 The Summary of Benefits and Coverage (SBC) document will help you choose a health [plan](#). The SBC shows you how you and the [plan](#) would share the cost for covered health care services. **NOTE:** Information about the cost of this [plan](#) (called the [premium](#)) will be provided separately. This is only a summary. For more information about your coverage, or to get a copy of the complete terms of coverage, visit www.benefits.mt.gov, www.askallegiance.com/som or call Allegiance at 1-800-877-1122. For general definitions of common terms, such as [allowed amount](#), [balance billing](#), [coinsurance](#), [copayment](#), [deductible](#), [provider](#), or other underlined terms see the Glossary. You can view the Glossary at www.dol.gov/ebsa/healthreform and www.cciio.cms.gov or call Allegiance at 1-800-877-1122 to request a copy.

Important Questions	Answers	Why This Matters:
What is the overall deductible ?	\$1,000 individual	Generally, you must pay all of the costs from providers up to the deductible amount before this plan begins to pay. If you have other family members on the plan , each family member must meet their own individual deductible .
Are there services covered before you meet your deductible ?	Yes. Preventive care is not subject to deductible .	This plan covers some items and services even if you haven't met the deductible amount, but a copayment or coinsurance may apply. For example, this plan covers certain preventive services without cost-sharing and before you meet your deductible . See a list of covered preventive services at http://www.healthcare.gov/coverage/preventive-care-benefits .
Are there other deductibles for specific services?	No	You don't have to meet deductibles for specific services.
What is the out-of-pocket limit for this plan ?	\$4,000 individual/\$8,000 family medical, \$1,800 individual/\$3,600 family pharmacy.	The out-of-pocket limit is the most you could pay in a year for covered services. If you have other family members in this plan , they have to meet their own out-of-pocket limits until the overall family out-of-pocket limits has been met.
What is not included in the out-of-pocket limit ?	Charges in excess of the Procedure Based Maximum Expense, Premiums , balance billing charges (unless balance billing is prohibited), and health care this plan doesn't cover.	Even though you pay these expenses, they don't count toward the out-of-pocket limit . Claims in excess of the PBME may be billed to you (balance billing). (See your plan document for definition of Procedure Based Maximum Expense (PBME).) Non-Preferred (Tier 3) brand and Non-Preferred specialty (Tier 4) products do not accrue towards the pharmacy out-of-pocket maximum.
Will you pay less if you use a network provider ?	This plan does not use a provider network . This plan uses participating providers . See www.askallegiance.com/som or call Allegiance at 1-800-877-1122 for a list of participating providers .	If you use a participating provider , this plan will pay some or all of the costs of covered services. Be aware, your participating provider may use a non-participating provider for some services. See the chart starting on page 2 for how this plan pays different kinds of participating providers .
Do you need a referral to see a specialist ?	No	You can see the specialist you choose without a referral.



All [copayment](#) and [coinsurance](#) costs shown in this chart are after your [deductible](#) has been met, if a [deductible](#) applies.

Common Medical Event	Services You May Need	Your Cost if you use a Participating Provider	Limitations & Exceptions
If you visit a health care provider's office or clinic	Primary care (PCP) visit to treat an injury or illness	\$25 copayment/visit deductible waived	Copayment applies only for evaluation and management. Additional charges are subject to deductible and coinsurance.
	Specialist (SPC) visit	\$35 copayment/visit deductible waived	
	Preventive care/screening/immunization	No charge deductible waived	You may have to pay for services that aren't preventive. Ask your provider if the services needed are preventive. Then check what your plan will pay for.
If you have a test	Diagnostic test (x-ray, blood work)	25% coinsurance	None
	Imaging (CT/PET scans, MRIs)	25% coinsurance	None
If you need drugs to treat your illness or condition More information about prescription drug coverage is available at www.benefits.mt.gov/rx or call 1-866-333-2757 for Commercial members or 1-866-270-3877 for Medicare Rx members.	\$0 Preventive products	No Charge (certain preventive care and select medications)	Charges payable through the Plan's Pharmacy Benefit Manager (PBM) program, Navitus.
	Tier 1 Preferred generics and some lower cost brand products	\$15 copayment retail 1-34 day supply, \$30 copayment retail 35-90 day supply, \$30 copayment mail order up to 90 day supply.	If generic is available and chosen over brand, regardless of how prescription is written, member is responsible for the difference in cost plus applicable brand copayment.
	Tier 2 Preferred brand products and some high cost non-preferred generics	\$50 copayment retail 1-34 day supply, \$100 copayment retail 35-90 day supply, \$100 copayment mail order up to 90 day supply.	Fills provided by a non-preferred pharmacy are limited to 10 day supply. Certain prescriptions require prior approval before the drug can be authorized for coverage.
	Tier 3 Non-preferred products (may include some high cost non-preferred generics)	50% coinsurance retail or mail order up to 90 day supply.	Tier 3 Non-Preferred brand prescriptions do not accrue towards the pharmacy out-of-pocket maximum
	Tier 4 Specialty products	\$200 copayment Preferred Specialty Pharmacy, 50% coinsurance Non-Preferred Specialty Pharmacy or retail.	Specialty prescriptions should be obtained from a specialty pharmacy. Specialty Prescriptions are limited to 34 day supply. Non-Preferred Specialty prescriptions do not accrue toward the pharmacy out-of-pocket maximum. A \$50 Copayment will apply to Preferred Specialty Pharmacy products for Medicare retirees only.
If you have outpatient surgery	Facility fee (e.g., ambulatory surgery center)	25% coinsurance	Pre-treatment review recommended for certain surgeries.
	Physician/surgeon fees	25% coinsurance	None

For more information about limitations and exceptions, see the [plan](#) document at www.benefits.mt.gov, www.askallegiance.com/som or call Allegiance at 1-800-877-1122.



All [copayment](#) and [coinsurance](#) costs shown in this chart are after your [deductible](#) has been met, if a [deductible](#) applies.

Common Medical Event	Services You May Need	Your Cost if you use a Participating Provider	Limitations & Exceptions
If you need immediate medical attention	Emergency room care	25% coinsurance	None
	Emergency medical transportation	25% coinsurance	Medical emergency only.
	Urgent care	\$35 copayment/visit deductible waived	Ancillary charges are subject to deductible and coinsurance.
If you have a hospital stay	Facility fee (e.g., hospital room)	25% coinsurance	Pre-certification recommended for all inpatient admissions.
	Physician/surgeon fees	25% coinsurance	None
If you need mental health, behavioral health, or substance abuse services	Outpatient services	\$25 copayment/office visit, deductible waived 25% coinsurance for other outpatient services	None
	Inpatient services	25% coinsurance	Pre-certification recommended for all inpatient admissions.
If you are pregnant	Office visits	\$25 copayment PCP, \$35 copayment SPC, deductible waived, if billed per office visit	Pre-certification recommended for all inpatient admissions exceeding 48 hours vaginal delivery or 96 hours C-Section. Maternity care may include tests and services described elsewhere in the SBC (i.e., ultrasound).
	Childbirth/delivery professional services	25% coinsurance if billed as global fee	
	Childbirth/delivery facility services	25% coinsurance	
If you need help recovering or have other special health needs	Home health care	25% coinsurance	Coverage limited to 70 days per benefit period. Pre-treatment review recommended.
	Rehabilitation services	\$25 copayment/visit deductible waived	Copayment applies to occupational, physical and speech therapies. Deductible and coinsurance apply for other therapy services.
	Habilitation services	\$25 copayment/visit deductible waived	None
	Skilled nursing care	25% coinsurance	Coverage limited to 70 days per benefit period. Pre-certification recommended for all skilled nursing facility charges.
	Durable medical equipment	25% coinsurance	Pre-treatment review recommended for charges exceeding \$2,500.
	Hospice services	25% coinsurance	Includes bereavement counseling. Pre-certification recommended for all inpatient admissions.
If your child needs dental or eye care	Children's eye exam	Not covered	Vision care is not covered under the medical plan. Vision care is covered under an excepted benefit.
	Children's glasses	Not covered	
	Children's dental check-up	Not covered	Dental care is not covered under the medical plan. Dental care is covered under an excepted benefit.

Excluded Services & Other Covered Services:

Services Your [Plan](#) Generally Does NOT Cover (Check your [plan](#) document for more information and a list of any other [excluded services](#).)

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bariatric surgery• Cosmetic surgery• Dental care (Adult) | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hearing aids• Infertility treatment• Long-term care | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Routine eye care (Adult)• Routine foot care• Weight loss programs |
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Other Covered Services (Limitations may apply to these services. This isn't a complete list. Please see your [plan](#) document.)

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Acupuncture• Chiropractic care | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Non-emergency care when traveling outside of the U.S. | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Private-duty nursing |
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Your Rights to Continue Coverage: There are agencies that can help if you want to continue your coverage after it ends. The contact information for those agencies is: U.S. Department of Labor, Employee Benefits Security Administration at 1-866-444-3272 or www.dol.gov/ebsa/healthreform, or the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services at 1-877-267-2323 x61565 or www.cciio.cms.gov. Other coverage options may be available to you too, including buying individual insurance coverage through the Health Insurance Marketplace. For more information about the Marketplace, visit www.HealthCare.gov or call 1-800-318-2596.

Your Grievance and Appeals Rights: There are agencies that can help if you have a complaint against your [plan](#) for a denial of a [claim](#). This complaint is called a [grievance](#) or [appeal](#). For more information about your rights, look at the explanation of benefits you will receive for that medical [claim](#). Your [plan](#) documents also provide complete information to submit a [claim](#), [appeal](#), or a [grievance](#) for any reason to your [plan](#). For more information about your rights, this notice, or assistance, contact: U.S. Department of Labor, Employee Benefits Security Administration at 1-866-444-3272 or www.dol.gov/ebsa/healthreform, Department of Health and Human Services, Center for Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight at: 1-877-267-2323 x61565 or www.cciio.cms.gov, www.benefits.mt.gov, www.askallegiance.com/som or call Allegiance at 1-800-877-1122. Additionally, a consumer assistance program can help you file your appeal. Consumer assistance programs available at www.dol.gov/ebsa/healthreform or www.cciio.cms.gov/programs/consumer/capgrants/index.html.

Does this plan provide Minimum Essential Coverage? Yes

[Minimum Essential Coverage](#) generally includes plans, health insurance available through the Marketplace or other individual market policies, Medicare, Medicaid, CHIP, TRICARE, and certain other coverage. If you are eligible for certain types of [Minimum Essential Coverage](#), you may not be eligible for the premium tax credit.

Does this plan meet the Minimum Value Standards? Yes

If your [plan](#) doesn't meet the [Minimum Value Standards](#), you may be eligible for a [premium tax credit](#) to help you pay for a [plan](#) through the [Marketplace](#).

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

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About these Coverage Examples:



This is not a cost estimator. Treatments shown are just examples of how this [plan](#) might cover medical care. Your actual costs will be different depending on the actual care you receive, the prices your [providers](#) charge, and many other factors. Focus on the [cost sharing](#) amounts ([deductibles](#), [copayments](#) and [coinsurance](#)) and [excluded services](#) under the [plan](#). Use this information to compare the portion of costs you might pay under different health [plans](#). Please note these coverage examples are based on self-only coverage.

Peg is Having a Baby

(9 months of participating-provider pre-natal care and a hospital delivery)

■ The plan's overall deductible	\$1,000
■ Specialist copayment	\$35
■ Hospital (facility) coinsurance	25%
■ Other coinsurance	25%

This EXAMPLE event includes services like:

Specialist office visits (*prenatal care*)
 Childbirth/Delivery Professional Services
 Childbirth/Delivery Facility Services
 Diagnostic tests (*ultrasounds and blood work*)
 Specialist visit (*anesthesia*)

Total Example Cost	\$12,700
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In this example, Peg would pay:

<i>Cost Sharing</i>	
Deductibles	\$1,000
Copayments	\$0
Coinsurance	\$3,000
<i>What isn't covered</i>	
Limits or exclusions	\$60
The total Peg would pay is	\$4,060

Managing Joe's type 2 Diabetes

(a year of routine participating-provider care of a well-controlled condition)

■ The plan's overall deductible	\$1,000
■ Specialist copayment	\$35
■ Hospital (facility) coinsurance	25%
■ Other coinsurance	25%

This EXAMPLE event includes services like:

Primary care physician office visits (*including disease education*)
 Diagnostic tests (*blood work*)
 Prescription drugs
 Durable medical equipment (*glucose meter*)

Total Example Cost	\$5,600
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In this example, Joe would pay:

<i>Cost Sharing</i>	
Deductibles	\$1,000
Copayments	\$1,000
Coinsurance	\$0
<i>What isn't covered</i>	
Limits or exclusions	\$20
The total Joe would pay is	\$2,020

Mia's Simple Fracture

(participating-provider emergency room visit and follow up care)

■ The plan's overall deductible	\$1,000
■ Specialist copayment	\$35
■ Hospital (facility) coinsurance	25%
■ Other coinsurance	25%

This EXAMPLE event includes services like:

Emergency room care (*including medical supplies*)
 Diagnostic test (*x-ray*)
 Durable medical equipment (*crutches*)
 Rehabilitation services (*physical therapy*)

Total Example Cost	\$2,800
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In this example, Mia would pay:

<i>Cost Sharing</i>	
Deductibles	\$1,000
Copayments	\$200
Coinsurance	\$300
<i>What isn't covered</i>	
Limits or exclusions	\$0
The total Mia would pay is	\$1,500

Note: The cost sharing amounts in the Coverage Examples are based on the CMS Cost Sharing Calculator (CECSC) www.cms.gov/CCIIO/Resources/Forms-Reports-and-Other-Resources/index.html used to estimate out-of-pocket expenses. The coverage examples are estimated costs only, and may not accurately reflect actual costs. The actual care you receive will be different from these examples, and the cost of that care will also be different.

Glossary of Health Coverage and Medical Terms

- This glossary defines many commonly used terms, but isn't a full list. These glossary terms and definitions are intended to be educational and may be different from the terms and definitions in your [plan](#) or [health insurance](#) policy. Some of these terms also might not have exactly the same meaning when used in your policy or [plan](#), and in any case, the policy or [plan](#) governs. (See your Summary of Benefits and Coverage for information on how to get a copy of your policy or [plan](#) document.)
- [Underlined](#) text indicates a term defined in this Glossary.
- See page 6 for an example showing how [deductibles](#), [coinsurance](#) and [out-of-pocket limits](#) work together in a real life situation.

Allowed Amount

This is the maximum payment the [plan](#) will pay for a covered health care service. May also be called “eligible expense,” “payment allowance,” or “negotiated rate.”

Appeal

A request that your health insurer or [plan](#) review a decision that denies a benefit or payment (either in whole or in part).

Balance Billing

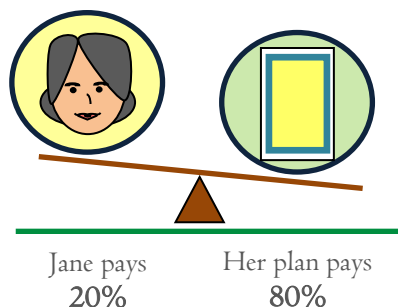
When a [provider](#) bills you for the balance remaining on the bill that your [plan](#) doesn't cover. This amount is the difference between the actual billed amount and the [allowed amount](#). For example, if the provider's charge is \$200 and the allowed amount is \$110, the provider may bill you for the remaining \$90. This happens most often when you see an [out-of-network provider](#) ([non-preferred provider](#)). A [network provider](#) ([preferred provider](#)) may not balance bill you for covered services.

Claim

A request for a benefit (including reimbursement of a health care expense) made by you or your health care [provider](#) to your health insurer or [plan](#) for items or services you think are covered.

Coinsurance

Your share of the costs of a covered health care service, calculated as a percentage (for example, 20%) of the [allowed amount](#) for the service. You generally pay coinsurance *plus* any [deductibles](#) you owe. (For example, if the [health insurance](#) or [plan's](#) allowed amount for an office visit is \$100 and you've met your [deductible](#), your coinsurance payment of 20% would be \$20. The [health insurance](#) or [plan](#) pays the rest of the allowed amount.)



(See page 6 for a detailed example.)

Complications of Pregnancy

Conditions due to pregnancy, labor, and delivery that require medical care to prevent serious harm to the health of the mother or the fetus. Morning sickness and a non-emergency caesarean section generally aren't complications of pregnancy.

Copayment

A fixed amount (for example, \$15) you pay for a covered health care service, usually when you receive the service (sometimes called “copay”). The amount can vary by the type of covered health care service.

Cost Sharing

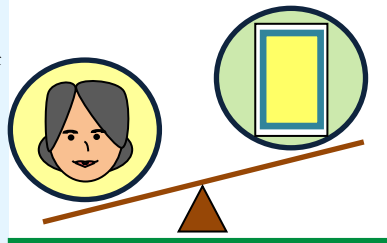
Your share of costs for services that a [plan](#) covers that you must pay out of your own pocket (sometimes called “out-of-pocket costs”). Some examples of cost sharing are [copayments](#), [deductibles](#), and [coinsurance](#). Family cost sharing is the share of cost for [deductibles](#) and [out-of-pocket](#) costs you and your spouse and/or child(ren) must pay out of your own pocket. Other costs, including your [premiums](#), penalties you may have to pay, or the cost of care a [plan](#) doesn't cover usually aren't considered cost sharing.

Cost-sharing Reductions

Discounts that reduce the amount you pay for certain services covered by an individual [plan](#) you buy through the [Marketplace](#). You may get a discount if your income is below a certain level, and you choose a Silver level health plan or if you're a member of a federally-recognized tribe, which includes being a shareholder in an Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act corporation.

Deductible

An amount you could owe during a coverage period (usually one year) for covered health care services before your [plan](#) begins to pay. An overall deductible applies to all or almost all covered items and services. A [plan](#) with an overall deductible may also have separate deductibles that apply to specific services or groups of services. A [plan](#) may also have only separate deductibles. (For example, if your deductible is \$1000, your plan won't pay anything until you've met your \$1000 deductible for covered health care services subject to the deductible.)



Jane pays 100% Her plan pays 0%
(See page 6 for a detailed example.)

Diagnostic Test

Tests to figure out what your health problem is. For example, an x-ray can be a diagnostic test to see if you have a broken bone.

Durable Medical Equipment (DME)

Equipment and supplies ordered by a health care [provider](#) for everyday or extended use. DME may include: oxygen equipment, wheelchairs, and crutches.

Emergency Medical Condition

An illness, injury, symptom (including severe pain), or condition severe enough to risk serious danger to your health if you didn't get medical attention right away. If you didn't get immediate medical attention you could reasonably expect one of the following: 1) Your health would be put in serious danger; or 2) You would have serious problems with your bodily functions; or 3) You would have serious damage to any part or organ of your body.

Emergency Medical Transportation

Ambulance services for an [emergency medical condition](#). Types of emergency medical transportation may include transportation by air, land, or sea. Your [plan](#) may not cover all types of emergency medical transportation, or may pay less for certain types.

Emergency Room Care / Emergency Services

Services to check for an [emergency medical condition](#) and treat you to keep an [emergency medical condition](#) from getting worse. These services may be provided in a licensed hospital's emergency room or other place that provides care for [emergency medical conditions](#).

Excluded Services

Health care services that your [plan](#) doesn't pay for or cover.

Formulary

A list of drugs your [plan](#) covers. A formulary may include how much your share of the cost is for each drug. Your [plan](#) may put drugs in different [cost-sharing](#) levels or tiers. For example, a formulary may include generic drug and brand name drug tiers and different [cost-sharing](#) amounts will apply to each tier.

Grievance

A complaint that you communicate to your health insurer or [plan](#).

Habilitation Services

Health care services that help a person keep, learn or improve skills and functioning for daily living. Examples include therapy for a child who isn't walking or talking at the expected age. These services may include physical and occupational therapy, speech-language pathology, and other services for people with disabilities in a variety of inpatient and/or outpatient settings.

Health Insurance

A contract that requires a health insurer to pay some or all of your health care costs in exchange for a [premium](#). A health insurance contract may also be called a "policy" or "[plan](#)."

Home Health Care

Health care services and supplies you get in your home under your doctor's orders. Services may be provided by nurses, therapists, social workers, or other licensed health care [providers](#). Home health care usually doesn't include help with non-medical tasks, such as cooking, cleaning, or driving.

Hospice Services

Services to provide comfort and support for persons in the last stages of a terminal illness and their families.

Hospitalization

Care in a hospital that requires admission as an inpatient and usually requires an overnight stay. Some [plans](#) may consider an overnight stay for observation as outpatient care instead of inpatient care.

Hospital Outpatient Care

Care in a hospital that usually doesn't require an overnight stay.

In-network Coinsurance

Your share (for example, 20%) of the [allowed amount](#) for covered health care services. Your share is usually lower for in-network covered services.

In-network Copayment

A fixed amount (for example, \$15) you pay for covered health care services to [providers](#) who contract with your [health insurance](#) or [plan](#). In-network copayments usually are less than [out-of-network copayments](#).

Marketplace

A marketplace for [health insurance](#) where individuals, families and small businesses can learn about their [plan](#) options; compare plans based on costs, benefits and other important features; apply for and receive financial help with [premiums](#) and [cost sharing](#) based on income; and choose a [plan](#) and enroll in coverage. Also known as an “Exchange.” The Marketplace is run by the state in some states and by the federal government in others. In some states, the Marketplace also helps eligible consumers enroll in other programs, including Medicaid and the Children’s Health Insurance Program (CHIP). Available online, by phone, and in-person.

Maximum Out-of-pocket Limit

Yearly amount the federal government sets as the most each individual or family can be required to pay in [cost sharing](#) during the [plan](#) year for covered, in-network services. Applies to most types of health [plans](#) and insurance. This amount may be higher than the [out-of-pocket limits](#) stated for your [plan](#).

Medically Necessary

Health care services or supplies needed to prevent, diagnose, or treat an illness, injury, condition, disease, or its symptoms, including habilitation, and that meet accepted standards of medicine.

Minimum Essential Coverage

Minimum essential coverage generally includes [plans](#), [health insurance](#) available through the [Marketplace](#) or other individual market policies, Medicare, Medicaid, CHIP, TRICARE, and certain other coverage. If you are eligible for certain types of minimum essential coverage, you may not be eligible for the [premium tax credit](#).

Minimum Value Standard

A basic standard to measure the percent of permitted costs the [plan](#) covers. If you’re offered an employer [plan](#) that pays for at least 60% of the total allowed costs of benefits, the [plan](#) offers minimum value and you may not qualify for [premium tax credits](#) and [cost-sharing reductions](#) to buy a [plan](#) from the [Marketplace](#).

Network

The facilities, [providers](#) and suppliers your health insurer or [plan](#) has contracted with to provide health care services.

Network Provider (Preferred Provider)

A [provider](#) who has a contract with your [health insurer](#) or [plan](#) who has agreed to provide services to members of a [plan](#). You will pay less if you see a [provider](#) in the [network](#). Also called “preferred provider” or “participating provider.”

Orthotics and Prosthetics

Leg, arm, back and neck braces, artificial legs, arms, and eyes, and external breast prostheses after a mastectomy. These services include: adjustment, repairs, and replacements required because of breakage, wear, loss, or a change in the patient’s physical condition.

Out-of-network Coinsurance

Your share (for example, 40%) of the [allowed amount](#) for covered health care services to [providers](#) who don’t contract with your [health insurance](#) or [plan](#). Out-of-network coinsurance usually costs you more than [in-network coinsurance](#).

Out-of-network Copayment

A fixed amount (for example, \$30) you pay for covered health care services from [providers](#) who do *not* contract with your [health insurance](#) or [plan](#). Out-of-network copayments usually are more than [in-network copayments](#).

Out-of-network Provider (Non-Preferred Provider)

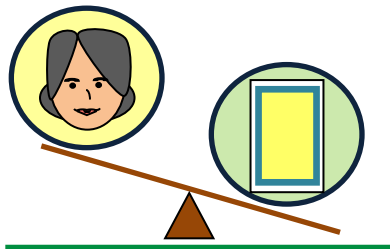
A [provider](#) who doesn’t have a contract with your [plan](#) to provide services. If your [plan](#) covers out-of-network services, you’ll usually pay more to see an out-of-network provider than a [preferred provider](#). Your policy will explain what those costs may be. May also be called “non-preferred” or “non-participating” instead of “out-of-network provider.”

Out-of-pocket Limit

The most you *could* pay during a coverage period (usually one year) for your share of the costs of covered services.

After you meet this limit the [plan](#) will usually pay 100% of the [allowed amount](#). This limit helps you plan for

health care costs. This limit never includes your [premium](#), [balance-billed](#) charges or health care your [plan](#) doesn't cover. Some [plans](#) don't count all of your [copayments](#), [deductibles](#), [coinsurance](#) payments, out-of-network payments, or other expenses toward this limit.



Jane pays
0%

Her plan pays
100%

(See page 6 for a detailed example.)

Physician Services

Health care services a licensed medical physician, including an M.D. (Medical Doctor) or D.O. (Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine), provides or coordinates.

Plan

Health coverage issued to you directly (individual plan) or through an employer, union or other group sponsor (employer group plan) that provides coverage for certain health care costs. Also called “health insurance plan,” “policy,” “health insurance policy,” or “[health insurance](#).”

Preauthorization

A decision by your health insurer or [plan](#) that a health care service, treatment plan, [prescription drug](#) or [durable medical equipment \(DME\)](#) is [medically necessary](#). Sometimes called “prior authorization,” “prior approval,” or “precertification.” Your [health insurance](#) or [plan](#) may require preauthorization for certain services before you receive them, except in an emergency. Preauthorization isn't a promise your [health insurance](#) or [plan](#) will cover the cost.

Premium

The amount that must be paid for your [health insurance](#) or [plan](#). You and/or your employer usually pay it monthly, quarterly, or yearly.

Premium Tax Credits

Financial help that lowers your taxes to help you and your family pay for private [health insurance](#). You can get this help if you get [health insurance](#) through the [Marketplace](#) and your income is below a certain level. Advance payments of the tax credit can be used right away to lower your monthly [premium](#) costs.

Prescription Drug Coverage

Coverage under a [plan](#) that helps pay for [prescription drugs](#). If the plan's [formulary](#) uses “tiers” (levels), prescription drugs are grouped together by type or cost. The amount you'll pay in [cost sharing](#) will be different for each “tier” of covered [prescription drugs](#).

Prescription Drugs

Drugs and medications that by law require a prescription.

Preventive Care (Preventive Service)

Routine health care, including [screenings](#), check-ups, and patient counseling, to prevent or discover illness, disease, or other health problems.

Primary Care Physician

A physician, including an M.D. (Medical Doctor) or D.O. (Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine), who provides or coordinates a range of health care services for you.

Primary Care Provider

A physician, including an M.D. (Medical Doctor) or D.O. (Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine), nurse practitioner, clinical nurse specialist, or physician assistant, as allowed under state law and the terms of the [plan](#), who provides, coordinates, or helps you access a range of health care services.

Provider

An individual or facility that provides health care services. Some examples of a provider include a doctor, nurse, chiropractor, physician assistant, hospital, surgical center, skilled nursing facility, and rehabilitation center. The [plan](#) may require the provider to be licensed, certified, or accredited as required by state law.

Reconstructive Surgery

Surgery and follow-up treatment needed to correct or improve a part of the body because of birth defects, accidents, injuries, or medical conditions.

Referral

A written order from your [primary care provider](#) for you to see a [specialist](#) or get certain health care services. In many health maintenance organizations (HMOs), you need to get a referral before you can get health care services from anyone except your [primary care provider](#). If you don't get a referral first, the [plan](#) may not pay for the services.

Rehabilitation Services

Health care services that help a person keep, get back, or improve skills and functioning for daily living that have been lost or impaired because a person was sick, hurt, or disabled. These services may include physical and occupational therapy, speech-language pathology, and psychiatric rehabilitation services in a variety of inpatient and/or outpatient settings.

Screening

A type of [preventive care](#) that includes tests or exams to detect the presence of something, usually performed when you have no symptoms, signs, or prevailing medical history of a disease or condition.

Skilled Nursing Care

Services performed or supervised by licensed nurses in your home or in a nursing home. Skilled nursing care is *not* the same as “skilled care services,” which are services performed by therapists or technicians (rather than licensed nurses) in your home or in a nursing home.

Specialist

A [provider](#) focusing on a specific area of medicine or a group of patients to diagnose, manage, prevent, or treat certain types of symptoms and conditions.

Specialty Drug

A type of [prescription drug](#) that, in general, requires special handling or ongoing monitoring and assessment by a health care professional, or is relatively difficult to dispense. Generally, specialty drugs are the most expensive drugs on a [formulary](#).

UCR (Usual, Customary and Reasonable)

The amount paid for a medical service in a geographic area based on what [providers](#) in the area usually charge for the same or similar medical service. The UCR amount sometimes is used to determine the [allowed amount](#).

Urgent Care

Care for an illness, injury, or condition serious enough that a reasonable person would seek care right away, but not so severe as to require [emergency room care](#).

How You and Your Insurer Share Costs - Example

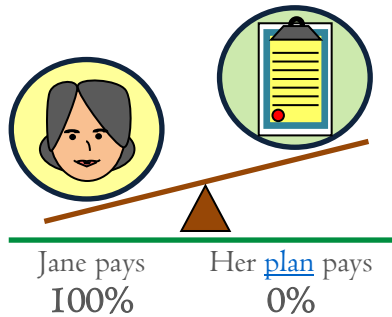
Jane's Plan Deductible: \$1,500

Coinsurance: 20%

Out-of-Pocket Limit: \$5,000

January 1st
Beginning of Coverage Period

December 31st
End of Coverage Period



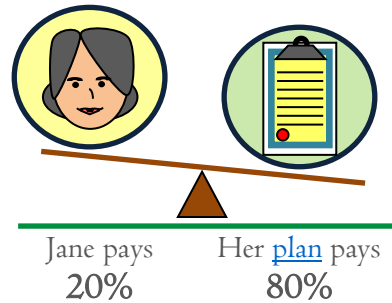
Jane hasn't reached her \$1,500 deductible yet

Her plan doesn't pay any of the costs.

Office visit costs: \$125

Jane pays: \$125

Her plan pays: \$0



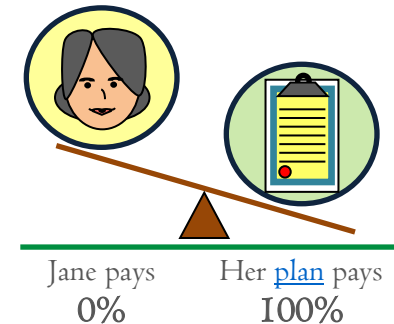
Jane reaches her \$1,500 deductible, coinsurance begins

Jane has seen a doctor several times and paid \$1,500 in total, reaching her deductible. So her plan pays some of the costs for her next visit.

Office visit costs: \$125

Jane pays: 20% of \$125 = \$25

Her plan pays: 80% of \$125 = \$100



Jane reaches her \$5,000 out-of-pocket limit

Jane has seen the doctor often and paid \$5,000 in total. Her plan pays the full cost of her covered health care services for the rest of the year.

Office visit costs: \$125

Jane pays: \$0

Her plan pays: \$125

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注意：如果您使用繁體中文，您可以免費獲得語言援助服務。請致電 1-855-999-1062 (TTY: 1-855-999-1063)

ATTENTION: If you speak English, language assistance services, free of charge, are available to you. Call 1-855-999-1062 (TTY: 1-855-999-1063).

ATANSYON: Si w pale Kreyòl Ayisyen, gen sèvis èd pou lang ki disponib gratis pou ou. Rele 1-855-999-1062 (TTY: 1-855-999-1063).

ATTENTION: Si vous parlez français, des services d'aide linguistique vous sont proposés gratuitement. Appelez le 1-855-999-1062 (ATS: 1-855-999-1063).

ACHTUNG: Wenn Sie Deutsch sprechen, stehen Ihnen kostenlos sprachliche Hilfsdienstleistungen zur Verfügung. Rufnummer: 1-855-999-1062 (TTY: 1-855-999-1063).

ATTENZIONE: In caso la lingua parlata sia l'italiano, sono disponibili servizi di assistenza linguistica gratuiti. Chiamare il numero 1-855-999-1062 (TTY: 1-855-999-1063).

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ATENÇÃO: Se fala português, encontram-se disponíveis serviços linguísticos, grátis. Ligue para 1-855-999-1062 (TTY: 1-855-999-1063).

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ATENCIÓN: si habla español, tiene a su disposición servicios gratuitos de asistencia lingüística. Llame al 1-855-999-1062 (TTY: 1-855-999-1063).

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