

Business BlueEssentials PPO Gold 1

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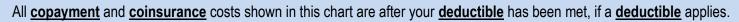
Coverage for: Individual-Family | Plan Type: PPO

Summary of Benefits and Coverage: What this Plan Covers & What You Pay For Covered Services



The Summary of Benefits and Coverage (SBC) document will help you choose a health <u>plan</u>. The SBC shows you how you and the <u>plan</u> would share the cost for covered health care services. NOTE: Information about the cost of this <u>plan</u> (called the <u>premium</u>) 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, call 1-800-868-2500, ext. 41010 to request a copy. For general definitions of common terms, such as <u>allowed amount</u>, <u>balance billing</u>, <u>coinsurance</u>, <u>copayment</u>, <u>deductible</u>, <u>provider</u>, or other <u>underlined</u> terms see the Glossary. You can view the Glossary at https://www.healthcare.gov/sbc-glossary or call 1-800-868-2500, ext. 41010 to request a copy.

Important Questions	Answers	Why this Matters:
What is the overall deductible?	\$1,800 individual / \$3,600 family for in-network providers. \$0 individual / \$0 family for out-of-network providers.	Generally, you must pay all the costs from <u>providers</u> up to the <u>deductible</u> amount before this <u>plan</u> begins to pay. If you have other family members on the <u>plan</u> , each family member must meet their own individual <u>deductible</u> until the total amount of <u>deductible</u> expenses paid by all family members meets the overall family <u>deductible</u> .
Are there services covered before you meet your deductible?	Yes. Preventive care services and office visits are covered before you meet your deductible.	This <u>plan</u> covers some items and services even if you haven't yet met the <u>deductible</u> amount. But a <u>copayment</u> or <u>coinsurance</u> may apply. For example, this <u>plan</u> covers certain <u>preventive services</u> without <u>cost sharing</u> and before you meet your <u>deductible</u> . See a list of covered <u>preventive services</u> at https://www.healthcare.gov/coverage/preventive-care-benefits/ .
Are there other deductibles for specific services?	No.	You don't have to meet <u>deductibles</u> for specific services.
What is the maximum out-of-pocket limit for this plan?	\$4,500 individual / \$9,000 family for in-network providers. There is no out-of-pocket limit for out-of-network providers.	The <u>maximum out-of-pocket limit</u> is the most you could pay in a year for covered services. If you have other family members in this <u>plan</u> , they have to meet their own <u>maximum out-of-pocket limits</u> until the overall family <u>maximum out-of-pocket limit</u> has been met.
What is not included in the maximum out-of-pocket limit?	Copayments on certain services, premiums, balance-billing charges, and health care this plan doesn't cover.	Even though you pay these expenses, they don't count toward the <u>maximum</u> <u>out-of-pocket limit</u> .
Will you pay less if you use a network provider?	Yes. For a list of in-network providers, see https://www.SouthCarolinaBlues.com/links/providers/Pr eferredBlue	This <u>plan</u> uses a <u>provider network</u> . You will pay less if you use a <u>provider</u> in the plan's <u>network</u> . You will pay the most if you use an <u>out-of-network provider</u> , and you might receive a bill from a <u>provider</u> for the difference between the <u>provider's</u> charge and what your <u>plan</u> pays (<u>balance billing</u>). Be aware, your <u>network provider</u> might use an <u>out-of-network provider</u> for some services (such as lab work). Check with your <u>provider</u> before you get services.
Do I need a <u>referral</u> to see a <u>specialist</u> ?	No.	You can see the specialist you choose without a referral.



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	What You Will Pay			
Common Medical Event	Services You May Need	Network Provider (You will pay the least)	Out-of-Network Provider (You will pay the most)	Limitations, Exceptions, & Other Important Information
If you visit a health care provider's office or clinic	Primary care visit to treat an injury or illness	\$25 copay/visit Deductible does not apply	50% coinsurance	Copay doesn't include surgery, outpatient lab and X-ray services (except for
	<u>Specialist</u> visit	\$50 copay/visit Deductible does not apply	50% coinsurance	standard plain film X-rays), second surgical opinion, dialysis, chemotherapy, radiation therapy, administration of specialty drugs, endoscopies and imaging.
	Preventive care/screening/immunization	No charge	Not covered	No charge for mammograms at a participating provider.
If you have a test	Diagnostic test (x-ray, blood work)	25% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	NONE
If you have a test	Imaging (CT/PET scans, MRIs)	25% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	No benefit if not preapproved.
If you need drugs to	Tier 1 Drugs	\$15 copay/prescription (retail) \$21 copay/prescription (mail-order) Deductible does not apply	50% coinsurance	
treat your illness or condition More information about prescription drug coverage is available at www.southcarolinablues.com/links/pharmacy/BusinessBlueEssentials	Tier 2 Drugs	\$50 copay/prescription (retail) \$135 copay/prescription (mail-order) Deductible does not apply	50% coinsurance	Quantity limits may apply. Some drugs may require prior approval. No benefits if not approved. Drugs that are considered specialty drugs must be purchased from our Specialty Pharmacy, Optum® Specialty Pharmacy.
	Tier 3 Drugs	\$100 copay/prescription (retail) \$270 copay/prescription (mail-order) Deductible does not apply	50% coinsurance	
	Tier 4 Drugs	\$300 copay/prescription Deductible does not apply	Not covered	
If you have outpatient surgery	Facility fee (e.g., ambulatory surgery center)	25% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	50% reduction of allowed amount if not preapproved for hysterectomy or septoplasty. Cosmetic surgery is not covered. \$500 copay per Ambulatory Surgery Center facility charge.
	Physician/surgeon fees	25% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	50% reduction of allowed amount if not preapproved for hysterectomy or septoplasty. Cosmetic surgery is not covered.

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	Emergency room care	\$300 copay/visit then deductible, then 25% coinsurance	Facility charges only - \$300 copay/visit, then 25% coinsurance. All other charges - 50% coinsurance.	NONE
If you need immediate	Emergency medical transportation	25% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	
medical attention	<u>Urgent care</u>	\$50 copay/visit Deductible does not apply	50% coinsurance	Copay doesn't include surgery, outpatient lab and X-ray services (except for standard plain film X-rays), second surgical opinion, dialysis, chemotherapy, radiation therapy, specialty drugs, endoscopies and imaging.
If you have a hospital stay	Facility fee (e.g., hospital room)	25% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	Room and board denied if stay is not preapproved. No benefits for human organ/tissue transplant if not preapproved and at designated provider.
	Physician/surgeon fee	25% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	No benefits for human organ/tissue transplant if not preapproved and at designated provider.
If you have mental health, behavioral health, or substance abuse services	Outpatient services	25% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	\$25 copay/visit for in-network office visit. No benefits for psychological testing, repetitive Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation, intensive outpatient services, partial hospitalization and electroconvulsive therapy if not preapproved.
	Inpatient services	25% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	No benefits if not preapproved.

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If you are pregnant	Office visits	\$25 copay/visit Deductible does not apply	50% coinsurance	Depending on the type of services, a copayment, coinsurance, or deductible may apply. Maternity care may include tests and services described elsewhere in the SBC (i.e. ultrasound.)
	Childbirth/delivery professional services	25% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	NONE
	Childbirth/delivery facility services	25% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	No benefits for termination of pregnancy, except in limited circumstances.
	Home health care	25% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	Limited to 60 visits/year. No benefits if not preapproved.
If you need help recovering or have other special health needs	Rehabilitation services	25% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	Physical, occupational and speech therapy limited to 30 Rehabilitative visits/year combined. No inpatient benefits if not preapproved.
	Habilitation services	25% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	Physical, occupational and speech therapy limited to 30 Habilitative visits/year combined. No inpatient benefits if not preapproved.
	Skilled nursing care	25% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	Limited to 60 days/year. Room and board denied if stay is not preapproved.
	Durable medical equipment	25% coinsurance	Not covered	Excludes repair of, replacement of and duplicate. No benefits if not preapproved when cost is \$500 or more.
	Hospice service	25% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	Limited to 6 months/episode. No benefits if not preapproved.
If your child needs dental or eye care	Children's eye exam	\$25 copay	Not covered	Limited to one eye exam per benefit period
	Children's glasses	\$50 copay	Not covered	Limited to once every benefit period for lenses and frames.
	Children's dental check-up	Not covered	Not covered	NONE

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Excluded Services & Other Covered Services:

Services Your Plan Does NOT Cover (Check your policy or plan document for more information and a list of any other excluded services.)				
Abortion Services*	 [Dental check-up (Child)] 	 Residential and custodial care 		
Acupuncture	Hearing aids	 Routine eye care (Adult) 		
Bariatric surgery	Infertility treatment	Routine foot care		
Cosmetic surgery	Long-term care	 Weight loss programs 		
[Dental care (Adult)]	Private duty nursing	•		

^{*}Abortion services (except in cases of rape, incest, or when the life of the mother is endangered)

Other Covered Services (Limitations may apply to these services. This isn't a complete list. Please see your plan document.) • Chiropractic care (if purchased separately) • [Dental care (Adult)] • [Dental check-up (Child)]

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: The State Insurance Department at 1-803-737-6160 or www.doi.sc.gov, U.S. Department of Labor, Employee Benefits Security Administration at 1-866-444-3272 or www.doi.sc.gov, 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 http://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 <u>plan</u> for a denial of a <u>claim</u>. This complaint is called a <u>grievance</u> or <u>appeal</u>. For more information about your rights, look at the explanation of benefits you will receive for that medical <u>claim</u>. Your <u>plan</u> documents also provide complete information to submit a <u>claim</u>, <u>appeal</u>, or a <u>grievance</u> for any reason to your <u>plan</u>. For more information about your rights, this notice, or assistance, contact: the plan at 1-800-868-2500, ext. 41010 or visit http://www.SouthCarolinaBlues.com, the U.S. Department of Labor, Employee Benefits Security Administration at 1-866-444-3272 or www.doi.gov/ebsa/healthreform, your State Department of Insurance customer assistance at: 1-800-768-3467 or visit www.doi.sc.gov.

Does this plan Provide Minimum Essential Coverage? Yes

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

Does this plan Meet the Minimum Value Standard? 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 <u>plan</u> might cover medical care. Your actual costs will be different depending on the actual care you receive, the prices your <u>providers</u> charge, and many other factors. Focus on the <u>cost sharing</u> amounts (<u>deductibles</u>, <u>copayments</u> and <u>coinsurance</u>) and <u>excluded services</u> under the <u>plan</u>. Use this information to compare the portion of costs you might pay under different health <u>plans</u>. Please note these coverage examples are based on self-only coverage.

Peg is Having a Baby

(9 months of in-network pre-natal care and a hospital delivery)

■ The plan's overall <u>deductible</u>	\$1,800
■ Specialist copayment	\$50
■ 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:

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Cost Sharing		
\$1,800		
\$10		
\$2,700		
What isn't covered		
\$60		
The total Peg would pay is \$4,560		

Managing Joe's Type 2 Diabetes (a year of routine in-network care of a well-controlled condition)

■ The plan's overall <u>deductible</u>	\$1,800
■ Specialist copayment	\$50
■ Hospital (facility) coinsurance	25%
■ Other coinsurance	25%

This EXAMPLE event includes services like:

<u>Primary care physician</u> office visits (including disease education)

Diagnostic tests (blood work)

Prescription drugs

<u>Durable medical equipment</u> (glucose meter)

In this example, Joe would pay:

Cost Sharing		
Deductibles*	\$900	
<u>Copayments</u>	\$1,700	
Coinsurance	\$0	
What isn't covered		
Limits or exclusions \$20		
The total Joe would pay is \$2,620		

The <u>plan</u> would be responsible for the other costs of these EXAMPLE covered services.

Mia's Simple Fracture (in-network emergency room visit and follow up care)

■ The plan's overall <u>deductible</u>	\$1,800
■ Specialist copayment	\$50
■ Hospital (facility) coinsurance	25%
Other coinsurance	25%

This EXAMPLE event includes services like:

<u>Emergency room care</u> (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:

Cost Sharing	
Deductibles*	\$1,800
<u>Copayments</u>	\$200
<u>Coinsurance</u>	\$200
What isn't covered	
Limits or exclusions	\$0
The total Mia would pay is	\$2,200