ Durable Medical Equipment (DME)
- ✓ Gender Reassignment Surgery
- ✓ Genetic Testing (i.e. BRCA)
- Home health care nursing visits and infusion therapy
- ✓ Hospice Inpatient
- ✓ Inpatient Admission Medical and/or Mental Health
- ✓ Organ Transplantation
- ✓ Orthognathic Surgery
- Outpatient Radiology Services (CT/MRI/MRA/PET/ Nuclear Medicine and Nuclear Cardiology studies)
- Potential Cosmetic Surgery

- Residential Treatment Center (RTC)
- Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF)
- Sleep apnea procedures and surgery
- Therapeutics outpatient dialysis, IV infusion, radiology oncology, MR focused ultrasound
- Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation (TMS)
- Hysterectomy, Sinuplasty, Functional Endoscopic

#### NO

- ✓ Acupuncture Treatment
- Chiropractic Care
- Maternity Care/ Admissions
- Outpatient Services at VA
- Physical, Occupational and Speech Therapy

# Reconsiderations/Appeals (pg. 24)

- Steps to request reconsideration of a preservice decision
- Steps to appeal a plan decision (Section 8)
   Must appeal within 6 months of initial Health Plan decision



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# Section 4: Your Costs for Covered Services



## Your Costs for Covered Services (pgs.25-31) Section 4. Your Costs for Covered Services

- Out-of-pocket cost
  - Copay
    - CDHP: \$0 Copay
  - Deductible
  - Coinsurance
- PPO vs. Non PPO
   Balance billing
- Catastrophic costs

   Out-of-pocket max
   Inclusions/Exclusions
- Surprise Billing Know Your Rights

This is what you will pa	ay out-of-pocket for covered care:			
Cost-sharing	Cost-sharing is the general term used to refer to your out-of-pocket costs (e.g., deductible coinsurance, and copayments) for the covered care you receive.			
Copayment	High Option: A copayment is a fixed amount of money you pay to the provider, facility, pharmacy, etc., when you receive certain services.			
	Example: Under the High Option, when you see your PPO physician you pay a copayment of \$25 per office visit.			
	<b>Consumer Driven Option:</b> There are no copayments under the Consumer Driven Option.			
	Note: If the billed amount (or the Plan allowance that providers we contract with have agreed to accept as payment in full), is less than your copayment, you pay the lower amount.			
Deductible	A deductible is a fixed amount of covered expenses you must incur for certain covered services and supplies before we start paying benefits for them. Copayments and coinsurance amounts do not count toward any deductible. When a covered service or supply is subject to a deductible, only the Plan allowance for the service or supply counts toward the deductible.			
	High Option			
	If you use PPO providers, the calendar year deductible is \$450 person. Under a Self Only enrollment, the deductible is considered satisfied and benefits are payable for you when your covered expenses applied to the calendar year deductible for your enrollment reach \$450. Under a Self Plus One enrollment, the deductible is considered satisfied and benefits are payable for you and one other eligible family member when the combined covered expenses applied to the calendar year deductible for your enrollment reach \$800. Under a Self and Family members when the combined covered expenses applied to the calendar year deductible is considered satisfied and benefits are payable for all family members when the combined covered expenses applied to the calendar year deductible is considered satisfied and benefits are payable for all family members when the combined covered expenses applied to the calendar year deductible for governess applied to the calendar year deductible for governess applied to the calendar year deductible for family members reach \$800. If you use non-PPO providers, your calendar year deductible increases to a maximum of \$1,000 per person (\$2,000 per Self Plus One and Self and Family). Whether or not you use PPO providers, your calendar year deductible will not exceed \$1,000 per person (\$2,000 per Self Plus One and Self and Family).			
	If the billed amount (or the Plan allowance that providers we contract with have agreed to accept as payment in full) is less than the remaining portion of your deductible, you pay the lower amount.			
	Example: If the billed amount is \$100, the provider has an agreement with us to accept \$80, and you have not paid any amount toward meeting your calendar year deductible, you must pay \$80. We will apply \$80 to your deductible. We will begin paying benefits once the remaining portion of your calendar year deductible (\$450) has been satisfied.			
	Note: If you change plans during Open Season, and the effective date of your new plan is after January 1 of the next year, you do not have to start a new deductible under your pric plan between January 1 and the effective date of your new plan. If you change plans at another time during the year, you must begin a new deductible under your new plan.			

# High Option Deductible (pg.25)



**Deductible**: A fixed dollar amount of covered expenses a member must incur before benefits can be paid.

- In-network
  - 。 \$450 Self Only
  - \$800 Self Plus One, Self and Family
- Out-of-network
  - \$1,000 Self Only
  - <sup>o</sup> \$2,000 Self Plus One, Self and Family
- Copays and coinsurance do not count toward deductible amounts

# Consumer Driven Option Deductible (pg.26)





(Covered services paid at 100%)

PCA

#### Deductible

(You pay full cost until deductible is met)

#### Coinsurance

(Cost sharing)

# Consumer Driven Option Deductible (pg.26)



Deductible must be met before Traditional Health Coverage Begins.

- Self Only: \$2,200, but the Health Plan prefunds your Personal Care Account (PCA) with \$1,200, so you pay \$1,000
- Self Plus One; Self and Family: \$4,400, but the Health Plan prefunds your Personal Account (PCA) with \$2,400, so you pay \$2,000

# High Option Coinsurance (pg.26)



**Definition:** The percentage of covered allowances for which the patient is responsible. Coinsurance does not begin until the deductible has been met.

- The percentage that you must pay for your care High Option:
  - o 15% (in-network)
  - o 40% (out-of-network)

# Consumer Driven Option Coinsurance (pg.26)



**Definition:** The percentage of covered allowances for which the patient is responsible. Coinsurance does not begin until the PCA is used and the deductible is met.

- The percentage that you must pay for your care -Consumer Driven Option:
  - o 15% (in-network)
  - o 50% (out-of-network)

# PPO vs. Non-PPO (pg.27)



#### In-network = PPO

- Facilities, providers, and suppliers who contract with a network to provide health services to our members at a discounted rate
- Member cost share will consist of deductible, coinsurance, or copayment, based on allowable amount

### • Out-of-network = Non-PPO

- Facilities, providers, and suppliers who do not contract with a network
- Member cost share will consist of deductible and coinsurance, PLUS any difference between our allowance and billed charges; this difference is considered 'balanced billing' (services not otherwise addressed by the No Surprises Act (NSA))

# High Option: PPO vs. Non-PPO

EXAMPLE	PPO PHYSICIAN	NON-PPO PHYSICIAN	
Physician's Charge	\$1,500	\$1,500	
The PPO contracted rate with Provider <i>or</i> Our Allowance (Non-PPO)	\$1,000	\$1,000	
We Pay	85% of allowance: \$850	60% of allowance: \$600	
You owe: Coinsurance*	15% of allowance: \$150	40% of allowance: \$400	
+ Difference up to billed charge?	No: \$0	Yes: \$500	
Total You Pay	\$150	(\$500 + \$400) \$900	

\*Example assumes deductible has been met

\*Example is not an office visit

## **Consumer Driven Option:** In-network vs. Out-of-network



EXAMPLE	IN-NETWORK PHYSICIAN	OUT-OF-NETWORK PHYSICIAN	
Physician's Charge	\$1,500	\$1,500	
The network contracted rate with Provider <b>or</b> Our Allowance (out-of-network)	\$1,000	\$1,000	
We Pay	85% of contracted rate: \$850	50% of allowance: \$500	
You owe: Coinsurance*	15% of contracted rate: \$150	50% of allowance: \$500	
+ Difference up to billed charge?	No: \$0	Yes: \$500	
Total You Pay	\$150	(\$500 + \$500) \$1,000	

\*Example assumes PCA has been used and deductible has been met

# Catastrophic Out-of-Pocket Max (pgs.28-29)

- When you reach the Catastrophic maximum, you pay no coinsurance for covered services for the remainder of the calendar year
- In-network expenses apply toward out-ofnetwork maximums

HIGH OPTION			CONSUMER DRIVEN OPTION		
	PPO	Non-PPO		In-network	Out-of- network
Self Only	\$6,500	\$12,000	Self Only	\$6,500	\$12,000
Self Plus One	\$13,000	\$24,000	Self Plus One	\$13,000	\$24,000
Self and Family	\$13,000	\$24,000	Self and Family	\$13,000	\$24,000

## High Option Catastrophic Costs (pgs.28-29)



- Expenses that count toward the out-of-pocket max:
  - 15% coinsurance (or 5% for Cancer Centers of Excellence) for covered PPO services
  - 40% coinsurance for covered Non-PPO services
  - 30% coinsurance for covered dental services
  - Copayments (i.e. \$25 for outpatient PPO office visits, or \$10 virtual visits through Teledoc, or \$30 for outpatient facility charges in an Urgent Care Center)
  - Prescription drug costs (i.e. the 25%/45%/\$10 or \$20 you pay for in-network prescription drugs)

# Not included in out-of-pocket Ammax: High Option (pg.29)



The following cannot be included in the accumulation of out-of-pocket expenses:

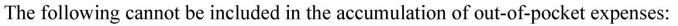
- Expenses in excess of our allowance or maximum benefit limitations
- Any amounts you pay because benefits have been reduced for non-compliance with this Plan's cost containment requirements, (see Section 3)
- The \$300 copayment for non-PPO inpatient hospital charges or skilled nursing facility
- Expenses in excess of visit maximums for physical, occupational and speech therapy, and acupuncture
- Expenses in excess of Hospice care and preventive care maximums
- The difference in cost when brand name drugs are purchased and a generic is available
- Drugs reimbursed at the non-network pharmacy level
- 50% coinsurance for retail drugs after the first two fills if mail order is not used
- 100% of the cost for targeted drugs if the Plan's step therapy is not followed
- Any associated costs when you purchase medications in excess of the Plan's dispensing limitations
- Cost associated with non-covered drugs and supplies

## Consumer Driven Option Catastrophic Costs (pgs.29-30)



- Expenses that count toward the out-ofpocket max:
  - 15% coinsurance (or 10% for Cancer Centers of Excellence) for covered in-network services; and the deductible.
  - 50% coinsurance for covered out-of-network services; and the deductible.
  - 25% or 40% for in-network prescription drug costs.
  - PCA of \$1,200 for Self-Only or \$2,400 for Self Plus One and Self and Family.

# Not included in out-of-pocket Amax: Consumer Driven Option (pg.30)



- Any expenses paid by the Plan under your in-network Preventive Care benefit
- Expenses in excess of our allowance or maximum benefit limitations or expenses not covered under the Traditional Health Coverage
- Dental care or Vision care expenses above the limitations provided under your Personal Care Account
- Any amounts you pay because benefits have been reduced for non-compliance with this Plan's cost containment requirements (see Section 3)
- Expenses in excess of Hospice care maximums
- Drugs purchased at a non-network pharmacy
- The difference in cost when brand name drugs are purchased and a generic is available
- Any associated costs when you purchase medications in excess of the Plan's dispensing limitations
- Cost associated with non-covered drugs and supplies



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# Section 5: 2025 High Option Benefits



#### High Option Benefits Section 5(a)-(h), (pgs.32-78)



- Medical Services and Supplies
- Surgical and Anesthesia Services
- Services Provided by Hospital or Other Facility
- Emergency Services/Accidents
- Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Benefits
- Prescription Drug Benefits
- Dental Benefits
- Wellness and Other Special Features

### High Option Overview (pg.34)



We have an extensive network of PPO providers but you may choose any provider in-network or out-of-network

#### **High Option Health Plan Overview**

The Plan offers a High Option, described in this section. Make sure that you review the benefits that are available under the benefit program in which you are enrolled.

The High Option Section 5 is divided into subsections. Please read *Important things you should keep in mind* at the beginning of each subsection. Also read the general exclusions in Section 6; they apply to the benefits in the following subsections. To obtain claim forms, claims filing advice, or more information about the High Option benefits, contact us at 800-222-2798 or on our website at <u>www.apwuhp.com</u>.

The APWU Health Plan's High Option provides a wide range of comprehensive benefits for preventive services, doctors' visits and services, care in a hospital, laboratory tests and procedures, accidental and emergency services, mental health and substance use disorder treatment and prescription drugs. We have extensive networks of preferred providers for both medical and mental health services to help lower your costs, but you may use any provider you wish, in or out of our networks.

#### The High Option includes:

#### Preventive care

The Plan emphasizes prevention by providing an extensive range of preventive benefits to help members stay well. We include 100% coverage for an array of in-network preventive tests and screenings, routine physical exams, and a Tobacco Cessation program to stop smoking. To keep children well, we have 100% coverage for recommended immunizations, physical exams and laboratory tests for children. We emphasize women's wellness with our Preventive Care benefit that provides 100% coverage for a full range of in-network preventive services, preventive tests and screenings, counseling services and generic and single source brand FDA approved prescription contraceptives.

#### Medical and Surgical services

The Plan provides coverage for doctors' visits and surgical services and supplies. You pay only a flat copayment for office visits to a network physician, including visits for chiropractic and acupuncture treatment. In-network maternity care is covered 100%, including breastfeeding support. Mental health and substance use disorder treatment has the same comprehensive coverage as is provided for medical care.

#### Hospitalization and Emergency care

We offer extensive benefits for hospital and other inpatient healthcare services. There is no deductible or per admission charge for in-network hospital care. You also receive 100% coverage for unexpected outpatient care when you need it most with the Plan's Accidental Injury benefit.

#### Prescription drugs

**Special features** 

Our prescription drug program offers prescription savings with no deductible and low copayments for (Tier 1) generic drugs. The prescription drug program is easy to use, with a huge network of pharmacies and a mail order service where medications are delivered right to your door. The Plan's prescription drug program provides savings and convenience for generic and brand name drugs, and you never have to file a claim.

#### UnitedHealthcare Medicare Advantage (PPO)

We also offer the UnitedHealthcare Medicare Advantage (PPO) for APWU Health Plan for High Option retiree/annuitants with primary Medicare Part A and B. Membership is voluntary and members may opt-in or out of this plan at any time. Members have access to a nationwide PPO network and may seek care within the network or out-of-network. Members that join will have access to certain benefit enhancements that are noted in Section 9.

#### **Special features**

Obtaining help from a medical professional is quick, confidential, and free with the Plan's voluntary 24-hour NurseLine, available anywhere in the country. Online access to claims information is available through the APWU Health Plan Member Portal. We help members navigate the healthcare system with an online Preferred Provider Organization (PPO) directory, Hospital Quality Ratings Guide, Treatment Cost Estimator, and prescription drug information. We also offer online tools and resources.

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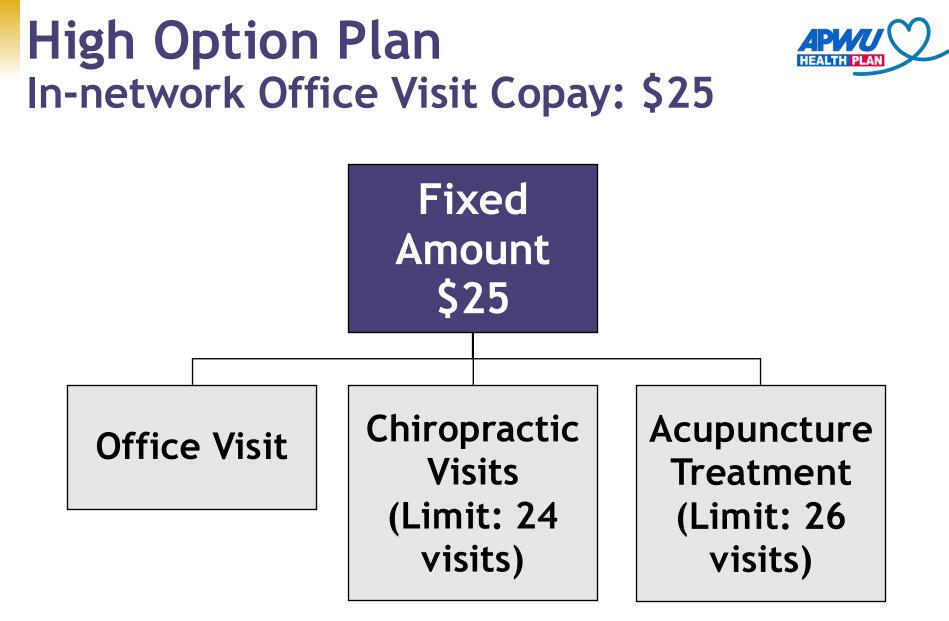
**Choosing a PPO** 

provider helps to

preventive care

# Medical Services and Supplies Section 5(a), (pgs.35-48)

Section Title	Section 5 (a). Medical Services and Supplies P Healthcare Professi		
	Important things you should keep in mind about these benefits:		
	<ul> <li>Please remember that all benefits are subject to the definition this brochure and are payable only when we determine they</li> </ul>		
Section specific information	<ul> <li>The calendar year deductible is: PPO - \$450 per person (\$8 \$800 per Self and Family enrollment); non-PPO - \$1,000 per enrollment, or \$2,000 per Self and Family enrollment). The almost all benefits in this Section. We added "(No deductible deductible does not apply.</li> </ul>	er person (\$2,000 per Self Plus One e calendar year deductible applies to Deductible	
	<ul> <li>The non-PPO benefits are the standard benefits of this Plan. PPO benefits apply only when you use a PPO provider. When no PPO provider is available, non-PPO benefits apply.</li> </ul>		Does the deductib
		<ul> <li>Be sure to read Section 4, Your Costs for Covered Services, for valuable information about how cost-sharing works. Also, read Section 9 for information about how we pay if you have other coverage, or if you are age 65 or over.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>YOU MUST GET PRECERTIFICATION FOR CERTA IMAGING PROCEDURES.FAILURE TO DO SO WIL S100 PENALTY. Please refer to precertification informatic procedures require precertification.</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>If you enroll in APWU Health Plan's High Option and have primary, we offer a UnitedHealthcare Medicare Advantage FEHB members. This plan enhances your FEHB coverage services and/or adding benefits at no additional cost. This Health Plan's High Option benefits. It includes a \$100 mon UnitedHealthcare Medicare Advantage (PPO) for APWU H (See Section 9 for additional details.)</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>The coverage and cost-sharing listed below are for services healthcare professionals for your medical care. See Section facility (i.e., hospital, surgical center, etc.).</li> </ul>		
_eft column	Benefit Description Note: The calendar year deductible applies to almost all benefits in	You Pay After the calendar year deductible n this Section. We say "(No deductible)" when it	Right column
rovides Benefit	does not apply. Diagnostic and treatment services	High Option	explains \$ amount
Description	Professional services of physicians In physician's office * Medical consultations in the office Professional services of a physician via Telehealth/Telemedicine are covered the same as in a physician's office.	PPO: \$25 copayment (No deductible) Non-PPO: 40% of the Plan allowance and any difference between our allowance and the billed amount	the member is responsible for
	Professional services of physician's office. Professional services of physicians - • During a hospital stay • In a skilled nursing facility • Second surgical opinion • At home	PPO: 15% of the Plan allowance Non-PPO: 40% of the Plan allowance and any difference between our allowance and the billed amount	(You Pay)
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	Diagno	ostic and treatment services - continued on next page	



### **High Option Coinsurance**



- 15% of allowance for in-network care
- 40% of allowance for out-of-network care
- 5% of allowance for treatment of cancer at Cancer Centers of Excellence
- 30% of plan allowance for covered routine dental services

#### TeleHealth Services (pgs.35-36)



- Allows a patient to see and talk to a physician from a computer, tablet or compatible mobile device
- A doctor can:
  - Speak to you about minor medical concerns
  - Provide a diagnosis
  - Transmit a prescription to your local network pharmacy
  - Professional services of a physician via Telehealth/Telemedicine are covered the same as in a physician's office

#### TeleHealth Services (pgs.35-36)



- In-network (PPO): \$25 copay
- Out-of-Network (Non-PPO): After deductible, you pay 40% coinsurance and can be billed the difference between allowance and charges
- Teledoc: First two Virtual visits, you pay nothing. After that, \$10 copay

No out-of-network benefits for virtual visits

### Labs, X-rays and Diagnostic Tests (pg.36)



- Diagnostic tests are performed to confirm a medical condition, based on symptoms or suspicions; this is not routine or screening
- Benefit:
  - **PPO:** 15% coinsurance
  - Non-PPO: 40% coinsurance and can be billed the difference between allowance and charges
  - <u>Covered</u> lab services performed at Quest or LabCorp: no out-of-pocket expense
- CT/MRI/MRA/PET Require precertification
- Genetic screening not covered

#### Preventive Care (pgs.37-38)



- Routine screenings are procedures performed to help keep a member healthy and identify any conditions that may go unnoticed.
- Examples: Immunizations, Colonoscopy, Mammogram, PSA Blood Test and PAP Test





#### Preventive Care (pgs.37-40)



- USPSTF A and B recommended screenings
- Annual gynecological visit
- Well-child care
- Immunizations recommended by CDC for adults and American Academy of Pediatrics for children routine screenings
- See pages 37-40 for comprehensive list of covered services
- Benefit:
  - **PPO:** Covered at 100%
  - Non-PPO: 40% coinsurance and can be billed the difference between allowance and charges

#### Scenario - Preventive Care High Option



- Member goes for routine colonoscopy
- Member uses in-network providers
- Diagnosis on claim is routine
- Claims include surgery; labs; anesthesiologist

• All three claims are paid at 100%

#### Scenario - Preventive Care High Option



- Member goes for routine colonoscopy
- Member uses in-network providers
- Diagnosis on surgery and anesthesiologist claim is routine
- Diagnosis on in-network lab claim is nonroutine (i.e. bleeding)
- Surgery and anesthesia claims are paid at 100%
- Lab claim will pay at 85%; member will be billed for 15% of the Plan allowance

### Maternity (pg.40)



- Complete maternity care covered at 100% for in-network covered services:
  - Prenatal care, delivery, postpartum care
  - Lab services related to covered, in-network maternity care
  - Breastfeeding and lactation support, supplies, equipment rental, and counseling for each birth
  - Screening and counseling for prenatal and postpartum depression
- Genetic screening not covered

### Family Planning (pgs.41-42)



Family Planning	High Option
Contraceptive counseling on an annual basis	PPO: Nothing (No deductible)
Note: If you have concerns about the Health Plan's compliance with the ACA/HRSA requirements or have difficulty accessing contraceptive coverage or other reproductive healthcare, you can contact <u>contraception@opm.gov</u> . See OPM's web page about contraception.	Non-PPO: 40% of the Plan allowance and any difference between our allowance and the billed amount
<ul> <li>A range of voluntary family planning services, without cost-sharing, that includes at least one form of contraception in each of the categories on the HRSA list. This list includes:</li> <li>Voluntary female sterilization</li> <li>Surgically implanted contraceptives</li> <li>Injectable contraceptive drugs (such as Depo Provera)</li> <li>Intrauterine devices (IUDs)</li> <li>Diaphragms</li> <li>Note: See additional Family Planning and Prescription drug coverage Section 5(f)</li> </ul>	PPO: Nothing (No deductible) Non-PPO: 40% of the Plan allowance and any difference between our allowance and the billed amount
	Family Planning - continued on next page
Family Planning (cont.)	High Option
Note: Your plan offers some type of voluntary female sterilization surgery coverage at no cost to members. The contraceptive benefit includes at least one option in each of the HRSA-supported categories of	PPO: Nothing (No deductible) Non-PPO: 40% of the Plan allowance and any
<ul> <li>contraception (as well as the screening, education, counseling, and follow-up care). Any type of voluntary female sterilization surgery that is not already available without cost sharing can be accessed through the contraceptive exceptions process described below.</li> <li>A formulary exception process is available to prescribers if they feel the formulary alternatives are not appropriate. Prescribers should request a clinical exception by calling 800-753-2851. Once your physician receives prior authorization, the contraceptive drug not on the PPACA</li> </ul>	difference between our allowance and the billed amount
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#### Infertility Services (pgs.42-43)



Infertility services	High Option
<ul> <li>Diagnosis and treatment of infertility specific to, except as <i>covered</i>, see Section 10, <i>Definitions</i></li> <li>Artificial insemination (AI): <ul> <li>Intravaginal insemination (IVI)</li> <li>Intracervical insemination (ICI)</li> <li>Intrauterine insemination (IUI)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Infertility medications, including IVF related drugs. See <i>Prescription drug benefits</i>.</li> <li>For coverage policy, visit <u>www.apwuhp.com</u> and click on Resources.</li> </ul>	e Section 5(f),
<ul> <li>Iatrogenic fertility preservation procedures (retrieval of of eggs or sperm) caused by chemotherapy, pelvic radic or testicle removal and other gonadotoxic therapies for of disease and gender reassignment.</li> <li>Note: Fertility preservation procedures require prior approx Section 3, <i>Other services</i>).</li> </ul>	otherapy, ovary the treatment Non-PPO: 40% of the Plan allowance
Limited benefits: \$12,000 lifetime maximum. Not covered: • Infertility services after voluntary sterilization	All charges
Assisted reproductive technology (ART) procedures, su	
	Infertility services - continued on next page
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- In vitro fertilization (IVF) (excluding IVF drugs)	All charges
- Embryo transfer and gamete intra-fallopian transfer (GIFT) and zygote intra-fallopian transfer (ZIFT)	
Services and supplies related to ART procedures	
Cost of donor sperm	
Cost of donor egg	

### Physical/Occupational/ Speech Therapies (pg.44)



- Benefits are limited to a combined outpatient visit limit of 60 for physical, occupational and speech therapy
  - **PPO:** Deductible, then 15% coinsurance
  - Non-PPO: Deductible, then 40% coinsurance and can be billed the difference between allowance and charges
- Services must be ordered by a physician

#### Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA) (pg.44)



- Outpatient Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA) services for the treatment of Autism Spectrum Disorder:
  - In-network benefit only; deductible, then 15% coinsurance
  - Preauthorization required by UHC Behavioral Health for High Option
  - Must be provided under the supervision of a Board Certified Behavior Analyst
    - Must be contracted with UHC Behavioral Health
    - Review of ABA services is based on an intensive care management model that monitors treatment plans, objectives and progress milestones

#### Hearing and Vision Services (pg.45)

- One exam and testing every 2 years for hearing aids
- Internal ocular lenses and/or 1<sup>st</sup> contact lenses to correct impairment caused by an accident or illness







#### Routine Foot Care (pg.45)



- Routine foot care services are covered only when patient is receiving active treatment for a metabolic or peripheral vascular disease such as Diabetes or Peripheral Neuropathy
  - $_{\circ}\,$  Trimming of lesions
  - Trimming of nails



#### Orthopedic and Prosthetic Devices (pg.46)



- Covered devices include:
  - Artificial limbs\* and eyes
  - External and internal breast prostheses; surgical bras following a mastectomy
  - $_{\circ}\,$  Leg, arm, neck, joint and back braces
  - Internal prosthetics: artificial joints, pacemakers, cochlear implants\*
  - Hearing aids every 3 years; maximum payout of \$1,500

#### Orthopedic and Prosthetic Devices (pg.46)



- Not covered:
  - $_{\circ}$  Orthopedic and corrective shoes
  - $_{\circ}$  Arch supports
  - Foot/shoe orthotics
  - $_{\circ}\,$  Heel pads and heel cups

#### Durable Medical Equipment (pgs.46-47)



- Preauthorization is required
- See page 47 for list of excluded items
- We limit the Plan allowance to an amount no greater than the purchase price



### Home Health Services (pgs.47-48)

- Skilled Nursing Care (RN, LPN, LVN)
  - 50 visits per calendar year
  - Maximum 2 hours per day, paid at PPO allowable at:
    - 15% coinsurance PPO
    - 40% coinsurance non-PPO

Chiropractic and Acupuncture (pg.48)

- Chiro treatment is limited to 24 visits and/or manipulations per year
  - Electrical stimulation and ultrasound therapy provided by a licensed chiropractor
  - Massage therapy, Vibration therapy, Cold pack application and Maintenance therapy are not covered
- Acupuncture limited to 26 visits per year, covered when performed by a doctor of medicine or osteopathy or licensed acupuncturist
- Benefit:
  - **PPO:** \$25 copay
  - Non-PPO: Deductible, then 40% coinsurance and can be billed the difference between allowance and charges

#### Educational Classes and Programs (pg.48)



- We encourage you to enroll in a Tobacco Cessation Program Quit for Life at <u>www.quitnow.net</u>
  - Counseling sessions individual or group
  - Over-the-counter Nicotine patches or gum (supplied by the program)
  - Educational sessions with a physician
- Diabetes self-management training services

## Section 5(b), (pgs.49-56)

- PPO vs. Non-PPO
- Surgical procedures
- Oral Surgery
- Organ and Tissue Transplants
- Anesthesia

### Surgical Procedures (pgs.49-56)



- Precertification required for some surgical procedures (see Section 3)
- Not covered:
  - Cosmetic surgery and other related expenses if not preauthorized
  - Reversal of voluntary sterilization
  - Services of a standby surgeon, except during angioplasty or other high risk procedures when we determine standbys are medically necessary
  - Radial keratotomy and other refractive surgery
  - Routine treatment of conditions of the foot (see Foot care, Section 5(a)

### Oral Surgery (pg.52)



# We suggest calling UnitedHealthcare at 866-569-2064 to determine whether a procedure is covered.



#### Organ and Tissue Transplants (pgs.53-56)



- Complete list of transplants begins on page 53
- All transplants are subject to prior authorization; subject to medical necessity and experimental/investigational review
- Prior to an initial evaluation, physician or patient must contact UHC to speak with a Transplant Case Manager
- Transplant Network
  - Plan-specific organ/tissue transplant facilities
    - If a Plan-designated transplant facility chosen, travel and lodging costs may be pre-approved
- Out-of-network services have benefit limitations



#### How Anesthesia Services Are Paid - High Option and Consumer Driven Option

	In-Network Facility	Out-of- Network Facility	Paid In-Network	Balance Billing Allowed
Emergent			Yes	Νο
Non-Emergent		×	Yes	No
Non-Emergent	×		No	Yes



Services at Hospital/Facility and Ambulance Services Section 5(c), (pgs.57-60)

- Inpatient hospital
- Cancer Centers of Excellence
- Outpatient hospital or ambulatory surgical center
- Extended care benefits/Skilled nursing care facility benefits
- Hospice care
- End of life care
- Ambulance

### Inpatient Hospital (pgs.57-58)



- Subject to pre-authorization (see Section 3)
   Call UnitedHealthcare
- \$500 late pre-authorization penalty
  - Emergency admissions: 2 business days from admission date
  - Scheduled admissions: 2 business days prior to scheduled admission
- Not subject to deductible
- 15% of the covered charges for PPO facility; 5% at UHC designated Cancer Center of Excellence
- \$300 per admission copayment and 40% of the covered charges if confined in a Non-PPO facility



### Outpatient Hospital or Ambulatory Surgical Center (pg. 59)

- Subject to deductible
- Coinsurance applies based on provider network affiliation

#### **Hospital Observation**

- Is limited to 48 hours
- Outpatient benefits apply
- If you are admitted to the hospital, then inpatient benefits apply

#### Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Benefits (pgs.59-60)



Medical necessity/prior authorization required



### Hospice Care (pg.60)



- Up to \$15,000 lifetime maximum including:
  - Inpatient hospice
  - Outpatient hospice
  - Advanced care planning
- \$200 annual bereavement benefit per family unit



# Emergency Services/Accidents

- Accidental injury
- Medical emergency
- Ambulance



## Accidental Injury (pg.61)



- "Accident" is defined as resulting from a violent, external force
- Outpatient services rendered within <u>72</u> hours of an accident
  - No out-of-pocket expense or cost-sharing (no deductible, coinsurance, copayment) in or out-of-network

### Medical Emergency (pg.62)



- Sudden onset of symptoms that you believe endangers your life or could result in serious disability if not treated promptly
- Treatment at an Urgent Care Center
  - o Cost share = \$30 copayment\* in-network
  - Cost share = 40% coinsurance out-of-network
    - Out-of-network care could result in additional patient liability if there is a difference in the fee for the service and the Plan allowance for it
- Treatment at other than an Urgent Care Center in or out-of-network
  - Cost share = Deductible, 15% coinsurance

\*High tech imaging (CT, MRI, PET, MRA) at an Urgent Care Center is subject to deductible and coinsurance and requires precertification.

#### Ambulance (pgs.62-63)



- Professional ambulance service within 24 hours of a medical emergency
- Air ambulance\* transport to nearest facility where necessary treatment is available
- Ambulance services used for routine transport are not covered
- Out-of-network care could result in additional patient liability if there is a difference in the fee for the service and the Plan allowance for the service

\*Note: Air Ambulance will be covered, at the in-network rate, to the nearest facility, where necessary treatment is available, if no emergency ground transportation is available or suitable, and the patient's condition warrants immediate evacuation.

#### Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Section 5(e), (pgs.64-66)



- UnitedHealthcare Behavioral Health

   1-866-569-2065
- Professional services
  - Outpatient in a physician's office
  - Inpatient
- Diagnostics
- Inpatient hospital or other covered facility not subject to deductible
- Outpatient hospital or other covered facility

### UnitedHealthcare Behavioral Health (pgs.65-66)



- Must obtain preauthorization for:
  - Inpatient Mental Health or Substance Misuse Disorder Hospital admissions
  - Intensive Outpatient Treatment, Partial Hospital Treatment, and Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation (TMS)
- To obtain preauthorization, call UnitedHealthcare, Behavioral Health
- \$500 penalty for failure to obtain precertification
  - 2 business days prior to elective hospital admission
  - 2 business days after an emergency admission

#### TeleHealth Services (pg.67)



- In-network (PPO): \$25 copay
- Out-of-Network (Non-PPO): After deductible, you pay 40% coinsurance and can be billed the difference between allowance and charges
- Teledoc: First two Virtual visits, you pay nothing. After that, \$10 copay

No out-of-network benefits for virtual visits

#### **Prescription Drugs** Section 5(f), (pgs.68-73)

- Express Scripts
- Definitions
  - Preferred Formulary
  - Generic Drugs
- Dispensing Limitations
- Coverage Tiers
- Specialty Drugs
  - Definition
  - Coverage
- Contraceptives
- Step Therapy





### **Prescription Drug Definitions**



- Express Scripts is our Network Pharmacy
  - For participating pharmacies, call Express Scripts or go to <u>www.express-scripts.com</u>
- National Preferred Formulary
  - List of medications selected based on clinical effectiveness and lower cost
- Brand Name Drugs Preferred and Nonpreferred
  - Protected by a patent and manufactured and sold only by the company holding the patent

### **Prescription Drug Definitions**



#### Generic Drugs

- Chemical equivalent of a corresponding name brand drug, typically available at a lower cost
- Visit the Health Plan website at <u>www.apwuhp.com</u>. Click on High Option, then Pharmacy and you'll see links to price a drug, find a list of the most commonly covered drugs, a list of covered preventive care drugs as well as a list of excluded drugs.

## Dispensing Limitations (pgs.69-70)

#### • Express Scripts Retail Pharmacy

- Up to a 30-day supply plus one 30-day refill
  - After one 30-day refill, you must submit a new prescription to the mail order program, or submit a 90-day prescription to a retail Smart90 Pharmacy (CVS or Walgreens)
  - If not, we will pay the non-network pharmacy benefit (50%)

#### Mail Order

 Up to a 90-day supply of maintenance drugs, diabetic supplies and Insulin, syringes and needles for covered injectable medications, and oral contraceptives

### **Prescription Drug Tiers**



	Type of Drug	Network Pharmacy (Retail)	Non-Network Pharmacy (Retail)	Network Mail Order/Retail Smart90
Tier 1	Generic Drugs	\$10 copay for 30-day supply	50% coinsurance for 30-day supply	\$20 copay for 90-day supply
Tier 2	Preferred Brand Drugs	25% coinsurance; \$200 max for 30-day supply	50% coinsurance for 30-day supply	25% coinsurance; \$300 max for 90-day supply
Tier 3	Non- Preferred Brand Drugs	45% coinsurance; \$300 max for 30-day supply	50% coinsurance for 30-day supply	45% coinsurance; \$500 max for 90-day supply

### Patient Assurance Program (PAP) (pg.71)



- Provides fixed copays for certain insulins and non-insulin diabetes drugs to treat Diabetes
  - $_{\circ}$  \$25 for 30 days
  - $_{\circ}$  \$75 for 90 days

#### Participating Drugs on the National Preferred Formulary:

- FARXIGA®
- GLYXAMBI<sup>®</sup>
- HUMALOG<sup>®</sup>
- HUMALOG MIX®
- HUMULIN®
- JARDIANCE<sup>®</sup>

- LYUMJEV<sup>™</sup>
- OZEMPIC<sup>®</sup>
- RYBELSUS®
- SEMGLEE®
- SYNJARDY<sup>®</sup>
- SYNJARDY<sup>®</sup> XR

- TRIJARDY<sup>®</sup> XR
- TRULICITY®
- XIGDUO<sup>®</sup> XR

### Diabetes Medications and Supplies (pg.71)



- \$0 copay for generic drugs from Express Scripts by mail for the specific purpose of lowering blood sugar
- \$0 copay for preferred formulary test strips and lancets from Express Scripts by mail



## Specialty Drugs (pg.71)



- Specialty drugs administered at home, physicians office, or any other outpatient setting must be obtained through Accredo Specialty pharmacy
- Injectable, infused, oral or inhaled drugs that:
  - Require frequent dosing adjustments
  - Intensive patient training
  - Limited product availability
  - Specialized product handling

## Specialty Drugs (pgs.71-74)

- Targeted conditions include:
  - Cystic Fibrosis
  - Enzyme Deficiencies
  - Multiple Sclerosis
  - Pulmonary Hypertension
  - Cancer
  - Atopic Dermatitis



#### Specialty Drug Tiers (pg.71)



	Type of Drug	Network Pharmacy (Retail)	Non-Network Pharmacy (Retail)	Network Mail Order/Retail Smart90
Tier 4	Generic Drugs	25% coinsurance; \$300 max for 30-day supply	50% coinsurance for 30-day supply	25% coinsurance; \$150 max for 90-day supply
Tier 5	Preferred Brand Drugs	25% coinsurance; \$600 max for 30-day supply	50% coinsurance for 30-day supply	25% coinsurance; \$300 max for 90-day supply
Tier 6	Non- Preferred Brand Drugs	45% coinsurance; \$1,000 max for 30-day supply	50% coinsurance for 30-day supply	45% coinsurance; \$500 max for 90-day supply

#### Prescription Drugs (pgs.71-73)



- \$0 out-of-pocket costs
  - Contraceptive Drugs on the ESI Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act List
  - Prescription drugs to treat tobacco dependence (Mail Order)
  - OTC to treat tobacco dependence
  - Naloxone and Narcan for prevention of opioid overdose related deaths
- Preventive Care Medications with a USPSTF recommendation of A or B when prescribed by a health care professional and filled at a network pharmacy. For current recommendations go to:

www.uspreventiveservicestaskforce.org/BrowseRec/Index/browse-recommendations

## Step Therapy (pg.74)



- Ensures generic/brand alternative within a therapeutic category is the first-line treatment, before the use of a similar but more expensive drug
- See page 74 of brochure for more information on specific therapeutic categories

#### Dental Benefits Section 5(g) (pg.76)



- Preventive care includes
  - 2 visits, including fluoride treatments per year
  - 2 cleanings per year
  - o 2 X-rays per year
- Other covered dental services
  - Restorative fillings
    - Does not include crowns or in-lay, on-lay restoration
  - $_{\circ}$  Simple extractions
- Cost sharing: 30% of Plan allowance plus difference in provider's fee and the Plan allowance

# Wellness and Other Special



#### Features Section 5(f), (pgs.77-78)

- 24-hour Nurse Line
- Disease Management Program
- Weight Management
- Special Programs
  - Maternity Support Program
  - Maven (a virtual maternity support program)
  - Cancer Support Program
  - Kidney Resources Program
  - One Pass Select Gym Discount Program
  - UnitedHealthcare Hearing
  - Omada Program for Weight Loss

Special feature	Description		
Flexible benefits option	Under the flexible benefits option, we determine the most effective way to provide services.		
	<ul> <li>We may identify medically appropriate alternatives to regular contract benefits as a less costly alternative. If we identify a less costly alternative, we will ask you to sign an alternative benefits agreement that will include all of the following terms in addition to other terms as necessary. Until you sign and return the agreement, regular contract benefits will continue.</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Alternative benefits will be made available for a limited time period and are subject to our ongoing review. You must cooperate with the review process.</li> </ul>		
	• By approving an alternative benefit, we do not guarantee you will get it in the future.		
	<ul> <li>The decision to offer an alternative benefit is solely ours, and except as expressly provided in the agreement, we may withdraw it at any time and resume regular contract benefits.</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>If you sign the agreement, we will provide the agreed-upon alternative benefits for the stated time period (unless circumstances change). You may request an extension of the time period, but regular contract benefits will resume if we do not approve your request.</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Our decision to offer or withdraw alternative benefits is not subject to OPM review under the disputed claims process. However, if at the time we make a decision regarding alternative benefits, we also decide that regular contract benefits are not payable, then you may dispute our regular contract benefits under the OPM disputed claims process (see Section 8, <i>The Disputed Claims Process</i>).</li> </ul>		
24-hour NurseLine	We offer a 24-hour nurse advisory service for your use. This program is strictly voluntary and confidential. You may call toll-free at 866-569-2064 and reach registered nurses to discuss an existing medical concern or to receive information about numerous healthcare issues.		
High Risk Maternity	High-risk maternity members work with a maternity case management nurse throughout their pregnancy and into postpartum. Case managers communicate with the obstetrics provider as appropriate, provide member education, guidance, support and resources designed to mitigate risks, promote self-management skills and adherence to the prescribed plan of care. Members can enroll in our maternity support program and Maven (virtual program) which provide support in every stage of pregnancy, including self- measured blood pressure monitoring and support.		
Services for deaf and hearing impaired	We offer a toll-free TDD line for customer service. The number is 800-622-2511. TDD equipment is required.		
Disease Management Program	A voluntary program that provides a variety of services to help you manage a chronic condition with outpatient treatment and avoid unnecessary emergency care or inpatient admissions. As an example, members with cardiac conditions can participate in this program. We use medical and/or pharmacy claims data as well as interactions with you and your physician(5). If you have a chronic condition and would like additional information, call UnitedHealthcare at 866-569-2064.		
Review and Reward Program	If you send us a corrected hospital billing, we will credit 20% of any hospital charge over \$20 for covered services and supplies that were not actually provided to a covered person. The maximum amount payable under this program is \$100 per person per calendar year.		
Weight Management	\$0 copay for in-network office visits to a registered Dietician/Nutritionist		

#### 24-hour Nurse Line (pg.77)



- Speak to a registered nurse by calling UnitedHealthcare at 866-569-2064 to discuss medical concerns or to receive information about health issues
  - $_{\circ}\,$  Voluntary and confidential



#### Maven



#### Maven offers complete support for every unique family journey. Care & Benefits Navigation: 24/7 access to personalized and



- **Care & Benefits Navigation:** 24/7 access to personalized and continuous support from our Care Advocates when and where members need it
  - Dedicated Care Advocates provide holistic support and continuity of care to each member throughout their journey
  - Around-the-clock availability supplemental support day or night

**Specialized Support:** Diverse providers who deliver inclusive, compassionate support and education

- Available providers from 30+ specialties and 350+ subspecialities – OBGYNs, Doulas, Career Coaches, Pediatric Sleep Coaches, and more
- \* Referrals to in-person, in-network providers
- \* Committed to culturally competent support

**Content & Community:** Clinician-designed programs that improve health and well-being

- On-demand and live member classes like infant CPR and breastfeeding 101
- Provider-approved, personalized action plans and community forums

#### Maven



#### • Who's eligible for Maven?

Both APWUHP Consumer Driven Plan and High Option\* Plan enrollees and/or their dependents who may be in the following life stages:

- A person who is currently pregnant
- The new parent of a newborn under one year of age
- The spouse or partner of someone who is pregnant / has a child under one year of age
- Someone who recently experienced the loss of a pregnancy or infant

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beginning January 1, 2024.

started or go to

### Omada Program for Weight Loss

- Omada is a virtual health program that will help members lose weight and create healthier behaviors through support with personal health coaches and easy monitoring with free smart devices.
- You also have access to peer groups and online communities.
- If a member is clinically eligible and is prescribed a weight loss medication, participation in the Omada weight loss program <u>will be required each month to continue authorization of the</u> <u>weight loss medication</u>.
- Members must engage on the smart device provided by Omada through the Omada app.
- Call Member Services at 1-800-841-2734 or visit https://www.express-scripts.com/ See section 5(f), Prescription Drug Benefits for weight loss medications



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## Section 5: 2024 Consumer Driven Option Benefits



### Consumer Driven Option Benefits (pg.79)



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#### Consumer Driven Health Plan Overview (pg.81)



#### **Consumer Driven Health Plan Overview**

The Plan offers a Consumer Driven Health Plan (CDHP). The CDHP benefit package is described in this section. Make sure that you review the benefits that are available under the benefit product in which you are enrolled.

CDHP Section 5, which describes the CDHP benefits, is divided into subsections. Please read *Important things you should keep in mind about these benefits* at the beginning of each subsection. Also read the general exclusions in Section 6, they apply to the benefits in the following subsections. To obtain claim forms, claims filing advice, or more information about CDHP benefits, contact us at 800-718-1299 or on our website at <u>www.welcometouhc.com/apwu</u>.

This CDHP focuses on you, the healthcare consumer, and gives you greater control in how you use your healthcare benefits. With this Plan, eligible in-network preventive care is covered in full, and you can use the Personal Care Account for any covered care. If you use up your Personal Care Account, the Traditional Health Coverage begins after you satisfy your Deductible. If you don't use up your Personal Care Account for the year, you can roll it over to the next year, up to the maximum account balance amount, as long as you continue to be enrolled in this CDHP.

#### The CDHP includes:

#### **In-network Preventive Care**

In-network Preventive Care

#### Personal Care Account

#### Traditional Health Coverage

**Health Education** 

Resources

This component covers 100% for preventive care for adults and children if you use a network provider. The covered services include office visits/exams, immunizations and screenings and are fully described in Section 5, *In-network preventive care*. They are based on recommendations by the American Medical Association. We emphasize women's wellness through a Preventive Care benefit that includes a broad range of preventive services, preventive tests and screenings, counseling services, and contraceptives, including prescription drug contraceptives.

#### Personal Care Account (PCA)

The Plan also provides a Personal Care Account (PCA) for each enrollment. Each year, the Plan provides \$1,200 for a Self Only enrollment or \$2,400 for a Self Plus One or Self and Family enrollment. The PCA covers 100% for your covered medical expenses, which include dental and vision care. If you have an unused PCA balance at the end of the year, you can rollover that balance so you can use it in the future. The Personal Care Account is described in Section 5, *Personal Care Account (PCA)*.

Note that the in-network Preventive Care benefits paid under Section 5 do NOT count against your Personal Care Account (PCA).

#### Traditional Health Coverage

After you have used up your Personal Care Account (PCA) and paid your Net Deductible, the Plan starts paying benefits under the Traditional Health Coverage described in Section 5, *Traditional Health Coverage*. The Plan generally pays 85% of the cost for in-network care and 50% of the Plan allowance for out-of-network care.

Covered services include:

- Medical services and supplies, Section 5(a)
- · Surgical and anesthesia services, Section 5(b)
- · Hospital services, other facilities and ambulance, Section 5(c)
- · Emergency services/Accidents, Section 5(d)
- Mental health and substance use disorder treatment benefits, Section 5(e)
- Prescription drug benefits, Section 5(f)

#### Health Education Resources and Account Management Tools

Section 5(i) describes the health tools and resources available to you under the Consumer Driven Option to help you improve the quality of your healthcare and manage your expenses. You can receive a \$25 wellness incentive when you complete an annual physical, mammogram or cervical screening with a clinical professional each year.

2025 APWU Health Plan

#### In-network Preventive Care (pgs.82-85)



- APWU Health Plan is in compliance with the Affordable Care Act's preventive care guidelines
- When using in-network, participating providers:
  - Covered routine preventive care for adults and children is paid at 100%
  - Periodic routine exams, lab, testing, immunizations
    - No reduction to your PCA
    - No deductible
    - No coinsurance

#### **Preventive Care**



 Routine screenings are procedures performed to help keep a member healthy and identify any conditions that may go unnoticed.



#### In-network Preventive Care: Adult (pgs.82-84)



\$25 PCA incentive for annual routine physical

- One routine physical
- Adult immunizations recommended by the CDC
- Routine screenings recommended by USPSTF (A or B)
- PSA, Urinalysis, EKG, CXR, Hemoglobin, A1C, Colorectal screening, mammograms
- Well Woman Care, i.e. Pap

In-network Preventive Care: Children (pgs.84-85)



#### Care for Children

- Well-Child visits, exams and other preventive services (Bright Futures and USPSTF)
- Childhood immunizations recommended by the CDC

**Note:** Any procedure, injection, diagnostic service, laboratory, or X-ray service done in conjunction with a routine examination and is not included in the preventive recommended listing of services will be subject to the applicable member coinsurance, and deductible.

#### Preventive Care Incentives



Currently you can receive a \$25 bonus into your PCA if you have an annual physical exam with a clinical professional.

For 2025, we've expanded on the incentives!

You can receive an additional bonus of \$25 into your PCA if you have any of the following services:

- Preventive Mammogram
- Cervical Screening

Maximum PCA incentive earned per person is \$75/year.

#### **Scenario** - CDO Preventive Care



- Member goes for routine colonoscopy
- Member uses in-network providers
- Diagnosis on claim is routine
- Claims include surgery; labs; anesthesiologist

• All three claims are paid at 100%

#### **Scenario - CDO Preventive Care**



- Member goes for routine colonoscopy
- Member uses in-network providers
- Diagnosis on surgery and anesthesiologist claim is routine
- Diagnosis on in-network lab claim is nonroutine (i.e. bleeding)
- Surgery and anesthesia claims are paid at 100%
- Lab claim will pay at 85%; member will be billed for 15% of the Plan allowance, unless there are funds available in the PCA to cover the coinsurance costs

#### Personal Care Account (PCA) (pgs.86-88)



- APWU Health Plan funds your PCA each year
  - Self Only: \$1,200
  - Self Plus One: \$2,400
  - Self and Family: \$2,400
- PCA is used to reimburse first dollars incurred
  - Coverage for in-network *and* out-of-network providers
- A portion of PCA dollars can be used for services not otherwise covered by the CDHP ("Extra PCA Expenses") Examples: Dental and/or Vision
  - Single Enrollment: \$400
  - o Family Enrollment: \$800

## Controlling PCA (pg.86)

- If a member has an FSA and doesn't want to use PCA funds, they can turn off PCA; must update annually
- Member can now use FSA for healthcare expenses
  - Member should instruct provider to not submit claim to UHC
  - Member may have to pay claim up front
- Except for Rx



#### You control your PCA

If you do not want your PCA to automatically pay your medical claims:



- 1. Log onto myuhc.com
- 2. Select Claims and Accounts
- 3. Select Health Reimbursement Account
- 4. Select Automatic Payment
- 5. Select Change Automatic Payment Settings

#### Note

Your pharmacy claims will always be paid automatically by your PCA.



#### Medicare Part B Premium Reimbursement

#### **NEW for 2025**

- Retirees that participate with Medicare Part B may request reimbursement for their Part B premiums, if PCA funds are available.
- For reimbursement, members should visit www.myuhc.com to download a Health Reimbursement Account (HRA) form or sign in to upload your documents for reimbursement.

#### PCA Expense Example (pg.87)



 If you are ill and you go to an in-network doctor, the doctor will submit your claim and the cost of the visit will be deducted automatically from your PCA. You pay nothing for eligible expenses while you still have funds in your PCA!

Balance in PCA: \$1,200

Less provider contracted rate for visit: \$60

• Remaining balance in PCA: \$1,140

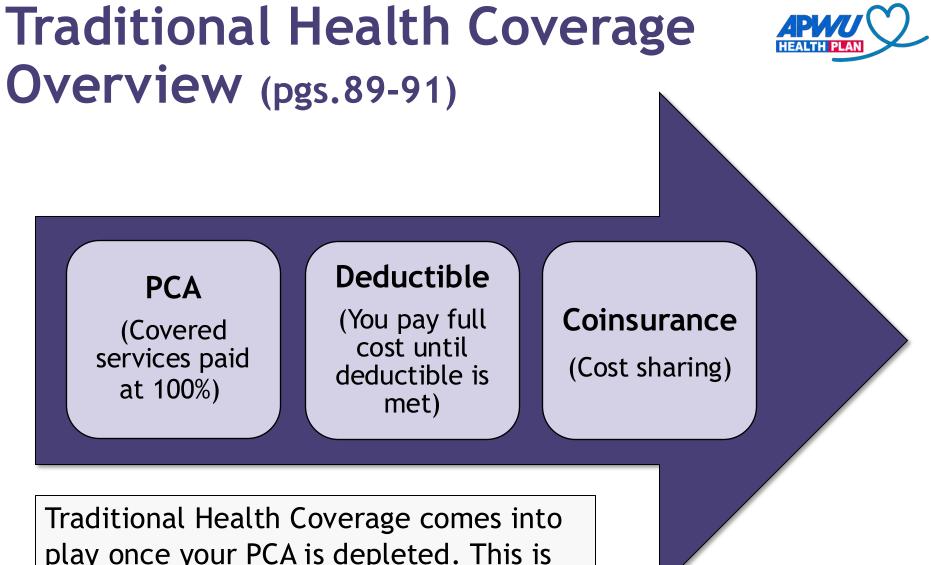
## PCA Rollover (pg.88)

- PCA dollars not used during the current calendar year are rolled over and added to the following year's PCA to a maximum PCA balance of:
  - Self Only: \$5,000
  - Self Plus One: \$10,000
  - Self and Family: \$10,000



- Maximum PCA account balance can never exceed these dollar limits
- Reduce the following year's deductible by an equal amount





play once your PCA is depleted. This is when you have to meet your deductible. Then you begin paying coinsurance.

#### Consumer Driven Option Deductible (pg.89)



#### Deductible must be met before Traditional Health Coverage begins.

- Self Only: \$2,200, but the Health Plan prefunds your Personal Care Account (PCA) with \$1,200, so you pay \$1,000 (Net Deductible)
- Self Plus One; Self and Family: \$4,400, but the Health Plan prefunds your Personal Account (PCA) with \$2,400, so you pay \$2,000 (Net Deductible)

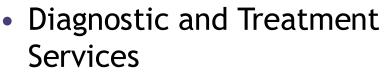
#### Coinsurance



<u>Definition</u>: The percentage of covered allowances for which the patient is responsible. Coinsurance does not begin until the deductible has been met.

- 10% of allowance for treatment of cancer at Cancer Centers of Excellence
- 15% of allowance for in-network care
- 50% of allowance for out-of-network care
- 25% Tier 1 and Tier 2; 40% Tier 3 of prescription formulary allowance

#### Medical Services and Supplies Provided by Physicians and Other Healthcare Professionals Section 5(a), (pgs.92-102)



- TeleHealth Services
- Lab X-ray and Other Diagnostic Tests
- Maternity Care
- Family Planning
- Infertility Services
- Allergy Care
- Treatment Therapies
- Physical and Occupational Therapy

- Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA)
- Speech Therapy (ST)
- Hearing Services
- Vision Services
- Foot Care
- Durable Medical Equipment (DME)
- Home Health Services
- Chiropractic
- Alternative Treatments Acupuncture
- Educational Classes



#### Diagnostic and Treatment Services Lab, X-ray and Other Diagnostic Tests

- Professional services of physicians
- Virtual visits (AmWell, Doctor on Demand, Teladoc and Optumcare 24)
- Lab, X-ray and other non-preventive diagnostic tests
  - Blood tests, urinalysis, X-rays, non-routine mammogram or 3D mammogram, CT, MRI, PET, EKG, EEG

### Maternity Care (pgs.93-94)



- Prenatal care, delivery, postpartum care, breastfeeding and lactation support, screening for prenatal and postpartum depression
  - No need to precertify normal deliveries
  - Covered at 100% in-network
  - Out-of-Network (OON) inpatient hospital 50% of Plan Allowance
- Nursery charges covered while mother confined
  - When a newborn requires definitive treatment during or after the mother's confinement, the newborn is considered a patient in his or her own right. If the newborn is eligible for coverage, regular medical or surgical benefits apply rather than maternity benefits.
- Not covered: genetic screening

## Family Planning (pg.95)



- Covered Family Planning Services
  - Voluntary female sterilization
  - Surgically implanted contraceptives
  - Injectable contraceptives
  - o IUD's, Diaphragms
  - Oral Contraceptives covered as Pharmacy
  - Voluntary male sterilization
- Not covered
  - Reversal of voluntary surgical sterilization
  - Genetic testing and counseling

#### Infertility (pgs.95-96)



- The Plan covers services related to the diagnosis and treatment of infertility.
  - This covers:
  - Medical Tests
  - $_{\circ}$  Medical interventions
  - Infertility medications including IVF related drugs
  - Artificial insemination
- Coverage for iatrogenic infertility \$12,000 lifetime benefit per person

#### Treatment Therapies (pgs.96-97)



- Chemotherapy and Radiation Therapy
- Dialysis
- IV Infusion Therapy Home IV and Antibiotic Therapy\*
- Growth Hormone Therapy\*
- Respiratory and Inhalation Therapy
- Cardiac rehabilitation following a qualifying event/condition

\*Therapies require Pre-notification; Drugs used for GHT covered under Prescription Drug Benefit

## Physical, Occupational, Speech Therapies (pgs.97-98)



- Rehabilitative therapy to restore function
- Habilitative therapy to learn or establish function
- Licensed, registered therapist
- 60 visit combined annual maximum
- Not covered:
  - Maintenance therapy
  - Exercise programs

### Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA) (pg.97)



- Outpatient ABA for the treatment of Autism Spectrum Disorder
  - In-network benefit only
  - Services must be preauthorized by UHC Behavioral Health Solutions
  - Services must be provided under the supervision of a Board Certified Behavior Analyst

Hearing and Vision Services (pgs.98-99)



- One exam and testing every 2 years for hearing aids
- Internal ocular lenses and/or 1st contact lenses to correct impairment caused by an accident or illness



#### Routine Foot Care (pg.99)

- Routine foot care services are covered only when patient is receiving active treatment for a metabolic or peripheral vascular disease such as Diabetes or Peripheral Neuropathy
  - Trimming of lesions
  - Trimming of nails
- Not covered:
  - $_{\circ}\,$  Orthopedic and corrective shoes
  - Arch supports
  - Foot/shoe orthotics
  - Heel pads and heel cups





#### Orthopedic and Prosthetic Devices (pg.99)



- Covered devices include:
  - Artificial limbs\* and eyes
  - External and internal breast prostheses; surgical bras following a mastectomy
  - $_{\circ}\,$  Leg, arm, neck, joint and back braces
  - Internal prosthetics: artificial joints, pacemakers, cochlear implants\*
  - Hearing aids every 3 years; maximum payout of \$1,500

\*Pre-notification recommended

#### Durable Medical Equipment (pg. 100)



- Pre-notification is required
- See page 100 of brochure for list of excluded items
- We limit the Plan allowance to an amount no greater than the purchase price

#### Home Health Services (pg. 101)



- Skilled Nursing Care (RN, LPN, LVN)
  - 50 visits per calendar year (up to 2 hour maximum visit)
  - Uses PPO allowance
  - $_{\circ}$  Preauthorization required





#### Chiropractic and Alternative Treatments (pg. 101)

#### Chiropractic

- Treatment limited to 24 visits and/or manipulations per calendar year
- Electrical stimulation and ultrasound therapy
  - Massage therapy and maintenance therapy are not covered
  - X-rays are covered under diagnostics
- Acupuncture and/or Dry Needling
  - Covered if performed by an MD, DO or a licensed acupuncturist

#### Educational Classes and Programs (pg. 102)



- We encourage you to enroll in the Quit for Life Tobacco Cessation Program by contacting UnitedHealthcare
  - E-cigarette users are eligible for enrollment in smoking cessation programs
  - Telephonic counseling sessions
  - Group therapy
  - $_{\circ}\,$  Educational sessions with a physician
- Diabetes self-management training services
- Maven (pg.128)

#### **Surgical and Anesthesia** Services Section 5(b), (pgs. 103-110)



- Surgical Procedures
  - Operative procedures including pre and postoperative care
  - Surgical treatment of severe obesity\* as well as any surgery that could potentially be considered cosmetic
  - Reconstructive surgery
  - Surgical treatment for gender affirmation\*

\*Requires pre-notification

#### Oral Surgery (pg. 106)



# We suggest calling UnitedHealthcare at 800-718-1299 to determine if a procedure is covered.



#### **Organ and Tissue Transplants** (pgs.107-110)



- Complete list of transplants begins on page 107
- All transplants are subject to prior authorization; subject to medical necessity and experimental/ investigational review
- Out-of-network services have benefit limitations
- Transplant Network
  - Plan-specific organ/tissue transplant facilities
    - If a Plan-designated transplant facility chosen, travel and lodging costs may be pre-approved
  - Prior to an initial evaluation, physician or patient must contact UHC to speak with a Transplant **Case Manager** 133

## How Anesthesia Services Are Paid (pg.110)

	In-Network Facility	Out-of-Network Facility	Paid In-Network	Balance Billing Allowed
Emergent		$\checkmark$	Yes	Νο
Non-Emergent	$\checkmark$		Yes	No
Non-Emergent			No	Yes

#### Services by an out-of-network anesthesiologist:

If related to emergency services, the anesthesiologist will be paid at the same rate as if they were *in-network* and can **NOT** balance bill. This is regardless of whether the services were performed at an *in-network* or *out-of-network* facility.

If related to non-emergency services, but related to services performed at an *in-network* facility, the anesthesiologist will be paid at the same rate as if they were *in-network* and can **NOT** balance bill.

If related to non-emergency services, but related to service performed at an *out-of-network* facility, the anesthesiologist will be paid at the *out-of-network* rate and CAN balance bill.

#### Services Provided by a Hospital or Other Facility, and Ambulance Services Section 5(c), (pgs.111-114)



#### Precertification (pg.111)



- Call UnitedHealthcare for precertification
- You may be subject to a \$500 precert penalty if inpatient precertification is not done:
  - $_{\circ}\,$  2 business days prior to an elective admission, or
  - within 2 business days after an emergency admission



#### Inpatient Hospital (pgs.111-112)



- Room and Board
- Ancillary/Other Hospital Charges
- Cancer Centers of Excellence
  - Contact UHC to enroll prior to initial treatment for referral
  - Patient pays 10% of Plan allowance
  - May receive pre-approval for travel and lodging expenses
  - Includes in and outpatient services at designated facilities

### Outpatient Hospital or Ambulatory Care Facility (pg. 113)



- Operating, recovery, treatment rooms
- Pharmacy items and medical supplies
- Diagnostic testing
- Blood and its administration
- Pre-surgical testing
- Anesthetics

## Extended Care/Skilled Nursing

- When APWU Health Plan is Primary
  - And you have had a covered inpatient hospital stay;
  - The Health Plan will approve up to a maximum of 30 days in a skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) based on medical necessity
  - Prior approval required. Call
     UnitedHealthcare at 1-800-718-1299
- Not covered: Custodial Care/Long Term Care

### Hospice Care (pg.114)



- Maximum lifetime payout of \$15,000 includes outpatient/inpatient and advance care planning (end of life care)
- Inpatient hospice contact UHC for prior approval
- \$200 bereavement benefit per family unit no deductible or coinsurance applies

#### Ambulance (pg.114)



- Local, professional ambulance service
   Medically appropriate
  - Before or after an inpatient admission
- Ambulance services used for routine transport are not covered
- Prior approval is required for non-emergent air ambulance transport

#### Emergency Services/Accident Section 5(d), (pgs.115-116)



- "Accident" is defined as resulting from a violent, external force
- Outpatient physician, supplies and related outpatient hospital services rendered within 24 hours of accident
  - 15% coinsurance for both in-network and out-of-network care\*
- Ground Ambulance15% in-network; 50% out-of-network\*\*
- Air Ambulance to the closest available facility to treat the patient
  - 15% coinsurance for both in-network and out-of-network care\*

\*Provider cannot balance bill the member.

\*\*Provider can balance bill the member.

## Medical Emergency (pg.116)



- Sudden onset of symptoms that you believe endangers your life or could result in serious disability if not treated promptly
- Treatment at an Urgent Care Center
  - Cost share = 15% coinsurance in-network
  - o Cost share = 50% coinsurance out-of-network\*
- Treatment at other than an Urgent Care Center\*\*
  - Cost share = 15% coinsurance in and out-ofnetwork

 \*For out-of-network care at an urgent care center, members may be billed the difference between the Plan allowance and the billed amount
 \*\*Provider cannot balance bill the member.

#### Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Section 5(e), (pgs.117-119)

- Must obtain preauthorization for:
  - Inpatient Mental Health or Substance Use Disorder Hospital admissions
  - Inpatient treatment, psychological testing,
     Electroconvulsive Therapy (ECT), Transcranial Magnetic
     Stimulation (TMS), ABA, Residential Treatment
- To obtain preauthorization, call UHC Behavioral Health Solutions
- \$500 penalty for failure to obtain precertification
  - $_{\circ}$  2 days prior to elective hospital admission
  - 2 days after an emergency admission

# Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder (pgs.117-119)



- Virtual Visits/TeleHealth Services, call UHC Behavioral Health Solutions, 800-718-1299
  - 15% in-network
  - No out-of-network benefit
- Professional services via Telemedicine with your in or out-of-network provider is covered the same as in a physicians office
  - In-network: 15%
  - Out-of-network: 50%, plus the difference between our allowance and the billed amount

### Prescription Drug Benefits Section 5(f) (pgs.120-125)



### Administered by OptumRx

# Covered Medication Supplies Rx drugs, diabetic supplies, Insulin



# **Prescription Drugs**



- Advantage Prescription Drug List: A list of selected covered drugs based on clinical effectiveness and lower cost, (there are certain drugs excluded)
- Brand Name Drugs: Protected by a patent and manufactured and sold only by the company holding the patent
- Generic Drugs: When the patent for the brand name drug expires, generic versions of the drug can be offered for sale if the FDA agrees; generic drugs are typically less expensive than brand name drugs

### **Prescription Drug Tiers** Consumer Driven Option-OptumRx, Section 5(f)

Tier 1	Medications that provide the highest overall value. Mostly generic drugs. Some brand name drugs may also be included.	Use Tier 1 drugs for the lowest out- of-pocket costs.
Tier 2	Medications that provide good overall value. A mix of brand name and generic drugs.	Use Tier 2 drugs, instead of Tier 3, to help reduce your out-of-pocket costs.
Tier 3	Medications that provide the lowest overall value. Mostly brand name drugs, as well as some generics.	Ask your doctor if a Tier 1 or Tier 2 option could work for you.

### Covered Medication/Supplies (pgs.117-118)



	Network Retail Patient Responsibility	Network Mail Order Patient Responsibility	Out-of-Network Pharmacy Patient Responsibility
Tier 1 and Tier 2	25% coinsurance; minimum \$15, max out-of-pocket \$200 for each 30-day supply; \$400 for a 60-day supply; \$600 for a 90-day supply	25% coinsurance; minimum <b>\$10</b> , max out-of-pocket \$200 for each 30-day supply, \$400 for a 60-day supply; \$600 for a 90-day supply	You pay 100%
Tier 3	40% coinsurance; minimum \$15, max out-of-pocket \$300 for each 30-day supply; \$600 for a 60-day supply; \$900 for a 90-day supply	40% coinsurance; minimum \$10, max out-of-pocket \$300 for each 30-day supply, \$600 for a 60-day supply; \$900 for a 90-day supply	You pay 100%

# Prescription Drugs (pgs.121-123)



- Zero out-of-pocket costs
  - Contraceptive drugs on the UHC PPACA list at Network Retail or Mail Order
  - Select over-the-counter (OTC) and prescription tobacco cessation medications approved by the FDA to treat tobacco dependence (in-network retail/Mail Order) Preventive Care Medications with a USPSTF recommendation of A or B when prescribed by a health care professional and filled at a network pharmacy; for current recommendations go to:

www.uspreventiveservicestaskforce.org/BrowseRec/Index/browserecommendations

 Naloxone and Narcan - opioid reversal agents
 Prescription drugs with an over-the-counter (OTC) equivalent are not covered

# Coverage Authorization (pg. 124)

- Prior approval/medical necessity review needed for some medications
  - Examples: Growth Hormone, Botox, Rheumatoid Arthritis agents, Weight loss drugs and certain Diabetes drugs
- Step Therapy review
- Supply limits
- Compound Medication restrictions
- OptumRx will work w/physician to obtain information needed to give approval (based on FDA guidelines)
- If not approved, patient may opt to fill prescription and will assume responsibility for its full cost

# Specialty Drugs (pg. 125)



First Fill of Specialty Drugs must be obtained through OptumRx Specialty Pharmacy.

- Cost ranges from \$500 per dose to \$6,000 or more per year
- Complex treatment, care
- Safety monitoring
- Special requirements for shipping, handling
- Disease categories include:
  - Cancer, cystic fibrosis, growth hormone deficiency, hemophilia, immune deficiency, Hepatitis C
- Visit <u>www.myuhc.com</u> or call UnitedHealthcare

### Dental Section 5(g), (pg.126)



### No Benefit Except Under "Extra PCA"

To save on dental today, you can use Careington Dental Network: <u>Save on Dental Today!</u> <u>Careington & APWU (solutionssimplified.com)</u>

### Health Education Resources and Account APW/ Management Tools - Section 5(i), (pgs.128-129)

	Section 5 (i).	Health Education Resources and Account Management Tools
	Special features	Description
Online tools	Online tools and resources	<ul> <li>Your Personal Care Account balance and activity (also mailed quarterly)</li> <li>Your complete claims payment history</li> <li>A consumer health encyclopedia and interactive services</li> <li>Online health risk assessment to help determine your risk for certain conditions and steps to manage them</li> <li>Personal Health Record</li> <li>You can also download UnitedHealthcare's mobile app for the same great features</li> </ul>
	Consumer choice information	Each member is provided access by Internet ( <u>www.myuhc.com</u> ) or telephone 800-718-1299 to information which you may use to support your important health and wellness decisions, including:     Online provider directory with complete national network and provider information     (i.e., address, telephone, specialty, practice hours, languages spoken)     Network provider discounted pricing for comparative shopping     Pricing information for prescription drugs     General cost information for surgical and diagnostic procedures and for comparison of     different treatment options     Provider quality information     Health calculators on medical and wellness topics
Special Programs	Special Programs	<ul> <li>Online programs and services provide extra support and savings, at <u>www.myuhc.com</u> or call 800-718-1299.</li> <li>Maternity Support Program - Provides members with maternity support including tools, resources, and personal support to help them have a healthy pregnancy, receive appropriate care and make sure they are well-prepared for the baby's arrival, while working to reduce preterm delivery through early identification of risk factors.</li> <li>Maven - A virtual maternity support program with dedicated care advocates trained to provide continuous support and guidance throughout your journey, including unlimited video chat and messaging with an on-demand 24/7/365 practitioner network of women's and family health specialists providing coaching and education.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Kidney Resources Program - For those diagnosed with end-stage renal disease or those who are currently receiving dialysis treatment, this program will help you manage your care for the best outcome.</li> <li>Orthopedic Health Support - Orthopedic health support provides support for back, hip, knee, shoulder and neck conditions.</li> <li>Cancer Support Program - Enroll in the program, and receive enhanced benefits at Cancer Centers of Excellence.</li> <li>AbleTo - Customized Behavioral Health 6-8 week digital treatment program. Includes evidence-based treatment, care plan, digital reinforcement, and clinician/coaching. 24/7 access. Members are provided access to this program based on medical history and treatment plan.</li> <li>UnitedHealthcare Hearing - Call 855-523-9355 or visit <u>www.UHCHearing.com</u> for hearing aids, care options and dedicated support.</li> <li>Careington Dental - A dental discount plan that gives members access to discounts ranging from 20-50% on provedures using a network provider. For more information on the discounts and providers visit <u>www.welcometouhc.com/apwu</u>.</li> </ul>

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### Health Education Resources and Account APWC Management Tools (pg.129)

One Pass Select Gym Discount Program		<ul> <li>One Pass Select TM – visit <u>www.WeRally.com</u> or call 877-515-9364 to sign up for One Pass, a gym membership discount program offering access to national gym memberships, online fitness classes and Grocery Delivery service.</li> </ul>
Wellness Incentive	Wellness Incentive	Receive \$25 for each of the following wellness visits - annual physical, mammogram and cervical screening with a clinical professional each year. When you complete these wellness visits, if you have Self Only coverage, we will add \$25 to your Personal Care Account (PCA) for each. If you have Self Plus One or Self and Family coverage we will add \$25 to the Personal Care Account (PCA) for the member, spouse, and each covered dependent who completes these wellness visits. We will add these amounts in the calendar year in which the visits are completed with a maximum of \$75 per member.
Health Risk Assessment	Health Risk Assessment	A Health Risk Assessment (HRA) is available at <u>www.myuhc.com</u> or call 800-718-1299. The HRA is an online program that analyzes your health related responses and gives you a personalized plan to achieve specific health goals. Your HRA profile provides information to put you on a path to good physical and mental health.
	High Risk Maternity	High-risk maternity members work with a maternity case management nurse throughout their pregnancy and into postpartum. Case managers communicate with the obstetrics provider as appropriate, provide member education, guidance, support and resources designed to mitigate risks, promote self-management skills and adherence to the prescribed plan of care. Members can enroll in our maternity support program and Maven (virtual program) which provide support in every stage of pregnancy, including self- measured blood pressure monitoring and support.

### Maven



### Maven offers complete support for every unique family journey. Care & Benefits Navigation: 24/7 access to personalized and



- **Care & Benefits Navigation:** 24/7 access to personalized and continuous support from our Care Advocates when and where members need it
  - Dedicated Care Advocates provide holistic support and continuity of care to each member throughout their journey
  - Around-the-clock availability supplemental support day or night

**Specialized Support:** Diverse providers who deliver inclusive, compassionate support and education

- Available providers from 30+ specialties and 350+ subspecialities – OBGYNs, Doulas, Career Coaches, Pediatric Sleep Coaches, and more
- \* Referrals to in-person, in-network providers
- \* Committed to culturally competent support

**Content & Community:** Clinician-designed programs that improve health and well-being

- On-demand and live member classes like infant CPR and breastfeeding 101
- Provider-approved, personalized action plans and community forums

### Maven



### • Who's eligible for Maven?

Both APWUHP Consumer Driven Plan and High Option\* Plan enrollees and/or their dependents who may be in the following life stages:

- A person who is currently pregnant
- The new parent of a newborn under one year of age
- The spouse or partner of someone who is pregnant / has a child under one year of age
- Someone who recently experienced the loss of a pregnancy or infant

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**Maternity** & **Newborn Support** Pregnancy **Postpartum & Newborn** Support Miscarriage & loss **Return-to-work and career** coaching **Partner track** \*Available to High Option Plan enrollees

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# **Brochure Tour - Non FEHB** Benefits

Our members have access to other benefits that are not part of the FEHB program (pg.130)



#### Non-FEHB Benefits Available to Plan Members

The benefits on this page are not part of the FEHB contract or premium, and you cannot file a FEHB disputed claim about them. Fees you pay for these services do not count toward FEHB deductibles or catastrophic protection out-of-pocket maximums. These programs and materials are the responsibility of the Plan, and all appeals must follow the Plan's guidelines. For additional information contact the Plan at 800-222-2798 or visit their website at www.apwuhp.com.

#### Start Hearing

The Start Hearing program is an optional program with no additional premium that supplements the benefits in your APWU Health Plan coverage. All participants of the APWU Health Plan, either High Option or Consumer Driven Option, who enroll in the Start Hearing Plan through this offer will receive a discount on hearing aid devices and free hearing consultations annually offered through Starkey Hearing Technologies. To enroll in the plan you must call Start Hearing toll free at 888-863-7222 or visit www.starthearing.com/partners/APWU. Please specify that you are an APWU Health Plan participant.

#### **Enroll in our Dental Plans**

Anyone who is eligible to sign up for an APWU Health Plan can enroll in the following Dental Plans. These are optional programs with an additional premium that supplements the dental benefits in your medical coverage. FEHB members have two options, APWU Health Plan Dental Insurance Plan or Voluntary Benefits Plan Dental Plan. Insured members may use any dentist they choose. The cost of these benefits are not included in the FEHB premium and any charges for these services do not count toward any FEHB deductibles, out-of-pocket maximum, copay, charges, etc. These benefits are not subject to the FEHB disputed claims review procedure. For the APWU Health Plan Dental Insurance Plan visit www.apwuhp.com for a brochure and enrollment forms. All participants of the APWU Health Plan, either High Option or Consumer Driven Option, who enroll in the Voluntary Benefits Plan Dental Plan automatically receive a 7.5% premium reduction off this dental plan's rates. The Plan is available to all APWU Active, Retired, Associate, PSE and Private Sector due-paying members. To enroll in this additional coverage, complete and sign the Voluntary Benefits Plan Dental Plan enrollment form, which you can obtain from your APWU Health Plan representative or by calling the Voluntary Benefits Plan office at 800-422-4492; or visit www.voluntarybenefitsplan.com; or email VBPlan@alliant.com. Please specify that you are an APWU Health Plan participant. This optional dental plan is an indemnity insurance plan underwritten by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, New York, New York.

#### The Supplemental Discount Drug Program

The Supplemental Discount Drug Program will provide discounts to High Option members on all FDA-approved prescription drugs that are dispensed through Express Scripts Mail Order and Retail pharmacies, yet are not covered on the prescription drug plan administered by Express Scripts; www.express-scripts.com, 800-818-6717.

#### **APWU Membership Information**

Any annuitant who was in the bargaining unit represented by the APWU prior to retirement must be, or must become, members of the APWU Retirees Department. All Federal employees, other Postal Service employees in non-APWU bargaining Units, and annuitants will automatically become associate members of the APWU upon enrollment in the APWU Health Plan. Associate members will be billed by the APWU for annual membership dues, except where exempt by law (survivor annuitant or someone who is eligible for coverage under Spouse Equity Law or TCC).

# **Brochure Tour**



#### Things we don't cover pg.131-132

#### Section 6. General Exclusions - Services, Drugs and Supplies We Do Not Cover

The exclusions in this section apply to all benefits. There may be other exclusions and limitations listed in Section 5 of this brochure. Although we may list a specific service as a benefit, we will not cover it unless we determine it is medically necessary to prevent, diagnose, or treat your illness, disease, injury, or condition. For information on obtaining prior approval for specific services, such as transplants, (see Section 3, You need prior Plan approval for certain services).

### How and when to file a paper claim pgs.133-135

#### Section 7. Filing a Claim For Covered Services

This Section primarily deals with post-service claims (claims for services, drugs or supplies you have already received).

See Section 3 for information on pre-service claims procedures (services, drugs or supplies requiring prior Plan approval), including urgent care claims procedures.

### How to appeal pgs.136-138

#### Section 8. The Disputed Claims Process

You may appeal directly to the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) if we do not follow required claims processes. For more information or to make an inquiry about situations in which you are entitled to immediately appeal to OPM, including additional requirements not listed in Sections 3, 7 and 8 of this brochure, please call your plan's customer service representative at the phone number found on your enrollment card, plan brochure, or plan website.

What if you have Medicare, Other Insurance, TRICARE, CHAMPA pgs.139-150

#### Section 9. Coordinating Benefits with Medicare and Other Coverage

When you have other health coverage

You must tell us if you or a covered family member has coverage under any other health plan or has automobile insurance that pays healthcare expenses without regard to fault. This is called "double coverage."

Term definitions pgs.151-156

#### Section 10. Definitions of Terms We Use in This Brochure

# **Questions for Closing Session**

Email any questions to: closingsessionquestions@apwuhp.com

You will receive an email following our Seminar with a link to fill out your class evaluations online.





### **39<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL OPEN SEASON SEMINAR**

# UnitedHealthcare Postal PCA Experience

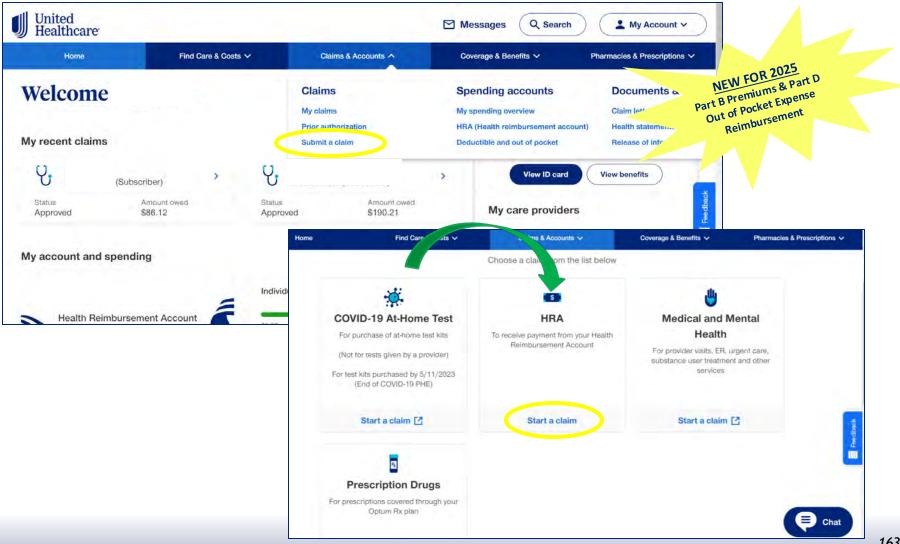


# APWU Health Plan - Postal PCA

Date	2025 Postal Policy # 935443	Comments
1/1/25	2025 PCA \$1,200/\$2,400	Only 1/1/2025 Dates of service will be processed on the new policy The PCA will apply toward 2025 claims until exhaustion <u>New for 2025</u> Part B Premiums & Part D Out of Pocket cost will need to be submitted manually **If members want to shut off the PCA, they would need to update the new policy ***Prior 2024 PCA balance will remain under the 714081 policy to apply to 2024 claims until 3/1/25
3/1 - 3/17/25	UHC team is pulling over remaining balances & applying to new policy	
3/18/25	Updated PCA balance available (2024 remaining + 2025 new)	<b>2025</b> PCA will include any rollover \$\$ to apply to <b>2025</b> claims Max balance exchange will be applied \$5,000/\$10,000
Ongoing		****If members need balance adjustments or claim adjustments outside of this timeline, please call UHC Member Services 1-855-808-3003

# PCA (HRA) Reimbursement www.myuhc.com





# PCA (HRA) Reimbursement





# PCA (HRA) - How to shut off automatic reimbursement



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	s	Health Reimburs	ement Account	Carryover Balance \$35.52	<ul><li>Total Funds</li><li>\$2,450.00</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Year to Date Payments</li> <li>\$1,817.33</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Balance</li> <li>\$668.19</li> </ul>	— Detail
	s	Health Reimburse Employer Contribution \$2,400.00	ement Account  Incentive Earned	\$35.52		Payments		— Detail

### PCA (HRA)-How to shut off automatic reimbursement



