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UNITE HERE Staff - Retirees

Plan Unit 173R

Summary Plan Description
Your Health and Welfare Benefits

Your Fund is taking care of you during the national coronavirus emergency!

Until the end of the national coronavirus (COVID-19) emergency as declared by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), you will not pay any cost-sharing (copays, deductibles, or coinsurance) for:

- **If you are covered under the medical benefits for people who are not Medicare-eligible** (see page C-1):

Non-Medicare

- Medically appropriate COVID-19 testing ordered by a healthcare provider. (“Testing” includes both tests to determine if you currently have the virus, or if you have antibodies to the virus.) In addition, if the primary purpose is to get testing, you will not pay any cost-sharing for items and services related to the test, including, for example, in-person or telehealth office visits, urgent care center visits, and emergency room visits. However, your normal cost-sharing applies to visits, items, and services (other than the COVID-19 test), if the primary purpose of your visit isn’t to get or determine if you need a COVID-19 test.
- Covered immunizations include ACIP-recommended coronavirus vaccines at network providers, and until the end of the public health emergency for the coronavirus pandemic, non-network providers.

- **If you are covered under the prescription drug benefit** (see page E-1):

Non-Medicare

Medicare

- Covered immunizations include ACIP-recommended coronavirus vaccines at network pharmacies, and until the end of the public health emergency for the coronavirus pandemic, non-network pharmacies.
- FDA-authorized over-the-counter COVID-19 tests that are self-administered and self-read. You can buy tests from your local pharmacy or get them through the mail by calling WellDyne at (844) 813-3860. Visit www.uhh.org/covidtests for more information or to request reimbursement.
 - You can get up to 8 tests per person during a 30-day period (this limit does not apply to medically appropriate tests ordered by a healthcare professional).
 - Generally, you’ll be reimbursed up to \$12/test or \$24/2-pack for eligible purchases.
 - The Fund will not pay for tests for employment purposes or purchased from a private person, online auction, or resale marketplace.
 - If you buy your tests from your local pharmacy, you MUST go to the pharmacy (do NOT go to another check-out such as the cosmetics counter). Make sure you show your Hospitality Rx ID card. Otherwise, you’ll have to pay for the tests and submit your receipt for reimbursement as described below.
 - If you get your tests online or at a retailer, submit your receipt for reimbursement. Print the form at www.uhh.org/covidtests and fill in ALL information. Complete a separate claim form for each family member. Include the receipt (it must show charges and purchase date). Mail form/receipt to the address shown on the form.

When HHS declares the national emergency related to the coronavirus (COVID-19) has ended, the temporary special benefit changes made to support you and your family during the national emergency will also end and the regular Plan rules (including what cost-sharing you must pay, network requirements, and what’s not covered) will again apply.

Because of the pandemic, you generally have more time to do certain things, like file or appeal a claim, enroll your new dependent, or elect COBRA and make COBRA payments. Call us at (866) 686-0003 for more information.

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Plan Unit 173R

Effective October 1, 2022

This Summary Plan Description supersedes and replaces all materials previously issued.

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Retiree benefits provided through the Fund are not vested or accrued benefits.

This means the retiree benefits are not guaranteed to continue indefinitely.

The Trustees have full and exclusive authority to change or terminate the benefits and the eligibility requirements at any time.

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Using this book

Learn:

- What UNITE HERE HEALTH is.
- What this book is and how to use it.

Please take some time to review this book.

If you have dependents, share this information with them, and let them know where you put this book so you and your family can use it for future reference.

What is UNITE HERE HEALTH?

UNITE HERE HEALTH (the Fund) was created to provide benefits for you and your covered dependents. UNITE HERE HEALTH serves participants working for employers in the hospitality industry and is governed by a Board of Trustees made up of an equal number of union and employer trustees. Each employer contributes to UNITE HERE HEALTH according to a specific contract, called a Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA), between the employer and the union, or a Participation Agreement (PA) between the employer and UNITE HERE HEALTH.

Your coverage is being offered under Plan Unit 173R (UNITE HERE Staff - Retirees), which has been adopted by the Trustees of UNITE HERE HEALTH to provide medical and other health and welfare benefits through the Fund. Other SPDs explain the benefits for other Plan Units, including Plan Unit 173A (UNITE HERE Staff - Actives).

What is this book and why is it important?

This book is your Summary Plan Description (SPD). Your SPD helps you understand what your benefits are and how to use your benefits. It is a summary of the Plan's rules and regulations and describes:

- What your benefits are.
- How you become eligible for coverage.
- When your dependents are covered.
- Limitations and exclusions.
- How to file claims.
- How to appeal denied claims.

In the event of a conflict between this Summary Plan Description and the Plan Document governing the Plan, the Plan Document will govern.

No contributing employer, employer association, labor organization, or any person employed by one of these organizations has the authority to answer questions or interpret any provisions of this Summary Plan Description on behalf of the Fund.

How do I use my SPD?

This SPD is broken into sections. You can get more information about different topics by carefully reading each section. A summary of the topics is shown at the start of each section. When you have questions, you should contact the Fund at **(866) 686-0003**. The Fund can help you understand how your benefits work.

Read your SPD for important information about what your benefits are, how your benefits are paid, and what rules you may need to follow. You can find more information about a specific benefit in the applicable section. For example, if you are not Medicare-eligible you can get more information about your medical benefits in the section titled “Medical benefits if you are not Medicare-eligible.” If you want to know more about your life insurance benefits, read the section titled “Life insurance benefits.”

Some terms are defined for you in the section titled “Definitions” starting *on page M-2*. The SPD will also explain what some commonly used terms mean. When you have questions about what certain words or terms mean, contact the Fund at **(866) 686-0003**.

How do my benefit options affect this SPD?

The benefits described in this SPD describe the terms of all of the benefit options available under Plan Unit 173R. However, the agreement with your former employer determines which benefit options you have. For example, if you are not eligible for dental benefits, the part of the SPD that explains dental benefits does not apply to you.

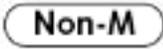
You cannot elect coverage for your dependents only. You must elect coverage for yourself in order to elect coverage for your dependents. When you have questions about your benefits, contact the Fund at **(866) 686-0003**.

How eligibility for Medicare affects the benefits described in this SPD

Your benefits—and your dependents’ benefits—are based on whether or not you are Medicare-eligible, and, for certain benefits, whether or not you are considered a grandfathered retiree. If you are Medicare-eligible and your dependents are not, you will get the benefits for people who are Medicare-eligible, and your dependents will get the benefits for people who are not Medicare-eligible. (The reverse is also true.)

After you become Medicare-eligible, the benefits you get under 173R will change, as shown in the table below.

Look for the icons in this SPD so you know which benefits may apply to you if you are Medicare-eligible or not Medicare-eligible. Contact the Fund at **(866) 686-0003** if you aren’t sure which benefits apply to you.

HOW MEDICARE ELIGIBILITY AFFECTS THE BENEFITS DESCRIBED IN THIS SPD		
	If you (retiree or dependent) are NOT Medicare-eligible	If you (retiree or dependent) are Medicare-eligible
	 	 
Medical Benefits	See “Medical benefits if you are not Medicare-eligible” <i>(page C-1)</i> <i>not available to certain grandfathered retirees and dependents</i>	See “Medical benefits if you are Medicare-eligible” <i>(page D-2)</i>
Prescription Drug Benefits	See “Prescription Drug Benefits” <i>(page E-1)</i>	See “Prescription Drug Benefits” <i>(page E-1)</i>
Dental Benefits	See “Dental Benefits” <i>(page F-1)</i> <i>only available to certain grandfathered retirees and dependents</i>	See “Dental Benefits” <i>(page F-1)</i> <i>only available to certain grandfathered retirees and dependents</i>
Vision Benefits	See “Vision Benefits” <i>(page G-1)</i>	Not available
Life Insurance Benefits <i>Retirees only</i>	See “Life Insurance Benefits” <i>(page H-1)</i> <i>only available to certain grandfathered retirees</i>	See “Life Insurance Benefits” <i>(page H-1)</i> <i>only available to certain grandfathered retirees</i>

Programs to help you

The Fund may, from time to time, offer certain educational or informational programs. These programs will be available at the Fund's sole discretion and may only be offered to certain participants. The Fund will send out information about the programs as available.

How can I get help?

UNITE HERE HEALTH

www.uhh.org

Call the Fund:

- When you have questions about your benefits.
- When you have questions about your eligibility for enrollment or benefits.
- When you have questions about self-payments.
- To update your address.
- To report changes in your family status, such as divorce or a new child.
- To request new ID cards.
- To get forms or a new SPD.

Download the UHH Member Portal mobile app! Get 24/7 access to your benefits and more!

To download the app, scan the QR code or search “UHH Member Portal” in your app store.

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Summary of benefits



Summary of benefits

Please call the Fund with questions about your benefits: **(866) 686-0003**

Medical benefits if you are not Medicare-eligible

Certain grandfathered retirees and dependents are not eligible for these medical benefits.

In general, what you pay for medical care is based on what kind of care you get, where you get your care, and whether you go to a network or a non-network provider. For example, you pay less if you use an urgent care center instead of going to the emergency room for non-emergency care.

This section shows what you pay for your medical care (called your “cost-sharing”). You pay any copays, deductibles, your coinsurance share, amounts over a maximum benefit, and expenses that are not covered, including any charges that are more than the allowable charge when you use a non-network provider

If you do not call Healthcheck360 for prior authorization, your claim could also be denied entirely. *See page C-4* for more information.

Non-Medicare	MEDICAL BENEFITS IF YOU ARE NOT MEDICARE-ELIGIBLE—What You Pay	
	Network Provider	Non-Network Provider
Calendar Year Deductibles		
Calendar Year Deductibles	\$200 per person \$600 per family	\$400 per person \$800 per family
Lifetime Maximum Benefit per Person — <i>See page C-8 for more information about when the lifetime maximum applies</i>	\$1,000,000	
Preventive Care		
Well baby care— <i>for children up to 18 months of age</i>	\$0	Not covered
Immunizations	\$20 copay/visit	
Routine colorectal cancer screenings— <i>frequency limits apply (see page C-13)</i>	\$0	
Routine PSA tests — <i>frequency limits apply (see page C-13)</i>	\$0	
Preventive Exam — <i>frequency limits apply (see page C-13)</i>	\$0	

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Non-Medicare	MEDICAL BENEFITS IF YOU ARE NOT MEDICARE-ELIGIBLE—What You Pay	
	Network Provider	Non-Network Provider
Office Visits		
Primary Care Provider (PCP) Office Visit	\$10 copay/visit	40% after deductible
Specialist Visit— <i>when a PCP follows the specialist referral rules (see page C-2)</i>	\$10 copay/visit	
Specialist Visit— <i>when a PCP does not follow the specialist referral program (see page C-2)</i>	\$20 copay/visit	
Mental Health/Substance Abuse Office Visits	\$20 copay/visit	
Chiropractic Care	\$20 copay/visit	40% after deductible
Podiatric Services		
Urgent and Emergency Care		
Urgent Care Center	\$20 copay/visit	40% after deductible
Emergency Room Services	\$0 after deductible	
Professional Ambulance Services	First \$50 in charges – \$0 After first \$50 in charges – 40% after deductible	
Diagnostic Services		
Diagnostic Services	\$0 after deductible	40% after deductible

Commencement of Legal Action

Neither you, your beneficiary, nor any other claimant may commence a lawsuit against the Plan (or its Trustees, providers or staff) for benefits denied until the Plan's internal appeal procedures have been exhausted.

If you finish all internal appeals and decide to file a lawsuit against the Plan, that lawsuit must be commenced no more than 12 months after the date of the appeal denial letter. If you fail to commence your lawsuit within this 12-month time frame, you will permanently and irrevocably lose your right to challenge the denial in court or in any other manner or forum. This 12-month rule applies to you and to your beneficiaries and any other person or entity making a claim on your behalf.

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Non-Medicare	MEDICAL BENEFITS IF YOU ARE NOT MEDICARE-ELIGIBLE—What You Pay	
	Network Provider	Non-Network Provider
Outpatient Services		
Hospital Outpatient Services	\$0 after deductible	40% after deductible
Ambulatory Surgical Services	\$0 after deductible	
Habilitative Therapy for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder — <i>certain limits apply (see page C-15)</i>	\$10 copay/day of treatment	
Diabetes Education — <i>up to \$200 per person each calendar year</i>	\$0	Not covered
Nutritional Counseling — <i>up to \$200 per person each calendar year</i>		
Inpatient Treatment		
Inpatient Hospitalization	\$0 after deductible	40% after deductible
Inpatient Hospitalization for Mental Health/Substance Abuse Treatment <i>(including residential treatment)</i>		
Skilled Nursing Facility — <i>up to 70 total days per person each calendar year</i>	\$0 after deductible	40% after deductible
Other Services and Supplies		
Unreplaced Blood and Blood Plasma— <i>after the cost of the first pint</i>	25%	
Home Healthcare Services — <i>up to 200 total visits per person each calendar year</i>	\$0 after deductible	40% after deductible
Hospice Care — <i>up to 210 total lifetime visits per person</i>	\$0 after deductible	40% after deductible
Outpatient Substance Abuse and Mental Health Treatment	\$20 copay/visit	40% after deductible
Anesthesia	\$0	
Second and Third Surgical Opinions	\$0	
Durable Medical Equipment	\$0 after deductible	40% after deductible
Medical Foods— <i>See page C-15 for information</i>	Plan reimburses you 100%	

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Non-Medicare	MEDICAL BENEFITS IF YOU ARE NOT MEDICARE-ELIGIBLE—What You Pay	
	Network Provider	Non-Network Provider
All services available at the Atlantic City UNITE HERE HEALTH—Health Center	\$0	N/A
All Other Covered Expenses	\$0 after deductible	40% after deductible

Medicare	MEDICAL BENEFITS IF YOU ARE MEDICARE-ELIGIBLE —What the Plan Pays	
<i>Medicare Part A Services (see page D-2)</i>		<i>What the Plan Pays</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Medicare Part A deductible per spell of illness. Hospital confinement from the 91st day through the 455th day. The first three pints of blood not covered by Medicare. The daily coinsurance for skilled nursing facility confinement from the 21st day through the 100th day. Emergency hospital care when an individual is out of the country. 		100%
<i>Medicare Part B Services (see page D-2)</i>		<i>What the Plan Pays</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The annual Medicare Part B deductible. Medicare Part B coinsurance for certain outpatient medical services. Certain immunizations covered by Medicare. 		100%
<i>Limited Medical Benefits (see page D-2)</i>		<i>What the Plan Pays</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One routine eye exam each calendar year. Professional private duty nursing services. Immunizations not covered by Medicare Part B. 		Plan pays 80% of first \$2,000 after you pay \$150 deductible Then Plan pays 100% up to \$25,000 per calendar year and \$50,000 lifetime

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<div style="text-align: center;"> Non-Medicare Medicare </div>	PRESCRIPTION DRUG BENEFITS— <i>What You Pay</i> <i>If you are not Medicare-eligible or</i> <i>if you are Medicare-eligible</i>		
Calendar Year Maximum Benefit Payable per Family	\$21,000		
What You Pay at Network Pharmacies and Mail Order	Retail Pharmacy <i>up to a 34-day supply</i>	Mail Order <i>up to a 60-day supply</i>	
Formulary Prescription Drug Benefits	Per Prescription		
Smoking Cessation Drugs and Supplies <i>including prescription generic over-the-counter products, generic products, and certain brand products</i>	\$0	n/a	
Covered Immunizations	\$0	n/a	
Generic and Some Brand Drugs	\$15	\$15	
Preferred Drugs	\$30	\$30	
Non-Preferred Drugs	\$30	\$30	
Select Specialty and Select Biosimilar Drugs*	Not covered	Generic	Brand
		\$15	25%
Non-Formulary Prescription Drugs and Supplies	Not covered, unless an exception is approved		
<i>* Current pharmacy benefit provider will actively manage and determine drugs in tier. Specialty drugs are only available through the specialty mail order pharmacy or through the UNITE HERE HEALTH — Health Center. However, if you take specialty medications as part of your HIV treatment plan, you may be able to receive an exception to use your network retail pharmacy instead.</i>			
Get free prescription drugs at the UNITE HERE HEALTH — Health Center pharmacy at 1801 Atlantic Avenue, Atlantic City, NJ 08401. (609) 570-2400 www.uhh.org/achc			

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<div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 15px; padding: 2px; display: inline-block; margin-bottom: 5px;">Non-Medicare</div> <div style="background-color: black; color: white; border-radius: 15px; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">Medicare</div>	DENTAL BENEFITS—What You Pay <i>Dental benefits are only available to certain grand-fathered retirees and their dependents (regardless of whether or not Medicare-eligible)</i>	
Description of Services	Delta Dental PPO Network Dentists	Delta Dental Premier Dentists and Non-Network Dentist
Calendar Year Maximum Benefit for Dental (non-ortho) Treatment	\$2,000 per person	
Lifetime Maximum Benefit for Orthodontia Treatment	\$500 per child under age 19	
Calendar Year Deductible	\$25 per person; \$100 per family	
What You Pay for Covered Dental Care		
Diagnostic & Preventive Services— <i>Example: oral exams, emergency palliative care, x-rays, routine cleaning, fluoride treatment, sealants, space maintainers, labial veneers, periodontal (gum) maintenance</i>	\$0	\$0
Restorative Services— <i>Example: fillings, onlays, crowns, pin retention</i>	20% after deductible	20% after deductible
Endodontic Services— <i>Example: root canals</i>	20% after deductible	20% after deductible
Periodontic Services— <i>Example: scaling and root planing, full-mouth debridement, certain surgical periodontal services</i>	20% after deductible	20% after deductible
Oral Surgery— <i>Example: Extractions (simple and surgical), certain sedation procedures</i>	20% after deductible	20% after deductible
Prosthodontic Services— <i>Example: complete or partial dentures, bridges, adjustments and repairs to dentures</i>	20% after deductible	20% after deductible
Other Services <i>Example: implants, therapeutic drug injections</i>	20% after deductible	20% after deductible
Orthodontic Services (for children under age 19 only)	40%	40%

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Non-Medicare		VISION BENEFITS—What the Plan Pays
<i>Vision benefits are not available to retirees or dependents who are Medicare-eligible. Vision benefits are also not available to certain grandfathered retirees and their dependents.</i>		
		Maximum Benefit
For retirees and spouses		100% up to \$75 every 24 months
For dependent children age 19 and older		100% up to \$75 every 24 months
For dependent children under age 19		100% up to \$75 every 12 months

Non-Medicare		LIFE BENEFIT—What the Plan Pays
Medicare		
<i>Life insurance benefits are only available to certain grandfathered retirees (regardless of whether or not Medicare-eligible)</i>		
Certain grandfathered retirees only		\$5,000

*Once you become Medicare-eligible,
you will get the benefits for people who are Medicare-eligible –
even if you were previously getting the benefits described in this section*

Medical benefits if you are not Medicare-eligible

Learn:

Non-Medicare

- Using the specialist referral program.
- When to call for prior authorization.
- How to use your medical benefits.
- What types of medical healthcare the Plan covers.
- What types of medical healthcare are not covered.

Certain grandfathered retirees and dependents are not eligible for these medical benefits. See page D-2 for information about your medical benefits if you (or your dependents) are Medicare-eligible.

Medical benefits if you are not Medicare-eligible

Certain grandfathered retirees and dependents are not eligible for these medical benefits even if they are not Medicare-eligible.

See the Summary of Benefits starting *on page B-2* for a summary of what you pay for your medical healthcare.

Prior authorization

The prior authorization program is designed to help make sure you and your dependents get the right care in the right setting. It helps make sure you don't get unnecessary medical care and helps you manage complex or long-term medical conditions. The prior authorization program includes mandatory prior authorization of certain types of care to help you make decisions about your healthcare.

To get prior authorization, call toll free:

HealthCheck360

(844) 462-7812

24/7 nurse line

(866) 823-9827

The prior authorization program is not medical advice. You are still responsible for making any decisions about medical matters. UNITE HERE HEALTH, your health fund ("the Fund"), is not responsible for any consequences resulting from decisions you or your provider make based on the prior authorization program or the Plan's determination of the benefits it will pay.

Specialist referral program/reduced specialist copay

You should choose a primary care provider (PCP) for yourself and for each of your dependents. You can all have the same PCP, or you can each choose different PCPs. For children, you may designate a pediatrician as your child's PCP. Remember, you save money if you use a network PCP. You have the right to designate any PCP, whether the provider participates in the network or not, who is available to accept you or your family members. You can change your PCP at any time. If you don't have a PCP, the Fund can help you find one.

A primary care provider (PCP) is defined as a provider who has completed the necessary training to practice in the following fields:

- Family medicine.
- General practice.
- Internal medicine.
- Pediatrics (for children).
- Obstetrics/gynecology (while you are pregnant).

Medical benefits if you are not Medicare-eligible

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- ✓ You or your PCP should call HealthCheck360 if you need to see a specialist. However, it is up to you to make sure HealthCheck360 are contacted before you go to a specialist in order to pay the lower specialist copay. You can always contact HealthCheck360 to see if your PCP has provided the referral.
- ✓ You do not need a referral for: preventive care, acupuncture, chiropractic care, mental health/substance abuse treatment, routine podiatry, and physical, occupational, or speech therapy.

If you need to see a specialist, ask your PCP to contact HealthCheck360 with the referral. HealthCheck360 may send your PCP information about your healthcare services so your PCP can coordinate your care.

HealthCheck360 will send you a letter telling you when your referral to the specialist was approved, and how many visits are approved or how long the approval lasts (such as 6 months). You do not need another referral for that type of specialist until you use all of the pre-approved visits, or until after the approved period of time. If you still need specialist care, ask your PCP to contact HealthCheck360 again.

- If your PCP contacts HealthCheck360 about the network specialist visit, your copay will be \$10. Any PCP can make this referral, including a non-network PCP.
- If your PCP does not contact HealthCheck360 before you see a network specialist, your copay will be \$20. Your copay will NOT be reduced to \$10 if your PCP calls after the specialist visit. However, if your PCP contacts HealthCheck360 before your next specialist visit, your copay for that visit will only be \$10.
- If you choose a non-network specialist, you pay 20% (after deductible) of the allowable charges for the visit. HealthCheck360 can still coordinate your care, even if you choose a non-network specialist.

Although an OB/GYN (or other provider specializing in obstetrics or gynecology) is only considered a PCP if you are pregnant, the \$10 PCP copay applies to each network office visit to an OB/GYN. HealthCheck360 can help coordinate your care between the OB/GYN and your PCP.

You do not need prior authorization from HealthCheck360 in order to access obstetrical or gynecological care from a network healthcare provider who specializes in obstetrics or gynecology. The healthcare provider, however, may be required to comply with certain procedures, including obtaining prior authorization for certain services, following a pre-approved treatment plan, or procedures for making referrals. For help finding participating healthcare providers who specialize in obstetrics or gynecology, contact your HealthCheck360 at **(844) 462-7812**.

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Medical benefits if you are not Medicare-eligible

Get prior authorization for certain services and supplies

- ✓ If you use a network provider for an inpatient stay, the inpatient facility must get prior authorization for you.

You or your healthcare provider must get prior authorization before you get any of the types of care listed below. If you don't get prior authorization before you receive these types of care, your claim may be denied. Making sure you get prior authorization first helps you avoid surprise medical bills. **If you get treatment, services, or supplies that are not approved, not covered, or are not medically necessary, you pay 100% of your care.**

HealthCheck360

(844) 462-7812

- ✓ Prior authorization does not guarantee eligibility for benefits. The payment of Plan benefits are subject to all Plan rules, including but not limited to eligibility, cost sharing, and exclusions.

When to call for prior authorization

- ✓ The prior authorization list may change from time to time. Contact the Fund at **(866) 686-0003** for the most up-to-date information.

You or your healthcare provider should get prior authorization before any of the following:

- Any inpatient admission, regardless of the type of facility or care, including but not limited to skilled nursing facility care, hospice care, acute rehabilitation care, long-term acute facility care, residential treatment, maternity admissions following 48 hours for a vaginal delivery and 96 hours following a Cesarean delivery, and elective Cesarean section (C-section) admissions under 38 weeks
- Non-emergency air ambulance transportation
- Bariatric surgery (including but not limited to gastric bypass and banding procedures)
- Blepharoplasty
- Chemotherapy
- Clinical trials
- Diagnostic imaging services as follows:
 - CT, CTA, and CAT scans (computed tomography scintiscan or computerized axial tomography scintiscan)

Medical benefits if you are not Medicare-eligible

- ▶ MRA and MRI (magnetic resonance angiography or magnetic resonance imaging)
- ▶ PET scan (positron emission tomography scintiscan)
- Dialysis – notification only
- Durable medical equipment over \$500 (including breast pumps costing over \$500)
- Electroconvulsive therapy (ECT)
- Gender reassignment surgical services and certain hormone therapy
- Genetic testing
- Gynecomastia surgery
- Habilitative therapy for children with autism spectrum disorder
- Hospice services
- Hyperbaric oxygen therapy treatment
- Hysterectomy
- Select injectable, infused, ingested, or inhaled medications administered by your provider in an outpatient setting
- Joint replacements, including but not limited to hip and knee replacements
- Laminectomy
- Le Fort osteotomy
- Lipectomy and panniculectomy
- Mammoplasty (breast reduction)
- Medical foods for inborn errors of metabolism
- Orthognathic surgery
- Orthotics or prosthetics (including podiatric orthotics) over \$500
- Partial hospitalization and intensive outpatient programs
- Physical, occupational, and speech therapy after the first 12 visits
- Radiation therapy
- Reconstructive surgery
- Sinus surgery (including but not limited to rhinoplasty, and/or septoplasty, and submucous resection)

Medical benefits if you are not Medicare-eligible

- Skilled services provided in a home setting, including home healthcare, home therapy (PT, OT, ST) and home infusion
- Sleep studies
- Temporomandibular joint surgery
- Transcranial magnetic stimulation (TMS)
- Transplant services
- Travel and lodging
- Varicose vein procedures (including vein sclerotherapy)

You should contact HealthCheck360 before getting any of the above types of services and supplies, or being admitted as an inpatient. This list changes from time to time. Contact the Fund at **(866) 686-0003** for the most up-to-date information.

For emergency admissions, be sure to call no later than the first business day following the admission.

If you are hospitalized because you are having a baby, you do not need to call HealthCheck360 for prior authorization unless your stay will be longer than 48 hours following a vaginal childbirth, or 96 hours following a Cesarean section. This protection under the Newborns' and Mothers' Health Protection Act (NMHPA) also means your benefits are not restricted during the 48-hour period (or 96-hour period, as applicable). However, NMHPA doesn't prohibit your (or your newborn's) attending provider from discharging you or your newborn earlier than 48 hours (or 96 hours as applicable), after consulting with you first.

See *"Rules for Prior Authorization"* on page L-6 for information about when the applicable entity must respond to your request for prior authorization and information about how to appeal a prior authorization denial.

Nurse Line

(866) 823-9827

HealthCheck360 offers a free 24/7 nurse line to answer questions about your or your family's health. The HealthCheck360 nurse line is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and 365 days a year. The nurse can help answer questions like:

- Should I see my PCP or go to the emergency room?
- What are the side effects of my medications?
- Will my new medication interact with other medications?

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Case management program

You and your dependents may be eligible for the case management program under certain circumstances, including if you have a complex or chronic medical condition or if your condition has a high expected cost. You may be contacted to participate in case management, but you or your healthcare provider can also request case management services. HealthCheck360 provides case management services.

If you are selected for the case management program, a case manager will work with you and your healthcare providers to create a treatment plan and help you manage your care. The goal of case management is to make sure that your healthcare needs are met while helping you work toward the best possible health outcome, and managing the cost of your care.

The case manager may recommend treatments, services, or supplies that would not normally be covered but are medically appropriate and more cost-effective than the original treatment proposed by your healthcare provider. UNITE HERE HEALTH, at its discretion and in its sole authority, may approve coverage for those alternatives, even if the treatment, service, or supply would not normally be covered.

In some cases, case management may be required. For example, you may be required to use the case management program in order to get benefits for transplants or travel and lodging costs. If you do not use the case management program when required, Plan benefits may not be payable. Unless specified as mandatory, it is your choice whether or not to join the case management program, and whether or not to follow the program's recommendations.

Network providers

UNITE HERE HEALTH has contracted with Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois (BCBSIL) so you and your covered dependents can receive medical and surgical services from area hospitals and providers participating in the network.

Benefits are paid based on whether you use a network provider or a non-network provider. Treatment by a non-network provider is generally reimbursed at a lower level. To find a network provider, contact:

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois

(800) 810-BLUE (2583) toll free

www.bcbsil.com

*In California, only Blue Cross providers are network providers;
Blue Shield providers are not in your network.*

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When a non-network provider may be considered a network provider

In the special circumstances listed below, the Plan will pay for non-network services at the network cost share.

However, you may have to pay the difference between the allowable charge and the provider's actual charge (called balance billing).

A non-network provider may be considered a network provider when:

- *Emergency medical treatment*
You get emergency medical treatment from a non-network provider. You pay the network cost-sharing, but the provider may also balance bill you (*see page M-3* for the definition of "emergency medical treatment").
- *Non-network providers who provide inpatient consultations or specialize in anesthesiology, emergency medicine, pathology, or radiology*
You use non-network providers who provide inpatient consultations or who specialize in anesthesiology, emergency medicine, pathology, or radiology. You pay the network cost-sharing, but the provider may also balance bill you.
- *There is no network provider in the required specialty*
The network does not have a provider in the required specialty. You pay the network cost-sharing, but the provider may also balance bill you.

Types of medical benefits

Your medical benefits are split into two categories:

- Basic inpatient and outpatient benefits
- Medical and surgical benefits

The deductibles apply to both types of medical benefits. However, the deductibles will not apply to certain types of medical and surgical benefits. The deductibles do apply to all of your basic inpatient and outpatient benefits.

The lifetime maximum benefit only applies to medical and surgical covered expenses.

Lifetime maximum benefit for medical and surgical benefits

The Plan will pay up to \$1,000,000 per person for your covered expenses for medical and surgical benefits during your lifetime for network and non-network covered expenses combined. Once the Plan has paid \$1,000,000 in total medical benefits on your behalf, the Plan will not pay any additional amount for your medical and surgical benefits.

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However, every calendar year, the Plan will automatically restore some of your lifetime maximum benefit. Restoration of your lifetime maximum benefit starts the first day of the calendar year after you have been covered under Plan 173 (Retirees) for at least 12 months. The amount of your lifetime maximum benefit that will be restored is the lesser of:

- The amount of the medical and surgical benefits paid on your behalf during the prior calendar year; OR
- \$5,000

For example, suppose you have been covered under Plan 173 (Retirees) for two years. The Plan paid \$4,000 in benefits for you during the past year. On January 1, the amount of Plan benefits paid toward your lifetime maximum benefit is reduced by \$4,000.

The lifetime maximum benefit does not apply to covered expenses for basic inpatient and outpatient benefits.

What you pay

You must pay your cost-share (such as copays and coinsurance) for your share of covered expenses. You must also pay any expenses that are not considered covered expenses (*see page M-3* for information about what's not covered), including charges once a maximum benefit or limitation has been met.

Deductibles

There are two types of deductibles.

- **Network calendar year deductibles** of \$200 per person and \$600 per family apply each calendar year to your covered expenses provided by network providers before this Plan pays benefits.
- **Non-network calendar year deductibles** of \$400 per person and \$800 per family apply each calendar year to your covered expenses provided by non-network providers before this Plan pays benefits.

You only have to pay each deductible once each calendar year. Once you have paid your deductible (sometimes called “satisfying your deductible”), you do not have to make any more payments toward your deductible for the rest of that year.

Amounts you pay for your network calendar year deductible do not apply to your non-network calendar year deductible, and vice versa.

The calendar year deductibles do not apply to covered expenses for the following medical and surgical benefits:

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- Network services for:
 - Preventive care.
 - Office visits.
 - Chiropractic or podiatric services.
 - Outpatient mental health or substance abuse services.
 - Clinic or urgent care facility services.
 - Certified diabetes educator or registered dietitian services.
 - Non-replaced blood and blood plasma.
 - Second or third surgical opinions.
 - The first \$50 charged per trip for professional ambulance transportation.
 - Medical foods.
- The following non-network services:
 - Anesthesiology.
 - Non-replaced blood and blood plasma.
 - Second or third surgical opinions.
 - The first \$50 charged per trip for professional ambulance transportation.
 - Medical foods.

Any allowable charges applied to your calendar year deductibles during the last three months of the year will carry over and apply to your calendar year deductible in the next year. For example, if in December, you pay \$100 out-of-pocket toward your network calendar year deductible, your network calendar year deductible for the next year will be \$100 (\$200 total - \$100 from December).

See page M-3 for more information about what a deductible is.

Copays

You pay copays for certain types of care (*see page B-2*). Your copay is your only cost-sharing for all of the healthcare you receive during that network visit or urgent care center visit.

For example: If you have a network office visit, you will only pay your office visit copay—you won't owe any other copays for other services (such as lab work or x-rays) you get during that office visit. For example, if you have an office visit, you will only pay your office visit copay—you

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won't owe any other copays for other services (such as lab work or x-rays) you get during that office visit.

See page M-2 for more information about what a copay is.

What's covered

The Plan will only pay benefits for injuries or sicknesses that are not related to your job. Benefits are determined based on allowable charges for covered services resulting from medically necessary care and treatment prescribed or furnished by a healthcare provider.

Basic inpatient and outpatient benefits

- Hospital charges for room and board, and other inpatient or outpatient services.
 - The following outpatient charges actually administered by the hospital are also covered:
 - Emergency medical treatment for injury or sickness.
 - Surgery.
 - Chemotherapy for the treatment of malignant disease, other than oral chemotherapy or subcutaneous or intramuscular injection of drugs.
 - Radiation therapy.
 - Diagnostic services (such as MRIs and PET scans).
 - Preadmission testing associated with scheduled inpatient or outpatient surgery at the hospital where the tests are performed;
- **Ambulatory surgical facility services**, including general supplies, anesthesia, drugs, and operating and recovery rooms. If you have multiple surgeries, covered expenses are limited to charges for the primary surgery. However, professional services for surgical procedures that would normally be performed in a provider's office are not covered.
- **Skilled nursing facility care**, limited to a total of 70 days per person each calendar year for network and non-network care combined. The skilled nursing facility care must meet all of the following rules:
 - It must be under the care of a healthcare professional.
 - You must be a regular bed patient.
- **Home healthcare services**, up to a combined network/non-network maximum of 200 home care visits each calendar year. General housekeeping services or custodial care is not covered.

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- ▶ The following services will be covered regardless of whether they are furnished by network or non-network providers:
 - Part-time professional nursing services by an RN or LPN.
 - Part-time home health aide services. Four hours equals one home healthcare visit.
 - Physical, occupational, or speech therapy.
 - Medical supplies, prescription drugs, and laboratory services.
- ▶ The following services are covered only if furnished by network providers:
 - Medical social work services.
 - X-ray and EKG services.
- **Hospice services and supplies** if you are terminally ill, limited to 210 total lifetime visits per person for network and non-network services combined. The services must be authorized by a doctor. Covered hospice care includes:
 - ▶ Outpatient care in your home.
 - ▶ Inpatient care in a hospital, including a designated hospice unit.
 - ▶ Intermittent nursing or home healthcare.
 - ▶ Physical, occupational, or speech therapy.
 - ▶ Respiratory therapy and equipment.
 - ▶ Nutritional services.
 - ▶ Office visits.
 - ▶ Laboratory tests and x-rays.
 - ▶ Chemotherapy/radiation therapy for symptom control.
 - ▶ Prescription drugs.
 - ▶ Rental of medical equipment.
 - ▶ Medical/surgical supplies.
 - ▶ Social services, including up to five visits for bereavement counseling for your family, either before or after your death.

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Medical and surgical benefits

- The following **preventive healthcare services** when a network provider is used. Non-network services are not covered. PSA tests for men are covered once every 12 months for men age 40 through 69.
 - Cervical cancer screening (pap smears and human papillomavirus screening) are covered once each calendar year for women, regardless of age.
 - Routine mammogram screenings are covered once each calendar year for women age 35 and older, and are covered once each calendar year for women under age 35 who are at high risk for breast cancer.
 - One routine gynecological exam each calendar year if you are female and at least age 16.
 - One routine physical examination not otherwise covered above, limited to one such examination every year, conducted in the doctor's office.
 - Well baby examinations for children up to 18 months of age.
 - Routine immunizations and flu shots provided in accordance with the guidelines established by the American Academy of Pediatrics and the American Academy of Family Practitioners.
 - Preventive colorectal cancer screenings, when performed in accordance with the guidelines established by the United States Preventive Services Task Force for such screenings.
- Professional services of a **healthcare provider**.
- Treatment of **mental health disorders**, including inpatient and outpatient care. Services include treatment is provided by psychiatric nurses, Master's degreed social workers, licensed clinical professional counselors, and clinical psychologists.
- Treatment of **substance abuse**, including inpatient and outpatient care. Services include treatment provided by licensed chemical dependency therapists, Master's degreed social workers, and clinical psychologists.
- **Chiropractic services**.
- **Podiatric services**, including routine podiatry and surgery.
- Outpatient services in a clinic or **urgent care center**.
- Hospital **emergency room** services.
- Transportation by a **professional ambulance service** to an area medical facility that is able to provide the required treatment.

If you have no control over the ambulance getting called, for example when the ambulance

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is called by a healthcare provider, employer, law enforcement, school, etc., the ambulance transportation will be considered medically necessary. Contact the Fund if you had no control over an ambulance being called.

- **Radiology**, including x-rays, ultrasounds, and fetal monitoring.
- **Laboratory services**.
- **Diagnostic imaging**, including MRIs, MRAs, CT scans, PET scans, and cardiac testing.
- **Pregnancy** and pregnancy-related conditions, including childbirth, miscarriage, abortion, for retirees and covered dependents.
- **Mastectomies**, including all stages of surgery to rebuild the removed breast (reconstruction), surgery and reconstruction of the other breast so breasts look even, breast implants and prostheses, and treatment of physical health problems from a mastectomy, including swollen lymph glands (lymphedema).
- **Medical services for organ transplants** if the following rules are all met:
 - The transplant must be covered by Medicare, including meeting Medicare's clinical, facility, and provider requirements.
 - You must use any case management program recommended by the Fund or its representative.
 - You must get prior authorization for the transplant.
 - Donor expenses for your transplant are only covered if the donor has no other coverage.
 - Transplant coverage does not include your expenses if you are giving the organ instead of getting the organ.
- **Jaw reduction**, open or closed, for a fractured or dislocated jaw.
- Professional services related to **education** or training **for the care**, monitoring, or treatment of **diabetes** provided by a licensed network certified diabetes educator, up to \$200 per person each calendar year. Non-network services are not covered.
- Professional services for **nutritional counseling** provided by a licensed network registered dietitian, up to \$200 per person each calendar year. Non-network services are not covered.
- Unreplaced **blood and blood plasma** and their administration.
- **Anesthesia** and its administration.
- **Durable medical equipment**, and supplies, for all non-disposable devices or items prescribed by a healthcare provider, such as wheelchairs, hospital-type beds, respirators and

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associated support systems, infusion pumps, home dialysis equipment, monitoring devices, home traction units, and other similar medical equipment or devices.

- ▶ Rental fees are covered if the DME can only be rented, and the purchase price is covered if the DME can only be bought.
 - ▶ However, if DME can be either rented or bought, and if the rental fees for the course of treatment are likely to be more than the equipment's purchase price, benefits may be limited to the equipment's purchase price.
 - ▶ If DME is bought, costs for repair or maintenance are also covered.
- **Second and third surgical opinions.**
 - **Habilitative therapy** for children with autism spectrum disorder. *You, or your provider, must get prior authorization for habilitative therapy before the Plan pays benefits.* Plan benefits are limited to 30 hours per person each week, and a total of 36 months. "Habilitative therapy" includes applied behavioral analysis (ABA) therapy and similar types of treatment. It does not include physical, speech, or occupational therapy.
 - ▶ Your child must be at least 2 years old, but no more than 8 years old.
 - ▶ Your child must have a diagnosis of autism spectrum disorder, and have a prorated mental age of at least 11 months.
 - ▶ The provider supervising the habilitative therapy must be certified by the Behavioral Analyst Certification Board (BACB) as a Board Certified Behavior Analyst or Board Certified Behavior Analyst Doctorate (or is otherwise licensed to supervise this type of treatment).
 - ▶ The person providing the habilitative therapy must be certified by the BACB as a Board Certified Assistant Behavioral Analyst or Registered Behavioral Technician (or is otherwise licensed to provide this type of treatment).
 - ▶ The Plan will only pay benefits for services supplemental to any therapy for which your child is eligible through his or her school or school district. No benefits will be paid for therapy provided through the school or school district.
 - ▶ The habilitative therapy and treatment plan must get prior authorization from the Fund before treatment begins. The treatment notes and treatment plan must be reviewed by the Fund at least twice a year, and must show that:
 - Your child is demonstrating improvement.
 - You are trained to, and do, participate in the habilitative therapy.
 - You follow the treatment plan.
 - **Medical foods** if you have an inborn error of metabolism (IEM). *You must get prior*

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authorization for your medical food costs before the Plan will reimburse you. The Plan will reimburse 100% of your costs for medical foods. To be reimbursed, the medical food must be: (1) ordered by and used under the supervision of a healthcare provider; (2) the primary source of your nutrition; and (3) labeled and used for dietary management of your IEM.

- Outpatient rehabilitation services for **physical therapy**, provided by a licensed physical therapist.
- Outpatient rehabilitation services for **occupational therapy**, provided by a licensed occupational therapist.
- Outpatient **speech therapy services** when provided by a licensed speech therapist. With respect to children only, outpatient speech therapy is limited to \$2,500 per child each calendar year.
- **Radiation therapy.**
- **Chemotherapy and infusion services.**
- **Oxygen** and rental equipment for its administration.
- **Repair of sound natural teeth** and their supporting structures, if the covered expenses are the result of an injury. Treatment must be received while you are covered under the Fund. You may have additional dental coverage under your dental benefits, if applicable—see the dental benefits section *on page F-1.*
- **Sterilization procedures** for retirees and spouse, and female dependent children.
- **Nursing services** performed by a registered graduate nurse (RN) or licensed practical nurse (LPN) and other specialized services performed by registered graduate nurses with the following certifications:
 - Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist (CRNA).
 - Nurse Practitioner (NP).
 - Clinical Nurse Specialist (CNS).
 - Certified Nurse Midwife (CNM)
- **Services of Certified Registered Nurse First Assistants (CRNFAs).**
- **Surgical supplies and dressings**, including casts, splints, prostheses, braces, crutches, and trusses.
- Orthotics and prosthetics.
- Birth control devices.
- Treatment of **tumors, cysts, or lesions** not considered a dental procedure.

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- **Oral surgery** for the removal of bony impacted teeth.
- **Allergy treatments.**
- **Gender reassignment surgery** for individuals with a diagnosis of gender dysphoria and related charges (e.g. laboratory work, x-rays, office visits, etc.). The Plan will cover surgical procedures, including medically necessary corrective surgeries, to change your gender once (for example, if the Plan covers procedures changing your gender from male to female, the Plan will not pay to change your gender back to male). You must be at least 18 years of age and obtain prior authorization for surgical services.
- **Administration of injectable medications**, including immunizations otherwise covered by the Plan by a licensed pharmacist operating within the scope of his or her profession.

What's not covered

See page I-1 for a list of the Plan's general exclusions and limitations. In addition to that list, the Plan will not pay benefits for, or in connection with, the following medical treatments, services, and supplies:

- Ambulatory surgical facility fees for procedures normally performed in a provider's office.
- Prescription drugs and medications, other than those used where they are dispensed. Prescription drugs may be covered under the prescription drug benefit starting on page E-2.
- Cosmetic, plastic, or reconstructive surgery, unless that surgery is to treat an accidental injury or for breast reconstruction following a mastectomy.
- Any charges denied for any treatment, services, or supplies requiring prior authorization, when this mandatory program is not used as required.
- Procedures to reverse a voluntary sterilization.
- Blood and blood plasma when replacement is available.
- Any elective procedure (other than sterilization or abortion, or as otherwise specifically stated as covered) that is not for the correction or cure of a bodily injury or sickness.
- Unless specifically listed as covered, dental services for or in connection with the treatment of teeth and supporting oral tissues, or restorative services to replace natural teeth lost as a result of injury.

However, charges made by a hospital or other facility for dental procedures covered under the dental benefit provisions (see the dental benefits section), will be covered if the procedure requires the patient to be treated in an institutional setting to safely receive the care. For example, if you suffer from a medical or behavioral condition, such as autism or Alzheimer's

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that severely limits your ability to cooperate with the dentist providing the care, charges made by a hospital or other facility will be considered a covered expense. Benefits for other types of dental care may be covered under the dental benefit (*see page F-1*).

- Treatment of temporomandibular joint (TMJ) disorders, craniofacial disorders or orthognathic disorders.
- Surgery to modify jaw relationships including, but not limited to, osteoplasty and genioplasty procedures. However, LeFort type operations are covered when intended to repair birth defects of the mouth, conditions of the mid-face (over or under development of facial features), or damage caused by accidental injury.
- Any expense or charge by a rest home, old age home, or a nursing home.
- Any charges incurred while you are confined in a hospital, nursing home, or other facility or institution (or a part of such facility) which are primarily for education, training, or custodial care.
- Home construction for any reason.
- Private duty nursing care.
- Supplies or equipment for personal hygiene, comfort or convenience such as, but not limited to, air conditioning, humidifier, physical fitness and exercise equipment, tanning bed, or water bed.
- Eye or hearing exams, except as specifically stated as covered or unless the exam is for the diagnosis or treatment of an accidental bodily injury or an illness. However, eye exams may be covered under the vision benefits (*see the section starting on page G-1*).
- Eye refractions, eyeglasses, or contact lenses. However, these expenses may be covered under the vision benefits.
- Hearing aids.
- Music therapy or supplies.
- Inpatient care primarily for custodial purposes, long-term care, or care during the non-acute stages of a sickness.
- Inpatient admissions primarily for diagnostic studies or physical therapy.
- Except as specifically covered under the Plan, non-healthcare items or services, including but not limited to oral nutrition or supplements, and disposable supplies, such as bandages, antiseptics, and diapers.

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Get free medical care in New Jersey

Use the UNITE HERE HEALTH—Health Center (Health Center)

1801 Atlantic Avenue, 3rd Floor
Atlantic City, NJ 08401
(609) 570-2400

The services at the UNITE HERE HEALTH—Health Center (Health Center) are available at no cost to you. These free services currently include primary care, laboratory services, pharmacy services, counseling services through video or in-person, physical therapy, ultrasounds, and x-rays.

The Health Center also includes a pharmacy where you can get free prescription drugs. The services available at the Health Center may change from time to time. Be sure to call the Fund at (866) 686-0003 to find out what services are currently available. Call the Health Center at (609) 570-2400 for an appointment.

The Health Center is not available to a dependent spouse if the Plan pays secondary to the spouse's other insurance. If you are not sure if the Plan pays secondary for your spouse, call the Fund.

No prior authorization is needed for services or supplies you get through the Health Center.

Use MD Anderson at Cooper for your cancer care and save!

If you live or work in the Atlantic City area, MD Anderson Cancer Center at Cooper (MD Anderson at Cooper) is the preferred provider for cancer care services. Covered care from MD Anderson at Cooper for a cancer diagnosis is free to you. You pay \$0 (no deductible, coinsurance, or copay).

Together, UNITE HERE HEALTH and MD Anderson at Cooper will help you get the broad range of services you need. When you join this cancer care program, you get care coordination and dedicated resources to help you manage your healthcare during this challenging time.

You may even be able to get free rides to certain MD Anderson at Cooper locations.

Which services aren't free at MD Anderson at Cooper?

The \$0 copay doesn't apply to the following:

- Ambulance transportation.
- Services you get from MD Anderson at Cooper that aren't for your cancer diagnosis. For example, if you go to the emergency room at MD Anderson at Cooper for treatment for a broken leg (unrelated to cancer), you will pay the Plan's usual copayment, deductible, and coinsurance required for emergency room services.

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Which MD Anderson at Cooper locations can I go to?

MD Anderson at Cooper has several locations. You can get complete cancer care services in Camden, New Jersey and many services in Egg Harbor Township. Services are also available in Voorhees, Willingboro, and other local offices.

MD Anderson at Cooper locations:

- Two Cooper Plaza, Camden NJ 08103
- 303 Central Ave., Suite 4, Unit B, Egg Harbor Township, NJ 08234
- Other offices throughout the Philadelphia-South Jersey area

What other important information should I know?

The Plan's rules about what's covered, what's not covered, and any prior authorization requirements still apply to services you get from MD Anderson at Cooper.

At this time, MD Anderson at Cooper doesn't treat pediatric patients, or certain cancers like ocular cancer or bone marrow cancer.

To find out more and join the program, call the Fund at **(866) 686-0003**.

*These benefits apply if you are Medicare-eligible –
even if you were previously getting benefits for
people who are not Medicare-eligible*

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Learn:

Medicare

- ▶ What Medicare Part A supplemental benefits are paid.
- ▶ What Medicare Part B supplemental benefits are paid.
- ▶ What additional medical benefits are paid.
- ▶ What is not covered.

See page C-1 for information about your medical benefits if you (or your dependents) are NOT Medicare-eligible.

Medical benefits if you are Medicare-eligible

This section describes benefits available to you if you are Medicare-eligible. These benefits will apply to you once you become Medicare-eligible even if you were previously covered under the medical benefits for people who are not Medicare-eligible.

The Fund provides a supplemental benefit if you are Medicare-eligible, which pays for certain expenses Medicare doesn't cover.

In general, under the Fund's supplemental benefit, the Plan pays 100% of the Medicare Part A and Part B deductibles and the 20% coinsurance Medicare does not pay. Medicare supplement benefits also provide limited medical benefits for some of the services Medicare does not cover.

Fund's supplemental benefits for Medicare Part A

If you need inpatient care, Medicare Part A helps pay up to 90 days of confinement in a Medicare-participating facility for each spell of illness. After you pay the Part A Deductible, Medicare pays 100% for all covered services for the first 60 days of confinement. For days 61 through 90, Medicare pays for all covered services except for a daily coinsurance amount.

If you are out of the hospital for at least 60 days in a row, and then go back in, a new spell of illness begins. Your 90 days of coverage starts over again, and you pay another deductible.

The Plan pays 100% for the following Medicare Part A covered services:

- The Medicare Part A deductible per spell of illness.
- Hospital confinement from the 91st day through the 455th day.
- The first three pints of blood not covered by Medicare.
- The daily coinsurance for skilled nursing facility confinement from the 21st day through the 100th day.
- Emergency hospital care when an individual is out of the country.

Fund's supplemental benefits for Medicare Part B

Medicare Part B helps pay for doctor services and other services and supplies such as outpatient hospital care, outpatient physical therapy, and x-rays. Each calendar year, before Medicare Part B pays for covered services, you must pay a deductible. After you pay the Part B deductible, Medicare will generally pay 80% of covered charges for the remainder of the year.

The Plan pays 100% for the following Medicare Part B services:

- The annual Medicare Part B deductible.
- Medicare Part B coinsurance for the following:

- ▶ Doctor office or hospital visits and services.
- ▶ Chiropractic services.
- ▶ Outpatient physical, occupational, and speech therapy.
- ▶ Kidney dialysis.
- ▶ Medical supplies.
- ▶ Durable medical equipment.
- ▶ Prosthetic devices.
- ▶ Oxygen.
- ▶ Anesthesia.
- ▶ Non-routine podiatric services.
- ▶ Ambulance transportation.
- ▶ The following immunizations: annual flu shots; one-time hepatitis B inoculation for individuals at high risk; and one-time pneumococcal inoculation for all individuals, and a booster after 5 years for those at high risk.

Additional Medical Benefits

In addition to the Fund's supplemental benefits, the Fund will pay for some additional medical benefits.

You pay \$150 each calendar year (per person) before the Plan begins paying benefits. Once you have met your \$150 deductible, the Plan pays 80% of the first \$2,000 of covered expenses you incur during a calendar year, and you pay 20%. Then the Plan pays 100% of covered expenses (you pay nothing) for the rest of that calendar year. The Plan pays up to \$25,000 in limited medical benefits per person each calendar year, and up to a lifetime maximum benefit of \$50,000 per person.

Covered expenses are limited to:

- One routine eye examination during a calendar year.
- Private duty nursing services at home and while hospitalized.
- Immunizations not covered under Medicare Part B.

What's Not Covered

See page I-1 for a list of the Plan's general exclusions and limitations. In addition to that list, the Plan will not pay benefits for, or in connection with, the following medical treatments, services, and supplies:

- Amounts in excess of Medicare's allowable expense or maximum benefits.
- Reimbursement for or in connection with any coverage under Medicare Part C or Medicare Part D.

Prescription drug benefits

Learn:

Non-Medicare

Medicare

- What you pay for your covered prescription drugs.
- What types of prescription drugs are covered.
- How the safety and cost containment programs help save you money and help protect your health.
- How much of a prescription drug you can get at one time.
- What the mail-order pharmacy is and how to use it.
- What the specialty order pharmacy is and when you must use it.
- What types of prescription drugs are not covered.

If you get prescription drug coverage under the Fund, this section applies whether or not you are Medicare-eligible.

Prescription drug benefits

Hospitality Rx (a subsidiary of UNITE HERE HEALTH) provides pharmacy benefit management services. Hospitality Rx contracts with several organizations to provide specialized administrative services. Benefits are only paid if you buy your prescription drugs at a pharmacy that participates in the network, like Walgreens. Not all retail pharmacies are in your pharmacy network. CVS, Sam's Club, and Wal-Mart are **not** in your network.

Be sure to visit www.hospitalityrx.org to find a network pharmacy.

If you use a pharmacy not in your network, you will have to pay 100% of the cost of the prescription drug. The Plan will not reimburse you for the cost of any prescription drugs you buy at a non-network pharmacy.

Important Phone Numbers		
If you want to:	Call:	At:
Find a network pharmacy or ask questions about your benefits	UNITE HERE HEALTH	(866) 686-0003 www.hospitalityrx.org
Get prior authorization for prescription drugs or to ask which drugs require prior authorization	Hospitality Rx	(844) 813-3860 www.hospitalityrx.org
Get a free glucometer	FreeStyle (by Abbott) use order code U2L65MBU	(866) 224-8892 www.ChooseFreeStyle.com
	One Touch (by LifeScan) use order code 739WDRX01	(888) 883-7091 www.OneTouch.orderpoints.com
Order from the mail-order pharmacy	WellDyneRx Home Delivery (through Hospitality Rx)	(844) 813-3860 wellview.welldyne.com
Order from the specialty pharmacy	WellDyne Specialty Pharmacy	(800) 373-1879 www.welldynespecialty.com

What you pay

You must pay the applicable amount shown below for each fill of a prescription drug. You must also pay any expenses that are not considered covered expenses (*see page E-8* for information about what's not covered).

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If you are not Medicare-eligible or if you are Medicare-eligible

Calendar Year Maximum Benefit Payable per Family	\$21,000		
What You Pay at Network Pharmacies and Mail Order	Retail Pharmacy <i>up to a 34-day supply</i>	Mail Order <i>up to a 60-day supply</i>	
Formulary Prescription Drug Benefits	Per Prescription		
Immunizations — <i>See page E-4</i>	\$0	n/a	
Certain Smoking Cessation Products — <i>See page E-4</i>	\$0	n/a	
Generic and Some Brand Drugs	\$15	\$15	
Preferred Drugs	\$30	\$30	
Non-Preferred Drugs	\$30	\$30	
Select Specialty and Select Biosimilar Drugs*	Not covered	Generic	Brand
		\$15	25%
Non-Formulary Prescription Drugs and Supplies	Not covered, unless an exception is approved		
<p>* Current pharmacy benefit provider will actively manage and determine drugs in tier. Specialty drugs are only available through the specialty mail order pharmacy or through the UNITE HERE HEALTH — Health Center. However, if you take specialty medications as part of your HIV treatment plan, you may be able to receive an exception to use your network retail pharmacy instead.</p>			
<p>Get free prescription drugs at the UNITE HERE HEALTH — Health Center pharmacy at 1801 Atlantic Avenue, Atlantic City, NJ 08401. (609) 570-2400 www.uhh.org/achc</p>			

Drugs and supplies on the focus formulary are safe, effective, and high-quality. No benefits are paid for drugs not on the formulary unless the Fund approves a drug. Prescription drugs and supplies may be added to or removed from the formulary from time to time. Use the formulary lookup tool at www.hospitalityrx.org or call Hospitality Rx at **(844) 813-3860**, if you or your healthcare provider have questions about which prescription drugs and supplies are on the formulary.

Ask your healthcare provider to prescribe a drug that is on the formulary. If your healthcare provider wants you to take a drug that is not on the formulary, he or she should reach out to Hospitality Rx at **(844) 813-3860** for a formulary exception. The formulary exception process allows your healthcare provider to ask for approval for you to get coverage for a prescription drug not on the formulary. Remember, though, that the Fund will not consider a non-formulary drug for coverage until you have tried all of the formulary prescription drug alternatives that are medically appropriate to your situation.

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What's covered

A medication or supply must be listed on the focus formulary in order to be covered (unless you get a formulary exception from the Plan). The Plan pays benefits only for the following formulary expenses:

- FDA-approved medications and supplies which can legally be purchased only with a written prescription from a healthcare provider. This includes oral and injectable contraceptives, and drugs mixed to order by a pharmacist, as long as at least one part of the mixed-to-order drug is an FDA-approved prescription drug.
- The following diabetic supplies: insulin, diabetic test strips, control solution for glucometers, disposable syringes and needles, and lancet devices.
- Routine immunizations recommended by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the Centers for Disease Control, when provided by a network provider. You must have a prescription for the immunizations in order for the Fund to pay for these services.
- Tobacco cessation drugs and supplies, as long as you have a prescription. This includes certain over-the-counter tobacco cessation drugs and supplies, generic bupropion, and Chantix.
- Vitamins.
- Hormone therapy as long as the hormones are FDA approved and only available by prescription. Prior authorization is required for certain hormone therapy. Hormone therapy for individuals with gender dysphoria is not subject to an age restriction; however, the prior authorization process for individuals under age 18 will include an additional requirement that the treating physician have documentation showing sexual maturity of Tanner stage 2 or more.
- Certain over-the-counter (OTC) drugs, as long as you have a prescription, and as long as you get the drug at the UNITE HERE HEALTH – Health Center.

Free glucometers

You can get a free glucometer every 12 months by calling either of the following phone numbers:

(866) 224-8892 for FreeStyle (by Abbott)

or visit www.ChooseFreeStyle.com

use order code U2L65MBU

(888) 883-7091 for One Touch (by LifeScan)

or visit www.OneTouch.orderpoints.com

use order code 739WDRX01

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If you don't want to use one of the Fund's free glucometers, you have to pay the full cost of the glucometer up front. If you are not Medicare-eligible, you may submit a claim under the medical benefits for the glucometer, but you may not be reimbursed for the full amount (see the cost-sharing required for durable medical equipment *on page C-14*).

Safety and cost containment programs for prescription drugs

The Fund provides extra protection through several safety and cost containment programs. These programs may change from time to time, and the prescription drugs or types of prescription drugs that are part of these programs may also change from time to time. You and your healthcare provider can always get the most current information by contacting Hospitality Rx at **(844) 813-3860**, or visiting www.hospitalityrx.org.

Safety and cost containment programs help make sure you and your family get the most effective and appropriate care. These programs look at whether a prescription drug is safe for you to take. For example, some prescription drugs cannot be taken together. Safety programs help make sure you are not taking two or more prescription drugs in a combination that could harm you.

The programs also can help make sure your money is not wasted on prescription drugs that do not work for you. For example, some prescription drugs cause serious side effects in some patients. By limiting your prescription to a limited number of pills, you can make sure the prescription drug is safe for you to take before you pay for a large supply of pills you will have to throw away if you get serious side effects.

If a prescription drug is subject to a safety or cost containment program, you must follow the program in order to get benefits for the drug.

See page L-7 for information about appealing a request for prior authorization or appealing a denial of prescription drug benefits.

Generic prescription drug policy

Generics have the same active ingredient as the brand name drugs, but you pay less for them. Ask your doctor to help you save money by prescribing generic drugs when possible.

If you or your provider choose a brand name prescription drug when you could get a generic equivalent instead, you pay the difference in cost between the brand name prescription drug and the generic equivalent. For example, if the brand name prescription drug costs \$80 at retail, and the Fund's cost for the generic equivalent is \$30, you must pay the \$50 difference. You will also have to pay the generic prescription drug copay.

The generic prescription drug policy does not apply to certain prescription drugs that need to be closely monitored, or if very small changes in the dose could be harmful. The prescription drugs that are not subject to the generic prescription drug policy change from time to time. You can get up-to-date information by calling Hospitality Rx at **(844) 813-3860**. This rule will also not apply

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if you get an exception through a safety or cost containment program. Your healthcare provider will need to get prior approval for this exception to apply to your prescription drugs.

If you are approved for an exception to the generic prescription drug policy, you will still have to pay the applicable copay.

Prior authorization

If your healthcare provider prescribes certain drugs, he or she will need to provide your medical records to show that the prescription drug is clinically appropriate for your medical situation. The list of prescription drugs that require prior authorization changes from time to time. Call **(844) 813-3860** for a list of drugs on the prior authorization list, or to get prior authorization for a drug.

Step therapy

In many cases, effective lower-cost alternatives are available for certain prescription drugs. A step therapy program will ask you to try generic or lower cost versions of a prescription drug before approving coverage for a higher cost brand name drug. If the first level prescription drug does not work for you, or causes serious side effects, you are “stepped up” to another drug option.

For example, if you need an ARB (angiotensin receptor blocker) to treat high blood pressure, you may first be asked to try a generic version. If the generic version does not work or causes serious side effects, you may be asked to try a brand name version.

The list of prescription drugs that require step therapy changes from time to time. Contact Hospitality Rx at **(844) 813-3860** with questions about which prescription drugs require prior authorization.

Case management

The pharmacy case managers may contact you if you take high-cost or specialty drugs or have a chronic long-term health condition. This program will help you make sure you are taking your prescription drugs the way you are supposed to take them. The case managers can also help you manage and monitor your condition, and answer questions about your prescription drugs.

Be sure you talk with the case managers if they reach out to you!

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Quantity limits

The amount of a prescription the Plan will fill at one time is limited to the lesser of:

- The amount prescribed by your healthcare professional.
- If you use a retail pharmacy, up to a 34-day supply.
- If you use the UNITE HERE HEALTH — Health Center, up to a 60-day supply of your drug.
- If you use the non-specialty mail-order pharmacy, up to a 60-day supply.
- The amount allowed under any safety or cost containment program. For example, most prescriptions filled through the specialty mail-order pharmacy will be limited to less than a 34-day or 60-day supply.

If your prescription is for a drug only available in 90-day quantities, or is a birth control drug that uses a steady hormone release over time (such as NuvaRing®), you can get the full 90-day amount. You will still have to pay the applicable copay based on the drug's tier (generic, brand, or specialty).

Exceptions to the standard quantity limits

There are certain prescription drugs that many providers prescribe at higher dosages (for example, more pills taken at one time or more often during the day) than approved by the FDA. Coverage for these prescription drugs will be limited to a 30-day supply. To help protect you and your family, in these situations you may get a smaller supply of a prescription drug than as described in the previous section.

You or your healthcare provider can call for information about these quantity limits. Your healthcare provider may also call to get an exception to these rules.

Early refills

You generally cannot refill a prescription earlier than allowed under any applicable guidelines, safety or cost containment programs, or other Plan rules. In some cases, you may be able to refill a prescription sooner than is usually allowed. For example, you may get an early refill if:

- You show you will be out of the country when you will run out of a prescription drug. If your early refill is approved, you can get up to a 60-day supply for the applicable retail drug copay.
- Your drug is lost or stolen.
- You run out of a drug too soon because you misunderstood the instructions or accidentally used too much. You will be able to get one such early refill per lifetime for that drug.

You may be required to use the case management program in order to get an early refill.

Call Hospitality Rx at **(844) 813-3860** if you need an early refill for a drug.

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Mail-order pharmacy

You can save money by using Hospitality Rx's mail-order pharmacy: WellDyneRx Home Delivery. If you need a prescription drug to treat a chronic, long-term health condition, you can order these prescription drugs through the mail-order pharmacy. You can get up to a 60-day supply of your prescription drug (sometimes called a "maintenance" prescription drug) for the same copay you would pay for a 34-day supply at a retail pharmacy.

You can order from the mail-order pharmacy by mail, by phone, or on the internet.

WellDyneRx Home Delivery

(844) 813-3860

wellview.welldyne.com

Specialty pharmacy

You must use the specialty pharmacy to purchase all specialty prescription drugs or visit the on-site pharmacy at the UNITE HERE HEALTH — Health Center. The specialty pharmacy provides prescription drugs for certain chronic or difficult-to-treat health conditions, such as multiple sclerosis (MS) or Hepatitis C. Specialty prescription drugs often need to be handled differently than other prescription drugs, or they may need special administration or monitoring. However, if you take specialty medications as part of your HIV treatment plan, you may be able to receive an exception to use your network retail pharmacy instead. The specialty drug copays will apply, even if you get an exception. You can get a copy of the form you must fill out to request this exemption by calling HospitalityRx at **(844) 484-4726**.

Using the specialty pharmacy gives you access to pharmacists and other healthcare providers who specialize in helping people with your condition. The specialty pharmacy staff can help make sure your prescription gets refilled on time, and can answer questions about your prescription drugs and your condition.

WellDyne Specialty Pharmacy

(800) 373-1879

www.welldynespecialty.com

What's not covered

See page I-1 for a list of this Plan's general exclusions and limitations. For example, experimental and investigative treatments, including drugs, are not covered. In addition to that list, the following types of prescription drug treatments, services, and supplies are not covered under the prescription drug benefit:

- Prescription drugs that have not been approved by the FDA. However, the Fund or its designee may cover prescription drugs not approved by the FDA in certain situations. You

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or your healthcare professional may ask for an exception through the prior authorization program.

- Drugs or supplies that are not listed on the formulary, unless the Fund or its designee gives prior approval for the drug or supply. You must try all medically appropriate formulary alternatives before you can get a formulary exception.
- Drugs or medications used, consumed or administered at the place where dispensed, other than immunizations. (These drugs may be covered under your medical benefits.)
- Prescriptions or refills in amounts over the quantity limits (*see page E-7*).
- Vitamins, dietary supplements, or dietary aids, except those specifically included on the formulary.
- Drugs used for cosmetic reasons, including Rogaine and other drugs to prevent hair loss.
- Human growth hormone, except to treat emaciation due to AIDS.
- Drugs or covered supplies not purchased from a network pharmacy.
- Birth control devices and implants.
- Non-sedating antihistamines or histamine receptor blockers except as covered at the UNITE HERE HEALTH – Health Center.
- Fertility drugs.
- Glucometers, other than those the Fund gives you for free. If you are not Medicare-eligible, you may be able to get a glucometer through the medical benefits if you do not want one of the free ones, but you will usually have to pay part or all of the cost.
- Weight control drugs, unless for the treatment of morbid obesity under the direct supervision of a healthcare provider, and authorized in writing by the Fund or its designee.
- Drugs that require review under a safety or cost containment program (such as a drug that requires prior authorization, or a drug subject to the step therapy program) if that safety or cost containment program is not followed, or does not approve the drug.
- New-to-market prescription drugs until the Fund or its designee has reviewed and approved the prescription drug.
- Specialty prescription drugs if you do not use the specialty pharmacy or the UNITE HERE HEALTH — Health Center. This exclusion does not apply to HIV/AIDS drugs if you are approved to use a network retail pharmacy for these drugs.
- Over-the-counter drugs not specifically listed on the formulary, or received through the UNITE HERE HEALTH — Health Center.
- High-cost “me too” drugs, unless the Fund or its designee approves the drug for purchase.

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“Me-too” drugs usually have only very small differences in how they work, but are considered “new” drugs with no generic equivalent. Often, the manufacturer charges high prices for these drugs even though there are other drugs available that work just as well for a lower cost. You can find out if a “me too” drug is covered by contacting Hospitality Rx.

- Diagnostics (drugs used to help in the process of diagnosing certain medical conditions).
- Drugs, medications, or supplies that are not covered under the Fund’s or Fund’s designee’s claims processing guidelines or any other internal rule, including, but not limited to any national guidelines used by the medical community.
- Medical foods (medical foods may be covered under your medical benefit if you are not Medicare-eligible—*see page C-15*).

Dental benefits

Learn:

Non-Medicare

Medicare

- What you pay for your dental care.
- How to use your dental benefits.
- What types of dental care are covered.
- What types of dental care are not covered.

Dental benefits are only available to certain grandfathered retirees and their dependents. If you get dental benefits through the Fund, this section applies whether or not you are Medicare-eligible.

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Dental benefits are only available to certain grandfathered retirees and their dependents who have retained dental coverage because of previous plan mergers. For more information about who is eligible for dental benefits, contact your Care Coordinators at (866) 686-0003.

If you get dental benefits through the Fund, these dental benefits apply regardless of whether you (or your dependents) are Medicare-eligible.

UNITE HERE HEALTH (the Fund) has contracted with Delta Dental of Illinois (Delta Dental) to administer dental benefits for you and your dependents.

DENTAL BENEFITS— <i>What You Pay</i>		
<i>Dental benefits are only available to certain grandfathered retirees and their dependents (regardless of whether or not Medicare-eligible)</i>		
Description of Services	Delta Dental PPO Network Dentists	Delta Dental Premier Dentists and Non-Network Dentist
Calendar Year Maximum Benefit for Dental (non-ortho) Treatment	\$2,000 per person	
Lifetime Maximum Benefit for Orthodontia Treatment	\$500 per child under age 19	
Calendar Year Deductible	\$25 per person; \$100 per family	
	What You Pay for Covered Dental Care	
Diagnostic & Preventive Services— <i>Example: oral exams, emergency palliative care, x-rays, routine cleaning, fluoride treatment, sealants, space maintainers, labial veneers, periodontal (gum) maintenance</i>	\$0	\$0
Restorative Services— <i>Example: fillings, onlays, crowns, pin retention</i>	20% after deductible	20% after deductible
Endodontic Services— <i>Example: root canals</i>	20% after deductible	20% after deductible
Periodontic Services— <i>Example: scaling and root planing, full-mouth debridement, certain surgical periodontal services</i>	20% after deductible	20% after deductible
Oral Surgery— <i>Example: Extractions (simple and surgical), certain sedation procedures</i>	20% after deductible	20% after deductible

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DENTAL BENEFITS—*What You Pay*

Dental benefits are only available to certain grandfathered retirees and their dependents (regardless of whether or not Medicare-eligible)

Description of Services	Delta Dental PPO Network Dentists	Delta Dental Premier Dentists and Non-Network Dentist
What You Pay for Covered Dental Care		
Prosthodontic Services— <i>Example: complete or partial dentures, bridges, adjustments and repairs to dentures</i>	20% after deductible	20% after deductible
Other Services <i>Example: implants, therapeutic drug injections</i>	20% after deductible	20% after deductible
Orthodontic Services (for children under age 19 only)	40%	40%

Network vs. non-network providers

The Plan pays benefits based on whether you get treatment from a network provider or a non-network provider.

- ✓ Your network is the Delta Dental PPO network.
- ✓ If you choose a Delta Dental Premier dentist, your cost-sharing is the non-network benefits. You may still save money using Premier dentists, because they will not balance bill you. (This means they won't bill you for the difference between Delta Dental's allowable charge and the dentist's actual charge.)

To find a network provider near you, contact:

Delta Dental of Illinois
toll free: **(800) 323-1743**
www.deltadentalil.com

What you pay

You must pay your cost-share (deductible and coinsurance) for covered expenses. You must also pay any expenses that aren't covered, including any amounts over the allowable charge that non-network dentists are allowed to bill you.

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Your \$25 individual/\$100 family deductibles only apply to the dental benefits. Amounts you pay for medical, prescription drugs, or vision care will not apply to the \$25 and \$100 deductibles. Any allowable charges applied to your calendar year deductibles during the last three months of the year will carry over and apply to your calendar year deductible in the next year. For example, if in December, you pay \$10 out-of-pocket toward your calendar year deductible, your calendar year deductible for the next year will be \$15 (\$25 total - \$10 from December).

Maximum benefits

Dental care maximum benefit for non-orthodontic care

The Plan pays up to \$2,000 per person each calendar year for dental care (network and non-network combined). Once the Plan pays this maximum benefit, it won't pay for any more dental care for the rest of that year.

This maximum benefit does not apply to implants.

Orthodontic care maximum benefit

The Plan pays up to a lifetime maximum of \$500 per child under age 19 for orthodontic treatment (network and non-network combined). Once the Plan pays this maximum benefit, it won't pay for any more orthodontic treatment. Orthodontic care is only covered for dependent children under age 19.

Alternate course of treatment

If there is a different type of treatment that would be at least as effective as your dental treatment, but costs less, the allowable charge (*See page M-2*) will be based on the less expensive alternate type of treatment. This rule applies if the alternate type of dental treatment is both:

- Commonly used to treat your condition, as determined by UNITE HERE HEALTH or its representative.
- Recognized by most dentists to be appropriate based on current national dental practices.

What's covered

Covered expenses means all allowable charges made by a dentist for the types of services and supplies listed below. In order to be considered a covered expense, Delta Dental must determine that the service or supply was based on a valid dental need and performed according to accepted standards of dental practice.

There are limits on how often certain services and supplies are covered. If the amount of time shown below has not passed since the service or supply was last provided, you may have to pay 100% of the cost. You can always contact Delta Dental at **(800) 323-1743** to find out the last time

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you got benefits for a certain service or supply. A time limit starts on the date you last got the service or supply. Time limits are measured in consecutive months or years.

If you need a service or supply that isn't listed below, contact Delta Dental to find out if there are any applicable limits.

Diagnostic & preventive services

- Oral exams, including periodontal evaluations and problem-focused exams.
- Periodic oral exams—2 per year
- X-rays:
 - Intra-oral periapical radiographs.
 - Bitewing x-rays—2 per year.
 - Full mouth x-rays (which include panoramic and vertical bitewing x-rays)—1 every 36 months.
- Diagnostic casts.
- Pulp vitality tests—1 per visit.
- Prophylaxis (cleaning)—2 per year.
- Topical application of fluoride for persons under age 19—2 per year.
- Space maintainers for non-orthodontic treatment for children under age 14.
- Sealants to the first and second permanent molars for children under age 14—1 per tooth.
- Recementation of space maintainers—1 per year.
- Emergency palliative care (to temporarily relieve pain and discomfort).
- Consultations.
- Labial veneers.
- Periodontal maintenance—2 per year.

Restorative services

- Amalgam or resin-based composite fillings—1 per surface every 12 months.
- Onlays (permanent teeth only).
- Crowns and ceramic restorations (permanent teeth only).
- Recementation of inlays, onlays, partial coverage restorations, cast or prefabricated posts and cores, and crowns.

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- Prefabricated stainless steel crowns.
- Sedative fillings—1 per tooth per lifetime.
- Pin retention.
- Cast or prefabricated post and core; core build-up.
- Gold fillings.

Endodontic services

- Pulpal and root canal therapy.
- Pulpal therapy (resorbable filling)—1 per tooth per lifetime.

Periodontic services

- Periodontal therapy, including treatment for diseases of the gums and bones supporting the teeth—1 per quadrant every 60 months.
- Gingivectomy or gingivoplasty; gingival flap procedures.
- Clinical crown lengthening (hard tissue).
- Osseous surgery (including flap entry and closure).
- Guided tissue regeneration.
- Bone replacement and soft tissue grafts.
- Periodontal scaling and root planing.
- Full mouth debridement—1 per lifetime.

Oral surgery

- Simple extractions.
- Surgical removal of erupted tooth requiring elevation of mucoperiosteal flap and removal of bone and/or section of tooth.
- Removal of impacted tooth (soft tissue, partially bony, completely bony).
- Tooth reimplantation of an accidentally evulsed or displaced tooth and/or alveolus.
- Surgical access of an unerupted tooth.
- Biopsy of oral tissue; brush biopsy.
- Alveoloplasty.

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- Surgical excision of soft tissue or intra-osseous lesions.
- Other covered surgical/repair procedures.
- Deep sedation/general anesthesia when provided in conjunction with oral surgery (other than simple extractions).

Prosthodontic services

- Complete and partial dentures.
- Pontics.
- Fixed partial denture retainers (inlays, onlays, crowns).
- Recement fixed partial denture.
- Fixed partial denture (bridge) repair.
- Cast or prefabricated post and core; core build-up.
- Adjustments to complete and partial dentures.
- Repairs to complete and partial dentures.
- Replacement of missing or broken teeth.
- Addition of tooth or clasp to existing partial dentures.
- Replacement of all teeth and acrylic on cast-metal framework.
- Denture rebase—1 every 24 months.
- Denture relines—1 every 24 months.

Other services

- Implants.
- Therapeutic drug injections.

Orthodontic treatment

- Treatment necessary for the proper alignment of teeth for children under age 19.

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What's not covered

The following types of treatments, services, and supplies are not covered:

- Pulp vitality tests billed in conjunction with any service except for an emergency exam or palliative treatment.
- Recementation of space maintainers within six months of initial placement.
- Fillings, when crowns are allowed for the same teeth.
- Replacement of any existing cast restoration (crowns, onlays, ceramic restorations) with any type of cast restoration within 60 months following initial placement of existing restoration.
- Replacement of a stainless steel crown with any type of cast restoration by the same office within 24 months following initial placement.
- Cast restorations if radiographic evidence does not show decay or missing tooth structure, or restorations placed for any other purpose, including, but not limited to, cosmetics, abrasion, attrition, erosion, restoring or altering vertical dimension, congenital or developmental malformations of teeth, or the anticipation of future fractures.
- A crown build-up if there is not radiographic evidence of sufficient vertical height (more than 3 millimeters above the crestal bone) on a tooth to support a cast restoration.
- Repair of any component of a cast restoration.
- Recementing of inlays, onlays, partial coverage restorations, cast and prefabricated posts and cores and crowns by the same office within 6 months of the initial placement.
- Additional procedures to construct a new crown under the existing partial denture framework within 6 months following initial placement.
- Sedative fillings requested or placed on the same date as a permanent filling.
- Endodontic procedures performed in conjunction with complete removable prosthodontic appliances.
- Guided tissue regeneration billed in conjunction with implantology, ridge augmentation/sinus lift, extractions or periradicular surgery/apicoectomy.
- Crown lengthening or gingivoplasty, if not performed at least 4 weeks prior to crown preparation.
- Bone replacement grafts performed in conjunction with extractions or implants.
- Periodontal splinting to restore occlusion.
- Replacement of any existing prosthodontic appliance (cast restorations, fixed partial dentures, removable partial dentures, complete denture) with any prosthodontic appliance within 60 months following initial placement of the existing appliance.

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- A fixed partial denture, when requested or placed in the same arch as a removable partial denture.
- Reline or rebase of an existing appliance within 6 months following initial placement.
- Fixed or removable prosthodontics for a patient under age 16.
- Tissue conditioning.
- A pontic when the edentulous (toothless) space between teeth is less than 50% of the size of the missing tooth.
- When performed in conjunction with other oral surgery, mobilization of an erupted or malpositioned tooth to aid eruption or placement of a device to facilitate eruption of an impacted tooth.
- Any treatment, services, or supplies as set forth in the section titled “General exclusions and limitations.”
- Services compensable under Worker’s Compensation or Employer’s Liability laws.
- Services provided or paid for by any governmental agency or under any governmental program or law, except as to charges which the person is legally obligated to pay. This exception extends to any benefits provided under the U.S. Social Security Act and its Amendments.
- Services performed to correct developmental malformation including, but not limited to, cleft palate, mandibular prognathism, enamel hypoplasia, fluorosis and congenitally missing teeth. This exclusion doesn’t apply to newborn infants.
- Services performed for purely cosmetic purposes, including but not limited to, tooth-colored veneers, bonding, porcelain restorations and microabrasion. This exclusion applies to orthodontic treatment for anyone other than a child under age 19.
- Charges for services completed prior to the date the patient became covered under this program.
- Services for anesthetists or anesthesiologists.
- Temporary procedures.
- Any procedure requested or performed on a tooth when radiographs indicate that less than 40% of the root is supported by bone.
- Services performed on non-functional teeth (second or third molar without an opposing tooth).
- Services performed on deciduous (primary) teeth near exfoliation.
- Drugs or the administration of drugs, except for general anesthesia and therapeutic drug injections.

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- Procedures deemed experimental or investigational by the American Dental Association, for which there is no procedure code, or which are inconsistent with Current Dental Terminology coding and nomenclature.
- Services with respect to any disturbance of the temporomandibular joint (jaw joint).
- Procedures that Delta Dental considers to be included in the fees for other procedures.
- The completion of claim forms and submission of required information, not otherwise covered, for determination of benefits.
- Infection control procedures and fees associated with compliance with Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) requirements.
- Broken appointments.
- Services and supplies for any illness or injury occurring on or after you become covered under the Plan as a result of war or an act of war.
- Services for, or in connection with, an intentional self-inflicted injury or illness while sane or insane, except when due to domestic violence or a medical (including both physical and mental) health condition.
- Services and supplies received from either your or your spouse's relative, any individual who ordinarily resides in your home, or any such similar individual.
- Services for, or in connection with, an injury or illness arising out of the participation in, or in consequence of having participated in, a riot, insurrection or civil disturbance, or the commission of a felony.
- Charges for services for inpatient/outpatient hospitalization.
- Services or supplies for oral hygiene or plaque control programs.
- Services or supplies to correct harmful habits.

Predetermination of dental benefits

If your dentist recommends dental work that is expected to cost more than \$250, you can ask Delta Dental to help you determine how much the Plan will pay. This is a voluntary program, but contacting Delta Dental before you have complex or expensive dental work will help you and your dentist understand what the Plan will pay for your proposed care. By contacting Delta Dental in advance, you will have a better idea of what your share of costs will be so you don't get surprise bills.

If you take advantage of this program, Delta Dental will review your dentist's records and provide you and your dentist with an estimate of what you must pay, and what the Plan will pay.

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Predetermination of benefits does not guarantee what benefits the Plan will pay or that any benefits will be paid for dental treatment or services provided. As always, any treatment decisions are between you and your dentist.

Benefits after coverage ends

If your coverage ends, Plan benefits will only be paid for allowable charges incurred for covered expenses before your coverage ends.

However, if coverage ends after your treatment starts for crowns, jackets, bridges, complete dentures, or partial dentures, the Plan continues to pay benefits for these, as long as treatment is completed within 60 days of the date you lose coverage.

Vision benefits

Learn:

Non-Medicare

- Why network providers can save you money.
- What you pay for your covered vision care.
- What the Plan pays.
- What types of vision care are covered.
- What types of vision care are not covered.

Vision benefits are not available to retirees or dependents who are Medicare-eligible. Vision benefits are also not available to certain grandfathered retirees and their dependents.

Vision benefits

Vision benefits are not available to you (or your dependents) if you are Medicare-eligible.

In addition, certain grandfathered retirees and their dependents are not eligible for vision benefits. For more information about who is eligible for vision benefits, contact the Fund at (866) 686-0003.

UNITE HERE HEALTH has contracted with Davis Vision to administer the vision benefits provided to you and your dependents.

VISION BENEFITS— <i>What the Plan Pays</i>	
	Maximum Benefit
For retirees and spouses	100% up to \$75 every 24 months
For dependent children age 19 and older	100% up to \$75 every 24 months
For dependent children under age 19	100% up to \$75 every 12 months

Network and non-network vision providers

The Plan pays benefits based on whether you get treatment from a network provider or a non-network provider.

To find a network provider near you, contact:

Davis Vision

toll free: (800) 999-5431

www.davisvision.com

(Register for detailed information)

What you pay

You pay any copays shown in the chart at the beginning of this section. You also pay for any expenses the Plan does not cover, including costs that are more than a particular maximum benefit.

Upgrade options through network providers

Although the Plan will not pay for any upgrades or options, if you use a network provider, you can get certain upgrades or options for a set fee. Common lens options include but are not limited to anti-reflective coatings, progressive lenses, polycarbonate lenses for adults, and photochromic lenses. Standard scratch resistant coatings and, for children under age 19, polycarbonate lenses, are available with no copay to you.

You can also get discounts on laser eye surgery. (Benefits are not payable for laser eye surgery.)

Get your questions about upgrades and options answered by contacting Davis Vision, or by ask-

ing your network provider. Your cost for an upgrade depends on which upgrade(s) you pick.

What the Plan pays

The Plan pays 100% of covered expenses, up to the maximum shown in the table for your vision care. You pay any charges over the maximum benefit.

Your benefit period is measured from the first day of the month during which the covered expense is incurred. For example:

- If a retiree, spouse, or child age 19 or older gets frames and lenses on July 15, 2023 the next 24-month benefit period during which they can get new lenses and frames would begin July 1, 2025.
- If a child under age 19 gets frames and lenses on July 15, 2023, the next 12-month benefit period during which they can get new lenses and frames would begin July 1, 2024.

What's covered

Benefits are available every 24 months for retirees, spouses, and children age 19 and older, and every 12 months for children under age 19, measured from the first day of the month during which the covered expense was last incurred (the last date of service).

- Exams (including dilation when professionally indicated).
- Lenses, including single vision, bifocal lenses, trifocal lenses, or lenticular lenses.
- Frames.
- Standard contact lenses (soft, daily-wear, disposable, or planned replacement) in lieu of glasses.
 - ▶ Disposable and planned replacement contacts will be supplied in quantities determined by Davis Vision.
- Medically necessary contacts, with prior authorization from Davis Vision.

What's not covered

See page I-1 for a list of the Plan's general exclusions and limitations. In addition to that list, the following vision treatments, services, and supplies are not covered under the vision benefits:

- Non-prescription lenses.
- Any type of lenses, frames, services, supplies, or options that are not covered under the Davis Vision contract.

Vision benefits

- Two or more pairs of glasses instead of bifocals or trifocals.
- Contacts and eyeglasses during the same 12-month period.
- Replacement of lost, stolen, or broken contacts, lenses, or frames before the beginning of a 12-month or 24-month benefit period, as applicable.
- Medical treatment of eye disease or injury.
- Vision therapy.
- Services not provided by licensed vision care professionals.

Life insurance benefits

Learn:

Non-Medicare

Medicare

- What your life insurance benefit is.
- How you can continue your coverage if you are disabled.
- How to convert your life insurance to an individual policy if you lose coverage.
- How to tell the Fund who should get the benefit if you die.
- Additional benefits under the life insurance benefit.

Life insurance benefits are only available to certain grandfathered retirees. If you get life insurance benefits through the Fund, this section applies whether or not you are Medicare-eligible

Life insurance benefits

**Life insurance benefits are only available to certain grandfathered retirees.
Dependents are not eligible for life insurance benefits.**

LIFE BENEFIT—*What the Plan Pays*

Certain grandfathered retirees only	\$5,000
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Life insurance benefits are provided under an insured group insurance policy issued to UNITE HERE HEALTH by Dearborn Life Insurance Company, branded as Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois (BCBSIL). The terms and conditions of your life insurance coverage are contained in a certificate of insurance. The certificate describes, among other things:

- How much life insurance coverage is available.
- When benefits are payable.
- How benefits are paid if you do not name a beneficiary or if a beneficiary dies before you do.
- How to file a claim.

The terms of the certificate are summarized below. If there is a conflict between this summary and the certificate of insurance, the certificate governs. You may request a copy of the certificate of insurance free of charge by contacting UNITE HERE HEALTH.

Life insurance benefit

Your life insurance benefit is \$5,000 and will be paid to your beneficiary(ies) if you die while you are eligible for coverage or within the 31-day period immediately following the date coverage ends.

Converting to individual life insurance coverage

If your insurance coverage ends, you may be able to convert your group life coverage to an individual policy of whole life insurance by submitting a completed application and the required premium to BCBSIL within 31 days after the date your coverage under the Plan ends. Even if you decide to elect COBRA for your health benefits, the 31-day deadline for life insurance applies to you.

Premiums for converted coverage are based on your age and the amount of insurance you select. Conversion coverage becomes effective on the day following the 31-day period during which you could apply for conversion if you pay the required premium before then. If you think you might want to convert your group life insurance to an individual policy you pay for yourself, go to www.uhh.org/conversion to get the “Application to Convert Group Life Insurance” form. You can also get the form by calling Member Services. For more information about conversion coverage, contact BCBSIL:

BCBSIL

701 E. 22nd St., Suite 300

Lombard, IL 60148

(800) 348-4512

Life insurance benefits

Naming a beneficiary

Your beneficiary is the person or persons you want BCBSIL to pay if you die. Beneficiary designation forms are available on www.uhh.org or by calling the Fund. You can name anyone you want and you can change beneficiaries at any time. However, beneficiary designations will only become effective when a completed form is received.

If you don't name a beneficiary, death benefits will be paid to your first surviving relative in the following order: your spouse; your children in equal shares; your parents in equal shares; your brothers and sisters in equal shares; or your estate. However, BCBSIL may pay benefits up to any applicable limit, to anyone who pays expenses for your burial. The remainder will be paid in the order described above.

If a beneficiary is not legally competent to receive payment, BCBSIL may make payments to that person's legal guardian.

Additional services

In addition to the benefits described above, BCBSIL has also made the following services available. These services are not part of the insured benefits provided to UNITE HERE HEALTH by BCBSIL but are made available through outside organizations that have contracted with BCBSIL. They have no relationship to UNITE HERE HEALTH or the benefits it provides.

Travel Resources Services

Your life insurance benefits include medical emergency and travel emergency assistance programs when you're traveling 100 or more miles from home.

- **Medical Emergency Assistance** helps you and your dependents get care and support during a medical emergency. Examples of services currently offered include:
 - ▶ Medical referrals.
 - ▶ Medical monitoring.
 - ▶ Medical evacuation.
 - ▶ Foreign hospital admission assistance.
 - ▶ Prescription assistance.
- **Travel Emergency Assistance** helps you and your dependents get assistance if you have an emergency while traveling. Examples of services currently offered include:
 - ▶ Travel for a companion to join you if you're hospitalized alone.
 - ▶ Emergency minor childcare if you are injured.

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- ▶ Transportation for a companion if you need to be transported for medical care.
- ▶ Transportation for your body if you die.
- ▶ Other services, including return of your vehicle, legal and interpreter referrals, emergency cash and bail coordination, and pre-trip planning information.

Assist America

(800) 872-1414 (toll free in the U.S.)

(609) 986-1234 (outside the U.S.)

medservices@assistamerica.com

Reference number: 01-AA-TRS-12201

You can also get the mobile app.

All services must be arranged by Assist America and limits may apply.

Beneficiary Resource Services

Beneficiary Resource Services provides grief counseling, online will preparation, help planning a funeral, and other services to your beneficiaries (and to you if you are eligible for the terminal illness benefit). Services are provided by telephone, face-to-face contact, online, or through referral to local resources. Limits may apply to certain services. Beneficiary resources are provided by Morneau Shepell.

Morneau Shepell

(800) 769-9187

www.beneficiaryresource.com

(username: beneficiary)

General exclusions and limitations

Learn:

- The types of care not covered by the Plan.

General exclusions and limitations

Each specific benefit section has a list of the types of treatment, services, and supplies that are not covered. In addition to those lists, the following types of treatment, services and supplies are also excluded for all medical care, prescription drugs, vision care, and the short-term disability benefits.

No benefits will be paid under the Plan for charges incurred for or resulting from any of the following:

- Any bodily injury or sickness for which the person for whom a claim is made is not under the care of a healthcare provider.
- Any injury, sickness, or dental or vision treatment which arises out of or in the course of any occupation or employment, or for which you have gotten or are entitled to get benefits under a workers' compensation or occupational disease law, whether or not you have applied or been approved for such benefits.
- Any treatment, services, or supplies:
 - For which no charge is made.
 - For which you, your spouse or child is not required to pay.
 - Which are furnished by or payable under any plan or law of a federal or state government entity, or provided by a county, parish, or municipal hospital when there is no legal requirement to pay for such treatment, services, or supplies.
- Any charge which is more than the Plan's allowable charge (*see page M-2*).
- Treatment, services, or supplies not recommended or approved by your healthcare provider or not medically necessary in treating the injury or sickness as defined by UNITE HERE HEALTH (*see page M-5*).
- Experimental treatment (*see page M-4*), or treatment that is not in accordance with generally accepted professional medical or dental standards as defined by UNITE HERE HEALTH.
- Any expense or charge for failure to appear for an appointment as scheduled, or charge for completion of claim forms, or finance charges.
- Any treatment, services, or supplies provided by an individual who is related by blood or marriage to you, your spouse, or your child, or who normally lives in your home.
- Any treatment, services, or supplies purchased or provided outside of the United States (or its Territories), unless for a medical emergency. The decision of the Trustees in determining whether an emergency existed will be final.
- Any expense or charge by a rest home, old age home, or a nursing home.
- Any charges incurred while you are confined in a hospital, nursing home, or other facility

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or institution (or a part of such facility) which are primarily for education, training, or custodial care.

- Weight loss programs or treatment, except to treat morbid obesity if the program is under the direct supervision of a healthcare provider, or as specifically stated as covered (for example, diabetes education or nutrition counseling).
- Preventive medicine, except as specifically stated as covered.
- Acupuncture.
- Home construction for any reason.
- Treatment for or in connection with infertility, other than for diagnostic services.
- Any smoking cessation treatment, drug, or device to help you stop smoking or using tobacco, other than as otherwise stated as covered.
- Any charges incurred for treatment, services, or supplies as a result of a declared or undeclared war or any act thereof; or any loss, expense or charge incurred while a person is on active duty or in training in the Armed Forces, National Guard, or Reserves of any state or any country.
- Hospital charges for personal comfort items, including but not limited to telephone, television, cosmetics, guest trays, magazines, and bed or cots for family members or other guests.
- Any elective procedure (other than sterilization or abortion, or as otherwise specifically stated as covered) that is not for the correction or cure of a bodily injury or sickness.
- Any injury or sickness resulting from participation in an insurrection or riot, or participation in the commission of a felonious act or assault.
- Any charges incurred for education or training, unless specifically included as covered services.
- A service or item that is not covered under the Plan's claims processing guidelines or any other internal rule, guideline, protocol or similar criterion that the Plan relies upon.
- Any expense greater than the Plan's maximum benefits, or any expense incurred before eligibility for coverage begins or after eligibility terminates, unless specifically provided for under the Plan.
- Charges of claims incurred as a result, in whole or in part, of fraud, false information, or misrepresentation.
- Cosmetic services.

General exclusions and limitations

- Supplies or equipment for personal hygiene, comfort or convenience such as, but not limited to, air conditioning, humidifier, physical fitness and exercise equipment, tanning bed, or water bed.
- Procedures to reverse a voluntary sterilization.
- Any charges denied for any treatment, services, or supplies requiring prior authorization, when this mandatory program is not used as required.
- Eye or hearing exams, except as specifically stated as covered or unless the exam is for the diagnosis or treatment of an accidental bodily injury or an illness. However, eye exams may be covered under the vision benefits (see the section starting *on page G-1*).
- Hearing aids.
- Eyeglasses or contact lenses, unless otherwise specifically covered under the Plan. However, eye exams may be covered under the vision benefits (see the section starting *on page G-1*).
- Any dental treatment of teeth or their supporting structures, or services or supplies associated with such treatment, unless specifically listed as covered.

Coordination of benefits

Learn:

- How benefits are paid if you are covered under this Plan plus other plan(s).

Coordination of benefits

These coordination of benefit provisions only apply to the benefits offered under the sections titled “Medical benefits if you are not Medicare-eligible.” No coordination applies to the sections titled “Medical benefits if you are Medicare-eligible,” “Prescription drug benefits,” “Vision benefits,” or to “Life insurance benefits.” In addition, coordination of benefits does not apply to the services at the UNITE HERE HEALTH—Health Center.

Delta Dental may follow its own rules to coordinate dental benefits under the dental benefits; if there is a conflict between the information described in this section and the agreement with Delta Dental, the agreement with Delta Dental will govern. Contact Delta Dental with questions about coordination of your dental benefits.

If you or your dependents are covered under this Plan and are also covered under another group health plan, the two plans will coordinate benefit payments. Coordination of benefits (COB) means that two or more plans may each pay a portion of the allowable expenses. However, the combined benefit payments from all plans will not exceed 100% of allowable expenses.

This Plan coordinates benefits with the following types of plans:

- Group, blanket, or franchise insurance coverage.
- Group Blue Cross or Blue Shield coverage.
- Any other group coverage, including labor-management trustee plans, employee organization benefit plans, or employer organization benefit plans.
- Any coverage under governmental programs or provided by any statute, except Medicaid.
- Any automobile insurance policies (including but not limited to “no fault” coverage containing personal injury protection (PIP)).

This Plan will not coordinate benefits with health maintenance organizations (HMOs) or reimburse an HMO for services provided. The Plan will also not coordinate with an individual policy.

Which plan pays first

The first step in coordinating benefits is to determine which plan pays first (the primary plan) and which plan pays second (the secondary plan). If the Plan is primary, it will pay its full benefits. However, if the Plan is secondary, the benefits it would have paid will be used to supplement the benefits provided under the other plan, up to 100% of allowable expenses. Contact the Fund for more information about how the Plan determines allowable expenses when it is secondary.

Order of payment

The general rules that determine which plan pays first are summarized below. Contact the Fund if you have any questions.

- Plans that do not contain COB provisions always pay before those that do.
- Plans that have COB and cover a person as an employee always pay before plans that cover the person as a dependent.
- Plans that have COB and that covers a person (or dependent of such person) who is laid off, retired, or enrolled in continuation coverage offered in accordance with federal or state law will be secondary to active coverage, including self-paid coverage.
- Continuation coverage offered in accordance with federal or state law, such as COBRA, will be secondary to any non-continuation coverage, subject to the rule for military or government plans, below.
- Generally military or government coverage will be secondary to all other coverage.
- With respect to plans that have COB and cover dependent children under age 18 whose parents are not separated, plans that cover the parent whose birthday falls earlier in a year pay before plans covering the parent whose birthday falls later in that year.
- With respect to plans that have COB and cover dependent children under age 18 whose parents are separated or divorced:
 - Plans covering the parent whose financial responsibility for the child's healthcare expenses is established by court order pay first.
 - If there is no court order establishing financial responsibility, the plan covering the parent with custody pays first.
 - If the parent with custody has remarried and the child is covered as a dependent under the plan of the stepparent, the order of payment is as follows:
 - The plan of the parent with custody.
 - The plan of the stepparent with custody.
 - The plan of the parent without custody.
- With respect to plans that have COB and cover adult dependent children age 18 and older under both parents' plans, regardless of whether these parents are separated or divorced, or not separated or divorced, the plan that covers the parent whose birthday falls earlier in a year pays before the plan covering the parent whose birthday falls later in the year, unless a court order requires a different order.
- With respect to plans that have COB and cover adult dependent children age 18 and older under one or more parents' plan and also under the dependent child's spouse's plan,

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the plan that has covered the dependent child the longest will pay first. In the event the dependent child's coverage under the spouse's plan began on the same date as either or both parents' plans, the order of benefits shall be determined by applying the birthday rule to the dependent child's parent(s) and spouse.

If these rules do not determine the primary plan, the plan that has covered the person for the longest period of time pays first.

COB, prior authorization, and referrals

When this Plan is secondary (pays its benefits after the other plan) and the primary plan's prior authorization or utilization management requirements are satisfied, you or your dependent will not be required to comply with this Plan's prior authorization or utilization management requirements. The Plan will accept the prior authorization or utilization management determinations made by the primary plan. In addition, you will not be required to have a referral from your primary care provider in order to pay the lower office visit copay for specialty care.

Special rules for Medicare

I have retiree coverage or COBRA coverage

If you and your dependents have COBRA coverage or retiree coverage, and you (or your dependent) are eligible for Medicare, the Plan pays secondary to Medicare whether or not you (or your dependent) enroll in Medicare. The Plan won't pay amounts that can be paid by Medicare.

If you have retiree or COBRA coverage, and you do not enroll in both Medicare Part A (Hospital Benefits) and Part B (Doctor's Benefits) when you eligible for Medicare, you will have to pay 100% of the costs that Medicare would have paid.

I have, or my dependent has, end-stage renal disease (ESRD)

Regardless of whether you have active, retiree or COBRA coverage, the Plan pays primary for the first 30 months you (or your dependent) are eligible for Medicare because of ESRD and Medicare pays secondary.

For the first 30 months you (or your dependent) are eligible for Medicare because of ESRD, the Plan pays primary, and Medicare pays secondary.

Medicare will pay primary for people with ESRD, regardless of their age, beginning 30 months after you become eligible for Medicare because of ESRD. The Plan pays secondary, whether or not you (or your dependent) have enrolled in Medicare.

Your ESRD Medicare coverage will usually end, and the Plan's normal coordination rules will apply again:

- 12 months after the month you stop dialysis treatments; or
- 36 months after the month you have a kidney transplant.

If you (or your dependent) have ESRD, you should enroll in Medicare to avoid getting billed for things Medicare will cover.

How to get help with Medicare

Get help enrolling in Medicare, or get answers about Medicare, by:

- Calling **(800) 772-1213**.
- Going online to www.SocialSecurity.gov.
- Contacting your local Social Security office.

When the Plan coordinates with itself

If you are covered under this Plan as both a retiree and a dependent (for example, if you are a retiree and your spouse's or your parent's dependent), or your dependents are also covered as the dependent of another retiree (for example, if you and your spouse both cover your children), this Plan coordinates most of your coinsurance and copays with itself, reducing what you pay out of pocket.

However, this Plan will not coordinate any of the following items:

- Benefit maximums (for example, visit limits or dollar maximums).
- Deductibles.
- Coinsurance and copays for non-emergency treatment at a network or out-of-network emergency room.
- Coinsurance and copays for non-network providers (except for in-hospital consultations or providers like anesthesiologists, pathologists, radiologist, or emergency room providers that the Plan pays as a network provider).

Subrogation

Learn:

- Your responsibilities and the Plan's rights if your expenses are from an accident or an act caused by someone else.

The Plan's right to recover payments

When injury is caused by someone else

Sometimes, you or your dependent suffer injuries and incur expenses as a result of an accident or act for which someone other than UNITE HERE HEALTH is financially responsible. For benefit repayment purposes, “subrogation” means that UNITE HERE HEALTH takes over the same legal rights to collect money damages that a participant had.

Typical examples include injuries sustained:

- In a motor vehicle or public transportation accident.
- By medical malpractice.
- By products liability.
- On someone's property.

In these cases, other insurance may have to pay all or a part of the resulting bills, even though benefits for the same expenses may be paid by the Plan. By accepting benefits paid by the Plan, you agree to repay the Plan if you recover anything from a third party.

Statement of facts and repayment agreement

In order to determine benefits for an injury caused by another party, UNITE HERE HEALTH may require a signed Statement of Facts. This form requests specific information about the injury and asks whether or not you intend to pursue legal action. If you receive a Statement of Facts, you must submit a completed and signed copy to UNITE HERE HEALTH before benefits are paid.

Along with the Statement of Facts, you will receive a Repayment Agreement. If you decide to pursue legal action or file a claim in connection with the accident, you and your attorney (if one is retained) must also sign a Repayment Agreement before UNITE HERE HEALTH pays benefits. The Repayment Agreement helps the Plan enforce its right to be repaid and gives UNITE HERE HEALTH first claim, with no offsets, to any money you or your dependents recover from a third party, such as:

- The person responsible for the injury.
- The insurance company of the person responsible for the injury.
- Your own liability insurance company.

The Repayment Agreement also allows UNITE HERE HEALTH to intervene in, or initiate on your behalf, a lawsuit to recover benefits paid for or in connection with the injury.

Settling your claim

Before you settle your claim with a third party, you or your attorney should contact UNITE HERE HEALTH to obtain the total amount of bills paid. Upon settlement, UNITE HERE HEALTH is entitled to reimbursement for the amount of the benefits it has paid or the full amount of the settlement or other recovery you or a dependent receive, whatever is less.

If UNITE HERE HEALTH is not repaid, future benefits may be applied to the amounts due, even if those benefits are not related to the injury. If this happens, no benefits will be paid on behalf of you or your dependent (if applicable) until the amount owed UNITE HERE HEALTH is satisfied.

If the Plan unknowingly pays benefits resulting from an injury caused by an individual who may have financial responsibility for any expenses associated with that injury, your acceptance of those benefits is considered your agreement to abide by the Plan's subrogation rule, including the terms outlined in the Repayment Agreement.

Although UNITE HERE HEALTH expects full reimbursement, there may be times when full recovery is not possible. The Trustees may reduce the amount you must repay if special circumstances exist, such as the need to replace lost wages, ongoing disability, or similar considerations.

When your claim settles, if you believe the amount UNITE HERE HEALTH is entitled to should be reduced, send your written request to:

Subrogation Coordinator
UNITE HERE HEALTH
P.O. Box 6020
Aurora, IL 60598-0020

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Eligibility for coverage

Learn:

- Who is eligible for coverage (who is considered a dependent).
- How you enroll yourself and your dependents.
- When and how you become eligible for coverage.
- How you stay eligible for coverage.
- When your dependents become eligible.

Eligibility for coverage

Retiree benefits provided through the Fund are not vested or accrued benefits. This means the retiree benefits are not guaranteed to continue indefinitely. The Trustees have full and exclusive authority to change or terminate the benefits and the eligibility requirements at any time.

The eligibility rules described in this section will not apply to you until and unless your employer is required to begin making contributions on your behalf.

Who is eligible for coverage

Retirees

You are eligible for coverage if you meet all of the following rules:

- You complete at least 15 years of employment.
- You are at least age 55.
- You begin receiving Pension Benefits from the Consolidated Retirement Fund.

Survivors

If you are a survivor of an eligible retiree who had at least 15 years of employment, you are eligible for coverage if all of the following are met:

- You qualify for an immediate monthly survivor's benefit from the Consolidated Retirement Fund upon the death of the retiree.
- The retiree was covered under the applicable UNITE HERE Staff Health Benefits Plan.
- You were married to the deceased for at least five years at the time of retirement or death.

You must still pay for the cost of your coverage. The same rules that apply to retirees apply to you (*see page K-2*).

Dependents

If you have dependents when you become eligible for coverage, you can also sign up (enroll) your dependents for coverage during your initial enrollment period. Your dependents' coverage cannot start before your coverage starts. You cannot decline coverage for yourself and sign up your dependents.

You cannot add dependents after the date you become eligible for retiree coverage.

The only exception is that you can delay enrolling your spouse if he or she is Medicare-eligible and has employer-sponsored health insurance. In this case, you must your spouse no later than 90 days after the date your spouse loses his or her employer-sponsored health insurance. Your

spouse's coverage will begin on the first day of the month for which your share of the cost of spousal coverage is taken out of your monthly pension benefit. In order to enroll your dependents, you must provide information about them when you enroll. You must provide the requested information during your initial enrollment period. UNITE HERE HEALTH will tell you when this information is due.

Who your dependents are

Your **dependent** is any of the following, provided you show proof of your relationship to them:

- Your legal spouse.
- Your **children** who are under age 26, including any of the following:
 - Biological children.
 - Step-children.
 - Adopted children or children placed with you for adoption, if you are legally responsible for supporting the children until the adoption is finalized.
 - Children for whom you are the legal guardian or for whom you have sole custody under a state domestic relations law.
 - Children entitled to coverage under a Qualified Medical Child Support Order.
 - ✓ Federal law requires UNITE HERE HEALTH to honor Qualified Medical Child Support Orders. UNITE HERE HEALTH has established procedures for determining whether a divorce decree or a support order meets federal requirements and for enrollment of any child named in the Qualified Medical Child Support Order. To obtain a copy of these procedures at no cost, or for more information, contact the Fund.

If your child is age 26 or older and disabled, his or her coverage may be continued under the Plan. In order to continue coverage, the child must have been diagnosed with a physical or mental handicap, must not be able to support himself or herself, and must continue to depend on you for support. Coverage for a child with a disability will continue as long as all of the following rules are met:

- You (the retiree) remain eligible.
- The child's handicap began before age 19.
- The child was covered by the Plan on the day prior to his or her 19th birthday.

You must provide proof of the mental or physical handicap within 30 days after the date coverage would end because the child becomes age 26. The Fund may also require you to provide proof of the handicap periodically. Contact the Fund for more information on how to continue coverage for a child with a serious handicap.

Eligibility for coverage

Enrollment requirements

Retirees

Once you become eligible, your coverage is automatic. However, you must provide the Fund with any required information before benefits will be paid on your behalf.

Dependents

- ✓ You cannot choose to cover just your dependents. You can only cover your dependents if you are enrolled for coverage, too.

In order to enroll your dependents, you must provide the requested information during your initial enrollment period. UNITE HERE HEALTH will tell you when this information is due. Only dependents enrolled for benefits on the date you retire are eligible for coverage.

See page K-5 for information about when coverage for your dependents starts.

You must show that each dependent you enroll meets the Fund's definition of a dependent. You must provide at least one of the following for each of your dependents:

- A certified copy of your marriage certificate.
- A commemoration of marriage from a generally recognized denomination of organized religion.
- A certified copy of the birth certificate.
- A baptismal certificate.
- Hospital birth records.
- Written proof of adoption or legal guardianship.
- Court decrees requiring you to provide medical benefits for a dependent child.
- Copies of your most recent federal tax return (Form 1040 or its equivalents).
- Documentation of dependent status issued and certified by the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS).
- Documentation of dependent status issued and certified by a foreign embassy.

Your or your spouse's name must be listed on the proof document as the dependent child's parent or legal guardian.

No benefits of any kind will be paid for your dependents until they are properly enrolled.

Paying for retiree coverage

Retiree coverage is not free. You must contribute toward the cost of providing coverage, either for you or for you and your dependents. Your share is 50% of the cost of providing coverage. Your required contribution is deducted from your monthly pension benefit, but in no event will this amount exceed 50% of your gross monthly pension benefit.

The same contribution rules apply to survivors' coverage.

When your coverage begins

Retiree coverage begins on the first day of the month for which a deduction toward the cost of providing coverage from your monthly pension benefits.

Continuing eligibility

Your coverage continues as long as deductions toward the cost of providing coverage is made from your monthly pension benefit.

Dependent eligibility

Your dependents' coverage cannot start before your coverage starts. You must provide any required enrollment materials by the deadline to enroll. Your dependents will remain covered as long as you remain eligible and your dependent continues to meet the definition of a dependent.

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Termination of coverage

Learn:

- When your coverage and your dependents' coverage ends.

Termination of coverage

Your and your dependents' coverage continues as long as you maintain your eligibility as described *on page K-5*. However, your coverage ends if one of the events described below happens. If your coverage terminates, you may be eligible to make payments to continue your coverage (called COBRA continuation coverage). *See page K-12*.

When retiree coverage ends

Your (the retiree's) coverage ends on the earliest of any of the following dates:

- The date the Plan is terminated.
- The date you die.
- The first day of the month for which a deduction from the monthly pension benefit towards the cost of providing coverage is not made.

When dependent coverage ends

Dependent coverage ends on the earliest of any of the following dates:

- The date the Plan is terminated.
- Your (the retiree's) death, unless the dependent qualifies for survivor coverage (*see page K-2*).
- The dependent enters any branch of the uniformed services.
- The last day of the month in which your dependent no longer meets the Plan's definition of a dependent.
- The date the dependent child is eligible for other group health care coverage based on his or her status as an employee.
- The first day of the month for which a deduction from the monthly pension benefit towards the cost of providing coverage is not made.

You may also ask the Fund to stop covering your dependent (or dependents). Contact the Fund at **(866) 686-0003** for more information about how to stop covering a dependent. However, you generally may not re-enroll the dependent (dependents may only be enrolled when you first become eligible for retiree benefits).

Special termination rule

If: Your employer's Collective Bargaining Agreement expires, a new Collective Bargaining Agreement is not established, and your employer does not make contributions to UNITE HERE HEALTH,

Then: Your coverage ends on the last day of the month corresponding to the last month for which contributions were received.

If: Your employer withdraws from UNITE HERE HEALTH, or if the Fund terminates its participation agreement with your employer,

Then: Your coverage ends on the last day of the month for which your employer has an obligation to make contributions to UNITE HERE HEALTH.

Certificate of creditable coverage

You or your dependent may request a certificate of creditable coverage within the 24 months immediately following the date your or your dependents' coverage ends. The certificate shows the persons covered by the Fund and the length of coverage applicable to each. The Fund will only send a certificate of creditable coverage if you or your dependent request it.

Contact the Fund when you have questions about certificates of creditable coverage.

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COBRA continuation coverage

Learn:

- ▶ How you can make payments to continue your coverage.

COBRA continuation coverage

The right to COBRA continuation coverage, which is a temporary extension of coverage under the Plan, was created by a federal law, the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 (COBRA). COBRA continuation coverage can become available to you and other members of your family when group health coverage would otherwise end. **This part of your SPD explains COBRA continuation coverage, when it may become available to you and your family, and what you need to do to protect your right to get it.** For more information about your rights and obligations under the Plan and under federal law, you should read this SPD or contact the Fund.

What is COBRA continuation coverage?

COBRA continuation coverage is a continuation of Plan coverage when it would otherwise end because of a life event. This is also called a “qualifying event.” Specific qualifying events are listed later in this section. After a qualifying event, COBRA continuation coverage must be offered to each person who is a “qualified beneficiary.” You, your spouse, and your dependent children could become qualified beneficiaries if coverage under the Plan is lost because of the qualifying event. Under the Plan, qualified beneficiaries who elect COBRA continuation coverage must pay for COBRA continuation coverage.

Continuation coverage is the same coverage that the Plan gives to other participants or beneficiaries under the Plan who are not receiving continuation coverage, except that you cannot continue life insurance benefits. Each qualified beneficiary who elects continuation coverage will have the same rights under the Plan as other participants or beneficiaries covered under the Plan, including open enrollment and special enrollment rights.

If you’re an employee, you’ll become a qualified beneficiary if you lose your coverage under the Plan because of the following qualifying events:

- Your hours of employment are reduced;
- Your employment ends for any reason other than your gross misconduct; or
- Your employer withdraws from UNITE HERE HEALTH.

If you’re the spouse of an employee, you’ll become a qualified beneficiary if you lose your coverage under the Plan because of the following qualifying events:

- Your spouse dies;
- Your spouse’s hours of employment are reduced;
- Your spouse’s employment ends for any reason other than his or her gross misconduct;
- Your spouse’s employer withdraws from UNITE HERE HEALTH;
- Your spouse becomes entitled to Medicare benefits (under Part A, Part B, or both); or
- You become divorced or legally separated from your spouse.

Your dependent children will become qualified beneficiaries if they lose coverage under the Plan because of the following qualifying events:

- The parent-employee dies;
- The parent-employee's hours of employment are reduced;
- The parent-employee's employment ends for any reason other than his or her gross misconduct;
- The parent-employee's employer withdraws from UNITE HERE HEALTH;
- The parent-employee becomes entitled to Medicare benefits (Part A, Part B, or both);
- The parents become divorced or legally separated; or
- The child stops being eligible for coverage under the Plan as a "dependent child."

Sometimes, filing a proceeding in bankruptcy under title 11 of the United States Code can be a qualifying event. If a proceeding in bankruptcy is filed with respect to your employer, and that bankruptcy results in the loss of coverage of any retired employee covered under the Plan, the retired employee will become a qualified beneficiary. The retired employee's spouse, surviving spouse, and dependent children will also become qualified beneficiaries if bankruptcy results in the loss of their coverage under the Plan.

When is COBRA continuation coverage available?

The Plan will offer COBRA continuation coverage to qualified beneficiaries only after the Plan Administrator has been notified that a qualifying event has occurred. The employer must notify the Plan Administrator of the following qualifying events:

- The end of employment or reduction of hours of employment;
- Death of the employee; or
- The employee's becoming entitled to Medicare benefits (under Part A, Part B, or both).

UNITE HERE HEALTH uses its own records to determine when participants' coverage under the Plan ends.

For all other qualifying events (divorce or legal separation of the employee and spouse or a dependent child's losing eligibility for coverage as a dependent child), you must notify the Plan Administrator within 60 days after the qualifying event occurs. You must provide this notice to:

UNITE HERE HEALTH
Attn: COBRA Department
P. O. Box 6557
Aurora, IL 60589-0557

COBRA continuation coverage

You should use the Fund's forms to provide notice of any qualifying event, if you or a dependent are determined by the Social Security Administration to be disabled, or if you are no longer disabled. You can get a form by calling the Fund at **(866) 686-0003**.

How is COBRA continuation coverage provided?

Once the Plan Administrator receives notice that a qualifying event has occurred, it will determine if you or your dependents are entitled to COBRA continuation coverage.

- If you or your dependents are not entitled to COBRA continuation coverage, you or your dependent will be mailed a notice within 14 days after UNITE HERE HEALTH has been notified of the qualifying event. The notice will explain why COBRA continuation coverage is not available.
- If you or your dependents are entitled to COBRA continuation coverage, you or the dependent will be mailed a description of your COBRA continuation coverage rights and the applicable election forms. The description of COBRA continuation coverage rights and the election forms will be mailed within 45 days after UNITE HERE HEALTH has been notified of the qualifying event. These materials will be mailed to those entitled to continuation coverage at the last known address on file.

COBRA continuation coverage will be offered to each of the qualified beneficiaries. Each qualified beneficiary will have an independent right to elect COBRA continuation coverage. Covered employees may elect COBRA continuation coverage on behalf of their spouses, and parents may elect COBRA continuation coverage on behalf of their children.

You must complete a COBRA continuation coverage election form and submit it within 60 days from the later of the following dates:

- The date coverage under the Plan would otherwise end.
- The date the Fund sends the election form and a description of the Plan's COBRA continuation coverage rights and procedures.

If your or your dependents' election form is received within the 60-day election period, you or your dependents will be sent a premium notice showing the amount owed for COBRA continuation coverage. The amount charged for COBRA continuation coverage will not be more than the amount allowed by federal law.

- UNITE HERE HEALTH must receive the first payment within 45 days after the date it receives your election form. The first payment must equal the premiums due from the date coverage ended until the end of the month in which payment is being made. This means that your first payment may be for more than one month of COBRA continuation coverage.
- After the first payment, additional payments are due on the first day of each month for which coverage is to be continued. To continue coverage, each monthly payment must be postmarked no later than 30 days after the payment is due.

Payments for COBRA continuation coverage can be made by check or money order (or other method acceptable to UNITE HERE HEALTH), payable to UNITE HERE HEALTH, and mailed to:

UNITE HERE HEALTH
Attn: COBRA Department
P. O. Box 809328
Aurora, IL 60680-9328

Generally, COBRA continuation coverage is a temporary continuation of coverage that lasts for up to 18 months due to employment termination or reduction of hours of work. Certain qualifying events, or a second qualifying event during the initial period of coverage, may permit a beneficiary to receive a maximum of 36 months of coverage.

There are also ways in which this 18-month period of COBRA continuation coverage can be extended.

Disability extension of 18-month period of COBRA continuation coverage

If you or anyone in your family covered under the Plan is determined by Social Security to be disabled and you notify the Plan Administrator in a timely fashion, you and your entire family may be entitled to get up to an additional 11 months of COBRA continuation coverage, for a maximum of 29 months. The disability has to have started at some time on or before the 60th day of COBRA continuation coverage and must last at least until the end of the 18-month period of continuation coverage. To qualify for this special extended COBRA Coverage, the individual must send (or bring) to the Fund Office the Social Security disability determination before the initial 18 months of continuation coverage expires. After the Plan receives a copy of the disability determination, you will be notified of any increase in cost required to continue the COBRA Coverage for the extended period (the period between 18 and 29 months). Each qualified beneficiary who has elected continuation coverage will be entitled to the 11-month disability extension if one of them qualifies. If the qualified beneficiary is determined to no longer be disabled under the SSA, you must notify the Plan of that fact within 30 days after that determination.

Second qualifying event extension of 18-month period of continuation coverage

If your family experiences another qualifying event during the 18 months of COBRA continuation coverage, the spouse and dependent children in your family can get up to 18 additional months of COBRA continuation coverage, for a maximum of 36 months, if the Plan is properly notified about the second qualifying event. This extension may be available to the spouse and any dependent children getting COBRA continuation coverage if the employee or former employee dies; becomes entitled to Medicare benefits (under Part A, Part B, or both); gets divorced or legally separated; or if the dependent child stops being eligible under the Plan as a dependent child. This extension is only available if the second qualifying event would have caused the spouse or dependent child to lose coverage under the Plan had the first qualifying event not occurred.

COBRA continuation coverage

When will COBRA continuation coverage end?

COBRA continuation coverage will end when you have reached the maximum period of time for which coverage can be continued is reached. However, continuation coverage will end sooner if any of the following occur:

- The end of the month for which a premium was last paid, if you or your dependents do not pay any required premium when due.
- The date the Plan terminates.
- The date Medicare coverage becomes effective if it begins after the person's election of COBRA (Medicare coverage means you are entitled to coverage under Medicare; you have applied or enrolled for that coverage, if application is necessary; and your Medicare coverage is effective).
- The date the Plan's eligibility requirements are once again satisfied.
- The end of the month occurring 30 days after the date disability under the Social Security Act ends, if that date occurs after the first 18 months of continuation coverage have expired.
- The date coverage begins under any other group health plan.

If termination of continuation coverage ends for any of the reasons listed above, you will be mailed an early termination notice shortly after coverage terminates. The notice will specify the date coverage ended and the reason why.

Are there other coverage options besides COBRA continuation coverage?

Yes. Instead of enrolling in COBRA continuation coverage, there may be other coverage options for you and your family through self-pay (if you have that option), or the Health Insurance Marketplace, in Medicare, Medicaid, Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), or other group health plan coverage options (such as a spouse's plan) through what is called a "special enrollment period." Some of these options may cost less than COBRA continuation coverage. You can learn more about many of these options at www.HealthCare.gov.

You should compare your other coverage options with COBRA continuation coverage and choose the coverage that is best for you. For example, if you move to other coverage you may pay more out-of-pocket than you would under COBRA because the new coverage may impose a new deductible.

Can I enroll in Medicare instead of COBRA continuation coverage after my group health plan coverage ends?

In general, if you don't enroll in Medicare Part A or B when you are first eligible because you are still employed, after the Medicare initial enrollment period, you have an 8-month special enrollment period to sign up for Medicare Part A or B, beginning on the earlier of:

- The month after your employment ends; or
- The month after group health plan coverage based on current employment ends.

If you don't enroll in Medicare and elect COBRA continuation coverage instead, you may have to pay a Part B late enrollment penalty and you may have a gap in coverage if you decide you want Part B later. If you elect COBRA continuation coverage and later enroll in Medicare Part A or B before the COBRA continuation coverage ends, the Plan may terminate your continuation coverage. However, if Medicare Part A or B is effective on or before the date of the COBRA election, COBRA coverage may not be discontinued on account of Medicare entitlement, even if you enroll in the other part of Medicare after the date of the election of COBRA coverage.

If you are enrolled in both COBRA continuation coverage and Medicare, Medicare will generally pay first (primary payer) and COBRA continuation coverage will pay second. Certain plans may pay as if secondary to Medicare, even if you are not enrolled in Medicare.

For more information visit <https://www.medicare.gov/medicare-and-you>.

If you have questions

Questions concerning your Plan or your COBRA continuation coverage rights should be addressed to the contact or contacts identified below. For more information about your rights under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA), including COBRA, the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, and other laws affecting group health plans, contact the nearest Regional or District Office of the U.S. Department of Labor's Employee Benefits Security Administration (EBSA) in your area or visit www.dol.gov/ebsa. (Addresses and phone numbers of Regional and District EBSA Offices are available through EBSA's website.). For more information about the Marketplace, visit www.HealthCare.gov.

Keep your Plan informed of address changes

To protect your family's rights, let the Plan Administrator know about any changes in the addresses of family members. You should also keep a copy, for your records, of any notices you send to the Plan Administrator.

COBRA continuation coverage

Plan contact information

UNITE HERE HEALTH
Attn: COBRA Department
P. O. Box 6557
Aurora, IL 60589-0557
(866) 686-0003

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Claim filing and appeal provisions

Learn:

- What you need to do to file a claim.
- The deadline to file a claim.
- When you will get a decision on your claim.
- How to appeal if your claim is denied.
- When you will get a decision on your appeal.
- Your right to external claim review.

Claim filing and appeal provisions

Filing a benefit claim

Your claim for benefits must include all of the following information:

- Your name.
- Your Social Security number or member ID number.
- A description of the injury, sickness, symptoms, or other condition upon which your claim is based.

A claim for healthcare benefits should include any of the following information that applies:

- Diagnoses.
- Dates of service(s).
- Identification of the specific service(s) furnished.
- Charges incurred for each service(s).
- Name and address of the provider.
- When applicable, your dependent's name, Social Security number, and your relationship to the patient.
- If you are Medicare-eligible and filing a claim under the Fund's supplemental benefits, an explanation of benefits from Medicare.

Claims for life insurance benefits may require a certified copy of the death certificate. All claims for benefits must be made as shown below. If you need help filing a claim, contact the Fund at **(866) 686-0003**.

Medical/surgical and mental health/substance abuse claims if you are not Medicare-eligible

Network providers will generally file the claim for you. However, if you need to file a claim, for example because you use a non-network provider, all claims for hospital, medical, or surgical treatment provided in Illinois must be mailed to Blue Cross and Blue Shield.

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois

P. O. Box 805107

Chicago, Illinois 60680-4112

All claims for **treatment furnished outside of Illinois** must be mailed to the local Blue Cross Blue Shield plan where you were treated.

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However, claims for reimbursement for medical foods should be sent to UNITE HERE HEALTH. Be sure to include a completed claim form and itemized receipts.

UNITE HERE HEALTH
Attention: Claims Manager
P.O. Box 6020
Aurora, IL 60598-0020

Prescription drug claims

If you use a network pharmacy, the pharmacy should file a claim for you. No benefits are payable if you use a pharmacy that does not participate in the pharmacy network. However, if you need to file a prescription drug claim for a prescription drug or supply purchased at a network pharmacy, you should send it to:

WellDyneRx Claim Reimbursement
P.O. Box 90369
Lakeland, FL 33804

Dental claims

If you use a network dentist, the dentist should file a claim for you. However, if you need to file a claim, for example because you used a non-network dentist, all dental PPO dental claims must be mailed to Delta Dental:

Delta Dental
P.O. Box 5402
Lisle, IL 60532

Vision claims

Generally, if you use a Davis Vision provider, you do not need to file a claim for vision care because Davis Vision providers will file the claim on your behalf. However, if you need to file a claim because you used a provider who is not in the Davis Vision network, submit it to:

Davis Vision
Vision Care Processing Unit
P.O. Box 1525
Latham, NY 12110

All other claims, including claims if you are Medicare-eligible

All life insurance claims, claims under the Medical benefits if you are Medicare-eligible, or any claims denied because you are not eligible, should be mailed to:

UNITE HERE HEALTH
P.O. Box 6020
Aurora, IL 60598-0020

Claim filing and appeal provisions

If you are filing a claim for life insurance benefits, after you have contacted the Fund about a retiree's death, BCBSIL will contact you to complete the claim filing process.

Deadlines for filing a benefit claim

Only those benefit claims that are filed in a timely manner will be considered for payment. The following deadlines apply:

Deadline for filing a claim	
Type of claim	Deadline to file
Dental claims	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Proof of claim should be furnished within 90 days of the date dental care was provided.• Claims may be submitted for up to one year if the 90-day deadline cannot reasonably be met.
Vision claims	365 days following the date the claim was incurred
Life insurance	Within a reasonable amount of time
All other claims— Including healthcare benefits, including medical/surgical claims, mental health/substance abuse claims, and prescription drug claims	18 months following the date the claim was incurred

If you do not file a benefit claim by the appropriate deadline, your claim will be denied unless you can show that it was not reasonably possible for you to meet the claim filing requirements, and that you filed your claim as soon after the deadline as was reasonably possible.

Individuals who may file a benefit claim

You, a healthcare provider (under certain circumstances), or an authorized representative acting on your behalf may file a claim for benefits under the Plan.

Who is an authorized representative?

You may give someone else the authority to act for you to file a claim for benefits or appeal a claim denial. If you would like someone else (called an “authorized representative”) to act for you, you and the person you want to be your authorized representative must complete and sign a form acceptable to the Fund. Call UNITE HERE HEALTH to obtain a form and submit it to:

UNITE HERE HEALTH
Attention: Claims Manager
P.O. Box 6020
Aurora, IL 60598-0020

Claim filing and appeal provisions

In the case of an urgent care/emergency treatment claim, a healthcare provider with knowledge of your medical condition may act as your authorized representative.

If UNITE HERE HEALTH determines that you are incompetent or otherwise not able to pick an authorized representative to act for you, any of the following people may be recognized as your authorized representative without the appropriate form:

- Your spouse (or domestic partner).
- Someone who has power of attorney, or who is executor of your estate.

Your authorized representative may act on your behalf until the earlier of the following dates:

- The date you tell UNITE HERE HEALTH, either verbally or in writing, that you no longer want the authorized representative to act for you.
- The date a final decision on your appeal is issued.

Determination of claims

Post-service healthcare claims not involving concurrent care decisions

You will be notified of the decision within a reasonable period of time appropriate to your medical circumstances, but no later than 30 days after getting your claim. In general, benefits for medical/surgical services will be paid to the provider of those services.

This 30-day period may be extended one time for up to an additional 15 days if necessary for matters beyond the Plan's control. If a 15-day extension is required, you will be notified before the end of the original 30-day period. You will also be notified why the extension is needed, and when a decision is expected. If this extension is needed because you do not submit the information needed, you have 60 days from the date you are told more information is needed to submit it. You will be told what additional information you must provide. If you do not provide the required information within 60 days, your claim will be denied, and any benefits otherwise payable will not be paid.

Concurrent care decisions

If your ongoing course of treatment has been approved, any decision to reduce or terminate the benefits payable for that course of treatment is considered a denial of your claim. (If the Plan is amended or terminated, the reduction or termination of benefits is not a denial).

For example, if you are approved for a 30-day stay in a skilled nursing facility, but your clinical records on day 20 of your stay show that you only need to stay a total of 25 days, the approval for your skilled nursing facility stay may be changed from 30 days to 25 days. The final 5 days of your original 30-day stay will not be covered, and are considered a denial of your claim.

If your concurrent care claim is denied, you will be notified of the decision in time to allow you to appeal before the benefit is reduced or terminated.

Claim filing and appeal provisions

Your request that your approved course of treatment be extended is also considered a concurrent care claim. If your request for an extension of your course of treatment is an urgent care/emergency treatment claim, a decision regarding your request will be made as soon as possible, taking into account the medical circumstances. You will be notified of the decision (whether denial or not) no later than 24 hours after receipt of your claim.

Life insurance claims

In general, you will be notified of the decision on your claim for life insurance benefits no later than 90 days after your claim is received.

This 90-day period may be extended for up to an additional 90 days if special circumstances require additional time. BCBSIL will notify you in writing if it requires more processing time before the end of the first 90-day period.

Rules for prior authorization of benefits

In general, your request for prior authorization must be processed no later than 15 days from the date the request is received. In the case of an emergency, your request will be processed within 72 hours.

However, this 15-day period may be extended by 15 days for circumstances beyond the control of the prior authorization company, including if you or your healthcare provider did not submit all of the information needed to make a decision. If extra time is needed, you will be informed, before the end of the original 15-day period, why more time is needed and when a decision will be made.

If you are asked for more information, you must provide it within 45 days after you are asked for it. Once you are told that an extension is needed, the time you take to respond to the request for more information will not count toward the 15-day time limit for making a decision. If you do not provide any required information within 45 days, your request for prior authorization will be denied.

In the case of emergency treatment/urgent care, you have no less than 48 hours to provide any required information. A decision will be made as soon as possible, but no later than 48 hours, after you have provided all requested information.

If you don't follow the rules for requesting prior authorization, you will be given notice how to file such a request. This notice will be provided within 5 days (24 hours in case of an urgent care claim) of the failure.

Special rules for decisions involving urgent concurrent care

If an extension of the period of time your healthcare provider prescribed is requested, and involves emergency treatment/urgent care, a decision must be made as soon as possible, but no later than 24 hours after your request is received, as long as your request is received at least 24 hours before the end of the authorized period of time.

If your request is not made more than 24 hours in advance, the decision must be made no later than 72 hours after your request is received. If the request for an extension of the prescribed period is not a request involving urgent care, the request will be treated as a new request to have benefits prior authorized and will be decided subject to the rules for a new request.

If a request for prior authorization is denied

If all or part of a request for a benefit prior authorization is denied, you will receive a written denial. The denial will include all of the information federal law requires. The denial will explain why your request was denied, and your rights to get additional information. It will also explain how you can appeal the denial, and your right to bring legal action if the denial is upheld after review.

Appealing a benefit prior authorization denial

If your request for a benefit prior authorization is denied, in whole or in part, you may appeal the decision. The next section explains how to appeal a benefit prior authorization denial.

If a benefit claim is denied

If your claim for benefits, or request for prior authorization, is denied, either in full or in part, you will receive a written notice explaining the reasons for the denial, including all information required by federal law. The notice will also include information about how you can file an appeal and any related time limits, including how to get an expedited (accelerated) review for emergency treatment/urgent care, if appropriate.

Life insurance claims

You can file an appeal within 60 days of BCBSIL's decision. BCBSIL will generally respond to your appeal within 60 days (but may request a 60-day extension). If you need help filing an appeal, or have questions about how BCBSIL's claim and appeal process works, contact BCBSIL.

BCBSIL
Attn: Claim Department Appeals Specialist
P.O. Box 7070
Downers Grove, IL 60515-5591

Appealing claim denials (other than life insurance claims)

If your claim for benefits is denied, in whole or in part, you may file an appeal. As explained below, your claim may be subject to one or two levels of appeal.

All appeals must be in writing (except for appeals involving urgent care), signed, and should include the claimant's name, address, and date of birth, and your (the retiree's) Social Security number. You should also provide any documents or records that support your claim.

Claim filing and appeal provisions

Two levels of appeal for medical prior authorization denials under the medical benefits if you are not Medicare-eligible

First level of appeal

All appeals for medical/surgical claims denied under the prior authorization program (prior authorization denials, denials based on retrospective review, or extensions of treatment beyond limits previously approved) must be sent within 12 months of your receipt of the claim denial to:

HealthCheck360
Appeals
800 Main Street
Dubuque, IA 52001

Second level of appeal

If all or any part of the original denial is upheld (meaning that the claim is still denied, in whole or in part, after your first appeal) and you still think the claim should be paid, you or your authorized representative must submit a second appeal within 45 days of the date the first-level denial was upheld to:

The Appeals Subcommittee
UNITE HERE HEALTH
711 N. Commons Drive
Aurora, IL 60504-4197

Two levels of appeals for prescription drug claim denials under the prescription drug benefits

First level of appeal

If a prescription drug claim, including a prior authorization claim, is denied, the claim has two levels of appeals. The first appeal of a prescription drug claim denial must be sent within 180 days of your receipt of Hospitality Rx's denial to:

UNITE HERE HEALTH
Attn: Hospitality Rx
P.O. Box 6020
Aurora, IL 60598-0020

Second level of appeal

If all or any part of the original denial is upheld (meaning that the claim is still denied, in whole or in part, after your first appeal) and you still think the claim should be paid, you or your authorized representative must submit a second appeal within 45 days of the date the first-level denial was upheld to:

The Appeals Subcommittee
UNITE HERE HEALTH
711 N. Commons Drive
Aurora, IL 60504-4197

One level of appeal for most other claims

If you disagree with all or any part of a dental, or vision claim denial, claim denial if you are Medicare-eligible, or post-service healthcare claim denial if you are not Medicare-eligible, and you wish to appeal the decision, you must follow the steps in this section. You must submit an appeal within 12 months of your receipt of the claim denial to:

The Appeals Subcommittee
UNITE HERE HEALTH
711 N. Commons Dr.
Aurora, IL 60504-4197

The Appeals Subcommittee will not enforce the 12-month filing limit when:

- You could not reasonably file the appeal within the 12-month filing limit because of:
 - ▶ Circumstances beyond your control, as long as you file the appeal as soon as reasonably possible.
 - ▶ Circumstances in which the claim was not processed according to the Plan's claim processing requirements.
- The Appeals Subcommittee would have overturned the original benefit denial based on its standard practices and policies.

Appeals involving urgent care claims

If you are appealing a denial of benefits that qualifies as a request for emergency treatment/urgent care, you can orally request an expedited (accelerated) appeal of the denial by calling:

- **(630) 699-4372** for urgent medical appeals.
- **(844) 813-3860** for urgent prescription drug appeals.

All necessary information may be sent by telephone, facsimile or any other available reasonably effective method.

Appeals under the sole authority of the plan administrator

The Trustees have given the Plan Administrator sole and final authority to decide all appeals resulting from the following circumstances:

- UNITE HERE HEALTH's refusal to accept self-payments, including payments for dependent coverage, made after the due date.
- Late COBRA payments and applications to continue coverage under the COBRA provisions.
- Late applications, including late applications to enroll for dependent coverage.

Claim filing and appeal provisions

You must submit your appeal within 12 months of the date the late payment or late application was refused to:

The Plan Administrator
UNITE HERE HEALTH
711 N. Commons Dr.
Aurora, IL 60504-4197

Review of appeals

During review of your appeal, you or your authorized representative are entitled to:

- Upon request, examine and obtain copies, free of charge, of all Plan documents, records and other information that affect your claim.
- Submit written comments, documents, records, and other information relating to your claim.
- Information identifying the medical or vocational experts whose opinion was obtained on behalf of UNITE HERE HEALTH in connection with the denial of your claim. You are entitled to this information even if this information was not relied on when your appeal was denied.
- Designate someone to act as your authorized representative (*see page L-4* for details).

In addition, UNITE HERE HEALTH must review your appeal based on the following rules:

- UNITE HERE HEALTH will not defer to the initial denial of your claim.
- Review of your appeal must be conducted by a named fiduciary of UNITE HERE HEALTH who is neither the individual who initially denied your claim, nor a subordinate of such individual.
- If the denial of your initial claim was based, in whole or in part, on a medical judgment (including decisions as to whether a drug, treatment, or other item is experimental, investigational, or not medically necessary or appropriate), a named fiduciary of UNITE HERE HEALTH will consult with a healthcare provider who has appropriate training and experience in the field of medicine involved in the medical judgment. This healthcare provider cannot be an individual who was consulted in connection with the initial determination on your claim, nor the subordinate of such individual.

Notice of the decision on your appeal

You will be notified of the decision on your appeal within the following time frames, counted from the reviewing entity's receipt of your appeal:

Claim filing and appeal provisions

	Emergency Treatment/ Urgent Care	Prior Authorization	All Other Healthcare Claims
Subject to one level of appeal	As soon as possible not later than 72 hours	Within a reasonable time period, but not later than 30 days	Within a reasonable time period, but not later than 60 days
Subject to two levels of appeal	As soon as possible but not later than 72 hours for both levels of appeal combined	Within a reasonable time period, but not later than 15 days for each level of appeal	Within a reasonable time period, but not later than 30 days for each level of appeal

If your claim is denied on appeal based on a medical necessity, experimental treatment, or similar exclusion or limit, a statement that an explanation of the scientific or clinical judgment for the determination applying the terms of the Plan to your medical circumstances will be provided free of charge upon request.

If your appeal is denied, you will be provided with a written notice of the denial which includes all of the information required by federal law, including a description of the Plan's external review procedures (where applicable), how to appeal for external review, and the time limits applicable to such procedures.

Non-assignment of claims

You may not assign your claim for benefits under the Plan to a non-network provider without the Plan's express written consent. A non-network provider is any doctor, hospital or other provider that is not in a PPO or similar network of the Plan.

This rule applies to all non-network providers, and your provider is not permitted to change this rule or make exceptions on their own. If you sign an assignment with them without the Plan's written consent, it will not be valid or enforceable against the Plan. This means that a non-network provider will not be entitled to payment directly from the Plan and that you may be responsible for paying the provider on your own and then seeking reimbursement for a portion of the charges under the Plan rules.

Regardless of this prohibition on assignment, the Plan may, in its sole discretion and under certain limited circumstances, elect to pay a non-network provider directly for covered services rendered to you. Payment to a non-network provider in any one case shall not constitute a waiver of any of the Plan's rules regarding non-network providers, and the Plan reserves all of its rights and defenses in that regard.

Commencement of legal action

Neither you, your beneficiary, nor any other claimant may commence a lawsuit against the Plan (or its Trustees, providers, or staff) for benefits denied until the Plan's internal appeal procedures have been exhausted.

If you finish all internal appeals and decide to file a lawsuit against the Plan, that lawsuit must be commenced no more than 12 months after the date of the appeal denial letter. If you fail to commence your lawsuit within this 12-month time frame, you will permanently and irrevocably lose your right to challenge the denial in court or in any other manner or forum. This 12-month rule applies to you and to your beneficiaries and any other person or entity making a claim on your behalf.

Definitions

Learn:

- A summary definition of some of the terms the Plan uses.

Call the Fund if you aren't sure what a word or phrase means.

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Allowable charges

An **allowable charge** is the amount of charges for covered treatments, services, or supplies that the Plan uses to calculate the benefits it pays for a claim. If you choose a non-network provider, the provider may charge more than the **allowable charge**. You must pay this difference between the actual charges and the **allowable charges**. Any charges that are more than the **allowable charge** are not covered. The Plan will not pay benefits for charges that are more than the **allowable charge**.

The Board of Trustees has the sole authority to determine the level of **allowable charges** the Plan will use. In all cases the Trustees' determination will be final and binding.

- **Allowable charges** for services furnished by network providers are based on the rates specified in the contract between UNITE HERE HEALTH and the provider network. Providers in the network usually offer discounted rates to you and your family. This means lower out-of-pocket costs for you and your family.
- Treatment by a non-network provider means you pay more out-of-pocket costs. The Plan calculates benefits for non-network providers based on an independent metric, such as Medicare rates, or the contracted network rates. This Plan will not pay the difference between what a non-network provider actually charges, and what is considered an allowable charge. You pay this difference in cost. (This is sometimes called “balance billing.”)

Copay or copayment

A fixed amount (for example, \$10) you pay for a covered health care service. You usually have to pay your **copay** to the provider at the time you get health care. The amount can vary by the type of covered health care service. Usually, once you have paid your **copay**, the Plan pays the rest of the covered expenses.

You can get more information about your medical, prescription drug, dental, or vision **copays** in the appropriate section of this SPD. (See the beginning of the SPD for the table of contents.)

Coinsurance

Your share of the costs of a covered expense, calculated as a percent (for example, 20%) of the allowable charge for the service. For example, if the allowable charge for non-network durable medical equipment is \$1,000, your 40% **coinsurance** equals \$400. The Fund pays the rest of the allowable charge.

Cosmetic services

Cosmetic services are intended to better your appearance. “Cosmetic services” do not include reconstructive services, which are mainly to restore bodily function or to fix significant deformity caused by accidental injury, trauma, congenital condition, or previous therapeutic process.

Mastectomies, and reconstruction following a mastectomy, will not be considered a **cosmetic service** (see page C-14).

Medically necessary gender reassignment services are not cosmetic services (see page D-9).

Covered expense

A treatment, service or supply for which the Plan pays benefits. **Covered expenses** are limited to the allowable charge.

Deductible

The amount you owe for covered expenses before the Fund begins paying benefits.

Amounts you pay for care that is not a covered expense will not count toward your deductible. This includes but is not limited to, excluded services and supplies, charges that are more than the allowable charge, amounts over a benefit maximum or limit, and other charges for which no benefits are payable.

Durable medical equipment (DME)

Durable medical equipment (DME) must meet all of the following rules:

- Mainly treats or monitors injuries or sicknesses.
- Withstands repeated use.
- Improves your overall medical care in an outpatient setting.

Some examples of DME are: wheelchairs, hospital-type beds, respirators and associated support systems, infusion pumps, home dialysis equipment, monitoring devices, home traction units, and other similar medical equipment or devices. The supplies needed to use DME are also considered DME.

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Emergency medical treatment

Emergency medical treatment means any services received due to or in connection with an unforeseen injury or sickness that needs surgical or medical attention, when in the absence of such care, you could reasonably be expected to suffer serious physical impairment or death.

Experimental, investigational, or unproven (experimental or investigational)

Experimental, investigational, or unproven procedures or supplies are those procedures or supplies which are classified as such by agencies or subdivisions of the federal government, such as the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) or the Office of Health Technology Assessment of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS); or according to CMS's Medicare Coverage Issues Manual. Procedures and supplies that are not provided in accordance with generally accepted medical practice, or that the medical community considers to be experimental or investigative will also meet the definition of **experimental, investigational, or unproven**, as does any treatment, service, and supply which does not constitute an effective treatment for the nature of the illness, injury, or condition being treated as determined by the Trustees or their designee.

Healthcare provider

A **doctor** is person licensed to practice medicine and surgery as a Doctor of Medicine or Osteopathy, or a person licensed as a Dentist, Podiatrist, Chiropractor or Optometrist and who is practicing within the scope of his or her profession.

A healthcare professional may also include additional types of providers specifically listed as covered—for example a certified diabetes educator providing diabetes education, or a licensed clinical professional counselor for outpatient mental health treatment.

A **primary care provider (PCP)** is defined as a doctor who has completed the necessary training and education to practice in the following fields:

- Family medicine.
- General practice.
- Internal medicine.
- Pediatric medicine (for children).
- Obstetrics or gynecology (while you or a dependent is pregnant).

A **specialist** is a doctor who has received training and education in a particular medical specialty. A specialist is a provider who does not practice in one of the primary care fields described above.

A **dentist** may be a doctor if he or she is licensed to practice dentistry or perform oral surgery in the state in which he or she is practicing, as long as he or she practices within the scope of that license.

A **healthcare professional** may also be a facility (such as a hospital or clinic) that provides treatment, services, or supplies.

Neither a **doctor** nor a **healthcare professional** is:

- You or your dependents.
- A person who normally lives in your home with you.
- A person related to you or your dependent by blood or marriage.

Injuries and sicknesses

Benefits are only paid for the treatment of **injuries** or **sicknesses** that are not related to employment (non-occupational **injuries** or **sicknesses**).

Sickness also includes mental health conditions and substance abuse. Sickness also includes pregnancy and pregnancy-related conditions, including abortion.

The Plan will also consider voluntary sterilization procedures to be a **sickness**.

Treatment of infertility, including fertility treatments such as in-vitro fertilization or other such procedures, is not considered a **sickness** or an **injury**.

Medically necessary

Medically necessary services, supplies, and treatment are:

- Consistent with and effective for the injury or sickness being treated;
- Considered good medical practice according to standards recognized by the organized medical community in the United States; and
- Not experimental or investigational (*see page M-4*), nor unproven as determined by appropriate governmental agencies, the organized medical community in the United States, or standards or procedures adopted from time-to-time by the Trustees.

However, with respect to mastectomies and associated reconstructive treatment, allowable charges for such treatment is considered **medically necessary** for covered expenses incurred based on the treatment recommended by the patient's healthcare provider, as required under

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federal law. For ambulance benefits and medical necessity requirements *see page C-13*.

However, the Board of Trustees has the sole authority to determine whether care and treatment is **medically necessary**, and whether care and treatment is experimental or investigational. In all cases, the Trustees' determination will be final and binding. Determinations of **medical necessity** and whether or not a procedure is experimental or investigative are solely for the purpose of establishing what services or courses of treatment are covered by the Plan. All decisions regarding medical treatment are between you and your healthcare provider and should be based on all appropriate factors, only one of which is what benefits the Plan will pay.

Plan Document

The rules and regulations governing the Plan of benefits provided to eligible retirees and dependents participating in Plan Unit 173R (UNITE HERE Staff - Retirees).

Other important information



Other important information

Who pays for your benefits?

In general, Plan benefits are provided by the money (contributions) employers participating in the Plan must contribute on behalf of eligible employees under the terms of the Collective Bargaining Agreements (CBAs) negotiated by your union. Plan benefits are also funded by amounts you may be required to pay for your share of your or your dependent's coverage.

What benefits are provided through insurance companies?

This Plan provides the following benefits on a self-funded basis; however the Plan may contract with other organizations to help administer certain benefits. Self-funded means that none of these benefits are funded through insurance contracts. Benefits and associated administrative expenses are paid directly from UNITE HERE HEALTH.

- Medical benefits, regardless of whether or not you are Medicare-eligible. If you are not Medicare-eligible, HealthCheck360 provides prior authorization and other utilization review services, case management, and chronic condition management.
- Prescription drug benefits. These benefits are administered by Hospitality Rx, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of UNITE HERE HEALTH.
- Vision benefits are administered by Davis Vision.
- Dental benefits. Dental benefits are administered by Delta Dental of Illinois (Delta Dental).

The following benefits are provided on a fully insured basis. This means that the benefits are funded and guaranteed under group policies underwritten by an entity other than UNITE HERE HEALTH:

- Life insurance benefits through Dearborn National (branded as BCBSIL).

Interpretation of Plan provisions

For benefits provided on a fully insured basis, the insurer has the sole authority to make decisions about benefits and decide all questions or controversies of whatever character with respect to the insured policy.

All other authority rests with the Board of Trustees. The Board of Trustees of UNITE HERE HEALTH has sole and exclusive authority to:

- Make the final decisions about applications for or entitlement to Plan benefits, including:
 - The exclusive discretion to increase, decrease, or otherwise change Plan provisions for the efficient administration of the Plan or to further the purposes of UNITE HERE HEALTH,

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- ▶ The right to obtain or provide information needed to coordinate benefit payments with other plans,
- ▶ The right to obtain second medical or dental opinions or to have an autopsy performed when not forbidden by law;
- Interpret all Plan provisions and associated administrative rules and procedures;
- Authorize all payments under the Plan or recover any amounts in excess of the total amounts required by the Plan.

The Trustees' decisions are binding on all persons dealing with or claiming benefits from the Plan, unless determined to be arbitrary or capricious by a court of competent jurisdiction. Benefits under this Plan will be paid only if the Board of Trustees of UNITE HERE HEALTH, in their sole and exclusive discretion, decide that the applicant is entitled to them.

The Plan gives the Trustees full discretion and sole authority to make the final decision in all areas of Plan interpretation and administration, including eligibility for benefits, the level of benefits provided, and the meaning of all Plan language (including this Summary Plan Description). In the event of a conflict between this Summary Plan Description and the Plan Document governing the Plan, the Plan Document will govern.

Restriction of venue

Any action, claim, controversy, or dispute relating to or arising under the Fund, Plan, Summary Plan Description, and/or Trust Agreement shall be brought and resolved only in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois and in any courts in which appeals from such court are heard.

Amendment or termination of the Plan

The Trustees reserve the right to amend or terminate UNITE HERE HEALTH, either in whole or in part, at any time, in accordance with the Trust Agreement. For example, the Trustees may determine that UNITE HERE HEALTH can no longer carry out the purposes for which it was founded, and therefore should be terminated.

In accordance with the Trust Agreement, the Trustees also reserve the right to amend or terminate your Plan or any other Plan Unit, or to amend, terminate or suspend any benefit schedule under any Plan Unit at any time. Such termination or suspension, as well as, the termination, expiration, or discontinuance of any insurance policy under UNITE HERE HEALTH shall not necessarily constitute a termination of UNITE HERE HEALTH.

If UNITE HERE HEALTH is terminated, in whole or in part, or if your Plan, any other Plan Unit or any schedule of benefits is terminated or suspended, no employer, participant, beneficiary or other employee benefit plan will have any rights to any part of UNITE HERE HEALTH's assets.

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This means that no employer, plan or other person shall be entitled to a transfer of any of UNITE HERE HEALTH's assets on such termination or suspension. The Trustees may continue paying claims incurred before the termination of UNITE HERE HEALTH or any Plan Unit, as applicable, or take any other actions as authorized by the Trust Agreement. Payment of benefits for claims incurred before the termination of UNITE HERE HEALTH, any Plan Unit, or any schedule of benefits will depend on the financial condition of UNITE HERE HEALTH.

Your Plan and all other Plan Units in UNITE HERE HEALTH are all part of a single employee health plan funded by a single trust fund. No Plan Unit and no schedule of benefits shall be treated as a separate employee benefit plan or trust.

Free choice of provider

The decision to use the services of particular hospitals, clinics, doctors, dentists, or other healthcare providers is voluntary, and the Fund makes no recommendation as to which specific provider you should use, even when benefits may only be available for services furnished by providers designated by the Fund. You should select a provider or treatment based on all appropriate factors, only one of which is coverage under the Fund.

Providers are not agents or employees of UNITE HERE HEALTH, and the Fund makes no representation regarding the quality of service provided.

Workers' compensation

The Plan does not replace or affect any requirements for coverage under any state Workers' Compensation or Occupational Disease Law. If you suffer a job-related sickness or injury, notify your employer immediately.

Type of Plan

UNITE HERE HEALTH is a welfare plan providing healthcare and other benefits, including life insurance and accidental death and dismemberment protection. UNITE HERE HEALTH is maintained primarily through Collective Bargaining Agreements between UNITE HERE and certain employers. These agreements require contributions to UNITE HERE HEALTH on behalf of each eligible employee. For a reasonable charge, you can get copies of the Collective Bargaining Agreements by writing to the Plan Administrator. Copies are also available for review at the Aurora, Illinois, Office, and within 10 days of a request to review, at the following locations: regional offices, the main offices of employers at which at least 50 participants are working, or the main offices or meeting halls of local unions.

Employer and employee organizations

You can get a complete list of employers and employee organizations participating in the Plan by writing to the Plan Administrator. Copies are also available for review at the Aurora, Illinois, Office and, within 10 days of a request for review, at the following locations: regional offices, the main offices of employers at which at least 50 participants are working, or the main offices or meeting halls of local unions.

Plan administrator and agent for service of legal process

The Plan Administrator and the agent for service of legal process is the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the UNITE HERE HEALTH. Service of legal process may also be made upon any Fund trustee. The CEO's address and phone number are:

UNITE HERE HEALTH
Chief Executive Officer
711 North Commons Drive
Aurora, IL 60504-4197
(630) 236-5100

Employer identification number

The Employer Identification Number assigned by the Internal Revenue Service to the Board of Trustees is EIN# 23-7385560.

Plan number

The Plan Number is 501.

Plan year

The Plan year is the 12-month period set by the Board of Trustees for the purpose of maintaining UNITE HERE HEALTH's financial records. Plan years begin each April 1 and end the following March 31.

Remedies for fraud

If you or a dependent submit information that you know is false, if you purposely do not submit information, or if you conceal important information in order to get any Plan benefit, the Trustees may take actions to remedy the fraud, including: asking for you to repay any benefits paid, denying payment of any benefits, deducting amounts paid from future benefit payments, and suspending and revoking coverage.

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Benefits not vested

Retiree benefits provided through the Fund are not vested or accrued benefits. This means the retiree benefits are not guaranteed to continue indefinitely. The Trustees have full and exclusive authority to change or terminate the benefits and the eligibility requirements at any time.

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Your rights under ERISA



Your rights under ERISA

As a participant in the Plan, you are entitled to certain rights and protections under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

If you have any questions about this statement or your rights under ERISA, you should contact the nearest office of the Employee Benefits Security Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, listed in your telephone directory, or the Division of Technical Assistance and Inquiries, Employee Benefits Security Administration, U.S. Dept. of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20210.

Receive information about your Plan and benefits

ERISA provides that all Plan participants shall be entitled to:

- Examine, without charge, at the Plan Administrator's office and at other specified locations, such as work sites and union halls, all documents governing the Plan, including insurance contracts and Collective Bargaining Agreements, and a copy of the latest annual report (Form 5500 Series) filed by the Plan with the U.S. Department of Labor and available at the Public Disclosure Room of the Employee Benefits Security Administration.
- Obtain, upon written request to the Plan Administrator, copies of documents governing the operation of the Plan, including insurance contracts and Collective Bargaining Agreements, and copies of the latest annual report (Form 5500 Series) and updated Summary Plan Description. The administrator may make a reasonable charge for copies not required by law to be furnished free-of-charge.
- Receive a summary of the Plan's annual financial report. The Plan Administrator is required by law to furnish each participant with a copy of this summary annual report.

Continue group health Plan coverage

ERISA also provides that all Plan participants shall be entitled to continue healthcare coverage for themselves, their spouses, or their dependents if there is a loss of coverage under the Plan as a result of a qualifying event. You or your dependents may have to pay for such coverage. Review this Summary Plan Description and the documents governing the Plan for the rules governing your COBRA continuation coverage rights.

Prudent actions by Plan fiduciaries

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

Enforce your rights

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

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

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

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

Assistance with your questions

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

If you have any questions about this statement or about your rights under ERISA, or if you need assistance in obtaining documents from the Plan Administrator, you should contact the nearest office of the Employee Benefits Security Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, listed in your telephone directory or the Division of Technical Assistance and Inquiries, Employee Benefits Security Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue N.W., Washington, D.C. 20210. You may also obtain certain publications about your rights and responsibilities under ERISA by calling the publications hotline of the Employee Benefits Security Administration.

Important phone numbers and addresses

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Illinois

P.O. Box 805107
Chicago, IL 60680-4112
(800) 810-2583
www.bcbsil.com

UNITE HERE HEALTH – Health Center

1801 Atlantic Avenue, 3rd Floor
Atlantic City, NJ 08401
(609) 570-2400
www.uhh.org

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Illinois (Dearborn)

701 E. 22nd St, Suite 300
Lombard, IL 60148
(800) 367-6401
www.bcbsil.com/ancillary

Davis Vision

P.O. Box 1525
Latham, NY 12110
(800) 999-5431
www.davisvision.com

Delta Dental of Illinois

111 Shuman Blvd.
Naperville, IL 60563
(800) 323-1743
www.deltadentalil.com

HealthCheck360

800 Main Street
Dubuque, IA 52001
(844) 462-7812
www.healthcheck360.com

Hospitality Rx

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Aurora, IL 60598-0020
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