



# Benefits Booklet

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## Welcome!

We're glad you're a covered person under the plan. Health coverage can be complicated. The information found in the pages of this plan can help you better understand your coverage and how it works.

You may need to reference multiple sections to get a complete picture of your coverage and what you will pay when you receive care. If you have more than one service during a visit, you may pay a separate copayment or coinsurance for each service. The most specific section of this plan will apply. Use the **Where to Find It** section to learn about related benefits when you access common services.

Some terms used have specific meanings.

In this plan, the words "you," "your" and "yourself" refer to you, the covered person. See the **Definitions** section at the end of this document for more terms with specific meanings.

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# Where to Find It

**Note:** This is a quick guide to some common benefits. For a complete understanding of your coverage, be sure to read any other related sections in this plan.

<b><i>Do you need...</i></b>	<b><i>Read section(s):</i></b>
<p><b><i>Immediate medical attention?</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ambulance</li> <li>• Emergency room</li> <li>• Urgent care</li> </ul>	<p>Ambulance Emergency Room Care Physician and Professional Services</p>
<p><b><i>Quick access to care?</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Convenience care</li> <li>• Retail health clinic</li> <li>• Virtual care</li> <li>• Telehealth</li> </ul>	<p>Physician and Professional Services  Telehealth Services</p>
<p><b><i>To visit a provider or clinic?</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chiropractic care</li> <li>• Office visit</li> </ul>	<p>Physician and Professional Services</p>
<p><b><i>Preventive care?</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Immunizations</li> <li>• Physicals</li> <li>• Women's preventive services</li> </ul>	<p>Preventive Health Care</p>
<p><b><i>Prescription drugs or supplies?</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diabetic equipment and supplies</li> <li>• Outpatient medications</li> <li>• Preventive medications and products</li> <li>• Specialty medications</li> </ul>	<p>Pharmacy and Prescription Drugs</p>
<p><b><i>A medical test?</i></b> <i>Examples: blood work, ultrasounds</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Genetic testing and counseling</li> <li>• Lab and pathology services</li> <li>• X-rays, imaging, MRI, CT and PET CT scans</li> </ul>	<p>Genetic Testing and Counseling Lab and Pathology X-Rays and Other Imaging</p>
<p><b><i>Outpatient surgery?</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Anesthesia services</li> <li>• Outpatient/ambulatory surgical center services (facility charge)</li> <li>• Physician services (doctor charge)</li> </ul>	<p>Anesthesia Hospital Services  Physician and Professional Services</p>
<p><b><i>Services provided during a hospital stay?</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Anesthesia services</li> <li>• Hospital services (facility charge)</li> <li>• Physician services (doctor charge)</li> </ul>	<p>Anesthesia Hospital Services Physician and Professional Services</p>

<b><i>Do you need...</i></b>	<b><i>Read section(s):</i></b>
<p><b><i>Behavioral health – mental health or substance use services?</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inpatient services</li> <li>• Office visit</li> </ul>	<p>Behavioral Health – Mental Health and Substance Use</p>
<p><b><i>Pregnancy care services?</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breast pumps</li> <li>• Inpatient services</li> <li>• Postnatal services</li> <li>• Prenatal services</li> </ul>	<p>Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics and Medical Supplies Pregnancy – Maternity Care</p>
<p><b><i>Medical supplies or equipment?</i></b> <i>Examples: crutches, CPAP, wheelchair, oxygen</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Insulin pumps and related supplies</li> <li>• Durable medical equipment and medical supplies</li> <li>• Hearing aids</li> <li>• Prosthetics</li> </ul>	<p>Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics and Medical Supplies</p>
<p><b><i>Medical-related dental care?</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Accident-related dental services</li> <li>• Oral surgery</li> <li>• Treatment of temporomandibular joint (TMJ) and craniomandibular disorder</li> </ul>	<p>Medical-Related Dental Services  Temporomandibular Joint (TMJ) and Craniomandibular Disorder</p>
<p><b><i>Help recovering?</i></b> <i>Example: Help received after a hospital stay, injury or surgery</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Home health care services</li> <li>• Physical, speech and occupational therapies</li> <li>• Skilled nursing facility services</li> </ul>	<p>Home Health Care Physical, Speech and Occupational Therapies Skilled Nursing Facility</p>

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## Introduction

This benefits booklet for the Mayo Premier option under the Mayo Medical Plan (plan) provides information that is applicable to the plan benefits offered under the Mayo Clinic Health & Welfare Benefits Plan. This benefits booklet describes your plan benefits, how to submit a claim for benefits, who reviews claims for benefits and other important information about the plan.

The General Information Booklet for the Mayo Clinic Health & Welfare Benefits Plan (General Information Booklet) provides information about eligibility for coverage under the plan, how to enroll, opportunities to make mid-year changes, when coverage ends and how you may be able to continue coverage under the plan if it ends. It also contains information such as who has the right to amend and terminate the plan.

This benefits booklet, together with the General Information Booklet, constitutes the Summary Plan Description for the plan as of January 1, 2024 and replaces all prior descriptions of the plan. It is intended to provide a summary of your benefits available under the plan. If there are any discrepancies between the Summary Plan Description and the governing plan documents, the plan documents will control.

This plan defines benefits and describes the medical health services for which you have coverage and the procedures you must follow to obtain Tier 1 or Tier 2 coverage. Coverage is subject to all terms and conditions of the plan. As a condition of coverage under the plan, you must consent to the release and re-release of medical information necessary for the administration of this plan. The confidentiality of such information will be maintained in accordance with existing law.

## Eligibility

You are eligible for coverage under the plan only if you are an eligible employee as described in the *Who is Eligible* section of the General Information Booklet. For more information on your eligible dependents, please see the *Eligible Family Members* section of the General Information Booklet.

## Medical coverage in retirement

### 1. Requirements

In order to continue coverage under the Mayo Medical Plan during retirement, you must have retired on or before December 31, 2014 and have met the following age and continuous service requirements except on a limited basis and duration of time as noted in the next paragraph.

Coverage under Via Benefits is only available if you had Mayo Medical Plan coverage immediately prior to reaching age 65.

If you retire on January 1, 2015 or later, are under 65 and meet the following age and continuous service requirements, you are eligible to remain on the Mayo Medical Plan. Upon Medicare eligibility, retirees will move to the private Medicare marketplace through Via Benefits and will no longer be eligible for coverage under the Mayo Medical Plan.

If you retire on January 1, 2015 or later, are 65 or over and meet the following age and continuous service requirements, you are eligible to select a plan from the private

Medicare marketplace through Via Benefits and will no longer be eligible for coverage under the Mayo Medical Plan.

<b>Retirement Age</b>	<b>Required Years of Service</b>
62 and over	10 continuous years
60 and 61	15 continuous years
55 through 59	20 continuous years
Under age 55	30 continuous years

**2. Continuous Service**

Continuous Service for purposes of retiree medical eligibility has the same definition as provided under the Mayo Pension Plan.

**3. Enrollment**

Eligible retirees will be given an open enrollment period within 31 days of retirement to enroll in the plan. Subject to the next section, retirees who decide not to enroll at the time of retirement will waive their rights and rights of eligible family members to retiree medical coverage and will not have any option or ability to participate in the Mayo Medical Plan at any time based on retiree status. In other words, you have a one-time election for retiree coverage unless the circumstances of the next section apply. In addition, if you elect or previously elected retiree medical coverage, but later eliminate, drop or lose the retiree coverage at any time and for any reason, you and your eligible family members will not have the opportunity to re-enroll to obtain coverage in this plan or any other component of the Mayo Medical Plan based on retiree status.

**4. Retirement and re-hire at Mayo Clinic site**

If you retire from a Mayo Clinic site and elect to enroll in applicable retiree coverage prior to January 1, 2015, but you later are rehired at Mayo Clinic or an affiliate on or after January 1, 2015, such rehire may impact your retiree medical election. If you are re-hired in a benefit eligible position at Mayo Clinic or an affiliate that offers coverage under the Mayo Medical Plan, you lose your retiree coverage election and may enroll in applicable coverage as an active employee. When your employment is terminated, you will be considered retired as of that date and your eligibility for retiree medical coverage will be based on the terms and conditions of the retiree medical coverage offered at that time. If you are re-hired in a non-benefit eligible position on or after January 1, 2015, you may retain your prior retiree coverage election as long as you remain enrolled in that plan and do not accept any offer of health plan coverage that may be required to be offered to you under the Affordable Care Act. If you do not elect retiree coverage within the required timeframe, you and your eligible family members will no longer be eligible at any time for retiree coverage under the Mayo Medical Plan.

You will be given an open enrollment period of 31 days from the date of termination or reduction in hours to enroll in retiree medical. If you do not enroll at this time, you will not be eligible for any ongoing retiree medical coverage as described above. If you do enroll as a retiree, you will be subject to all of the terms and limitations described in the plan.

## 5. **Employer subsidized retiree medical premiums**

You may be eligible for an employer subsidized retiree medical premium. Please note that not all participating employers offer a subsidized premium. In order to receive a subsidized retiree medical premium, the general requirements are that you (1) must have a continuous service hire date prior to January 1, 2002, and (2) must have been eligible for or accruing eligibility for a subsidized Mayo Medical Plan retiree option on December 31, 2001. Please note that there are additional rules with respect to individuals who transfer between Mayo Clinic affiliated sites.

Subsidy sites include Rochester, Arizona, Florida, Mayo Clinic Ambulance sites, Decorah and Lake City. All other Mayo sites/employers are “non-subsidy sites.” To be eligible for a subsidized retiree premium, the first basic requirement is that the continuous service hire date be before January 1, 2002.

**Please note:** Eau Claire physicians are also eligible for subsidized retiree medical and may contact their local HR Department for more information on eligibility and plan options.

### **Subsidy eligibility for transfers between Mayo Clinic affiliated sites**

- a. Employees that did not have rights to a subsidized retiree medical premium as of December 31, 2012 will not receive such rights by transferring to a subsidy Mayo site on or after January 1, 2013.
- b. Employees that have rights to a subsidized retiree medical premium as of December 31, 2012 will not lose those rights by transferring to a non-subsidy Mayo site on or after January 1, 2013.
- c. In addition, the following rules apply:
  - i. **Transfers from a non-subsidy site to a subsidy site:**
    - a) Before January 1, 2013:  
Such employee will be entitled to the subsidized retiree medical premium in place at the subsidy site at the time of retirement.
    - b) On or after January 1, 2013:  
Such employee will not be entitled to a subsidized retiree medical premium.
  - ii. **Transfers from a subsidy site to a non-subsidy site:**
    - a) Before January 1, 2013:  
Such employees are not entitled to a subsidized retiree medical premium.
    - b) On and after January 1, 2013:  
Such employees are entitled to the subsidized retiree medical premium in place at the time of retirement at the subsidy site they transferred from.
  - iii. **Transfers from a subsidy site to another subsidy site:**
    - a) Before January 1, 2013:

Such employees are entitled to a subsidized retiree medical premium at the site at which they retired from.

b) On or after January 1, 2013:

Such employees are entitled to the subsidized retiree medical premium in place at the time of retirement at the subsidy site they transferred from.

6. **Attaining Medicare eligibility**

a. **If you are retired**

If you are enrolled in the plan on the first day of the month in which your 65<sup>th</sup> birthday or your eligible family member's 65<sup>th</sup> birthday falls, you are considered to have enrolled in Medicare Part B with the Social Security Administration, and the coverage will be moved to the Mayo Medicare Supplement (regardless of the Mayo Medical Plan enrollment at that time). If you or your eligible family member's birthday is the first of the month, you are eligible for Medicare on the first day of the previous month. For example, your birthday is April 1; you are Medicare eligible on March 1.

Medicare will become the primary payer of claims for you if you are age 65 or older and retired. Medicare is also the primary payer of claims for your spouse if age 65 or older and you are retired. The Mayo Medicare Supplement benefit will be reduced by the amount Medicare pays or would have paid if Medicare coverage had been in effect. In other words, even if you do not apply for Medicare when eligible, your Mayo Medicare Supplement will pay only for the portion of expense Medicare coverage would not pay.

If you marry or remarry during retirement and are enrolled in the plan, your spouse and any newly eligible family members are eligible for coverage on the date of your marriage. You must notify HR Connect within 31 days of the date of marriage to add your spouse and eligible family members to your coverage. The effective date of coverage is the date of marriage.

If you are retired (but less than age 65) and eligible for Medicare due to end-stage renal disease, after 30 months of Medicare eligibility or entitlement or Medicare eligible for any disability after two years, the plan will pay secondary to Medicare.

b. **If you are still working**

Medicare benefits are available to anyone who reaches age 65, even if not retired. However, if you are age 65 or older and you are still working, your Mayo coverage will continue and will be primary, and you may not need to purchase Medicare Part B. Instead, you can wait until you are no longer working and enroll at that time. You have 31 days from your last day of work to enroll in Medicare Part B. If you are still working, and your spouse is 65 or older and not working, your Mayo coverage will remain primary and your spouse may not need to purchase Medicare Part B. Instead, the spouse can wait until you are no longer working and enroll at that time. Contact your local Social Security Office for additional information regarding

Medicare eligibility and enrollment as there may be a late enrollment penalty if you or your spouse miss a deadline.

## 7. **Coverage for family members after your death**

If you met the required years of service listed above under **Medical coverage in retirement** for retiree coverage and if your spouse and eligible family members were enrolled in the plan at the time of your death, coverage for your spouse may be continued indefinitely upon payment of any required charges. Coverage for your eligible family member may be continued as long as they meet the definition of eligible family members. Your spouse will be covered until Medicare eligible at which they will move to the private Medicare marketplace through Via Benefits. Coverage will not be available for any spouse or eligible family member not enrolled at the time of your death. A spouse and other eligible family members covered under this provision will not be eligible to participate in the annual open enrollment.

If you had not met the required years of continuous service for retiree coverage and if your spouse and eligible family members were enrolled in the plan at the time of your death, coverage for your eligible family members will continue until they no longer meet the definition of eligible family member.

Coverage for your spouse will continue until your spouse is gainfully employed, remarried, age 65 or Medicare eligible. Coverage will not be available for any spouse or eligible family member not enrolled at the time of your death. A spouse and other eligible family members covered under this provision will not be eligible to participate in annual open enrollment.

If your spouse is eligible for coverage as an employee under the plan, contact HR Connect or your local Human Resources Department for enrollment details.

Mayo Clinic reserves the right to amend or terminate retiree medical coverage and any applicable subsidized premium at any time. You do not have vested benefits in the Mayo Medical Plan.

## **When you can enroll**

Please refer to the *When You Can Enroll* section of the General Information Booklet for information regarding your ability to enroll in the plan during your initial enrollment period, special enrollment period and/or during an open enrollment period.

## **How you accept coverage**

When you accept the health care coverage described in this plan, you, on behalf of yourself and any dependents enrolled under the plan:

1. Authorize the use of your Social Security number for purpose of identification unless otherwise prohibited by state law; and
2. Agree that the information you supplied the plan for purposes of enrollment is accurate and complete.

In addition, you understand and agree that if you intentionally omit or incorrectly state any material facts in connection with your enrollment under the plan, the plan administrator may retroactively cancel your coverage.

Covered persons are subject to all terms and conditions of the plan and health services must meet the definition of “medically necessary” (see **Definitions**).

Medica may arrange for others to administer services on its behalf, including arrangement of access to a provider network, claims processing and medical necessity reviews. To ensure that your benefits are managed appropriately, please work with these persons or vendors when needed as they conduct their work for Medica.

The sponsor or its designee is responsible for notifying you of any changes to this plan (as required by applicable law).

### **When coverage ends**

Please refer to the *When Coverage Ends* section of the General Information Booklet for termination of coverage rules applicable to the plan, including, but not limited to, your ability to continue plan coverage under COBRA.

### **If you need language interpretation for medical services**

Language interpretation services are available to help you understand your medical benefits under this plan. To request these services, call Medica Member Services at one of the telephone numbers listed inside the front cover or on the back of your ID card.

If you need alternative formats, such as Braille or large print, call Medica Member Services at one of the telephone numbers listed inside the front cover or on the back of your ID card to request these materials.

If this plan is translated into another language or an alternative format is used, this written English version governs all coverage decisions.

### **If you need language interpretation for pharmacy services**

Language interpretation services are available to help you understand your pharmacy benefits under this plan. To request these services, call the telephone number for Alluma listed inside the front cover or on the back of your ID card.

### **Medica’s nondiscrimination policy**

Medica’s policy is to treat all persons alike, without distinctions based on race, color, creed, religion, national origin, gender, gender identity, marital status, status with regard to public assistance, disability, sexual orientation, age, genetic information or any other classification protected by law.

If you have questions, call Medica Member Services at one of the telephone numbers listed inside the front cover or on the back of your ID card.

## **The Mayo Medical Plan nondiscrimination policy**

Please see *General Provisions* and *Non-Discrimination Notice* sections of the General Information Booklet.

## Before You Access Medical Care

This section provides information for you to consider before you access care. More information about when and where to get medical care can be found at [Medica.com/SignIn](https://medica.com/signin).

### What you must do to receive medical benefits

Each time you receive health services, you must:

1. For your highest level of coverage, confirm that your provider is a Tier 1 or Tier 2 provider in the Mayo Medical Plan network; and
2. Present your Medica identification (ID) card. Having and using a Medica ID card does not guarantee coverage.

If your provider asks for your ID card information and you do not provide it within 180 days of when you received services, you may be responsible for paying the full cost of those services. (Network providers must submit claims within 180 days from when you receive a service.)

### Provider network

Tier 1 medical benefits are available through the Mayo Medical Plan Tier 1 provider network. Tier 2 medical benefits are available through the Mayo Medical Plan Tier 2 provider network. To see which providers are in your plan's network, check the online search tool at [Medica.com/SignIn](https://medica.com/signin) or contact Member Services. Certain providers may be in other Medica networks, but not in your network.

You may also contact Member Services for estimates of the amount Medica has contracted to pay a particular network provider for a specific health care service and the amount you will pay as cost sharing for that service if received from that network provider. Medica will provide you with requested estimates within ten business days from the date Medica receives a request containing all information needed to respond. Please note that the estimates provided are not a final determination of eligibility for coverage or a guarantee of continuing provider network participation or final costs for services you receive.

Additional network administrative support is provided by one or more organizations under contract with Medica.

While a particular provider may be in your provider directory at the time you enroll, it is not guaranteed that this provider will be available to provide you with health services or will remain a network provider.

If you access services from providers that are not in your network, your Tier 3 medical benefits will apply. For more information about Tier 3 care, see the cost-sharing tip sheet at [Medica.com/SignIn](https://medica.com/signin).

**Note:** For expatriates located in the United Arab Emirates (UAE), please go to **How do I Submit a Claim, How to file a claim**, for additional information on how to submit claims for services received in the UAE.

<b>Mayo Medical Plan Network*</b>			
<b>If the employee resides in . . .</b>	<b>Tier 1 In-network:</b>	<b>Tier 2 Expanded in-network:</b>	<b>Tier 3 Out-of-network:</b>
<b>Arizona</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mayo Medical Plan Network (Tier 1 providers)</li> <li>• Blue Cross Blue Shield of Arizona Network, pediatric services in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Audiology</li> <li>• Oncology</li> <li>• Cardiology</li> <li>• Vascular surgery</li> <li>• Endocrinology</li> <li>• Nephrology</li> <li>• Hepatology</li> <li>• Plastic surgery</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mayo Medical Plan Network (Tier 2 providers)</li> <li>• Blue Cross Blue Shield of Arizona Network for adult services in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Audiology</li> <li>• Oncology</li> <li>• Cardiology</li> <li>• Vascular surgery</li> <li>• Endocrinology</li> <li>• Nephrology</li> <li>• Hepatology</li> <li>• Plastic surgery</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Outside of Arizona:</b> First Health Network</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Other licensed providers nationwide</li> </ul>
<b>Florida</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mayo Medical Plan Network (Tier 1 providers)</li> <li>• PHCS Network (Tier 1 providers)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mayo Medical Plan Network (Tier 2 providers)</li> <li>• PHCS Network (Tier 2 providers)</li> <li>• <b>Outside of Florida:</b> Zelis National Access Program</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Other licensed providers nationwide</li> </ul>
<b>Minnesota or Wisconsin</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mayo Medical Plan Network (Tier 1 providers)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mayo Medical Plan Network (Tier 2 providers)</li> <li>• First Health Network (except certain excluded providers)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Other licensed providers nationwide</li> </ul>

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<b>If the employee resides in . . .</b>	<b>Tier 1 In-network:</b>	<b>Tier 2 Expanded in-network:</b>	<b>Tier 3 Out-of-network:</b>
<b>All other states of residency</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First Health Network</li> <li>• Mayo Medical Plan Network (Tier 1 providers)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mayo Medical Plan Network (Tier 2 providers)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Other licensed providers nationwide</li> </ul>

**\*Select entities listed below for all employees for all locations will be covered at Tier 3 unless specified:**

- Chiromed, LLC
- Dulcimer Medical Center, P.A.
- Fairmont Orthopedics and Sports Medicine, P.A.
- Gundersen Clinic, Ltd.
- Lakeview Medical Center, Inc. of Rice Lake
- Mankato Clinic
- Marshfield Clinic
- Memorial Hospital Jacksonville
- Mississippi Valley Health Services
- Neighborhood Family Clinics
- Oakleaf Clinics, SC
- Oakleaf Surgical Hospital
- Olmsted Medical Center, MN (except for mental health and substance use disorder services)
- Orange Park Medical Center
- River's Edge Hospital & Clinic
- Sacred Heart Hospital
- Shands Jacksonville Medical Center
- Smart Clinic, P.C.
- Specialty Hospital Jacksonville
- St. Joseph's Hospital (Chippewa Falls, WI)
- United Hospital District, Inc.
- University of Florida Health Jacksonville (all services and locations excluding pediatric cardiology and mental health and substance use disorder services)

If care for your condition is not available from a network provider within the number of miles indicated below from the covered person's home, they can contact Member Services at the telephone numbers inside the front cover to review if in-network benefits are available from a non-network provider based on the Plan's current network.

- Primary Care Provider or hospital - within 30 miles
- Specialist - within 60 miles

## **Medical prior authorization**

You may need prior authorization (approval in advance) from Medica before you receive certain services or supplies. When reviewing your request for prior authorization, Medica uses written procedures and criteria to determine whether a particular service or supply is medically necessary and is a covered medical benefit. To verify whether a specific service or supply requires prior authorization, please call Medica Member Services at one of the telephone numbers listed inside the front cover or on the back of your ID card.

Emergency services do not require prior authorization.

You do not require prior authorization to obtain access to obstetrical or gynecological care from a network provider who specializes in obstetrics or gynecology. However, certain specific services provided by that network provider may require prior authorization, as described further in this plan.

You, someone on your behalf or your attending provider may contact Member Services to request prior authorization. Your network provider will contact Medica to request prior authorization for a service or supply. If a network provider fails to request prior authorization after you have consulted with them about services requiring prior authorization, you will not be penalized for this failure. For out-of-network providers, each time prior authorization is required but not obtained in connection with a covered service, the charges related to the service will not be covered. The cost to you will be 100% of the charges.

You, someone on your behalf or your attending provider must contact Member Services to request prior authorization for services or supplies received from a non-network provider.

We recommend that you confirm with us that all services and supplies requiring prior authorization, including those received from a network provider, have been prior authorized by Medica. You may contact Member Services for this confirmation.

Prior authorization is required for the following services and supplies, as described below and in the sections of this plan that discuss the applicable medical benefit:

- Solid organ and blood and marrow transplant services outside the continental United States - this prior authorization must be obtained before the transplant workup is initiated;
- Tier 3 inpatient medical benefits for services from non-network providers, with the exception of emergency services;
- Tier 3 mental health and substance use disorder residential treatment facility services from non-network providers;
- Medically necessary cosmetic services\*, unless otherwise indicated in this plan;
- Bariatric surgery\*;

- Certain drugs and biologics administered by a healthcare professional;
- Certain medical supplies and durable medical equipment medical benefits that are greater than \$10,000\*;
- All positron emission tomography (PET) scans\*;
- Plasma injections\*;
- Adult gender reassignment surgery services\*;
- Spinal cord stimulators\*;
- Vein procedures\*;
- Skilled nursing facility services; and
- Tier 3 out-of-network non-emergency air transportation.

\*This prior authorization requirement is waived for Mayo Clinic providers.

Pregnancy/maternity care services do not require prior authorization and will be covered at the appropriate Tier 1, Tier 2 or Tier 3 medical benefit level. However, all tier 3 elective inpatient admissions require prior authorization, including labor and delivery.

This is not a complete list of all services and supplies that may require prior authorization.

When you, someone on your behalf or your attending provider calls, the following information may be required:

- Name and telephone number of the provider making the request;
- Name, telephone number, address and, if applicable, the type of specialty of the provider you are requesting to see;
- Services being requested and the date those services are to be provided (if scheduled);
- Specific information related to your condition (for example, a letter of medical necessity from your provider); and
- Other applicable covered person information (i.e., Medica identification number).

Medica will review your request for prior authorization and respond to you and your attending provider within a reasonable period of time appropriate to your medical circumstances. Medica will respond within 10 business days of the date your request was received, provided all information reasonably necessary to make a decision has been given to Medica.

However, Medica will respond within a time period not exceeding 72 hours from the time of the initial request if:

- your attending provider believes that an expedited review is warranted; or
- if it is concluded that a delay could seriously jeopardize your life, health or ability to regain maximum function; or
- you could be subject to severe pain that cannot be adequately managed without the care or treatment you are requesting.

If we do not approve your request for prior authorization, you have the right to appeal Medica's decision as described in **How Do I Submit a Claim**.

Under certain circumstances, Medica may conduct concurrent reviews to verify whether services are still medically necessary. If we conclude that services are no longer medically necessary, Medica will advise both you and your attending provider in writing of our decision. If we do not approve continuing coverage, you or your attending provider may appeal our initial decision (see **How Do I Submit a Claim**).

## **Prior authorization to receive in-network benefits from non-network medical providers**

To receive Tier 2 medical benefits for services received from a non-network provider, you, someone on your behalf or your attending provider must request prior authorization from Medica by following the steps described below. If you receive services from a non-network provider without following these steps, your Tier 3 medical benefits will apply. For more information, see the tip sheet at [Medica.com/SignIn](https://www.medicacommunity.com/SignIn).

Requests, including standing requests\*, to receive Tier 2 medical benefits from a non-network provider will not be authorized to meet personal preferences, family convenience or other non-medical reasons. Requests also will not be approved for care that has already been provided.

### **What you must do:**

1. You, someone on your behalf or your attending provider must request prior authorization from Medica to receive medically necessary Tier 2 medical benefits from a non-network provider. Medica does not guarantee coverage for services that are received before you receive prior authorization.
2. Include the following information in the prior authorization request:
  - a. The time period for when services must be received,
  - b. The services to be provided, and
  - c. The name of the non-network provider.
3. If Medica approves the prior authorization request, your Tier 2 medical benefit will apply.
4. Pay any amounts that were not approved for coverage by Medica.

\*A standing request is a request to receive ongoing services from a specialist. Standing requests will only be authorized for the period of time appropriate to your medical condition. If Medica denies your request, you have the right to appeal this decision as described in **How Do I Submit a Claim**.

### **Medica:**

1. May require that you see another network provider that Medica selects before determining that a request to see a non-network provider is medically necessary.
2. Will provide coverage for health services that are:
  - a. Otherwise eligible for coverage under this plan; and
  - b. Recommended by a network physician.
3. Will review the request for prior authorization and respond to you and your attending provider within a reasonable period of time appropriate to your medical circumstances. Medica will generally respond within ten business days of receiving the request, provided that all information reasonably necessary to make a decision has been given to Medica. However, Medica will respond within a time period not exceeding 72 hours from the time of the initial request if: 1) your attending provider believes that an expedited review is warranted, or 2) Medica concludes that a delay could seriously jeopardize your life, health

or ability to regain maximum function, or 3) you could be subject to severe pain that cannot be adequately managed without the care or treatment you are seeking.

## **Visiting non-network medical providers and why you pay more**

In general, eligible health services and supplies are only covered as Tier 2 medical benefits if they're provided by network providers, or if Medica approves them.

Note that Tier 3 out-of-network mental and behavioral health claims will process at Tier 2 in-network benefits, however out-of-network providers may bill you for costs above the non-network provider reimbursement amount.

If the care you need is not available from a network provider, Medica may authorize non-network provider services at the Tier 2 medical benefit level.

**Be aware that if you use Tier 3 medical benefits, you will likely have to pay much more than if you use Tier 2 medical benefits.** The amounts billed by the non-network provider may be more than what the plan would pay, leaving a balance for you to pay in addition to any coinsurance and deductible amount you owe. This additional amount you must pay the provider will not be counted toward your out-of-pocket maximum amount. You will owe this amount whether or not you previously reached your out-of-pocket maximum. **Please see the example calculation below.**

It is important that you do the following before receiving services from a non-network provider:

- Discuss with the non-network provider what the bill is expected to be; and
- Contact Member Services to verify the estimated amount the plan would pay for those services; and
- Calculate your likely share of the costs; and
- To request that Medica authorize coverage of the non-network provider's services at the Tier 2 medical benefit level, follow the prior authorization process described above.

## **An example of how to calculate your out-of-pocket costs\***

### **Example:**

You choose to receive inpatient care (not an emergency) at a non-network hospital without an authorization from Medica. Your Tier 3 medical benefits apply to these services.

Assumptions:

1. You have previously fulfilled your deductible.
2. The non-network hospital bills \$30,000 for your hospital stay.
3. The plan's non-network provider reimbursement amount for those hospital services is \$15,000.
  - a. You must pay a portion of this amount, generally a percentage coinsurance. In this example, we will use 50% coinsurance.
  - b. In addition, the non-network provider will likely bill you for the difference between what they charge and the amount that the plan pays them.

For this non-network hospital stay, you will be required to pay:

50% coinsurance (50% of \$15,000 = \$7,500), and

The provider's billed amount that exceeds the non-network provider reimbursement amount (\$30,000 - \$15,000 = \$15,000)

Therefore, the total amount you will owe is \$7,500 + \$15,000 = \$22,500.

The \$7,500 amount you pay as coinsurance **will** be applied to your out-of-pocket maximum.

The \$15,000 amount you pay for billed amounts in excess of the non-network provider reimbursement amount **will not** be applied toward your out-of-pocket maximum. You will owe the provider this \$15,000 amount whether or not you have previously reached your out-of-pocket maximum.

**\*Note:** The numbers in this example are used only for purposes of illustrating how Tier 3 medical benefits are calculated. The actual numbers will depend on the services you receive. For more information about Tier 3 care, see the tip sheet at [Medica.com/SignIn](https://www.Medica.com/SignIn).

### **When do I need to submit a medical claim**

When you visit non-network providers, you will be responsible for filing claims in order to be reimbursed for the non-network provider reimbursement amount. See **How Do I Submit a Claim** for details.

### **Surprise Billing Protections**

Generally, as described above in **Visiting non-network providers and why you pay more**, you will pay much more for your health care if you receive services from a non-network provider than when you receive services from a network provider.

In the following situations, benefits for care accessed from non-network providers in the United States will be eligible for coverage as in-network benefits. The non-network provider is prohibited by law from billing you for any amounts above the in-network cost-sharing amount for such services:

1. Benefits for out-of-network emergency services at emergency facilities, except for certain post-stabilization services that you have consented to;
2. Benefits for non-emergency services performed by most non-network health care professionals at network health care facilities, unless you have consented to those out-of-network services; or
3. Benefits for air ambulance services from non-network air ambulance providers.

Medica will send you an Explanation of Benefits when it receives a claim. This Explanation of Benefits will include contact information for Medica in the event you receive a surprise bill. If you think you've been balance billed inappropriately, or you didn't consent to these out-of-network services, please see [CMS.gov/nosurprises/consumers](https://www.CMS.gov/nosurprises/consumers) for more information about your rights under these protections or contact the No Surprises Help Desk at **1-800-985-3059**.

Medica and a non-network provider who has provided services that are subject to the surprise billing protections may later reach agreement on a different non-network provider reimbursement amount through negotiation or independent dispute resolution. Any change in the non-network provider reimbursement amount as a result of a later agreement, that results in additional amounts paid or returned under these agreements, is not considered when determining the amounts you must pay for health services under this plan.

## **Continuity of care for medical claims**

Continuity of care is the process by which Medica authorizes a covered person, for a limited period of time, to continue accessing covered services with a treating provider who is not in Medica's network while still receiving in-network benefits. To request continuity of care, or if you have questions about whether you may be eligible, call Member Services at the number on the back of your Medica ID card.

Continuity of care is available if you are in an active course of treatment with a treating provider, and:

1. The contract between Medica and the treating provider terminates without cause; or
2. You are new to Medica as a result of the sponsor changing third party administrators and your current treating provider is not a network provider.

If continuity of care is authorized, you may be eligible to continue care with the treating provider at the Tier 2 medical benefit level.

Medica will authorize continuity of care as described above for the following conditions:

1. An ongoing course of treatment for a serious acute condition;
2. An ongoing course of treatment for a chronic condition;
3. Undergoing a course of institutional or inpatient care from the provider or facility;
4. Scheduled non-elective surgery, including postoperative care;
5. Pregnant and undergoing a course of treatment for pregnancy. Health services may continue to be provided through the completion of postpartum care;
6. A physical or mental disability defined as an inability to engage in one or more major life activities, provided the disability has lasted or can be expected to last for at least one year or can be expected to result in death; or
7. A disabling or chronic condition that is in an acute phase.

If approved, continuity of care will continue until the active course of treatment is complete, or 90 days, whichever is shorter.

Authorization to continue to receive services from your current provider may extend to the remainder of your life if a physician, advanced practice registered nurse or physician assistant certifies that your life expectancy is 180 days or less.

Medica may require medical records or other supporting documents from your treating provider to review your continuity of care request, and will consider each continuity of care request on a case-by-case basis. If Medica authorizes your request to continue care with your current

treating provider, Medica will explain how continuity of care will be provided. After the time period for which continuity of care is approved, your services or treatment will need to be transitioned to a network provider to continue to be eligible for Tier 2 medical benefits. If your continuity of care request is denied, Medica will explain the criteria used to make our decision. You may appeal this decision.

Continuity of care applies only if your treating provider agrees to comply with Medica's prior authorization requirements, provides Medica with all necessary medical information related to your care and accepts as payment in full the lesser of Medica's network provider reimbursement or the provider's customary charge for the service.

Continuity of care is not available for treating providers that are terminated for cause. If Medica terminates your current treating provider's contract for cause, Medica will inform you of the change and how your care will be transferred to another network provider.

Under continuity of care, coverage will not be provided for services or treatments that are not otherwise covered under this plan.

## Before You Access Pharmacy Care

### Pharmacy prior authorization

Certain prescription medications require prior authorization (approval in advance) for coverage. Your pharmacy or prescriber will be notified electronically when processing an order or prescription that requires prior authorization. If prior authorization is required and approved, the drug will be covered based on the product's formulary status. Each time prior authorization is required but not obtained the prescription will not be covered. The cost to you will be 100% of the charges.

You can access the Alluma Care Formulary, which identifies medications requiring prior authorization, online by accessing the formulary document at **Allumaco.com/members**. You may also contact Customer Service at the pharmacy benefit telephone number listed inside the front cover or on the back of your ID card.

To file a prior authorization for prescription drugs, your provider should submit a request through SureScripts or CoverMyMeds web portal or electronically through the Electronic Health Record (EHR). Visit **Allumaco.com/providers** for additional information.

### Visiting non-network pharmacy providers

No pharmacy benefits are available through a pharmacy that is not in the Alluma pharmacy network except in the case of an emergency. You can find a network pharmacy by logging into the Medica member portal and selecting **Medications**. If you obtain a prescription drug outside the network in an emergency, you must file a manual claim for reimbursement. Examples of emergency medications may include: antibiotics, asthma medications, or medications for allergic or anaphylactic reactions.

### When do I need to submit a pharmacy claim manually?

You may need to file a manual claim for reimbursement after filing a prescription without your ID card. This could be due to an emergency situation or when filling a prescription as a new employee before you have received your ID card.

To receive reimbursement for a prescription filled without your ID card, submit a Prescription Reimbursement Form, which is available online at **Allumaco.com/members** under the Member Links. You may also submit your claim electronically by logging in to the Medica member site and selecting "Medications/Medications + pharmacies".

## What's Covered and How Much Will I Pay

This section describes the services eligible for coverage and any expenses that you will need to pay.

### Important information about your benefits

- Before you receive certain medical services or supplies, you will need to get prior authorization from Medica. To find out when you need to do this, see **What to keep in mind** after each benefit section or call Member Services at one of the telephone numbers listed inside the front cover or on the back of your ID card. Also refer to **Before You Access Medical Care** for more information about the medical prior authorization process.
- Before you receive certain pharmacy benefits you will need to get prior authorization (approval in advance) from Alluma prior to the purchase. If approved, the drug will be covered based on the product's formulary status. Each time prior authorization is required but not obtained the prescription will not be covered. The cost to you will be 100% of the charges.
- The plan provides coverage for mental health and substance use disorder services in the same way it provides coverage for other health issues. The Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act, as well as applicable law, requires the plan that offers mental health and substance use disorder medical benefits, to provide coverage of those medical benefits in a way that is comparable to coverage for general medical and surgical care. Cost-sharing requirements and limitations on mental health and substance use disorder medical benefits (such as copayments, visit limits and preauthorization requirements) must generally be comparable to, and no more restrictive than those for medical and surgical medical benefits.
- When you use Tier 3 medical benefits, in addition to the deductible and coinsurance, you will likely need to pay your provider any billed amount above what the plan pays the provider (the non-network provider reimbursement amount). **These charges are not applied to your deductible or out-of-pocket maximum.** Please see **Visiting non-network medical providers and why you pay more** in **Before You Access Medical Care** for more information and an example showing out-of-pocket costs associated with Tier 3 medical benefits.
- Certain benefits in this plan have limits. These limits might include day limits, prescription quantity limits, visit limits or dollar limits. These limits are noted in this plan document and apply whether or not you have met your deductible.

## Key concepts

### Deductibles

Your plan may require that you pay a certain dollar amount before your plan starts to pay. This amount is called a deductible. The table below shows whether your plan has a deductible, how much it is and whether you have separate deductibles for each family member or a combined deductible for everyone. Each benefit table in this plan shows whether the deductible applies to a particular service.

For more information about deductibles and other common cost-sharing terms, see the cost-sharing tip sheet at [Medica.com/SignIn](https://www.Medica.com/SignIn).

### Out-of-pocket maximum

Your out-of-pocket maximum is an accumulation of copayments, coinsurance and deductibles that you paid for benefits received during the calendar year. Unless otherwise noted, you won't have to pay more than this amount.

**Please note: The following amounts do not apply toward your out-of-pocket maximum:**

- Charges for services that aren't covered; and
- Charges a non-network provider bills you that are more than the non-network provider reimbursement amount; and
- Charges you pay in addition to your deductible, copayment or coinsurance when you choose to use a preferred brand or non-preferred brand prescription drug when a chemically equivalent generic drug is available.
- Charges you pay for Tier 3 (non-preferred) prescription drugs.

You will owe these amounts even if you have already reached your out-of-pocket maximum.

## DEDUCTIBLES, OUT-OF-POCKET MAXIMUMS AND LIFETIME MAXIMUM

Deductibles, Out-Of-Pocket Maximums and Lifetime Maximum			
Your cost if you visit a:			
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
<b>Copayment or coinsurance</b>	See specific benefit for applicable copayment or coinsurance.		
<b>Deductible</b>	Applies to your combined Tier 1, Tier 2 and Tier 3 benefits	Applies to your combined Tier 1, Tier 2 and Tier 3 benefits	Applies to your combined Tier 1, Tier 2 and Tier 3 benefits
Per covered person	\$600	\$900	\$1,300
Per family	\$1,200	\$1,800	\$2,600
<p>The deductible is the amount you must pay for eligible services each calendar year before the plan will begin to pay claims. If you have family members on the plan, you will each have to meet your own individual deductible before receiving benefits, unless the family deductible is met. Once the family deductible has been met, the plan will pay benefits for all covered family members.</p>			
<b>Out-of-pocket maximum</b>	Applies to your combined Tier 1, Tier 2 and Tier 3 benefits	Applies to your combined Tier 1, Tier 2 and Tier 3 benefits	Applies to your combined Tier 1, Tier 2 and Tier 3 benefits
Per covered person	\$2,600	\$3,600	\$4,600
Per family	\$5,200	\$7,200	\$9,200
<p>This plan has both a per covered person out-of-pocket maximum <b>and</b> a per family out-of-pocket maximum. The per covered person out-of-pocket maximum applies individually to each family member until the family out-of-pocket maximum is met. Coinsurance, copayments and deductibles paid by each covered family member for covered benefits for the calendar year count toward the individual's annual per covered person out-of-pocket maximum <b>and</b> toward the annual per family out-of-pocket maximum.</p>			

<b>Deductibles, Out-Of-Pocket Maximums and Lifetime Maximum</b>			
	<b>Your cost if you visit a:</b>		
	<b>Tier 1 In-network provider:</b>	<b>Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:</b>	<b>Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:</b>
<b>Lifetime maximum amount the plan will pay per covered person</b>	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited

## AMBULANCE

Ambulance			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
1. Emergency ambulance services or emergency ambulance transportation  <b>Please note:</b> Emergency Triage, Treat and Transport (ET3) services are covered under Emergency Benefits.	Nothing. The deductible does not apply.	Covered as a Tier 1 medical benefit.	Covered as a Tier 1 medical benefit.
2. Non-emergency licensed ambulance service as described below under <b>What's covered</b>  <b>Please note: Tier 3 out-of-network non-emergency air ambulance services require prior authorization.</b>	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible

### What's covered

Non-emergency licensed ambulance transportation, that's arranged through an attending physician, is eligible for coverage when:

1. Transportation is from hospital to hospital, and
  - a. Care for your condition isn't available at the hospital where you were first admitted; or
  - b. If it is required by Medica; or
2. Transportation is from hospital to skilled nursing facility.

When you use Tier 3 medical benefits, in addition to the deductible and coinsurance, you will likely need to pay your provider any billed amount above what the plan pays the provider (the non-network provider reimbursement amount). **These charges are not applied to your**

**deductible or out-of-pocket maximum.** Please see **Visiting non-network medical providers and why you pay more** in **Before You Access Medical Care** for more information and an example showing out-of-pocket costs associated with Tier 3 medical benefits.

### **What to keep in mind**

Ambulance services for an emergency are covered when provided by a licensed ambulance service. If you are taken to a non-network hospital, only emergency health services at that hospital are covered as described in **Emergency Room Care**.

Non-emergency ambulance transportation that's arranged through an attending physician is eligible for coverage when certain criteria are met.

### **What's not covered**

1. Non-emergency ambulance transportation services, except as described above.
2. Travel to a non-qualified facility or beyond nearest qualified facility (except when travel is to a Mayo Clinic facility) or between health care facilities.

## ANESTHESIA

Anesthesia				
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:			
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:	
1. Anesthesia services received during an office visit	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible	
2. Anesthesia services received during an outpatient hospital or ambulatory surgical center visit	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible	
3. Anesthesia services received during an inpatient stay  <b>Please note:</b> Prior authorization is required for all Tier 3 inpatient admissions. See below for more information.	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible	
4. Anesthesia services received during an emergency room visit	20% coinsurance after deductible	Covered as a Tier 1 medical benefit.	Covered as a Tier 1 medical benefit.	

### What to keep in mind

Anesthesia services can be received from a provider during an office visit, an outpatient hospital visit, an ambulatory surgical center visit or during an inpatient stay.

When you use Tier 3 medical benefits, in addition to the deductible and coinsurance, you will likely need to pay your provider any billed amount above what the plan pays the provider (the non-network provider reimbursement amount). **These charges are not applied to your deductible or out-of-pocket maximum.** Please see **Visiting non-network medical providers and why you pay more** in **Before You Access Medical Care** for more information and an example showing out-of-pocket costs associated with Tier 3 medical benefits.

Prior authorization (approval in advance) is required before you receive certain services. Please see **Medical prior authorization** in **Before You Access Medical Care** for more information about prior authorization requirements and processes.

## BEHAVIORAL HEALTH – MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE USE

Behavioral Health – Mental Health and Substance Use			
Your cost if you visit a:			
Medical benefits	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
<p>1. Office visits for evaluation and diagnosis</p> <p><b>Please note:</b> Some services received during a mental health or substance use office visit may be covered under another medical benefit in this section. The most specific and appropriate medical benefit will apply for each service received during a mental health or substance use office visit.</p>	<p>Nothing. The deductible does not apply.</p>	<p>Nothing. The deductible does not apply.</p>	<p>Nothing. The deductible does not apply.</p> <p>**Tier 3 out-of-network claims will process at Tier 2 in-network benefits, however out-of-network providers may bill you for costs above the non-network provider reimbursement amount.</p>
<p>2. Office and outpatient services, including intensive outpatient programs and treatment services</p>	<p>20% coinsurance after deductible</p>	<p>20% coinsurance after deductible</p>	<p>20% coinsurance after Tier 2 deductible**</p> <p>**Tier 3 out-of-network claims will process at Tier 2 in-network benefits, however out-of-network providers may bill you for costs above the non-network provider reimbursement amount.</p>

<b>Behavioral Health – Mental Health and Substance Use</b>			
<b>Medical benefits</b>	<b>Your cost if you visit a:</b>		
	<b>Tier 1 In-network provider:</b>	<b>Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:</b>	<b>Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:</b>
<p>3. Intensive behavioral and developmental therapy for the treatment of autism spectrum disorder, including applied behavioral analysis. Examples of such therapy include, but are not limited to, Early Intensive Developmental &amp; Behavioral Intervention (EIDBI), Intensive Early Intervention Behavior Therapy (IEIBT), Intensive Behavioral Intervention (IBI) and Lovaas therapy.</p>	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	<p>20% coinsurance after Tier 2 deductible**</p> <p>**Tier 3 out-of-network claims will process at Tier 2 in-network benefits, however out-of-network providers may bill you for costs above the non-network provider reimbursement amount.</p>

Behavioral Health – Mental Health and Substance Use			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
4. Partial hospitalization/day treatment/high intensity outpatient program	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after Tier 2 deductible**  **Tier 3 out-of-network claims will process at Tier 2 in-network benefits, however out-of-network providers may bill you for costs above the non-network provider reimbursement amount.
5. Medication-assisted treatment  <b>Please note:</b> When the prescription drug component of this treatment is received at a pharmacy, your pharmacy benefit will be applied.	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible**  **Tier 3 out-of-network claims will process at Tier 2 in-network benefits, however out-of-network providers may bill you for costs above the non-network provider reimbursement amount.

**Behavioral Health – Mental Health and Substance Use**

**Your cost if you visit a:**

<b>Medical benefits</b>	<b>Tier 1 In-network provider:</b>	<b>Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:</b>	<b>Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:</b>
<p>6. Inpatient services (including mental health residential treatment services and substance use disorder residential treatment services)</p> <p><b>Please note:</b> Inpatient services in a licensed residential treatment facility for treatment of emotionally disabled children will be covered as any other health condition.</p> <p>Prior authorization is required for all Tier 3 inpatient admissions. See below for more information.</p>			
<p>a. Room and board</p>	<p>20% coinsurance after deductible</p>	<p>20% coinsurance after deductible</p>	<p>20% coinsurance after Tier 2 deductible**</p> <p>**Tier 3 out-of-network claims will process at Tier 2 in-network benefits, however out-of-network providers may bill you for costs above the non-network provider reimbursement amount.</p>

**Behavioral Health – Mental Health and Substance Use**

<b>Medical benefits</b>	<b>Your cost if you visit a:</b>		
	<b>Tier 1 In-network provider:</b>	<b>Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:</b>	<b>Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:</b>
b. Hospital- or facility-based professional services	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after Tier 2 deductible**  **Tier 3 out-of-network claims will process at Tier 2 in-network benefits, however out-of-network providers may bill you for costs above the non-network provider reimbursement amount.
c. Attending psychiatrist and physician services	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after Tier 2 deductible**  **Tier 3 out-of-network claims will process at Tier 2 in-network benefits, however out-of-network providers may bill you for costs above the non-network provider reimbursement amount.

\*\*Tier 3 out-of-network claims will process at Tier 2 in-network benefits, however out-of-network providers may bill you for costs above the non-network provider reimbursement amount.

## What's covered

Outpatient services include:

1. Diagnostic evaluations, assessment and treatment planning.
2. Treatment and procedures.
3. Medication-assisted treatment (the use of medications in conjunction with counseling and behavioral therapies to help maintain sobriety, prevent relapse and reduce craving in order to sustain recovery). **Please note:** When the prescription drug component of this treatment is received at a pharmacy, your pharmacy benefit will be applied.
4. Intensive outpatient programs;
  - a. For mental health services, the program may be freestanding or hospital-based and provides services for at least three hours per day, two or more days per week.
  - b. For substance use-related and addictive disorders services, the program provides structured programming for adults and adolescents, consisting primarily of counseling and education about addiction-related and mental health problems.
5. Intensive behavioral and developmental therapy for the treatment of autism spectrum disorder, including behavioral analysis. The therapy must be:
  - a. Focused on the treatment of core deficits of autism spectrum disorder;
  - b. Provided by a Board-Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA) or other qualified provider under the appropriate supervision; and
  - c. Focused on treating maladaptive/stereotypic behaviors that are posing danger to self, others and property, and impairment in daily functioning.

The above section describes only the behavioral component of treatment for autism spectrum disorder.

6. Partial hospitalization/day treatment/high intensity outpatient program. This may be in a freestanding facility or hospital based. Active treatment is provided through specialized programming with medical/psychological intervention and supervision during program hours. Partial program means a treatment program of 20 hours or more per week. Treatment services less than 20 hours would be covered under benefit 2. in the table above.
7. Individual, family and group therapy, if there is a clinical diagnosis.
8. Nutritional counseling.
9. Treatment of serious or persistent disorders.
10. Treatment of pathological gambling.

Inpatient services include:

1. Room and board.
2. Attending psychiatric and physician services.

3. Hospital- or facility-based professional services.
4. Mental health residential treatment services. These services include either:
  - A residential treatment program serving children and adolescents with severe emotional disturbance, certified under law; or
  - A licensed or certified mental health treatment program providing intensive therapeutic services.
5. Substance use disorder residential treatment services are services from a licensed substance use disorder rehabilitation program that provides intensive therapeutic services following detoxification.

When you use Tier 3 medical benefits, in addition to the deductible and coinsurance, you will likely need to pay your provider any billed amount above what the plan pays the provider (the non-network provider reimbursement amount). **These charges are not applied to your deductible or out-of-pocket maximum.** Please see **Visiting non-network medical providers and why you pay more** in **Before You Access Medical Care** for more information and an example showing out-of-pocket costs associated with Tier 3 medical benefits.

### **What to keep in mind**

To be covered, services must diagnose or treat mental health or substance use disorders listed in the current edition of the *International Classification of Diseases (ICD)* or the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM)*.

If you have more than one service or modality on the same day, you may pay a separate copayment or coinsurance for each service.

Emergency mental health and substance use services do not require prior authorization and are eligible for coverage under Tier 1 medical benefits.

Mental health and substance use services from a non-network provider listed below will be eligible for coverage under Tier 3 medical benefits. These services must be obtained from a health care professional or facility that is licensed, certified or otherwise qualified under state law to provide the mental health and substance use services and practice independently:

- Psychiatrist
- Psychologist
- Registered nurse certified as a clinical specialist or as a nurse practitioner in psychiatric and mental health nursing
- Mental health clinic
- Mental health residential treatment center
- Substance use disorder clinic
- Substance use disorder residential treatment center
- Independent clinical social worker
- Marriage and family therapist
- Hospital that provides mental health and/or substance use services
- Licensed professional clinical counselor

## What's not covered

1. Services performed in connection with conditions not classified in the current edition of the *International Classification of Diseases* or the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association*.
2. Services, care or treatment that is not medically necessary.
3. Individual, family and group therapy, in the absence of a clinical diagnosis.
4. Services beyond the initial assessment to diagnose intellectual or learning disabilities.
5. Services that are solely educational in nature or otherwise paid under state or federal law for purely educational purposes.
6. Services, including room and board charges, provided by providers or facilities that are not appropriately licensed, certified or otherwise qualified under state law to provide mental health and substance use services or which provide a primary treatment modality that is experimental or investigational as determined by Medica. This includes, but is not limited to, services provided by providers who are not authorized under state law to practice independently, and services received at a halfway house, housing with support, therapeutic group home, wilderness program, boarding school or ranch.
7. Services to assist in activities of daily living that do not seek to cure and are performed regularly as a part of a routine or schedule.
8. Mental health residential treatment services that do not provide all of the following: room and board; group, family and individual counseling; client education; other services specific to mental health treatment; on-site medical/psychiatric assessment within 48 hours of admission; medical/psychiatric follow-up visits at least once per week; and nursing coverage.
9. Substance use disorder residential treatment services that do not provide all of the following: room and board; group, family and individual counseling; client education; other services specific to substance use disorder treatment; on-site medical/psychiatric assessment within 48 hours of admission; medical/psychiatric follow-up visits at least once per week; and nursing coverage.
10. Services to hold or confine a person under chemical influence when no medical services are required, regardless of where the services are received.
11. Anonymous support groups.
12. Expenses associated with participation in weight loss programs, including but not limited to membership fees and the purchase of food, dietary supplements or publications.

## CERTAIN CANCER-RELATED TESTING

Certain Cancer-Related Testing		
Benefits	Your cost if you visit a:	
	Network provider:	Non-network provider:
1. Prostate cancer screening, including prostate-specific antigen blood tests and digital rectal examination, for all men	See <b>Preventive Health Care</b>	See <b>Preventive Health Care</b>
2. Diagnostic surveillance tests for ovarian cancer	Covered at the corresponding in-network benefit level, depending on type of services provided.  For example, office visits are covered at the office visit in-network benefit level and diagnostic imaging is covered at the in-network diagnostic imaging benefit level.	Covered at the corresponding out-of-network benefit level, depending on type of services provided.  For example, office visits are covered at the office visit out-of-network benefit level and diagnostic imaging is covered at the out-of-network diagnostic imaging benefit level.

### What's covered

Medica covers diagnostic surveillance tests for ovarian cancer for women who are at risk of ovarian cancer. Diagnostic surveillance testing for ovarian cancer means annual screening using: (1) CA-125 serum tumor marker testing; (2) transvaginal ultrasound; (3) pelvic examination; or (4) other proven ovarian cancer screening tests currently being evaluated by the FDA or the National Cancer Institute. At risk for ovarian cancer means: (1) have a family history (a) with one or more first- or second-degree relatives with ovarian cancer; (b) of clusters of women relatives with breast cancer; or (c) of nonpolyposis colorectal cancer; or (2) testing positive for BRCA1 or BRCA2 mutations. **Please note:** Some pelvic examinations may be covered as preventive health services.

### What to keep in mind

When you use out-of-network benefits, in addition to the deductible and coinsurance, you will likely need to pay your provider any billed amount above what the plan pays the provider (the non-network provider reimbursement amount). **These charges are not applied to your deductible or out-of-pocket maximum.** Please see **Visiting non-network providers and why you pay more** in **Before You Access Care** for more information and an example showing out-of-pocket costs associated with out-of-network benefits.

## CLINICAL TRIALS

Clinical Trials			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
1. Routine patient costs in connection with a qualified individual's participation in an approved clinical trial	Covered at the corresponding Tier 1 medical benefit level, depending on type of services provided.  For example, office visits are covered at the office visit Tier 1 medical benefit level and surgical services are covered at the surgical services Tier 1 medical benefit level.	Covered at the corresponding Tier 2 medical benefit level, depending on type of services provided.  For example, office visits are covered at the office visit Tier 2 medical benefit level and surgical services are covered at the surgical services Tier 2 medical benefit level.	Covered at the corresponding Tier 3 medical benefit level, depending on type of services provided.  For example, office visits are covered at the office visit Tier 3 medical benefit level and surgical services are covered at the surgical services Tier 3 medical benefit level.

### What's covered

Routine patient costs that would be eligible for coverage under this plan, if the services were provided outside of the clinical trial, will be covered.

### What to keep in mind

Approved clinical trials are as defined in **Definitions**.

When you use Tier 3 medical benefits, in addition to the deductible and coinsurance, you will likely need to pay your provider any billed amount above what the plan pays the provider (the non-network provider reimbursement amount). **These charges are not applied to your deductible or out-of-pocket maximum.** Please see **Visiting non-network medical providers and why you pay more** in **Before You Access Medical Care** for more information and an example showing out-of-pocket costs associated with Tier 3 medical benefits.

### What's not covered

The item, device or service that is considered investigative is not covered.

## DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT, PROSTHETICS AND MEDICAL SUPPLIES

Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics and Medical Supplies			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
1. Durable medical equipment and certain supplies	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible
2. Orthotics	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible
3. Prosthetics:	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible
a. External prosthetic devices that replace a limb or an external body part, limited to:			
i. Artificial arms, legs, feet and hands;			
ii. Artificial eyes, ears and noses;			
iii. Breast prostheses			
b. Repair, replacement or revision of prostheses made necessary by normal wear and use			

Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics and Medical Supplies			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
4. Scalp hair prosthesis Limited to one prosthesis (i.e. wig) up to a maximum medical benefit of \$350 per covered person per calendar year.	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible
5. Hearing aids: a. Standard hearing aids and their related fittings  Coverage for standard hearing aids is limited to \$5,000 every three years.  b. Bone-anchored hearing aids, cochlear implants and their related fittings (the \$5,000 limit every three years does not apply)	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible
6. Breast pumps (hospital grade)  <b>Please note:</b> For non-hospital grade breast pump coverage, see <b>Preventive Health Services.</b>	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible
7. Medical supplies:	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible

**Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics and Medical Supplies**

**Your cost if you visit a:**

**Medical benefits**

**Tier 1  
In-network  
provider:**

**Tier 2  
Expanded in-  
network  
provider:**

**Tier 3  
Out-of-network  
provider:**

- a. Injectable pharmaceutical treatments for hemophilia and bleeding disorders
- b. Dietary medical treatment of phenylketonuria (PKU)
- c. Total parenteral nutrition
- d. Amino acid-based elemental formulas for these diagnoses:
  - i. Cystic fibrosis;
  - ii. Amino acid, organic acid and fatty acid metabolic and malabsorption disorders;
  - iii. IgE mediated allergies to food proteins;
  - iv. Food protein induced enterocolitis syndrome;
  - v. Eosinophilic esophagitis;
  - vi. Eosinophilic gastroenteritis; and

Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics and Medical Supplies			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
vii. Eosinophilic colitis			
8. Eligible ostomy supplies	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible
9. Insulin pumps and their related supplies  <b>Please note:</b> Omnipod pumps and Dexcom/FreeStyle Libre continuous glucose monitors are covered exclusively under the Pharmacy benefit.	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible
10. CPAP machines and related supplies	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible
11. Mandibular advancement devices for the treatment of sleep apnea  <b>Please note:</b> This benefit does not cover devices to treat snoring.	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible

**What’s covered**

Medica covers only a limited selection of durable medical equipment, prosthetics and medical supplies. The repair, replacement or revision of durable medical equipment is covered if it is made necessary by normal wear and use. Hearing aids and certain durable medical equipment, prosthetics and medical supplies must meet specific criteria and some items ordered by your physician, even if they’re medically necessary, may not be covered. Medica determines if durable medical equipment will be purchased or rented.

When you use Tier 3 medical benefits, in addition to the deductible and coinsurance, you will likely need to pay your provider any billed amount above what the plan pays the provider (the non-network provider reimbursement amount). **These charges are not applied to your deductible or out-of-pocket maximum.** Please see **Visiting non-network medical providers and why you pay more** in **Before You Access Medical Care** for more information and an example showing out-of-pocket costs associated with Tier 3 medical benefits.

## What to keep in mind

Medica periodically reviews and modifies the list of eligible durable medical equipment and certain supplies. To request the most up-to-date list, call Member Services at one of the telephone numbers listed inside the front cover or on the back of your ID card. Medica requires prior authorization (approval in advance) before you receive certain durable medical equipment, prosthetics and/or medical supplies.\*

\*This prior authorization requirement is waived for Mayo Clinic providers.

To determine if Medica requires prior authorization for a particular piece of equipment, prosthetic or supply, please contact Medica Member Services at one of the numbers listed at the front of this plan, by signing in at **Medica.com/SignIn** or at the number or address listed on the back of your ID card. Please see **Medical prior authorization** in **Before You Access Medical Care** for more information about prior authorization requirements and processes.

Quantity limits may apply to durable medical equipment, prosthetics and medical supplies.

If the durable medical equipment, orthotic, prosthetic device or hearing aid is covered by the plan, but the model you choose is not Medica's standard model, you will be responsible for the cost difference.

Formulary test strips, lancets, glucometers, syringes and diabetic needles are available exclusively through your pharmacy benefit. Insulin pumps, most CGMs and related supplies should be obtained through a DME vendor. **Note:** Dexcom and FreeStyle Libre continuous glucose monitors can only be obtained through an Alluma network pharmacy.

Tier 1 or Tier 2 medical benefits apply when eligible equipment, services and supplies are prescribed by a physician and received from a network provider. Hearing aids, when prescribed by a network provider, are covered as described in the table above.

To request a list of durable medical equipment providers and/or hearing aid vendors, call Medica Member Services at one of the telephone numbers listed inside the front cover or on the back of your ID card.

Tier 3 medical benefits apply when eligible equipment, services and supplies are prescribed by a physician and received from a non-network provider.

## What's not covered

1. Durable medical equipment, supplies, orthotics, prosthetics, appliances and hearing aids not on the Medica eligible list, including but not limited to:
  - Batteries, except for use in implantable devices and hearing aids;
  - Charges incurred for the rental or purchase of any type of air conditioner, air purifier or similar device or appliance;
  - Environmental change;
  - Exercise equipment;
  - Food blenders;
  - Orthopedic mattresses;
  - Orthopedic shoes or similar device which is not custom made;
  - Pools, whirlpools and similar items, even if recommended, ordered or prescribed by a health care provider;

- Room humidifiers and dehumidifiers;
  - Splints or braces used for non-medical purposes (i.e., support worn primarily during participation in sports or similar physical activities);
  - Mouth guards; or
  - Hearing aids that are available over-the-counter.
2. Charges in excess of the Medica standard model of durable medical equipment, orthotics, prosthetics or hearing aids.
  3. Repair, replacement or revision of properly functioning durable medical equipment, orthotics, prosthetics and hearing aids, including, but not limited to, due to loss, damage or theft.
  4. Duplicate durable medical equipment, orthotics, prosthetics and hearing aids, including repair, replacement or revision of duplicate items.
  5. Other disposable supplies and appliances, except as described in this section and **Pharmacy and Prescription Drugs.**

## EMERGENCY ROOM CARE

Emergency Room Care			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
1. Facility services provided in a hospital or facility-based emergency room	\$100/visit. The deductible does not apply.	Covered as a Tier 1 medical benefit.	Covered as a Tier 1 medical benefit.
2. Other professional services received during an emergency room visit (for example physician or DME)	20% coinsurance after deductible	Covered as a Tier 1 medical benefit.	Covered as a Tier 1 medical benefit.
3. Anesthesia services received during an emergency room visit	20% coinsurance after deductible	Covered as a Tier 1 medical benefit.	Covered as a Tier 1 medical benefit.
4. Lab and pathology services received during an emergency room visit	20% coinsurance after deductible	Covered as a Tier 1 medical benefit.	Covered as a Tier 1 medical benefit.
5. X-rays and other imaging services received during an emergency room visit	20% coinsurance after deductible	Covered as a Tier 1 medical benefit.	Covered as a Tier 1 medical benefit.

### What's covered

Emergency services provided in an emergency room of a hospital, whether network or non-network, from non-network providers will be covered as Tier 1 medical benefits. In the event you receive such services, you will pay the Tier 1 cost-share associated with the services provided. Please see **Surprise Billing Protections** for more information if you receive any other bill from an emergency room provider.

If you are confined in a non-network facility as a result of an emergency, you will be eligible for Tier 1 medical benefits until you have validly consented to post-stabilization care from non-network providers. Please see **Surprise Billing Protections** for more information.

If you receive scheduled or follow-up care after an emergency, you must visit a network provider to receive applicable Tier 1 or Tier 2 medical benefits.

## GENDER REASSIGNMENT AND TRANSGENDER SERVICES

<b>Primary Gender Reassignment Services</b>			
<p>1. Gender reassignment surgery services for covered persons with a diagnosis of gender dysphoria</p>	<p>Covered at the corresponding Tier 1 medical benefit level, depending on type of services provided.</p> <p>For example, office visits are covered at the office visit Tier 1 medical benefit level and surgical services are covered at the surgical services Tier 1 medical benefit level.</p>	<p>Covered at the corresponding Tier 2 medical benefit level, depending on type of services provided.</p> <p>For example, office visits are covered at the office visit Tier 2 medical benefit level and surgical services are covered at the surgical services Tier 2 medical benefit level.</p>	<p>Covered at the corresponding Tier 3 medical benefit level, depending on type of services provided.</p> <p>For example, office visits are covered at the office visit Tier 3 medical benefit level and surgical services are covered at the surgical services Tier 3 medical benefit level.</p>
<b>Secondary Gender Reassignment Services, numbers 2-4 below</b>			
<p>2. Hair removal, including laser, electrolysis, and topical anesthesia for covered persons with a diagnosis of gender dysphoria</p>	<p>Covered at the corresponding Tier 1 medical benefit level, depending on type of services provided.</p> <p>For example, office visits are covered at the office visit Tier 1 medical benefit level and surgical services are covered at the</p>	<p>Covered at the corresponding Tier 2 medical benefit level, depending on type of services provided.</p> <p>For example, office visits are covered at the office visit Tier 2 medical benefit level and surgical services are covered at the</p>	<p>Covered at the corresponding Tier 3 medical benefit level, depending on type of services provided.</p> <p>For example, office visits are covered at the office visit Tier 3 medical benefit level and surgical services are covered at the</p>

	surgical services Tier 1 medical benefit level.	surgical services Tier 2 medical benefit level.	surgical services Tier 3 medical benefit level.
3. Facial reconstruction/contouring for covered persons with a diagnosis of gender dysphoria	<p>Covered at the corresponding Tier 1 medical benefit level, depending on type of services provided.</p> <p>For example, office visits are covered at the office visit Tier 1 medical benefit level and surgical services are covered at the surgical services Tier 1 medical benefit level.</p>	<p>Covered at the corresponding Tier 2 medical benefit level, depending on type of services provided.</p> <p>For example, office visits are covered at the office visit Tier 2 medical benefit level and surgical services are covered at the surgical services Tier 2 medical benefit level.</p>	<p>Covered at the corresponding Tier 3 medical benefit level, depending on type of services provided.</p> <p>For example, office visits are covered at the office visit Tier 3 medical benefit level and surgical services are covered at the surgical services Tier 3 medical benefit level.</p>
4. Voice therapy for covered persons with a diagnosis of gender dysphoria	<p>Covered at the corresponding Tier 1 medical benefit level, depending on type of services provided.</p> <p>For example, office visits are covered at the office visit Tier 1 medical benefit level and surgical services are covered at the surgical services Tier 1 medical benefit level.</p>	<p>Covered at the corresponding Tier 2 medical benefit level, depending on type of services provided.</p> <p>For example, office visits are covered at the office visit Tier 2 medical benefit level and surgical services are covered at the surgical services Tier 2 medical benefit level.</p>	<p>Covered at the corresponding Tier 3 medical benefit level, depending on type of services provided.</p> <p>For example, office visits are covered at the office visit Tier 3 medical benefit level and surgical services are covered at the surgical services Tier 3 medical benefit level.</p>

	medical benefit level.	medical benefit level.	medical benefit level.
<p>5. Transportation reimbursement</p> <p>Transportation reimbursement is available for eligible expenses primarily for and essential to your receipt of medical care that is not available in your state of residence due to state law restrictions or limitations. International travel is not eligible for reimbursement under this travel benefit.</p> <p>Reimbursement is available for eligible expenses when you live more than 200 miles from where you receive the out of state medical care and will include transportation for you and a companion. This includes eligible transportation for you and the companion (traveling on the same day(s)) to and/or from the location where you receive such medical care. Eligible transportation expenses incurred by you and your companion (if applicable) under this section are subject to a maximum benefit of \$2,000 per person per year (i.e. \$2,000 per year if you travel without a companion and \$4,000 per year if you travel with a companion).</p> <p>Meals and lodging are not reimbursable under this benefit.</p>			

## What's covered

### Primary services:

Eligible surgical procedures and non-surgical services for gender reassignment are covered for covered persons with a diagnosis of gender dysphoria.

Prior authorization is required for surgical services.\*

For more information on gender reassignment services, go to: [partner.medica.com/-/media/documents/provider/utilization-management-policies/iii-sur-20-um-policy.pdf](https://partner.medica.com/-/media/documents/provider/utilization-management-policies/iii-sur-20-um-policy.pdf) or contact Medica Member Services at one of the telephone numbers listed inside the front cover or on the back of your ID card.

\*This prior authorization requirement is waived for Mayo Clinic providers.

Services eligible for coverage under other applicable benefits in this document:

1. Pre-gender assignment counseling services
2. Services of a licensed psychiatrist, or psychologist to diagnose and counsel the patient in the area of gender dysphoria
3. Psychological/psychiatric evaluation
4. Hormonal and genital gender assignment counseling services
5. All mental health services provided to the member before, during and after initiation of hormonal therapy
6. Pre-gender assignment medical evaluation
7. Hormonal gender assignment medical services. Includes all medical services directly related to the administration and monitoring of hormonal therapy
8. Genital surgical gender reassignment medical services

9. Pre-operation physical examination
10. Genital surgical gender reassignment inpatient and outpatient stays for eligible procedures
11. Includes all ambulatory follow-up care directly related to the genital surgical gender reassignment
12. Breast augmentation for male to female reassignment when all medical necessity criteria have been met
13. Mastectomy for female to male reassignment when all medical necessity criteria have been met.

### **Secondary services:**

Professional, hospital and ambulatory surgical center services for secondary services as described above are covered. To be eligible, members **must have a diagnosis of gender dysphoria**.

Facial reconstruction services include tracheal shave, thyroid chondroplasty, laryngochondroplasty, forehead contouring, cranioplasty, cheek implants, malar augmentation, brow lift; jaw and/or chin reshaping – mandibular contouring – genioplasty; lip shortening; scalp advancement; rhinoplasty - septoplasty, alarplasty.

### **What's not covered**

1. Revision of blemishes on skin surfaces and scars (including scar excisions) primarily for cosmetic purposes, unless otherwise covered in **Physician and Professional Services** in this section.
2. Repair of a pierced body part and surgical repair of bald spots or loss of hair.
3. Services and procedures primarily for cosmetic purposes.
4. Surgical correction of male breast enlargement primarily for cosmetic purposes.
5. Hair transplants/grafts.
6. Outpatient drugs provided or administered by a physician or other provider that do not meet the definition of "professionally administered drugs."
7. Coverage for drugs is as described in **Pharmacy and Prescription Drugs** or otherwise described as a specific benefit elsewhere in this section.
8. Voice modification services or surgery.
9. Larynx change, other than specified in this section.
10. Liposuction.
11. Body contouring.
12. Nipple tattooing.
13. Blepharoplasty.
14. Pectoral implant.
15. Skin resurfacing.



## GENETIC TESTING AND COUNSELING

Genetic Testing and Counseling			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
<p>1. Genetic testing received in an office or outpatient hospital when test results will directly affect treatment decisions or frequency of screening for a disease, or when results of the test will affect reproductive choices</p> <p><b>Please note:</b> BRCA testing, if appropriate, is covered as a women's preventive health service.</p>	<p>20% coinsurance after deductible</p>	<p>20% coinsurance after deductible</p>	<p>50% coinsurance after deductible</p>
<p>2. Genetic counseling, whether pre- or post-test and whether occurring in an office, clinic or telephonically</p> <p><b>Please note:</b> Genetic counseling for BRCA testing, if appropriate, is covered as a women's preventive health service.</p>	<p><b>Primary care provider:</b> Nothing. The deductible does not apply.</p> <p><b>Specialty care provider:</b> 20% coinsurance after deductible</p>	<p><b>Primary care provider:</b> Nothing. The deductible does not apply.</p> <p><b>Specialty care provider:</b> 20% coinsurance after deductible</p>	<p>50% coinsurance after deductible</p>

## What to keep in mind

Genetic testing is a complex and rapidly changing field. To better understand your coverage, please call Member Services at one of the numbers listed at the front of this plan. When you call, it's helpful to have the following information:

- The name of the test;
- The name of the lab performing the test;
- The name of the doctor ordering the test; and
- The reason you are going to have the test.

When you use Tier 3 medical benefits, in addition to the deductible and coinsurance, you will likely need to pay your provider any billed amount above what the plan pays the provider (the non-network provider reimbursement amount). **These charges are not applied to your deductible or out-of-pocket maximum.** Please see **Visiting non-network medical providers and why you pay more** in **Before You Access Medical Care** for more information and an example showing out-of-pocket costs associated with Tier 3 medical benefits.

## What's not covered

1. Genetic testing when performed in the absence of symptoms or high risk factors for a genetic disease; genetic testing when knowledge of genetic status will not affect treatment decisions, frequency of screening for the disease or reproductive choices; genetic testing that has been performed in response to direct-to-consumer marketing and not under the direction of your physician.
2. Laboratory testing (including genetic testing) that has been performed in response to direct-to-consumer marketing and not under the direction of a physician.

## HOME HEALTH CARE

Home Health Care			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
<p>1. Services including the following are limited to a combined maximum of 90 visits per calendar year:</p>			
<p>a. Intermittent (part-time) skilled nursing care when you are homebound, provided by or supervised by a registered nurse</p>	<p>20% coinsurance after deductible</p>	<p>20% coinsurance after deductible</p>	<p>50% coinsurance after deductible</p>
<p>b. Services received in your home from a physician</p>	<p>20% coinsurance after deductible</p>	<p>20% coinsurance after deductible</p>	<p>50% coinsurance after deductible</p>
<p>c. Skilled physical, speech or occupational therapy when you are homebound</p>	<p>20% coinsurance after deductible</p>	<p>20% coinsurance after deductible</p>	<p>50% coinsurance after deductible</p>
<p>Intermittent skilled nursing care consists of visits of up to two consecutive hours of care per date of service.</p> <p>Home health care medical benefits described under #1. are limited to a combined maximum of 90 visits per calendar year.</p> <p>If you are also enrolled in the Medical Assistance Program, you may be eligible for additional skilled nursing care.</p>			
<p>2. Home infusion therapy</p>	<p>20% coinsurance after deductible</p>	<p>20% coinsurance after deductible</p>	<p>50% coinsurance after deductible</p>

Home Health Care			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
3. Palliative care when not homebound  There is a maximum of 8 visits per covered person per calendar year  <b>Please note:</b> Medica will waive the requirement that you be homebound for a limited number of home visits if you have a life-threatening, non-curable condition which has a prognosis of survival of two years or less. Additional palliative care visits are eligible under the home health services medical benefit if you are homebound and meet all other requirements as defined in this section.	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible

**What’s covered**

Home health care is covered when ordered by a physician and received from a home health care agency that is authorized by the laws of the state in which treatment is received.

When you use Tier 3 medical benefits, in addition to the deductible and coinsurance, you will likely need to pay your provider any billed amount above what the plan pays the provider (the non-network provider reimbursement amount). **These charges are not applied to your deductible or out-of-pocket maximum.** Please see **Visiting non-network medical providers and why you pay more** in **Before You Access Medical Care** for more information and an example showing out-of-pocket costs associated with Tier 3 medical benefits.

## What to keep in mind

Medica considers you homebound when leaving your home would directly and negatively affect your physical health. A dependent child may still be considered "confined to home" when attending school where life support specialized equipment and help are available.

Each visit of 24 hours or any that lasts less than 24 hours, regardless of the length of the visit, equals one visit and will count toward the maximum number of visits for all services in this section.

**Please note:** Your place of residence is where you make your home. This may be your own dwelling, a relative's home, an apartment complex that provides assisted living services or some other type of institution. However, a hospital or skilled nursing facility will not be considered your home.

## What's not covered

1. Extended hours home care.
2. Companion, homemaker and personal care services.
3. Services for self-treatment or by persons who are family members or who share your legal residence.
4. Custodial care and other non-skilled services.
5. Physical, speech or occupational therapy provided in your home for convenience.
6. Services provided in your home when you are not homebound.
7. Services primarily educational in nature.
8. Vocational and job rehabilitation.
9. Recreational therapy.
10. Self-care and self-help training (non-medical).
11. Health club memberships.
12. Disposable supplies and appliances, except as described in **Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics and Medical Supplies** and **Pharmacy and Prescription Drugs** in this section.
13. Physical, speech or occupational therapy services when there is no reasonable expectation that the covered person's condition will improve over a predictable period of time according to generally accepted standards in the medical community.
14. Voice training.
15. Home health aide services.
16. Respite care.
17. Room and board.

## HOSPICE SERVICES

Hospice Services			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
1. Hospice and bereavement services	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible

### What's covered

Hospice services are covered when ordered, provided or arranged under the direction of a physician and received from a hospice program.

When you use Tier 3 medical benefits, in addition to the deductible and coinsurance, you will likely need to pay your provider any billed amount above what the plan pays the provider (the non-network provider reimbursement amount). **These charges are not applied to your deductible or out-of-pocket maximum.** Please see **Visiting non-network medical providers and why you pay more** in **Before You Access Medical Care** for more information and an example showing out-of-pocket costs associated with Tier 3 medical benefits.

### What to keep in mind

Hospice services are comprehensive palliative medical care and supportive social, emotional and spiritual services. These services are provided to terminally ill persons and their families, primarily in the patients' homes. A hospice interdisciplinary team, composed of professionals and volunteers, coordinates an individualized plan of care for each patient and family. The goal of hospice care is to make patients as comfortable as possible to enable them to live their final days to the fullest in the comfort of their own homes and with loved ones.

Medica contracts with hospice programs to provide hospice services to covered persons. The specific services you receive may vary depending upon which program you select.

A plan of care must be established and communicated by the hospice program staff to Medica. To be eligible for coverage, hospice services must be consistent with the hospice program's plan of care.

To be eligible for the hospice medical benefits described in this section, you must:

1. Be a terminally ill patient; and
2. Have chosen a palliative treatment focus (i.e., one that emphasizes comfort and supportive services rather than treatment attempting to cure the disease or condition).

You will be considered terminally ill if there is a written medical prognosis by your physician that your life expectancy is six months or less if the terminal illness runs its normal course. This certification must be made not later than two days after the hospice care is initiated.

Covered persons who elect to receive hospice services do so in place of curative treatment for their terminal illness for the period they are enrolled in the hospice program.

You may withdraw from the hospice program at any time upon written notice to the hospice program. You must follow the hospice program's requirements to withdraw from the hospice program.

### **What's not covered**

1. Respite care.
2. Home health care and skilled nursing facility services when services are not consistent with the hospice program's plan of care.
3. Services not included in the hospice program's plan of care, including room and board charges or fees.
4. Services not provided by the hospice program.
5. Hospice daycare, except when recommended and provided by the hospice program.
6. Services for self-treatment or by persons who are family members or who share your legal residence.
7. Housekeeping or meal services in your home, except when recommended and provided by the hospice program.
8. Custodial care and other non-skilled services.

## HOSPITAL SERVICES

Hospital Services			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
1. Outpatient hospital or ambulatory surgical center services, including services provided in a hospital observation room	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible
2. Inpatient services  For associated physician services, see <b>Physician and Professional Services</b> in this section.  <b>Please note:</b> Prior authorization is required for all Tier 3 inpatient admissions. See below for more information.	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible

### What's covered

1. Hospital and ambulatory surgical center services;
2. Phase I and Phase II cardiac rehabilitation; and
3. Respiratory therapy.

Emergency services received from a network or non-network provider will be covered as Tier 1 provider benefits. If you are admitted to a non-network hospital from an emergency department of a hospital, you will be eligible for in-network Tier 1 provider benefits until you have validly consented to post-stabilization care from non-network providers. Please see **Surprise Billing Protections** for more information.

When you use Tier 3 medical benefits, in addition to the deductible and coinsurance, you will likely need to pay your provider any billed amount above what the plan pays the provider (the non-network provider reimbursement amount). **These charges are not applied to your**

**deductible or out-of-pocket maximum.** Please see **Visiting non-network medical providers and why you pay more** in **Before You Access Medical Care** for more information and an example showing out-of-pocket costs associated with Tier 3 medical benefits.

### **What to keep in mind**

Prior authorization (approval in advance) is required before you receive certain services. Please see **Medical prior authorization** in **Before You Access Medical Care** for more information about prior authorization requirements and processes.

A physician must direct your care.

If you remain in the hospital overnight, you may be admitted as an inpatient or kept for observation. You can check with your physician to ask which applies to you. The most appropriate medical benefit will apply, which will impact how much you pay.

For most hospital visits, other charges also will apply. These might include charges for physician services, anesthesia and others.

### **What's not covered**

1. Outpatient drugs received from a hospital that do not meet the definition of "professionally administered drugs" or are not received from an emergency room or a hospital observation room.
2. Coverage for drugs is as described in **Pharmacy and Prescription Drugs** or otherwise described as a specific benefit elsewhere in this section.
3. Personal comfort or convenience items or services.
4. Cosmetic surgery/non-functional surgery and any subsequent surgery related to such surgery unless medically necessary.
5. Guest trays.
6. Phase III and Phase IV cardiac rehabilitation.

## INFERTILITY DIAGNOSIS, FERTILITY TREATMENT AND ASSISTED REPRODUCTIVE TECHNOLOGY

Infertility Diagnosis, Fertility Treatment and Assisted Reproductive Technology			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
1. Office visits, including any services provided during such visits	50% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible	No coverage
2. Outpatient services received at a hospital	50% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible	No coverage
3. Inpatient services	50% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible	No coverage
4. Services received from a physician during an inpatient stay	50% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible	No coverage

### What's covered

The diagnosis of infertility and certain services for fertility treatment in connection with the voluntary planning of conceiving a child are covered. Certain assisted reproductive technology services, including in vitro fertilization, are covered, whether performed or undertaken as a fertility treatment or for any other clinical reason. Coverage includes medical benefits for professional, hospital and ambulatory surgical center services, as well as the storage of sperm, ova and embryos. Fertility treatment must be received from or under the direction of a physician. See **Pharmacy and Prescription Drugs** for coverage of fertility treatment drugs.

Fertility treatment services and assisted reproductive technology services, when received from a network provider, are covered as applicable Tier 1 or Tier 2 medical benefits.

There is no coverage for Tier 3 infertility diagnosis and fertility treatment medical benefits.

## What to keep in mind

Coverage for fertility treatment is limited to a maximum of \$15,000 per covered person per lifetime for Tier 1 and Tier 2 medical benefits combined. Once this maximum is met, there is no coverage for fertility treatment services and claims will be denied by the plan. This lifetime maximum applies to all infertility, fertility and assisted reproductive technology services, regardless of diagnosis.

Prior authorization (approval in advance) is required before you receive certain biologics and professionally administered drugs. To determine if Medica requires prior authorization for a particular service or treatment, please call Medica Member Services at one of the numbers listed at the front of this plan. Please see **Medical prior authorization** in **Before You Access Medical Care** for more information about prior authorization requirements and processes.

## What's not covered

1. Outpatient drugs provided or administered by a physician or other provider that do not meet the definition of "professionally administered drugs."
2. Coverage for drugs is as described in **Pharmacy and Prescription Drugs** or otherwise described as a specific benefit elsewhere in this section.
3. Services for a condition that a physician determines cannot be successfully treated.
4. Services related to surrogate pregnancy for a person not covered as a covered person under the plan.
5. Services for or related to donation and storage of sperm, ova and embryos for a person not covered as a covered person under the plan.
6. Services for or related to donation, preservation and/or storage of stem cells and any other human tissue.
7. Donor sperm.
8. Donor eggs.
9. Services related to adoption.

## LAB AND PATHOLOGY

Lab and Pathology			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
1. Lab and pathology services received during an office visit	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible
2. Lab and pathology services received during an outpatient hospital or ambulatory surgical center visit	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible
3. Lab and pathology services received in an inpatient setting  <b>Please note:</b> Prior authorization is required for all Tier 3 inpatient admissions. See below for more information.	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible
4. Lab and pathology services received during an emergency room visit	20% coinsurance after deductible	Covered as a Tier 1 medical benefit.	Covered as a Tier 1 medical benefit.

### What's covered

Lab and pathology services ordered or prescribed by a physician will be covered as Tier 1 or Tier 2 medical benefits if they are:

1. Received from an applicable network provider; or
2. Received from a non-network provider under the circumstances described in **Surprise Billing Protections**.

## What to keep in mind

When you use Tier 3 medical benefits, in addition to the deductible and coinsurance, you will likely need to pay your provider any billed amount above what the plan pays the provider (the non-network provider reimbursement amount). **These charges are not applied to your deductible or out-of-pocket maximum.** Please see **Visiting non-network medical providers and why you pay more** in **Before You Access Medical Care** for more information and an example showing out-of-pocket costs associated with Tier 3 medical benefits.

Prior authorization (approval in advance) is required before you receive certain services. Please see **Medical prior authorization** in **Before You Access Medical Care** for more information about prior authorization requirements and processes.

## MEDICAL-RELATED DENTAL SERVICES

Medical-Related Dental Services			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
<p>1. Charges for medically necessary dental medical facilities and general anesthesia services that are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Recommended by a physician;</li> <li>b. Received during a dental procedure; and</li> <li>c. Provided to a covered person who:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. is a child under age five; or</li> <li>ii. is severely disabled; or</li> <li>iii. has a condition that requires hospitalization or general anesthesia for dental care treatment</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	No coverage
<p>2. For a dependent child, orthodontia, dental implants and oral surgery for accidental dental and treatment related to cleft lip and palate</p>	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	No coverage

<b>Medical-Related Dental Services</b>			
<b>Medical benefits</b>	<b>Your cost if you visit a:</b>		
	<b>Tier 1 In-network provider:</b>	<b>Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:</b>	<b>Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:</b>
<p>3. Accident-related dental services (including anesthesia) to treat an injury to and to repair (not replace) sound, natural teeth. The following conditions apply:</p> <p>a. Coverage is limited to services received within 24 months from the later of:</p> <p>i. The date you are first covered under the plan; or</p> <p>ii. The date of the injury</p> <p>b. A sound, natural tooth means a tooth (including supporting structures) that is free from disease that would prevent continual function of the tooth for at least one year.</p> <p>In the case of primary (baby) teeth, the tooth must have a life expectancy of one year.</p>	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible

Medical-Related Dental Services			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
4. Oral surgery for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Partially or completely unerupted impacted teeth;</li> <li>b. A tooth root without the extraction of the entire tooth (this does not include root canal therapy); or</li> <li>c. The gums and tissues of the mouth when not performed in connection with the extraction or repair of teeth</li> <li>d. Surgical placement of dental implants</li> </ul> <p><b>Please note:</b> Charges for the dental implants are excluded from coverage.</p>	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	No coverage

**What's covered**

Medically necessary outpatient dental services are covered as described above. Services must be received from a physician or dentist.

When you use Tier 3 medical benefits, in addition to the deductible and coinsurance, you will likely need to pay your provider any billed amount above what the plan pays the provider (the non-network provider reimbursement amount). **These charges are not applied to your deductible or out-of-pocket maximum.** Please see **Visiting non-network medical**

**providers and why you pay more** in **Before You Access Medical Care** for more information and an example showing out-of-pocket costs associated with Tier 3 medical benefits.

### **What to keep in mind**

Comprehensive dental procedures are not considered medical-related dental services and aren't covered under this plan.

### **What's not covered**

1. Dental services to treat an injury from biting or chewing.
2. Diagnostic casts, diagnostic study models and bite adjustments, unless related to accidental dental, the treatment of temporomandibular joint (TMJ) disorder and craniomandibular disorder or cleft lip and palate.
3. Osteotomies and other procedures associated with the fitting of dentures or dental implants.
4. Dental implants (tooth replacement), except as described in this section for accidental dental and the treatment of cleft lip and palate.
5. Any other dental procedures or treatment, whether the dental treatment is needed because of a primary dental problem or as a manifestation of a medical treatment or condition.
6. Any orthodontia, except as described in this section for accidental dental and the treatment of cleft lip and palate.
7. Tooth extractions, except as described in this section.
8. Any dental procedures or treatment related to periodontal disease.
9. Endodontic procedures and treatment, including root canal procedures and treatment, unless provided as accident-related dental services as described in this section.
10. Routine diagnostic and preventive dental services.
11. Additional dental-related items and services, including but not limited to:
  - Abutments;
  - Crowns, amalgams, composites;
  - Local anesthesia with routine dental services, except as described in this section;
  - Pontics;
  - Replacement retainers; or
  - Veneers.

## PHARMACY AND PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS

Your cost if you visit a:			
	Mayo Clinic Pharmacy		Network Pharmacy
Pharmacy benefits	Mayo Clinic Pharmacy Mail Service* (up to a 90-day supply)	Mayo Clinic Outpatient Pharmacy* (up to a 90-day supply except when otherwise indicated below)	Alluma Pharmacy* (up to a 34-day supply)
1. Formulary generic medication (Tier 1)	\$10 maximum. The deductible does not apply.	\$10 maximum per each 34-day supply. The deductible does not apply.	\$10 maximum. The deductible does not apply.
2. Formulary brand or injectable medication (Tier 2)	25% coinsurance with a \$25 minimum. The deductible does not apply.	30% coinsurance with a \$25 minimum. The deductible does not apply.	40% coinsurance with a \$25 minimum. The deductible does not apply.
3. Non-preferred medication (Tier 3)**	50% coinsurance with a \$25 minimum. The deductible does not apply.	50% coinsurance with a \$25 minimum. The deductible does not apply.	60% coinsurance with a \$25 minimum. The deductible does not apply.

\*Certain specialty prescriptions are covered under the plan only when filled by a Mayo Clinic Specialty Pharmacy or a Mayo Clinic or Mayo Clinic Health System outpatient pharmacy.

\*\*Non-preferred (Tier 3) prescriptions do not apply to the plan's out-of-pocket maximum.

### Prior authorization

Some prescription medications require prior authorization (approval in advance) for coverage. Common examples include:

- Weight loss medications^;
- Self-injected biological medications;
- Cystic fibrosis medications;
- Certain diabetic medications;
- Growth hormones;
- Medications to treat rare diseases;
- Most intravenous medications;
- Multiple sclerosis agents;
- Oral Cancer medications;

- Specialty medications; and
- When a prescriber requests quantities in excess of the allowed dispensing limit.

^Coverage for prescription medications for weight loss is limited to \$20,000 plan paid per covered person per lifetime. Once this maximum has been met, there is no coverage for these medications and claims will be denied by the plan. This lifetime maximum applies to all medications indicated for weight loss by the FDA.

The list of prescription medications that require prior authorization, the list of prescription medications with dispensing limitations, and the Alluma Care Formulary are continually updated as new medications are approved and medical practice changes.

You can access the Alluma Care Formulary at **Allumaco.com/members**. The Alluma Care Formulary identifies the medication tier level and medications that require prior authorization or have quantity limits. If you have questions about your pharmacy benefits, you may contact Customer Service at the pharmacy benefit telephone number listed inside the front cover or on the back of your ID card.

If prior authorization is required and approved, the medication will be covered based on the product's formulary status. Each time prior authorization is required but not obtained the prescription will not be covered. The cost to you will be 100% of the charges.

**Please note:** When a brand name medication is prescribed and a generic equivalent is available, pharmacies are required to fill your prescription with the generic medication. The determination of a medication classification as a brand name versus generic is made by external organization called First Data Bank or Medispan. If you or your prescriber requests that the pharmacy fill your prescription with the brand name medicine, you pay the difference in cost between the generic and brand name plus the applicable generic copayment or coinsurance. Your coinsurance is calculated based on the total cost of your prescription and does not include rebates or discounts that may be available to the pharmacy or the health plan.

### **Quantity limits**

A number of prescription medications have quantity limits over a defined period of time, such as 90 days, 30 days, yearly or per fill. Prescription quantities that are issued over the specified dispensing limits are not covered, and the costs do not apply toward out-of-pocket maximum. See the Alluma Care Formulary document at **Allumaco.com/members** to identify medications which have quantity limits (QL) in place.

### **Professionally administered medications**

Medications that are professionally administered by a healthcare provider in an office, infusion therapy center, outpatient hospital or through home health care may require prior authorization or may not be covered. You may call Medica Member Services at one of the telephone numbers listed inside the front cover or on the back of your ID card or visit

**Medica.com/ProfessionallyAdministeredDrugs**.

The **What if I Have More Than One Insurance Plan** section does not apply to prescription medications.

### **What's covered**

Prescription medications, services and supplies including but not limited to:

- Medications included on the Alluma Care Formulary;
- Multi-ingredient compounded medications of which at least one ingredient is a prescription legend medication;
- Diabetic supplies (needles, syringes, glucose test strips, lancets and certain devices e.g. Omnipod, Dexcom and Freestyle Libre);
- Fertility treatment medications (covered at 50%-60% coinsurance, considered non-preferred (Tier 3) and do not accumulate toward your out-of-pocket maximum);
- Injectable insulin (prescription only);
- Prescription contraceptives;
- Medications requiring a prescription, when filled at a participating Alluma network pharmacy; and
- Specialty medications

### **What to keep in mind**

The Mayo Medical Plan bases pharmacy benefits on prescription medications listed in the Alluma Care Formulary. This formulary is an approved list of medications recommended for use throughout Mayo Clinic. The amount you pay will depend on the formulary tier status of the medication and the pharmacy you use to fill your prescription.

You may need to file a claim for reimbursement after filing a prescription without your member identification card. After filling a prescription in an emergency situation, submit a Prescription Reimbursement Request Form, which is available online at [Allumaco.com/members](http://Allumaco.com/members) under the Member Links. Complete the form, attach copies of the prescription receipt(s) and submit the claim form to the address or fax number listed on the form. You may also submit your claim electronically by logging in to the Medica member site and selecting “Medications/Medications + pharmacies”.

Extended supplies of medications may be available under extenuating circumstances. Requests for any such exception to standard health plan guidelines must be approved by Alluma prior to any charges being incurred by the covered person. Any charges resulting from an exception request that does not receive such prior authorization (approval in advance) shall be deemed the sole responsibility of the covered person.

### **What’s not covered**

1. Any medications or medicines that can be purchased over-the counter (even if you have a prescription) except for insulin, diabetic supplies and those products mandated by the Affordable Care Act (ACA) or allowed by the Alluma Care Formulary.
2. Any eligible prescription filled at a non-participating pharmacy, except in the case of an emergency.
3. Any prescription refilled in excess of the number of times specified by the physician’s prescription or any refills dispensed more than one year from the physician’s original order.
4. Blood or blood plasma.
5. Charges for the administration or injection of any medication, except for vaccine administration at certain network pharmacies.

6. Cosmetic medications including but not limited to, anti-wrinkle agents such as Renova®, hair loss agents such as Minoxidil or Rogaine®) and Vaniqua® for excessive hair growth.
7. Medications that may be properly received without charge under local, state or federal programs including worker's compensation.
8. Duplicate prescription medications.
9. Over-the-counter infant formula, unless specifically addressed in the Alluma Care Formulary.
10. Over-the-counter vitamins except as mandated by the Affordable Care Act (ACA).
11. Prescribed medication that is a formulary exclusion.
12. Prescription medications dispensed by a health care provider in the provider office or clinic facility for use outside the office or clinic facility unless the health care provider is part of the Alluma pharmacy network.
13. Prescription medications labeled "investigational" or "experimental", except for routine supportive medication costs considered standard of care and included in the IRB-approved clinical trial protocol. Routine medication costs include all items and services consistent with the coverage provided by the pharmacy benefit that are typically covered for a covered person who is not enrolled in a clinical trial. Routine medication costs do not include a) the investigational item, device or service itself; b) medications that are provided solely to satisfy data collection and analysis needs and that are not used in the direct clinical management of the patient; and c) medications that are clearly inconsistent with the widely accepted and established standards of care for a particular diagnosis.
14. Any use of a medication for an indication, dose or schedule that is investigative.
15. Prescriptions filled prior to the allowed refill date.
16. Replacement of lost, stolen or damaged prescription medications.
17. Self-prescribed controlled substances or other legend medications for self and/or eligible family members.
18. Therapeutic devices or appliances, supportive garments and other non-medicinal substances (regardless of intended use, except for diabetic supplies, Omnipod and certain continuous glucose monitors (CGMs)).
19. Topical dental preparation fluoride supplements except as mandated by the Affordable Care Act (ACA).



Physical, Speech and Occupational Therapies			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
b. Rehabilitative services	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible
3. Occupational therapy services received outside of your home			
a. Habilitative services	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible
b. Rehabilitative services	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible

**What’s covered**

Physical therapy, speech therapy and occupational therapy services arranged through a physician and provided on an outpatient basis are covered.

Therapy services described in this section include coverage for the treatment of autism spectrum disorder.

When you use Tier 3 medical benefits, in addition to the deductible and coinsurance, you will likely need to pay your provider any billed amount above what the plan pays the provider (the non-network provider reimbursement amount). **These charges are not applied to your deductible or out-of-pocket maximum.** Please see **Visiting non-network medical providers and why you pay more** in **Before You Access Medical Care** for more information and an example showing out-of-pocket costs associated with Tier 3 medical benefits.

**What to keep in mind**

A physician must direct your care in order for it to be eligible for coverage.

Coverage for services provided on an inpatient basis is described under **Hospital Services** in this section.

**What’s not covered**

1. Services primarily educational in nature.
2. Vocational and job rehabilitation.
3. Recreational therapy.
4. Self-care and self-help training (non-medical).
5. Health club memberships.

6. Voice training.
7. Group speech therapy.
8. Physical, speech or occupational therapy services (including but not limited to services for the correction of speech impediments or assistance in the development of verbal clarity) when there is no reasonable expectation that your condition will improve over a predictable period of time according to generally accepted standards in the medical community.
9. Massage therapy, provided in any setting, even when it is part of a comprehensive treatment plan.
10. Custodial care and other non-skilled services.
11. Residential charges billed by a skilled nursing facility, unless part of the 30-day skilled nursing care facility stay (subacute).

## PHYSICIAN AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Physician and Professional Services			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
<p>1. Office visits</p> <p><b>Please note:</b> Some services received during an office visit may be covered under another medical benefit in this section. The most specific and appropriate medical benefit will apply for each service received during an office visit.</p> <p>For example, certain services may be considered surgical or imaging services; see below and in <b>X-Rays and Other Imaging</b> for coverage of these services. In such instances, both an office visit coinsurance and an outpatient surgical or imaging coinsurance apply.</p>	<p><b>Primary care provider:</b> Nothing. The deductible does not apply.</p> <p><b>Specialty care provider:</b> 20% coinsurance after deductible</p>	<p><b>Primary care provider:</b> Nothing. The deductible does not apply.</p> <p><b>Specialty care provider:</b> 20% coinsurance after deductible</p>	<p>50% coinsurance after deductible</p>

Physician and Professional Services			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
<p>2. Urgent care center visits</p> <p><b>Please note:</b> Some services received during an urgent care center visit may be covered under another medical benefit in this section. The most specific and appropriate medical benefit will apply for each service received during an urgent care center visit.</p> <p>For example, certain services may be considered surgical or imaging services; see below and in <b>X-Rays and Other Imaging</b> for coverage of these services. In such instances, both an urgent care center visit coinsurance and outpatient surgical coinsurance apply.</p>	Nothing. The deductible does not apply.	Nothing. The deductible does not apply.	50% coinsurance after deductible

Physician and Professional Services			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
3. Convenience care			
a. Retail health clinic	Nothing. The deductible does not apply.	Nothing. The deductible does not apply.	50% coinsurance after deductible
b. Virtual care	<p><b>Primary care provider:</b> Nothing. The deductible does not apply.</p> <p><b>Specialty care provider:</b> 20% coinsurance after deductible</p>	<p><b>Primary care provider:</b> Nothing. The deductible does not apply.</p> <p><b>Specialty care provider:</b> 20% coinsurance after deductible</p>	50% coinsurance after deductible

Physician and Professional Services			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
<p>4. Chiropractic services to diagnose and to treat conditions related to the muscles, skeleton and nerves of the body</p> <p>Coverage for spinal manipulation services is limited to a combined Tier 1, Tier 2 and Tier 3 total of 20 visits per covered person per calendar year.</p> <p><b>Please note:</b> Some services received during a visit may be covered under another benefit in this section. The most specific and appropriate benefit will apply for each service received during a visit.</p> <p>For example, certain services may be considered imaging services; see below and in <b>X-Rays and Other Imaging</b> for coverage of these services. In such instances, both a chiropractic services coinsurance and an outpatient imaging coinsurance apply.</p>	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible

Physician and Professional Services			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
5. Surgical services (as defined in the Physicians' Current Procedural Terminology code book):			
a. Received from a physician during an office visit	<p><b>Primary care provider:</b> Nothing. The deductible does not apply.</p> <p><b>Specialty care provider:</b> 20% coinsurance after deductible</p>	<p><b>Primary care provider:</b> Nothing. The deductible does not apply.</p> <p><b>Specialty care provider:</b> 20% coinsurance after deductible</p>	50% coinsurance after deductible
b. Received from a physician during an urgent care visit	Nothing. The deductible does not apply.	Nothing. The deductible does not apply.	50% coinsurance after deductible
c. Received from a physician during an outpatient hospital or ambulatory surgical center visit	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible
d. Received from a physician in an inpatient setting	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible
<p><b>Please note:</b> Prior authorization is required for all Tier 3 inpatient admissions. See below for more information.</p>			

Physician and Professional Services			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
6. Non-surgical services received from a physician in an inpatient setting  <b>Please note:</b> Prior authorization is required for all Tier 3 inpatient admissions. See below for more information.	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible
7. Non-surgical outpatient hospital or ambulatory surgical center services received from or directed by a physician	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible
8. Allergy shots	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible
9. Diabetes self-management training and education, including medical nutrition therapy received from a provider in a program consistent with national educational standards (as established by the American Diabetes Association)	<b>Primary care provider:</b> Nothing. The deductible does not apply.  <b>Specialty care provider:</b> 20% coinsurance after deductible	<b>Primary care provider:</b> Nothing. The deductible does not apply.  <b>Specialty care provider:</b> 20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible
10. Acupuncture  Limited to 20 visits per calendar year for Tier 1 and Tier 2 medical benefits.	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	No coverage

Physician and Professional Services			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
11. Neuropsychological evaluations/cognitive testing, limited to services necessary for the diagnosis or treatment of a medical illness or injury	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible
12. Vision therapy and orthoptic and/or pleoptic training, to establish a home program, for the treatment of strabismus and other disorders of binocular eye movements  Coverage is limited to a combined Tier 1, Tier 2 and Tier 3 total of 5 training visits and 2 follow-up eye exams per calendar year.	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible

**What’s covered**

Tier 1 medical benefits apply to professional services received from a Tier 1 network provider.

Tier 2 medical benefits apply to:

1. Professional services received from a Tier 2 network provider;
2. Emergency services received from network or non-network providers; or
3. Certain out-of-network professional and physician services when the circumstances described in **Surprise Billing Protections** apply.

When you use Tier 3 medical benefits, in addition to the deductible and coinsurance, you will likely need to pay your provider any billed amount above what the plan pays the provider (the non-network provider reimbursement amount). **These charges are not applied to your deductible or out-of-pocket maximum.** Please see **Visiting non-network medical**

**providers and why you pay more** in **Before You Access Medical Care** for more information and an example showing out-of-pocket costs associated with Tier 3 medical benefits.

### **What to keep in mind**

Prior authorization (approval in advance) is required before you receive certain services. To determine if Medica requires prior authorization for a particular service or treatment, please call Medica Member Services at one of the numbers listed at the front of this plan. Please see **Medical prior authorization** in **Before You Access Medical Care** for more information about prior authorization requirements and processes.

Services described in this section must be received from or directed by a physician.

For some services, there may be a facility charge in addition to the physician services copayment or coinsurance.

### **What's not covered**

1. Outpatient drugs provided or administered by a physician or other provider that do not meet the definition of "professionally administered drugs."
2. Coverage for drugs is as described in **Pharmacy and Prescription Drugs** or otherwise described as a specific benefit elsewhere in this section.
3. Massage therapy, provided in any setting, even when it is part of a comprehensive treatment plan.

## PREGNANCY – MATERNITY CARE

Pregnancy – Maternity Care			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
1. Prenatal services			
a. Office visits	Nothing. The deductible does not apply.	Nothing. The deductible does not apply.	50% coinsurance after deductible
b. Outpatient services	Nothing. The deductible does not apply.	Nothing. The deductible does not apply.	50% coinsurance after deductible
2. Inpatient stay for labor and delivery services – for the mother  <b>Please note:</b> Maternity labor and delivery services are considered inpatient services regardless of the length of the hospital stay.  Prior authorization is required for all Tier 3 inpatient admissions. See below for more information.	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible
3. Physician services received during an inpatient stay for labor and delivery – for the mother  <b>Please note:</b> Prior authorization is required for all Tier 3 inpatient admissions. See below for more information.	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible
4. Inpatient stay – for your newborn	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible

Pregnancy – Maternity Care			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
<p><b>Please note:</b> Your newborn must be added as a dependent on your plan for this coverage to apply.</p> <p>Prior authorization is required for all Tier 3 inpatient admissions. See below for more information.</p>			
<p>5. Physician services received during an inpatient stay – for your newborn</p> <p><b>Please note:</b> Your newborn must be added as a dependent on your plan for this coverage to apply.</p> <p>Prior authorization is required for all Tier 3 inpatient admissions. See below for more information.</p>	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible
<p>6. Labor and delivery services at a free-standing birth center</p> <p>a. Facility services for labor and delivery – for the mother</p> <p><b>Please note:</b> Maternity labor and delivery services are considered inpatient services regardless of the length of the hospital stay.</p>	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible

Pregnancy – Maternity Care			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
b. Physician services received for labor and delivery – for the mother	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible
c. Facility services for labor and delivery – for your newborn  <b>Please note:</b> Your newborn must be added as a dependent on your plan for this coverage to apply.	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible
d. Physician services – for your newborn  <b>Please note:</b> Your newborn must be added as a dependent on your plan for this coverage to apply.	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible
7. Postnatal services	Nothing. The deductible does not apply.	Nothing. The deductible does not apply.	50% coinsurance after deductible
8. Home health care visit following delivery	Nothing. The deductible does not apply.	Nothing. The deductible does not apply.	50% coinsurance after deductible

<b>Pregnancy – Maternity Care</b>			
<b>Medical benefits</b>	<b>Your cost if you visit a:</b>		
	<b>Tier 1 In-network provider:</b>	<b>Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:</b>	<b>Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:</b>
9. Pregnancy termination services	<p>Covered at the corresponding medical or pharmacy benefit level, depending on type of services provided.</p> <p>For example, office visits are covered at the office visit Tier 1 medical benefit level and surgical services are covered at the surgical services Tier 1 medical benefit level. Prescription medications are covered in accordance with the <b>Pharmacy and Prescription Medications</b> section of this benefits booklet.</p>	<p>Covered at the corresponding medical or pharmacy benefit level, depending on type of services provided.</p> <p>For example, office visits are covered at the office visit Tier 2 medical benefit level and surgical services are covered at the surgical services Tier 2 medical benefit level. Prescription medications are covered in accordance with the <b>Pharmacy and Prescription Medications</b> section of this benefits booklet.</p>	<p>Covered at the corresponding medical or pharmacy benefit level, depending on type of services provided.</p> <p>For example, office visits are covered at the office visit Tier 3 medical benefit level and surgical services are covered at the surgical services Tier 3 medical benefit level. Prescription medications are covered in accordance with the <b>Pharmacy and Prescription Medications</b> section of this benefits booklet.</p>

Pregnancy – Maternity Care			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
<p>10. Transportation reimbursement</p> <p>Transportation reimbursement is available for eligible expenses primarily for and essential to your receipt of medical care that is not available in your state of residence due to state law restrictions or limitations. International travel is not eligible for reimbursement under this travel benefit.</p> <p>Reimbursement is available for eligible expenses when you live more than 200 miles from where you receive the out of state medical care and will include transportation for you and a companion. This includes eligible transportation for you and the companion (traveling on the same day(s)) to and/or from the location where you receive such medical care. Eligible transportation expenses incurred by you and your companion (if applicable) under this section are subject to a maximum benefit of \$2,000 per person per year (i.e. \$2,000 per year if you travel without a companion and \$4,000 per year if you travel with a companion).</p> <p>Meals and lodging are not reimbursable under this benefit.</p>			

**What’s covered**

Pregnancy services are covered and include medical services for prenatal care, labor and delivery, postnatal care, any related complications and circumcision.

Preventive prenatal benefits allow one ultrasound in the first trimester and one in the second trimester with no member cost-sharing. All other ultrasounds will be covered with regular imaging benefits.

Tier 1 provider benefits apply to emergency services received from an applicable network or non-network provider. If you are admitted to a non-network hospital from an emergency department of a hospital, you will be eligible for Tier 1 provider benefits until you have validly consented to post-stabilization care from non-network providers. Please see **Surprise Billing Protections** for more information.

When you use Tier 3 medical benefits, in addition to the deductible and coinsurance, you will likely need to pay your provider any billed amount above what the plan pays the provider (the non-network provider reimbursement amount). **These charges are not applied to your deductible or out-of-pocket maximum.** Please see **Visiting non-network medical providers and why you pay more** in **Before You Access Medical Care** for more information and an example showing out-of-pocket costs associated with Tier 3 medical benefits.

Prior authorization (approval in advance) is required before you receive Tier 3 inpatient admission services. Please see **Medical prior authorization** in **Before You Access Medical Care** for more information about prior authorization requirements and processes.

## What to keep in mind

### Enrolling your baby

Medica does not automatically know of a birth or whether you would like coverage for your baby. To enroll your newborn as a dependent, you must do so within 31 calendar days from the date of birth - see **further information in the General Information Booklet**.

### Prenatal care

Covered prenatal services include:

- Office visits for prenatal care, including professional services, lab, pathology, x-rays and imaging;
- Hospital and ambulatory surgery center services for prenatal care, including professional services received during an inpatient stay for prenatal care;
- Intermittent skilled nursing care or home infusion therapy due to a high-risk pregnancy; and
- Supplies for gestational diabetes.

Not all services received during your pregnancy are considered prenatal care. Some services *not* considered prenatal care include (but are not limited to) treatment of:

- Conditions that existed before (and independently of) the pregnancy, such as diabetes or lupus, even if the pregnancy has caused those conditions to require more frequent care or monitoring.
- Conditions that have arisen during the pregnancy but are not directly related to care of the pregnancy, such as back and neck pain or a skin rash.
- Miscarriage and ectopic pregnancy.

Services that are not considered prenatal care may be eligible for coverage under the most specific and appropriate section of this plan. Please refer to those sections for coverage information. The **Where to Find It** section can help direct you to the right place.

Examples of preventive prenatal care include:

- Routine prenatal obstetrical office visits
- Ultrasound; one first trimester ultrasound; one second trimester ultrasound
- Anemia screening on a routine basis
- Breastfeeding comprehensive support and counseling from trained providers, and access to breastfeeding supplies, for pregnant and nursing women
- Folic acid supplements for women who may become pregnant
- Gestational diabetes screening for women 24 to 28 weeks pregnant and those at high risk of developing gestational diabetes
- Hepatitis B screening for pregnant women at their first prenatal visit
- Preeclampsia prevention and screening for pregnant women with high blood pressure
- Rh incompatibility screening for all pregnant women and follow-up testing for women at higher risk
- Syphilis screening
- Expanded tobacco intervention and counseling for pregnant tobacco users
- Urinary tract or other infection screening
- These services with an in-network provider will be covered with no member cost-share (there is no coverage change to these services).

Examples of non-preventive prenatal care include:

- Home care, home infusion therapy or inpatient hospital care for a high-risk pregnancy
- Less common tests for high-risk or complicated pregnancies such as amniocentesis, chorionic villi sampling, fetal stress tests
- Supplies for gestational diabetes

### Labor and delivery

Labor and delivery services are considered inpatient services regardless of the length of hospital stay.

Each covered person's hospital admission is separate from the admission of any other covered person. That means a separate deductible and coinsurance will be applied to both you and your newborn for inpatient services related to labor and delivery.

## **Newborns' and Mothers' Health Protection Act of 1996**

Generally, Medica may not restrict medical benefits for any hospital stay in connection with childbirth for the mother or newborn child covered person to less than 48 hours following a vaginal delivery (or less than 96 hours following a cesarean section). However, federal law generally does not prohibit the mother or newborn child covered person's attending provider, after consulting with the mother, from discharging the mother or her newborn earlier than 48 hours (or 96 hours, as applicable). In any case, Medica may not require a provider to obtain prior authorization from Medica for a stay of 48 hours or less (or 96 hours, as applicable).

### Postnatal care

Postnatal care includes routine follow-up care from your provider after delivery. Services eligible for coverage include, but are not limited to, parent education, assistance and training in breast and bottle feeding and conducting any necessary and appropriate clinical tests.

Your plan covers one home health care visit if it occurs within 4 days of discharge. For services received after 4 days, please see **Home Health Care** in this section.

### **What's not covered**

1. Health care professional services, including certified nurse midwife, for labor and delivery services at home or an unlicensed, unaccredited facility.
2. Services from a doula.
3. Childbirth and other educational classes.

## PREVENTIVE HEALTH CARE

Preventive Health Care			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
<p>1. Preventive health services, including but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Child health supervision services, including well-baby care, pediatric preventive services appropriate immunizations, developmental assessments and appropriate laboratory services</li> <li>b. Immunizations</li> <li>c. Early disease detection services including physicals</li> <li>d. Routine screening procedures for cancer including, but not limited to, screening for prostate cancer and colorectal cancer. See <b>Certain Cancer-Related Testing</b> for more information about surveillance testing</li> </ul>	<p>Nothing. The deductible does not apply.</p>	<p>Nothing. The deductible does not apply.</p>	<p>No coverage</p>

Preventive Health Care			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
<p>for ovarian cancer for at-risk women and screening for prostate cancer for men.</p> <p>e. Women's preventive health services including mammograms, screenings for cervical cancer (including pap smears), human papillomavirus (HPV) testing, counseling for sexually transmitted infections, counseling for human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), BRCA genetic testing and related genetic counseling (when appropriate) and sterilization. See <b>X-Rays and Other Imaging</b> for coverage of diagnostic services and testing following a mammogram.</p>			

Preventive Health Care			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
f. Tobacco use counseling and intervention			
g. Other preventive health services			
h. Routine eye exam			
<p><b>Please note:</b> Refractive eye services are not covered.</p>			

**What to keep in mind**

Routine preventive services are as defined by state and federal law.

If you receive preventive and non-preventive health services during the same visit, the non-preventive health services may be subject to a copayment, coinsurance or deductible, as described elsewhere in this section. The most specific and appropriate medical benefit will apply for each service you receive during a visit. For example:

- Your plan covers routine mammograms as described above. However, if your doctor recommends additional tests, such as a breast ultrasound or MRI, your x-ray or other imaging medical benefits will apply. For most plans, that means you'll incur costs for those tests.

There is no coverage for Tier 3 preventive medical benefits.

**Note:** Some preventive care services in the following list of covered services are provided at no charge, but have limits based on age and frequency. There may be coverage beyond these limits at the corresponding medical benefit level, depending on type of services provided.

The Mayo Medical Plan, which is subject to the Affordable Care Act's preventive services coverage mandate, must provide coverage for all of the following preventive services without imposing any copayments, coinsurance, deductibles, or other cost-sharing requirements, when delivered by in-network providers:

1. Evidence-based items or services with an A or B rating recommended by the United States Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF);
2. Immunizations for routine use for children, adolescents, or adults recommended by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention;

3. Evidence-informed preventive care and screenings provided for in the comprehensive guidelines supported by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) for infants, children, and adolescents; and
4. Other evidence-informed preventive care and screenings provided for in comprehensive guidelines supported by HRSA for women.

The Plan does not limit sex-specific recommended preventive services based on an individual's sex assigned at birth, gender identity or recorded gender. Where an attending provider determines that a recommended preventive service is medically appropriate for the individual and the individual otherwise satisfies the criteria in the guidelines, the plan will provide coverage for the recommended preventive service without cost sharing.

Age	Preventive care service
<b>Immunizations are generally covered for all ages unless designated otherwise below.</b>	
All ages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aspirin for pregnant women who are at high risk for preeclampsia*</li> <li>• Behavioral interventions for smoking cessation in individuals who use tobacco</li> <li>• BRCA risk assessment, counseling and genetic testing for women at higher risk for breast, ovarian, tubal or peritoneal cancer</li> <li>• Breast cancer preventive medications*</li> <li>• Breastfeeding comprehensive support and counseling for pregnant and nursing women</li> <li>• Chlamydia and gonorrhea screening</li> <li>• Diabetes screening</li> <li>• Formulary generic contraceptives for women of child-bearing potential: oral contraceptives*, emergency (not including abortifacient drugs)*, female and male condoms* and devices*</li> <li>• HIV antibody screening</li> <li>• Human Papillomavirus (HPV) screening</li> <li>• Human Papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine</li> <li>• Routine immunizations recommended by CDC's Advisory Committee for Immunization Practices (ACIP)**</li> <li>• Latent Tuberculosis infection (LTBI) therapy*</li> <li>• Non-hospital grade manual or electric breast pump and supplies for pregnant and nursing women purchased at a Durable Medical Equipment (DME) provider</li> <li>• Preventive prenatal services</li> <li>• Screening for hepatitis C virus (HCV) infection in persons at high risk for infection and adults born between 1945-1965</li> <li>• Syphilis screening</li> <li>• Tuberculin skin testing</li> </ul> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">For members who are at high risk of HIV, per the USPSTF guidelines, the following are covered:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adherence counseling</li> <li>• Certain medications used for pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) of HIV (Prior authorization may be required for \$0 copay; regular copay applies without prior authorization)*</li> <li>• HIV testing, both at baseline and every 3 months while taking PrEP</li> <li>• Creatinine testing and calculated estimated creatine clearance (eCrCl) or glomerular filtration rate (eGFR) to</li> </ul>

Age	Preventive care service
<b>Immunizations are generally covered for all ages unless designated otherwise below.</b>	
	<p>assess kidney function, conducted both at baseline and periodically thereafter, consistent with CDC guidelines</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• E/M codes to account for the office visit</li> <li>• Hepatitis B and C testing</li> <li>• Pregnancy testing, both at baseline and periodically thereafter</li> <li>• Sexually transmitted infection (STI) screening and counseling</li> </ul>
Birth – 6 years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Autism screening between 0-2 years</li> <li>• Expanded newborn screen (blood)</li> <li>• Evoked otoacoustic emissions (EOAE)</li> <li>• Lead level</li> <li>• Oral fluoride supplements for children without fluoride in their water source, 5 years old or younger*</li> <li>• Pediatric vision screening</li> <li>• Prophylactic topical eye medication for all newborns to prevent gonococcal ophthalmia neonatorum**</li> </ul>
Birth – 10 years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Routine hearing exam</li> </ul>
Birth – 18 years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hemoglobin or hematocrit</li> <li>• Well-baby/child care</li> </ul>
Between 2 - 20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dyslipidemia screening for children at higher risk of lipid disorders</li> </ul>
Beginning at 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hepatitis B screening</li> </ul>
Beginning at 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Routine eye exam not including refraction</li> </ul>
Up to age 60	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Folic acid supplements for women who may become pregnant*</li> <li>• Well-woman gynecological services</li> </ul>
Beginning at 18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• FDA–approved drug therapy for smoking cessation in individuals who use tobacco*</li> <li>• Preventive exam</li> <li>• Sterilization</li> <li>• Varicella-zoster (shingles) vaccine for individuals with certain diagnoses</li> <li>• Colorectal cancer screening for individuals with certain diagnoses</li> </ul>
Beginning at 20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lipid panel</li> </ul>
Between 21 – 65	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cervical cancer screening (papanicolaou smear)</li> </ul>

Age	Preventive care service
<b>Immunizations are generally covered for all ages unless designated otherwise below.</b>	
Beginning at 40	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Statins used for prevention of cardiovascular disease when cardiovascular risk criteria are met, up to age 75* (Prior authorization may be required for \$0 copay; regular copay applies without prior authorization.)</li> <li>• Mammogram, including Tomosynthesis</li> </ul>
Beginning at age 45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Colonoscopy</li> <li>• Colorectal Cancer screen options (one of the following): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Barium enema and flexible sigmoidoscopy</li> <li>○ Cologuard DNA screening up to age 85</li> <li>○ CT colonography</li> <li>○ Fecal occult blood test annually (series of three) with flexible sigmoidoscopy</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Colorectal preop consultation</li> <li>• Generic bowel prep medications*</li> </ul> <p><b>NOTE:</b> 2 colon cancer screenings per year are covered as preventive</p>
Beginning at 50	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Osteoporosis screen for women</li> <li>• Prostate Specific Antigen (PSA) test for men through age 75</li> <li>• Varicella-zoster (shingles) vaccine</li> </ul>
Between 55 – 80	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Low-Dose Computed Tomography Lung Cancer screening for those with smoking history</li> </ul>
Between 65 – 75	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Abdominal aneurysm screen for men</li> </ul>
<p>*Prescription required, with coverage under the pharmacy benefit. Smoking cessation medications are limited to a maximum of two 90-day quit periods each 12-month period. For pharmacy benefit information see <b>Pharmacy and Prescription Drugs</b>.</p> <p>**Not solely covered under the pharmacy benefit.</p>	

## RECONSTRUCTIVE AND RESTORATIVE SURGERY (INCLUDING MASTECTOMY RECONSTRUCTION)

Reconstructive and Restorative Surgery (Including Mastectomy Reconstruction)			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
<p>1. Reconstructive and restorative surgery</p> <p><b>Please note:</b> Prior authorization is required for all Tier 3 inpatient admissions. See below for more information.</p>	<p>Covered at the corresponding Tier 1 medical benefit level, depending on type of services provided.</p> <p>For example, office visits are covered at the office visit Tier 1 medical benefit level and surgical services are covered at the surgical services Tier 1 medical benefit level.</p>	<p>Covered at the corresponding Tier 2 medical benefit level, depending on type of services provided.</p> <p>For example, office visits are covered at the office visit Tier 2 medical benefit level and surgical services are covered at the surgical services Tier 2 medical benefit level.</p>	<p>Covered at the corresponding Tier 3 medical benefit level, depending on type of services provided.</p> <p>For example, office visits are covered at the office visit Tier 3 medical benefit level and surgical services are covered at the surgical services Tier 3 medical benefit level.</p>

### What's covered

Professional, hospital and ambulatory surgical center services for reconstructive and restorative surgery are covered. To be eligible, reconstructive and restorative surgery services must be medically necessary and not cosmetic.

Eligible surgical procedures and non-surgical services for gender reassignment are covered. Prior authorization is required for surgical services.\* For more information on gender reassignment services, go to: [partner.medica.com/-/media/documents/provider/utilization-management-policies/iii-sur-20-um-policy.pdf](https://partner.medica.com/-/media/documents/provider/utilization-management-policies/iii-sur-20-um-policy.pdf) or contact Medica Member Services at one of the telephone numbers listed inside the front cover or on the back of your ID card.

When you use Tier 3 medical benefits, in addition to the deductible and coinsurance, you will likely need to pay your provider any billed amount above what the plan pays the provider (the non-network provider reimbursement amount). **These charges are not applied to your deductible or out-of-pocket maximum.** Please see **Visiting non-network medical providers and why you pay more** in **Before You Access Medical Care** for more information and an example showing out-of-pocket costs associated with Tier 3 medical benefits.

## What to keep in mind

\*This prior authorization requirement is waived for Mayo Clinic providers.

Prior authorization (approval in advance) is required before you receive certain reconstructive and/or restorative surgery services and Tier 3 inpatient admission services. Please see **Medical prior authorization in Before You Access Medical Care** for more information about prior authorization requirements and processes.

After a mastectomy, the plan will cover all stages of reconstruction of the breast on which the mastectomy was performed and surgery and reconstruction of the other breast to produce a symmetrical appearance if the mastectomy was medically necessary (as determined by the attending physician). The plan will also cover prostheses and physical complications, including lymphedemas, at all stages of mastectomy.

## What's not covered

1. Revision of blemishes on skin surfaces and scars (including scar excisions) primarily for cosmetic purposes, unless otherwise covered in **Physician and Professional Services** in this section.
2. Repair of a pierced body part and surgical repair of bald spots or loss of hair.
3. Services and procedures primarily for cosmetic purposes.
4. Surgical correction of male breast enlargement primarily for cosmetic purposes.
5. Hair transplants.
6. Outpatient drugs provided or administered by a physician or other provider that do not meet the definition of "professionally administered drugs."
7. Coverage for drugs is as described in **Pharmacy and Prescription Drugs** or otherwise described as a specific benefit elsewhere in this section.
8. Cosmetic surgery/non-functional surgery and any subsequent surgery related to such surgery unless medically necessary.

## SKILLED NURSING FACILITY

Skilled Nursing Facility			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
1. Daily skilled care or daily skilled rehabilitation services, including room and board	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible
2. Skilled physical, speech or occupational therapy when room and board is not eligible to be covered	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible
3. Services received from a physician during an inpatient stay in a skilled nursing facility	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible
<p>Medical benefits are limited to 30 days per covered person per calendar year for Tier 1, Tier 2 and Tier 3 services combined. Days covered by Medicare will count toward your limit of 30 days under the plan.</p> <p><b>Please note:</b> Prior authorization is required for all inpatient admissions. See below for more information.</p>			

### What's covered

Skilled nursing facility services are covered. Care must be provided under the direction of a physician.

When you use Tier 3 medical benefits, in addition to the deductible and coinsurance, you will likely need to pay your provider any billed amount above what the plan pays the provider (the non-network provider reimbursement amount). **These charges are not applied to your deductible or out-of-pocket maximum.** Please see **Visiting non-network medical providers and why you pay more** in **Before You Access Medical Care** for more information and an example showing out-of-pocket costs associated with Tier 3 medical benefits.

## **What to keep in mind**

Prior authorization (approval in advance) is required before you receive skilled nursing facility services. Please see **Medical prior authorization in Before You Access Medical Care** for more information about prior authorization requirements and processes. In this section, room and board includes coverage of health services and supplies.

## **What's not covered**

1. Custodial care and other non-skilled services.
2. Self-care or self-help training (non-medical).
3. Services primarily educational in nature.
4. Vocational and job rehabilitation.
5. Recreational therapy.
6. Health club memberships.
7. Physical, speech or occupational therapy services when there is no reasonable expectation that the covered person's condition will improve over a predictable period of time according to generally accepted standards in the medical community.
8. Voice training.
9. Group speech therapy.
10. Long-term care.
11. Charges to hold a bed during a skilled nursing facility absence due to hospitalization or any other reason.

## SLEEP STUDIES

Sleep Studies				
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:			
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:	
1. Sleep studies conducted at home	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible	
2. Professional services received for sleep studies conducted at home.	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible	
<b>Please note:</b> Sleep studies conducted at home include two separate services. You may have a cost for each service.				
3. Sleep studies conducted at a facility	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible	
4. Professional services received for sleep studies conducted at a facility.	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible	
<b>Please note:</b> Sleep studies conducted at a facility include two separate services. You may have a cost for each service.				

### What to keep in mind

When you use Tier 3 medical benefits, in addition to the deductible and coinsurance, you will likely need to pay your provider any billed amount above what Medica pays the provider (the non-network provider reimbursement amount). **These charges are not applied to your deductible or out-of-pocket maximum.** Please see **Visiting non-network providers and why you pay more** in **Before You Access Care** for more information and an example showing out-of-pocket costs associated with Tier 3 medical benefits.

## TELEHEALTH SERVICES

Telehealth Services			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
<p>1. Health services, including mental health, behavioral health and substance use disorder services delivered by means of telehealth</p> <p><b>Please note:</b> Prior authorization is required for all Tier 3 inpatient admissions. See below for more information.</p>	<p>Covered at the corresponding Tier 1 medical benefit level, depending on type of services provided.</p> <p>For example, office visits are covered at the office visit Tier 1 medical benefit level, inpatient services are covered at the inpatient services Tier 1 medical benefit level and behavioral health services are covered at the corresponding behavioral health services Tier 1 medical benefit level.</p>	<p>Covered at the corresponding Tier 2 medical benefit level, depending on type of services provided.</p> <p>For example, office visits are covered at the office visit Tier 2 medical benefit level, inpatient services are covered at the inpatient services Tier 2 medical benefit level and behavioral health services are covered at the corresponding behavioral health services Tier 2 medical benefit level.</p>	<p>Covered at the corresponding Tier 3 medical benefit level, depending on type of services provided.</p> <p>For example, office visits are covered at the office visit Tier 3 medical benefit level, inpatient services are covered at the inpatient services Tier 3 medical benefit level and behavioral health services are covered at the corresponding behavioral health services Tier 3 medical benefit level.</p>

### What to keep in mind

When you use Tier 3 medical benefits, in addition to the deductible and coinsurance, you will likely need to pay your provider any billed amount above what the plan pays the provider (the non-network provider reimbursement amount). **These charges are not applied to your deductible or out-of-pocket maximum.** Please see **Visiting non-network medical providers and why you pay more** in **Before You Access Medical Care** for more information and an example showing out-of-pocket costs associated with Tier 3 medical benefits.

Telehealth includes certain audio-only services as provided for in Medica's coverage policy.

Prior authorization (approval in advance) is required before you receive Tier 3 inpatient admission services. Please see **Medical prior authorization** in **Before You Access Medical Care** for more information about prior authorization requirements and processes.

## TEMPOROMANDIBULAR JOINT (TMJ) AND CRANIOMANDIBULAR DISORDER

Temporomandibular Joint (TMJ) and Craniomandibular Disorder			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
<p>1. Surgical and non-surgical treatment of temporomandibular joint (TMJ) disorder and craniomandibular disorder</p> <p><b>Please note:</b> Prior authorization is required for all Tier 3 inpatient admissions. See below for more information.</p>	<p>Covered at the corresponding Tier 1 medical benefit level, depending on type of services provided.</p> <p>For example, office visits are covered at the office visit Tier 1 medical benefit level and surgical services are covered at the surgical services Tier 1 medical benefit level.</p>	<p>Covered at the corresponding Tier 2 medical benefit level, depending on type of services provided.</p> <p>For example, office visits are covered at the office visit Tier 2 medical benefit level and surgical services are covered at the surgical services Tier 2 medical benefit level.</p>	<p>Covered at the corresponding Tier 3 medical benefit level, depending on type of services provided.</p> <p>For example, office visits are covered at the office visit Tier 3 medical benefit level and surgical services are covered at the surgical services Tier 3 medical benefit level.</p>

### What to keep in mind

When you use Tier 3 medical benefits, in addition to the deductible and coinsurance, you will likely need to pay your provider any billed amount above what the plan pays the provider (the non-network provider reimbursement amount). **These charges are not applied to your deductible or out-of-pocket maximum.** Please see **Visiting non-network medical providers and why you pay more** in **Before You Access Medical Care** for more information and an example showing out-of-pocket costs associated with Tier 3 medical benefits.

### What to keep in mind

Prior authorization (approval in advance) is required before you receive Tier 3 inpatient admission services. Please see **Medical prior authorization** in **Before You Access Medical Care** for more information about prior authorization requirements and processes.

## TRANSPLANT SERVICES

Transplant Services			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
<p>1. Solid organ and blood and marrow transplant services</p> <p><b>Prior authorization is required for all transplant services outside the continental United States; this prior authorization must be obtained before the transplant workup is initiated.</b></p> <p><b>Please note:</b> Prior authorization is also required for all Tier 3 inpatient admissions. See below for more information.</p>	<p>Covered at the corresponding Tier 1 medical benefit level, depending on type of services provided.</p> <p>For example, office visits are covered at the office visit Tier 1 medical benefit level and surgical services are covered at the surgical services Tier 1 medical benefit level.</p>	<p>Covered at the corresponding Tier 2 medical benefit level, depending on type of services provided.</p> <p>For example, office visits are covered at the office visit Tier 2 medical benefit level and surgical services are covered at the surgical services Tier 2 medical benefit level.</p>	<p>Covered at the corresponding Tier 3 medical benefit level, depending on type of services provided.</p> <p>For example, office visits are covered at the office visit Tier 3 medical benefit level and surgical services are covered at the surgical services Tier 3 medical benefit level.</p>
<p>2. Transportation reimbursement, as described below, is available for expenses primarily for and essential to the receipt of transplant services.</p> <p>Reimbursement will be for you and a companion or companions whose presence with you is necessary and essential in order for you to receive transplant services, when you receive approved transplant services at a designated facility selected exclusively for medical reasons and you live more than 200 miles from that facility, and will include:</p> <p>a. Transportation for you and one companion (traveling on the same day(s)) to and/or from a designated facility for transplant services for pre-transplant, transplant and post-transplant services. If you are a minor child, transportation expenses for two companions</p>			<p>Reimbursement of expenses for out-of-network services is not covered.</p>

Transplant Services			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
	<p>will be reimbursed, provided that the presence of both companions is necessary for you to receive transplant services.</p> <p>b. Airfare is reimbursable only if the travel distance from your home to the designated transplant facility is 200 miles or more.</p> <p>There is a lifetime maximum of \$10,000 per covered person for all transportation expenses incurred by you and your companion(s). Once this maximum has been met, there is no additional reimbursement benefit available.</p> <p>Lodging and meals are not reimbursable under this benefit.</p> <p>You are responsible for paying all amounts not reimbursed under this benefit. Such amounts do not count toward your out-of-pocket maximum or toward satisfaction of your deductible.</p>		

**What’s covered**

Certain solid organ and blood and marrow transplant services are covered if provided under the direction of a physician and received at a designated transplant facility. These transplant and related services (including organ acquisition and procurement) must be medically necessary, appropriate for the diagnosis, without contraindications and be non-investigative.

When you use Tier 3 medical benefits, in addition to the deductible and coinsurance, you will likely need to pay your provider any billed amount above what the plan pays the provider (the non-network provider reimbursement amount). **These charges are not applied to your deductible or out-of-pocket maximum.** Please see **Visiting non-network medical providers and why you pay more** in **Before You Access Medical Care** for more information and an example showing out-of-pocket costs associated with Tier 3 medical benefits.

**What to keep in mind**

Prior authorization (approval in advance) from Medica is required before you receive transplant services or supplies outside the continental United States. This prior authorization must be obtained before the transplant workup is initiated. Please see **Medical prior authorization** in **Before You Access Medical Care** for more information about prior authorization requirements and processes.

Medical benefits for each individual covered person will be determined based on their clinical circumstances according to medical criteria used by Medica. Because medical technology is constantly changing, Medica reserves the right to review and update these medical criteria.

Coverage is provided for the following human organ transplants, if appropriate, and those that are not otherwise excluded from coverage:

- Cornea
- Kidney
- Lung
- Heart
- Heart/lung
- Pancreas
- Liver
- Allogeneic, autologous and syngeneic bone marrow. Bone marrow transplants include the transplant of stem cells from bone marrow, peripheral blood and umbilical cord blood.

The list above is not a comprehensive list of eligible transplant services.

Tier 1 medical benefits apply to transplant services provided by a Tier 1 network provider and received at a designated transplant facility. Tier 2 medical benefits apply to transplant services provided by a Tier 2 network provider and received at a designated transplant facility. A designated transplant facility means a facility that has entered into a separate contract with Medica to provide certain transplant-related health services. You may be evaluated and listed as a potential transplant recipient at multiple designated transplant facilities. Contact Member Services to be connected with a Medica case manager for your transplant care.

Medica requires that all pre-transplant, transplant and post-transplant services, from the time of the initial evaluation through no more than one year after the date of the transplant, be received at one designated facility. Based on the type of transplant you receive, Medica will determine the specific time period medically necessary.

Tier 3 medical benefits apply to solid organ and blood and marrow transplant services provided by or at either a non-network provider or a non-designated transplant facility.

### **What's not covered**

1. Supplies and services related to transplants that would not be authorized by Medica under the medical criteria referenced in this section.
2. Chemotherapy, radiation therapy, drugs or any therapy used to damage the bone marrow and related to transplants that would not be authorized by Medica under the medical criteria referenced in this section.
3. Living donor transplants that would not be authorized by Medica under the medical criteria referenced in this section.
4. Services required to meet the patient selection criteria for the authorized transplant procedure. This includes treatment of nicotine or caffeine addiction, services and related expenses for weight loss programs, nutritional supplements and supplies of a similar nature not otherwise covered under this plan.
5. Mechanical, artificial or non-human organ implants or transplants and related services that would not be authorized by Medica under the medical criteria referenced in this section.
6. Transplants and related services that are investigative.

7. Private collection and storage of umbilical cord blood for directed use.
8. Outpatient drugs provided or administered by a physician or other provider that do not meet the definition of “professionally administered drugs.”
9. Coverage for drugs is as described in **Pharmacy and Prescription Drugs** or otherwise described as a specific benefit elsewhere in this section.
10. Services or associated charges with the purchase of any organ.
11. Transportation services of a living donor.
12. Meals or lodging expenses.

## X-RAYS AND OTHER IMAGING

X-Rays and Other Imaging			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
1. X-rays and other imaging services received during an office visit	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible
2. X-rays and other imaging services received during an outpatient hospital or ambulatory surgical center visit  <b>Please note:</b> For these services received during an emergency room visit, see <b>Emergency Room Care</b> .	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible
3. X-rays and other imaging services received in an inpatient setting  <b>Please note:</b> Prior authorization is required for all Tier 3 inpatient admissions. See below for more information.	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible
4. MRI, CT and PET CT scans <b>Please note:</b> PET scans require prior authorization.*	20% coinsurance after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible	50% coinsurance after deductible
5. X-rays and other imaging services received during an emergency room visit	20% coinsurance after deductible	Covered as a Tier 1 medical benefit.	Covered as a Tier 1 medical benefit.

X-Rays and Other Imaging			
Medical benefits	Your cost if you visit a:		
	Tier 1 In-network provider:	Tier 2 Expanded in- network provider:	Tier 3 Out-of-network provider:
<p>6. Diagnostic services or testing after a mammogram if your provider determines you require such additional services. Diagnostic services and testing are diagnostic 2D and 3D mammograms, breast ultrasounds, breast MRIs, and ductograms.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Diagnostic services and testing may be the same services that are listed as preventive services under <b>Preventive Health Care</b>. Your provider will determine if the services are preventive or diagnostic.</p>	Nothing. The deductible does not apply.	Nothing. The deductible does not apply.	50% coinsurance after deductible

**What to keep in mind**

Prior authorization (approval in advance) is required before you receive certain imaging services.\* To determine if Medica requires prior authorization for a particular service or treatment, please call Medica Member Services at one of the numbers listed at the front of this plan. Please see **Medical prior authorization** in **Before You Access Medical Care** for more information about prior authorization requirements and processes.

\*This prior authorization requirement is waived for Mayo Clinic providers.

When you use Tier 3 medical benefits, in addition to the deductible and coinsurance, you will likely need to pay your provider any billed amount above what the plan pays the provider (the non-network provider reimbursement amount). **These charges are not applied to your deductible or out-of-pocket maximum.** Please see **Visiting non-network medical providers and why you pay more** in **Before You Access Medical Care** for more information and an example showing out-of-pocket costs associated with Tier 3 medical benefits.

## What's Not Covered

The plan will not provide coverage for any of the services, treatments, supplies or items described in this section even if it is recommended or prescribed by a physician or it is the only available treatment for your condition.

This section describes additional exclusions to the services, supplies and associated expenses already listed as **What's not covered** in this plan. These include:

1. Services that are not medically necessary. This includes but is not limited to services inconsistent with the medical standards and accepted practice parameters of the community and services inappropriate—in terms of type, frequency, level, setting and duration—to the diagnosis or condition.
2. Services or drugs used to treat conditions that are cosmetic in nature, unless otherwise determined to be reconstructive.
3. Refractive eye surgery, including but not limited to LASIK surgery.
4. The purchase, replacement or repair of eyeglasses, eyeglass frames or contact lenses when prescribed solely for vision correction and their related fittings.
5. Hearing aids that are available over-the-counter.
6. A drug, device, medical treatment or procedure that is investigative.
7. Services or supplies not directly related to your care.
8. Autopsies.
9. Enteral feedings, unless they are the sole source of nutrition; however, enteral feedings of standard infant formulas, standard baby food and regular grocery products used in blenderized formulas are excluded regardless of whether they are the sole source of nutrition.
10. Nutritional and electrolyte substances, except as specifically described in **Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics and Medical Supplies** in **What's Covered and How Much Will I Pay**.
11. Physical, occupational or speech therapy or chiropractic services when there is no reasonable expectation that the condition will improve over a predictable period of time.
12. Personal comfort or convenience items or services.
13. Custodial care, unskilled nursing or unskilled rehabilitation services.
14. Respite or rest care.
15. Travel, transportation or living expenses, except as described in **Transplant Services, Gender Reassignment and Transgender Services** and **Pregnancy – Maternity Care** in **What's Covered and How Much Will I Pay**.
16. Household equipment, fixtures, home modifications and vehicle modifications.
17. Charges billed by a non-network provider that are not in compliance with generally accepted coding and reimbursement guidelines, including those of the American Medical

Association (AMA), the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and the community.

18. Massage therapy, provided in any setting, even when it is part of a comprehensive treatment plan.
19. Routine foot care, except for covered persons with diabetes, blindness, peripheral vascular disease, peripheral neuropathies and significant neurological conditions such as Parkinson's disease, Alzheimer's disease, multiple sclerosis and amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS).
20. Services for self-treatment or by persons who are family members or who share your legal residence.
21. Services for which benefits have been paid under workers' compensation, employer liability or any similar law.
22. Services received before coverage under the plan becomes effective.
23. Services received after coverage under the plan ends.
24. Unless requested by Medica, charges for duplicating and obtaining medical records from non-network providers and non-network dentists.
25. Photographs, except for the conditions of dysplastic nevi and melanoma.
26. Occlusal adjustment or occlusal equilibration.
27. Dental implants (tooth replacement), except as described in **Medical-Related Dental Services** in **What's Covered and How Much Will I Pay**.
28. Dental prostheses.
29. Any orthodontia, except as described in **Medical-Related Dental Services** in **What's Covered and How Much Will I Pay** for the treatment of cleft lip and palate.
30. Treatment for bruxism.
31. Services prohibited by applicable law or regulation.
32. Services to treat injuries that occur while on military duty, and any services received as a result of war or any act of war (whether declared or undeclared).
33. Exams, other evaluations or other services received solely for the purpose of employment, insurance or licensure.
34. Exams, other evaluations or other services received solely for the purpose of judicial or administrative proceedings or research, except emergency examination of a child ordered by judicial authorities.
35. Non-medical self-care or self-help training.
36. Educational classes, programs or seminars, including but not limited to childbirth classes, except as described in **Physician and Professional Services** in **What's Covered and How Much Will I Pay**.
37. Coverage for costs associated with translation of medical records and claims to English.
38. Treatment for superficial veins, also referred to as spider veins or telangiectasia.

39. Services not received from or under the direction of a physician, except as described in this plan.
40. Orthognathic surgery for cosmetic purposes.
41. Sensory integration, including auditory integration training.
42. Services for or related to vision therapy and orthoptic and/or pleoptic training, except as described in **Physician and Professional Services in What's Covered and How Much Will I Pay**.
43. Health care professional services, including certified nurse midwife, for labor and delivery services at home or an unlicensed, unaccredited facility.
44. Services related to surrogate pregnancy for a person not covered as a covered person under the plan.
45. Donor sperm.
46. Donor eggs.
47. Services related to adoption.
48. Any form, mixture or preparation of non-FDA approved cannabis for medical or therapeutic use and any device or supplies related to its administration.
49. Services solely for or related to the treatment of snoring.
50. Interpreter services.
51. Services provided to treat injuries or illnesses that are the result of committing a felony or attempting to commit a felony.
52. Laboratory testing (including genetic testing) that has been performed in response to direct-to-consumer marketing and not under the direction of a physician.
53. Medical devices that have not been approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), other than those granted a humanitarian device exemption.
54. Drugs, supplies and biologics that have not been approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA).
55. Health club memberships.
56. Long-term care.
57. Expenses associated with participation in weight loss programs, including but not limited to membership fees and the purchase of food, dietary supplements or publications.
58. Any charges for mailing, interest and delivery, such as the cost for mailing medical records.
59. Animals and any service or treatment related to animals.
60. Charges incurred if you fail to keep a scheduled visit.
61. Adult day care programs including adult social day care and adult day health care services.
62. Financial or legal counseling services.

63. Home health aide services.
64. Charges incurred while you or an eligible family member is confined in a hospital operated by the United States of America or an agency thereof, unless payment is legally required.
65. Hippotherapy/equine assisted therapy.
66. Medical services provided via email, audio phone, tablets, portable electronic devices or common unregulated non-secure video chat applications, unless such services are provided in accordance with Medica's telehealth policies and procedures.
67. Orthokeratology.
68. Payment for medical expenses that a covered person is entitled to under Medicare, if Medicare is the primary payer under applicable federal law.
69. Sublingual immunotherapy.
70. Eye examination (refraction) charges to determine the need for (or change of) eyeglasses or lenses of any type.
71. Services for extended hours home care.
72. Services for private duty nursing. Examples of private duty nursing services include, but are not limited to, skilled or unskilled services provided by an independent nurse who is ordered by the member or the member's representative and not under the direction of a physician.

## What if I Have More Than One Insurance Plan

This section describes how medical benefits are coordinated when you are covered under more than one plan. **However, when your other plan is Medicare or TRICARE, Medica will coordinate medical benefits in accordance with the Medicare Secondary Payer or TRICARE provisions of Federal law.** If you have questions about how these rules apply to you or a covered family member, contact Member Services at one of the numbers listed at the front of this plan.

### Coordination for Medicare-eligible individuals

The medical benefits under this plan are not intended to duplicate any medical benefits to which covered persons are, or would be, eligible for under Medicare. If we have covered a service under this plan, any sums payable under Medicare for that service must be paid to the plan. If we need any consents, releases, assignments and other documents, complete and return to us those documents to make sure we receive reimbursement by Medicare.

The provisions of this section will apply to the maximum extent permitted by federal law. We will not reduce the medical benefits due any covered person where federal law requires that we determine our medical benefits for that covered person without regard to the medical benefits available under Medicare.

### When coordination of medical benefits applies

1. This coordination of medical benefits (COB) provision applies to this plan when an employee or the employee's covered dependent has health care coverage under more than one plan. "Plan" and "this plan" are defined below.
2. If this coordination of medical benefits provision applies, **Order of medical benefit determination rules** should be looked at first. Those rules determine whether the medical benefits of this plan are determined before or after those of another plan. Under **Order of medical benefit determination rules**, the medical benefits of this plan:
  - a. Shall not be reduced when this plan determines its medical benefits before another plan; but
  - b. May be reduced when another plan determines its medical benefits first. The above reduction is described in **Effect on the medical benefits of this plan**.

### Definitions that apply to this section

1. A "*plan*" is any of these which provides medical benefits or services for or because of, medical or dental care or treatment:
  - a. Group insurance or group-type coverage, whether insured or uninsured or individual coverage. This includes prepayment, group practice or individual practice coverage. It also includes coverage other than school accident-type coverage.

- b. Coverage under a governmental plan or coverage required or provided by law. This does not include a state plan under Medicaid (Title XIX, Grants to States for Medical Assistance Programs, of the United States Social Security Act, as amended from time to time).

Each contract or other arrangement for coverage under a. or b. is a separate plan. Also, if an arrangement has two parts and COB rules apply only to one of the two, each of the parts is a separate plan.

- 2. “*This plan*” is the part of the plan that provides medical benefits for health care expenses.
- 3. “*Primary plan/secondary plan*”. The **Order of medical benefit determination rules** state whether this plan is a primary plan or secondary plan as to another plan covering the person.

When this plan is a primary plan, its medical benefits are determined before those of the other plan and without considering the other plan's medical benefits.

When this plan is a secondary plan, its medical benefits are determined after those of the other plan and may be reduced because of the other plan's medical benefits.

When there are two or more plans covering the person, this plan may be a primary plan as to one or more other plans, and may be a secondary plan as to a different plan or plans.

- 4. “*Allowable expense*” means a necessary, reasonable and customary item of expense for health care, when the item of expense is covered at least in part by one or more plans covering the person for whom the claim is made. Allowable expense does not include the deductible for covered persons with a primary high deductible plan and who notify Medica of an intention to contribute to a health savings account.

The difference between the cost of a private hospital room and the cost of a semi-private hospital room is not considered an allowable expense under the above definition unless the patient's stay in a private hospital room is medically necessary, either in terms of generally accepted medical practice or as specifically defined in the plan.

The difference between the charges billed by a provider and the non-network provider reimbursement amount is not considered an allowable expense under the above definition.

When a plan provides medical benefits in the form of services, the reasonable cash value of each service rendered will be considered both an allowable expense and a medical benefit paid.

When medical benefits are reduced under a primary plan because a covered person does not comply with the plan provisions, the amount of such reduction will not be considered an allowable expense. Examples of such provisions are those related to second surgical opinions and preferred provider arrangements.

- 5. “*Claim determination period*” means a calendar year. However, it does not include any part of a year during which a person has no coverage under this plan, or any part of a year before the date this COB provision or a similar provision takes effect.

## Order of medical benefit determination rules

1. *General.* When there is a basis for a claim under this plan and another plan, this plan is a secondary plan which has its medical benefits determined after those of the other plan, unless:
  - a. The other plan has rules coordinating its medical benefits with the rules of this plan; and
  - b. Both the other plan's rules and this plan's rules, in 2. below, require that this plan's medical benefits be determined before those of the other plan.
2. *Rules.* This plan determines its order of medical benefits using the first of the following rules which applies:
  - a. *Nondependent/dependent.* The medical benefits of the plan that covers the person as an employee, covered person or enrollee (that is, other than as a dependent) are determined before those of the plan, which covers the person as a dependent.
  - b. *Dependent child/parents not separated or divorced.* Except as stated in c. below, when this plan and another plan cover the same child as a dependent of different persons, called "parents":
    - i. The medical benefits of the plan of the parent whose birthday falls earlier in a year are determined before those of the plan of the parent whose birthday falls later in that year; but
    - ii. If both parents have the same birthday, the medical *benefits* of the plan which covered one parent longer are determined before those of the plan which covered the other parent for a shorter period of time.

However, if the other plan does not have the rule described in i. immediately above, but instead has a rule based on the gender of the parent and if, as a result, the plans do not agree on the order of medical benefits, the rule in the other plan will determine the order of medical benefits.

- c. *Dependent child/separated or divorced parents.* If two or more plans cover a person as a dependent child of divorced or separated parents, medical benefits for the child are determined in this order:
  - i. First, the plan of the parent with custody of the child;
  - ii. Then, the plan of the spouse of the parent with the custody of the child; and
  - iii. Finally, the plan of the parent not having custody of the child.

However, if the specific terms of a court decree state that one of the parents is responsible for the health care expense of the child, and the entity obligated to pay or provide the medical benefits of the plan of that parent has actual knowledge of those terms, the medical benefits of that plan are determined first. The plan of the other parent shall be the secondary plan. This paragraph does not apply with respect to any claim determination period or plan year during which any medical benefits are actually paid or provided before the entity has that actual knowledge.

- d. *Joint custody.* If the specific terms of a court decree state that the parents shall share joint custody, without stating that one of the parents is responsible for the health care expenses of the child, the plans covering follow the *Order of medical benefit determination rules* outlined in b. above.
- e. *Active/inactive employee.* The medical benefits of a plan which covers a person as an employee who is neither laid off nor retired (or as that employee's dependent) are determined before those of a plan which covers that person as a laid off or retired employee (or as that employee's dependent). If the other plan does not have this rule and if, as a result, the plans do not agree on the order of medical benefits, this rule is ignored.
- f. *Workers' compensation.* Coverage under any workers' compensation act or similar law applies first. You should submit claims for expenses incurred as a result of an on-duty injury to the employer, before submitting them to Medica.
- g. *No-fault automobile insurance.* Coverage under the No-Fault Automobile Insurance Act or similar law applies first.
- h. *Longer/shorter length of coverage.* If none of the above rules determines the order of medical benefits, the medical benefits of the plan which covered an employee, covered person or enrollee longer are determined before those of the plan which covered that person for the shorter term.

### **Effect on the medical benefits of the Mayo Medical Plan**

1. *When this section applies.* This section applies when, in accordance with *Order of medical benefit determination rules*, this plan is a secondary plan as to one or more other plans. In that event, the medical *benefits* of this plan may be reduced under this section. Such other plan or plans are referred to as *the other plans* in 2. immediately below.
2. *Reduction in this plan's medical benefits.* The medical benefits of this plan will be reduced when the sum of:
  - a. The medical benefits that would be payable for the allowable expense under this plan in the absence of this COB provision; and
  - b. The medical benefits that would be payable for the allowable expenses under the other plans, in the absence of provisions with a purpose like that of this COB provision, whether or not claim is made, exceeds those allowable expenses in a claim determination period. In that case, the medical benefits of this plan will be reduced so that they and the medical benefits payable under the other plans do not total more than those allowable expenses.

When the medical benefits of this plan are reduced as described above, each medical benefit is reduced in proportion. It is then charged against any applicable medical benefit limit of this plan.

## **Right to receive and release needed information**

Certain facts are needed to apply these COB rules. The plan has the right to decide which facts it needs. It may get needed facts from or give them to any other organization or person. The plan need not tell or get the consent of, any person to do this, unless applicable law prevents disclosure of the information without the consent of the patient or the patient's representative. Each person claiming medical benefits under this plan must give the plan any facts it needs to pay the claim.

## **Facility of payment**

A payment made under another plan may include an amount, which should have been paid under this plan. If it does, the plan may pay that amount to the organization which made that payment. That amount will then be treated as though it were a medical benefit paid under this plan. The plan will not have to pay that amount again. The term payment made includes providing medical benefits in the form of services, in which case payment made means reasonable cash value of the medical benefits provided in the form of services.

## **Right of recovery**

If the amount of the payments made by the plan is more than should have been paid under this COB provision, Medica may recover the excess from one or more of the following:

1. The persons it has paid or for whom it has paid; or
2. Insurance companies; or
3. Other organizations.

The amount of the payments made includes the reasonable cash value of any medical benefits provided in the form of services.

**Please note:** See **Right to Subrogation and Reimbursement** for additional information.

## Right to Subrogation and Reimbursement

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

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

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

The following persons and entities are considered third parties:

- A person or entity alleged to have caused you to suffer a sickness, injury or damages, or who is legally responsible for the sickness, injury or damages.
- Any insurer or other indemnifier of any person or entity alleged to have caused or who caused the sickness, injury or damages.
- The plan sponsor in a workers’ compensation case or other matter alleging liability.
- Any person or entity who is or may be obligated to provide medical benefits or payments to you, including medical benefits or payments for underinsured or uninsured motorist protection, no-fault or traditional auto insurance, medical payment coverage (auto, homeowners or otherwise), workers’ compensation coverage, other insurance carriers or third party administrators.
- Any person or entity against whom you may have any claim for professional malpractice arising out of or connected to a sickness or injury you allege or could have alleged were the responsibility of any third party.
- Any person or entity that is liable for payment to you on any equitable or legal liability theory.

You agree as follows:

- You will cooperate with the plan in protecting our legal and equitable rights to subrogation and reimbursement in a timely manner, including, but not limited to:
  - Notifying the plan promptly, in writing, of any potential legal claim(s) you may have against any third party for acts which caused medical benefits to be paid or become payable.
  - Providing any relevant information requested by the plan.
  - Signing and/or delivering such documents as the plan or its agents reasonably request to secure the subrogation and reimbursement claim.

- Responding to requests for information about any accident or injuries.
- Making court appearances.
- Obtaining the plan's consent or the plan's agents' consent before releasing any party from liability or payment of medical expenses.
- Complying with the terms of this section.

Your failure to cooperate with the plan or abide by the terms of this plan are each considered a breach of the terms of this plan. As such, the plan has the right to take legal action against you for the value of medical benefits the plan has paid relating to any sickness or injury alleged to have been caused or caused by any third party to the extent not recovered by the plan due to you or your representative not cooperating with us or your failure to abide by the terms of this plan. If the plan incurs attorneys' fees and costs in order to collect third party settlement funds held by you or your representative, the plan has the right to recover those fees and costs from you. You will also be required to pay interest as provided by law on any amounts you hold which should have been returned to the plan.

- The plan has first priority right to receive payment on any claim against any third party before you receive payment from that third party. Further, the plan's first priority right to payment is superior to any and all claims, debts or liens asserted by any medical providers, including but not limited to hospitals or emergency treatment facilities, that assert a right to payment from funds payable from or recovered from an allegedly responsible third party and/or insurance carrier.
- The plan's subrogation and reimbursement rights apply to full and partial settlements, judgments, or other recoveries paid or payable to you or your representative, your estate, your heirs and beneficiaries, no matter how those proceeds are captioned or characterized. Payments include, but are not limited to, economic, non-economic, pecuniary, consortium and punitive damages. The plan is not required to help you to pursue your claim for damages or personal injuries and no amount of associated costs, including attorneys' fees, shall be deducted from our recovery without the plan's express written consent. No so-called "Fund Doctrine" or "Common Fund Doctrine" or "Attorney's Fund Doctrine" shall defeat this right.
- Regardless of whether you have been fully compensated or made whole, the plan may collect from you the proceeds of any full or partial recovery that you or your legal representative obtain, whether in the form of a settlement (either before or after any determination of liability) or judgment, no matter how those proceeds are captioned or characterized. Proceeds from which the plan may collect include, but are not limited to, economic, non-economic, and punitive damages. No "collateral source" rule, any "Made-Whole Doctrine" or "Make-Whole Doctrine," claim of unjust enrichment, nor any other equitable limitation shall limit the plan's subrogation and reimbursement rights.
- Medical benefits paid by the plan may also be considered to be medical benefits advanced.
- If you receive any payment from any party as a result of sickness or injury, and the plan alleges some or all of those funds are due and owed to the plan, you and/or your representative shall hold those funds in trust, either in a separate bank account in your name or in your representative's trust account.

- By participating in and accepting medical benefits from the plan, you agree that (i) any amounts recovered by you from any third party shall constitute plan assets (to the extent of the amount of plan medical benefits provided on behalf of the covered person), and (ii) you shall be liable for and agree to pay any costs and fees (including reasonable attorney fees) incurred by the plan to enforce its reimbursement rights.
- The plan's rights to recovery will not be reduced due to your own negligence or comparative fault.
- Upon the plan's request, you will assign in writing to the plan all rights of recovery against third parties, to the extent of the medical benefits the plan has paid for the sickness or injury.
- The plan may, at its option, take necessary and appropriate action to preserve the plan's rights under these provisions, including but not limited to, providing or exchanging medical payment information with an insurer, the insurer's legal representative or other third party; filing an ERISA reimbursement lawsuit to recover the full amount of medical benefits you receive for the sickness or injury out of any settlement, judgment or other recovery from any third party considered responsible; and filing suit in your name or your estate's name, which does not obligate the plan in any way to pay you part of any recovery the plan might obtain. Any ERISA reimbursement lawsuit stemming from a refusal to refund medical benefits as required under the terms of the plan is governed by a six-year statute of limitations.
- You may not accept any settlement that does not fully reimburse the plan, without its written approval.
- The plan has the authority and discretion to resolve all disputes regarding the interpretation of the language stated herein.
- In the case of your death, giving rise to any wrongful death or survival claim, the provisions of this section apply to your estate, the personal representative of your estate, and your heirs, next of kin or beneficiaries. In the case of your death the plan's right of reimbursement and right of subrogation shall apply if a claim can be brought on behalf of you or your estate that can include a claim for past medical expenses or damages. The obligation to reimburse the plan is not extinguished by a release of claims or settlement agreement of any kind unless the plan expressly agrees in writing.
- No allocation of damages, settlement funds or any other recovery, by you, your estate, the personal representative of your estate, your heirs or next of kin, your beneficiaries or any other person or party, shall be valid if it does not reimburse the plan for 100% of its interest unless the plan provides written consent to the allocation.
- The provisions of this section apply to the parents, guardian, or other representative of a dependent child who incurs a sickness or injury caused by any third party. If a parent or guardian may bring a claim for damages arising out of a minor's sickness or injury, the terms of this subrogation and reimbursement clause shall apply to that claim.
- If any third party causes or is alleged to have caused you to suffer a sickness or injury while you are covered under this plan, the provisions of this section continue to apply, even after you are no longer covered.
- The plan and all administrators or their agents administering the terms and conditions of the plan's subrogation and reimbursement rights have such powers and duties as are necessary

to discharge its duties and functions, including the exercise of its discretionary authority to

- (1) construe and enforce the terms of the plan's subrogation and reimbursement rights and
- (2) make determinations with respect to the subrogation amounts and reimbursements owed to the plan.

## **Harmful Use of Medical Services**

This section describes what Medica will do if it is determined you are receiving health services or prescription drugs in a quantity or manner that may harm your health.

### **When this applies**

After Medica notifies you that this applies, you have 30 days to choose one network physician, hospital and pharmacy to be your coordinating health care providers.

If you do not choose your coordinating health care providers within 30 days, Medica will choose for you. Your benefits are then restricted to services provided by or arranged through your coordinating health care providers.

Failure to receive services from or through your coordinating health care providers will result in a denial of coverage.

You must obtain a referral from your coordinating health care provider if your condition requires care or treatment from a provider other than your coordinating health care provider.

Medica will send you specific information about:

1. How to obtain approval for benefits not available from your coordinating health care providers;
2. How to obtain emergency care; and
3. When these restrictions end.

## How Do I Submit a Claim

All claims must be submitted to the plan and all claims review will comply with the rules and procedures in this **How Do I Submit a Claim** section. If you do not file a claim or follow the claim procedures, you are giving up important legal rights. This section is intended to comply with applicable law including Health Care Reform.

### Important definitions and notes

**Adverse Benefit Determination.** A denial, reduction, or termination of a benefit, or a rescission or a failure to provide or make payment (in whole or in part) for a benefit or a rescission.

**Authorized representative.** A person designated by a claimant or this plan to act on behalf of a claimant.

**Claimant.** A person who believes he/she is entitled to benefits under this plan. In this **How Do I Submit a Claim** section, the term claimant shall also include a claimant's authorized representative, if applicable.

**Concurrent care claim.** A claim that requires prior authorization under the plan that is reconsidered after a course of treatment has been initially approved. There are two types of concurrent care claim: (1) where reconsideration by this plan results in a reduction or termination of coverage for a previously approved benefit; and (2) where an extension is requested by the claimant for coverage beyond the initially approved benefit.

**External review.** An independent review of an adverse benefit determination (following final appeal under the plan) under applicable state or federal external review procedures pursuant to Health Care Reform.

**Independent Review Organization (IRO).** An independent, accredited organization, contracted by the plan, but separate and apart from the plan, responsible for conducting external review of an adverse benefit determination.

**Post-service claim.** Any claim for a benefit under this plan that is submitted for payment or reimbursement after the services have been rendered.

**Pre-service claim.** Any claim for a benefit under the plan where receipt of the benefit is specifically conditioned, in whole or in part, on receiving approval in advance of obtaining the medical care. Benefits under the plan that are pre-service claims (i.e., subject to approval in advance) are listed in **Medical prior authorization** in the **Before You Access Medical Care** section as services that require prior authorization.

**Urgent pre-service claim.** An urgent pre-service claim is a type of pre-service claim. An urgent pre-service claim is any claim for medical care or treatment with respect to which the application of the timeframes for making non-urgent determinations could seriously jeopardize the life or health of the claimant or the claimant's ability to regain maximum function, or – in the opinion of a physician with knowledge of the claimant's medical condition – would subject the claimant to severe pain that cannot be adequately managed without the care or treatment that is the subject of the claim. If a physician with knowledge of the claimant's medical condition

determines that a claim is an urgent pre-service claim, the claim will be treated as an urgent pre-service claim.

- Unless specifically noted, oral inquiries about coverage and benefits are not considered claims or appeals.
- All time periods described in this section are in calendar days, not business days.
- Except as specifically noted, the claim procedure for pharmacy benefits is the same as for other medical benefits in the plan. For pharmacy benefits, the pharmacist is considered the health care provider and the prescription drug is considered the service or supply.
- This section does not apply to disputes related solely to paying for coverage pre-tax under the Pre-Tax Premium Rules and/or denials of requests to make changes to pre-tax elections during the year. If you have such a dispute, explain your concern in writing to the HR Connect. You will receive a written response.

## **Types of claims**

The plan has four categories of claims as defined above. They are as follows:

- Concurrent care claim;
- Post-service claim;
- Pre-service claim; or
- Urgent pre-service claim.

Each category of claim has its own set of claim and appeal requirements. The primary difference between the categories of claims is the timeframes within which claims will be determined.

For the purpose of determining which claim and appeal procedures to follow, the claim type is determined initially. However, if the nature of the claim changes as it proceeds through the claim and appeal process, the claim can be re-characterized. For example, a claim may initially be an urgent pre-service claim. If the urgency subsides, it may be re-characterized as a pre-service claim. Once the services are rendered and submitted to the plan for payment, it becomes a post-service claim.

## **Authorized representative**

- For the purpose of the plan's claims and appeal procedures, an authorized representative may act on a claimant's behalf with respect to any aspect of a claim or appeal.

## **How to file a claim**

### **1. Post-service claims**

A post-service claim must be filed within one (1) year following the date of service or from when a supply is received. Health care providers may submit post-service claims on a

claimant's behalf. If a health care provider submits a post-service claim on a claimant's behalf, the health care provider will not be considered an authorized representative and will not receive the notification described below in the case of an adverse benefit determination.

You are responsible for paying any coinsurance directly to the provider either at the time of your visit or when your provider sends you a bill for the amounts.

In some instances you may need to pay your provider or pharmacist in full and then submit a claim for reimbursement to Medica or Alluma at the address indicated in the chart at the end of this section. Claims for reimbursement, if approved, will be paid to you, not the provider.

A post-service claim must be submitted electronically or be in writing and submitted to:

Medical services claims	Prescription drug claims
Send your medical service claim form to the address found on the back of your ID card.	Complete the Prescription Drug Reimbursement Request Form at <b>Allumaco.com/members</b> and mail to:  Alluma P.O. Box 14711 Lexington, KY 40512-4711  Or fax to: <b>1-608-741-5475</b>

## 2. Post-service claim for medical services

A post-service claim for medical services or supplies should be filed on a universal billing form and must include the following information below:

- The name of the plan;
- The identity of the claimant, including name, address and date of birth;
- The date(s) of service;
- The name, National Provider Identification number, credentials, and tax identification number of the healthcare provider;
- The place of service;
- A specific diagnosis code (current International Classification of Disease, Clinical Modification (ICD, CM) format);
- A specific service code for which payment is requested (current Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) or Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) format);
- The amount of billed charges; and
- If a claimant has already paid for the medical service or supply and is requesting reimbursement, he/she must also submit proof of payment.

A medical services claim form can be found at **Medica.com/SignIn** for covered persons who are filing their own medical claims for reimbursement.

### 3. Pre-service claims (including urgent pre-service claims)

Typically, a pre-service claim is made on the claimant's behalf by the treating physician as an authorized representative. However, it is the claimant's responsibility to ensure that a pre-service claim has been filed. The claimant can accomplish this by having his/her healthcare provider contact Medica or Alluma to file a pre-service claim on behalf of the claimant.

A pre-service claim must be submitted to:

Medical services claims	Prescription drug claims
Medica Member Services PO Box 9310, Route 0501 Minneapolis, MN 55440-9310	Prior authorization for prescription drugs may be requested through the SureScripts or CoverMyMeds web portal electronically or through the provider's Electronic Health Record (EHR). Visit <b>Allumaco.com/providers</b> for additional information.

### 4. Urgent pre-service claims

This accelerated claim procedure applies if you are 1) seeking approval for a benefit that requires prior authorization and 2) you have not already received the service or supply.

An "urgent" claim is a claim for a benefit that requires prior authorization and a delay in treatment could either 1) seriously jeopardizes your life, health or ability to regain maximum function or 2) in the opinion of a physician with knowledge of your medical condition, cause you severe pain. If you or your authorized representative or physician believe that your claim is urgent, notify Medica or Alluma and provide the information you want considered regarding your claim.

A benefit requires prior authorization if the benefit will be reduced or denied if you do not obtain authorization from the plan before receiving the service. If the benefit requires prior authorization but you receive the service or supply before obtaining the authorization, your benefit claim will be handled under the standard claim procedure.

Prior authorization is required for some services in the plan. Please review the list of services requiring prior authorization in **Medical prior authorization** in the **Before You Access Medical Care** section for your particular plan option.

Urgent pre-service claims and inpatient admissions where the underlying services do not require prior authorization may be submitted orally at the following phone numbers: Providers **1-800-458-5512**; Covered persons **1-866-839-4015**.

- a. A pre-service claim for medical services or supplies must include the following information:
  - The name of the plan;
  - The identity of the claimant, including name, address and date of birth;
  - The proposed date(s) of service;
  - The name and credentials of the healthcare provider;

- An order or request from the healthcare provider for the requested service;
  - The proposed place of service;
  - A specific diagnosis;
  - A specific proposed service code for which approval or payment is requested (current Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) or Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) format); and
  - Clinical information for the plan to make a medical necessity determination.
- b. A pre-service claim for prescription drugs must include the following information:
- The name of the plan;
  - The identity of the claimant, including name, address and date of birth;
  - The name of the prescription drug requested;
  - The name and credentials of the healthcare provider prescribing the requested prescription drug;
  - A specific diagnosis; and
  - Clinical information for the plan to make a medical necessity determination.

#### 5. **Sheikh Shakhbout Medical City (SSMC) claims – Expatriates**

Mayo clinic employees on an expatriate assignment at Sheikh Shakhbout Medical City (SSMC) in Abu Dhabi must submit claims incurred in the United Arab Emirates (UAE) to their local medical plan provided by SSMC. The Mayo Medical Plan will not pay claims incurred in the UAE for SSMC expatriates, as claims must be processed through locally compliant coverage.

#### 6. **Incorrectly filed claim**

Failure to submit a claim to the proper place and/or in writing if required, may result in the claim being treated as an incorrectly filed claim. If a pre-service claim has been filed incorrectly, the plan will notify the claimant as soon as possible but no later than the timeframes stated below:

- a. ***Pre-service claims (not including urgent pre-service claims):*** no later than 5 days following receipt of the incorrectly filed claim.
- b. ***Urgent pre-service claims:*** no later than 24 hours following receipt of the incorrectly filed claim.

#### 7. **Concurrent care claims**

Where an extension is requested for benefits beyond the initially approved benefit, a claimant should follow the instructions for how to file a pre-service claim.

#### 8. **Incomplete claims**

- a. **Pre-service claims and post-service claims (not including urgent pre-service claims)**

Incomplete claims can be addressed through the extension of time described above. If the reason for the extension is the failure to provide necessary information and the claimant is appropriately notified, the plan's period of time to make a decision is suspended from the date upon which notification of the missing necessary information is sent until the date upon which the claimant responds or should have responded.

The notification will include a timeframe of at least 45 days in which the necessary information must be provided. Once the necessary information has been provided, the plan will decide the claim within the extension described above. If the requested information is not provided within the time specified, the claim may be denied.

b. **Urgent pre-service claims**

The plan will notify the claimant of an incomplete claim as soon as possible, but not later than 24 hours following receipt of the incomplete claim. The notification will describe the information necessary to complete the claim and specify the timeframe of at least 48 hours within which the claim must be complete. Notification may be made orally to the claimant or the healthcare provider, unless the claimant requests written notice. The plan will make a claim determination as soon as possible but not later than the earlier of 1) 48 hours after receipt of the specified information, or 2) the end of the period of time provided to submit the specified information.

9. **Notification of claim decisions**

a. **When the plan will provide notification of a claim determination**

Medica or Alluma has 30 days to decide your claim and notify you if your claim is denied in whole or in part. If your claim is denied, the notice will contain the information required by federal regulations.

You may be notified that an extension of up to 15 days is needed to decide your claim due to reasons beyond the control of Medica or Alluma. If the extension is required because you need to provide additional information in order for your claim to be decided, you will be given at least 45 days to provide that information. The time it takes you to provide the information will not count against the time Medica or Alluma has to make its decision.

- I. **Post-service claims and concurrent care claims:** Notification will be provided only if the decision is an adverse benefit determination within 30 days after receipt of claim.\*\*
- II. **Pre-service claims (including urgent pre-service claims) request:** Notification will be provided whether the claim or request is approved or denied within 30 days after receipt of claim (within 72 hours after receipt of claim for urgent pre-service claims).\*\*

\*\*Insufficient information timeframe

b. **Content of notification**

- I. **Adverse benefit determination:** Notice of an adverse benefit determination will be provided in written or electronic form in a culturally and linguistically appropriate manner. For urgent pre-service claims, notification will be provided

orally to the claimant within the timeframe described above and written or electronic notification will be furnished not later than 3 days after the oral notification. A plan decision to rescind coverage shall be considered and treated as an adverse benefit determination.

The notification will include the following:

- The specific reason(s) for the determination;
- Reference to the specific plan provision(s) on which the determination is based;
- A description of any additional material or information necessary to complete the claim and an explanation of why such information is necessary;
- A description of the plan procedures and time limits for appeal of the adverse benefit determination and the right to sue in federal court;
- Disclosure of any internal rule, guideline, protocol or similar criterion relied on in making the adverse benefit determination or a statement that such information was relied upon in making the adverse benefit determination and will be provided free of charge upon request;
- If the decision involves scientific or clinical judgment, an explanation of the scientific or clinical judgment applying the terms of the plan to the claimant's medical circumstances or a statement that such explanation will be provided free of charge upon request; and
- Disclosure of the availability of, and contact information for, any applicable office of health coverage consumer assistance or ombudsman to assist covered persons with the internal claims process and appeals and external review process.

- II. ***Not adverse decision:*** For pre-service claim and urgent pre-service claim determinations that are not adverse, notice that the request for prior authorization has been approved will be provided to the healthcare provider in most circumstances.

#### 10. **Special rule for claims related to course of treatment**

If you are notified that a benefit you were granted for a specified period of time or number of treatments will be reduced from what was previously granted, the notice is considered a claim denial and will be provided to you sufficiently in advance of the benefit reduction to allow you to file an appeal. If you were granted treatment for a specified time or number of treatments, and you request an extension of that course of treatment within 24 hours before the treatment ends, you will be notified within 24 hours whether the extension is approved or denied. If you request the extension less than 24 hours before the treatment ends, your request will be processed as shown on the chart above depending on whether the claim is urgent or non-urgent.

## Appeals Process

Health Care Reform requires appeal procedures for adverse benefit determination under which claimants receive full and fair review of the claim and adverse benefit determination. The following will apply to all types and levels of appeals of adverse benefit determinations:

1. **Right to review claim file:** The claimant will have the right to review his or her claim file.
2. **Submission and consideration of comment:** The claimant will have the right to present “evidence and testimony” as that phrase is clarified through regulatory guidance. The claimant will have the opportunity to submit documents, written comments, or other information in support of the appeal. The review of the adverse benefit determination will take into account all information, whether or not presented or available for the initial determination. No defense will be given to the prior determination.
3. **Disclosure of new or additional evidence:** Claimant will be provided, as soon as possible, any new or additional evidence considered relied upon, or generated by or at the direction of the plan free of charge and pursuant to the regulatory guidance.
4. **Disclosure of new or additional rationale:** Claimant will be provided, as soon as possible, any new or additional rationale for the adverse benefit determination free of charge pursuant to regulatory guidance.
5. **Decision:** The review will be made by a person different from the person who made the prior determination and such person will not be a subordinate of the prior decision maker.
6. **Consultation with independent medical expert:** In the case of a claim denied on the grounds of a medical judgment, a healthcare provider with appropriate training and experience will be consulted. The healthcare provider who is consulted on appeal will not be the individual who was consulted, if any, during the prior determination or a subordinate of that individual.

## Filing an appeal

1. If there is an adverse benefit determination, the claimant may request a review by Medica or Alluma by filing an appeal. The claimant must file an appeal within 180 days after the date the claimant received notice that the claim is denied.

Medical appeal requests must be in writing and submitted to:

Medica  
Member Services  
P.O. Box 9310, Route 0501  
Minneapolis, MN 55440-9310

Pharmacy appeal requests must be in writing and submitted to:

Alluma  
Attn: Appeals  
P.O. Box 14651  
Saint Louis, MO 63166  
Fax: **833-951-1683**

Secure email: [Allumaclinical@allumaco.com](mailto:Allumaclinical@allumaco.com)

## 2. **Special rule for expedited review of urgent pre-service claims**

A claimant may request an expedited review orally or in writing and all necessary information (including the plan's benefit determination on review) will be transmitted by telephone, facsimile or other available expeditious method.

An appeal must include the following information:

- The name of the plan;
- The identity of the claimant, including name, address and date of birth;
- Information regarding the claim request being appealed, such as:
  - A copy of the adverse benefit determination notice the claimant received or other information to identify the claim; and
  - A statement that the claimant is requesting an appeal;
- An explanation of why an appeal is being requested, including the particular aspect of the adverse benefit determination the claimant is disputing; and
- Supporting documentation.

An appeal of an adverse benefit determination must be submitted to the plan within 180 days following receipt of a notification of an adverse benefit determination of a claim. *If an appeal is not requested within these 180 days, the claimant loses the right to appeal.*

## 3. **Timeframes for appeals**

A claimant may voluntarily agree to extend the timeframes specified below for the plan to make a decision.

- **Post-service claims:** The plan will make a determination no later than 60 days from the date the appeal was received.
- **Pre-service claims:** The plan will make a determination no later than 30 days from the date the appeal was received.
- **Urgent pre-service claims:** The plan will make a determination no later than 72 hours from the date the appeal was received.
- **Concurrent care claims:** For a reduction or termination of coverage for a previously approved benefit, the plan will make a determination sufficiently in advance to allow the claimant to file an appeal and obtain a determination before the benefit is reduced or terminated.

Where an extension is requested by the claimant for coverage beyond the initially approved benefit:

- If the request meets the definition of an urgent pre-service claim, the plan will make a determination no later than 72 hours from the date the appeal was received.
- If the request meets the definition of a pre-service claim, the plan will make a determination no later than 30 days from the date the appeal was received.

- If the request meets the definition of a post-service claim, the plan will make a determination no later than 60 days from the date the appeal was received.

#### 4. **Notification of appeal decisions**

Written or electronic notification of the plan's determination will be provided in a culturally and linguistically appropriate manner to the claimant for all appeals.

For adverse benefit determinations, the notification will include the following:

- The specific reason(s) for the adverse benefit determination;
- Reference to the specific plan provision(s) on which the determination is based;
- A statement indicating entitlement to receive, upon request, and free of charge, reasonable access to or copies of all documents, records and other information relevant to the claimant's claim for benefits;
- A statement regarding additional levels of appeal (if any) and the right to sue in federal court;
- Disclosure of an internal rule, guideline, protocol or similar criterion relied on in making the adverse benefit determination (or a statement that such information will be provided free of charge upon request);
- If the decision involves scientific or clinical judgment, an explanation of the scientific or clinical judgment applying the terms of the plan to the claimant's medical circumstances, or a statement that such explanation will be provided free of charge upon request;
- Information sufficient to identify the claim involved;
- Notification of the opportunity to request the diagnosis and treatment codes associated with the claim involved, including their respective meanings, and to have such information provided upon request;
- A description of the plan's external review procedures, the time limits applicable to such procedures and how to initiate an external appeal; and
- Contact information for any applicable office of health insurance consumer assistance or ombudsman established to assist individuals with the internal claims and appeals and the external appeals process.

For decisions that are not adverse, a notice will be provided that informs the claimant the decision has been reversed, and the claim has been approved.

#### **Filing a request for standard external review**

If there is an adverse benefit determination by the plan that involves a medical judgement (including, but not limited to, medical necessity or experimental/investigative determinations), related to a surprise medical or air ambulance bill under the No Surprises Act, or relates to an appeal of a rescission of a claimant's coverage, the claimant may request an external review after exhausting internal appeals under the plan.

Medical standard external review requests must be in writing and submitted to:

Medica  
Member Services  
P.O. Box 9310, Route 0501  
Minneapolis, MN 55440-9310

Pharmacy standard external review requests must be in writing and submitted to:

Alluma  
Attn: Appeals  
P.O. Box 14651  
Saint Louis, MO 63166

Fax: **833-951-1683**

Secure email: **Allumaclinical@allumaco.com**

An external review must include the following information:

- The name of this plan;
- The identity of the claimant, including name, address and date of birth;
- Information regarding the appeal being requested for an external review, such as a copy of the appeal denial letter;
- A statement that the claimant is requesting an external review;
- An explanation of why an external review is being requested, including the particular aspect of the adverse benefit determination being disputed; and
- Supporting documentation.

Generally, an external review of an adverse benefit determination must be submitted to this plan within four (4) months following the date of receipt of a notice of a final internal adverse benefit determination. There are a very limited number of circumstances where an external review can be requested prior to a final internal adverse benefit determination. Please contact Medica or Alluma for more information.

*Claimants may not request an external review after the expiration of the four (4) month period.*

#### **1. Timeframes for preliminary review of request for standard external review**

Within five (5) business days following the date of receipt of the external review request, Medica or Alluma will complete a preliminary review of the request to determine whether:

- Claimant is (or was) covered under the plan at the time the health care item or service was requested or provided;
- The adverse benefit determination or the final internal adverse benefit determination is not based on the fact that claimant was not eligible for coverage under the plan;
- Claimant has exhausted the plan's internal appeal process (unless exhaustion is not otherwise required); and
- Claimant has provided all the information required to process an external review.

Within one (1) business day of the completion of its preliminary review, Medica or Alluma (or its designated Independent Review Organization (IRO)) will notify the claimant of the results of the preliminary review.

If claimant's request is eligible for external review, a notice will be sent informing claimant of eligibility for external review. Claimant's request is assigned by Medica or Alluma to an IRO to conduct the external review. The plan will contract with at least three (3) IRO's, and Medica or Alluma will rotate the external reviews among the IRO's.

If claimant's request is complete but **not** eligible for external review, a notice will be sent informing claimant of *non-eligibility* for external review. The notice will state the reasons for the request not being eligible for external review and will provide contact information for the Employee Benefits Security Administration, toll free number **1-866-444-EBSA (3272)**.

If claimant's request is **incomplete**, a notice will be sent to the claimant. The notice will describe the information, materials, etc. needed to complete the request. The claimant will then be provided time to complete the request during the greater of:

- The initial four month period within which to request an external review, or
- 48 hours (or as identified in the notice) after the receipt of the notice.

## 2. **External review process conducted by Independent Review Organization (IRO)**

Upon assignment by Medica or Alluma, the IRO conducts the external review of the adverse benefit determination.

As part of their review, the IRO will utilize experts when appropriate to make determinations regarding the services being disputed. In addition, the IRO, when making their decision, may request additional information such as reports from appropriate health care professionals, evidence-based guidelines and any applicable clinical review criteria developed and used by Medica or Alluma.

## 3. **Timeframes for Independent Review Organization determination**

Within 45 days after the IRO receives the request for external review, the IRO will provide written notice of the final external review decision.

## 4. **Filing a request for an expedited external review**

Under certain circumstances, an expedited external review may be requested. Claimants may request an expedited external review when:

- An adverse benefit determination involves a medical condition where the timeframe for completing an expedited internal appeal of an urgent pre-service claim would seriously jeopardize the claimant's life, health or ability to regain maximum function, and a request for an expedited internal appeal of an urgent pre-service claim has been filed; or
- A final internal adverse benefit determination involves a) a medical condition where the timeframe for completing a standard internal review would seriously jeopardize the claimant's life, health or ability to regain maximum function, or b) an admission, availability of care, continued stay or health care item or service for which the claimant received emergency services, but has not been discharged from a facility.

Medical expedited external review requests must be in writing and submitted to:

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Minneapolis, MN 55440-9310

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Fax: **833-951-1683**

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An expedited external review request must include the following information:

- The name of this plan;
- The identity of the claimant, including name, address and date of birth;
- Information regarding the appeal being requested for an external review, such as a copy of the appeal denial letter;
- A statement that the claimant is requesting an external review;
- An explanation of why an external review is being requested, including the particular aspect of the adverse benefit determination being disputed; and
- Supporting documentation.

#### 5. **Timeframe for preliminary review of request for an expedited external review**

Immediately upon receipt of the request for an expedited external review, Medica or Alluma will determine whether the request meets the eligibility requirements for a standard external review (described above under the **Timeframes for preliminary review of request for standard external review** section). Medica or Alluma will immediately notify claimant of external review eligibility.

The claimant will be notified by Medica or Alluma or its designated IRO of the results of the preliminary review.

If a claimant's request is eligible for expedited external review, a notice will be sent informing claimant of eligibility for expedited external review. Claimant's request is assigned by Medica or Alluma to an IRO to conduct the expedited external review.

The plan will contract with at least three (3) IRO's and Medica or Alluma will rotate the expedited external reviews among the IRO's.

If a claimant's request is complete but not eligible for external review, a notice will be sent informing claimant of non-eligibility for external review. The notice will state the reasons for the request not being eligible for external review and will immediately provide contact information for the Employee Benefits Security Administration, toll free number **1-866-444-EBSA (3272)**.

If a claimant's request is incomplete, a notice will be sent to the claimant. The notice will describe the information, materials, etc. needed to complete the request. The claimant will then be provided time to complete the request.

**6. Expedited external review process conducted by Independent Review Organization (IRO)**

Upon assignment by Medica or Alluma, the IRO conducts the expedited external review of the adverse benefit determination.

As part of their review, the IRO will utilize experts when appropriate to make determinations regarding the services being disputed. In addition, the IRO, when making their decision, may request additional information such as reports from appropriate health care professionals, evidence-based guidelines and any applicable clinical review criteria developed and used by Medica or Alluma.

**7. Timeframes for Independent Review Organization expedited determination**

As expeditiously as the claimant's medical condition or circumstances require, but in no event more than 72 hours after the IRO receives the request for expedited external review, the IRO will provide written notice to claimant and the plan of the final expedited external review decision.

If the IRO's notice of final expedited external review decision is not in writing, the IRO must provide written confirmation of the decision within 48 hours to the claimant and the plan.

## How Medical Providers are Paid

### Medical network providers

Medical network providers are paid using various types of contractual arrangements, which are intended to promote the delivery of health care in a cost efficient and effective manner. These arrangements are not intended to affect your access to health care. These payment methods may include:

1. A fee-for-service method, such as per service or percentage of charges; or
2. A risk-sharing arrangement, such as an amount per day, per stay, per episode, per case, per period of illness, per covered person or per service with a targeted outcome.

The methods by which specific network providers are paid may change from time to time. Methods also vary by network provider. The primary method of payment under your plan is fee-for-service.

Fee-for-service payment means that the network provider is paid a fee for each service provided. If the payment is per service, the network provider's payment is determined according to a set fee schedule. The amount the network provider receives is the lesser of the fee schedule or what the network provider would have otherwise billed. If the payment is percentage of charges, the network provider's payment is a set percentage of the provider's charge. The amount paid to the network provider, less any applicable copayment, coinsurance or deductible is considered to be payment in full.

In certain risk-sharing payment arrangements, the network provider is paid a specific amount for a particular unit of service, such as an amount per day, an amount per stay, an amount per episode, an amount per case, an amount per period of illness, an amount per covered person or an amount per service with targeted outcome. If the amount paid is less than the cost of providing or arranging for a covered person's health services, the network provider may bear some of the shortfall. If the amount paid to the network provider is more than the cost of providing or arranging a covered person's health services, the network provider may keep some of the excess. In other risk-sharing arrangements, the network accepts a portion of the financial risk for the provision of covered services to all covered persons enrolled in a particular plan product.

Some network providers are authorized to arrange for a covered person to receive certain health services from other providers. This decision may result in a network provider keeping more or less of the risk-sharing payment.

### Withhold arrangements

For some network providers paid on a fee-for-service basis, some of the payment is held back. This is sometimes referred to as a physician contingency reserve or holdback. The withhold amount generally will not exceed 15 percent of the fee schedule amount. In general, a portion of network hospitals' fee-for-service payments is not held back. However, when it is, the withhold amount will not usually exceed 5 percent of the fee schedule amount.

Network providers may earn the withhold amount based on Medica's financial performance as determined by Medica's Board of Directors and/or certain performance standards identified in the network provider's contract, including but not limited to quality and utilization. Based on individual measures, the percentage of the withhold amount paid, if any, can vary among network providers.

### **Non-network medical providers**

When a service from a non-network provider is covered, the non-network provider is paid a fee for each covered service that is provided. This payment may be less than the charges billed by the non-network provider. If this happens, you are responsible for paying the difference.

## **Additional Terms of Your Coverage**

This section describes the general provisions of the plan.

### **Examination of a covered person**

To settle a dispute concerning provision or payment of benefits under the plan, the plan may require that you be examined or an autopsy of the covered person's body be performed. The examination or autopsy will be at the plan's expense.

### **Clerical error and misstatements**

You will not be deprived of coverage under the plan because of a clerical error or misstatement by the plan or plan administrator. However, you will not be eligible for coverage beyond the scheduled termination of your coverage because of a failure to record the termination. If there is a clerical error or any misstatement of relevant facts pertaining to coverage under the plan, the plan administrator reserves the right to investigate the matter and determine the existence or amount of coverage.

### **Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 (FMLA)**

The Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 (FMLA) imposes certain obligations on employers with fifty (50) or more employees. This plan shall be administered in a manner consistent with the FMLA and the applicable employer's FMLA policy.

### **Relationship between parties**

The relationships between Medica, the sponsor and medical network providers are contractual relationships between independent contractors. Medical network providers are not agents or employees of Medica. The relationship between Alluma, the Mayo Medical Plan and the leased pharmacy network are contractual relationships between independent parties. Pharmacy network providers are not agents or employees of Alluma. The relationship between a provider and any covered person is that of health care provider and patient. The provider is solely responsible for health care provided to any covered person.

## Definitions

Words and phrases with specific meanings are defined in this section.

**Alluma Care Formulary.** An approved, continually updated list of medications, criteria for utilization and dosage recommendations supplemented with drug monographs or references. The Mayo Clinic Pharmaceutical Formulary Subcommittee develops the formulary, which is centered on meeting the needs of the patient for drug safety, effectiveness and value.

**Approved clinical trial.** A phase I, phase II, phase III or phase IV clinical trial that is conducted in relation to the prevention, detection or treatment of cancer or other life-threatening condition, is not designed exclusively to test toxicity or disease pathophysiology and is described in any of the following subparagraphs:

1. The study or investigation is conducted under an investigational new drug application reviewed by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.
2. The study or investigation is a drug trial that is exempt from having such an investigational new drug application.
3. The study or investigation is approved or funded by one of the following: (i) the National Institutes of Health (NIH), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Agency for Health Care Research and Quality, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services or cooperating group or center of any of the entities described in this item; (ii) a cooperative group or center of the United States Department of Defense or the United States Department of Veterans Affairs; (iii) a qualified non-governmental research entity identified in the guidelines issued by the NIH for center support grants; or (iv) the United States Departments of Veterans Affairs, Defense or Energy if the trial has been reviewed or approved through a system of peer review determined by the secretary to: (a) be comparable to the system of peer review of studies and investigations used by the NIH, and (b) provide an unbiased scientific review by qualified individuals who have no interest in the outcome of the review.

**Benefits.** Benefits collectively refers to both the medical and pharmacy health services or supplies (described in this plan and any subsequent amendments) approved by Medica or Alluma as appropriate as eligible for coverage.

**Biologics.** Any of a wide range of products designed to replicate natural substances in the body, including, but not limited to, products produced using biotechnology. Biologics include, but are not limited to, vaccines, blood and blood components or products, cellular and gene therapy products, tissue and tissue products, allergenics, recombinant therapeutic proteins, monoclonal antibodies, cytokines, growth factors, immunomodulators and additional biological products regulated by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and related agencies.

**Biosimilar.** A biologic drug that is highly similar to an approved reference drug. Biosimilars have no clinical meaningful differences in terms of quality, safety or efficacy from the original biologic drug.

**Brand name drug.** A patent protected prescription drug.

**Claim.** An invoice, bill or itemized statement for benefits provided to you.

**Claims administrator.** The claims administrator who administer claims for benefits under the plan. Medica serves as the Claims Administrator for the Mayo Medical Plan, and Alluma serves as the Claims Administrator for the prescription drug component of the plan. More information regarding the claims administrators for medical and pharmacy benefits, can be found inside the front cover or on the back of your ID card or in **How Do I Submit a Claim**.

**Coinsurance.** The percentage amount you must pay to the provider for benefits received.

For Tier 1 and Tier 2 medical benefits, the coinsurance amount is based on the lesser of the:

1. Charge billed by the provider (i.e., retail); or
2. Negotiated amount that the provider has agreed to accept as full payment for the medical benefit (i.e., wholesale).

When the wholesale amount is not known nor readily calculated at the time the medical benefit is provided, Medica uses an amount to approximate the wholesale amount.

For services from some network providers, however, the coinsurance is based on the provider's retail charge. The provider's retail charge is the amount that the provider would charge to any patient, whether or not that patient is a covered person under the plan.

For Tier 3 medical benefits, the coinsurance will be based on the lesser of the:

1. Charge billed by the provider (i.e., retail); or
2. Non-network provider reimbursement amount.

For Tier 3 medical benefits, in addition to any coinsurance and deductible amounts, you will be responsible for any charges billed by the provider in excess of the non-network provider reimbursement amount.

The coinsurance may not exceed the charge billed by the provider for the benefit.

**Copayment.** The fixed dollar amount you must pay to the provider for benefits received.

When you receive eligible health services from a network provider and a copayment applies, you pay the lesser of the charge billed by the provider for the benefit (i.e., retail) or your copayment. Any remaining amount is paid according to the written agreement with the provider. The copayment may not exceed the retail charge billed by the provider for the benefit.

For Tier 3 medical benefits, in addition to any copayment, coinsurance and deductible amounts, you will be responsible for any charges in excess of the non-network provider reimbursement amount.

**Cosmetic.** Services and procedures that improve physical appearance but do not correct or improve a physiological function and that are not medically necessary, unless the service or procedure meets the definition of reconstructive.

**Covered person.** A person who is enrolled under the plan.

**Custodial care.** Services to assist in activities of daily living that do not seek to cure, are performed regularly as a part of a routine or schedule and, due to the physical stability of the condition, do not need to be provided or directed by a skilled medical professional. These services include help in walking, getting in or out of bed, bathing, dressing, feeding, using the toilet, preparation of special diets and supervision of medication that can usually be self-administered.

**Deductible.** The fixed dollar amount you must pay for eligible services or supplies before claims for health services or supplies received from network or non-network providers are reimbursable as Tier 1, Tier 2 or Tier 3 medical benefits under this plan.

**Designated facility.** A network hospital that Medica has authorized to provide certain medical benefits to covered persons, as described in this plan.

**Designated mental health and substance use disorder provider.** An organization, entity or individual selected by Medica to provide or arrange for the mental health and substance use disorder services covered under this plan.

**Emergency.** A condition or symptom (including severe pain) that a prudent layperson, who possesses an average knowledge of health and medicine, would believe requires immediate treatment to:

1. Preserve your life; or
2. Prevent serious impairment to your bodily functions, organs or parts; or
3. Prevent placing your physical or mental health (or, if you are pregnant, the health of your unborn child) in serious jeopardy.

**Emergency facility.** The emergency department of a hospital or an independent freestanding emergency department.

**Employee.** Any person employed by the sponsor on or after the effective date of this plan, except that it shall not include a self-employed individual as described in Section 401(c) of the Code. All employees who are treated as employed by a single employer under Subsections (b), (c) or (m) of Section 414 of the Code are treated as employed by a single employer for purposes of this plan. Employee does not include any of the following (see the General Information Booklet for more information):

1. Any employee included within a unit of employees covered under a collective bargaining unit unless such agreement expressly provides for coverage of the employee under this plan;
2. Any employee who is a nonresident alien and receives no earned income from the sponsor from sources within the United States; and
3. Any employee who is a leased employee as defined in Section 414(n)(2) of the Code.

**Enrollee.** An employee who the plan administrator determines is enrolled under the plan.

**Extended hours home care.** Extended hours home care is the provision of skilled nursing services for greater than two consecutive hours per day provided in the member's home.

**Fertility Treatment.** Treatment or procedure intended to assist conception, undergone as the result of infertility or for any other reason.

**Generic drug.** A prescription drug whose patent has expired and is usually manufactured by several pharmaceutical companies. FDA A-rated generic drugs (which are the only type of generic drugs covered under the Alluma Care Formulary) contain the same active ingredient as the brand name drug, are manufactured under the same FDA standards, and are considered equivalent in all respects to the brand name drug.

**Genetic testing.** An analysis of human DNA, RNA, chromosomes, proteins or metabolites, if the analysis detects genotypes, mutations or chromosomal changes. Genetic testing includes pharmacogenetic testing. Genetic testing does not include an analysis of proteins or metabolites that is directly related to a manifested disease, disorder or pathological condition. For example, an HIV test, complete blood count or cholesterol test is not a genetic test.

**Habilitative.** Health care services are considered habilitative when they are provided to help a person who has not learned or acquired a particular skill or function for daily living to learn, improve or keep such skill or function, as long as measurable progress can be documented.

**Hospital.** A licensed facility that provides diagnostic, medical, therapeutic, rehabilitative and surgical services by or under the direction of, a physician and with 24-hour R.N. nursing services. The hospital is not mainly a place for rest or custodial care, and is not a nursing home or similar facility.

**Inpatient.** An uninterrupted stay, following formal admission to a hospital, skilled nursing facility or licensed acute care facility.

**Investigative.** As determined by Medica or Alluma, a drug, device, diagnostic or screening procedure or medical treatment or procedure is investigative if reliable evidence does not permit conclusions concerning its safety, effectiveness or effect on health outcomes. Investigative services may also be referred to as investigational, unproven or experimental. Medica or Alluma will make its determination based upon an examination of the following reliable evidence, none of which shall be determinative in and of itself:

1. Whether there is final approval from the appropriate government regulatory agency, if required, including whether the drug or device has received final approval to be marketed for its proposed use by the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA), or whether the treatment is the subject of ongoing Phase I, II or III trials;
2. Whether there are consensus opinions and recommendations reported in relevant scientific and medical literature, peer-reviewed journals or the reports of clinical trial committees and other technology assessment bodies; and
3. Whether there are consensus opinions of one or more national care providers in the applicable specialty or subspecialty that typically manages the condition as determined by a survey or poll of a representative sampling of these providers.

Notwithstanding the above, a drug being used for an indication or at a dosage that is an accepted off-label use for the treatment of cancer will not be considered by Medica or Alluma to be investigative. Medica or Alluma will determine if a use is an accepted off-label use based on published reports in authoritative peer-reviewed medical literature, clinical practice guidelines or parameters approved by national health professional boards or associations and entries in any authoritative compendia as identified by the Medicare program for use in the determination of a medically accepted indication of drugs and biologicals used off-label.

At Mayo Medical Plan's sole discretion, it may from time to time allow coverage of certain services conducted at Mayo facilities where item number 1. above is satisfied and there is a consensus of opinion by Mayo physicians who typically manage the condition.

**Life-threatening condition.** Any disease or condition from which the likelihood of death is probable unless the course of the disease or condition is interrupted.

**Medical benefits.** The health services or supplies (described in this plan and any subsequent amendments) approved by Medica as eligible for coverage.

**Medical necessity review.** Medica or Alluma's evaluation of the necessity, appropriateness and efficacy of the use of health care services, procedures and facilities, for the purpose of determining whether the service or admission is medically necessary.

**Medically necessary.** Diagnostic testing and medical treatment, consistent with the diagnosis of and prescribed course of treatment for your condition, and preventive services. Medically necessary care must meet the following criteria:

1. Be consistent with the medical standards and accepted practice parameters of the community as determined by health care providers in the same or similar general specialty as typically manages the condition, procedure or treatment at issue; and
2. Be an appropriate service, in terms of type, frequency, dosage, level, setting and duration, to your diagnosis or condition; and
3. Help to restore or maintain your health; or
4. Prevent deterioration of your condition; or
5. Prevent the reasonably likely onset of a health problem or detect an incipient problem.

**Mental disorder.** A physical or mental condition having an emotional or psychological origin, as defined in the current edition of the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM)*.

**Mental health residential treatment services.** Consistent with the covered person's diagnosis and presentation, and the level and intensity of care as indicated by external clinical guidelines, a licensed or certified residential mental health treatment program must provide the following:

1. A 24-hour per day, structured setting, inclusive of room and board; and
2. The program administers at least the following basic services:
  - a. A combination of group, family and individual counseling provided by a clinically or appropriately licensed mental health professional and/or graduate level professional in the process of obtaining licensure working under the oversight of a licensed mental health practitioner
  - b. On-site or virtual psychiatric assessment within 48 hours of admission;
  - c. Psychiatric follow-up visits at least once per week provided by a licensed psychiatric prescriber for mental health treatment;
  - d. Individual and or family therapy a minimum of once weekly provided by a licensed mental health professional for mental health treatment;
  - e. Weekly client education (e.g. mindfulness, reflective journaling);

- f. Other services specific to mental health treatment;
- g. Adequate nursing coverage for the specific level of care; and
- h. A written, specific and person-centered treatment plan with viable discharge planning to support ongoing recovery efforts.

***Please note: Individual, family and group counseling/therapy that is provided must be based on evidence-based modalities with proven efficacy. Therapy provided using modalities with unproven efficacy must occur in addition to the evidence-based practices.***

**Network.** A provider (such as a hospital, physician, home health agency, skilled nursing facility or pharmacy) that has entered into a written agreement with Medica or Alluma's subcontractor, as applicable or has made other arrangements with Medica or Alluma to provide medical benefits to you. The medical and pharmacy networks are identified online in your plan's provider directory. The participation status of providers will change from time to time.

The medical network provider directory will be furnished automatically, without charge and it may be obtained by signing in at **Medica.com/SignIn** or by contacting Medica Member Services at one of the telephone numbers listed inside the front cover or on the back of your ID card. Pharmacy network providers may be identified by signing in at **Medica.com/SignIn**.

**Network health care facility.** A hospital, hospital outpatient department, critical access hospital or an ambulatory surgical center.

**Non-network.** A provider not under contract as a network provider.

**Non-network provider reimbursement amount.** The amount that the plan will pay to a non-network provider for each medical benefit is based on one of the following, as determined by Medica:

1. A percentage of the amount Medicare would pay for the service in the location where the service is provided. Medica generally updates its data on the amount Medicare pays within 30-60 days after the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services updates its Medicare data; or
2. A percentage of the provider's billed charge; or
3. A nationwide provider reimbursement database that considers prevailing reimbursement rates and/or marketplace charges for similar services in the geographic area in which the service is provided; or
4. An amount agreed upon between Medica and the non-network provider; or
5. An amount equal to the median of Medica's network contracted rates for the same or similar services in the geographic area in which the service is provided.

Contact Member Services for more information concerning which method above pertains to your services, including the applicable percentage if a Medicare-based approach is used.

For certain medical benefits, you must pay a portion of the non-network provider reimbursement amount as a copayment or coinsurance.

Except in the circumstances subject to the protections described in **Surprise Billing Protections**, if the amount billed by the non-network provider is greater than the non-network

provider reimbursement amount, the non-network provider will likely bill you for the difference. This difference may be substantial, and it is in addition to any coinsurance or deductible amount you may be responsible for according to the terms described in this plan. Furthermore, such difference will not be applied toward the out-of-pocket maximum described in **What's Covered and How Much Will I Pay**. Additionally, you will owe these amounts regardless of whether you previously reached your out-of-pocket maximum with amounts paid for other services. As a result, the amount you will be required to pay for services received from a non-network provider will likely be much higher than if you had received services from a network provider.

**Out-of-pocket maximum.** An accumulation of copayments, coinsurance and deductibles paid for benefits received during a calendar year. Unless otherwise specified, you will not be required to pay more than the applicable per covered person out-of-pocket maximum for benefits received during a calendar year.

The time period used to calculate whether you have met the out-of-pocket maximum (calendar year or plan year) is determined by the plan between Medica and the sponsor. If this time period changes when Medica and the sponsor renew the plan, you will receive a new summary plan description that will specify the newly applicable time period and may have additional out-of-pocket expenses associated with this change.

After an applicable out-of-pocket maximum has been met, all other covered benefits received during the rest of the calendar year will be covered at 100 percent, except for any charge not covered by the plan, charge in excess of the non-network provider reimbursement amount or charge you pay in addition to your deductible. The difference in cost between a generic and brand name medication when you or your provider choose the brand name when a chemically equivalent generic is available, and the coinsurance for non-preferred (Tier 3) drugs also do not apply to the annual out-of-pocket maximum.

The plan refunds the amount over the out-of-pocket maximum during any calendar year when proof of excess copayments, coinsurance and deductibles is received and verified by the plan.

**Pharmacogenetic testing.** A type of genetic testing that attempts to use personal gene-based information to determine the proper drug and dosage for an individual. Pharmacogenetic testing seeks to determine how a drug is absorbed, metabolized or cleared from the body of an individual based on their genetic makeup.

**Pharmacy benefits.** The pharmacy services or supplies (described in this plan and any subsequent amendments) approved by Alluma as eligible for coverage.

**Physician.** A Doctor of Medicine (M.D.), Doctor of Osteopathy (D.O.), Doctor of Podiatry (D.P.M.), Doctor of Optometry (O.D.) or Doctor of Chiropractic (D.C.) practicing within the scope of his or her licensure.

**Plan.** The Mayo Medical Plan, as may be amended in the future.

**Plan administration functions.** Administration functions performed by sponsor on behalf of the plan (such as quality assurance, claims processing, auditing and other similar functions). Plan administration functions do not include functions performed by sponsor in connection with any other benefit or benefit plan of sponsor.

**Plan administrator.** The Salary & Benefits Committee.

**Prenatal care.** The comprehensive package of medical and psychosocial support provided throughout a pregnancy and related directly to the care of the pregnancy, including risk assessment, serial surveillance, prenatal education and use of specialized skills and technology, when needed, as defined by Standards for Obstetric-Gynecologic Services issued by the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists.

**Prescription drug.** Medications and drugs that bear the legend, “Federal law prohibits dispensing without a prescription.” This term includes medicines and drugs that contain a legend drug that requires compounding by a pharmacist to the order of a physician or other authorized health care provider and are approved by the FDA. Insulin and diabetic supplies (e.g., syringes, lancets and testing strips) are generally covered as prescription drugs as well.

**Preventive health service.** The following are considered preventive health services:

1. Evidence-based items or services that have in effect a rating of A or B in the current recommendations of the United States Preventive Services Task Force;
2. Immunizations for routine use that have in effect a recommendation from the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention with respect to the covered person involved;
3. With respect to covered persons who are infants, children and adolescents, evidence-informed preventive care and screenings provided for in the comprehensive guidelines supported by the Health Resources and Services Administration;
4. With respect to covered persons who are women, such additional preventive care and screenings not described in 1. as provided for in comprehensive guidelines supported by the Health Resources and Services Administration (including Food and Drug Administration approved contraceptive methods and sterilization procedures other than prescription drugs and related patient education and counseling).

Contact Member Services for information regarding specific preventive health services or visit the Health & Human Services website at [HHS.gov/healthcare](https://www.hhs.gov/healthcare) and search for “preventive services” to learn more about what’s covered.

**Primary care provider.** A provider who has a majority of his or her practice in general pediatrics, internal medicine, obstetrics/gynecology, family practice or general medicine.

**Professionally administered drugs.** Drugs that require intravenous infusion or injection, intrathecal infusion or injection, intramuscular injection or intraocular injection, as well as drugs that, according to the manufacturer’s recommendations, must typically be administered by a health care provider.

**Provider.** A health care professional or facility licensed, certified or otherwise qualified under state law to provide health services.

**Qualified individual.** (1) An individual who is eligible to participate in an approved clinical trial according to the trial protocol with respect to treatment of cancer or other life-threatening conditions, and (2) either (a) the referring health care professional is a network provider and has concluded that the individual’s participation in the trial would be appropriate, or (b) the individual provides medical or scientific information establishing that their participation would be appropriate.

**Reconstructive.** Surgery to rebuild or correct a:

1. Body part when such surgery is incidental to or following surgery resulting from injury, sickness or disease of the involved body part; or
2. Congenital disease or anomaly which has resulted in a functional defect as determined by your physician.

In the case of mastectomy, surgery to reconstruct the breast on which the mastectomy was performed and surgery and reconstruction of the other breast to produce a symmetrical appearance shall be considered reconstructive.

**Rehabilitative.** Health care services are considered rehabilitative when they are provided to restore physical function or speech that has been impaired due to illness or injury.

**Restorative.** Surgery to rebuild or correct a physical defect that has a direct adverse effect on the physical health of a body part, and for which the restoration or correction is medically necessary.

**Retail health clinic.** Professional evaluation and medical management services provided to patients in a health care clinic located in a setting such as a retail store, grocery store or pharmacy. Services include treatment of common illnesses and certain preventive health care services.

**Retiree.** An individual who satisfies the requirements under the **Medical coverage in retirement in Introduction.**

**Routine foot care.** Services that are routine foot care may require treatment by a professional and include but are not limited to any of the following:

1. Cutting, paring or removing corns and calluses;
2. Nail trimming, clipping or cutting; and
3. Debriding (removing toenails, dead skin or underlying tissue).

Routine foot care may also include hygiene and preventive maintenance such as:

1. Cleaning and soaking the feet; and
2. Applying skin creams in order to maintain skin tone.

**Routine patient costs.** All items and services that would be covered benefits if not provided in connection with a clinical trial. In connection with a clinical trial, routine patient costs do not include an investigative or experimental item, device or service; items or services provided solely to satisfy data collection and analysis needs and not used in clinical management; or a service that is clearly inconsistent with widely accepted and established standards of care for a particular diagnosis.

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

1. Care must be delivered or supervised by licensed technical or professional medical personnel in order to obtain the specified medical outcome and provide for the safety of the patient; and
2. Care is ordered by a physician; and

3. Care is not delivered for the purpose of assisting with activities of daily living, including dressing, feeding, bathing or transferring from a bed to a chair; and
4. Care requires clinical training in order to be delivered safely and effectively.

**Skilled nursing facility.** A licensed bed or facility (including an extended care facility, hospital swing-bed and transitional care unit) that provides skilled nursing care, skilled transitional care or other related health services including rehabilitative services.

**Specialty care provider.** A provider who has a majority of his or her practice in areas other than general pediatrics, internal medicine, obstetrics/gynecology, family practice or general medicine.

**Sponsor.** Mayo Clinic.

**Substance use disorder residential treatment services.** Substance use disorder residential treatment services are services from a licensed chemical dependency rehabilitation program that provides intensive therapeutic services following detoxification.

1. A 24-hour per day, structured setting, inclusive of room and board; and
2. The program administers at least the following basic services:
  - a. A combination of group, family and individual counseling provided by a clinically or appropriately licensed mental health professional and/or graduate level professional in the process of obtaining licensure working under the oversight of a licensed mental health professional;
  - b. Completion of a substance use disorder or chemical health assessment;
  - c. Access to psychiatric services provided by a licensed psychiatric prescriber for mental health treatment as clinically indicated for substance use disorder treatment;
  - d. Individual and or family therapy a minimum of once weekly provided by a licensed mental health professional for substance use disorder or mental health treatment;
  - e. Weekly client education (e.g. mindfulness, reflective journaling, sleep hygiene, anger management or safe sex practices);
  - f. Other services specific to mental health treatment and or substance use disorder treatment;
  - g. Adequate nursing coverage for the specific level of care; and
  - h. A written, specific and person-centered treatment plan with viable discharge planning to support ongoing recovery efforts.

***Please note: Individual, family and group counseling/therapy that is provided must be based on evidence-based modalities with proven efficacy. Therapy provided using modalities with unproven efficacy must occur in addition to the evidence-based practices.***

**Telehealth.** Telehealth or sometimes referred to as “telemedicine”. Telehealth is the delivery of health care services or consultations while the patient is at an originating site and the licensed health care provider is at a distant site. An originating site means a site at which a patient is located at the time the services are provided by means of telehealth. A distant site means a site

at which a licensed health care provider is located while providing health care services or consultations by means of telehealth. A communication between a licensed health care provider and a patient that consists solely of an email or facsimile transmission does not constitute telehealth consultations or services.

**Urgent care center.** A health care facility distinguishable from an affiliated clinic or hospital whose primary purpose is to offer and provide immediate, short-term medical care for minor, immediate medical conditions on a regular or routine basis.

**Virtual care.** Professional evaluation and medical management services provided to patients, in locations such as their home or office, through email, telephone or webcam. Virtual care is used to address non-emergent medical symptoms for covered persons describing new or ongoing symptoms to which providers respond with substantive medical advice. Virtual care does not include telephone calls for reporting normal lab or test results or solely calling in a prescription to a pharmacy.

**Waiting period.** The period of time that must pass before an otherwise eligible employee and/or dependent is eligible to become covered under the plan (as determined by the sponsor's eligibility requirements). However, if an eligible employee or dependent enrolls through either an open enrollment period or a special enrollment period further described in the General Information Booklet, any period before such open or special enrollment is not a waiting period. Periods of employment in an employment classification that is not eligible for coverage under the plan do not constitute a waiting period.

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