UnitedHealthcare Insurance Company

Individual Exchange Medical Policy

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Policy Number - [999-999-999]

Policyholder - [John Doe]

Effective Date - [Month Day, Year]

Total Premium - [$XXXX.XX]

Premium Mode - [Monthly] [Quarterly]

Your *Schedule of Benefits* and *Policy* are provided in the pages that follow.

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Agreement and Consideration

We will pay Benefits as set forth in this Policy. This Policy is issued in exchange for and on the basis of the statements made on your application and payment of the first Premium. It takes effect on the effective date shown above and coverage begins at 12:01 a.m. in the time zone where you live. Coverage will remain in force until the first Premium due date, and for such further periods for which Premium payment is received by us when due, subject to the renewal provision below. When this Policy ends, coverage will end on the same day at 12:00 midnight.

Guaranteed Renewable Subject to Listed Conditions

You may keep coverage in force by timely payment of the required Premiums under this Policy, except that your coverage may end for events as described in *Section 4: When Coverage Ends*, under *Events Ending Your Coverage* and *Other Events Ending Your Coverage*.

This Policy will renew on January 1 of each calendar year. On January 1st, we may make modifications in coverage if such modifications are made on a uniform basis for all individuals with the same product. In addition, we may make modifications at any time if the modification is directly related to a State or Federal requirement and the modification is made within a reasonable time period after the State or Federal requirement is imposed or modified.

On January 1 of each calendar year, we may change the rate table used for this Policy form. Each Premium will be based on the rate table in effect on that Premium's due date. Some of the factors used in determining your Premium rates are the Policy plan, tobacco use status of Covered Persons, type and level of Benefits and place of residence on the Premium due date and age of Covered Persons as of the effective date or renewal date of coverage. Premium rates are expected to increase over time.

At least 31 days' notice of any plan to take an action or make a change permitted by this clause will be mailed to you at your last address as shown in our records.

Nothing in this section requires us to renew or continue coverage for which your continued eligibility would otherwise be prohibited under applicable law.

10-Day Right to Examine and Return this Policy

Please read this Policy. If you are not satisfied, you may notify us within 10 days after you received it. Any Premium paid will be refunded, less claims paid. This Policy will then be void from its start.

This Policy is signed for us as of the effective date as shown above.

Jessica Paik, President

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Schedule of Benefits

Covered Health Care Services Schedule of Benefits

UHC Silver Value ($0 Virtual Urgent Care, $3 Tier 2 Rx, $0 Insulin, No Referrals)

LA0015, $3,600

How Do You Access Benefits?

Selecting a Network Primary Care Physician

You must select a Network Primary Care Physician, who is located in the Network Area, in order to obtain Benefits. In general health care terminology, a Primary Care Physician may also be referred to as a PCP. A Network Primary Care Physician will be able to coordinate all Covered Health Care Services and promote continuity of care. If you are the custodial parent of an Enrolled Dependent child, you must select a Network Primary Care Physician who is located in the Network Area, for that child. If you do not select a Network Primary Care Physician for yourself or your Enrolled Dependent child, one will be assigned.

You may select any Network Primary Care Physician, who is located in the Network Area, and accepting new patients. You may designate a Network Physician who specializes in pediatrics (including pediatric subspecialties, based on the scope of that Provider's license under applicable state law) as the Network Primary Care Physician for an Enrolled Dependent child.

You can get a list of Network Primary Care Physicians and other Network Providers through www.myuhc.com/exchange or the telephone number on your ID card.

You may change your Network Primary Care Physician by calling the telephone number shown on your ID card or by going to www.myuhc.com/exchange. Changes are permitted once per month. Changes submitted on or before the last day of the month will be effective on the first day of the following month.

Network and Out-of-Network Benefits

To obtain Benefits, you must receive Covered Health Care Services from a UnitedHealthcare Individual Exchange Benefit Plan Network provider. You can confirm that your provider is a UnitedHealthcare Individual Exchange Benefit Plan Network provider through the telephone number on your ID card or you can access a directory of providers at www.myuhc.com/exchange. You should confirm that your provider is a UnitedHealthcare Individual Exchange Benefit Plan Network provider, including when receiving Covered Health Care Services for which you received a referral from your Primary Care Physician.

Except as specifically described in this *Schedule of Benefits*, Benefits are not available for services provided by out-of-Network providers. This Benefit plan does not provide an out-of-Network level of Benefits.

Benefits apply to Covered Health Care Services that are provided by a Network Physician or other Network provider within the Network Area.

Emergency Health Care Services provided by an out-of-Network provider will be reimbursed as set forth under *Allowed Amounts* as described at the end of this *Schedule of Benefits*.

Covered Health Care Services provided at certain Network facilities by an out-of-Network Physician, when not Emergency Health Care Services, will be reimbursed as set forth under *Allowed Amounts* as described at the end of this *Schedule of Benefits*. For these Covered Health Care Services, "certain Network facility" is limited to a hospital (as defined in *1861(e) of the Social Security Act*), a hospital outpatient department, a critical access hospital (as

defined in *1861(mm)(1) of the Social Security Act*), an ambulatory surgical center as described in section *1833(i)(1)(A) of the Social Security Act*, and any other facility specified by the Secretary.

Ground and Air Ambulance transport provided by an out-of-Network provider will be reimbursed as set forth under *Allowed Amounts* as described at the end of this *Schedule of Benefits.*

You must show your identification card (ID card) every time you request health care services from a Network provider. If you do not show your ID card, Network providers have no way of knowing that you are enrolled under a UnitedHealthcare Policy. As a result, they may bill you for the entire cost of the services you receive.

Additional information about the network of providers and how your Benefits may be affected appears at the end of this *Schedule of Benefits*.

If there is a conflict between this *Schedule of Benefits* and any summaries provided to you, this *Schedule of Benefits* will control.

Care Management

There may be additional services that are available to you, such as disease management programs, discharge planning, health education, and patient advocacy. When you seek prior authorization for a Covered Health Care Service as required or are otherwise identified as meeting eligibility requirements for a care management program, we will work with you to engage in the care management process and to provide you with information about these additional services.

Does Prior Authorization Apply

We require prior authorization for certain Covered Health Care Services. Your Primary Care Physician and other Network providers are responsible for obtaining prior authorization before they provide these services to you.

We recommend that you confirm with us that all Covered Health Care Services have been prior authorized as required. Before receiving these services from a Network provider, you may want to call us to verify that the Hospital, Physician and other providers are Network providers and that they have obtained the required prior authorization. Network facilities and Network providers cannot bill you for services they do not prior authorize as required. You can call us at the telephone number on your ID card.

For any services typically covered under this Policy and related to the diagnosis or treatment of cancer for which prior authorization is required, we shall offer an expedited review to the provider requesting prior authorization. We will communicate our decision on the prior authorization request to the provider as soon as possible, but in all cases no later than two business days from the receipt of the request for expedited review and no later than five days on a request for which we do not receive a request for expedited review from the provider. If additional information is needed and requested for us to make our determination, we will communicate our decision to the provider as soon as possible, but no later than forty-eight hours from receipt of the additional information.

What Will You Pay for Covered Health Care Services?

Benefits for Covered Health Care Services are described in the tables below.

Payment Information

Annual Deductibles are calculated on a calendar year basis.

Out-of-Pocket Limits are calculated on a calendar year basis.

Benefit limits are calculated on a calendar year basis unless otherwise specifically stated.

NOTE: When Covered Health Care Services are provided by an Indian Health Service provider, your cost share may be reduced.

Payment Term And Description	Amounts
Annual Deductible	

Payment Term And Description	Amounts
The amount you pay for Covered Health Care Services per year before you are eligible to receive Benefits. The Annual Deductible applies to Covered Health Care Services under the Policy as indicated in this *Schedule of Benefits* including Covered Health Care Services provided under *Section 10: Outpatient Prescription Drugs*, *Section 11: Pediatric Vision Care Services,* and *Section 12: Pediatric Dental Care Services*. Benefits for outpatient prescription drugs on the PPACA Zero Cost Share Preventive Care Medications are not subject to payment of the Annual Deductible. Amounts paid toward the Annual Deductible for Covered Health Care Services that are subject to a visit or day limit will also be calculated against that maximum Benefit limit. As a result, the limited Benefit will be reduced by the number of days/visits used toward meeting the Annual Deductible. The amount that is applied to the Annual Deductible is calculated on the basis of the Allowed Amount or the Recognized Amount when applicable. The Annual Deductible does not include any amount that exceeds the Allowed Amount. Details about the way in which Allowed Amounts are determined appear at the end of the *Schedule of Benefits* table.	$3,600 per Covered Person, not to exceed $7,200 for all Covered Persons in a family.
Out-of-Pocket Limit	
The maximum you pay per year for the Annual Deductible, Co-payments or Co-insurance. Once you reach the Out-of-Pocket Limit, Benefits are payable at 100% of Allowed Amounts during the rest of that year. The Out-of-Pocket Limit applies to Covered Health Care Services under the Policy as indicated in this *Schedule of Benefits* including Covered Health Care Services provided under the *Outpatient Prescription Drug Section*. The Out-of-Pocket Limit applies to Covered Health Care Services under the Policy as indicated in this Schedule of Benefits including the *Pediatric Dental Care Services Section* and the *Pediatric Vision Care Services Section*. Details about the way in which Allowed Amounts are determined appear at the end of the *Schedule of Benefits* table. The Out-of-Pocket Limit does not include any of the following and, once the Out-of-Pocket Limit has been reached, you still will be required to pay the following: • Any charges for non-Covered Health Care Services. • Charges that exceed Allowed Amounts, when applicable.	$9,450 per Covered Person, not to exceed $18,900 for all Covered Persons in a family. The Out-of-Pocket Limit includes the Annual Deductible.
Co-payment	
Co-payment is the amount you pay (calculated as a set dollar amount) each time you receive certain Covered Health Care Services. When Co-payments apply, the amount is listed on the following pages next to the description for each Covered Health Care Service. Please note that for Covered Health Care Services, you are responsible for paying the lesser of:	

Payment Term And Description	Amounts
• The applicable Co-payment. • The Allowed Amount or the Recognized Amount when applicable. Details about the way in which Allowed Amounts are determined appear at the end of the *Schedule of Benefits* table.	
Co-insurance	
Co-insurance is the amount you pay (calculated as a percentage of the Allowed Amount or the Recognized Amount when applicable) each time you receive certain Covered Health Care Services. Details about the way in which Allowed Amounts are determined appear at the end of the *Schedule of Benefits* table.	

Schedule of Benefits Table

Amounts which you are required to pay as shown below in the *Schedule of Benefits* are based on Allowed Amounts or, for specific Covered Health Care Services as described in the definition of Recognized Amount in the Policy, Recognized Amounts. The *Allowed Amounts* provision near the end of this *Schedule of Benefits* will tell you when you are responsible for amounts that exceed the Allowed Amount.			
Covered Health Care Service	**What Is the Co-payment or Co-insurance You Pay? This May Include a Co-payment, Co-insurance or Both.**	**Does the Amount You Pay Apply to the Out-of-Pocket Limit?**	**Does the Annual Deductible Apply?**
1. Ambulance Services			
Emergency Ambulance Services Allowed Amounts for ground and Air Ambulance transport provided by an out-of-Network provider will be determined as described below under *Allowed Amounts* in this *Schedule of Benefits*.	*Ground Ambulance:* 40%	Yes	Yes
	Air Ambulance: 40%	Yes	Yes
Non-Emergency Ambulance Transportation Ground or Air Ambulance, as we determine appropriate.	*Ground Ambulance:* 40%	Yes	Yes
Allowed Amounts for Air Ambulance transport provided by an out-of-Network provider will be determined as described below under Allowed Amounts in this *Schedule of Benefits.*	*Air Ambulance:* 40%	Yes	Yes

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Covered Health Care Service	**What Is the Co-payment or Co-insurance You Pay? This May Include a Co-payment, Co-insurance or Both.**	**Does the Amount You Pay Apply to the Out-of-Pocket Limit?**	**Does the Annual Deductible Apply?**
2. Clinical Trials			
Depending upon the Covered Health Care Service, Benefit limits are the same as those stated under the specific Benefit category in this *Schedule of Benefits.*	Depending upon where the Covered Health Care Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Care Service category in this *Schedule of Benefits*.		
3. Dental Anesthesia			
	40%	Yes	Yes
4. Dental Services - Accident Only			
	40%	Yes	Yes
5. Diabetes Services			
Diabetes Self-Management and Educational Services For Covered Persons with Type 1 or Type 2 diabetes, the following services are offered at $0 cost share: • Retinal eye exams, limited to 1 exam per plan year. • Certain lab tests specifically used to assess lipid levels, kidney function (including metabolic and urine) and glucose control (HgbA1C) in diabetics. This does not apply to Covered Persons with pre-diabetes or gestational diabetes diagnoses.	Depending upon where the Covered Health Care Service is provided, Benefits for diabetes self-management and training/diabetic eye exams/foot care will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Care Service category in this *Schedule of Benefits*.		

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Covered Health Care Service	**What Is the Co-payment or Co-insurance You Pay? This May Include a Co-payment, Co-insurance or Both.**	**Does the Amount You Pay Apply to the Out-of-Pocket Limit?**	**Does the Annual Deductible Apply?**
Diabetes Self-Management Supplies	Depending upon where the Covered Health Care Service is provided, Benefits for diabetes self-management supplies will be the same as those stated under *Durable Medical Equipment (DME)* and in the *Outpatient Prescription Drugs section.* Benefits for diabetes supplies will be the same as those stated in the *Outpatient Prescription Drugs section.*		
6. Durable Medical Equipment (DME)			
You must purchase or rent the DME from the vendor we identify or purchase it directly from the prescribing Network Physician.	40%	Yes	Yes
7. Emergency Health Care Services - Outpatient			
Note: If you are confined in an out-of-Network Hospital after you receive outpatient Emergency Health Care Services, you must notify us within one business day or on the same day of admission if reasonably possible. We may elect to transfer you to a Network Hospital as soon as it is medically appropriate to do so. If you choose to stay in the out-of-Network Hospital after the date we decide a transfer is medically appropriate, Benefits will not be provided. If you are admitted as an inpatient to a Hospital directly from Emergent ER Services, the Benefits provided as described under *Hospital - Inpatient Stay* will apply. You will not have to pay the Emergency Health Care Services Co-payment, Co-insurance and/or deductible.	40%	Yes	Yes

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Covered Health Care Service	**What Is the Co-payment or Co-insurance You Pay? This May Include a Co-payment, Co-insurance or Both.**	**Does the Amount You Pay Apply to the Out-of-Pocket Limit?**	**Does the Annual Deductible Apply?**
Allowed Amounts for Emergency Health Care Services provided by an out-of-Network provider will be determined as described below under *Allowed Amounts* in this *Schedule of Benefits.*			
8. Enteral Nutrition			
Limited to a two-month supply per infant, per lifetime.	40%	Yes	Yes
9. Fertility Preservation for Iatrogenic Infertility			
Benefits are limited to $20,000 per Covered Person during the entire period of time he or she is enrolled for coverage under the *Policy*. Benefits are further limited to one cycle of fertility preservation for Iatrogenic Infertility per Covered Person during the entire period of time he or she is enrolled for coverage under the *Policy*.	40%	Yes	Yes
10. Habilitative Services			
	Inpatient Depending upon where the Covered Health Care Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Care Service category in this *Schedule of Benefits.*		
	Outpatient 40%	Yes	Yes
11. Hearing Aids			
Limited to one hearing aid, per hearing impaired ear, in a thirty-six (36) month period. Repair and/or replacement of a hearing aid would apply to	40%	Yes	Yes

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Covered Health Care Service	**What Is the Co-payment or Co-insurance You Pay? This May Include a Co-payment, Co-insurance or Both.**	**Does the Amount You Pay Apply to the Out-of-Pocket Limit?**	**Does the Annual Deductible Apply?**
this limit in the same manner as a purchase.			
12. Home Health Care			
Limited to 60 visits per year. One visit equals up to four hours of skilled care services. Private Duty Nursing: Limited to 22 visits per year. This visit limit does not include any service which is billed only for the administration of intravenous infusion. For the administration of intravenous infusion, you must receive services from a provider we identify.	40%	Yes	Yes
13. Hospice Care			
	40%	Yes	Yes
14. Hospital - Inpatient Stay			
	40%	Yes	Yes
15. Lab, X-Ray and Diagnostics - Outpatient			
Lab Testing - Outpatient: Limited to 18 Presumptive Drug Tests per year.	$15 per service at a freestanding lab or in a Physician's office	Yes	No
Limited to 18 Definitive Drug Tests per year.	$75 per service at a Hospital-based lab	Yes	No
X-Ray and Other Diagnostic Testing - Outpatient:	40% at a freestanding diagnostic center or in a Physician's office	Yes	Yes
	50% at an outpatient Hospital-based diagnostic center	Yes	Yes

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Covered Health Care Service	**What Is the Co-payment or Co-insurance You Pay? This May Include a Co-payment, Co-insurance or Both.**	**Does the Amount You Pay Apply to the Out-of-Pocket Limit?**	**Does the Annual Deductible Apply?**
16. Major Diagnostic and Imaging - Outpatient			
	40% at a freestanding diagnostic center or in a Physician's office	Yes	Yes
	50% at an outpatient Hospital-based diagnostic center	Yes	Yes
17. Manipulative Treatment			
	40%	Yes	Yes
18. Mental Health Care and Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services			
	Inpatient 40%	Yes	Yes
	Outpatient 40% for Partial Hospitalization/Intensive Outpatient Treatment/Intensive Behavioral Therapy *Office Visit* $100 per visit	Yes Yes	Yes No
19. Necessary Medical Supplies			
	40%	Yes	Yes
20. Orthotics			
	40%	Yes	Yes
21. Pharmaceutical Products - Outpatient			
Pharmaceutical Products which, due to their traits (as	40%	Yes	Yes

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Covered Health Care Service	**What Is the Co-payment or Co-insurance You Pay? This May Include a Co-payment, Co-insurance or Both.**	**Does the Amount You Pay Apply to the Out-of-Pocket Limit?**	**Does the Annual Deductible Apply?**
determined by us), are administered or directly supervised by a qualified provider or licensed/certified health professional. **Note**: Benefits for medication normally available by a prescription or order or refill are provided as described under your *Outpatient Prescription Drug Section*.			
22. Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services			
Allowed Amounts for Covered Health Care Services provided by an out-of-Network Physician in certain Network facilities will be determined as described below under *Allowed Amounts* in this *Schedule of Benefits*.	*Inpatient* 40% *Outpatient* 40% at a freestanding center or in a Physician's office 50% at an outpatient Hospital-based center	Yes Yes Yes	Yes Yes Yes
23. Physician's Office Services - Sickness and Injury			
	$5 per visit for services provided by your Primary Care Physician. $100 per visit for services provided by a Network Specialist or other Network Physician 40% for services provided by other Network Physicians.	Yes Yes Yes	No No Yes

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Covered Health Care Service	**What Is the Co-payment or Co-insurance You Pay? This May Include a Co-payment, Co-insurance or Both.**	**Does the Amount You Pay Apply to the Out-of-Pocket Limit?**	**Does the Annual Deductible Apply?**
Qualified Interpreter/Translator Services	Depending upon where the Covered Health Care Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Care Service category in this *Schedule of Benefits*.		
24. Pregnancy - Maternity Services			
	Depending upon where the Covered Health Care Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Care Service category in this *Schedule of Benefits* except that an Annual Deductible will not apply for a newborn child whose length of stay in the Hospital is the same as the mother's length of stay.		
25. Preventive Care Services			
Physician office services	None	Yes	No
Lab, X-ray or other preventive tests	None	Yes	No
Breast pumps	None	Yes	No
26. Prosthetic Devices			
	40%	Yes	Yes
27. Reconstructive Procedures			
	Depending upon where the Covered Health Care Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Care Service category in this *Schedule of Benefits*.		
28. Rehabilitation Services - Outpatient Therapy			
	40%	Yes	Yes
29. Scopic Procedures - Outpatient Diagnostic and Therapeutic			
	40%	Yes	Yes
30. Skilled Nursing Facility/Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility Services			

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Covered Health Care Service	**What Is the Co-payment or Co-insurance You Pay? This May Include a Co-payment, Co-insurance or Both.**	**Does the Amount You Pay Apply to the Out-of-Pocket Limit?**	**Does the Annual Deductible Apply?**
	40%	Yes	Yes
31. Surgery - Outpatient			
	40%	Yes	Yes
Oral Surgery	Depending upon where the Covered Health Care Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Care Service category in this *Schedule of Benefits*.		
32. Telehealth			
	Depending upon where the Covered Health Care Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Care Service category in this *Schedule of Benefits*.		
33. Therapeutic Treatments - Outpatient			
	40%	Yes	Yes
34. Transplantation Services			
Transplantation services must be received from a Designated Provider. **Travel and Lodging:** Limited to $10,000 per year.	Depending upon where the Covered Health Care Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Care Service category in this *Schedule of Benefits.*		
35. Urgent Care Center Services			
Co-payment/Co-insurance and any deductible for the following services also apply when the Covered Health Care Service is performed at an Urgent Care Center: • Lab, radiology/X-rays and other diagnostic services described under *Lab, X-Ray and Diagnostic - Outpatient.* • Major diagnostic and nuclear medicine	$100 per visit	Yes	No

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Covered Health Care Service	**What Is the Co-payment or Co-insurance You Pay? This May Include a Co-payment, Co-insurance or Both.**	**Does the Amount You Pay Apply to the Out-of-Pocket Limit?**	**Does the Annual Deductible Apply?**
described under *Major Diagnostic and Imaging - Outpatient.* • Outpatient Pharmaceutical Products described under *Pharmaceutical Products - Outpatient.* • Diagnostic and therapeutic scopic procedures described under *Scopic Procedures - Outpatient Diagnostic and Therapeutic.* • Outpatient surgery procedures described under *Surgery - Outpatient.* • Outpatient therapeutic procedures described under *Therapeutic Treatments - Outpatient.*			
36. Virtual Care Services			
Benefits are available only when services are delivered through a Designated Virtual Network Provider. You can find a Designated Virtual Network Provider by contacting us at www.myuhc.com/exchange or the telephone number on your ID card.	*Primary Care* $5 per visit	Yes	No
	Urgent Care None	Yes	No

Allowed Amounts

Allowed Amounts are the amount we determine that we will pay for Benefits.

- For Network Benefits for Covered Health Care Services provided by a Network provider, except for your cost sharing obligations, you are not responsible for any difference between Allowed Amounts and the amount the provider bills.

- For Covered Health Care Services that are ***Ancillary Services received at certain Network facilities on a non-Emergency basis from out-of-Network Physicians****, you* are not responsible, and the out-of-Network provider may not bill you, for amounts in excess of your Co-payment, Co-insurance or deductible which is based on the Recognized Amount as defined in this *Policy*.
- For Covered Health Care Services that are ***non-Ancillary Services received at certain Network facilities on a non-Emergency basis from out-of-Network Physicians who have not satisfied the notice and consent criteria or for unforeseen or urgent medical needs that arise at the time a non-Ancillary Service is provided for which notice and consent has been satisfied as described below****, you* are not responsible, and the out-of-Network provider may not bill you, for amounts in excess of your Co-payment, Co-insurance or deductible which is based on the Recognized Amount as defined in this *Policy.*
- For Covered Health Care Services that are ***Emergency Health Care Services provided by an out-of-Network provider***, you are not responsible, and the out-of-Network provider may not bill you, for amounts in excess of your applicable Co-payment, Co-insurance or deductible which is based on the Recognized Amount as defined in this *Policy.*
- For Covered Health Care Services that are ***Air Ambulance services provided by an out-of-Network provider***, you are not responsible, and the out-of-Network provider may not bill you, for amounts in excess of your applicable Co-payment, Co-insurance or deductible which is based on the rates that would apply if the service was provided by a Network provider which is based on the Recognized Amount as defined in the *Policy*.

Allowed Amounts are determined in accordance with our reimbursement policy guidelines or as required by law, as described in this *Policy*.

For Network Benefits, Allowed Amounts are based on the following:

- When Covered Health Care Services are received from a Network provider, Allowed Amounts are our contracted fee(s) with that provider.
- When Covered Health Care Services are received from an out-of-Network provider as arranged by us, including when there is no Network provider who is reasonably accessible or available to provide Covered Health Care Services, Allowed Amounts are an amount negotiated by us or an amount permitted by law. Please contact us if you are billed for amounts in excess of your applicable Co-insurance, Co-payment or any deductible. We will not pay excessive charges or amounts you are not legally obligated to pay.

When Covered Health Care Services are received from an out-of-Network provider as described below, Allowed Amounts are determined as follows:

For non-Emergency Covered Health Care Services received at certain Network facilities from out-of-Network Physicians when such services are either Ancillary Services, or non-Ancillary Services that have not satisfied the notice and consent criteria of section *2799B-2(d) of the Public Health Service Ac*t with respect to a visit as defined by the Secretary (including non-Ancillary Services that have satisfied the notice and consent criteria but unforeseen, urgent medical needs arise at the time the services are provided), the Allowed Amount is based on one of the following in the order listed below as applicable:

- The reimbursement rate as determined by a state *All Payer Model Agreement.*
- The reimbursement rate as determined by state law.
- The initial payment made by us, or the amount subsequently agreed to by the out-of-Network provider and us.
- The amount determined by *Independent Dispute Resolution (IDR).*

For the purpose of this provision, "certain Network facilities" are limited to a hospital (as defined in *1861(e) of the Social Security Act*), a hospital outpatient department, a critical access hospital (as defined in *1861(mm)(1) of the Social Security Act*), an ambulatory surgical center as described in section *1833(i)(1)(A) of the Social Security Act*, and any other facility specified by the Secretary.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: For Ancillary Services, non-Ancillary Services provided without notice and consent, and non-Ancillary Services for unforeseen or urgent medical needs that arise at the time a service is provided for which notice and consent has been satisfied, you are not responsible, and an out-of-Network Physician may not bill you, for amounts in excess of your applicable Co-payment, Co-insurance or deductible which is based on the Recognized Amount as defined in the *Policy*.

For Emergency Health Care Services provided by an out-of-Network provider, the Allowed Amount is based on one of the following in the order listed below as applicable:

- The reimbursement rate as determined by a state *All Payer Model Agreement.*
- The reimbursement rate as determined by state law.
- The initial payment made by us, or the amount subsequently agreed to by the out-of-Network provider and us.
- The amount determined by *Independent Dispute Resolution (IDR).*

IMPORTANT NOTICE: You are not responsible, and an out-of-Network provider may not bill you, for amounts in excess of your applicable Co-payment, Co-insurance or deductible which is based on the Recognized Amount as defined in the *Policy.*

For Air Ambulance transportation provided by an out-of-Network provider, the Allowed Amount is based on one of the following in the order listed below as applicable:

- The reimbursement rate as determined by a state *All Payer Model Agreement*.
- The reimbursement rate as determined by state law.
- The initial payment made by us, or the amount subsequently agreed to by the out-of-Network provider and us.
- The amount determined by *Independent Dispute Resolution (IDR).*

IMPORTANT NOTICE: You are not responsible, and an out-of-Network provider may not bill you, for amounts in excess of your Co-payment, Co-insurance or deductible which is based on the rates that would apply if the service was provided by a Network provider which is based on the Recognized Amount as defined in the *Policy*.

For Emergency ground ambulance transportation provided by an out-of-Network provider, the Allowed Amount, which includes mileage, is a rate agreed upon by the out-of-Network provider or, unless a different amount is required by applicable law, determined based upon the median amount negotiated with Network providers for the same or similar service.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Out-of-Network providers may bill you for any difference between the provider's billed charges and the Allowed Amount described here.

Provider Network

We arrange for health care providers to take part in a Network. Network providers are independent practitioners. They are not our employees. It is your responsibility to choose your provider.

Our credentialing process confirms public information about the providers' licenses and other credentials, but does not assure the quality of the services provided.

Before obtaining services you should always verify the Network status of a provider. A provider's status may change. You can verify the provider's status by calling the telephone number on your ID card. A directory of providers is available by contacting us at www.myuhc.com/exchange or the telephone number on your ID card to request a copy. If you receive a Covered Health Care Service from an out-of-Network provider and were informed incorrectly prior to receipt of the Covered Health Care Service that the provider was a Network provider, either through a database, provider directory, or in a response to your request for such information (via telephone, electronic, web-based or internet-based means), you may be eligible for cost sharing (Co-payment, Co-insurance and applicable deductible) that would be no greater than if the service had been provided from a Network provider.

It is possible that you might not be able to obtain services from a particular Network provider. The network of providers is subject to change. Or you might find that a particular Network provider may not be accepting new patients. If a provider leaves the Network or is otherwise not available to you, you must choose another Network provider to get Benefits. However, if you are currently receiving treatment for Covered Health Care Services from a provider whose network status changes from Network to out-of-Network during such treatment due to termination (non-renewal or expiration) of the provider's contract, you may be eligible to request continued care from your current provider under the same terms and conditions that would have applied prior to termination of the provider's contract for specified conditions and timeframes. This provision does not apply to provider contract terminations for failure to meet applicable quality standards or for fraud. If you would like help to find out if you are eligible for continuity of care Benefits, please call the telephone number on your ID card.

If you are currently undergoing a course of treatment using an out-of-Network Physician or health care facility, you may be eligible to receive transition of care Benefits. This transition period is available for specific medical services and for limited periods of time. If you have questions regarding this transition of care reimbursement policy or would like help to find out if you are eligible for transition of care Benefits, please call the telephone number on your ID card.

Do not assume that a Network provider's agreement includes all Covered Health Care Services. Some Network providers contract with us to provide only certain Covered Health Care Services, but not all Covered Health Care Services. Some Network providers choose to be a Network provider for only some of our products. Refer to your provider directory or contact us for help.

Designated Providers

If you have a medical condition that we believe needs special services, we may direct you to a Designated Provider chosen by us. If you require certain complex Covered Health Care Services for which expertise is limited, we may direct you to a Network facility or provider that is outside your local geographic area.

In both cases, Benefits will only be paid if your Covered Health Care Services for that condition are provided by or arranged by the Designated Provider chosen by us.

You or your Network Physician must notify us of special service needs (such as transplants or morbid obesity surgery) that might warrant referral to a Designated Provider. If you do not notify us in advance, and if you receive services from an out-of-Network facility (regardless of whether it is a Designated Provider) or other out-of-Network provider, Benefits will not be paid.

Health Care Services from Out-of-Network Providers

If specific Covered Health Care Services are not available from a Network provider, you may be eligible for Benefits when Covered Health Care Services are received from out-of-Network providers. In this situation, your Network Physician will notify us and, if we confirm that care is not available from a Network provider, we will work with you and your Network Physician to coordinate care through an out-of-Network provider.

Outpatient Prescription Drugs Schedule of Benefits

When Are Benefits Available for Prescription Drug Products?

Benefits are available for Prescription Drug Products at a Network Pharmacy and are subject to Co-payments and/or Co-insurance or other payments that vary depending on which of the tiers of the Prescription Drug List the Prescription Drug Product is placed.

Benefits for Prescription Drug Products are available when the Prescription Drug Product meets the definition of a Covered Health Care Service.

What Happens When a Brand-name Drug Becomes Available as a Generic?

If a Generic becomes available for a Brand-name Prescription Drug Product, the tier placement of the Brand-name Prescription Drug Product may change. Therefore, your Co-payment and/or Co-insurance may change or you will no longer have Benefits for that particular Brand-name Prescription Drug Product.

How Do Supply Limits Apply?

Benefits for Prescription Drug Products are subject to the supply limits that are stated in the "Description and Supply Limits" column of the Benefit Information table. For a single Co-payment and/or Co-insurance, you may receive a Prescription Drug Product up to the stated supply limit.

Note: Some products are subject to additional supply limits based on criteria that we have developed. Supply limits are subject, from time to time, to our review and change. This may limit the amount dispensed per Prescription Order or Refill and/or the amount dispensed per month's supply, or may require that a minimum amount be dispensed.

You may find out whether a Prescription Drug Product has a supply limit for dispensing by contacting us at www.myuhc.com/exchange or the telephone number on your ID card.

Do Prior Authorization Requirements Apply?

Before certain Prescription Drug Products are dispensed to you, you are required to obtain prior authorization from us or our designee. The reason for obtaining prior authorization from us is to determine whether the Prescription Drug Product, in accordance with our approved guidelines, is each of the following:

- It meets the definition of a Covered Health Care Service.
- It is not an Experimental or Investigational or Unproven Service.

We may also require you to obtain prior authorization from us or our designee so we can determine whether the Prescription Drug Product, in accordance with our approved guidelines, was prescribed by a Specialist.

If you do not obtain prior authorization from us before the Prescription Drug Product is dispensed, you will be responsible for paying all charges and no Benefits will be paid. The Prescription Drug Products requiring prior authorization are subject, from time to time, to our review and change. There may be certain Prescription Drug Products that require you to notify us directly rather than your Physician or pharmacist. You may find out whether a particular Prescription Drug Product requires notification/prior authorization by contacting us at www.myuhc.com/exchange or the telephone number on your ID card.

If you do not obtain prior authorization from us before the Prescription Drug Product is dispensed, you can ask us to consider reimbursement after you receive the Prescription Drug Product. You will be required to pay for the Prescription Drug Product at the pharmacy. You may seek reimbursement from us as described in the Policy in *Section 5: How to File a Claim*.

When you submit a claim on this basis, you may pay more because you did not obtain prior authorization from us before the Prescription Drug Product was dispensed. The amount you are reimbursed will be based on the Prescription Drug Charge, less the required Co-payment and/or Co-insurance and any deductible that applies.

Benefits may not be available for the Prescription Drug Product after we review the documentation provided and we determine that the Prescription Drug Product is not a Covered Health Care Service or it is an Experimental or Investigational or Unproven Service.

We may also require prior authorization for certain programs which may have specific requirements for participation and/or activation of an enhanced level of Benefits related to such programs. You may access information on available

programs and any applicable prior authorization, participation or activation requirements related to such programs by contacting us at www.myuhc.com/exchange or the telephone number on your ID card.

Does Step Therapy Apply?

Certain Prescription Drug Products for which Benefits are described under *Section 10: Outpatient Prescription Drugs* of the Policy are subject to step therapy requirements. In order to receive Benefits for such Prescription Drug Products you must use a different Prescription Drug Product(s) first.

You may find out whether a Prescription Drug Product is subject to step therapy requirements by contacting us at www.myuhc.com/exchange or the telephone number on your ID card.

Your Right to Request an Exception When a Medication is Not Listed on the Prescription Drug List (PDL)

When a Prescription Drug Product is not listed on the PDL, you or your representative may request an exception to gain access to the excluded Prescription Drug Product. To make a request, contact us in writing or call the toll-free number on your ID card. We will notify you of our determination within 72 hours.

Please note, if your request for an exception is approved by us, you may be responsible for paying the applicable Co-payment and/or Co-insurance based on the Prescription Drug Product tier placement, or at the second highest tier. For example, if you have a 5-tier plan, then the 4th tier would be considered the second highest tier.

If a request is denied, information will be provided in the letter to your provider that identifies alternative comparable drugs that are covered on the Prescription Drug List.

Urgent Requests

If your request requires immediate action and a delay could significantly increase the risk to your health, or the ability to regain maximum function, call us as soon as possible. We will provide a written or electronic determination within 24 hours.

External Review

If you are not satisfied with our determination of your exception request, you may be entitled to request an external review. You or your representative may request an external review by sending a written request to us to the address set out in the determination letter or by calling the toll-free number on your ID card. The *Independent Review Organization* (*IRO*) will notify you of our determination within 72 hours.

Expedited External Review

If you are not satisfied with our determination of your exception request and it involves an urgent situation, you or your representative may request an expedited external review by calling the toll-free number on your ID card or by sending a written request to the address set out in the determination letter. The *IRO* will notify you of our determination within 24 hours.

What Do You Pay?

You are responsible for paying the Annual Deductible stated in the *Schedule of Benefits* which is attached to your Policy before Benefits for Prescription Drug Products under this Policy are available to you unless otherwise allowed under your Policy. We may not permit certain coupons or offers from pharmaceutical manufacturers or an affiliate to apply to your Annual Deductible.

Benefits for PPACA Zero Cost Share Preventive Care Medications are not subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.

You are responsible for paying the applicable Co-payment and/or Co-insurance described in the *Benefit Information* table. You are not responsible for paying a Co-payment and/or Co-insurance for PPACA Zero Cost Share Preventive Care Medications.

The Co-payment amount or Co-insurance percentage you pay for a Prescription Drug Product will not exceed the Usual and Customary Charge of the Prescription Drug Product.

The amount you pay for any of the following under your Policy may not be included in calculating any Out-of-Pocket Limit stated in your Policy:

- Any non-covered drug product. You are responsible for paying 100% of the cost (the amount the pharmacy charges you) for any non-covered drug product. Our contracted rates (our Prescription Drug Charge) will not be available to you.

Payment Information

NOTE: When Covered Health Care Services are provided by an Indian Health Service provider, your cost share may be reduced.

Payment Term And Description	Amounts
Co-payment and Co-insurance	
Co-payment Co-payment for a Prescription Drug Product at a Network Pharmacy is a specific dollar amount. ***Co-insurance*** Co-insurance for a Prescription Drug Product at a Network Pharmacy is a percentage of the Prescription Drug Charge. **Special Programs**: We may have certain programs in which you may receive a reduced Co-payment and/or Co-insurance based on your actions such as adherence/compliance to medication or treatment regimens, and/or participation in health management programs. You may access information on these programs by contacting us at www.myuhc.com/exchange or the telephone number on your ID card.	For Prescription Drug Products at a Retail Network Pharmacy you are responsible for paying the lowest of the following: • The applicable Co-payment and/or Co-insurance. • The Network Pharmacy's Usual and Customary Charge for the Prescription Drug Product. • The Prescription Drug Charge for that Prescription Drug Product. For Prescription Drug Products from a mail order Network Pharmacy, you are responsible for paying the lower of the following: • The applicable Co-payment and/or Co-insurance. • The Prescription Drug Charge for that Prescription Drug Product. You are not responsible for paying a Co-payment and/or Co-insurance for PPACA Zero Cost Share Preventive Care Medications. The Co-payment or Co-insurance you pay for a covered prescription insulin drug will not exceed $75 for a 30-day supply. You may obtain up to a 30-day supply of insulin products listed on the Prescription Drug List at a Network Pharmacy at $0 cost to you. The Co-payment or Co-insurance you pay for a covered prescription within specialty drug tier will not exceed $150 for a 30-day supply.

Schedule of Benefits Information Table

- Your Co-payment and/or Co-insurance is determined by Prescription Drug Products on the Prescription Drug List placed on Tier 1, Tier 2, Tier 3, Tier 4,Tier 5 or Tier 6.
- Prescription Drug Products supply limit:
  - Retail Network Pharmacy – 30 or 90 days
  - Mail Order Network Pharmacy – 90 days
  - Specialty and Opioid Prescription Drug Products at a Network Pharmacy – 30 days
- Ask your Physician to write your Prescription Order or Refill for a 90-day supply, with refills when appropriate, not 30-day supply with three refills.
- You will be charged a Co-payment and/or Co-insurance based on the day supply dispensed or days the drug will be delivered for any Prescription Orders or Refills at any Network Pharmacy.

AMOUNTS SHOWN ARE YOUR COST RESPONSIBILITY AFTER ANY APPLICABLE DEDUCTIBLE HAS BEEN MET			
The amounts you are required to pay as shown below are based on the Prescription Drug Charge.			
	Retail Network Pharmacy		Mail Order Network Pharmacy
	30-Day Supply	90-Day Supply	90-Day Supply
Tier 1	No Co-payment Not subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.	No Co-payment Not subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.	No Co-payment Not subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.
Tier 2	$3 per Prescription Order or Refill. Not subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.	$7.50 per Prescription Order or Refill. Not subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.	$7.50 per Prescription Order or Refill. Not subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.
Tier 3	$30 per Prescription Order or Refill. Not subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.	$75 per Prescription Order or Refill. Not subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.	$75 per Prescription Order or Refill. Not subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.
Tier 4	$100 per Prescription Order or Refill. Subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.	$250 per Prescription Order or Refill. Subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.	$250 per Prescription Order or Refill. Subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.
Tier 5	40% of the Prescription Drug Charge. Subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.	40% of the Prescription Drug Charge. Subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.	40% of the Prescription Drug Charge. Subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.
Tier 6	50% of the Prescription Drug Charge. However, you will not pay more than $150 per Prescription Order or Refill. Subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.	50% of the Prescription Drug Charge. However, you will not pay more than $375 per Prescription Order or Refill. Subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.	50% of the Prescription Drug Charge. However, you will not pay more than $375 per Prescription Order or Refill. Subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.

Pediatric Dental Care Services Schedule of Benefits

How do you Access Pediatric Dental Care Services?

Network Benefits

Benefits - Benefits apply when you choose to obtain Covered Dental Care Services from a Network Dental Provider. Network Benefits are determined based on the contracted fee for each Covered Dental Service. In no event, will you be required to pay a Network Dental Provider an amount for a Covered Dental Service that is greater than the contracted fee.

In order for Covered Dental Care Services to be paid, you must obtain all Covered Dental Care Services directly from or through a Network Dental Provider.

You must always check the participation status of a provider prior to seeking services. From time to time, the participation status of a provider may change. You can check the participation status by contacting us and/or the provider. We can provide help in referring you to a Network Dental Provider.

We will make available to you a *Directory of Network Dental Providers*. You can also call us at the number stated on your identification (ID) card to determine which providers participate in the Network.

Benefits are not available for Dental Care Services that are not provided by a Network Dental Provider.

Payment Information

Benefits:

Benefits for Allowed Dental Amounts are determined as a percentage of the negotiated contract fee between us and the provider rather than a percentage of the provider's billed charge. Our negotiated rate with the provider is ordinarily lower than the provider's billed charge.

A Network provider cannot charge you or us for any service or supply that is not Necessary as determined by us. If you agree to receive a service or supply that is not Necessary the Network provider may charge you. However, these charges will not be considered Covered Dental Care Services and Benefits will not be payable.

Annual Deductible

Benefits for Pediatric Dental Care Services provided under this section are subject to the Annual Deductible stated in the *Schedule of Benefits*.

Out-of-Pocket Limit - any amount you pay in Coinsurance for Pediatric Dental Care Services under this section applies to the Out-of-Pocket Limit stated in the *Schedule of Benefits*.

Schedule of Benefits Information Table

Benefit limits are calculated on a calendar year basis unless otherwise specifically stated.

Amounts which you are required to pay as shown below in the *Schedule of Benefits* are based on Allowed Dental Amounts.	
What Are the Procedure Codes, Benefit Description and Frequency Limitations?	**Benefits** **The Amount You Pay Which May Include a Co-insurance or Co-Payment.**
Diagnostic Services - (Not subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.)	
Evaluations (Checkup Exams) Limited to 2 times per 12 months. Covered as a separate Benefit only if no other service was done during the visit other than X-rays. Periodic oral evaluation. Limited oral evaluation - problem focused. Teledentistry - synchronous - real time encounter. Teledentistry - asynchronous - information stored and forwarded to dentist for subsequent review. Comprehensive oral evaluation. Comprehensive periodontal evaluation. *The following service is not subject to a frequency limit.* Detailed and extensive oral evaluation - problem focused.	None
Intraoral Radiographs (X-ray) Limited to 2 series of films per 12 months. Complete series (including bitewings). Intraoral - complete series of radiographic images - image capture only.	None
The following services are not subject to a frequency limit. Intraoral - periapical first film. Intraoral - periapical - each additional film. Intraoral - occlusal film. Intraoral - occlusal radiographic image - image capture only. Intraoral - periapical radiographic image - image capture only.	None
Any combination of the following services is limited to 2 series of films per 12 months. Bitewings - single film. Bitewings - two films.	None

Amounts which you are required to pay as shown below in the *Schedule of Benefits* are based on Allowed Dental Amounts.	
What Are the Procedure Codes, Benefit Description and Frequency Limitations?	**Benefits** **The Amount You Pay Which May Include a Co-insurance or Co-Payment.**
Bitewings - four films. Vertical bitewings. Intraoral - bitewing radiographic image - image capture only.	
Limited to 1 time per 36 months. Panoramic radiograph image. Panoramic radiographic image - image capture only. 2-D Cephalometric radiographic image - image capture only. 3-D Photographic image - image capture only.	None
The following services are limited to two images per calendar year. Extra-oral posterior dental radiographic image - image capture only.	None
The following services are not subject to a frequency limit. Cephalometric X-ray. Oral/Facial photographic images. Interpretation of diagnostic image. Diagnostic casts. 2-D Oral/facial photographic image obtained intra-orally or extra-orally - image capture only.	None
Preventive Services - (Not subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.)	
Dental Prophylaxis (Cleanings) *The following services are limited to two times every 12 months.* Prophylaxis - adult. Prophylaxis - child.	None
Fluoride Treatments *The following services are limited to two times every 12 months.* Fluoride.	None
Sealants (Protective Coating) *The following services are* limited to once per first or second permanent molar every 36 months.	None

Amounts which you are required to pay as shown below in the *Schedule of Benefits* are based on Allowed Dental Amounts.	
What Are the Procedure Codes, Benefit Description and Frequency Limitations?	**Benefits** **The Amount You Pay Which May Include a Co-insurance or Co-Payment.**
Sealant - per tooth - unrestored permanent molar. Preventive resin restorations in moderate to high caries risk patient - permanent tooth.	
Space Maintainers (Spacers) *The following services are not subject to a frequency limit.* Space maintainer - fixed, unilateral - per quadrant. Space maintainer - fixed - bilateral maxillary. Space maintainer - fixed - bilateral mandibular. Space maintainer - removable, unilateral - per quadrant. Space maintainer - removable - bilateral maxillary. Space maintainer - removable - bilateral mandibular. Re-cement or re-bond bilateral space maintainer - maxillary. Re-cement or re-bond bilateral space maintainer - mandibular. Re-cement or re-bond unilateral space maintainer - per quadrant. Removal of fixed unilateral space maintainer - per quadrant. Removal of fixed bilateral space maintainer - maxillary. Removal of fixed bilateral space maintainer - mandibular. Distal shoe space maintainer - fixed - unilateral - per quadrant.	None
Minor Restorative Services - (Subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.)	
Amalgam Restorations (Silver Fillings) *The following services are not subject to a frequency limit. Multiple restorations on one surface will be treated as a single filling.* Amalgams - one surface, primary or permanent. Amalgams - two surfaces, primary or permanent.	40%

Amounts which you are required to pay as shown below in the *Schedule of Benefits* are based on Allowed Dental Amounts.	
What Are the Procedure Codes, Benefit Description and Frequency Limitations?	**Benefits** **The Amount You Pay Which May Include a Co-insurance or Co-Payment.**
Amalgams - three surfaces, primary or permanent. Amalgams - four or more surfaces, primary or permanent.	
Composite Resin Restorations (Tooth Colored Fillings) *The following services are not subject to a frequency limit. Multiple restorations on one surface will be treated as a single filling.* Resin-based composite - one surface, anterior. Resin-based composite - two surfaces, anterior. Resin-based composite - three surfaces, anterior. Resin-based composite - four or more surfaces or involving incised angle, anterior.	40%
Crowns/Inlays/Onlays - (Subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.)	
The following services are subject to a limit of one time every 60 months. Onlay - metallic - two surfaces. Onlay - metallic - three surfaces. Onlay - metallic - four surfaces. Crown - porcelain/ceramic substrate. Crown - porcelain fused to high noble metal. Crown - porcelain fused to predominately base metal. Crown - porcelain fused to noble metal. Crown - porcelain fused to titanium and titanium alloys. Crown - 3/4 cast high noble metal. Crown - 3/4 cast predominately base metal. Crown - 3/4 porcelain/ceramic. Crown - full cast high noble metal. Crown - full cast predominately base metal. Crown - full cast noble metal. Crown - titanium and titanium alloys. Prefabricated stainless steel crown - primary tooth.	40%

Amounts which you are required to pay as shown below in the *Schedule of Benefits* are based on Allowed Dental Amounts.	
What Are the Procedure Codes, Benefit Description and Frequency Limitations?	**Benefits** **The Amount You Pay Which May Include a Co-insurance or Co-Payment.**
Prefabricated stainless steel crown - permanent tooth. *The following services are not subject to a frequency limit.* Inlay - metallic - one surface. Inlay - metallic - two surfaces. Inlay - metallic - three surfaces. Re-cement inlay. Re-cement crown.	
The following service is not subject to a frequency limit. Protective restoration.	40%
The following service is limited to one time per tooth every 60 months. *Prefabricated porcelain crown - primary.* Core buildup, including any pins.	40%
The following service is limited to one time per tooth every 60 months. Pin retention - per tooth, in addition to crown.	40%
The following service is not subject to a frequency limit. Prefabricated post and core in addition to crown.	40%
The following services are not subject to a frequency limit. Crown repair necessitated by restorative material failure. Inlay repair. Onlay repair. Veneer repair. *The following service is limited to one time per tooth every 36 months.* Resin infiltration/smooth surface.	40%
Endodontics - (Subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.)	
The following service is not subject to a frequency limit.	40%

Amounts which you are required to pay as shown below in the *Schedule of Benefits* are based on Allowed Dental Amounts.	
What Are the Procedure Codes, Benefit Description and Frequency Limitations?	**Benefits** **The Amount You Pay Which May Include a Co-insurance or Co-Payment.**
Therapeutic pulpotomy (excluding final restoration).	
The following service is not subject to a frequency limit. Partial pulpotomy for apexogenesis - permanent tooth with incomplete root development.	40%
The following services are not subject to a frequency limit. Pulpal therapy (resorbable filling) - anterior primary tooth (excluding final restoration). Pulpal therapy (resorbable filling) - posterior, primary tooth (excluding final restoration).	40%
The following services are not subject to a frequency limit. Anterior root canal (excluding final restoration). Bicuspid root canal (excluding final restoration). Molar root canal (excluding final restoration). Retreatment of previous root canal therapy - anterior. Retreatment of previous root canal therapy - bicuspid. Retreatment of previous root canal therapy - molar.	40%
The following services are not subject to a frequency limit. Apexification/recalcification - initial visit. Apexification/recalcification - interim medication replacement. Apexification/recalcification - final visit.	40%
The following service is not subject to a frequency limit. Pulpal regeneration.	40%
The following services are not subject to a frequency limit. Apicoectomy/periradicular - anterior. Apicoectomy/periradicular - bicuspid. Apicoectomy/periradicular - molar.	40%

Amounts which you are required to pay as shown below in the *Schedule of Benefits* are based on Allowed Dental Amounts.	
What Are the Procedure Codes, Benefit Description and Frequency Limitations?	**Benefits** **The Amount You Pay Which May Include a Co-insurance or Co-Payment.**
Apicoectomy/periradicular - each additional root. Surgical repair of root resorption - anterior. Surgical repair of root resorption - premolar. Surgical repair of root resorption - molar. Surgical exposure of root surface without apicoectomy or repair of root resorption - anterior. Surgical exposure of root surface without apicoectomy or repair of root resorption - premolar. Surgical exposure of root surface without apicoectomy or repair of root resorption - molar.	
The following service is not subject to a frequency limit. Root amputation - per root.	40%
The following service is not subject to a frequency limit. Hemisection (including any root removal), not including root canal therapy.	40%
Periodontics - (Subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.)	
The following services are limited to a frequency of one every 36 months. Gingivectomy or gingivoplasty - four or more teeth. Gingivectomy or gingivoplasty - one to three teeth. Gingivectomy or gingivoplasty - with restorative procedures, per tooth.	40%
The following services are limited to one every 36 months. Gingival flap procedure, four or more teeth. Gingival flap procedure, including root planing - one to three contiguous teeth or tooth bounded spaces per quadrant.	40%
The following service is not subject to a frequency limit. Clinical crown lengthening - hard tissue.	40%

Amounts which you are required to pay as shown below in the *Schedule of Benefits* are based on Allowed Dental Amounts.	
What Are the Procedure Codes, Benefit Description and Frequency Limitations?	**Benefits** **The Amount You Pay Which May Include a Co-insurance or Co-Payment.**
The following services are limited to one every 36 months. Osseous surgery. Osseous surgery (including flap entry and closure), one to three contiguous teeth or bounded teeth spaces per quadrant. Bone replacement graft - first site in quadrant.	40%
The following services are not subject to a frequency limit. Pedicle soft tissue graft procedure. Free soft tissue graft procedure.	40%
The following services are not subject to a frequency limit. Subepithelial connective tissue graft procedures, per tooth. Soft tissue allograft. Free soft tissue graft - first tooth. Free soft tissue graft - additional teeth.	40%
The following services are limited to one time per quadrant every 24 months. Periodontal scaling and root planing - four or more teeth per quadrant. Periodontal scaling and root planing - one to three teeth per quadrant. Scaling in presence of generalized moderate or severe gingival inflammation - full mouth, after oral evaluation.	40%
The following service is limited to a frequency to one per lifetime. Full mouth debridement to enable comprehensive evaluation and diagnosis.	40%
The following service is limited to four times every 12 months in combination with prophylaxis. Periodontal maintenance.	40%
Removable Dentures - (Subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.)	
The following services are limited to a frequency of one every 60 months. Complete denture - maxillary.	40%

Amounts which you are required to pay as shown below in the *Schedule of Benefits* are based on Allowed Dental Amounts.	
What Are the Procedure Codes, Benefit Description and Frequency Limitations?	**Benefits** **The Amount You Pay Which May Include a Co-insurance or Co-Payment.**
Complete denture - mandibular. Immediate denture - maxillary. Immediate denture - mandibular. Mandibular partial denture - resin base (including retentive/clasping materials, rests, and teeth). Maxillary partial denture - resin base (including retentive/clasping materials, rests, and teeth). Maxillary partial denture - cast metal framework with resin denture bases (including retentive/clasping materials, rests and teeth). Mandibular partial denture - cast metal framework with resin denture bases (including retentive/clasping materials, rests and teeth). Immediate maxillary partial denture - resin base (including retentive/clasping materials, rests and teeth). Immediate mandibular partial denture - resin base (including retentive/clasping materials, rests and teeth). Immediate maxillary partial denture - cast metal framework with resin denture bases (including retentive/clasping materials, rests and teeth). Immediate mandibular partial denture - cast metal framework with resin denture bases (including retentive/clasping materials, rests and teeth). Removable unilateral partial denture - one piece cast metal (including retentive/clasping materials, rests, and teeth), maxillary. Removable unilateral partial denture - one piece cast metal (including retentive/clasping materials, rests, and teeth), mandibular. Removable unilateral partial denture - one piece flexible base (including retentive/clasping materials, rests, and teeth) - per quadrant. Removable unilateral partial denture - one piece resin (including retentive/clasping materials, rests, and teeth) - per quadrant.	
The following services are not subject to a frequency limit. Adjust complete denture - maxillary. Adjust complete denture - mandibular.	40%

Amounts which you are required to pay as shown below in the *Schedule of Benefits* are based on Allowed Dental Amounts.	
What Are the Procedure Codes, Benefit Description and Frequency Limitations?	**Benefits** **The Amount You Pay Which May Include a Co-insurance or Co-Payment.**
Adjust partial denture - maxillary. Adjust partial denture - mandibular. Repair broken complete denture base. Repair broken complete denture base - mandibular. Repair broken complete denture base - maxillary. Replace missing or broken teeth - complete denture. Repair resin denture base. Repair resin partial denture base - mandibular. Repair resin partial denture base - maxillary. Repair cast framework. Repair cast partial framework - mandibular. Repair cast partial framework - maxillary. Repair or replace broken retentive/clasping materials - per tooth. Replace broken teeth - per tooth. Add tooth to existing partial denture. Add clasp to existing partial denture.	
The following services are limited to rebasing performed more than 6 months after the initial insertion with a frequency limitation of one time per 12 months. Rebase complete maxillary denture. Rebase maxillary partial denture. Rebase mandibular partial denture. Reline complete maxillary denture (direct). Reline complete mandibular denture (direct). Reline maxillary partial denture (direct). Reline mandibular partial denture (direct). Reline complete maxillary denture (indirect). Reline complete mandibular denture (indirect). Reline maxillary partial denture (indirect). Reline mandibular partial denture (indirect). Reline mandibular partial denture (laboratory). Add metal substructure to acrylic full denture (per arch).	40%

Amounts which you are required to pay as shown below in the *Schedule of Benefits* are based on Allowed Dental Amounts.	
What Are the Procedure Codes, Benefit Description and Frequency Limitations?	**Benefits** **The Amount You Pay Which May Include a Co-insurance or Co-Payment.**
The following services are not subject to a frequency limit. Tissue conditioning (maxillary). Tissue conditioning (mandibular).	40%
Bridges (Fixed partial dentures) - (Subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.)	
The following services are not subject to a frequency limit. Pontic - cast high noble metal. Pontic - cast predominately base metal. Pontic - cast noble metal. Pontic - titanium and titanium alloys. Pontic - porcelain fused to high noble metal. Pontic - porcelain fused to predominately base metal. Pontic - porcelain fused to noble metal. Pontic - porcelain fused to titanium and titanium alloys. Pontic - porcelain/ceramic.	40%
The following services are not subject to a frequency limit. Retainer - cast metal for resin bonded fixed prosthesis. Retainer - porcelain/ceramic for resin bonded fixed prosthesis.	40%
The following services are not subject to a frequency limit. Inlay/onlay - porcelain/ceramic. Inlay - metallic - two surfaces. Inlay - metallic - three or more surfaces. Onlay - metallic - three surfaces. Onlay - metallic - four or more surfaces.	40%
The following services are limited to one time every 60 months. Retainer crown - porcelain/ceramic. Retainer crown - porcelain fused to high noble metal. Retainer crown - porcelain fused to predominately base metal.	40%

Amounts which you are required to pay as shown below in the *Schedule of Benefits* are based on Allowed Dental Amounts.	
What Are the Procedure Codes, Benefit Description and Frequency Limitations?	**Benefits** **The Amount You Pay Which May Include a Co-insurance or Co-Payment.**
Retainer crown - porcelain fused to noble metal. Retainer crown - porcelain fused to titanium and titanium alloys. Retainer crown - 3/4 cast high noble metal. Retainer crown - 3/4 cast predominately base metal. Retainer crown - 3/4 cast noble metal. Retainer crown - 3/4 porcelain/ceramic. Retainer crown - 3/4 titanium and titanium alloys. Retainer crown - full cast high noble metal. Retainer crown - full cast predominately base metal. Retainer crown - full cast noble metal.	
The following service is not subject to a frequency limit. Re-cement or re-bond fixed partial denture.	40%
The following services are not subject to a frequency limit. Core build up for retainer, including any pins. Fixed partial denture repair necessitated by restorative material failure.	40%
Oral Surgery - (Subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.)	
The following service is not subject to a frequency limit. Extraction, erupted tooth or exposed root.	40%
The following services are not subject to a frequency limit. Surgical removal of erupted tooth requiring elevation of mucoperiosteal flap and removal of bone and/or section of tooth. Removal of impacted tooth - soft tissue. Removal of impacted tooth - partially bony. Removal of impacted tooth - completely bony. Removal of impacted tooth - completely bony with unusual surgical complications. Surgical removal or residual tooth roots.	40%

Amounts which you are required to pay as shown below in the *Schedule of Benefits* are based on Allowed Dental Amounts.	
What Are the Procedure Codes, Benefit Description and Frequency Limitations?	**Benefits** **The Amount You Pay Which May Include a Co-insurance or Co-Payment.**
Coronectomy - intentional partial tooth removal.	
The following service is not subject to a frequency limit. Tooth reimplantation and/or stabilization of accidentally evulsed or displaced tooth.	40%
The following service is not subject to a frequency limit. Surgical access of an unerupted tooth.	40%
The following services are not subject to a frequency limit. Alveoloplasty in conjunction with extractions - per quadrant. Alveoloplasty in conjunction with extraction - one to three teeth or tooth spaces - per quadrant. Alveoloplasty not in conjunction with extractions - per quadrant. Alveoloplasty not in conjunction with extractions - one to three teeth or tooth spaces - per quadrant.	40%
The following service is not subject to a frequency limit. Removal of lateral exostosis (maxilla or mandible).	40%
The following services are not subject to a frequency limit. Incision and drainage of abscess. Suture of recent small wounds up to 5 cm. Collect - apply autologous product. Bone replacement graft for ridge preservation - per site. Buccal/labial frenectomy (frenulectomy). Lingual frenectomy (frenulectomy). Excision of pericoronal gingiva.	40%
Adjunctive Services - (Subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.)	
The following service is not subject to a frequency limit; however, it is covered as a separate Benefit only if no other services (other than the exam and radiographs) were done on the same tooth during the visit.	40%

Amounts which you are required to pay as shown below in the *Schedule of Benefits* are based on Allowed Dental Amounts.	
What Are the Procedure Codes, Benefit Description and Frequency Limitations?	**Benefits** **The Amount You Pay Which May Include a Co-insurance or Co-Payment.**
Palliative (Emergency) treatment of dental pain - minor procedure.	
Covered only when clinically Necessary. Deep sedation/general anesthesia first 30 minutes. Dental sedation/general anesthesia each additional 15 minutes. Deep sedation/general anesthesia - first 15 minutes. Intravenous moderate (conscious) sedation/anesthesia - first 15 minutes. Intravenous conscious sedation/analgesia - first 30 minutes. Intravenous conscious sedation/analgesia - each additional 15 minutes. Therapeutic drug injection, by report.	40%
Covered only when clinically Necessary. Consultation (diagnostic service provided by a dentist or Physician other than the practitioner providing treatment).	40%
The following are limited to one guard every 12 months. Occlusal guard - hard appliance, full arch. Occlusal guard - soft appliance, full arch. Occlusal guard - hard appliance, partial arch.	40%
Implant Procedures - (Subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.)	
The following services are limited to one time every 60 months. Endosteal implant. Surgical placement of interim implant body. Eposteal implant. Transosteal implant, including hardware. Implant supported complete denture. Implant supported partial denture. Connecting bar implant or abutment supported. Prefabricated abutment. Custom abutment. Abutment supported porcelain ceramic crown.	40%

Amounts which you are required to pay as shown below in the *Schedule of Benefits* are based on Allowed Dental Amounts.	
What Are the Procedure Codes, Benefit Description and Frequency Limitations?	**Benefits** **The Amount You Pay Which May Include a Co-insurance or Co-Payment.**
Abutment supported porcelain fused to high noble metal. Abutment supported porcelain fused to predominately base metal crown. Abutment supported porcelain fused to noble metal crown. Abutment supported cast high noble metal crown. Abutment supported cast predominately base metal crown. Abutment supported porcelain/ceramic crown. Implant supported porcelain/ceramic crown. Implant supported crown - porcelain fused to high noble alloys. Implant supported crown - high noble alloys. Abutment supported retainer for porcelain/ceramic fixed partial denture. Abutment supported retainer for porcelain fused to high noble metal fixed partial denture. Abutment supported retainer for porcelain fused to predominately base metal fixed partial denture. Abutment supported retainer for porcelain fused to noble metal fixed partial denture. Abutment supported retainer for cast high noble metal fixed partial denture. Abutment supported retainer for predominately base metal fixed partial denture. Abutment supported retainer for cast metal fixed partial denture. Implant supported retainer for ceramic fixed partial denture. Implant supported retainer for FPD - porcelain fused to high noble alloys. Implant supported retainer for metal FPD - high noble alloys. Implant/abutment supported fixed partial denture for completely edentulous arch. Implant/abutment supported fixed partial denture for partially edentulous arch. Implant maintenance procedure.	

Amounts which you are required to pay as shown below in the *Schedule of Benefits* are based on Allowed Dental Amounts.	
What Are the Procedure Codes, Benefit Description and Frequency Limitations?	**Benefits** **The Amount You Pay Which May Include a Co-insurance or Co-Payment.**
Scaling and debridement in the presence of inflammation or mucositis of a single implant, including cleaning of the implant surfaces, without flap entry and closure. Implant supported crown - porcelain fused to predominantly base alloys. Implant supported crown - porcelain fused to noble alloys. Implant supported crown - porcelain fused to titanium and titanium alloys. Implant supported crown - predominantly base alloys. Implant supported crown - noble alloys. Implant supported crown - titanium and titanium alloys. Repair implant prosthesis. Replacement of semi - precision or precision attachment. Repair implant abutment. Remove broken implant retaining screw. Abutment supported crown - porcelain fused to titanium and titanium alloys. Implant supported retainer - porcelain fused to predominantly base alloys. Implant supported retainer for FPD - porcelain fused to noble alloys. Implant removal. Debridement peri-implant defect. Debridement and osseous peri-implant defect. Bone graft peri-implant defect. Bone graft implant replacement. Implant/abutment supported interim fixed denture for edentulous arch - mandibular. Implant/abutment supported interim fixed denture for edentulous arch - maxillary. Implant supported retainer - porcelain fused to titanium and titanium alloys. Implant supported retainer for metal FPD - predominantly base alloys. Implant supported retainer for metal FPD - noble alloys.	

Amounts which you are required to pay as shown below in the *Schedule of Benefits* are based on Allowed Dental Amounts.	
What Are the Procedure Codes, Benefit Description and Frequency Limitations?	**Benefits** **The Amount You Pay Which May Include a Co-insurance or Co-Payment.**
Implant supported retainer for metal FPD - titanium and titanium alloys. Implant index. Semi-precision abutment - placement. Semi-precision attachment - placement. Abutment supported retainer - porcelain fused to titanium and titanium alloys.	
Medically Necessary Orthodontics - (Subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.)	
Benefits for comprehensive orthodontic treatment are approved by us, only in those instances that are related to an identifiable syndrome such as cleft lip and or palate, *Crouzon's Syndrome*, *Treacher-Collins Syndrome, Pierre-Robin Syndrome*, hemi-facial atrophy, hemi-facial hypertrophy; or other severe craniofacial deformities which result in a physically handicapping malocclusion as determined by our dental consultants. Benefits are not available for comprehensive orthodontic treatment for crowded dentitions (crooked teeth), excessive spacing between teeth, temporomandibular joint *(TMJ)* conditions and/or having horizontal/vertical (overjet/overbite) discrepancies. All orthodontic treatment must be prior authorized. Benefits will be paid in equal monthly installments over the course of the entire orthodontic treatment plan, starting on the date that the orthodontic bands or appliances are first placed, or on the date a one-step orthodontic procedure is performed. Services or supplies furnished by a Dental Provider in order to diagnose or correct misalignment of the teeth or the bite. Benefits are available only when the service or supply is determined to be Medically Necessary.	
The following services are not subject to a frequency limitation as long as benefits have been prior authorized. Limited orthodontic treatment of the primary dentition. Limited orthodontic treatment of the transitional dentition. Limited orthodontic treatment of the adolescent dentition. Interceptive orthodontic treatment of the primary dentition. Interceptive orthodontic treatment of the transitional dentition. Comprehensive orthodontic treatment of the transitional dentition. Comprehensive orthodontic treatment of the adolescent dentition. Removable appliance therapy. Fixed appliance therapy.	50%

Amounts which you are required to pay as shown below in the *Schedule of Benefits* are based on Allowed Dental Amounts.	
What Are the Procedure Codes, Benefit Description and Frequency Limitations?	**Benefits** **The Amount You Pay Which May Include a Co-insurance or Co-Payment.**
Pre-orthodontic treatment visit. Periodic orthodontic treatment visit. Orthodontic retention. Removal of fixed orthodontic appliances for reasons other than completion of treatment. Repair of orthodontic appliance - maxillary. Repair of orthodontic appliance - mandibular. Re-cement or re-bond fixed retainer - maxillary. Re-cement or re-bond fixed retainer - mandibular. Repair of fixed retainer, includes reattachment - maxillary. Repair of fixed retainer, includes reattachment - mandibular.	

Pediatric Vision Care Services Schedule of Benefits

How do you Access Pediatric Vision Care Services?

Network Benefits

Benefits - Benefits are available for pediatric Vision Care Services from a UnitedHealthcare Vision Network Vision Care Provider. To find a UnitedHealthcare Vision Network Vision Care Provider, you may call the provider locator service at 1-866-268-6438. You may also access a listing of UnitedHealthcare Vision Network Vision Care Providers on the Internet at www.myuhc.com/exchange.

Benefits are not available for Vision Care Services that are not provided by a UnitedHealthcare Vision Network Vision Care Provider.

Payment Information

When obtaining these Vision Care Services from a UnitedHealthcare Vision Network Vision Care Provider, you will be required to pay any Co-payments at the time of service.

Benefits for Vision Care Services are determined based on the negotiated contract fee between us and the Vision Care Provider. Our negotiated rate with the Vision Care Provider is ordinarily lower than the Vision Care Provider's billed charge.

Annual Deductible

Unless otherwise stated, Benefits for pediatric Vision Care Services provided under this section are subject to any Annual Deductible stated in the *Schedule of Benefits.* Any amount you pay in Co-payments for Vision Care Services under this section does not apply to the Annual Deductible stated in the *Schedule of Benefits*.

Out-of-Pocket Limit - any amount you pay in Co-insurance for Vision Care Services under this section applies to the Out-of-Pocket Limit stated in the *Schedule of Benefits*.

Schedule of Benefits Information Table

Benefit limits are calculated on a calendar year basis unless otherwise specifically stated.

Vision Care Service	What Is the Frequency of Service?	Benefit - The Amount You Pay Based on the Contracted Rate
Routine Vision Exam or Refraction only in lieu of a complete exam.	Once every 12 months.	None Not subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.
Eyeglass Lenses	Once every 12 months.	
• Single Vision		40% Subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.
• Bifocal		40% Subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.
• Trifocal		40% Subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.
• Lenticular		40% Subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.

Vision Care Service	What Is the Frequency of Service?	Benefit - The Amount You Pay Based on the Contracted Rate
Lens Extras		
• Polycarbonate lenses	Once every 12 months.	None Subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.
• Standard scratch-resistant coating	Once every 12 months.	None Subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.
Eyeglass Frames	Once every 12 months.	
• Eyeglass frames with a retail cost up to $130.		40% Subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.
• Eyeglass frames with a retail cost of $130 - 160.		40% Subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.
• Eyeglass frames with a retail cost of $160 - 200.		40% Subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.
• Eyeglass frames with a retail cost of $200 - 250.		40% Subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.
• Eyeglass frames with a retail cost greater than $250.		40% Subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.
Contact Lenses and Fitting & Evaluation		
• Contact Lens Fitting & Evaluation	Once every 12 months.	None Not subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.
• Covered Contact Lens Formulary	Limited to a 12 month supply.	40% Subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.
Necessary Contact Lenses	Limited to a 12 month supply.	40% Subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.
Low Vision Care Services: Note that Benefits for these services will be paid as reimbursements. When obtaining these Vision Care Services, you will be required to pay all billed	Once every 24 months.	

Vision Care Service	What Is the Frequency of Service?	Benefit - The Amount You Pay Based on the Contracted Rate
charges at the time of service. You may then obtain reimbursement from us. Reimbursement will be limited to the amounts stated.		
• Low vision testing		None Not subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.
• Low vision therapy		25% of billed charges. Subject to payment of the Annual Deductible.

What Is the Policy?

This Policy is a legal document between UnitedHealthcare Insurance Company and you and describes Covered Health Care Services, subject to the terms, conditions, exclusions and limitations of this Policy. We issue this Policy based on the Policyholder's *Application* and payment of the required Premium.

This Policy includes:

- The *Schedule of Benefits*.
- The Policyholder's *Application*.
- Amendments.

Can This Policy Change?

We may, from time to time, change this Policy by attaching legal documents called *Amendments* that may change certain provisions of this Policy. When this happens we will send you a new Policy or *Amendment*.

Other Information You Should Have

We have the right to change, interpret, withdraw or add Benefits, or to end this *Policy*, as permitted by law.

This Policy will remain in effect as long as the Premium is paid when due, subject to the renewal and termination provisions of this Policy.

We are delivering this Policy in Louisiana. This Policy is governed by Louisiana law.

Introduction to Your Policy

This Policy describes your Benefits, as well as your rights and responsibilities, under this Policy.

What Are Defined Terms?

Certain capitalized words have special meanings. We have defined these words in *Section 8: Defined Terms*.

When we use the words "we," "us," and "our" in this document, we are referring to UnitedHealthcare Insurance Company, Inc. When we use the words "you" and "your," we are referring to people who are Covered Persons, as that term is defined in *Section 8: Defined Terms*.

How Do You Use This Document?

Read your entire Policy and any attached Amendments. You may not have all of the information you need by reading just one section. Keep your *Policy* and *Schedule of Benefits* and any attachments in a safe place for your future reference. You can also get this Policy at www.myuhc.com/exchange.

Review the Benefit limitations of this Policy by reading the attached *Schedule of Benefits* along with *Section 1: Covered Health Care Services* and *Section 2: Exclusions and Limitations*. Read *Section 7: General Legal Provisions* to understand how this Policy and your Benefits work. Call us if you have questions about the limits of the coverage available to you.

If there is a conflict between this *Policy* and any summaries provided to you, this *Policy* controls.

Please be aware that your Physician is not responsible for knowing or communicating your Benefits.

How Do You Contact Us?

Call the telephone number listed on your identification (ID) card. Throughout the document you will find statements that encourage you to contact us for more information.

Your Responsibilities

Enrollment and Required Premiums

Benefits are available to you if you are enrolled for coverage under this Policy. Your enrollment options, and the corresponding dates that coverage begins, are listed in *Section 3: When Coverage Begins and Premiums*. To be enrolled and receive Benefits, all of the following apply:

- Your enrollment must be in accordance with the requirements of this Policy, including the eligibility requirements.
- You must qualify as a Policyholder or a Dependent as those terms are defined in *Section 8: Defined Terms*.
- You must pay Premium as required.

Be Aware the Policy Does Not Pay for All Health Care Services

This Policy does not pay for all health care services. Benefits are limited to Covered Health Care Services. The *Schedule of Benefits* will tell you the portion you must pay for Covered Health Care Services.

Decide What Services You Should Receive

Care decisions are between you and your Physician. We do not make decisions about the kind of care you should or should not receive.

Choose Your Physician

It is your responsibility to select the health care professionals who will deliver your care. We arrange for Physicians and other health care professionals and facilities to participate in a Network. Our credentialing process confirms public information about the professionals' and facilities' licenses and other credentials, but does not assure the quality of their services. These professionals and facilities are independent practitioners and entities that are solely responsible for the care they deliver.

Obtain Prior Authorization

Some Covered Health Care Services require prior authorization. Physicians and other health care professionals who participate in a Network are responsible for obtaining prior authorization. For detailed information on the Covered Health Care Services that require prior authorization, please refer to the *Schedule of Benefits*.

Pay Your Share

You must meet any applicable deductible and pay a Co-payment and/or Co-insurance for most Covered Health Care Services. These payments are due at the time of service or when billed by the Physician, provider or facility. Any applicable deductible, Co-payment and Co-insurance amounts are listed in the *Schedule of Benefits*.

Pay the Cost of Excluded Services

You must pay the cost of all excluded services and items. Review *Section 2: Exclusions and Limitations* to become familiar with this Policy's exclusions.

Show Your ID Card

You should show your ID card every time you request health care services. If you do not show your ID card, the provider may fail to bill the correct entity for the services delivered.

File Claims with Complete and Accurate Information

When you receive Covered Health Care Services from an out-of-Network provider, as a result of an Emergency or we refer you to an out-of-Network provider, you are responsible for requesting payment from us. You must file the claim in a format that contains all of the information we require, as described in *Section 5: How to File a Claim*.

Use Your Prior Health Care Coverage

If you have prior coverage that, as required by state law, extends benefits for a particular condition or a disability, we will not pay Benefits for health care services for that condition or disability until the prior coverage ends. We will pay Benefits as of the day your coverage begins under this Policy for all other Covered Health Care Services that are not related to the condition or disability for which you have other coverage.

Our Responsibilities

Determine Benefits

We do not make decisions about the kind of care you should or should not receive. You and your providers must make those treatment decisions.

Subject to *Section 6: Questions, Complaints and Appeals*, we have the discretionary authority to do the following:

- Interpret Benefits and the other terms, limitations and exclusions set out in this Policy, the *Schedule of Benefits* and any Amendments.
- Make factual determinations relating to Benefits.

We may assign this authority to other persons or entities that may provide administrative services for this Policy, such as claims processing. The identity of the service providers and the nature of their services may be changed from time to time as we determine. In order to receive Benefits, you must cooperate with those service providers.

Pay for Our Portion of the Cost of Covered Health Care Services

We pay Benefits for Covered Health Care Services as described in *Section 1: Covered Health Care Services* and in the *Schedule of Benefits*, unless the service is excluded in *Section 2: Exclusions and Limitations*. This means we only pay our portion of the cost of Covered Health Care Services. It also means that not all of the health care services you receive may be paid for (in full or in part) by this Policy.

Pay Network Providers

It is the responsibility of Network Physicians and facilities to file for payment from us. When you receive Covered Health Care Services from Network providers, you do not have to submit a claim to us.

Pay for Covered Health Care Services Provided by Out-of-Network Providers

In accordance with any state prompt pay requirements, we pay Benefits after we receive your request for payment that includes all required information. See *Section 5: How to File a Claim*.

Review and Determine Benefits in Accordance with our Reimbursement Policies

We develop our reimbursement policy guidelines in accordance with one or more of the following methodologies:

- As shown in the most recent edition of the *Current Procedural Terminology (CPT)*, a publication of the *American Medical Association*, and/or the *Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)*.
- As reported by generally recognized professionals or publications.
- As used for Medicare.
- As determined by medical staff and outside medical consultants pursuant to other appropriate sources or determinations that we accept.

Following evaluation and validation of certain provider billings (e.g., error, abuse and fraud reviews), our reimbursement policies are applied to provider billings. We share our reimbursement policies with Physicians and other providers in our Network through our provider website. Network Physicians and providers may not bill you for the difference between their contract rate (as may be modified by our reimbursement policies) and the billed charge. However, out-of-Network providers may bill you for any amounts we do not pay, including amounts that are denied because one of our reimbursement policies does not reimburse (in whole or in part) for the service billed. You may get copies of our reimbursement policies for yourself or to share with your out-of-Network Physician or provider at the telephone number on your ID card.

We may apply a reimbursement methodology established by *OptumInsight* and/or a third party vendor, which is based on *CMS* coding principles, to determine appropriate reimbursement levels for Emergency Health Care Services. The methodology is usually based on elements reflecting the patient complexity, direct costs, and indirect costs of an Emergency Health Care Service. If the methodology(ies) currently in use become no longer available, we will use a comparable methodology(ies). We and *OptumInsight* are related companies through common ownership by

UnitedHealth Group. Refer to our website at www.myuhc.com/exchange for information regarding the vendor that provides the applicable methodology.

Offer Health Education Services to You

We may provide you with access to information about additional services that are available to you, such as disease management programs, health education and patient advocacy. It is solely your decision whether to take part in the programs, but we recommend that you discuss them with your Physician.

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Section 1: Covered Health Care Services

When Are Benefits Available for Covered Health Care Services?

Benefits are available only when all of the following are true:

- The health care service, including supplies or Pharmaceutical Products, is only a Covered Health Care Service if it is Medically Necessary. (See definitions of Medically Necessary and Covered Health Care Service in *Section 8: Defined Terms*.)
- You receive Covered Health Care Services while this Policy is in effect.
- You receive Covered Health Care Services prior to the date that any of the individual termination conditions listed in *Section 4: When Coverage Ends* occurs.
- The person who receives Covered Health Care Services is a Covered Person and meets all eligibility requirements.

The fact that a Physician or other provider has performed or prescribed a procedure or treatment, or the fact that it may be the only available treatment for a Sickness, Injury, Mental Illness, substance-related and addictive disorders, disease or its symptoms does not mean that the procedure or treatment is a Covered Health Care Service under this Policy.

This section describes Covered Health Care Services for which Benefits are available. Please refer to the attached *Schedule of Benefits* for details about:

- The amount you must pay for these Covered Health Care Services (including any Annual Deductible, Co-payment and/or Co-insurance).
- Any limit that applies to these Covered Health Care Services (including visit, day and dollar limits on services).
- Any limit that applies to the portion of the Allowed Amount or the Recognized Amount when applicable, you are required to pay in a year (Out-of-Pocket Limit).
- Any responsibility you have for obtaining prior authorization or notifying us.

Please note that in listing services or examples, when we say "this includes," it is not our intent to limit the description to that specific list. When we do intend to limit a list of services or examples, we state specifically that the list "is limited to."

1. Ambulance Services

Emergency ambulance transportation by a licensed ambulance service (either ground or Air Ambulance) to the nearest Hospital where the required Emergency Health Care Services can be performed.

Non-Emergency ambulance transportation by a licensed ambulance service (either ground or Air Ambulance, as we determine appropriate) between facilities only when the transport meets one of the following:

- From an out-of-Network Hospital to the closest Network Hospital when Covered Health Care Services are required.
- To the closest Network Hospital that provides the required Covered Health Care Services that were not available at the original Hospital.
- From a short-term acute care facility to the closest Network Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility, or Network sub-acute facility where the required Covered Health Care Services can be delivered.

  For the purpose of this Benefit the following terms have the following meanings:

  - "Short-term acute care facility" means a facility or Hospital that provides care to people with medical needs requiring short-term Hospital stay in an acute or critical setting such as for recovery following a surgery, care following sudden Sickness, Injury, or flare-up of a chronic Sickness.
  - "Sub-acute facility" means a facility that provides intermediate care on short-term or long-term basis.

Coverage includes air or surface transport of a Newly Born Child to the nearest available Hospital or neonatal special care unit for treatment of illnesses, injuries, congenital defects and complications of premature birth, but does not include transportation for the purpose of obtaining routine well baby care. Coverage includes transportation of the

Temporarily Medically Disabled Mother of the Newly Born Child to accompany the child to the nearest available Hospital or neonatal special care unit.

2. Clinical Trials

Routine patient care costs incurred while taking part in a qualifying clinical trial for the treatment of:

- Cancer or other life-threatening disease or condition. For purposes of this Benefit, a life-threatening disease or condition is one which is likely to cause death unless the course of the disease or condition is interrupted.
- Cardiovascular disease (cardiac/stroke) which is not life threatening, when we determine the clinical trial meets the qualifying clinical trial criteria stated below.
- Surgical musculoskeletal disorders of the spine, hip and knees, which are not life threatening, when we determine the clinical trial meets the qualifying clinical trial criteria stated below.
- Other diseases or disorders which are not life threatening, when we determine the clinical trial meets the qualifying clinical trial criteria stated below.

Benefits include the reasonable and necessary items and services used to prevent, diagnose and treat complications arising from taking part in a qualifying clinical trial.

Benefits are available only when you are clinically eligible, as determined by the researcher, to take part in the qualifying clinical trial.

Routine patient care costs for qualifying clinical trials include:

- Covered Health Care Services for which Benefits are typically provided absent a clinical trial.
- Covered Health Care Services required solely for the following:
  - The provision of the Experimental or Investigational Service(s) or item.
  - The clinically appropriate monitoring of the effects of the service or item, or
  - The prevention of complications.
- Covered Health Care Services needed for reasonable and necessary care arising from the receipt of an Experimental or Investigational Service(s) or item.

Routine costs for clinical trials do not include:

- The Experimental or Investigational Service(s) or item. The only exceptions to this are:
  - Certain *Category B* devices.
  - Certain promising interventions for patients with terminal illnesses.
  - Other items and services that meet specified criteria in accordance with our medical and drug policies.
- Items and services provided solely to meet data collection and analysis needs and that are not used in the direct clinical management of the patient.
- A service that clearly does not meet widely accepted and established standards of care for a particular diagnosis.
- Items and services provided by the research sponsors free of charge for any person taking part in the trial.

With respect to cancer or other life-threatening diseases or conditions, a qualifying clinical trial is a Phase I, Phase II, Phase III, or Phase IV clinical trial. It takes place in relation to the prevention, detection or treatment of cancer or other life-threatening disease or condition. It meets any of the following criteria in the bulleted list below.

With respect to cardiovascular disease, musculoskeletal disorders of the spine, hip and knees and other diseases or disorders which are not life-threatening, a qualifying clinical trial is a Phase I, Phase II, or Phase III clinical trial. It takes place in relation to the detection or treatment of such non-life-threatening disease or disorder. It meets any of the following criteria in the bulleted list below.

Federally funded trials. The study or investigation is approved or funded (which may include funding through in-kind contributions) by one or more of the following:

- *National Institutes of Health (NIH)*. (Includes *National Cancer Institute (NCI)*.)

- *Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)*.
- *Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ)*.
- *Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)*.
- A cooperative group or center of any of the entities described above or the *Department of Defense (DOD)* or the *Veterans Administration (VA).*
- A qualified non-governmental research entity identified in the guidelines issued by the *National Institutes of Health* for center support grants.
- The *Department of Veterans Affairs*, the *Department of Defense* or the *Department of Energy* if the study or investigation has been reviewed and approved through a system of peer review. The peer review system is determined by the *Secretary of Health and Human Services* to meet both of the following criteria:
  - Comparable to the system of peer review of studies and investigations used by the *National Institutes of Health*.
  - Ensures unbiased review of the highest scientific standards by qualified individuals who have no interest in the outcome of the review.

The study or investigation takes place under an investigational new drug application reviewed by the *U.S. Food and Drug Administration*.

The study or investigation is a drug trial that is exempt from having such an investigational new drug application.

The clinical trial must have a written protocol that describes a scientifically sound study. It must have been approved by all relevant institutional review boards (IRBs) which operates in Louisiana and which has a multiple project assurance contracts approved by the Office of Protection from research risks before you are enrolled in the trial. We may, at any time, request documentation about the trial.

Facility and personnel providing the protocol must provide the treatment within their scope of practice, experience, and training. They must be capable of doing so by virtue of their experience, training and volume of patients treated to maintain expertise.

There must be no clearly superior, non-investigational approach.

The available clinical or pre-clinical data provide a reasonable expectation that the treatment will be at least as efficacious as the non-investigational alternative.

The Covered Person has signed an IRB approved consent form.

The subject or purpose of the trial must be the evaluation of an item or service that meets the definition of a Covered Health Care Service and is not otherwise excluded under this Policy.

3. Dental Anesthesia

Benefits include general anesthesia and associated facility charges when the mental or physical condition of a Covered Person requires dental treatment to be rendered in a Hospital setting. Benefits do not include treatment for temporomandibular joint (TMJ) syndrome.

An insurer under this Section may require prior authorization for hospitalization for dental care procedures in the same manner that prior authorization is required for hospitalization for other covered medical conditions. For a patient to satisfy the benefit requirements described in this section above, a dentist shall consider the Indications for General Anesthesia, as published in the reference manual of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry, as utilization standards for determining whether performing dental procedures necessary to treat the particular condition or conditions of the patient under general anesthesia constitutes appropriate treatment. The provisions of this Section shall not apply to treatment rendered for temporomandibular joint (TMJ) disorders. An insurer under this Section may restrict coverage to include only procedures performed by:

A fully accredited specialist in pediatric dentistry or other dentists fully accredited in a recognized dental specialty for which hospital privileges are granted.

A dentist who is certified by virtue of completion of an accredited program of post-graduate hospital training to be granted hospital privileges.

A dentist who has not yet satisfied the certification requirements, but has been granted hospital privileges as of January 1, 1998.

4. Dental Services - Accident Only

Dental services when all of the following are true:

- Treatment is needed because of accidental damage.
- You receive dental services from a Doctor of Dental Surgery or Doctor of Medical Dentistry.
- The dental damage is severe enough that first contact with a Physician or dentist happened within 72 hours of the accident. (You may request this time period be longer if you do so within 60 days of the Injury and if extenuating circumstances exist due to the severity of the Injury.)

Please note that dental damage that happens as a result of normal activities of daily living or extraordinary use of the teeth is not considered an accidental Injury. Benefits are not available for repairs to teeth that are damaged as a result of such activities.

Dental services to repair damage caused by accidental Injury must follow these time-frames:

- Treatment is started within three months of the accident, or if not a Covered Person at the time of the accident, within the first three months of coverage under the Policy, unless extenuating circumstances exist (such as prolonged hospitalization or the presence of fixation wires from fracture care).
- Treatment must be completed within 12 months of the accident, or if not a Covered Person at the time of the accident, within the first 12 months of coverage under the Policy.

Benefits for treatment of accidental Injury are limited to the following:

- Emergency exam.
- Diagnostic X-rays.
- Endodontic (root canal) treatment.
- Temporary splinting of teeth.
- Prefabricated post and core.
- Simple minimal restorative procedures (fillings).
- Extractions.
- Post-traumatic crowns if such are the only clinically acceptable treatment.
- Replacement of lost teeth due to Injury with implant, dentures or bridges.

5. Diabetes Services

Diabetes Self-Management and Training and Education Services

"Diabetes self-management training and educational services" means instruction in an inpatient or outpatient setting which enables diabetic patients to understand the diabetic management process and daily management of diabetic therapy as a method of avoiding frequent hospitalizations and complications, when the instruction is provided in accordance with a program in compliance with the National Standards of Diabetes Self-Management Education Program as developed by the American Diabetes Association. Diabetes self-management training and educational services includes coverage for medical nutrition therapy when prescribed by a health care professional and when provided by a certified, registered or licensed health care professional. Diabetes self-management training and educational services does not include programs with the primary purpose of weight reduction. Benefits also include medical eye exams (dilated retinal exams) and preventive foot care, and diabetic specific foot orthotics, orthopedic shoes, inserts, modifications and footwear when Medically Necessary for the treatment of complications related to diabetes.

Diabetic Self-Management Supplies

Benefits for blood glucose control and testing including insulin syringes with needles, blood glucose and urine test strips, lancets and lancet devices, ketone test strips and glucose tablets, single measurement glucose monitors, including those for the legally blind, and certain insulin pumps, are described under the *Outpatient Prescription Drugs Benefit*. Continuous glucose monitors are excluded as described under the *Outpatient Prescription Drugs* section. Continuous glucose monitors and certain insulin pumps are subject to all the conditions of coverage stated under *Durable Medical Equipment (DME)*.

6. Durable Medical Equipment (DME)

Benefits are provided for DME. If more than one item can meet your functional needs, Benefits are available only for the item that meets the minimum specifications for your needs. If you purchase an item that exceeds these minimum specifications, we will pay only the amount that we would have paid for the item that meets the minimum specifications, and you will be responsible for paying any difference in cost.

DME includes, but isn't limited to:

- Canes.
- Cochlear implants and batteries for cochlear implants.
- Commode chairs.
- Continuous glucose monitors.
- Continuous passive motion devices.
- Continuous Positive Airway Pressure (CPAP) devices.
- Crutches.
- Hospital beds.
- Infusion pumps.
- Manual wheelchairs.
- Nebulizers.
- Oxygen equipment.
- Patient lifts.
- Pressure-reducing support surfaces.
- Suction pumps.
- Traction equipment.
- Walkers.

We will decide if the equipment should be purchased or rented.

Benefits are available for fitting, repairs and replacement, except as described in *Section 2: Exclusions and Limitations.*

These Benefits apply to external DME. Unless otherwise excluded, items that are fully implanted into the body are a Covered Health Care Service for which Benefits are available under the applicable medical/surgical Covered Health Care Service categories in this Policy.

7. Emergency Health Care Services - Outpatient

Services that are required to stabilize or begin treatment in an Emergency. Emergency Health Care Services must be received on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility.

Benefits include the facility charge, supplies and all professional services required to stabilize your condition and/or begin treatment. This includes placement in an observation bed to monitor your condition (rather than being admitted to a Hospital for an Inpatient Stay).

8. Enteral Nutrition

Benefits are provided for specialized enteral formulas administered either orally or by tube feeding for certain conditions under the direction of a Physician.

Human Breast Milk

Benefits are available for inpatient and outpatient Medically Necessary pasteurized donor human milk upon prescription of an infant's pediatrician or licensed pediatric provider stating that the infant is medically or physically unable to receive maternal human milk or participate in breastfeeding, or the infant's mother is medically or physically

unable to produce maternal human milk in sufficient quantities. This coverage is limited to a two-month supply per infant per lifetime and is limited to prescribed donor human breast milk obtained from a member bank of the Human Milk Banking Association of North America. Benefits under this section are limited to inpatient and outpatient donor human milk obtained from a member bank of the Human Milk Banking Association of North America.

9. Fertility Preservation for Iatrogenic Infertility

Benefits are available for fertility preservation for medical reasons that cause irreversible infertility such as chemotherapy, radiation treatment, and bilateral oophorectomy due to cancer. Services include the following procedures, when provided by or under the care or supervision of a Physician:

- Collection of sperm.
- Cryo-preservation of sperm.
- Ovarian stimulation, retrieval of eggs and fertilization.
- Oocyte cryo-preservation.
- Embryo cryo-preservation.

Benefits for medications related to the treatment of fertility preservation are provided as described under Outpatient Prescription Drugs or under Pharmaceutical Products in this section.

Benefits are not available for embryo transfer.

Benefits are not available for long-term storage costs (greater than one year).

10. Habilitative Services

For purposes of this Benefit, "habilitative services" means Skilled Care services that are part of a prescribed treatment plan or maintenance program to help a person with a disabling condition to keep, learn or improve skills and functioning for daily living. We will decide if Benefits are available by reviewing both the skilled nature of the service and the need for Physician-directed medical management. Therapies provided for the purpose of general well-being or conditioning in the absence of a disabling condition are not considered habilitative services.

Habilitative services are limited to:

- Physical therapy.
- Occupational therapy.
- Speech therapy.
- Post-cochlear implant aural therapy.
- Cognitive therapy.

Benefits are provided for habilitative services for both inpatient services and outpatient therapy when you have a disabling condition when both of the following conditions are met:

- Treatment is administered by any of the following:
  - Licensed speech-language pathologist.
  - Licensed audiologist.
  - Licensed occupational therapist.
  - Licensed physical therapist.
  - Physician.
- Treatment must be proven and not Experimental or Investigational.

The following are not habilitative services:

- Custodial Care.
- Respite care.
- Day care.

- Therapeutic recreation.
- Educational/vocational training.
- Residential Treatment.
- A service or treatment plan that does not help you meet functional goals.
- Services solely educational in nature.
- Educational services otherwise paid under state or federal law.

We may require the following be provided:

- Medical records.
- Other necessary data to allow us to prove that medical treatment is needed.

When the treating provider expects that continued treatment is or will be required to allow you to achieve progress we may request additional medical records.

Habilitative services provided in your home by a Home Health Agency are provided as described under *Home Health Care*.

Benefits for DME, Orthotics and prosthetic devices, when used as a part of habilitative services, are described under *Durable Medical Equipment (DME), Orthotics* and *Prosthetic Devices.*

11. Hearing Aids

Hearing aids required for the correction of a hearing impairment (a reduction in the ability to perceive sound which may range from slight to complete deafness). These are electronic amplifying devices designed to bring sound more effectively into the ear. These consist of a microphone, amplifier and receiver.

Benefits are available for a hearing aid that is purchased due to a written recommendation by a Physician. Benefits are provided for the hearing aid and associated fitting charges and testing.

If more than one type of hearing aid can meet your functional needs, Benefits are available only for the hearing aid that meets the minimum specifications for your needs. If you purchase a hearing aid that exceeds these minimum specifications, we will pay only the amount that we would have paid for the hearing aid that meets the minimum specifications, and you will be responsible for paying any difference in cost.

Cochlear implants are not hearing aids. Benefits do not include bone anchored hearing aids. Bone anchored hearing aids are a Covered Health Care Service for which Benefits are available under the applicable medical/surgical Covered Health Care Services categories in this Policy. They are only available if you have either of the following:

- Craniofacial anomalies whose abnormal or absent ear canals prevent the use of a wearable hearing aid.
- Hearing loss severe enough that it would not be remedied by a wearable hearing aid.

12. Home Health Care

Services received from a Home Health Agency that are all of the following:

- Ordered by a Physician.
- Provided in your home by a registered nurse, or provided by a home health aide, home health therapist, or licensed practical nurse and supervised by a registered nurse.
- Provided on a part-time, Intermittent Care schedule.
- Provided when Skilled Care is required.
- Provides each patient with a planned program of observation and treatment by a Physician, in accordance with existing standards of medical practice for the Sickness or Injury requiring the Home Health Care.

We will determine if Benefits are available by reviewing both the skilled nature of the service and the need for Physician-directed medical management.

Private Duty Nursing

Benefits for Private Duty Nursing services provided in the home when provided through a Home Health Agency and authorized in advance by us. Your Physician must certify to us that Private Duty Nursing services are Medically Necessary for your condition and not merely custodial in nature. Private Duty Nursing services may be provided if they are determined by us to be more cost effective than can be provided in a facility setting.

Benefits for Private Duty Nursing do not include the following:

Services provided to a Covered Person by an independent nurse who is hired directly by the Covered Person or his/her family. This includes nursing services provided on an inpatient or home-care basis, whether the service is skilled or non-skilled independent nursing.

Services once patient or caregiver is trained to perform care safety.

Services performed when the nurse is related to the Covered Person by blood, marriage, or adoption.

Services for the comfort or convenience of the Covered Person or the Covered Person's caregiver.

Services that are custodial in nature (Custodial Care).

Intermittent care.

13. Hospice Care

Hospice care that is recommended by a Physician. Hospice care is an integrated program that provides comfort and support services for the terminally ill. It includes the following:

- Physical, psychological, social, spiritual and respite care for the terminally ill person.
- Short-term grief counseling for immediate family members while you are receiving hospice care.

Benefits are available when you receive hospice care from a licensed hospice agency.

You can call us at the telephone number on your ID card for information about our guidelines for hospice care.

14. Hospital - Inpatient Stay

Services and supplies provided during an Inpatient Stay in a Hospital.

Benefits are available for:

- Supplies and non-Physician services received during the Inpatient Stay.
- Room and board in a Semi-private Room (a room with two or more beds).
- Physician services for radiologists, anesthesiologists, pathologists and Emergent ER Services Physicians. (Benefits for other Physician services are described under *Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services*.)

15. Lab, X-Ray and Diagnostic - Outpatient

Services for Sickness and Injury-related diagnostic purposes, received on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility or in a Physician's office include:

- Lab and radiology/X-ray.
- Mammography.

Benefits include:

- The facility charge and the charge for supplies and equipment.
- Physician services for radiologists, anesthesiologists and pathologists. (Benefits for other Physician services are described under *Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services*.)
- Genetic Testing ordered by a Physician which results in available medical treatment options following Genetic Counseling.
- Genetic biomarker testing for the purposes of diagnosis, treatment, appropriate management, or ongoing monitoring of an individual's disease or condition when the test is supported by medical or scientific evidence.
- Medically Necessary home or laboratory sleep studies. These include only sleep studies performed in the home or sleep studies performed in a sleep laboratory that is accredited by the *Joint Commission or the American*

Academy of Sleep Medicine (AASM). Benefits for sleep studies will not be covered unless performed in the home or performed in a sleep laboratory that is accredited by the *Joint Commission* or *AASM*. If a sleep study is performed in a sleep laboratory that is not accredited by one of these bodies, or a sleep study is denied, then neither the sleep study nor any professional claims associated with the sleep study will be covered.

- Presumptive Drug Tests and Definitive Drug Tests. Benefits are limited as described in the *Schedule of Benefits*.
- The coverage requirements under Act No. 230 as specified therein for COVID-19 diagnostic tests, antibody tests, and antiviral drugs when ordered by a Physician for the purpose of making clinical decisions or treating Covered Persons suspected of having COVID-19.

Lab, X-ray and diagnostic services for preventive care are described under *Preventive Care Services*.

CT scans, PET scans, MRI, MRA, nuclear medicine and major diagnostic services are described under *Major Diagnostic and Imaging - Outpatient*.

16. Major Diagnostic and Imaging - Outpatient

Services for CT scans, PET scans, MRI, MRA, nuclear medicine and major diagnostic services received on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility or in a Physician's office.

Benefits include:

- The facility charge and the charge for supplies and equipment.
- Physician services for radiologists, anesthesiologists and pathologists. (Benefits for other Physician services are described under *Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services*.)

17. Manipulative Treatment

Benefits are provided for Manipulative Treatment (adjustment) including diagnostic and treatment services. Benefits include therapy to treat problems of the bones, joints, and back.

Benefits are limited as described in the *Schedule of Benefits*.

18. Mental Health Care and Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services

Mental Health Care and Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services include those received on an inpatient or outpatient basis in a Hospital, an Alternate Facility or in a provider's office. All services must be provided by a behavioral health provider who is properly licensed and qualified by law, and acting within the scope of their licensure.

Benefits include the following levels of care:

- Inpatient treatment.
- Residential Treatment.
- Partial Hospitalization/Day Treatment.
- Intensive Outpatient Treatment.
- Outpatient treatment.

Inpatient treatment and Residential Treatment includes room and board in a Semi-private Room (a room with two or more beds).

Services include the following:

- Diagnostic evaluations, assessment and treatment, and/or procedures.
- Medication management.
- Individual, family, and group therapy.
- Crisis intervention.
- Mental Health Care Services for Autism Spectrum Disorder (including Intensive Behavioral Therapies such as *Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA))* that are the following:

- Focused on the treatment of core deficits of Autism Spectrum Disorder.
- Provided by a *Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA)* or other qualified provider under the appropriate supervision.
- Focused on treating maladaptive/stereotypic behaviors that are posing danger to self, others and property, and impairment in daily functioning.

This section describes only the behavioral component of treatment for Autism Spectrum Disorder. Medical treatment of Autism Spectrum Disorder is a Covered Health Care Service for which Benefits are available under the applicable medical Covered Health Care Services categories in this Policy.

The Mental Health/Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Designee provides administrative services for all levels of care.

We encourage you to contact the Mental Health/Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Designee for referrals to providers and coordination of care.

19. Necessary Medical Supplies

Medical Supplies that are used with covered DME are covered when the supply is necessary for the effective use of the item/device (e.g., oxygen tubing or mask, batteries for power wheelchairs and prosthetics, or tubing for a delivery pump).

20. Orthotics

Orthotic devices means rigid or semi-rigid supportive devices that restrict or eliminate motion of a weak or diseased body part.

Orthotic braces, including needed changes to shoes to fit braces, braces that stabilize an injured body part and braces to treat curvature of the spine are a Covered Health Care Service.

Benefits are available for fitting, repairs and replacement, except as described in *Section 2: Exclusions and Limitations*.

21. Pharmaceutical Products - Outpatient

Pharmaceutical Products for Covered Health Care Services administered on an outpatient basis in a Hospital, Alternate Facility, Physician's office, or in your home.

Benefits are provided for Pharmaceutical Products which, due to their traits (as determined by us), are administered or directly supervised by a qualified provider or licensed/certified health professional. Depending on where the Pharmaceutical Product is administered, Benefits will be provided for administration of the Pharmaceutical Product under the corresponding Benefit category in this Policy. Benefits for medication normally available by a prescription or order or refill are provided as described under *Section 10: Outpatient Prescription Drugs.*

Certain Pharmaceutical Products are subject to step therapy requirements. This means that in order to receive Benefits for such Pharmaceutical Products, you must use a different Pharmaceutical Product and/or prescription drug product first. You may find out whether a particular Pharmaceutical Product is subject to step therapy requirements by contacting us at www.myuhc.com/exchange or the telephone number on your ID card.

We may have certain programs in which you may receive an enhanced Benefit based on your actions such as adherence/compliance to medication or treatment regimens and/or participation in health management programs. You may access information on these programs by contacting us at www.myuhc.com/exchange or the telephone number on your ID card.

22. Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services

Physician fees for surgical procedures and other medical services received on an outpatient or inpatient basis in a Hospital, Skilled Nursing Facility, Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility or Alternate Facility, or for Physician house calls.

Additional benefits include:

Benefits will be provided for the Outpatient Facility charge and associated professional fees for Diagnostic Services rendered within seventy-two (72) hours of a scheduled procedure performed at an Inpatient or Outpatient Facility.

Consultation and directly related Diagnostic Services to confirm the need for elective Surgery. Second or third opinion consultant must not be the Physician who first recommended elective Surgery. A second or third opinion is not mandatory in order to receive Benefits.

23. Physician's Office Services - Sickness and Injury

Services provided in a Physician's office for the diagnosis and treatment of a Sickness or Injury. Benefits are provided regardless of whether the Physician's office is freestanding, located in a clinic or located in a Hospital.

Covered Health Care Services include medical education services that are provided in a Physician's office by appropriately licensed or registered health care professionals when both of the following are true:

- Education is required for a disease in which patient self-management is a part of treatment.
- There is a lack of knowledge regarding the disease which requires the help of a trained health professional.

Covered Health Care Services include:

- Genetic Counseling.
- Allergy testing and injections.
- Medical nutrition therapy provided by a licensed dietician or nutritionist, working in coordination with a Physician, to treat a chronic illness or condition.
- Remote Physiologic Monitoring services.
- Diagnosis and treatment of the underlying causes of infertility. Depending on where a service is received, Benefits will be provided under the corresponding Benefit category in this Policy.

Covered Health Care Services for preventive care provided in a Physician's office are described under *Preventive Care Services*.

Benefits for CT scans, PET scans, MRI, MRA, nuclear medicine and major diagnostic services are described under *Major Diagnostic and Imaging - Outpatient.*

When a test is performed or a sample is drawn in the Physician's office, Benefits for the analysis or testing of a lab, radiology/X-ray or other diagnostic service, whether performed in or out of the Physician's office are described under *Lab, X-ray and Diagnostic - Outpatient.*

Qualified Interpreter/Translator Services

Services of a qualified interpreter/translator, other than the Covered Person's family member, when such services are used by the Covered Person in connection with medical treatment or diagnostic consultations, provided the services are required because of a hearing impairment of the Covered Person or a failure of the Covered Person to understand or otherwise communicate in spoken language.

24. Pregnancy - Maternity Services

Benefits for Pregnancy include all maternity-related medical services for prenatal care, postnatal care, delivery and any related complications.

Both before and during a Pregnancy, Benefits include the services of a genetic counselor when provided or referred by a Physician. These Benefits are available to all Covered Persons in the immediate family. Covered Health Care Services include related tests and treatment.

We will pay Benefits for an Inpatient Stay of at least:

- 48 hours for the mother and newborn child following a normal vaginal delivery.
- 96 hours for the mother and newborn child following a cesarean section delivery.

If the mother agrees, the attending provider may discharge the mother and/or the newborn child earlier than these minimum time frames.

Benefits include services provided by a certified nurse midwife or certified professional midwife and support services provided by doulas meeting state specific requirements..

25. Preventive Care Services

Preventive care services provided on an outpatient basis at a Physician's office, an Alternate Facility or a Hospital encompass medical services that have been demonstrated by clinical evidence to be safe and effective in either the early detection of disease or in the prevention of disease, have been proven to have a beneficial effect on health outcomes and include the following as required under applicable law:

- 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.* Benefits include immunizations for Enrolled Dependent children from birth to age six. The immunizations will be the complete basic series as defined by the Louisiana health office and required for school entry.
- Immunizations that have in effect a recommendation from the *Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.*
- With respect to infants, children and adolescents, evidence-informed preventive care and screenings provided for in the comprehensive guidelines supported by the *Health Resources and Services Administration*.
- With respect to women, such additional preventive care and screenings as provided for in comprehensive guidelines supported by the *Health Resources and Services Administration.* Contraceptive devices, including the insertion or removal of, and any Medically Necessary consultations, examinations, or procedures associated with, the use of intrauterine devices, diaphragms, injectable contraceptives, and implanted hormonal contraceptives. Benefits include voluntary female sterilization and associated anesthesia.
- Bilateral Mastectomy Cancer Screening. As required by Louisiana state law, coverage for cancer screening is available, on no less than an annual basis, to qualified Covered Persons who were previously diagnosed with breast cancer, completed treatment for the breast cancer, underwent bilateral mastectomy and subsequently determined to be clear of cancer.

Benefits defined under the *Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)* requirement include one breast pump per Pregnancy in conjunction with childbirth. Breast pumps must be ordered by or provided by a Physician. You can find more information on how to access Benefits for breast pumps by contacting us at www.myuhc.com/exchange or the telephone number on your ID card.

If more than one breast pump can meet your needs, Benefits are available only for the most cost-effective pump. We will determine the following:

- Which pump is the most cost-effective.
- Whether the pump should be purchased or rented (and the duration of any rental).
- Timing of purchase or rental.

26. Prosthetic Devices

Prosthetic services are covered and means the science and practice of evaluating, measuring, designing, fabricating, assembling, fitting, aligning, adjusting, or servicing of a prosthesis through the replacement of external parts of a human body lost due to amputation or congenital deformities to restore function, cosmesis, or both. It shall also include any necessary clinical care.

External prosthetic devices that replace a limb or a body part, limited to:

- Artificial arms, legs, feet and hands.
- Artificial face, eyes, ears and nose.
- Breast prosthesis as required by the *Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998*. Benefits include mastectomy bras.

Benefits are provided only for external prosthetic devices and do not include any device that is fully implanted into the body. Internal prosthetics are a Covered Health Care Service for which Benefits are available under the applicable medical/surgical Covered Health Care Service categories in this Policy.

If more than one prosthetic device can meet your functional needs, Benefits are available only for the prosthetic device that meets the minimum specifications for your needs. If you purchase a prosthetic device that exceeds these minimum specifications, we will pay only the amount that we would have paid for the prosthetic that meets the minimum specifications, and you will be responsible for paying any difference in cost.

The prosthetic device must be ordered or provided by, or under the direction of a Physician.

Benefits are available for fitting, repairs and replacement, except as described in *Section 2: Exclusions and Limitations,* under *Devices, Appliances and Prosthetics.*

For Prosthetic Devices requiring prior authorization, reasonable quantity limits are determined by our Utilization Review organization using utilization review criteria. For supplies not requiring prior authorization, reasonable quantity limits are determined via a medical necessity review, also completed by our Utilization Review organization.

27. Reconstructive Procedures

Reconstructive procedures when the primary purpose of the procedure is either of the following:

- Treatment of a medical condition.
- Improvement or restoration of physiologic function.

Reconstructive procedures include surgery or other procedures which are related to an Injury, Sickness or Congenital Anomaly. The primary result of the procedure is not a changed or improved physical appearance. Microtia repair is considered a reconstructive procedure.

Cosmetic Procedures are excluded from coverage. Cosmetic Procedures do not include reconstructive procedures for treatment of a Congenital Anomaly of a newborn child. Cosmetic Procedures do not include reconstructive procedures for treatment of a Congenital Anomaly of a newborn child. The fact that you may suffer psychological consequences or socially avoidant behavior as a result of an Injury, Sickness or Congenital Anomaly does not classify surgery (or other procedures done to relieve such consequences or behavior) as a reconstructive procedure.

Please note that Benefits for reconstructive procedures include breast reconstruction following a mastectomy, including contralateral prophylactic mastectomies, whether a partial mastectomy or a full unilateral or bilateral mastectomy as chosen by the Covered Person and Physician. For purposes of this Benefit, "Breast Reconstruction" means all stages of reconstruction of the breast on which a mastectomy has been performed and on the other breast to produce a symmetrical appearance, including but not limited to liposuction performed for transfer to a reconstructed breast or to repair a donor site deformity, tattooing the areola of the breast, surgical adjustments of the non-mastectomized breast, unforeseen medical complications which may require additional reconstruction in the future, and prostheses and physical complications, including but not limited to lymphedemas.

Other services required by the *Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998*, including breast prostheses and treatment of complications such as lymphedemas during all stages of a mastectomy, are provided in the same manner and at the same level as those for any other Covered Health Care Service. You can call us at the telephone number on your ID card for more information about Benefits for mastectomy-related services.

Cleft Lip and Cleft Palate Services

Benefits for the following:

Oral and facial surgery, surgical management and follow-up care.

Prosthetic treatment, such as obturators, speech appliances and feeding appliances.

Orthodontic treatment and management.

Preventive and restorative dentistry to insure good health and adequate dental structures for orthodontic treatment or prosthetic management or therapy.

Speech-language evaluation and therapy.

Audiological assessments and amplification devices.

Otolaryngology treatment and management.

Psychological assessment and counseling.

Genetic assessment and counseling for the patient and parents.

Treatment of secondary conditions attributable to the primary medical condition.

Benefits will be the same as those described under each Covered Health Care Service category in *Section 1: Covered Health Care Services.*

28. Rehabilitation Services - Outpatient Therapy

Short-term outpatient rehabilitation services limited to:

- Physical therapy.
- Occupational therapy.
- Speech therapy.
- Pulmonary rehabilitation therapy.
- Cardiac rehabilitation therapy.
- Post-cochlear implant aural therapy.
- Cognitive rehabilitation therapy.

Rehabilitation services must be performed by a Physician or by a licensed therapy provider. Benefits include rehabilitation services provided in a Physician's office or on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility. Rehabilitative services provided in your home by a Home Health Agency are provided as described under *Home Health Care*.

Benefits can be denied or shortened when either of the following applies:

- You are not progressing in goal-directed rehabilitation services.
- Rehabilitation goals have previously been met.

Benefits are not available for maintenance/preventive treatment.

For outpatient rehabilitative services for speech therapy we will pay Benefits for the treatment of disorders of speech, language, voice, communication and auditory processing only when the disorder results from Injury, stroke, cancer, or Congenital Anomaly.

29. Scopic Procedures - Outpatient Diagnostic and Therapeutic

Diagnostic and therapeutic scopic procedures and related services received on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility or in a Physician's office.

Diagnostic scopic procedures are those for visualization, biopsy and polyp removal. Examples of diagnostic scopic procedures include:

- Colonoscopy.
- Sigmoidoscopy.
- Diagnostic endoscopy.

Please note that Benefits do not include surgical scopic procedures, which are for the purpose of performing surgery. Benefits for surgical scopic procedures are described under *Surgery - Outpatient*.

Benefits include:

- The facility charge and the charge for supplies and equipment.
- Physician services for radiologists, anesthesiologists and pathologists. (Benefits for all other Physician services are described under *Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services*.)

Benefits that apply to certain preventive screenings are described under *Preventive Care Services*.

30. Skilled Nursing Facility/Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility Services

Services and supplies provided during an Inpatient Stay in a Skilled Nursing Facility or Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility.

Benefits are available for:

- Supplies and non-Physician services received during the Inpatient Stay.
- Room and board in a Semi-private Room (a room with two or more beds).

- Physician services for radiologists, anesthesiologists and pathologists. (Benefits for other Physician services are described under *Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services*.)

Please note that Benefits are available only if both of the following are true:

- If the first confinement in a Skilled Nursing Facility or Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility was or will be a cost effective option to an Inpatient Stay in a Hospital.
- You will receive Skilled Care services that are not primarily Custodial Care.

We will determine if Benefits are available by reviewing both the skilled nature of the service and the need for Physician-directed medical management.

Benefits can be denied or shortened when either of the following applies:

- You are not progressing in goal-directed rehabilitation services.
- Discharge rehabilitation goals have previously been met.

Benefits are not available for services in a Long-term Acute Care Facility (LTAC).

31. Surgery - Outpatient

Surgery and related services received on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility or in a Physician's office.

Benefits include certain scopic procedures. Examples of surgical scopic procedures include:

- Arthroscopy.
- Laparoscopy.
- Bronchoscopy.
- Hysteroscopy.

Benefits include:

- The facility charge and the charge for supplies and equipment.
- Physician services for radiologists, anesthesiologists and pathologists. (Benefits for other Physician services are described under *Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services*.)
- Voluntary male sterilization, including associated anesthesia.

Tissue transplants and cornea transplants when ordered by a Physician. Benefits are available for tissue and cornea transplants when the transplant meets the definition of a Covered Health Care Service, and is not an Experimental or Investigational or Unproven Service. You can call us at the telephone number on your ID card for information regarding Benefits for tissue and cornea transplant services.

Oral Surgery

Benefits for oral surgery services are covered under the following services or procedures.

- Excision of tumors or cysts (excluding odontogenic cysts) of the jaws, gums, cheeks, lips, tongue, roof and floor of mouth.
- Extraction of impacted teeth.
- Dental care and treatment including surgery and dental appliances required to correct accidental Injuries of the jaws, cheeks, lips, tongue, roof or floor of mouth, and of sound natural teeth. (For the purposes of this section, sound natural teeth include those which are capped, crowned or attached by way of a crown or cap to a bridge. Sound natural teeth may have fillings or a root canal.)
- Excision of exostoses or tori of the jaws and hard palate.
- Incision and drainage of abscess and treatment of cellulitis.
- Incision of accessory sinuses, salivary glands, and salivary ducts.
- Anesthesia for the above services or procedures when rendered by an oral surgeon.

- Anesthesia for the above services or procedures when rendered by a dentist who holds all required permits or training to administer such anesthesia.
- Anesthesia when rendered in a Hospital setting and for associated Hospital charges when a Covered Person's mental or physical condition requires dental treatment to be rendered in a Hospital setting. Anesthesia Benefits are not available for treatment rendered for Temporomandibular Joint (TMJ) Disorders.

Benefits will be the same as those described under each Covered Health Care Service category in *Section 1: Covered Health Care Services.*

Benefits are available for dental services not otherwise covered by this Policy, when specifically required for head and neck cancer patients. Benefits are limited to preparation for or follow-up to radiation therapy involving the mouth. To determine if the Covered Person is eligible for these Benefits, please call us using the telephone number listed on your ID card.

32. Telehealth

Benefits are provided for services delivered via Telehealth. Benefits for these services are provided to the same extent as an in-person service under any applicable Benefit category in this section unless otherwise specified in the *Schedule of Benefits*.

Telehealth - live, interactive audio with visual transmissions of a Physician-patient encounter from one site to another using telecommunications technology. The site may be a CMS defined originating facility or another location such as a Covered Person's home or place of work. Telehealth does not include virtual care services provided by a Designated Virtual Network Provider.

33. Therapeutic Treatments - Outpatient

Therapeutic treatments received on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility or in a Physician's office, including:

- Dialysis (both hemodialysis and peritoneal dialysis).
- Intravenous Chemotherapy or other intravenous infusion therapy.
- Radiation oncology.

Covered Health Care Services include medical education services that are provided on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility by appropriately licensed or registered health care professionals when both of the following are true:

- Education is required for a disease in which patient self-management is a part of treatment.
- There is a lack of knowledge regarding the disease which requires the help of a trained health professional.

Benefits include:

- The facility charge and the charge for related supplies and equipment.
- Physician services for anesthesiologists, pathologists and radiologists. Benefits for other Physician services are described under *Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services*.

34. Transplantation Services

Organ transplants when ordered by a Physician. Benefits are available for transplants when the transplant meets the definition of a Covered Health Care Service, and is not an Experimental or Investigational or Unproven Service.

Examples of transplants for which Benefits are available include:

- Bone marrow.
- Heart.
- Heart/lung.
- Lung.
- Kidney.

- Kidney/pancreas.
- Liver.
- Liver/small intestine.
- Pancreas.
- Small intestine.
- Donor costs related to transplantation are Covered Health Care Services and are payable through the organ recipient's coverage under this Policy, limited to donor:
- Identification.
- Evaluation.
- Organ removal.
- Direct follow-up care.

You can call us at the telephone number on your ID card for information about our specific guidelines regarding Benefits for transplant services.

35. Urgent Care Center Services

Covered Health Care Services received at an Urgent Care Center. When services to treat urgent health care needs are provided in a Physician's office, Benefits are available as described under *Physician's Office Services - Sickness and Injury*.

36. Virtual Care Services

Virtual care for Covered Health Care Services that includes the diagnosis and treatment of less serious medical conditions. Virtual care provides communication of medical information in real-time between the patient and a distant Physician or health specialist, outside of a medical facility (for example, from home or from work).

Benefits are available only when services are delivered through a Designated Virtual Network Provider. You can find a Designated Virtual Network Provider by contacting us at www.myuhc.com/exchange or the telephone number on your ID card.

Benefits are available for Primary care, which is general and non-emergency care, delivered through live audio with video or audio only technology from a Primary Care Physician.

Benefits are available for urgent on-demand health care delivered through live audio with video or audio only technology for treatment of acute but non-emergency medical needs.

Please Note: Not all medical conditions can be treated through virtual care. The Designated Virtual Network Provider will identify any condition for which treatment by in-person Physician contact is needed.

Benefits do not include email or fax, or for services that occur within medical facilities (*CMS* defined originating facilities).

Section 2: Exclusions and Limitations

How Do We Use Headings in this Section?

To help you find exclusions, we use headings (for example *A. Alternative Treatments* below). The headings group services, treatments, items, or supplies that fall into a similar category. Exclusions appear under the headings. A heading does not create, define, change, limit or expand an exclusion. All exclusions in this section apply to you.

We Do Not Pay Benefits for Exclusions

We will not pay Benefits for any of the services, treatments, items or supplies described in this section, even if either of the following is true:

- It is recommended or prescribed by a Physician.
- It is the only available treatment for your condition.

The services, treatments, items or supplies listed in this section are not Covered Health Care Services, except as may be specifically provided for in *Section 1: Covered Health Care Services.*

Where Are Benefit Limitations Shown?

When Benefits are limited within any of the Covered Health Care Service categories described in *Section 1: Covered Health Care Services*, those limits are stated in the corresponding Covered Health Care Service category in the *Schedule of Benefits*. Limits may also apply to some Covered Health Care Services that fall under more than one Covered Health Care Service category. When this occurs, those limits are also stated in the *Schedule of Benefits* table. Please review all limits carefully, as we will not pay Benefits for any of the services, treatments, items or supplies that exceed these Benefit limits.

Please note that in listing services or examples, when we say "this includes," it is not our intent to limit the description to that specific list. When we do intend to limit a list of services or examples, we state specifically that the list "is limited to."

A. Alternative Treatments

1. Acupressure and acupuncture.
2. Aromatherapy.
3. Hypnotism.
4. Massage therapy except when provided by a chiropractor acting within the scope of his or her license.
5. Rolfing, except when provided by a chiropractor acting within the scope of his or her license.
6. Adventure-based therapy, wilderness therapy, outdoor therapy, or similar programs.
7. Art therapy, music therapy, dance therapy, animal assisted therapy and other forms of alternative treatment as defined by the *National Center for Complementary and Integrative Health (NCCIH)* of the *National Institutes of Health*. This exclusion does not apply to Manipulative Treatment and non-manipulative osteopathic care for which Benefits are provided as described in *Section 1: Covered Health Care Services*.

B. Dental

1. Dental care (which includes dental X-rays and other imaging studies, supplies and appliances and all related expenses, including hospitalizations and anesthesia). This exclusion does not apply to dental anesthesia received in a Hospital for which Benefits are provided as described under Dental Anesthesia in *Section 1: Covered Health Care Services*.

   This exclusion does not apply to accident-related dental services for which Benefits are provided as described under *Dental Services - Accident Only in Section 1 : Covered Health Care Services*.

   This exclusion does not apply to dental care (oral exam, X-rays and other imaging studies, extractions and non-surgical elimination of oral infection) required for the direct treatment of a medical condition for which Benefits are available under this Policy, limited to:

   - Transplant preparation.

- Prior to the initiation of immunosuppressive drugs.
- The direct treatment of cancer or cleft palate.
- Dental anesthesia for which Benefits are provided as described under *Dental Anesthesia* in *Section 1: Covered Health Care Services*.

Dental care that is required to treat the effects of a medical condition, but that is not necessary to directly treat the medical condition, is excluded. Examples include treatment of tooth decay or cavities resulting from dry mouth after radiation treatment or as a result of medication.

Endodontics, periodontal surgery and restorative treatment are excluded.

2. Preventive care, diagnosis, treatment of or related to the teeth, jawbones or gums. Examples include:
   - Removal, restoration and replacement of teeth.
   - Medical or surgical treatments of dental conditions.
   - Services to improve dental clinical outcomes.

   This exclusion does not apply to preventive care for which Benefits are provided under the *United States Preventive Services Task Force* requirement or the *Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)* requirement. This exclusion does not apply to covered Benefits described in *Section 1: Covered Health Care Services*, Reconstructive Procedures under the heading Cleft Lip and Cleft Palate Services. This exclusion does not apply to accident-related dental services for which Benefits are provided as described under *Dental Services - Accidental Only in Section 1: Covered Health Care Services.*
3. Dental implants, bone grafts and other implant-related procedures. This exclusion does not apply to accident-related dental services for which Benefits are provided as described under *Dental Services - Accidental Only in Section 1: Covered Health Care Services.*
4. Dental braces (orthodontics).
5. Treatment of congenitally missing, malpositioned or supernumerary teeth, even if part of a Congenital Anomaly. This exclusion does not apply to covered Benefits described in *Section 1: Covered Health Care Services*, Reconstructive Procedures under the heading Cleft Lip and Cleft Palate Services.

The above Dental exclusions are applicable to coverage described under *Section 1: Covered Health Care Services*. They are not applicable to coverage and exclusions described under *Section 11*: *Pediatric Dental Care Services.*

C. Devices, Appliances and Prosthetics

1. Devices used as safety items or to help performance in sports-related activities.
2. Orthotic appliances that straighten or re-shape a body part. Examples include foot orthotics and some types of braces, including over-the-counter orthotic braces. This exclusion does not apply to cranial molding helmets and cranial banding that meet clinical criteria. This exclusion does not apply to braces for which Benefits are provided as described under *Durable Medical Equipment (DME), Orthotics and Diabetes Services* in *Section 1: Covered Health Care Services.*
3. The following items are excluded, even if prescribed by a Physician:
   - Blood pressure cuff/monitor.
   - Enuresis alarm.
   - Non-wearable external defibrillator.
   - Trusses.
   - Ultrasonic nebulizers.
4. Devices and computers to help in communication and speech.
5. Oral appliances for snoring.
6. Repair or replacement of prosthetic devices due to misuse, malicious damage or gross neglect or to replace lost or stolen items.
7. Diagnostic or monitoring equipment purchased for home use, unless otherwise described as a Covered Health Care Service.

8. Powered and non-powered exoskeleton devices.
9. Powered wheelchairs.

D. Drugs

1. Prescription drug products for outpatient use that are filled by a prescription order or refill. See *Section 10: Outpatient Prescription Drugs* for prescription drug products covered under the pharmacy benefit.
2. Self-administered or self-infused medications. This exclusion does not apply to medications which, due to their traits (as determined by us), must typically be administered or directly supervised by a qualified provider or licensed/certified health professional in an outpatient setting.
3. Non-injectable medications given in a Physician's office. This exclusion does not apply to non-injectable medications that are required in an Emergency and used while in the Physician's office.
4. Over-the-counter drugs and treatments.
5. Growth hormone therapy.
6. Certain New Pharmaceutical Products and/or new dosage forms until the date as determined by us or our designee, but no later than December 31st of the following calendar year.

   This exclusion does not apply if you have a life-threatening Sickness or condition (one that is likely to cause death within one year of the request for treatment). If you have a life-threatening Sickness of condition, under such circumstances, Benefits may be available for the New Pharmaceutical Product to the extent provided in *Section 1: Covered Health Care Services.*
7. A Pharmaceutical Product that contains (an) active ingredient(s) available in and therapeutically equivalent (having essentially the same efficacy and adverse effect profile) to another covered Pharmaceutical Product. Such determinations may be made up to monthly.
8. A Pharmaceutical Product that contains (an) active ingredient(s) which is (are) a modified version of and therapeutically equivalent (having essentially the same efficacy and adverse effect profile) to another covered Pharmaceutical Product. Such determinations may be made up to monthly.
9. A Pharmaceutical Product with an approved biosimilar or a biosimilar and therapeutically equivalent (having essentially the same efficacy and adverse effect profile) to another covered Pharmaceutical Product. For the purpose of this exclusion a "biosimilar" is a biological Pharmaceutical Product approved based on showing that it is highly similar to a reference product (a biological Pharmaceutical Product) and has no clinically meaningful differences in terms of safety and effectiveness from the reference product. Such determinations may be made up to monthly.
10. Certain Pharmaceutical Products for which there are therapeutically equivalent (having essentially the same efficacy and adverse effect profile) alternatives available, unless otherwise required by law or approved by us. Such determinations may be made up to monthly.
11. Compounded drugs that contain certain bulk chemicals. Compounded drugs that are available as a similar commercially available Pharmaceutical Product.

E. Experimental or Investigational or Unproven Services

Experimental or Investigational and Unproven Services and all services related to Experimental or Investigational and Unproven Services are excluded. The fact that an Experimental or Investigational or Unproven Service, treatment, device or pharmacological regimen is the only available treatment for a particular condition will not result in Benefits if the procedure is considered to be Experimental or Investigational or Unproven in the treatment of that particular condition.

This exclusion does not apply to Covered Health Care Services provided during a clinical trial for which Benefits are provided as described under *Clinical Trials* in *Section 1: Covered Health Care Services.*

F. Foot Care

1. Routine foot care. Examples include:
   - Cutting or removal of corns and calluses.
   - Nail trimming, nail cutting, or nail debridement.

- Hygienic and preventive maintenance foot care including cleaning and soaking the feet and applying skin creams in order to maintain skin tone.

This exclusion does not apply to preventive foot care due to conditions associated with metabolic, neurologic, or peripheral vascular disease.

2. Treatment of flat feet.
3. Treatment of subluxation of the foot.
4. Foot orthotics, orthopedic shoes, inserts, modifications, and footwear except as described under *Diabetes Services* in *Section 1: Covered Health Care Services*.
5. Arch supports.

G. Gender Dysphoria

1. Transgender surgery, including medical and hormonal therapy in preparation for and subsequent to any such surgery is excluded.
2. Cosmetic Procedures, including the following:
   - Abdominoplasty.
   - Blepharoplasty.
   - Breast enlargement, including augmentation mammoplasty and breast implants.
   - Body contouring, such as lipoplasty.
   - Brow lift.
   - Calf implants.
   - Cheek, chin, and nose implants.
   - Injection of fillers or neurotoxins.
   - Face lift, forehead lift, or neck tightening.
   - Facial bone remodeling for facial feminizations.
   - Hair removal.
   - Hair transplantation.
   - Lip augmentation.
   - Lip reduction.
   - Liposuction.
   - Mastopexy.
   - Pectoral implants for chest masculinization.
   - Rhinoplasty.
   - Skin resurfacing.
   - Thyroid cartilage reduction; reduction thyroid chondroplasty; trachea shave (removal or reduction of the Adam's apple).
   - Voice modification surgery.
   - Voice lessons and voice therapy.

H. Medical Supplies and Equipment

1. Prescribed or non-prescribed medical supplies and disposable supplies. Examples include:
   - Compression stockings, except for the treatment of lymphedema inclusive of multilayer compression bandaging systems and customer standard fit gradient compression garments.
   - Ace bandages.

- Gauze and dressings.
- Items routinely found in the home.
- Ostomy Supplies.
- Urinary catheters.

This exclusion does not apply to:

- Disposable supplies necessary for the effective use of DME or prosthetic devices for which Benefits are provided as described under *Durable Medical Equipment (DME) and Prosthetic Devices* in *Section 1: Covered Health Care Services.*
- Diabetic supplies for which Benefits are provided as described under *Diabetes Services* in *Section 1: Covered Health Care Services*.

2. Tubings except when used with DME as described under *Durable Medical Equipment (DME)* in *Section 1: Covered Health Care Services.*
3. Prescribed or non-prescribed publicly available devices, software applications and/or monitors that can be used for non-medical purposes.
4. Repair or replacement of DME or orthotics due to misuse, malicious damage or gross neglect or to replace lost or stolen items.

I. Mental Health Care and Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders

In addition to all other exclusions listed in this *Section 2: Exclusions and Limitations*, the exclusions listed directly below apply to services described under *Mental Health Care and Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services* in *Section 1: Covered Health Care Services.*

1. Services performed in connection with conditions not classified in the current edition of the *International Classification of Diseases section on Mental and Behavioral Disorders or Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association*.
2. Outside of an assessment, services as treatments for a primary diagnosis of conditions and problems that may be a focus of clinical attention, but are specifically noted not to be mental disorders within the current edition of the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association*.
3. Outside of an assessment, services as treatments for the primary diagnoses of learning disabilities, pyromania kleptomania, gambling disorder, and paraphilic disorders.
4. Services that are solely educational in nature or otherwise paid under state or federal law for purely educational purposes.
5. Tuition or services that are school-based for children and adolescents required to be provided by, or paid for by, the school under the *Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.*
6. Outside of an assessment, unspecified disorders for which the provider is not obligated to provide clinical rationale as defined in the current edition of the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association.*
7. Transitional Living including recovery residences.
8. Non-medical 24-hour withdrawal management, providing 24-hour supervision, observation, and support for patients who are intoxicated or experiencing withdrawal, using peer and social support rather than medical and nursing care.
9. Residential care for Covered Persons with substance-related and addictive disorders who are unable to participate in their care due to significant cognitive impairment.
10. Services provided in unlicensed, and, or non-accredited program. Treatment or services that are non-professionally directed.
11. Marriage, family, or child counseling for the treatment of premarital, marriage, family, or child relationship dysfunctions.

J. Nutrition

1. Individual and group nutritional counseling, including non-specific disease nutritional education such as general good eating habits, calorie control or dietary preferences. This exclusion does not apply to preventive care for which Benefits are provided under the *United States Preventive Services Task Force* requirement under *Preventive Care Services* in *Section 1: Covered Health Care Services* or nutritional counseling as described under *Physician's Office Services – Sickness and Injury* in *Section 1: Covered Health Care Services*. This exclusion also does not apply to medical or behavioral/mental health related nutritional education services that are provided as part of treatment for a disease by appropriately licensed or registered health care professionals when both of the following are true:
    - Nutritional education is required for a disease in which patient self-management is a part of treatment.
    - There is a lack of knowledge regarding the disease which requires the help of a trained health professional.
2. Food of any kind, infant formula, or standard milk-based formula. This exclusion does not apply to specialized enteral formula for which Benefits are provided as described under Enteral Nutrition in *Section 1: Covered Health Care Services.*
3. Nutritional or dietary supplements, except as required by law. This exclusion includes, but is not limited to, those nutritional formulas and dietary supplements that can be purchased over-the-counter, which by law do not require either a written prescription or dispensing by a licensed pharmacist, or cosmetic therapy using high dose or mega quantities of vitamins, minerals or elements and other nutrition-based therapy. Examples include supplements and electrolytes.
4. Services for dietary therapy including medically supervised formula weight-loss programs, unsupervised self-managed programs and over-the-counter weight loss formulas, except as listed in the benefit plan.

K. Personal Care, Comfort or Convenience

1. Television.
2. Telephone.
3. Beauty/barber service.
4. Guest service.
5. Supplies, equipment and similar incidental services and supplies for personal comfort. Examples include:
    - Air conditioners, air purifiers and filters and dehumidifiers.
    - Batteries and battery chargers.
    - Breast pumps. This exclusion does not apply to breast pumps for which Benefits are provided under the *Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)* requirement.
    - Car seats.
    - Chairs, bath chairs, feeding chairs, toddler chairs, chair lifts and recliners.
    - Exercise equipment.
    - Home modifications such as elevators, handrails and ramps.
    - Hot and cold compresses.
    - Hot tubs.
    - Humidifiers.
    - Jacuzzis.
    - Mattresses.
    - Medical alert systems.
    - Motorized beds.
    - Music devices.
    - Personal computers.

- Pillows.
- Power-operated vehicles.
- Radios.
- Saunas.
- Stair lifts and stair glides.
- Strollers.
- Safety equipment.
- Treadmills.
- Vehicle modifications such as van lifts.
- Video players.
- Whirlpools.

L. Physical Appearance

1. Cosmetic Procedures. See the definition in *Section 8: Defined Terms*. Examples include:
   - Membership costs and fees for health clubs and gyms. This exclusion does not apply to incentives provided as described under the heading *Are Incentives Available to You?* in *Section 7: General Legal Provisions*.
   - Pharmacological regimens, nutritional procedures or treatments.
   - Scar or tattoo removal or revision procedures (such as salabrasion, chemosurgery and other such skin abrasion procedures).
   - Skin abrasion procedures performed as a treatment for acne.
   - Liposuction or removal of fat deposits considered undesirable, including fat accumulation under the male breast and nipple. This exclusion does not apply to liposuction for which Benefits are provided as described under *Reconstructive Procedures* in *Section 1: Covered Health Care Services*.
   - Treatment for skin wrinkles or any treatment to improve the appearance of the skin.
   - Treatment for spider veins.
   - Sclerotherapy treatment of veins.
   - Hair removal or replacement by any means.
2. Replacement of an existing breast implant if the earlier breast implant was performed as a Cosmetic Procedure. Note: Replacement of an existing breast implant is considered reconstructive if the first breast implant followed mastectomy. See *Reconstructive Procedures* in *Section 1: Covered Health Care Services*.
3. Treatment of benign gynecomastia (abnormal breast enlargement in males).
4. Physical conditioning programs such as athletic training, body-building, exercise, fitness, or flexibility.
5. Weight loss programs whether or not they are under medical supervision. Weight loss programs for medical reasons are also excluded.
6. Wigs.

M. Procedures and Treatments

1. Removal of hanging skin on any part of the body. Examples include plastic surgery procedures called abdominoplasty and brachioplasty. This exclusion does not apply to Medically Necessary panniculectomy.
2. Medical and surgical treatment of excessive sweating (hyperhidrosis).
3. Medical and surgical treatment for snoring, except when provided as a part of treatment for documented obstructive sleep apnea.
4. Rehabilitation services and Manipulative Treatment to improve general physical conditions that are provided to reduce potential risk factors, where improvement is not expected, including routine, long-term or

maintenance/preventive treatment. Exception for Manipulative Treatment includes a chiropractor acting within the scope of his or her license.

5. Rehabilitation services for speech therapy except as required for treatment of a speech impediment or speech dysfunction that results from Injury, stroke, cancer, or Congenital Anomaly.
6. Physiological treatments and procedures that result in the same therapeutic effects when performed on the same body region during the same visit or office encounter.
7. Biofeedback.
8. Services for the evaluation and treatment of Temporomandibular Joint Syndrome (TMJ), whether the services are considered to be medical or dental in nature.
9. Upper and lower jawbone surgery, orthognathic surgery, and jaw alignment. This exclusion does not apply to reconstructive jaw surgery when there is a facial skeletal abnormality and associated functional medical impairment.
10. Surgical treatment of obesity.
11. Stand-alone multi-disciplinary tobacco cessation programs. These are programs that usually include health care providers specializing in tobacco cessation and may include a psychologist, social worker or other licensed or certified professionals. The programs usually include intensive psychological support, behavior modification techniques and medications to control cravings. This exclusion does not apply to any smoking cessation counseling, including individual or group counseling, nicotine patches, nicotine gum, nicotine lozenges, nicotine nasal spray, nicotine inhaler, bupropion, and varenicline which is required under Section 1: Covered Health *Care Services, Preventive Care Services*.
12. Breast reduction and augmentation surgery that is determined to be a Cosmetic Procedure. This exclusion does not apply to breast reduction surgery which we determine treats a physiologic functional impairment or to coverage required by the *Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998* for which Benefits are described under *Reconstructive Procedures* in *Section 1: Covered Health Care Services.*
13. Helicobacter pylori *(H. pylori)* serologic testing.
14. Intracellular micronutrient testing.

N. Providers

1. Services performed by a provider who is a family member by birth or marriage. Examples include a spouse, brother, sister, parent or child. This includes any service the provider may perform on himself or herself.
2. Services performed by a provider with your same legal address.
3. Services provided at a Freestanding Facility or diagnostic Hospital-based Facility without an order written by a Physician or other provider. Services which are self-directed to a Freestanding Facility or a diagnostic Hospital-based Facility. Services ordered by a Physician or other provider who is an employee or representative of a Freestanding Facility or diagnostic Hospital-based Facility, when that Physician or other provider:
   - Has not been involved in your medical care prior to ordering the service, or
   - Is not involved in your medical care after the service is received.

   This exclusion does not apply to mammography.

O. Reproduction

1. Health care services and related expenses for infertility treatments, including assisted reproductive technology, regardless of the reason for the treatment. This exclusion does not apply to the diagnosis and treatment of the underlying cause of infertility as described under *Physician's Office Services – Sickness and Injury* in *Section 1: Covered Health Care Services*.
2. The following services related to a Gestational Carrier or Surrogate:

- All costs related to reproductive techniques including:
  - Assisted reproductive technology.
  - Artificial insemination.

- Intrauterine insemination.
- Obtaining and transferring embryo(s).

- Health care services including:
  - Inpatient or outpatient prenatal care and/or preventive care.
  - Screenings and/or diagnostic testing.
  - Delivery and post-natal care.

    The exclusion for the health care services listed above does not apply when the Gestational Carrier or Surrogate is a Covered Person.

- All fees including:
  - Screening, hiring and compensation of a Gestational Carrier or Surrogate including surrogacy agency fees.
  - Surrogate insurance premiums.
  - Travel or transportation fees.

3. Costs of donor eggs and donor sperm.
4. Storage and retrieval of all reproductive materials. Examples include eggs, sperm, testicular tissue and ovarian tissue. This exclusion does not apply to services and benefits relative to standard fertility preservation services for patients that have been diagnosed with cancer, who meet certain conditions for which necessary cancer treatment may directly or indirectly cause iatrogenic infertility.
5. The reversal of voluntary sterilization.
6. In vitro fertilization regardless of the reason for treatment.
7. Costs to treat sexual dysfunction and/or impotency.
8. Health care services and related expenses for surgical, non-surgical or drug-induced Pregnancy termination. This exclusion does not apply to treatment of a molar Pregnancy, ectopic Pregnancy, or missed abortion (commonly known as a miscarriage). This exclusion does not apply to therapeutic abortion recommended by a doctor and performed to save the life of the mother.

P. Services Provided under another Plan

1. Health care services for which other coverage is required by federal, state or local law to be bought or provided through other arrangements. Examples include coverage required by workers' compensation, or similar legislation.

   If coverage under workers' compensation or similar legislation is optional for you because you could elect it, or could have it elected for you, Benefits will not be paid for any Injury, Sickness or Mental Illness that would have been covered under workers' compensation or similar legislation had that coverage been elected.
2. Services resulting from accidental bodily injuries arising out of a motor vehicle accident to the extent the services are payable under a medical expense payment provision of an automobile insurance policy.
3. Health care services for treatment of military service-related disabilities, when you are legally entitled to other coverage and facilities are reasonably available to you.
4. Health care services during active military duty.

Q. Transplants

1. Health care services for organ and tissue transplants, except those described under *Transplantation Services* and/or *Surgery – Outpatient Services* in *Section 1: Covered Health Care Services*.
2. Health care services connected with the removal of an organ or tissue from you for purposes of a transplant to another person. (Donor costs that are directly related to organ removal are payable for a transplant through the organ recipient's Benefits under this Policy.)
3. Health care services for transplants involving animal organs.
4. Transplant services not received from a Designated Provider.

R. Travel

1. Health care services provided in a foreign country.
2. Travel or transportation expenses, even though prescribed by a Physician. Some travel expenses related to Covered Health Care Services received from a Designated Provider or other Network provider may be paid back as determined by us. This exclusion does not apply to ambulance transportation for which Benefits are provided as described under *Ambulance Services* in *Section 1: Covered Health Care Services.*

S. Types of Care

1. Custodial Care or maintenance care.
2. Domiciliary care.
3. Private Duty Nursing, except when required on a home basis as described in this Policy. Private Duty Nursing Services in an Inpatient setting remain excluded.
4. Respite care. This exclusion does not apply to respite care for which Benefits are provided as described under *Hospice Care* in *Section 1: Covered Health Care Services*.
5. Rest cures.
6. Services of personal care aides.
7. Work hardening (treatment programs designed to return a person to work or to prepare a person for specific work).
8. Benefits are not available for services in a Long-term Acute Care Facility (LTAC).

T. Vision and Hearing

1. Cost and fitting charge for eyeglasses and contact lenses.
2. Routine vision exams, including refractive exams to determine the need for vision correction.
3. Implantable lenses used only to fix a refractive error (such as Intacs corneal implants).
4. Eye exercise or vision therapy.
5. Surgery that is intended to allow you to see better without glasses or other vision correction. Examples include radial keratotomy, laser and other refractive eye surgery.
6. Over-the-counter hearing aids.

U. All Other Exclusions

1. Health care services and supplies that do not meet the definition of a Covered Health Care Service. Covered Health Care Services are those health services, including services, supplies, or Pharmaceutical Products, which we determine to be all of the following:
   - Provided for the purpose of preventing, evaluating, diagnosing or treating a Sickness, Injury, Mental Illness, substance-related and addictive disorders, condition, disease or its symptoms.
   - Medically Necessary.
   - Described as a Covered Health Care Service in this Policy under *Section 1: Covered Health Care Services* and in the *Schedule of Benefits*.
   - Not otherwise excluded in this *Policy* under *Section 2: Exclusions and Limitations*.
2. Physical, psychiatric or psychological exams, testing, all forms of vaccinations and immunizations or treatments that are otherwise covered under this *Policy* when:
   - Required only for school, sports or camp, travel, career or employment, insurance, marriage or adoption.
   - Related to judicial or administrative proceedings or orders. This exclusion does not apply to services that are determined to be Medically Necessary.
   - Conducted for purposes of medical research. This exclusion does not apply to Covered Health Care Services provided during a clinical trial for which Benefits are provided as described under *Clinical Trials* in *Section 1: Covered Health Care Services.*

- Required to get or maintain a license of any type.

3. Health care services received as a result of war or any act of war, whether declared or undeclared or caused during service in the armed forces of any country. This exclusion does not apply if you are a civilian Injured or otherwise affected by war, any act of war, or terrorism in non-war zones.
4. Health care services received after the date your coverage under this Policy ends. This applies to all health care services, even if the health care service is required to treat a medical condition that started before the date your coverage under this Policy ended.
5. Health care services when you have no legal responsibility to pay, or when a charge would not ordinarily be made in the absence of coverage under this Policy.
6. In the event an out-of-Network provider waives, does not pursue, or fails to collect, Co-payments, Co-insurance and/or any deductible or other amount owed for a particular health care service, no Benefits are provided for the health care service when the Co-payments, Co-insurance and/or deductible are waived.
7. Charges in excess of the Allowed Amount, when applicable, or in excess of any specified limitation.
8. Long term storage:
   - Long term storage services are not a Covered Health Care Service.
   - This includes, but is not limited to, long term storage (cryopreservation) of tissue, blood, blood products, sperm, eggs, and any other body or body parts. For example, if a member is entering the military, etc., we will not cover any long-term storage of the above.
   - Storage services related to infertility treatment usually only require short term storage which is generally covered as part of the retrieval and implantation charges for the infertility treatment. This exclusion does not apply to services and benefits relative to standard fertility preservation services for patients that have been diagnosed with cancer, who meet certain conditions for which necessary cancer treatment may directly or indirectly cause iatrogenic infertility.
9. Autopsy.
10. Health care services related to a non-Covered Health Care Service: When a service is not a Covered Health Care Service, all services related to that non-Covered Health Care Service are also excluded. This exclusion does not apply to services we would otherwise determine to be Covered Health Care Services if the service treats complications that arise from the non-Covered Health Care Service.

    For the purpose of this exclusion, a "complication" is an unexpected or unanticipated condition that is superimposed on an existing disease and that affects or modifies the prognosis of the original disease or condition. Examples of a "complication" are bleeding or infections, following a Cosmetic Procedure, that require hospitalization.
11. Proprietary Laboratory Analysis drug testing are not a covered service (such as U codes).
12. Blood or tissue typing for paternity testing are not a covered service.
13. Specimen Provenance testing are not a covered service.
14. Services or supplies for teaching, vocational, or self-training purposes, except as listed in the benefit plan.
15. Telephone consultations (except telehealth) or for failure to keep a scheduled appointment.
16. Stand-by availability of a medical practitioner when no treatment is rendered.
17. Services or supplies that are provided prior to the effective date or after the termination date of this Policy.

Section 3: When Coverage Begins and Premiums

How Do You Enroll?

Eligible Persons must complete enrollment and make the required Premium payment, as determined by the federal Health Insurance Marketplace. We will not provide Benefits for health care services that you receive before your effective date of coverage.

What If You Are Hospitalized When Your Coverage Begins?

We will pay Benefits for Covered Health Care Services when all of the following apply:

- You are an inpatient in a Hospital, Skilled Nursing Facility or Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility on the day your coverage begins.
- You receive Covered Health Care Services on or after your first day of coverage related to that Inpatient Stay.
- You receive Covered Health Care Services in accordance with the terms of this Policy.

These Benefits are subject to your previous carrier's obligations under state law or contract.

You should notify us of your hospitalization within 48 hours of the day your coverage begins, or as soon as reasonably possible. Network Benefits are available only if you receive Covered Health Care Services from Network providers.

Who Is Eligible for Coverage?

The federal Health Insurance Marketplace determines who is eligible to enroll and who qualifies as a Dependent.

Eligible Person

Eligible Person refers to a person who meets the eligibility rules established by the federal Health Insurance Marketplace. When an Eligible Person actually enrolls, we refer to that person as a Policyholder. For a complete definition of Eligible Person and Policyholder, see *Section 8: Defined Terms*.

Eligible Persons must live within the Service Area, unless otherwise provided by the federal Health Insurance Marketplace.

Dependent

Dependent generally refers to the Policyholder's spouse and children. When a Dependent enrolls, we refer to that person as an Enrolled Dependent. For a complete definition of Dependent and Enrolled Dependent, see *Section 8: Defined Terms*.

Dependents of an Eligible Person may not enroll unless the Eligible Person is also covered under the Policy.

When Do You Enroll and When Does Coverage Begin?

Except as described below, Eligible Persons may not enroll themselves or their Dependents.

Open Enrollment Period

The open enrollment period is the period of time when Eligible Persons can enroll themselves and their Dependents, as determined by the federal Health Insurance Marketplace.

Coverage begins on the date determined by the federal Health Insurance Marketplace and identified in this Policy if we receive the completed enrollment materials and the required Premium.

Special Enrollment Period

An Eligible Person and/or Dependent may also be able to enroll during a special enrollment period, as determined by the federal Health Insurance Marketplace.

Adding New Dependents

Policyholders may enroll Dependents only as determined by the federal Health Insurance Marketplace.

The Policyholder must notify the federal Health Insurance Marketplace of a new Dependent to be added to this Policy. The effective date of the Dependent's coverage must follow federal Health Insurance Marketplace rules. Additional Premium may also be required, and it will be calculated from the date determined by the federal Health Insurance Marketplace .

NOTE. Subject to a determination of the federal Health Insurance Marketplace, an eligible child born to you or your spouse will be covered from the time of birth until the 31st day after its birth. The newborn child will be covered from the time of its birth for loss due to Injury and Sickness, including loss from complications of birth, premature birth, medically diagnosed congenital defect(s), and birth abnormalities.

Premiums

All Premiums are payable on a monthly basis, by the Policyholder. The first Premium is due and payable on the effective date of this Policy. Subsequent Premiums are due and payable no later than the first day of the month thereafter that this Policy is in effect.

We will also accept Premium payments from the following third parties:

- Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program under title XXVI of the *Public Health Service Act*.
- Indian tribes, tribal organizations or urban Indian organizations.
- Local, State and Federal Government programs, including grantees directed by government programs to make payments on their behalf consistent with the program's statutory authority.

Each Premium is to be paid by you, or a third party identified above, without contribution or reimbursement by or on behalf of any other third party including, but not limited to, any health care provider or any health care provider sponsored organization.

Premiums shall not be pro-rated based upon your effective date of coverage. A full month's Premium shall be charged for the entire month in which your coverage becomes effective.

Upon prior written notice, we may impose an administrative fee for credit card payments. This does not obligate us to accept credit card payments. We will charge a $20 fee for any check or automatic payment deduction that is returned unpaid.

Misstatement of Age or Tobacco Use

If your age or tobacco use status has been misstated, Benefits may be adjusted based on the relationship of the Premium paid to the Premium that should have been paid, based on the correct age or tobacco use status.

Change or Misstatement of Residence

If you change your residence, you must notify the federal Health Insurance Marketplace of your new residence. Your Premium will be based on your new residence beginning on the date determined by the federal Health Insurance Marketplace. If the change in residence results in the Policyholder no longer living in the Service Area, this Policy will terminate as described in *Section 4: When Coverage Ends*.

Grace Period

A grace period of 31 days shall be granted for the payment of any Premium, during which time coverage under this Policy shall continue in force. If payment is not received within this 31-day grace period, coverage may be canceled after the 31st day and the Policyholder shall be held liable for the cost of services received during the grace period. In no event shall the grace period extend beyond the date this Policy terminates.

We may pay Benefits for Covered Health Care Services incurred during this 31-day grace period. Any such Benefit payment is made in reliance on the receipt of the full Premium due from you by the end of the grace period.

However, if we pay Benefits for any claims during the grace period, and the full Premium is not paid by the end of the grace period, we will require repayment of all Benefits paid from you or any other person or organization that received payment on those claims. If repayment is due from another person or organization, you agree to assist and cooperate with us in obtaining repayment. You are responsible for repaying us if we are unsuccessful in recovering our payments from these other sources.

If you are receiving an *Advance Payment of Tax Credit*, as allowed under *section 36B of title 26*, as provided for by the *Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA),* you will have a three-month grace period during which you may pay your Premium and keep your coverage in force. We will pay for Covered Health Care Services during the

first month of the grace period. You are responsible for paying the grace period Premium. Prior to the last day of the three-month grace period, we must receive all Premiums due for those three months. No claims will be paid beyond the first month of the grace period until all Premiums are paid for the full three-month grace period.

Adjustments to Premiums

We reserve the right to change the schedule of Premiums on January 1st of each calendar year. We shall give written notice of any change in Premium to the Policyholder at least 31 days prior to the effective date of the change.

Section 4: When Coverage Ends

General Information about When Coverage Ends

As permitted by law, we may end this Policy and/or all similar policies for the reasons explained in this Policy.

Your right to Benefits automatically ends on the date that coverage ends, even if you are hospitalized or are otherwise receiving medical treatment on that date.

When your coverage ends, we will still pay claims for Covered Health Care Services that you received before the date your coverage ended. However, once your coverage ends, we will not pay claims for any health care services received after that date (even if the medical condition that is being treated occurred before the date your coverage ended).

Unless otherwise stated, an Enrolled Dependent's coverage ends on the date the Policyholder's coverage ends.

We will refund any Premium paid and not earned due to Policy termination.

This Policy may also terminate due to changes in the actuarial value requirements under state or federal law. If this Policy terminates for this reason, a new Policy, if available, may be issued to you.

You may keep coverage in force by timely payment of the required Premiums under this Policy or under any subsequent coverage you have with us.

This Policy will renew on January 1 of each calendar year. However, we may refuse renewal if any of the following occur:

- We refuse to renew all policies issued on this form, with the same type and level of Benefits, to residents of the state where you then live, as explained under *The Entire Policy Ends* below.
- There is fraud or intentional misrepresentation made by you or with your knowledge in filing a claim for Benefits, as explained under *Fraud or Intentional Misrepresentation* below.
- Your eligibility would otherwise be prohibited under applicable law.

What Events End Your Coverage?

Coverage ends on the earliest of the dates specified below:

- **The Entire Policy Ends**

  Your coverage ends on the date this Policy ends. That date will be one of the following:

  - The date determined by the federal Health Insurance Marketplace that this Policy will terminate because the Policyholder no longer lives in the Service Area.
  - The date we specify, after we give you 90 days prior written notice, that we will terminate this Policy because we will discontinue offering and refuse to renew all policies issued on this form, with the same type and level of benefits, for all residents of the state where you reside.
  - The date we specify, after we give you and the applicable state authority at least 180 days prior written notice, that we will terminate this Policy because we will discontinue offering and refuse to renew all individual policies/certificates in the individual market in the state where you reside.

- **You Are No Longer Eligible**

Your coverage ends on the date you are no longer eligible to be a Policyholder or an Enrolled Dependent, as determined by the federal Health Insurance Marketplace. Please refer to *Section 8: Defined Terms* for definitions of the terms “Eligible Person,” “Policyholder,” "Dependent" and "Enrolled Dependent."

- **We Receive Notice to End Coverage**

Your coverage ends on the date determined by the federal Health Insurance Marketplace rules if we receive notice from the federal Health Insurance Marketplace instructing us to end your coverage.

Your coverage ends on the date determined by the federal Health Insurance Marketplace rules if we receive notice from you instructing us to end your coverage.

Other Events Ending Your Coverage

When any of the following happen, we will provide written notice to the Policyholder that coverage has ended on the date we identify in the notice:

- **Failure to Pay**

  You fail to pay the required Premium.

- **Fraud or Intentional Misrepresentation of a Material Fact**

  We will provide at least 30 days advance required notice to the Policyholder that coverage will end on the date we identify in the notice because you committed an act, practice, or omission that constituted fraud, or an intentional misrepresentation of a material fact. Examples include knowingly providing incorrect information relating to another person's eligibility or status as a Dependent. You may appeal this decision during the notice period. The notice will contain information on how to appeal the decision.

  If we find that you have performed an act, practice, or omission that constitutes fraud, or have made an intentional misrepresentation of material fact we have the right to demand that you pay back all Benefits we paid to you, or paid in your name, during the time you were incorrectly covered under the Policy.

- **You Accept Reimbursement for Premium**
- You accept any direct or indirect contribution or reimbursement by or on behalf of any third party including, but not limited to, any health care provider or any health care provider sponsored organization for any portion of the Premium for coverage under this Policy. This prohibition does not apply to the following third parties:
  - *Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program* under *title XXVI of the Public Health Service Act.*
  - Indian tribes, tribal organizations or urban Indian organizations.
  - Local, State and Federal Government programs, including grantees directed by government programs to make payments on their behalf consistent with the program's statutory authority.

Coverage for a Disabled Dependent Child

Coverage for an unmarried Enrolled Dependent child who is disabled will not end just because the child has reached a certain age. We will extend the coverage for that child beyond this age if both of the following are true:

- Incapacity existed prior to the attainment of the limiting age.
- The Enrolled Dependent child is not able to support him/herself because of mental, developmental, or physical disability.
- The Enrolled Dependent child depends mainly on the Policyholder for support.

Coverage will continue as long as the Enrolled Dependent child is medically certified as disabled and dependent unless coverage otherwise ends in accordance with the terms of this Policy.

You must furnish us with proof of the medical certification of disability within 31 days of the date coverage would have ended because the child reached a certain age. Before we agree to this extension of coverage for the child, we may require that a Physician we choose examine the child. We will pay for that exam.

We may continue to ask you for proof that the child continues to be disabled and dependent. Such proof might include medical exams at our expense. We will not ask for this information more than once a year after a two year period following the child's attainment of the limiting age.

If you do not provide proof of the child's disability and dependency within 31 days of our request as described above, coverage for that child will end.

Reinstatement

When coverage under this Policy terminates for any reason, we will not reinstate coverage. You must make application for coverage under another Policy, subject to the rules of the federal Health Insurance Marketplace.

Section 5: How to File a Claim

Louisiana Notice

YOUR SHARE OF THE PAYMENT FOR HEALTH CARE SERVICES MAY BE BASED ON THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN YOUR HEALTH PLAN AND YOUR PROVIDER. UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, THIS AGREEMENT MAY ALLOW YOUR PROVIDER TO BILL YOU FOR AMOUNTS UP TO THE PROVIDER'S REGULAR BILLED CHARGES.

Louisiana Disclosure Notice

HEALTH CARE SERVICES MAY BE PROVIDED TO YOU AT A NETWORK HEALTH CARE FACILITY BY FACILITY-BASED PHYSICIANS WHO ARE NOT IN YOUR HEALTH PLAN. YOU MAY BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYMENT OF ALL OR PART OF THESE FEES FOR THOSE OUT-OF-NETWORK SERVICES, IN ADDITION TO APPLICABLE AMOUNTS DUE FOR CO-PAYMENTS, CO-INSURANCE, DEDUCTIBLES, AND NON-COVERED SERVICES.

SPECIFIC INFORMATION ABOUT IN-NETWORK AND OUT-OF-NETWORK FACILTY-BASED PHYSICIANS CAN BE FOUND AT THE WEBSITE ADDRESS OF YOUR HEALTH PLAN OR BY CALLING THE CUSTOMER SERVICE TELEPHONE NUMBER OF YOUR HEALTH PLAN.

How Are Covered Health Care Services from Network Providers Paid?

We pay Network providers directly for your Covered Health Care Services. If a Network provider bills you for any Covered Health Care Service, contact us. However, you are required to meet any applicable deductible and to pay any required Co-payments and Co-insurance to a Network provider.

How Are Covered Health Care Services from an Out-of-Network Provider Paid?

When you receive Covered Health Care Services from an out-of-Network provider as a result of an Emergency or if we refer you to an out-of-Network provider, you are responsible for requesting payment from us. You must file the claim in a format that contains all of the information we require, as described below. Once an appropriate request for payment is received by us, as a result of an Emergency, we will make direct payment to the out-of-Network provider.

Notice of Claim

You should submit a request for payment of Benefits within 90 days after the date of service. Failure to submit the request within this timeframe will neither invalidate nor reduce your claim if it was not reasonably possible to submit the request within the ninety (90) day timeframe, provided your request is submitted as soon as reasonably possible and in no event later than one year from the time proof is otherwise required. This time limit does not apply if you are legally incapacitated. If your claim relates to an Inpatient Stay, the date of service is the date your Inpatient Stay ends.

Claim Forms and Proof of Loss

We do not require that you complete and submit a claim form. Instead, you can provide proof of loss by furnishing us with all of the information listed directly below under Required Information.

Required Information

When you request payment of Benefits from us, you must provide us with all of the following information:

- The Policyholder's name and address.
- The patient's name and age.
- The number stated on your ID card.
- The name and address of the provider of the service(s).
- The name and address of any ordering Physician.
- A diagnosis from the Physician.
- An itemized bill from your provider that includes the *Current Procedural Terminology* (CPT) codes or a description of each charge.

- The date the Injury or Sickness began.
- A statement indicating either that you are, or you are not, enrolled for coverage under any other health plan or program. If you are enrolled for other coverage you must include the name of the other carrier(s).

The above information should be filed with us at the address on your ID card.

When filing a claim for Outpatient Prescription Drug Benefits, your claims should be submitted to:

OptumRx Claims Department

PO Box 650540

Dallas, TX 75265-0540

Payment of Claims

Time for Payment of Claim

Benefits will be paid as soon as we receive all of the required information listed above.

Assignment of Benefits

You may not assign your Benefits under this Policy or any cause of action related to your Benefits under this Policy to an out-of-Network provider without our consent. When an assignment is not obtained, we will send the reimbursement directly to the Policyholder for reimbursement to an out-of-Network provider. We may, as we determine, pay an out-of-Network provider directly for services rendered to you. In the case of any such assignment of Benefits or payment to an out-of-Network provider, we have the right to offset Benefits to be paid to the provider by any amounts that the provider owes us.

When you assign your Benefits under this Policy to an out-of-Network provider with our consent, and the out-of-Network provider submits a claim for payment, you and the out-of-Network provider represent and warrant the following:

- The Covered Health Care Services were actually provided.
- The Covered Health Care Services were medically appropriate.

Allowed Amounts due to an out-of-Network provider for Covered Health Care Services that are subject to the *No Surprises Act* of the *Consolidated Appropriations Act (P.L. 116-260)* are paid directly to the provider.

Payment of Benefits under the Policy shall be in cash or cash equivalents, or in a form of other consideration that we determine to be adequate. Where Benefits are payable directly to a provider, such adequate consideration includes the forgiveness in whole or in part of the amount the provider owes us, or to other plans for which we make payments where we have taken an assignment of the other plans' recovery rights for value.

When you receive Covered Health Care Services from an out-of-Network provider, as a result of an Emergency, we will make direct payment to the out-of-Network provider once we are in receipt of your appropriate request for payment.

For any non-electronic claim submitted by a Network provider within 30 days of the date of service or date of discharge from a health care facility or institution, we will pay, deny or pend Benefits not more than 30 days from the date upon which a non-electronic Clean Claim is received by us, unless just and reasonable grounds exist to put a reasonable and prudent businessman on his guard.

For any non-electronic claim submitted by a Network provider more than 30 days of the date of service, or date of discharge from a health care facility or institution, or resubmitted because the original claim form was not an Accepted Claim form or was not a Clean Claim, we will pay, deny or pend Benefits not more than 60 days from the date upon which a non-electronic Clean Claim is received by us, unless just and reasonable grounds exist to put a reasonable and prudent businessman on his guard.

For any other non-electronic claim submitted by a Covered Person or by an out-of-Network provider, we will pay, deny, or pend Benefits not more than 30 days from the date upon which a non-electronic Clean Claim is received by us, unless just and reasonable grounds exist to put a reasonable and prudent businessman on his guard.

Within five working days of receipt of any electronic claim, we will review the claim and if we determine that the claim is not an Accepted Claim, we will issue an electronic report to the health care provider indicating all defects or reasons known at that time that the claim is not an Accepted Claim. If we fail to provide such a report, the provider will be deemed to have timely submitted a claim for payment.

Any electronic claim will be paid, denied or pended not more than twenty-five days from the date upon which an electronic Clean Claim is electronically received by us unless just and reasonable grounds exist to put a reasonable and prudent businessman on his guard.

We will provide written notice to health care provided that a claim is pended.

For the purpose of this section, "Just reasonable grounds" will include, but is not limited to, determination of whether or not the Covered Person was eligible for health insurance coverage on the date health care services were rendered.

Any health care provider that is not paid within the time frames specified in this section will receive a late payment adjustment equal to twelve percent per annum of the amount due.

Section 6: Questions, Complaints and Appeals

To resolve a question, complaint, or appeal, just follow these steps:

What if You Have a Question?

Our Customer Service Representatives are trained to answer your questions about your health plan. You may call or write to us. Call the telephone number shown on your ID card.

You may call during local business hours, Monday through Friday, with questions regarding:

- Your coverage and Benefit levels, including Co-insurance and Co-payment amounts.
- Specific claims or services you have received.
- Doctors or Hospitals in the Network.
- Referral processes or authorizations.
- Provider directories.

You may also complete a Member Services Request Form from myuhc.com and mail to the address included in the instructions.

What if You Have a Complaint?

A complaint is an expression of dissatisfaction.

You may write to us to file a complaint about quality of care that you received.

Call the telephone number shown on your ID card. Representatives are available to take your call during regular business hours, Monday through Friday.

We will notify you of our decision regarding your complaint within 30 calendar days of receiving it.

You may write a letter or complete a Member Services Request Form from myuhc.com. To send you complaint to us our address is:

UnitedHealthcare Appeals & Grievances
PO Box 6111
Mail Stop CA-0197
Cypress, CA 90630

If someone other than yourself is submitting the complaint on your behalf, you must authorize the representative in writing.

How Do You Appeal a Decision?

An appeal is a request from you to change a previous claim or benefit decision. There are two types of appeals:

Post-service Claims

Post-service claims are claims filed for payment of Benefits after medical care has been received.

Pre-service Requests for Benefits

Pre-service requests for Benefits are requests that require prior authorization or benefit confirmation prior to receiving medical care.

How to Request an Appeal

If you disagree with a pre-service request for Benefits determination, post-service claim determination, or a rescission of coverage determination, you can contact us verbally (urgent only) or in writing to request an appeal. Your appeal request must be submitted to us within 180 calendar days after you receive the denial.

Your request for an appeal should include:

- The patient's name and the identification number from the ID card.

- The date(s) of medical service(s).
- The provider's name.
- The reason you believe the claim should be paid.
- Any documentation or other written information to support your request for claim payment.

If someone other than yourself is submitting the complaint on your behalf, you must authorize the representative in writing.

Appeal Process

A qualified individual who was not involved in the decision being appealed will be chosen to decide the appeal. If your appeal is related to clinical matters, the review will be done in consultation with a health care professional with expertise in the field, who was not involved in the prior determination. We may consult with, or ask medical experts to take part in the appeal process. By submitting an appeal, you consent to this referral and the sharing of needed medical claim information. Upon request and free of charge, you have the right to reasonable access to copies of all documents, records and other information related to your claim for Benefits. If any new or additional evidence is relied upon or generated by us during the determination of the appeal, we will provide it to you free of charge prior to the due date of the response to the adverse benefit determination.

An "Adverse Benefit Determination" means any of the following:

A determination by us or our designee utilization review organization that, based upon the information provided, a request for a Benefit under the Policy upon application of any utilization review technique does not meet our requirements for medical necessity, appropriateness, health care setting, level of care, or effectiveness or is determined to be an Experimental or Investigational Service and the requested Benefit is therefore denied, reduced, or terminated or payment is not provided or made, in whole or in part, for the benefit.

The denial, reduction, termination, or failure to provide or make payment, in whole or in part, for a benefit based on a determination by us or our designee utilization review organization of a covered person's eligibility to participate in the health benefit plan.

Any prospective review or retrospective review determination that denies, reduces, or terminates or fails to provide or make payment, in whole or in part, for a Benefit under the Policy.

The denial, reduction or termination of concurrent care.

A rescission of coverage determination.

In addition to calling us at the telephone number shown on your ID card, you may also seek assistance with the Appeals Process by contacting the Office of Consumer Advocacy within the Louisiana Department of Insurance via the following:

Louisiana Department of Insurance
Office of Consumer Services
P.O. Box 94214
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9214

Phone: (225) 219-0619 or (800) 259-5300

www.ldi.la.gov

Appeals Determinations

You will be provided written or electronic notification of the decision on your appeal a follows:

Appeal Type	Response Time from Receipt of Request
Pre-service request for Benefit appeals	30 calendar days
Post-service claim appeals	60 calendar days

Please note that our decision is based only on whether or not Benefits are available under the Policy for the proposed treatment or procedure.

You may have the right to external review through an *Independent Review Organization (IRO)* upon the completion of the internal appeal process. Instructions regarding any such rights, and how to access those rights, will be provided in our decision letter to you.

Urgent Appeals that Require Immediate Action

Your appeal may require urgent action if a delay in treatment could increase the risk to your health, or the ability to regain maximum function, or cause severe pain. In these urgent situations:

- The appeal does not need to be submitted in writing. You or your Physician should call us as soon as possible.
- We will provide you with a written or electronic determination within 72 hours upon receipt of your request for review of the determination, taking into account the seriousness of your condition.

The appeal process for urgent situations does not apply to prescheduled treatments, therapies or surgeries.

External Review Program

You may be entitled to request an external review of our determination after exhausting your internal appeals if either of the following apply:

- You are not satisfied with the determination made by us.
- We fail to respond to your appeal within the timeframe required by the applicable regulations.

If one of the above conditions is met, you may request an external review of adverse benefit determinations based upon any of the following:

- Clinical reasons.
- The exclusions for Experimental or Investigational Service(s) or Unproven Service(s).
- Rescission of coverage (coverage that was cancelled or discontinued retroactively).
- As otherwise required by applicable law.

You or your representative may request a standard external review by sending a written request to:

UnitedHealthcare External Appeal Request

PO Box 6111

Mail Stop CA-0197

Cypress, CA 90630

You or your representative may request an expedited external review, in urgent situations as defined below, by contacting us at the telephone number on your ID card or by sending a written request to the address listed above. A request must be made within four months after the date you received our final appeal decision.

You or your authorized representative may simultaneously file both an expedited appeal of a grievance involving an Adverse Benefit Determination and an expedited external review if the time frame for completion of the expedited review of the grievance would seriously jeopardize the life or health of the Covered Person or would jeopardize the Covered Person's ability to regain maximum function. The Independent Review Organization (IRO) assigned to conduct the expedited external review will determine whether the Covered Person shall be required to complete the expedited review of the grievance prior to conducting the expedited external review.

An external review request should include all of the following:

- A specific request for an external review.
- Your name, address, and insurance ID number.
- Your designated representative's name and address, when applicable.
- The service that was denied.
- Any new, relevant information that was not provided during the internal appeal.

An external review will be performed by an *Independent Review Organization (IRO)*. We have entered into agreements with three or more *IRO*s that have agreed to perform such reviews. There are two types of external reviews available:

- A standard external review.
- An expedited external review.

Standard External Review

A standard external review includes all of the following:

- A preliminary review by us of the request.
- A referral of the request by us to the *IRO*.
- A referral of the request by us to the Louisiana Department of Insurance for random assignment to an IRO.
- A decision by the *IRO*.

Within five (5) business days after receipt of the request, we will complete a preliminary review within the applicable timeframe, to determine whether the individual for whom the request was submitted meets all of the following:

- Is or was covered under the Policy at the time the health care service or procedure was requested or provided.
- Has exhausted the applicable internal appeals process.
- Has provided all the information and forms required so that we may process the request.

After we complete the preliminary review, we will issue a notification in writing to you regarding your request's eligibility for external review. We will notify you or your authorized representative and the Commissioner of insurance if the request is eligible for external review. The Commissioner will then randomly assign an independent review organization from the list of approved independent review organizations compiled and maintained by the Commissioner to conduct the external review. We will inform you or your authorized representative and the insurance Commissioner if the request is not eligible for external review and the reasons for the ineligibility. If the request is incomplete, you will be informed about the reasons for the incompletion and the information or materials needed to make the request complete. Our decision to deny the external review request may be appealed to the Commissioner.

You may submit in writing to the *IRO* within five (5) business days following the date of receipt of the notice additional information that the *IRO* will consider when conducting the external review. The *IRO* is not required to, but may, accept and consider additional information submitted by you after five (5) business days.

We will provide to the assigned *IRO* the documents and information considered in making our determination. The documents include:

- All relevant medical records.
- All other documents relied upon by us.
- All other information or evidence that you or your Physician submitted. If there is any information or evidence you or your Physician wish to submit that was not previously provided, you may include this information with your external review request. We will include it with the documents forwarded to the *IRO.*

In reaching a decision, the *IRO* will review the claim as new and not be bound by any decisions or conclusions reached by us. The *IRO* will provide written notice of its determination (the *"Final External Review Decision"*) within 45 calendar days after it receives the request for the external review (unless they request additional time and you agree). The *IRO* will deliver the notice of *Final External Review Decision* to you and us, and it will include the clinical basis for the determination.

If we receive a *Final External Review Decision* reversing our determination, we will provide coverage or payment for the Benefit claim at issue according to the terms and conditions of the Policy, and any applicable law regarding plan remedies. If the *Final External Review Decision* agrees with our determination, we will not be obligated to provide Benefits for the health care service or procedure.

Expedited External Review

An expedited external review is similar to a standard external review. The main difference between the two is that the time periods for completing certain portions of the review process are much shorter for the expedited external review, and in some instances you may file an expedited external review before completing the internal appeals process.

You may make a written or verbal request for an expedited external review, separately or at the same time you have filed a request for an expedited internal appeal, if you receive either of the following:

- An adverse benefit determination of a claim or appeal that involves a medical condition for which the time frame for completion of an expedited internal appeal would either jeopardize:
  - The life or health of the individual.
  - The individual's ability to regain maximum function.

In addition, you must have filed a request for an expedited internal appeal.

- A final appeal decision, that either:
  - Involves a medical condition where the timeframe for completion of a standard external review would either jeopardize the life or health of the individual or jeopardize the individual's ability to regain maximum function.
  - Concerns an admission, availability of care, continued stay, or health care service, procedure or product for which the individual received emergency care services, but has not been discharged from a facility.

Immediately upon receipt of the request, we will determine whether the individual meets both of the following:

- Is or was covered under the Policy at the time the health care service or procedure was requested or provided.
- Has provided all the information and forms required so that we may process the request.

After we complete the review, we will immediately send a notice in writing to you and, if applicable, your authorized representative regarding the request's eligibility for expedited external review. You or your authorized representative may appeal to the commissioner if we determine that your expedited request is ineligible for review. Upon a determination that a request is eligible for expedited external review, the commissioner will assign an IRO in the same manner utilized to assign standard external reviews to IROs. We will provide all necessary documents and information considered in making the Adverse Benefit Determination or final Adverse Benefit Determination to the assigned IRO electronically or by telephone or facsimile or any other available expeditious method. The IRO, to the extent the information or documents are available and the IRO considers them appropriate, must consider the same type of information and documents considered in a standard external review.

In reaching a decision, the *IRO* will review the claim as new and not be bound by any decisions or conclusions reached by us. The *IRO* will provide notice of the final external review decision for an expedited external review as quickly as the claimant's medical condition or circumstances require, but in no event more than 72 hours after the *IRO* receives the request. If the IRO's final external review decision is first communicated verbally, the *IRO* will follow-up with a written confirmation of the decision within 48 hours of that verbal communication.

You may call us at the telephone number on your ID card for more information regarding external review rights, or if making a verbal request for an expedited external review.

External Review of Experimental or Investigational Treatment Adverse Benefit Determinations

You may call us at the telephone number on your ID card for more information regarding external review rights, or if making a verbal request for an expedited external review. Within four months after the date of receipt of a notice of an Adverse Benefit Determination or final Adverse Benefit Determination pursuant to a notice of right to external review that involves a denial of coverage based on a determination that the health care service or treatment recommended or requested is an Experimental or Investigational Service, you or your authorized representative may file a request for a standard and an expedited external review with us, regardless of the claim amount.

You or your authorized representative may make an oral request to us for an expedited external review of such an Adverse Benefit Determination or final Adverse Benefit Determination if your treating physician certifies, in writing, that any delay in appealing the Adverse Benefit Determination may pose an imminent and serious threat to your health, including but not limited to severe pain, potential loss of life, limb, or major bodily function, or the immediate and serious deterioration of your health.

Upon notice of the request for an expedited external review, we will immediately determine whether the request meets the preliminary reviewability requirements as identified under this Section. We will immediately notify you and, if applicable, your authorized representative of our eligibility determination. This notice of initial determination will include a statement informing you and, if applicable, your authorized representative that the expedited external review request is ineligible for review may be appealed to the Commissioner.

If you or your authorized representative makes a written request to the Commissioner after receipt of the denial of an expedited external review, the Commissioner may determine that a request is eligible for an expedited external review and require that it be referred for an expedited external review. The Commissioner will immediately notify us and you or your authorized representative of his or her determination concerning the eligibility of the request. Following receipt of the Commissioner's determination that a request is eligible for an expedited external review, we will comply.

Immediately upon our determination that a request is eligible for an expedited external review or upon the determination by the Commissioner that a request is eligible for an expedited external review, we will submit a request for assignment of an *IRO* through the Louisiana Department of Insurance's website. The Commissioner will immediately randomly assign an *IRO* to review the expedited request and notify us and you or your authorized representative of the name and contact information of the assigned *IRO*.

At the time we receive the notice of the assigned *IRO*, we or our designee utilization review organization will provide or transmit all necessary documents and information considered in making the Adverse Benefit Determination or final Adverse Benefit Determination to the assigned *IRO* electronically, by telephone or facsimile, or any other available expeditious method.

Within five (5) business days following the date of receipt of the standard external review request, we will conduct and complete a preliminary review of the request to determine whether each of the following conditions has been met:

You are or were in the health benefit plan at the time the health care service or treatment was recommended or requested or, in the case of a retrospective review, was in the health benefit plan at the time the health care service or treatment was provided.

The recommended or requested health care service or treatment that is the subject of the Adverse Benefit Determination or final Adverse Benefit Determination is not explicitly listed under Section 2: Exclusions and Limitations in this Policy.

Your treating physician has certified that one of the following situations exists:

- Standard health care services or treatments have not been effective in improving your condition.
- Standard health care services or treatments are not medically appropriate for you.
- There is no available standard health care service or treatment covered by us that is more beneficial than the recommended or requested health care service or treatment.

Your treating physician either:

- Has recommended a health care service or treatment that the physician certifies, in writing, is likely to be more beneficial to you, in the physician's opinion, than any available standard health care services or treatments.
- Is a licensed, board-certified, or board-eligible physician qualified to practice in the area of medicine appropriate to treat your condition and has certified, in writing, that scientifically valid studies using accepted protocols demonstrate that the health care service or treatment requested by you that is the subject of the Adverse Benefit Determination or final Adverse Benefit Determination is likely to be more beneficial to you than any available standard health care services or treatments.

You have exhausted our internal claims and appeals process.

You have provided all the information and forms required by the Commissioner that are necessary to process a standard external review, including any required authorization form.

Within five (5) business days after the completion of the preliminary review, we will notify you and, if applicable, your authorized representative in writing whether each of the following conditions have been met:

- The request is complete.
- The request is eligible for a standard external review.

If the request is not complete, we will inform you and, if applicable, your authorized representative in writing and specify in the notice what information or materials are needed to make the request complete. If the request is not eligible for a standard external review, we will inform you and your authorized representative, if applicable, in writing and include in the notice the reasons for its ineligibility.

The notice of initial determination will include a statement informing you and, if applicable, your authorized representative that our initial determination that the standard external review request is ineligible for review may be appealed to the Commissioner.

If you or your authorized representative makes a written request to the Commissioner after receipt of the denial of a standard external review, the Commissioner may determine that a request is eligible for a standard external review under the preliminary reviewability requirements, notwithstanding our initial determination that the request is ineligible, and require that it be referred for a standard external review. The Commissioner will notify us and you or your authorized representative of his or her determination concerning the eligibility of the request within five (5) business days. We will comply following receipt of the Commissioner's determination that a request is eligible for a standard external review.

We will notify the Commissioner that a request is eligible for a standard external review by submitting a request for assignment of an *IRO* through the Louisiana Department of Insurance's website. Upon notification, the Commissioner will do both of the following:

Assign an IRO to conduct the standard external review from the list of approved *IROs* and notify us of the name of the assigned *IRO*.

Within one (1) business day, notify you in writing and, if applicable, your authorized representative of the request's eligibility and acceptance for a standard external review and the identity of and contact information for the assigned *IRO*.

You or your authorized representative may submit in writing to the assigned *IRO*, within five (5) business days following the date of receipt of the notice, additional information that the *IRO* will consider when conducting the standard external review. The *IRO* will be authorized, but not required to accept and consider additional information submitted after five (5) business days. Within one (1) business day after the receipt of the notice of assignment to conduct the standard external review, the assigned *IRO* will follow the clinical peer process identified below.

For both a standard and an expedited external review, the assigned *IRO* will do both of the following:

Select one or more clinical peers to conduct the standard or expedited external review, and

Based on the opinion of the clinical peers selected to conduct the standard or expedited external review, make a decision to uphold or reverse the Adverse Benefit Determination or final.

Within five (5) business days after the date of receipt of the notice provided, we or our designee utilization review organization will provide the documents and any information considered in making the Adverse Benefit Determination or the final Adverse Benefit Determination to the assigned *IRO*. Failure by us or our designee utilization review organization to provide the documents and information within this time frame will not delay the standard external review or the expedited external review. An exception to this will be if we or our designee utilization review organization has failed to provide the documents and information within the time frame, the assigned *IRO* may terminate the standard external review or the expedited external review and make a decision to reverse the Adverse Benefit Determination or final Adverse Benefit Determination. Immediately upon making this decision, the *IRO* will notify you, your authorized representative, if applicable, us, and the Commissioner.

Within one (1) business day after receipt of any information submitted by you or your authorized representative, the assigned *IRO* will forward the information to us.

Upon receipt of the information required to be forwarded, we may reconsider our Adverse Benefit Determination or final Adverse Benefit Determination that is the subject of the standard or the expedited external review. Reconsideration by us of our Adverse Benefit Determination or final Adverse Benefit Determination will not delay or terminate the standard or the expedited external review. The standard or the expedited external review may terminate only if we decide, upon completion of our reconsideration, to reverse our Adverse Benefit Determination or final Adverse Benefit Determination and provide coverage or payment for the recommended or requested health care service or treatment that is the subject of the Adverse Benefit Determination or final Adverse Benefit Determination. For a standard or an expedited review, immediately upon making the decision to reverse our Adverse Benefit Determination or final Adverse Benefit Determination, we will notify you, your authorized representative, if applicable, the assigned *IRO*, and the Commissioner in writing of our decision. The assigned *IRO* will terminate the standard or the expedited external review upon receipt of the notice from us.

Within twenty (20) days after being selected to conduct the standard external review, each clinical peer will provide an opinion to the assigned *IRO* regarding whether the recommended or requested health care service or treatment should be covered.

For an expedited external review, each clinical peer shall provide an opinion to the assigned *IRO* as expeditiously as your medical condition or circumstances requires, but in no event more than five (5) days after being selected. If the opinion was not in writing, within forty-eight (48) hours following the date that the opinion was provided, the clinical peer shall provide written confirmation of the opinion to the assigned IRO and include the information required above.

Within twenty (20) days after the date it receives the opinion of each clinical peer, the assigned *IRO* in a standard external review, will make a decision and provide written notice of the decision to you; if applicable, your authorized representative, us, and the Commissioner.

For an expedited external review, within forty-eight (48) hours after the date it receives the opinion of each clinical peer, the assigned *IRO*, will make a decision and provide notice of the decision orally or in writing to the persons specified above. If this notice was not in writing, within forty-eight (48) hours after the date of providing that notice, the assigned *IRO* will provide written confirmation of the decision to the persons specified above and include the information provided below for a standard or an expedited appeal.

For a standard or an expedited review, if a majority of the clinical peers recommend that the recommended or requested health care service or treatment should be covered, the *IRO* will make a decision to reverse our Adverse Benefit Determination or final Adverse Benefit Determination. For a standard or an expedited external review, if a majority of the clinical peers recommend that the recommended or requested health care service or treatment should not be covered, the *IRO* will make a decision to uphold our Adverse Benefit Determination or final Adverse Benefit Determination. For a standard or an expedited external review, if the clinical peers are evenly split as to whether the recommended or requested health care service or treatment should be covered, the *IRO* will obtain the opinion of an additional clinical peer in order for the *IRO* to make a decision based on the opinions of a majority of the clinical peers made. The additional clinical peer selected will use the same information to reach an opinion as the clinical peers who have already submitted their opinions. The selection of the additional clinical peer will not extend the time within which the assigned *IRO* is required to make a decision based on the opinions of the selected clinical peers.

For a standard or an expedited external review, upon receipt of a notice of a decision reversing the Adverse Benefit Determination or final Adverse Benefit Determination, we will immediately approve coverage and payment of the recommended or requested health care service or treatment that was the subject of the Adverse Benefit Determination or final Adverse Benefit Determination.

You may contact us at the toll-free number on your ID card for more information regarding external review rights of Experimental or Investigational Treatment Adverse Benefit Determinations, or if making a verbal request for an expedited external review.

Section 7: General Legal Provisions

What Is Your Relationship with Us?

It is important for you to understand our role with respect to this Policy and how it may affect you. We administer this Policy under which you are insured. We do not provide medical services or make treatment decisions. This means:

- We communicate to you decisions about whether the Policy will cover or pay for the health care that you may receive. The Policy pays for Covered Health Care Services, which are more fully described in this Policy.
- The Policy may not pay for all treatments you or your Physician may believe are needed. If the Policy does not pay, you will be responsible for the cost.

We may use individually identifiable information about you to identify for you (and you alone) procedures, products or services that you may find valuable. We will use individually identifiable information about you as permitted or required by law, including in our operations and in our research. We will use de-identified data for commercial purposes including research.

Please refer to our *Notice of Privacy Practices* for details.

What Is Our Relationship with Providers?

We have agreements in place that govern the relationship between us and Network providers, some of which are affiliated providers. Network providers enter into an agreement with us to provide Covered Health Care Services to Covered Persons.

We do not provide health care services or supplies, or practice medicine. We arrange for health care providers to participate in a Network and we pay Benefits. Network providers are independent practitioners who run their own offices and facilities. Our credentialing process confirms public information about the providers' licenses and other credentials. It does not assure the quality of the services provided. We are not responsible for any act or omission of any provider.

What Is Your Relationship with Providers?

The relationship between you and any provider is that of provider and patient.

You are responsible for all of the following:

- Choosing your own provider.
- Paying, directly to your provider, any amount identified as a member responsibility, including Co-payments, Co-insurance, any deductible and any amount that exceeds the Allowed Amount, when applicable.
- Paying, directly to your provider, the cost of any non-Covered Health Care Service.
- Deciding if any provider treating you is right for you. This includes Network providers you choose and providers that they refer.
- Deciding with your provider what care you should receive.

Your provider is solely responsible for the quality of the services provided to you.

Do We Pay Incentives to Providers?

We pay Network providers through various types of contractual arrangements. Some of these arrangements may include financial incentives to promote the delivery of health care in a cost efficient and effective manner. These financial incentives are not intended to affect your access to health care.

Examples of financial incentives for Network providers are:

- Bonuses for performance based on factors that may include quality, member satisfaction and/or cost-effectiveness.
- Capitation - a group of Network providers receives a monthly payment from us for each Covered Person who selects a Network provider within the group to perform or coordinate certain health care services. The Network providers receive this monthly payment regardless of whether the cost of providing or arranging to provide the Covered Person's health care is less than or more than the payment.

- Bundled payments - certain Network providers receive a bundled payment for a group of Covered Health Care Services for a particular procedure or medical condition. Your Co-payment and/or Co-insurance will be calculated based on the provider type that received the bundled payment. The Network providers receive these bundled payments regardless of whether the cost of providing or arranging to provide the Covered Person's health care is less than or more than the payment. If you receive follow-up services related to a procedure where a bundled payment is made, an additional Co-payment and/or Co-insurance may not be required if such follow-up services are included in the bundled payment. You may receive some Covered Health Care Services that are not considered part of the inclusive bundled payment and those Covered Health Care Services would be subject to the applicable Co-payment and/or Co-insurance as described in your *Schedule of Benefits*.

We use various payment methods to pay specific Network providers. From time to time, the payment method may change. If you have questions about whether your Network provider's contract with us includes any financial incentives, we encourage you to discuss those questions with your provider. You may also call us at the telephone number on your ID card. We can advise whether your Network provider is paid by any financial incentive, including those listed above.

Are Incentives Available to You?

Sometimes we may offer coupons, enhanced Benefits, or other incentives to encourage you to take part in various programs, including wellness programs, certain disease management programs, surveys, discount programs and/or programs to seek care in a more cost-effective setting and/or from Designated Providers. In some instances, these programs may be offered in combination with a non-UnitedHealthcare entity. The decision about whether or not to take part in a program is yours alone. However, we recommend that you discuss taking part in such programs with your Physician. We will notify you of the opportunity to participate in available programs and of any criteria for eligibility. Contact us at www.myuhc.com/exchange or the telephone number on your ID card if you have any questions.

As determined by us, incentives may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- A gym access or digital fitness class program.
- Gift card incentives valued at a maximum of $500 for completing certain activities throughout the year, such as having a wellness visit with your Primary Care Physician or taking other plan communication-related actions (e.g., signing up for text messages or paperless communications).

Do We Receive Rebates and Other Payments?

We may receive rebates for certain drugs that are administered to you in your home or in a Physician's office, or at a Hospital or Alternate Facility. This includes rebates for those drugs that are administered to you before you meet any applicable deductible. As determined by us, we may pass a portion of these rebates on to you. When rebates are passed onto you, they may be taken into account in determining your Co-payment and/or Co-insurance.

Continuity of Care of Covered Health Care Services

In the event a contract or agreement between us and a provider is terminated, the provider will notify us of any Eligible Person who has begun a course of treatment by the provider before the effective date of the termination. Based on this notice from the provider, we will notify you of a termination of the provider from our network and your right to continuity of care. The following shall be in effect whether such termination is initiated by us or the provider:

In the event you have been diagnosed as being in a high-risk pregnancy or are past the twenty-fourth week of pregnancy, you shall be allowed to continue receiving Covered Health Care Services, subject to the consent of the treating provider, through delivery and postpartum care related to the pregnancy and delivery.

In the event you have been diagnosed with a life-threatening illness, you will be allowed to continue receiving Covered Health Care Services, subject to the consent of the treating provider, until the course of treatment is completed, not to exceed three (3) months from the effective date of such termination.

In the event a provider advises us of an Eligible Person who meets the criteria of Paragraph (1) or (2) detailed above, we will continue payment of our liability to the provider that was in effect prior to the termination of the contract or agreement with such provider. In addition, the contractual requirements for the provider to follow our utilization management and quality management policies and procedures will remain in effect for the applicable period specified as detailed above.

There are circumstances by which the Continuity of Care detailed above does not apply. They include the following:

The reason for such termination is due to suspension, revocation, or applicable restriction of the provider's license to practice in the state of Louisiana by the *Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners*, or for another documented reason related to quality of care.

You choose to change provider.

You move out of the geographic service area of the provider or us.

You require only routine monitoring for a chronic condition but are not in an acute phase of the condition.

Who Interprets Benefits and Other Provisions under the Policy?

Subject to *Section 6: Questions, Complaints and Appeals*, we have the discretionary authority to do all of the following:

- Interpret Benefits under this Policy.
- Interpret the other terms, conditions, limitations and exclusions set out in this Policy, including the *Schedule of Benefits* and any Amendments.
- Make factual determinations related to this Policy and its Benefits.

We may assign this authority to other persons or entities that provide services in regard to the administration of this Policy.

In certain circumstances, for purposes of overall cost savings or efficiency, we may offer Benefits for services that would otherwise not be Covered Health Care Services. The fact that we do so in any particular case shall not in any way be deemed to require us to do so in other similar cases.

Who Provides Administrative Services?

We provide administrative services or, as we determine, we may arrange for various persons or entities to provide administrative services, such as claims processing. The identity of the service providers and the nature of the services they provide may be changed from time to time as we determine. We are not required to give you prior notice of any such change, nor are we required to obtain your approval. You must cooperate with those persons or entities in the performance of their responsibilities.

Amendments to this Policy

To the extent permitted by law, we have the right to change, interpret, withdraw or add Benefits or end this Policy.

Any provision of this Policy which, on its effective date, is in conflict with the requirements of state or federal statutes or regulations (of the jurisdiction in which this Policy is delivered) is amended to conform to the minimum requirements of such statutes and regulations.

No other change may be made to this Policy unless it is made by an Amendment which has been signed by one of our officers and consistent with applicable notice requirements. All of the following conditions apply:

- Amendments to this Policy are effective upon renewal, except as otherwise permitted by law.
- No agent has the authority to change this Policy or to waive any of its provisions.
- No one has authority to make any oral changes or amendments to this Policy.

How Do We Use Information and Records?

We may use your individually identifiable health information as follows:

- To administer this Policy and pay claims.
- To identify procedures, products, or services that you may find valuable.
- As otherwise permitted or required by law.

We may request additional information from you to decide your claim for Benefits. We will keep this information confidential. We may also use de-identified data for commercial purposes, including research, as permitted by law. More detail about how we may use or disclose your information is found in our *Notice of Privacy Practices*.

By accepting Benefits under this Policy, you authorize and direct any person or institution that has provided services to you to furnish us with all information or copies of records relating to the services provided to you. We have the right to request this information at any reasonable time. This applies to all Covered Persons, including Enrolled Dependents whether or not they have signed the Policyholder's enrollment form. We agree that such information and records will be considered confidential.

We have the right to release records concerning health care services when any of the following apply:

- Needed to put in place and administer the terms of this Policy.
- Needed for medical review or quality assessment.
- Required by law or regulation.

During and after the term of this Policy, we and our related entities may use and transfer the information gathered under this Policy in a de-identified format for commercial purposes, including research and analytic purposes. Please refer to our Notice of Privacy Practices.

For complete listings of your medical records or billing statements you may contact your health care provider. Providers may charge you reasonable fees to cover their costs for providing records or completing requested forms.

If you request medical forms or records from us, we also may charge you reasonable fees to cover costs for completing the forms or providing the records.

In some cases, as permitted by law, we will designate other persons or entities to request records or information from or related to you, and to release those records as needed. Our designees have the same rights to this information as we have.

Do We Require Examination of Covered Persons?

In the event of a question or dispute regarding your right to Benefits, we may require that a Network Physician of our choice examine you at our expense.

Is Workers' Compensation Affected?

Benefits provided under this Policy do not substitute for and do not affect any requirements for coverage by workers' compensation insurance.

Subrogation and Reimbursement

We have the right to subrogation and reimbursement. References to “you” or “your” in this *Subrogation and Reimbursement* section shall include you, your Estate and your heirs and beneficiaries unless otherwise stated.

Subrogation applies when we have paid Benefits on your behalf for a Sickness or Injury for which any third party is allegedly responsible. The right to subrogation means that we are substituted to and shall succeed to any and all legal claims that you may be entitled to pursue against any third party for the Benefits that we have paid that are related to the Sickness or Injury for which any third party is considered responsible.

Subrogation Example:

Suppose you are injured in a car accident that is not your fault, and you receive Benefits under the Policy to treat your injuries. Under subrogation, the Policy has the right to take legal action in your name against the driver who caused the accident and that driver's insurance carrier to recover the cost of those Benefits.

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 us 100% of any Benefits you receive for that Sickness or Injury. The right of reimbursement shall apply to any benefits received at any time until the rights are extinguished, resolved or waived in writing.

Reimbursement Example:

Suppose you are injured in a boating accident that is not your fault, and you receive Benefits under the Policy as a result of your injuries. In addition, you receive a settlement in a court proceeding from the individual who caused the accident. You must use the settlement funds to return to the Policy 100% of any Benefits you received to treat your injuries.

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.
- Your employer in a workers' compensation case or other matter alleging liability.
- Any person or entity who is or may be obligated to provide benefits or payments to you, including 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 and/or legal 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.
- Automobile insurer who is or may be obligated to provide medical payment coverage if written agreement exists between the parties and is in accordance with the *Louisiana Department of Insurance* coordination of benefits regulations. Nine (9) months after the accident date from which medical claims exist, we may seek reimbursement from the automobile medical payments insurer for the outstanding balance remaining under the automobile medical coverage policy.

You agree as follows:

- You will cooperate with us in protecting our legal and equitable rights to subrogation and reimbursement in a timely manner, including, but not limited to:
- Notifying us, in writing, of any potential legal claim(s) you may have against any third party for acts which caused Benefits to be paid or become payable.
- Providing any relevant information requested by us.
- Signing and/or delivering such documents as we or our agents reasonably request to secure the subrogation and reimbursement claim.
- Responding to requests for information about any accident or injuries.
- Making court appearances.
- Obtaining our consent or our 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 us is considered a breach of contract. As such, we have the right to terminate or deny future Benefits, take legal action against you, and/or set off from any future Benefits the value of Benefits we have paid relating to any Sickness or Injury alleged to have been caused or caused by any third party to the extent not recovered by us due to you or your representative not cooperating with us. If we incur attorneys' fees and costs in order to collect third party settlement funds held by you or your representative, we have the right to recover those fees and costs from you. You will also be required to pay interest on any amounts you hold which should have been returned to us.

We have a first priority right to receive payment on any claim against any third party before you receive payment from that third party. Further, our 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.

To the extent allowed by law, our 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. We are 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 our express written consent. No so-called "Fund Doctrine" or "Common Fund Doctrine" or "Attorney's Fund Doctrine" shall defeat this right.

We 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 we may collect include, but are not limited to, economic, non-economic, and punitive damages.

Benefits paid by us may also be considered to be Benefits advanced.

If you receive any payment from any party as a result of Sickness or Injury, and we allege some or all of those funds are due and owed to us, 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 Benefits under the Policy, you agree that (i) any amounts recovered by you from any third party shall constitute Policy assets (to the extent of the amount of Benefits provided on behalf of the Covered Person), (ii) you and your representative shall be fiduciaries of the Policy with respect to such amounts, and (iii) you shall be liable for and agree to pay any costs and fees (including reasonable attorney fees) incurred by us to enforce its reimbursement rights.

Our right to recovery will not be reduced due to your own negligence.

By participating in and accepting Benefits from us, you agree to assign to us any benefits, claims or rights of recovery you have under any automobile policy - including no-fault benefits, PIP benefits and/or medical payment benefits - other coverage or against any third party, to the full extent of the Benefits we have paid for the Sickness or Injury. By agreeing to provide this assignment in exchange for participating in and accepting benefits, you acknowledge and recognize our right to assert, pursue and recover on any such claim, whether or not you choose to pursue the claim, and you agree to this assignment voluntarily.

We may, at our option, take necessary and appropriate action to preserve our 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 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 us in any way to pay you part of any recovery we might obtain. Any reimbursement lawsuit stemming from a refusal to refund Benefits as required under the terms of the Policy is governed by the applicable statute of limitations.

You may not accept any settlement that does not fully reimburse us, without our written approval.

Subject to *Section 6: Questions, Complaints and Appeals*, we have the authority 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 or beneficiaries. In the case of your death our 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 us is not extinguished by a release of claims or settlement agreement of any kind.

That if you fully recover your damages from Third Parties, then you will reimburse us the portion of the damages recovered for the expenses incurred by the Covered Person that were provided or paid by us.

That in the event you fail to take appropriate action to make recovery from a Third Party we may, at our option, take necessary and appropriate action to preserve our rights under these subrogation provisions, including filing suit in your name.

No allocation of damages, settlement funds or any other recovery, by you, your estate, the personal representative of your estate, your heirs, your beneficiaries or any other person or party, shall be valid if it does not reimburse us for 100% of our interest unless we provide 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 the Policy, the provisions of this section continue to apply, even after you are no longer covered.

In the event that you do not abide by the terms of the Policy pertaining to reimbursement, we may terminate Benefits to you, your dependents or the policyholder, deny future Benefits, take legal action against you, and/or set off from any future Benefits the value of Benefits we have paid relating to any Sickness or Injury alleged to have been caused or caused by any third party to the extent not recovered by us due to your failure to abide by the terms of the Policy. If

we incur attorneys' fees and costs in order to collect third party settlement funds held by you or your representative, we have the right to recover those fees and costs from you. You will also be required to pay interest on any amounts you hold which should have been returned to us.

Subject to Section 6: *Questions, Complaints and Appeals*, we and all Administrators administering the terms and conditions of the Policy's subrogation and reimbursement rights have such powers and duties as are necessary to discharge its duties and functions, including the exercise of our final authority to (1) construe and enforce the terms of the Policy's subrogation and reimbursement rights and (2) make determinations with respect to the subrogation amounts and reimbursements owed to us. The foregoing subrogation and reimbursement provisions are subject to the following where applicable:

We agree to pay our portion of your attorney's fee or other costs associated with a claim or lawsuit to the extent that we recover any portion of the Benefits paid under the Policy including those attorney's fees incurred in obtaining a recovery from the third party as a result of our invoking a subrogation or reimbursement provision.

That our right to subrogation granted under this provision may not be enforced until you have been fully compensated or made whole.

When Do We Receive Refunds of Overpayments?

If we pay Benefits for expenses incurred on your account, you, or any other person or organization that was paid, must make a refund to us if any of the following apply:

- All or some of the expenses were not paid or did not legally have to be paid by you.
- All or some of the payment we made exceeded the Benefits under this Policy.
- All or some of the payment was made in error.

The refund equals the amount we paid in excess of the amount we should have paid under this Policy. If the refund is due from another person or organization, you agree to help us get the refund when requested.

If the refund is due from you and you do not promptly refund the full amount, we may recover the overpayment by reallocating the overpaid amount to pay, in whole or in part, your future Benefits that are payable under the Policy. If the refund is due from a person or organization other than you, we may recover the overpayment by reallocating the overpaid amount to pay, in whole or in part; (i) future Benefits that are payable in connection with services provided to other Covered Persons under the Policy; or (ii) future Benefits that are payable in connection with services provided to persons under other plans for which we make payments, pursuant to a transaction in which our overpayment recovery rights are assigned to such other plans in exchange for such plans' remittance of the amount of the reallocated payment.

The reductions will equal the amount of the required refund. We may have other rights in addition to the right to reduce future benefits.

Is There a Limitation of Action?

You cannot bring any legal action against us prior to the expiration of sixty (60) days after you have filed written proof of loss in accordance with the requirements of this policy. If you want to bring a legal action against us, you must do so within three years after the time written proof of loss is required to be filed or you lose any rights to bring such an action against us.

What Is the Entire Policy?

This Policy, the *Schedule of Benefits*, the Policyholder's *Application* and any Amendments, make up the entire Policy.

Section 8: Defined Terms

Accepted Claim - a non-electronic claim on a HCFA 1500 form or Uniform Billing form 92(UB04), properly completed according to Medicare guidelines, or an electronic claim in a 837 format or its successor adopted by the *United States Department of Health and Human Services* or its successor, in compliance with the provisions of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act.

Air Ambulance - medical transport by helicopter or airplane.

Allowed Amounts - for Covered Health Care Services, incurred while the Policy is in effect, Allowed Amounts are determined by us or determined as required by law as shown in the *Schedule of Benefits*.

Allowed Amounts are determined in accordance with our reimbursement policy guidelines or as required by law. We develop these guidelines, as we determine, after review of all provider billings in accordance with one or more of the following methodologies:

- As shown in the most recent edition of the *Current Procedural Terminology (CPT)*, a publication of the *American Medical Association*, and/or the *Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)*.
- As reported by generally recognized professionals or publications.
- As used for Medicare.
- As determined by medical staff and outside medical consultants pursuant to other appropriate source or determination that we accept.

Alternate Facility - a health care facility that is not a Hospital. It provides one or more of the following services on an outpatient basis, as permitted by law:

- Surgical services.
- Emergency Health Care Services.
- Rehabilitative, laboratory, diagnostic or therapeutic services.

It may also provide Mental Health Care Services or Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services on an outpatient or inpatient basis.

Amendment - any attached written description of added or changed provisions to the Policy. It is effective only when signed by us. It is subject to all conditions, limitations and exclusions of the Policy, except for those that are specifically amended.

Ancillary Services - items and services provided by out-of-Network Physicians at a Network facility that are any of the following:

- Related to emergency medicine, anesthesiology, pathology, radiology and neonatology;
- Provided by assistant surgeons, hospitalists, and intensivists;
- Diagnostic services, including radiology and laboratory services, unless such items and services are excluded from the definition of Ancillary Services as determined by the Secretary;
- Provided by such other specialty practitioners as determined by the Secretary; and
- Provided by an out-of-Network Physician when no other Network Physician is available.

Annual Deductible - the total of the Allowed Amount or the Recognized Amount when applicable, you must pay for Covered Health Care Services per year before we will begin paying for Benefits. It does not include any amount that exceeds Allowed Amounts or Recognized Amounts when applicable. The *Schedule of Benefits* will tell you if your plan is subject to payment of an Annual Deductible and how it applies.

Autism Spectrum Disorder - means any of the pervasive developmental disorders as defined by the most recent edition of the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM),* including Autistic Disorder, Asperger's Disorder, and Pervasive Developmental Disorder not otherwise specified.

Benefits - your right to payment for Covered Health Care Services that are available under this Policy.

Chemotherapy - charges incurred for the treatment of disease by chemical or biological antineoplastic agents or related supportive care regimens administered orally, intravenously or by injection. The chemical or biological

antineoplastic agents or related supportive care regimens may be administered during a doctor's visit, home health care visit, or at an outpatient facility.

Clean Claim - An Accepted Claim that has no defect or impropriety including any lack of required substantiating documentation or other particular circumstances requiring special treatment that prevents timely payment from being made on the claim.

Co-insurance - the charge, stated as a percentage of the Allowed Amount or the Recognized Amount when applicable, that you are required to pay for certain Covered Health Care Services.

Congenital Anomaly - a physical developmental defect that is present at the time of birth, and that is identified within the first twelve months of birth.

Co-payment - the charge, stated as a set dollar amount, that you are required to pay for certain Covered Health Care Services.

Please note that for Covered Health Care Services, you are responsible for paying the lesser of the following:

- The Co-payment.
- The Allowed Amount or the Recognized Amount when applicable.

Cosmetic Procedures - procedures or services that change or improve appearance without significantly improving physiological function.

Covered Health Care Service(s) - health care services, including supplies or Pharmaceutical Products, which we determine to be all of the following:

- Provided for the purpose of preventing, evaluating, diagnosing or treating a Sickness, Injury, Mental Illness, substance-related and addictive disorders, condition, disease or its symptoms.
- Medically Necessary.
- Described as a Covered Health Care Service in this Policy under *Section 1: Covered Health Care Services* and in the *Schedule of Benefits*.
- Not excluded in this Policy under *Section 2: Exclusions and Limitations*.

Covered Person - the Policyholder or a Dependent, but this term applies only while the person is enrolled under this Policy. We use "you" and "your" in this Policy to refer to a Covered Person.

Custodial Care - services that are any of the following non-Skilled Care services:

- Non health-related services such as help with daily living activities. Examples include eating, dressing, bathing, transferring and ambulating.
- Health-related services that can safely and effectively be performed by trained non-medical personnel and are provided for the primary purpose of meeting the personal needs of the patient or maintaining a level of function, as opposed to improving that function to an extent that might allow for a more independent existence.

Definitive Drug Test - quantitative test to identify specific medications, illicit substances and metabolites with numerical results reporting the specific quantities of a substance.

Dependent - the Policyholder's legal spouse or a child of the Policyholder or the Policyholder's spouse. The term "child" includes:

- A natural child.
- A stepchild.
- A legally adopted child.
- A child placed for adoption. "Placed for adoption" means the assumption and retention by the Policyholder or the Policyholder's spouse of a legal obligation for total or partial support of the child in anticipation of adoption of the child.
- A child placed in your home following the execution of an act of voluntary surrender in favor of you or your legal representative.
- A child for whom legal guardianship has been awarded to the Policyholder or the Policyholder's spouse.

- A grandchild who is residing with and under the legal custody of either the Policyholder or the Policyholder's spouse.

The following conditions apply:

- A Dependent includes a child listed above under age 26.
- A child is no longer eligible as a Dependent on the last day of the year following the date the child reaches age 26 except as provided in *Section 4: When Coverage Ends* under *Coverage for a Disabled Dependent Child.*

The Policyholder must reimburse us for any Benefits paid during a time a child did not satisfy these conditions.

Designated Provider - a provider and/or facility that:

- Has entered into an agreement with us, or with an organization contracting on our behalf, to provide Covered Health Care Service for the treatment of specific diseases or conditions; or
- We have identified through our designation programs as a Designated Provider. Such designation may apply to specific treatments, conditions and/or procedures.

A Designated Provider may or may not be located within your Service Area. Not all Network Hospitals or Network Physicians are Designated Providers.

You can find out if your provider is a Designated Provider by contacting us at www.myuhc.com/exchange or the telephone number on your ID card.

Designated Virtual Network Provider - a provider or facility that has entered into an agreement with us, or with an organization contracting on our behalf, to deliver Covered Health Care Services through live audio with video technology or audio only.

Dialysis - the process in which waste products are removed from the body by diffusion from one fluid compartment to another through a semi-permeable membrane. There are two types of renal dialysis procedures in common clinical usage: hemodialysis and peritoneal dialysis.

Durable Medical Equipment (DME) - medical equipment that is all of the following:

- Ordered or provided by a Physician for outpatient use primarily in a home setting.
- Used for medical purposes.
- Not consumable or disposable except as needed for the effective use of covered DME.
- Not of use to a person in the absence of a disease or disability.
- Serves a medical purpose for the treatment of a Sickness or Injury.
- Primarily used within the home.

Eligible Person - a person who meets the eligibility requirements determined by the federal Health Insurance Marketplace. An Eligible Person must live within the Service Area.

Emergency - a medical condition manifesting itself by acute symptoms of sufficient severity (including severe pain) so that a prudent layperson, who possesses an average knowledge of health and medicine, could reasonably expect the absence of immediate medical attention to result in:

- Placing the health of the Covered Person (or, with respect to a pregnant woman, the health of the woman or her unborn child) in serious jeopardy;
- Serious impairment to bodily functions; or
- Serious dysfunction of any bodily organ or part.

Emergency Health Care Services - with respect to an Emergency:

An appropriate medical screening exam (as required under section *1867 of the Social Security Act* or as would be required under such section if such section applied to an Independent Freestanding Emergency Department*)* that is within the capability of the emergency department of a Hospital, or an Independent Freestanding Emergency Department, as applicable, including ancillary services routinely available to the emergency department to evaluate such Emergency, and

- Such further medical exam and treatment, to the extent they are within the capabilities of the staff and facilities available at the Hospital or an Independent Freestanding Emergency Department, as applicable, as are required under section *1867 of the Social Security Act,* or as would be required under such section if such section applied to an Independent Freestanding Emergency Department, to stabilize the patient (regardless of the department of the Hospital in which such further exam or treatment is provided). For the purpose of this definition, "to stabilize" has the meaning as given such term in section *1867(e)(3)* of the *Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395dd(e)(3)).*

- Emergency Health Care Services include items and services otherwise covered under the Policy when provided by an out-of-Network provider or facility (regardless of the department of the Hospital in which the items and services are provided) after the patient is stabilized and as part of outpatient observation, or an Inpatient Stay or outpatient stay that is connected to the original Emergency, unless each of the following conditions are met:

  a) The attending Emergency Physician or treating provider determines the patient is able to travel using nonmedical transportation or non-Emergency medical transportation to an available Network provider or facility located within a reasonable distance taking into consideration the patient's medical condition.

  b) The provider furnishing the additional items and services satisfies notice and consent criteria in accordance with applicable law.

  c) The patient is in such a condition to receive information as stated in b) above and to provide informed consent in accordance with applicable law.

  d) The provider or facility satisfies any additional requirements or prohibitions as may be imposed by state law.

  e) Any other conditions as specified by the Secretary.

  The above conditions do not apply to unforeseen or urgent medical needs that arise at the time the service is provided regardless of whether notice and consent criteria has been satisfied.

Enrolled Dependent - a Dependent who is properly enrolled under this Policy.

Experimental or Investigational Service(s) - medical, surgical, diagnostic, psychiatric, mental health, substance-related and addictive disorders or other health care services, technologies, supplies, treatments, procedures, drug therapies, medications or devices that, at the time we make a determination regarding coverage in a particular case, are determined to be any of the following:

1. Not approved by the *U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)* to be lawfully marketed for the proposed use and not identified as appropriate for proposed use in any of the following:
   - *AHFS Drug Information (AHFS DI)* under therapeutic uses section;
   - *Elsevier Gold Standard's Clinical Pharmacology* under the indications section;
   - *DRUGDEX System by Micromedex* under the therapeutic uses section and has a strength recommendation rating of class I, class IIa, or class IIb; or
   - *National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN)* drugs and biologics compendium category of evidence 1, 2A, or 2B.
2. Subject to review and approval by any institutional review board for the proposed use. (Devices which are *FDA* approved under the *Humanitarian Use Device* exemption are not Experimental or Investigational.)
3. The subject of an ongoing clinical trial that meets the definition of a Phase I, II, or III clinical trial set forth in the *FDA* regulations, regardless of whether the trial is actually subject to *FDA* oversight.
4. Only obtainable, with regard to outcomes for the given indication, within research settings.

Exceptions:

- Clinical trials for which Benefits are available as described under *Clinical Trials* in *Section 1: Covered Health Care Services*.
- We may, as we determine, consider an otherwise Experimental or Investigational Service to be a Covered Health Care Service for that Sickness or condition if:
  - You are not a participant in a qualifying clinical trial, as described under *Clinical Trials* in *Section 1: Covered Health Care Services*: and

- You have a Sickness or condition that is likely to cause death within one year of the request for treatment.

Prior to such a consideration, we must first establish that there is sufficient evidence to conclude that, even though unproven, the service has significant potential as an effective treatment for that Sickness or condition.

Freestanding Facility - an outpatient, diagnostic or ambulatory center or independent laboratory which performs services and submits claims separately from a Hospital.

Functional or Physical Impairment - a Functional or Physical or Physiological Impairment which causes deviation from the normal function of a tissue or organ. This results in a significantly limited, impaired, or delayed capacity to move, coordinate actions, or perform physical activities and is exhibited by difficulties in one or more of the following areas:

- physical and motor tasks;
- independent movement;
- performing basic life functions.

Genetic Counseling - counseling by a qualified clinician that includes:

- Identifying your potential risks for suspected genetic disorders;
- An individualized discussion about the benefits, risks and limitations of Genetic Testing to help you make informed decisions about Genetic Testing; and
- Interpretation of the Genetic Testing results in order to guide health decisions.

Certified genetic counselors, medical geneticists and physicians with a professional society's certification that they have completed advanced training in genetics are considered qualified clinicians when Covered Health Care Services for Genetic Testing require Genetic Counseling.

Genetic Testing - exam of blood or other tissue for changes in genes (DNA or RNA) that may indicate an increased risk for developing a specific disease or disorder, or provide information to guide the selection of treatment of certain diseases, including cancer.

Gestational Carrier - a female who becomes pregnant by having a fertilized egg (embryo) implanted in her uterus for the purpose of carrying the fetus to term for another person. The Gestational Carrier does not provide the egg and is therefore not biologically related to the child.

Habilitative Services - Skilled Care services that are part of a prescribed treatment plan or maintenance program to help a person with a disabling condition to keep, learn or improve skills and functioning for daily living. We will decide if Benefits are available by reviewing both the skilled nature of the service and the need for Physician-directed medical management. Therapies provided for the purpose of general well-being or conditioning in the absence of a disabling condition are not considered habilitative services.

Habilitative services are limited to:

- Physical therapy.
- Occupational therapy.
- Speech therapy.
- Post-cochlear implant aural therapy.
- Cognitive therapy.

Hearing Aid(s) - Hearing Aids are sound-amplifying devices designed to aid people who have a hearing impairment. Most Hearing Aids share several similar electronic components, and technology used for amplification may be analog or digital. (Semi-implantable electromagnetic Hearing Aids and bone-anchored Hearing Aids are classified by the *U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)* as Hearing Aids. Some non-wearable hearing devices are described as hearing devices or hearing systems. Because their function is to bring sound more effectively into the ear of a person with hearing loss, for the purposes of this Policy, they are Hearing Aids).

Home Health Agency - a program or organization authorized by law to provide health care services for care or treatment of a Sickness or Injury in the home.

Home Health Care Services - services received from a Home Health Agency that are all of the following:

- Ordered by a Physician.
- Provided in your home by a registered nurse, or provided by either a home health aide or licensed practical nurse and supervised by a registered nurse.
- Provided on a part-time, Intermittent Care schedule.
- Provided when Skilled Care is required.
- Provides each patient with a planned program of observation and treatment by a Physician, in accordance with existing standards of medical practice for the Injury or Sickness requiring the Home Health Care.

Hospice Care - an integrated, structured, multi-disciplinary program of palliative care for covered members facing the last six months of life due to a Terminal Illness.

Hospital - an institution that is operated as required by law and that meets both of the following:

- It is mainly engaged in providing inpatient health care services, for the short term care and treatment of injured or sick persons. Care is provided through medical, diagnostic and surgical facilities, by or under the supervision of a staff of Physicians.
- It has 24-hour nursing services.

A Hospital is not mainly a place for rest, Custodial Care or care of the aged. It is not a nursing home, convalescent home or similar institution.

A Hospital includes an institution that is owned and operated by the state of Louisiana.

Hospital-based Facility - an outpatient facility that performs services and submits claims as part of a Hospital.

Independent Freestanding Emergency Department - a health care facility that:

- Is geographically separate and distinct and licensed separately from a Hospital under applicable state law; and
- Provides Emergency Health Care Services.

Infusion Therapy - means treatment by placing therapeutic agents into the vein and parenteral administration of medications and nutrients.

Injury - traumatic damage to the body, including all related conditions and symptoms.

Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility - any of the following that provides inpatient rehabilitation health care services (including physical therapy, occupational therapy and/or speech therapy), as authorized by law:

- A long term acute rehabilitation center,
- A Hospital, or
- A special unit of a Hospital designated as an Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility.

Inpatient Stay - a continuous stay that follows formal admission to a Hospital, Skilled Nursing Facility or Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility.

Intensive Behavioral Therapy (IBT) - outpatient Mental Health Care Services that aim to reinforce adaptive behaviors, reduce maladaptive behaviors and improve the mastery of functional age appropriate skills in people with Autism Spectrum Disorders. The most common IBT is *Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA)*.

Intensive Outpatient Treatment - a structured outpatient treatment program.

- For Mental Health Care 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.
- For Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services, the program provides nine to nineteen hours per week of structured programming for adults and six to nineteen hours for adolescents, consisting primarily of counseling and education about addiction related and mental health problems.

Intermittent Care - skilled nursing care that is provided either:

- Fewer than seven days each week.
- Fewer than eight hours each day for periods of 21 days or less.

Exceptions may be made in certain circumstances when the need for more care is finite and predictable.

Long-term Acute Care Facility (LTAC) - means a facility or Hospital that provides care to people with complex medical needs requiring long-term Hospital stay in an acute or critical setting.

Maintenance Program - A program with the goals to maintain the functional status or to prevent decline in function.

Manipulative Treatment (adjustment) - a form of care provided by chiropractors and osteopaths for diagnosed muscle, nerve and joint problems. Body parts are moved either by hands or by a small instrument to:

- Restore or improve motion.
- Reduce pain.
- Increase function.

Medically Necessary - health care services, that are all of the following as determined by us or our designee.

- In accordance with *Generally Accepted Standards of Medical Practice*.
- Clinically appropriate, in terms of type, frequency, extent, service site and duration, and considered effective for your Sickness, Injury, Mental Illness, substance-related and addictive disorders, disease or its symptoms.
- Not mainly for your convenience or that of your doctor or other health care provider.
- Not more costly than an alternative drug, service(s), service site or supply that is at least as likely to produce equivalent therapeutic or diagnostic results as to the diagnosis or treatment of your Sickness, Injury, disease or symptoms.

Generally Accepted Standards of Medical Practice are standards that are based on credible scientific evidence published in peer-reviewed medical literature generally recognized by the relevant medical community, relying primarily on controlled clinical trials, or, if not available, observational studies from more than one institution that suggest a causal relationship between the service or treatment and health outcomes.

If no credible scientific evidence is available, then standards that are based on Physician specialty society recommendations or professional standards of care may be considered. We have the right to consult expert opinion in determining whether health care services are Medically Necessary. The decision to apply Physician specialty society recommendations, the choice of expert and the determination of when to use any such expert opinion, shall be determined by us.

We develop and maintain clinical policies that describe the *Generally Accepted Standards of Medical Practice* scientific evidence, prevailing medical standards and clinical guidelines supporting our determinations regarding specific services. These clinical policies (as developed by us and revised from time to time), are available to Covered Persons through www.myuhc.com/exchange or the telephone number on your ID card. They are also available to Physicians and other health care professionals on UHCprovider.com.

Medicare - Parts A, B, C and D of the insurance program established by Title XVIII, *United States Social Security Act*, as amended by *42 U.S.C. Sections 1394,* et seq. and as later amended.

Mental Health Care Services - services for the diagnosis and treatment of those mental health or psychiatric categories that are listed in the current edition of the *International Classification of Diseases section on Mental and Behavioral Disorders* or the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association*. The fact that a condition is listed in the current edition of the *International Classification of Diseases section on Mental and Behavioral Disorders* or *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association* does not mean that treatment for the condition is a Covered Health Care Service.

Mental Health/Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Designee - the organization or individual, designated by us, that provides or arranges Mental Health Care Services and Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services.

Mental Illness - those mental health or psychiatric diagnostic categories that are listed in the current edition of the *International Classification of Diseases section on Mental and Behavioral Disorders* or *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association.* The fact that a condition is listed in the current edition of the *International Classification of Diseases section on Mental and Behavioral Disorders* or *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association* does not mean that treatment for the condition is a Covered Health Care Service.

Necessary Medical Supplies - medical supplies that are used in the home with covered DME are covered when the supply is necessary for the effective use of the item/device (e.g., batteries for power wheelchairs and prosthetics, or tubing for a delivery pump).

Network - when used to describe a provider of health care services, this means a provider that has a participation agreement in effect (either directly or indirectly) with us or with our affiliate to participate in our Network. This does not include those providers who have agreed to discount their charges for Covered Health Care Services. Our affiliates are those entities affiliated with us through common ownership or control with us or with our ultimate corporate parent, including direct and indirect subsidiaries.

A provider may enter into an agreement to provide only certain Covered Health Care Services, but not all Covered Health Care Services, or to be a Network provider for only some of our products. In this case, the provider will be a Network provider for the Covered Health Care Services and products included in the participation agreement and an out-of-Network provider for other Covered Health Care Services and products. The participation status of providers will change from time to time.

Network Area - the Service Area, supplemented by any additional providers we include as Network Area providers. Contact us at www.myuhc.com/exchange or the telephone number on your ID card for additional information on the Network Area.

Network Benefits - the description of how Benefits are paid for Covered Health Care Services provided by Network providers. The *Schedule of Benefits* will tell you if your plan offers Network Benefits and how Network Benefits apply.

New Pharmaceutical Product - a Pharmaceutical Product or new dosage form of a previously approved Pharmaceutical Product. It applies to the period of time starting on the date the Pharmaceutical Product or new dosage form is approved by the *U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)* and ends on the earlier of the following dates:

- The date as determined by us or our designee, which is based on when the Pharmaceutical Product is reviewed and when utilization management strategies are implemented.
- December 31st of the following calendar year.

Newly Born Child - an infant from the time of birth until age one month or until such time as the infant is well enough to be discharged from a Hospital or neonatal special care unit to the infant's home, whichever period is longer.

Out-of-Network Benefits - the description of how Benefits are paid for Covered Health Care Services provided by out-of-Network providers. The *Schedule of Benefits* will tell you if your plan offers Out-of-Network Benefits and how Out-of-Network Benefits apply.

Out-of-Pocket Limit - the maximum amount you pay every year. The *Schedule of Benefits* will tell you how the Out-of-Pocket Limit applies.

Partial Hospitalization/Day Treatment/High Intensity Outpatient - a structured ambulatory program. The program may be freestanding or Hospital-based and provides services for at least 20 hours per week.

Pharmaceutical Product(s) - *U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)* - approved prescription medications or products administered in connection with a Covered Health Care Service by a Physician.

Physician - any *Doctor of Medicine* or *Doctor of Osteopathy* who is properly licensed and qualified by law.

Please Note: Any podiatrist, dentist, psychologist, chiropractor, optometrist, or other provider who acts within the scope of his or her license will be considered on the same basis as a Physician. The fact that we describe a provider as a Physician does not mean that Benefits for services from that provider are available to you under the Policy.

Policy - the entire agreement that includes all of the following:

- This Policy.
- *Schedule of Benefits*.
- Policyholder *Application*.
- Amendments.

These documents make up the entire agreement that is issued to the Policyholder.

Policyholder - the person (who is not a Dependent) to whom this Policy is issued.

Pregnancy - includes all of the following:

- Prenatal care.
- Postnatal care.

- Childbirth.
- Any complications associated with Pregnancy.

Premium - the periodic fee required for each Policyholder and each Enrolled Dependent, in accordance with the terms of this Policy.

Presumptive Drug Test - qualitative test to determine the presence or absence of drugs or a drug class with results indicating a negative or positive result.

Primary Care Physician - a Physician who has a majority of his or her practice in general pediatrics, general obstetrics/gynecology, internal medicine, family practice or general medicine.

Private Duty Nursing - A provision of continuous Skilled Care from Registered Nurses (RNs) or Licensed Practical Nurses (LPNs) in an individual's residence by a Home Health Agency, under the direction of the patient's Physician.

Provider - A licensed participating provider who is contracted to provide medical services to Covered Persons (as defined within the provider contract). The provider may be a Hospital, pharmacy, other facility or a Physician or health care professional who has contractually accepted the terms and conditions as set forth.

Qualified Health Plan Issuer - a health insurance issuer that offers a Qualified Health Plan in accordance with a certification from the federal Health Insurance Marketplace.

Recognized Amount - the amount which Co-payment, Co-Insurance and applicable deductible, is based on for the below Covered Health Care Services when provided by out-of-Network providers:

- Out-of-Network Emergency Health Care Services.
- Non-Emergency Covered Health Care Services received at certain Network facilities by out-of-Network Physicians, when such services are either Ancillary Services, or non-Ancillary Services that have not satisfied the notice and consent criteria of section *2799B-2(d) of the Public Service Ac*t. For the purpose of this provision, "certain Network facilities" are limited to a hospital (as defined in *1861(e) of the Social Security Act*), a hospital outpatient department, a critical access hospital (as defined in *1861(mm)(1) of the Social Security Act*), an ambulatory surgical center described in section *1833(i)(1)(A) of the Social Security Act*, and any other facility specified by the Secretary.

The amount is based on one of the following in the order listed below as applicable:

1) An *All Payer Model Agreement* if adopted,
2) State law, or
3) The lesser of the qualifying payment amount as determined under applicable law, or the amount billed by the provider or facility.

The Recognized Amount for Air Ambulance services provided by an out-of-Network provider will be calculated based on the lesser of the qualifying payment amount as determined under applicable law or the amount billed by the Air Ambulance service provider.

Note: Covered Health Care Services that use the Recognized Amount to determine your cost sharing may be higher or lower than if cost sharing for these Covered Health Care Services were determined based upon an Allowed Amount.

Reconstructive Surgery - procedures when the primary purpose of the procedure is either of the following:

- Treatment of a medical condition.
- Improvement or restoration of physiologic function.

Reconstructive procedures include surgery or other procedures which are related to an Injury, Sickness or Congenital Anomaly. The primary result of the procedure is not a changed or improved physical appearance. Microtia repair is considered a reconstructive procedure.

Rehabilitation - health care services that help you keep, get back, or improve skills and functioning for daily living that have been lost or impaired because you were sick, hurt, or disabled.

Remote Physiologic Monitoring the automatic collection and electronic transmission of patient physiologic data that are analyzed and used by a licensed physician or other qualified health care professional to develop and manage a plan of treatment related to a chronic and/or acute health illness or condition. The plan of treatment will provide milestones for which progress will be tracked by one or more Remote Physiologic Monitoring devices. Remote

physiologic monitoring must be ordered by a licensed physician or other qualified health professional who has examined the patient and with whom the patient has an established, documented and ongoing relationship. Remote Physiologic Monitoring may not be used while the patient is inpatient at a Hospital or other facility. Use of multiple devices must be coordinated by one Physician.

Residential Treatment - treatment in a facility established and operated as required by law, which provides Mental Health Care Services or Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services. It must meet all of the following requirements:

- Provides a program of treatment, under the active participation and direction of a Physician.
- Offers organized treatment services that feature a planned and structured regimen of care in a 24-hour setting and provides at least the following basic services:
  - Room and board.
  - Evaluation and diagnosis.
  - Medication provision/assistance
  - Counseling.
  - Referral and orientation to specialized community resources.

A Residential Treatment facility that qualifies as a Hospital is considered a Hospital.

Secretary - as that term is applied in the *No Surprises Act* of the *Consolidated Appropriations Act (P.L. 116-260)*.

Semi-private Room - a room with two or more beds. When an Inpatient Stay in a Semi-private Room is a Covered Health Care Service, the difference in cost between a Semi-private Room and a private room is a Benefit only when a private room is Medically Necessary, or when a Semi-private Room is not available.

Service Area - the geographic area where we act as a Qualified Health Plan Issuer as approved by the appropriate regulatory agency. Contact us to determine the exact geographic area we serve. The Service Area may change from time to time.

Short-Term Acute Care Facility - means a facility or Hospital that provides care to people with medical needs requiring short-term Hospital stay in an acute or critical setting such as for recovery following a surgery, care following sudden Sickness, Injury, or flare-up of a chronic Sickness.

Sickness - physical illness, disease or Pregnancy. The term Sickness as used in this Policy includes Mental Illness or substance-related and addictive disorders, regardless of the cause or origin of the Mental Illness or substance-related and addictive disorder.

Skilled Care - skilled nursing, skilled teaching, skilled habilitation and skilled rehabilitation services when all of the following are true:

- 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.
- Ordered by a Physician.
- Not delivered for the purpose of helping with activities of daily living, including dressing, feeding, bathing or transferring from a bed to a chair.
- Requires clinical training in order to be delivered safely and effectively.

Not Custodial Care, which can safely and effectively be performed by trained non-medical personnel.

Skilled Nursing Facility - a Hospital or nursing facility that is licensed and operated as required by law. This does not include a facility primarily for rest, the aged, treatment of substance-related and addictive disorders services, or for care of behavioral health disorders.

Specialist - a Physician who has a majority of his or her practice in areas other than general pediatrics, internal medicine, general obstetrics/gynecology, family practice or general medicine.

Sub-Acute Facility - means a facility that provides intermediate care on short-term or long-term basis.

Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services - services for the diagnosis and treatment of alcoholism and substance-related and addictive disorders that are listed in the current edition of the *International Classification of*

Diseases section on Mental and Behavioral Disorders or *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association*. The fact that a disorder is listed in the current edition of the *International Classification of Diseases section on Mental and Behavioral Disorders* or *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association* does not mean that treatment of the disorder is a Covered Health Care Service.

Surrogate - a female who becomes pregnant usually by artificial insemination or transfer of a fertilized egg (embryo) for the purpose of carrying the fetus for another person.

Telehealth - live, interactive audio with visual transmissions of a Physician-patient encounter from one site to another using telecommunications technology. The site may be a *CMS* defined originating facility or another location such as a Covered Person's home or place of work. Telehealth does not include virtual care services provided by a Designated Virtual Network Provider.

Temporarily Medically Disabled Mother - a woman who has recently given birth and whose Physician has advised that normal travel would be hazardous to her health.

Temporomandibular Joint Syndrome (TMJ) - Temporomandibular joint and muscle disorders are a collective group of conditions and symptoms characterized by pain and dysfunction to the temporomandibular joint and/or surrounding muscles that control jaw movement. Symptoms often include pain or tenderness to the temporomandibular joint, ear, neck, back, or shoulder pain, limited jaw mobility, or audible sounds with jaw movement.

Terminal Illness - in the context of hospice means a life expectancy, certified by two Physicians, of six months or less.

Transitional Living - Mental Health Care Services and Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services provided through facilities, group homes and supervised apartments which provide 24-hour supervision, including those defined in the *American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) Criteria*, and are either:

Sober living arrangements such as drug-free housing or alcohol/drug halfway houses. They provide stable and safe housing, an alcohol/drug-free environment and support for recovery. They may be used as an addition to ambulatory treatment when it doesn't offer the intensity and structure needed to help you with recovery.

Supervised living arrangements which are residences such as facilities, group homes and supervised apartments. They provide stable and safe housing and the opportunity to learn how to manage activities of daily living. They may be used as an addition to treatment when it doesn't offer the intensity and structure needed to help you with recovery.

Unproven Service(s) - services, including medications and devices, regardless of *U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)* approval, that are not determined to be effective for treatment of the medical condition or not determined to have a beneficial effect on health outcomes due to insufficient and inadequate clinical evidence from well-conducted randomized controlled trials or cohort studies in the prevailing published peer-reviewed medical literature.

- Well-conducted randomized controlled trials. (Two or more treatments are compared to each other, and the patient is not allowed to choose which treatment is received.)
- Well-conducted cohort studies from more than one institution. (Patients who receive study treatment are compared to a group of patients who receive standard therapy. The comparison group must be nearly identical to the study treatment group.)

We have a process by which we compile and review clinical evidence with respect to certain health care services. From time to time, we issue medical and drug policies that describe the clinical evidence available with respect to specific health care services. These medical and drug policies are subject to change without prior notice. You can view these policies at www.myuhc.com.

Please note:

- If you have a life-threatening Sickness or condition (one that is likely to cause death within one year of the request for treatment) we may, as we determine, consider an otherwise Unproven Service to be a Covered Health Care Service for that Sickness or condition. Prior to such a consideration, we must first establish that there is sufficient evidence to conclude that, even though unproven, the service has significant potential as an effective treatment for that Sickness or condition.

Urgent Care - care that requires prompt attention to avoid adverse consequences, but does not pose an immediate threat to a person’s life. Urgent Care is usually delivered in a walk-in setting and without an appointment. Urgent Care facilities are a location, distinct from a hospital Emergency Department, an office or a clinic. The purpose is to diagnose and treat illness or injury for unscheduled, ambulatory patients seeking immediate medical attention.

Urgent Care Center - a facility that provides Covered Health Care Services that are required to prevent serious deterioration of your health. These services are required as a result of an unforeseen Sickness, Injury, or the onset of sudden or severe symptoms. Urgent Care facilities are a location, distinct from a hospital Emergency Department, an office or a clinic.

Section 9: Coordination of Benefits

Benefits When You Have Coverage under More than One Plan

This section describes how Benefits under the Policy will be coordinated with those of any other plan that provides benefits to you. The language in this section is from model laws drafted by the *National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC)* and represents standard industry practice for coordinating benefits.

When Does Coordination of Benefits Apply?

This *Coordination of Benefits (COB)* provision applies when a person has health care coverage under more than one Plan. Plan is defined below.

The order of benefit determination rules below govern the order in which each Plan will pay a claim for benefits.

- **Primary Plan**. The Plan that pays first is called the Primary Plan. The Primary Plan must pay benefits in accordance with its policy terms without regard to the possibility that another Plan may cover some expenses.
- **Secondary Plan**. The Plan that pays after the Primary Plan is the Secondary Plan. The Secondary Plan may reduce the benefits it pays so that payments from all Plans do not exceed 100% of the total Allowable Expense. Allowable Expense is defined below.

Definitions

For purposes of this section, terms are defined as follows:

A. **Plan**. A Plan is any of the following that provides benefits or services for medical, pharmacy or dental care or treatment. If separate contracts are used to provide coordinated coverage for members of a group, the separate contracts are considered parts of the same plan and there is no COB among those separate contracts.

1. Plan includes: group and non-group insurance contracts, health maintenance organization (HMO) contracts, closed panel plans or other forms of group or group-type coverage (whether insured or uninsured); medical care components of long-term care contracts, such as skilled nursing care; medical benefits under group or individual automobile contracts (see Subrogation and Reimbursement under *Section 7: General Legal Provisions* for coordination of benefits applicability of automobile medical payment coverage); and Medicare or any other federal governmental plan, as permitted by law.
2. Plan does not include: hospital indemnity coverage insurance or other fixed indemnity coverage; accident only coverage; specified disease or specified accident coverage; limited benefit health coverage, as defined by state law; school accident type coverage; benefits for non-medical components of long-term care policies; Medicare supplement policies; Medicaid policies; or coverage under other federal governmental plans, unless permitted by law.

Each contract for coverage under 1. or 2. above is a separate Plan. If a Plan has two parts and COB rules apply only to one of the two, each of the parts is treated as a separate Plan.

B. **This Plan.** This Plan means, in a COB provision, the part of the contract providing the health care benefits to which the COB provision applies and which may be reduced because of the benefits of other plans. Any other part of the contract providing health care benefits is separate from This Plan. A contract may apply one COB provision to certain benefits, such as dental benefits, coordinating only with similar benefits, and may apply another COB provision to coordinate other benefits.

C. **Order of Benefit Determination Rules**. The order of benefit determination rules determine whether This Plan is a Primary Plan or Secondary Plan when the person has health care coverage under more than one Plan. When This Plan is primary, it determines payment for its benefits first before those of any other Plan without considering any other Plan's benefits. When This Plan is secondary, it determines its benefits after those of another Plan and may reduce the benefits it pays so that all Plan benefits do not exceed 100% of the total Allowable Expense.

D. **Allowable Expense.** Allowable Expense is a health care expense, including deductibles, co-insurance and co-payments, that is covered at least in part by any Plan covering the person. When a Plan provides benefits in the form of services, the reasonable cash value of each service will be considered an Allowable Expense and a benefit paid. An expense that is not covered by any Plan covering the person is not an Allowable Expense. In

addition, any expense that a provider by law or according to contractual agreement is prohibited from charging a Covered Person is not an Allowable Expense.

The following are examples of expenses or services that are not Allowable Expenses:

1. The difference between the cost of a semi-private hospital room and a private room is not an Allowable Expense unless one of the Plans provides coverage for private hospital room expenses.
2. If a person is covered by two or more Plans that compute their benefit payments on the basis of usual and customary fees or relative value schedule reimbursement methodology or other similar reimbursement methodology, any amount in excess of the highest reimbursement amount for a specific benefit is not an Allowable Expense.
3. If a person is covered by two or more Plans that provide benefits or services on the basis of negotiated fees, an amount in excess of the highest of the negotiated fees is not an Allowable Expense.
4. If a person is covered by one Plan that calculates its benefits or services on the basis of usual and customary fees or relative value schedule reimbursement methodology or other similar reimbursement methodology and another Plan that provides its benefits or services on the basis of negotiated fees, the Primary Plan's payment arrangement shall be the Allowable Expense for all Plans. However, if the provider has contracted with the Secondary Plan to provide the benefit or service for a specific negotiated fee or payment amount that is different than the Primary Plan's payment arrangement and if the provider's contract permits, the negotiated fee or payment shall be the Allowable Expense used by the Secondary Plan to determine its benefits.
5. The amount of any benefit reduction by the Primary Plan because a Covered Person has failed to comply with the Plan provisions is not an Allowable Expense. Examples of these types of plan provisions include second surgical opinions, precertification of admissions and preferred provider arrangements.

E. **Closed Panel Plan.** Closed Panel Plan is a Plan that provides health care benefits to Covered Persons primarily in the form of services through a panel of providers that have contracted with or are employed by the Plan, and that excludes benefits for services provided by other providers, except in cases of emergency or referral by a panel member.

F. **Custodial Parent.** Custodial Parent is the parent awarded custody by a court decree or, in the absence of a court decree, is the parent with whom the child resides more than one half of the calendar year excluding any temporary visitation.

What Are the Rules for Determining the Order of Benefit Payments?

When a person is covered by two or more Plans, the rules for determining the order of benefit payments are as follows:

A. The Primary Plan pays or provides its benefits according to its terms of coverage and without regard to the benefits under any other Plan.

B. Except as provided in the next paragraph, a Plan that does not contain a coordination of benefits provision that is consistent with this provision is always primary unless the provisions of both Plans state that the complying plan is primary.

Coverage that is obtained by virtue of membership in a group that is designed to supplement a part of a basic package of benefits and provides that this supplementary coverage shall be in excess of any other parts of the Plan provided by the contract holder. Examples of these types of situations are major medical coverages that are superimposed over base plan hospital and surgical benefits and insurance type coverages that are written in connection with a Closed Panel Plan to provide out-of-network benefits.

C. A Plan may consider the benefits paid or provided by another Plan in determining its benefits only when it is secondary to that other Plan.

D. Each Plan determines its order of benefits using the first of the following rules that apply:

1. **Non-Dependent or Dependent**. The Plan that covers the person other than as a dependent, for example as an employee, member, policyholder, subscriber or retiree is the Primary Plan and the Plan that covers the person as a dependent is the Secondary Plan. However, if the person is a Medicare beneficiary and, as a result of federal law, Medicare is secondary to the Plan covering the person as a dependent; and primary to the Plan covering the person as other than a dependent (e.g. a retired employee); then the order of benefits between the two Plans is reversed so that the Plan covering the

person as an employee, member, policyholder, subscriber or retiree is the Secondary Plan and the other Plan is the Primary Plan.

2. **Dependent Child Covered Under More Than One Coverage Plan.** Unless there is a court decree stating otherwise, plans covering a dependent child shall determine the order of benefits as follows:

   a) For a dependent child whose parents are married or are living together, whether or not they have ever been married:

      (1) The Plan of the parent whose birthday falls earlier in the calendar year is the Primary Plan; or

      (2) If both parents have the same birthday, the Plan that covered the parent longest is the Primary Plan.

   b) For a dependent child whose parents are divorced or separated or are not living together, whether or not they have ever been married:

      (1) If a court decree states that one of the parents is responsible for the dependent child's health care expenses or health care coverage and the Plan of that parent has actual knowledge of those terms, that Plan is primary. If the parent with responsibility has no health care coverage for the dependent child's health care expenses, but that parent's spouse does, that parent's spouse's plan is the Primary Plan. This shall not apply with respect to any plan year during which benefits are paid or provided before the entity has actual knowledge of the court decree provision.

      (2) If a court decree states that both parents are responsible for the dependent child's health care expenses or health care coverage, the provisions of subparagraph a) above shall determine the order of benefits.

      (3) If a court decree states that the parents have joint custody without specifying that one parent has responsibility for the health care expenses or health care coverage of the dependent child, the provisions of subparagraph a) above shall determine the order of benefits.

      (4) If there is no court decree allocating responsibility for the child's health care expenses or health care coverage, the order of benefits for the child are as follows:

         (a) The Plan covering the Custodial Parent.

         (b) The Plan covering the Custodial Parent's spouse.

         (c) The Plan covering the non-Custodial Parent.

         (d) The Plan covering the non-Custodial Parent's spouse.

   c) For a dependent child covered under more than one plan of individuals who are not the parents of the child, the order of benefits shall be determined, as applicable, under subparagraph a) or b) above as if those individuals were parents of the child.

   d) (i) For a dependent child who has coverage under either or both parents' plans and also has his or her own coverage as a dependent under a spouse's plan, the rule in paragraph (5) applies.

      (ii) In the event the dependent child's coverage under the spouse's plan began on the same date as the dependent child's coverage under either or both parents' plans, the order of benefits shall be determined by applying the birthday rule in subparagraph (a) to the dependent child's parent(s) and the dependent's spouse.

3. **Active Employee or Retired or Laid-off Employee.** The Plan that covers a person as an active employee, that is, an employee who is neither laid off nor retired is the Primary Plan. The same would hold true if a person is a dependent of an active employee and that same person is a dependent of a retired or laid-off employee. If the other Plan does not have this rule, and, as a result, the Plans do not agree on the order of benefits, this rule is ignored. This rule does not apply if the rule labeled D.1. can determine the order of benefits.

4. **COBRA or State Continuation Coverage.** If a person whose coverage is provided pursuant to COBRA or under a right of continuation provided by state or other federal law is covered under another Plan, the Plan covering the person as an employee, member, subscriber or retiree or covering the person as a

dependent of an employee, member, subscriber or retiree is the Primary Plan, and the COBRA or state or other federal continuation coverage is the Secondary Plan. If the other Plan does not have this rule, and as a result, the Plans do not agree on the order of benefits, this rule is ignored. This rule does not apply if the rule labeled D.1. can determine the order of benefits.

5. **Longer or Shorter Length of Coverage.** The Plan that covered the person the longer period of time is the Primary Plan and the Plan that covered the person the shorter period of time is the Secondary Plan.

6. If the preceding rules do not determine the order of benefits, the Allowable Expenses shall be shared equally between the Plans meeting the definition of Plan. In addition, This Plan will not pay more than it would have paid had it been the Primary Plan.

Effect on the Benefits of This Plan

A. When this Plan is secondary, it may reduce its benefits so that the total benefits paid or provided by all plans during a plan year or claim determination period are not more than 100 percent of total allowable expenses. The difference between the benefit payments that this plan would have paid had it been the Primary Plan, and the benefit payments that it actually paid or provided shall be recorded as a benefit reserve for the Covered Person and used by this plan to pay any allowable expenses, not otherwise paid during the claim determination period. As each claim is submitted, this Plan will:

1. determine its obligation to pay or provide benefits under its contract;
2. determine whether a benefit reserve has been recorded for the covered person; and
3. determine whether there are any unpaid allowable expenses during that claims determination period.

B. If there is a benefit reserve, the Secondary Plan will use the Covered Person's benefit reserve to pay up to 100 percent of total Allowable Expenses incurred during the claim determination period. At the end of the claims determination period, the benefit reserve returns to zero. A new benefit reserve must be created for each new claim determination period.

C. If a Covered Person is enrolled in two or more Closed Panel Plans and if, for any reason, including the provision of service by a non-panel provider, benefits are not payable by one Closed Panel Plan, COB shall not apply between that Plan and other Closed Panel Plans.

Right to Receive and Release Needed Information

Certain facts about health care coverage and services are needed to apply these COB rules and to determine benefits payable under This Plan and other Plans. We may get the facts we need from, or give them to, other organizations or persons for the purpose of applying these rules and determining benefits payable under This Plan and other Plans covering the person claiming benefits.

We need not tell, or get the consent of, any person to do this. Each person claiming benefits under This Plan must give us any facts we need to apply those rules and determine benefits payable. If you do not provide us the information we need to apply these rules and determine the Benefits payable, your claim for Benefits will be denied. However, we will not pend, delay, or deny your claim for Benefits solely on the basis of your failure to provide us with notice of the existence of another Plan or lack thereof.

Payments Made

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

Does This Plan Have the Right of Recovery?

If the amount of the payments we made is more than we should have paid under this COB provision, we may recover the excess from one or more of the persons we have paid or for whom we have paid; or any other person or organization that may be responsible for the benefits or services provided for you. The "amount of the payments made" includes the reasonable cash value of any benefits provided in the form of services.

How Are Benefits Paid When This Plan is Secondary to Medicare?

If This Plan is secondary to Medicare, then Benefits payable under This Plan will be based on Medicare's reduced benefits.

Consumer Explanatory Booklet Coordination of Benefits

Below is a summary of only a few of the provisions of your health plan to help you understand Coordination of Benefits, which can be very complicated. This is not a complete description of all of the coordination rules and procedures and does not change or replace the language contained in this coverage Policy, which determines your Benefits.

When This Plan is Primary

Other Situations: We will be Primary when any other provisions of state or federal law require us to be.

How We Pay Claims When We Are Primary

When we are the Primary Plan, we will pay the Benefits in accordance with the terms of your Policy, just as if you had no other health care coverage under any other Plan

How We Pay Claims When We Are Secondary

We will be Secondary whenever the rules do not require us to be Primary.

How We Pay Claims When We Are Secondary

When we are the Secondary Plan, we do not pay until after the Primary Plan has paid its benefits. We will then pay part or all of the allowable expenses left unpaid, as explained below. An “Allowable Expense” is a health care service or expense covered by one of the plans, including Co-payments, Co-insurance and deductibles.

If there is a difference between the amount the Plans allow, we will base our payment on the higher amount. However, if the Primary Plan has a contract with the provider, our combined payments will not be more than the contract calls for. Health maintenance organizations (HMOs) and preferred provider organizations (PPOs) usually have contracts with their providers.

We will determine our payment by subtracting the amount the Primary Plan paid from the amount we would have paid if we had been Primary. We will use any savings to pay the balance of any unpaid Allowable Expenses covered by either Plan.

If the Primary Plan covers similar kinds of health care expenses, but allows expenses that we do not cover, we will pay for those items as long as there is a balance in your benefit reserve, as explained below.

We will not pay an amount the Primary Plan did not cover because you did not follow its rules and procedures. For example, if your Plan has reduced its benefit because you did not obtain pre-certification, as required by that Plan, we will not pay the amount of the reduction, because it is not an Allowable Expense.

Benefit Reserve

When we are Secondary we often will pay less than we would have paid if we had been Primary. Each time we "save" by paying less, we will put that savings into a benefit reserve. Each family member covered by this Plan has a separate benefit reserve. We use the benefit reserve to pay allowable expenses that are covered only partially by both Plans. To obtain a reimbursement, you must show us what the Primary Plan has paid so we can calculate the savings. To make sure you receive the full benefit or coordination, you should submit all claims to each of your Plans. Savings can build up in your reserve for one year. At the end of the year any balance is erased, and a fresh benefit reserve begins for each person the next year as soon as there are savings on their claims.

Any questions you may have regarding Coordination of Benefits can be directed to the Louisiana Department of Insurance.

In addition, you may request from us, in either paper or electronic form, a copy of Appendix C (Explanation for Secondary Plans on the Purpose and Use of the Benefit Reserve).

Section 10: Outpatient Prescription Drugs

This section of the Policy provides Network Benefits for Prescription Drug Products.

Because this section is part of a legal document, we want to give you information about the document that will help you understand it. Certain capitalized words have special meanings. We have defined these words in either the Policy in *Section 8: Defined Terms* or in this section under the heading *Defined Terms for Outpatient Prescription Drugs.*

When we use the words "we," "us," and "our" in this document, we are referring to UnitedHealthcare Insurance Company. When we use the words "you" and "your" we are referring to people who are Covered Persons, as the term is defined in the Policy in *Section 8: Defined Terms*.

NOTE: The Coordination of Benefits provision in the Policy in *Section 9: Coordination of Benefits* applies to Prescription Drug Products covered through this section. Benefits for Prescription Drug Products will be coordinated with those of any other health plan in the same manner as Benefits for Covered Health Care Services described in this Policy.

Introduction

Coverage Policies and Guidelines

Our Individual and Family Plans Pharmacy Management Committee (IPMC) makes tier placement changes on our behalf. The IPMC places FDA-approved Prescription Drug Products into tiers by considering a number of factors including clinical and economic information. Clinical factors may include review of the place in therapy or use as compared to other similar product or services, site of care, relative safety or effectiveness of the Prescription Drug Product, as well as if certain supply limits or prior authorization requirements should apply. Economic factors may include the Prescription Drug Product's total cost including any rebates and evaluations of the cost effectiveness of the Prescription Drug Product.

Some Prescription Drug Products are more cost effective for treating specific conditions as compared to others; therefore, a Prescription Drug Product may be placed on multiple tiers according to the condition for which the Prescription Drug Product was prescribed to treat.

We may, from time to time, change the placement of a Prescription Drug Product among the tiers. These changes generally will happen up to monthly. These changes may happen without prior notice to you, however, drugs will not be removed from the PDL or moved to a higher tier during the plan year. If changes occur upon plan renewal, notification of the change will be provided at least 60 days in advance. Please contact us at www.myuhc.com/exchange or the telephone number on your ID card for the most up-to-date tier placement.

When considering a Prescription Drug Product for tier placement, the IPMC reviews clinical and economic factors regarding Covered Persons as a general population. Whether a particular Prescription Drug Product is appropriate for you is a determination that is made by you and your prescribing Physician.

NOTE: Tier status for a Prescription Drug Product may be determined by accessing your Benefits for Prescription Drug Products by contacting us at www.myuhc.com/exchange or the telephone number on your ID card. The tier to which a Prescription Drug Product is assigned may change as detailed in the Policy.

Prescription Drug Products that are considered to be PPACA Zero Cost Share Preventive Care Medications will be provided at $0 cost share for Covered Persons.

Identification Card (ID Card) - Network Pharmacy

You must either show your ID card at the time you obtain your Prescription Drug Product at a Network Pharmacy or you must provide the Network Pharmacy with identifying information that can be verified by us during regular business hours.

If you don't show your ID card or provide verifiable information at a Network Pharmacy, you must pay the Usual and Customary Charge for the Prescription Drug Product at the pharmacy.

You may seek reimbursement from us as described in the Policy in *Section 5: How to File a Claim*. When you submit a claim on this basis, you may pay more because you did not verify your eligibility when the Prescription Drug Product was dispensed. The amount you are reimbursed will be based on the Prescription Drug Charge, less the required Co-payment and/or Co-insurance, and any deductible that applies.

Submit your claim to:

OptumRx Claims Department

PO Box 650540

Dallas, TX 75265-0540

Designated Pharmacies

If you require certain Prescription Drug Products, including, but not limited to, Specialty Prescription Drug Products, we may direct you to a Designated Pharmacy with whom we have an arrangement to provide those Prescription Drug Products. If you choose not to obtain your Prescription Drug Product from the Designated Pharmacy, you may not have coverage.

When Do We Limit Selection of Pharmacies?

If we determine that you may be using Prescription Drug Products in a harmful or abusive manner, or with harmful frequency, your choice of Network Pharmacies may be limited. If this happens, we may require you to choose one Network Pharmacy that will provide and coordinate all future pharmacy services. Benefits will be paid only if you use the chosen Network Pharmacy. If you don't make a choice within 31 days of the date we notify you, we will choose a Network Pharmacy for you.

Coupons, Incentives and Other Communications

At various times, we may send mailings or provide other communications to you, your Physician, or your pharmacy that communicate a variety of messages, including information about Prescription and non-prescription Drug Products. These communications may include offers that enable you, as you determine, to purchase the described product at a discount. In some instances, non-UnitedHealthcare entities may support and/or provide content for these communications and offers. Only you and your Physician can determine whether a change in your Prescription and/or non-prescription Drug regimen is appropriate for your medical condition.

Special Programs

We may have certain programs in which you may receive an enhanced Benefit based on your actions such as adherence/compliance to medication or treatment regimens, and/or taking part in health management programs. You may access information on these programs by contacting us at www.myuhc.com/exchange or the telephone number on your ID card.

Are Discounts and Incentives Available to You?

From time to time, we may make access available to discounts or incentive programs. Incentive programs may be available only to targeted populations and may include other incentives.

These discount and incentive programs are not insurance and are not an insurance benefit or promise in the Policy. Your access to these programs is provided by us separately or independently from the Policy, and may be discontinued at any time. There is no additional charge for you to access these discount and incentive programs.

These programs may be offered or administered directly by us or through a third party vendor. If we receive any funds from a third party vendor in conjunction with making the discount or incentive programs available to you, we will use those funds to offset our costs of providing you access to the programs.

Benefits for Prescription Drug Products

Benefits are available for Prescription Drug Products at a Network Pharmacy and are subject to Co-payments and/or Co-insurance and/or any applicable deductible or other payments that vary depending on which of the tiers of the Prescription Drug List the Prescription Drug Product is placed. Refer to the *Outpatient Prescription Drugs Schedule of Benefits* for applicable Co-payments, Co-insurance and/or any applicable deductible requirements.

Benefits for Prescription Drug Products are available when the Prescription Drug Product meets the definition of a Covered Health Care Service.

Specialty Prescription Drug Products

Benefits are provided for Specialty Prescription Drug Products.

Please see *Defined Terms for Outpatient Prescription Drugs* for a full description of Specialty Prescription Drug Products.

The *Outpatient Prescription Drugs Schedule of Benefits* will tell you how Specialty Prescription Drug Products supply limits apply.

Prescription Drug Products from a Retail Network Pharmacy

Benefits are provided for Prescription Drug Products dispensed by a retail Network Pharmacy.

The *Outpatient Prescription Drugs Schedule of Benefits* will tell you how retail Network Pharmacy supply limits apply.

Depending upon your plan design, this *Outpatient Prescription Drug* section may offer limited Network Pharmacy providers. You can confirm that your pharmacy is a Network Pharmacy by calling the telephone number on your ID card or you can access a directory of Network Pharmacies online at www.myuhc.com/exchange.

Prescription Drug Products from a Mail Order Network Pharmacy

Benefits are provided for certain Prescription Drug Products dispensed by a mail order Network Pharmacy.

The *Outpatient Prescription Drugs Schedule of Benefits* will tell you how mail order Network Pharmacy supply limits apply.

Please contact us at www.myuhc.com/exchange or the telephone number on your ID card to find out if Benefits are provided for your Prescription Drug Product and for information on how to obtain your Prescription Drug Product through a mail order Network Pharmacy.

PPACA and Preventive Care Medications

Under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010 (PPACA), certain preventive medications are available to you at no cost, both prescription and over-the-counter (OTC). These are called PPACA Zero Cost Share Preventive Care Medications. These preventive medications are covered at no cost to you, without charging a Co-payment, Co-insurance, or deductible when:

- Prescribed by a Physician;
- Your age and/or condition is appropriate for the recommended preventive medication;
- The medication is filled at a Network Pharmacy.

Contact us at www.myuhc.com/exchange or call the number on your ID card to find out if a medication is a PPACA Zero Cost Share Preventive Care Medication.

If your health care provider determines you need a medication that is not on the PPACA Zero Cost Share Preventive Care Medication list, they can let us know your medication is Medically Necessary and provide information about your diagnosis and medication history. If you are using your medication for an appropriate condition and it is approved, it will be covered at no cost to you. If you are using it to treat another medical condition, a cost share may apply.

List of Zero Cost Share Medications

You may obtain up to a one-month supply, unless adjusted based on the drug manufacturer's packaging size or based on supply limits, of certain Prescription Drug Products which are on the List of Zero Cost Share Medications from any retail Network Pharmacy for no cost share (no cost to you). Certain Prescription Drug Products on the List of Zero Cost Share Medications may be available from a mail order Network Pharmacy. Refer to your *Schedule of Benefits* for day supply limits.

You are not responsible for paying any applicable Co-payment, Co-insurance, or deductible for Prescription Drug Products on the List of Zero Cost Share Medications unless required by state or federal law.

Outpatient Prescription Drugs Exclusions

Exclusions from coverage listed in the Policy *also* apply to this section. In addition, the exclusions listed below apply.

When an exclusion applies to only certain Prescription Drug Products, you can contact us at www.myuhc.com/exchange or the telephone number on your ID card for information on which Prescription Drug Products are excluded.

1. Outpatient Prescription Drug Products obtained from an out-of-Network Pharmacy.
2. Coverage for Prescription Drug Products for the amount dispensed (days' supply or quantity limit) which exceeds the supply limit.
3. Coverage for Prescription Drug Products for the amount dispensed (days' supply or quantity limit) which is less than the minimum supply limit.
4. Prescription Drug Products dispensed outside the United States.
5. Drugs which are prescribed, dispensed or intended for use during an Inpatient Stay.
6. Experimental or Investigational or Unproven Services and medications; medications used for experimental treatments for specific diseases and/or dosage regimens determined by us to be experimental, investigational or unproven. This exclusion does not include a Prescription Drug Product that has been prescribed for a specific type of cancer for which the medication has not yet been approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. This medication must be recognized for a specific type of cancer in a standard reference compendia or in a substantially accepted peer-reviewed medical literature. This exclusion does not include a Prescription Drug Product that has been prescribed for metastatic or unresectable tumors if the drug is approved by the U.S Food and Drug Administration for the treatment of cancers with specific mutations, the patient’s cancer has been determined to contain the specific mutation, and there is no alternative treatment, or the patient has contraindication to the alternative treatment, that has proven to be more effective in published randomized clinical trials. Coverage for the treatment of metastatic cancer or unresectable tumors will be for an initial trial of 3 months of therapy and will continue providing that the treating physician certifies that the drug is Medically Necessary based on documented improvement of the patient.
7. Prescription Drug Products furnished by the local, state or federal government. Any Prescription Drug Product to the extent payment or benefits are provided or available from the local, state or federal government (for example, Medicare) whether or not payment or benefits are received, except as otherwise provided by law.
8. Prescription Drug Products for any condition, Injury, Sickness or Mental Illness arising out of, or in the course of, employment for which benefits are available under any workers' compensation law or other similar laws, whether or not a claim for such benefits is made or payment or benefits are received.
9. Any product dispensed for the purpose of appetite suppression or weight loss.
10. A Pharmaceutical Product for which Benefits are provided in your Policy. This includes certain forms of vaccines/immunizations. This exclusion does not apply to certain injectable drugs used for contraception.
11. Durable Medical Equipment, including certain insulin pumps and related supplies for the management and treatment of diabetes, for which Benefits are provided in your Policy. This does not apply to diabetic supplies and inhaler spacers specifically stated as covered.
12. General vitamins, except the following, which require a Prescription Order or Refill:
    - Prenatal vitamins.
    - Vitamins with fluoride.
13. Certain unit dose packaging or repackagers of Prescription Drug Products.
14. Medications used for cosmetic purposes.
15. Prescription Drug Products, including New Prescription Drug Products or new dosage forms, that we determine do not meet the definition of a Covered Health Care Service.
16. Prescription Drug Products as a replacement for a previously dispensed Prescription Drug Product that was lost, stolen, broken or destroyed.
17. Prescription Drug Products when prescribed to treat infertility.

18. Prescription Drug Products not placed on a tier of the Prescription Drug List at the time the Prescription Order or Refill is dispensed. We have developed a process for reviewing Benefits for a Prescription Drug Product that is not on an available tier of the Prescription Drug List, but that has been prescribed as a Medically Necessary alternative. For information about this process, call the telephone number on your ID card.

19. Compounded drugs that do not contain at least one ingredient that has been approved by the *U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)* and requires a Prescription Order or Refill. Compounded drugs that contain a non-*FDA* approved bulk chemical. Compounded drugs that are available as a similar commercially available Prescription Drug Product. (Compounded drugs that contain at least one ingredient that requires a Prescription Order or Refill are placed on Tier 4 5.)

20. Drugs available over-the-counter that do not require a Prescription Order or Refill by federal or state law before being dispensed, unless we have designated the over-the-counter medication as eligible for coverage as if it were a Prescription Drug Product and it is obtained with a Prescription Order or Refill from a Physician. Prescription Drug Products that are available in over-the-counter form or made up of components that are available in over-the-counter form or equivalent. Certain Prescription Drug Products that we have determined are Therapeutically Equivalent to an over-the-counter drug or supplement. Such determinations may be made up to monthly. We may decide at any time to reinstate Benefits for a Prescription Drug Product that was previously excluded under this provision. This exclusion does not apply to over-the-counter medications that meet the requirements of a PPACA Zero Cost Share Preventive Care Medications.

21. Certain New Prescription Drug Products and/or new dosage forms until the date they are reviewed and placed on a tier by our IPMC.

22. Growth hormone for children with familial short stature (short stature based upon heredity and not caused by a diagnosed medical condition).

23. Any product for which the primary use is a source of nutrition, nutritional supplements, or dietary management of disease, and prescription medical food products even when used for the treatment of Sickness or Injury.

24. A Prescription Drug Product that contains (an) active ingredient(s) available in and Therapeutically Equivalent to another covered Prescription Drug Product. Such determinations may be made up to monthly. We may decide at any time to reinstate Benefits for a Prescription Drug Product that was previously excluded under this provision.

25. A Prescription Drug Product that contains (an) active ingredient(s) which is (are) a modified version of and Therapeutically Equivalent to another covered Prescription Drug Product. Such determinations may be made up to monthly. We may decide at any time to reinstate Benefits for a Prescription Drug Product that was previously excluded under this provision.

26. Certain Prescription Drug Products for which there are Therapeutically Equivalent alternatives available, unless otherwise required by law or approved by us. Such determinations may be made up to monthly. We may decide at any time to reinstate Benefits for a Prescription Drug Product that was previously excluded under this provision.

27. Dental products, including but not limited to prescription fluoride topicals.

28. A Prescription Drug Product with either:

    - An approved biosimilar.
    - A biosimilar and Therapeutically Equivalent to another covered Prescription Drug Product.

    For the purpose of this exclusion a "biosimilar" is a biological Prescription Drug Product approved based on both of the following:

    - It is highly similar to a reference product (a biological Prescription Drug Product) and
    - It has no clinically meaningful differences in terms of safety and effectiveness from the reference product.
    - Such determinations may be made up to monthly. We may decide at any time to reinstate Benefits for a Prescription Drug Product that was previously excluded under this provision.

29. Diagnostic kits and products, including associated services.

30. Publicly available software applications and/or monitors that may be available with or without a Prescription Order or Refill.

31. Certain Prescription Drug Products that are *FDA* approved as a package with a device or application, including smart package sensors and/or embedded drug sensors.

32. Drugs to treat sexual dysfunction and/or impotency.

Defined Terms

Annual Drug Deductible - the amount you must pay for covered Tier 2 , and Tier 3 , and Tier 4 Tier 5 , and Tier 6 Prescription Drug Products in a year before we begin paying for Prescription Drug Products. The *Outpatient Prescription Drugs Schedule of Benefits* will tell you how the Annual Drug Deductible applies.

Brand-name - a Prescription Drug Product: (1) which is manufactured and marketed under a trademark or name by a specific drug manufacturer; or (2) that we identify as a Brand-name product, based on available data resources. This includes data sources such as Medi-Span, that classify drugs as either brand or generic based on a number of factors. Not all products identified as a "brand name" by the manufacturer, pharmacy, or your Physician will be classified as Brand-name by us.

Chemically Equivalent - when Prescription Drug Products contain the same active ingredient.

Designated Pharmacy - a pharmacy that has entered into an agreement with us or with an organization contracting on our behalf, to provide specific Prescription Drug Products. This may include Specialty Prescription Drug Products. Not all Network Pharmacies are Designated Pharmacies.

Generic - a Prescription Drug Product: (1) that is Chemically Equivalent to a Brand-name drug; or (2) that we identify as a Generic product based on available data resources. This includes data sources such as Medi-Span, that classify drugs as either brand or generic based on a number of factors. Not all products identified as a "generic" by the manufacturer, pharmacy or your Physician will be classified as a Generic by us.

Individual and Family Plan Pharmacy Management Committee (IPMC) - the committee that we designate for placing Prescription Drug Products into specific tiers.

List of Zero Cost Share Medications - a list that identifies certain Prescription Drug Products on the Prescription Drug List (PDL) that are available at zero cost share (no cost to you). You may find the List of Zero Cost Share Medications by contacting us at www.myuhc.com/exchange or the telephone number on your ID card.

Network Pharmacy - a pharmacy that has:

- Entered into an agreement with us or an organization contracting on our behalf to provide Prescription Drug Products to Covered Persons.
- Agreed to accept specified reimbursement rates for dispensing Prescription Drug Products.
- Been designated by us as a Network Pharmacy.

A Network Pharmacy may be a:

- Retail Network Pharmacy.
- Specialty Network Pharmacy.
- Mail Order Network Pharmacy.

New Prescription Drug Product - a Prescription Drug Product or new dosage form of a previously approved Prescription Drug Product, for the period of time starting on the date the Prescription Drug Product or new dosage form is approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and ending on the earlier of the following dates:

- The date it is placed on a tier by our IPMC.
- December 31st of the following calendar year.

PPACA - Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010.

PPACA Zero Cost Share Preventive Care Medications - the medications that are obtained at a Network Pharmacy with a Prescription Order or Refill from a Physician and that are payable at 100% of the Prescription Drug Charge (without application of any Co-payment, Co-insurance or Annual Deductible) as required by applicable law under any of the following:

- 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*.

You may find out if a drug is a PPACA Zero Cost Share Preventive Care Medication as well as information on access to coverage of Medically Necessary alternatives by contacting us at www.myuhc.com/exchange or the telephone number on your ID card.

Prescription Drug Charge - the rate we have agreed to pay our Network Pharmacies for a Prescription Drug Product dispensed at a Network Pharmacy. The rate includes any applicable dispensing fee and sales tax. For outpatient prescription drugs, the prescription drug charge is also referred to as the Allowed Amount**.**

Prescription Drug List (PDL) - this plan uses a Prescription Drug List (PDL), commonly referred to as a formulary, that places into tiers medications or products that have been approved by the *U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)*. The tier in which a Prescription Drug Product is placed is determined by the Individual Exchange Pharmacy Management Committee (IEPMC). The IEPMC meets no less than quarterly to review coverage on the PDL. Placement of Prescription Drugs Products on a tier may be based on a drug's quality, safety, clinical efficacy, available alternatives, and cost This list is subject to our review and change from time to time, however, drugs will not be removed from the PDL or moved to a higher tier, during the plan year. If changes occur upon plan renewal, notification of the change will be provided at least 60 days in advance. You may find out to which tier a particular Prescription Drug Product has been placed by contacting us at www.myuhc.com/exchange or the telephone number on your ID card.

The inclusion of a drug on the Prescription Drug List does not guarantee that your physician or other authorized prescriber will prescribe the drug for a particular medical condition or mental illness.

Prescription Drug Product - a medication or product that has been approved by the *U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)* and that can, under federal or state law, be dispensed only according to a Prescription Order or Refill. A Prescription Drug Product includes a medication that is appropriate for self-administration or administration by a non-skilled caregiver. For the purpose of Benefits under the Policy, this definition includes:

- Inhalers (with spacers).
- Insulin.
- Certain vaccines/immunizations administered at a Network Pharmacy.
- The following diabetic supplies:
  - standard insulin syringes with needles;
  - blood-testing strips - glucose;
  - urine-testing strips - glucose;
  - ketone-testing strips;
  - certain insulin pumps;
  - lancets and lancet devices; and
  - glucose meters, excluding continuous glucose monitors.

Prescription Order or Refill - the directive to dispense a Prescription Drug Product issued by a duly licensed health care provider whose scope of practice allows issuing such a directive.

Specialty Prescription Drug Product - Prescription Drug Products that are generally high cost, self-administered biotechnology drugs used to treat patients with certain illnesses. You may access a complete list of Specialty Prescription Drug Products by contacting us at www.myuhc.com/exchange or the telephone number on your ID card.

Therapeutically Equivalent - when Prescription Drug Products have essentially the same efficacy and adverse effect profile.

Usual and Customary Charge - the usual fee that a pharmacy charges individuals for a Prescription Drug Product without reference to reimbursement or pricing agreed to by the pharmacy and any third party. This fee includes any applicable dispensing fee and sales tax.

Section 11: Pediatric Dental Care Services

How Do You Use This Document?

This section of the Policy provides Benefits for Covered Dental Care Services, as described below, for Covered Persons under the age of 19. Benefits under this section will end on the last day of the calendar month the Covered Person reaches the age of 19.

What Are Defined Terms?

Because this section is part of a legal document, we want to give you information about the document that will help you understand it. Certain capitalized words have special meanings. We have defined these words in either the Policy in *Section 8: Defined Terms* or in this section under the heading *Defined Terms for Pediatric Dental Care Services.*

When we use the words "we," "us," and "our" in this document, we are referring to UnitedHealthcare Insurance Company. When we use the words "you" and "your" we are referring to people who are Covered Persons, as the term is defined in the Policy in *Section 8: Defined Terms*.

What Are Covered Dental Care Services?

You are eligible for Benefits for Covered Dental Care Services listed in this section if such Dental Care Services are Necessary and are provided by or under the direction of a Network Dental Provider.

Benefits are available only for Necessary Dental Care Services. The fact that a Dental Provider has performed or prescribed a procedure or treatment, or the fact that it may be the only available treatment for a dental disease, does not mean that the procedure or treatment is a Covered Dental Care Service under this section.

What Is a Pre-Treatment Estimate?

If the charge for a Dental Service is expected to exceed $500 or if a dental exam reveals the need for fixed bridgework, you may notify us of such treatment before treatment begins and receive a pre-treatment estimate. If you desire a pre-treatment estimate, you or your Dental Provider should send a notice to us, via claim form, within 20 calendar days of the exam. If requested, the Dental Provider must provide us with dental x-rays, study models or other information necessary to evaluate the treatment plan for purposes of benefit determination.

We will determine if the proposed treatment is a Covered Dental Care Service and will estimate the amount of payment. The estimate of Benefits payable will be sent to the Dental Provider and will be subject to all terms, conditions and provisions of the Policy. Clinical situations that can be effectively treated by a less costly, clinically acceptable alternative procedure will be given a benefit based on the less costly procedure.

A pre-treatment estimate of Benefits is not an agreement to pay for expenses. This procedure lets you know in advance approximately what portion of the expenses will be considered for payment.

Does Pre-Authorization Apply?

Pre-authorization is required for orthodontic services. Speak to your Dental Provider about obtaining a pre-authorization before Dental Care Services are provided. It is your Dental Provider's responsibility for obtaining a pre-authorization. If you do not obtain a pre-authorization, we have a right to deny your claim for failure to comply with this requirement.

Benefits for Pediatric Dental Care Services

Benefits are provided for the Dental Care Services stated in this section when such services are:

A. Necessary.

B. Provided by or under the direction of a Dental Provider.

C. Clinical situations that can be effectively treated by a less costly, dental appropriate alternative procedure will be given a Benefit based on the least costly procedure.

D. Not excluded as described in *Pediatric Dental Exclusions* of this section below.

Benefits

Benefit limits are calculated on a calendar year basis unless otherwise specifically stated.

Pediatric Dental Exclusions

Except as may be specifically provided in this section under the heading *Benefits for Pediatric Dental Care Services*, Benefits are not provided under this section for the following:

1. Dental Care Services received from an out-of-Network Dental Provider.
2. Any Dental Service or Procedure not listed as a Covered Dental Service in this section under the heading *Benefits for Pediatric Dental Care Services*.
3. Dental Care Services that are not Necessary.
4. Hospitalization or other facility charges.
5. Any Dental Procedure performed solely for cosmetic/aesthetic reasons. (Cosmetic procedures are those procedures that improve physical appearance.)

6. Reconstructive surgery, regardless of whether or not the surgery is related to a dental disease, Injury, or Congenital Anomaly, when the primary purpose is to improve physiological functioning of the involved part of the body.
7. Any Dental Procedure not directly related with dental disease.
8. Any Dental Procedure not performed in a dental setting.
9. Procedures that are considered to be Experimental or Investigational or Unproven Services. This includes pharmacological regimens not accepted by the *American Dental Association (ADA) Council on Dental Therapeutics*. The fact that an Experimental, or Investigational or Unproven Service, treatment, device or pharmacological regimen is the only available treatment for a particular condition will not result in Benefits if the procedure is considered to be Experimental or Investigational or Unproven in the treatment of that particular condition.
10. Drugs/medications, received with or without a prescription, unless they are dispensed and used in the dental office during the patient visit.
11. Setting of facial bony fractures and any treatment related with the dislocation of facial skeletal hard tissue.
12. Treatment of benign neoplasms, cysts, or other pathology involving benign lesions, except excisional removal. Treatment of malignant neoplasms or Congenital Anomalies of hard or soft tissue, including excision.
13. Replacement of complete dentures, fixed and removable partial dentures or crowns and implants, implant crowns and prosthesis if damage or breakage was directly related to provider error. This type of replacement is the responsibility of the Dental Provider. If replacement is Necessary because of patient non-compliance, the patient is liable for the cost of replacement.
14. Services related to the temporomandibular joint (*TMJ)*, either bilateral or unilateral. Upper and lower jaw bone surgery (including that related to the temporomandibular joint). Orthognathic surgery, jaw alignment, and treatment for the temporomandibular joint.
15. Charges for not keeping a scheduled appointment without giving the dental office 24 hours notice, telephone consultations and sales tax.
16. Expenses for Dental Procedures begun prior to the Covered Person becoming enrolled for coverage provided through this section of the Policy.
17. Dental Care Services otherwise covered under the Policy, but provided after the date individual coverage under the Policy ends, including Dental Care Services for dental conditions arising prior to the date individual coverage under the Policy ends.
18. Services rendered by a provider with the same legal residence as you or who is a member of your family, including spouse, brother, sister, parent or child.
19. Foreign Services are not covered outside of the United States.
20. Fixed or removable prosthodontic restoration procedures for complete oral rehabilitation or reconstruction.
21. Procedures related to the reconstruction of a patient's correct vertical dimension of occlusion (*VDO*).
22. Billing for incision and drainage if the involved abscessed tooth is removed on the same date of service.
23. Placement of fixed partial dentures solely for the purpose of achieving periodontal stability.
24. Acupuncture; acupressure and other forms of alternative treatment, whether or not used as anesthesia.
25. Orthodontic coverage does not include the installation of a space maintainer, any treatment related to treatment of the temporomandibular joint, any surgical procedure to correct a malocclusion, replacement of lost or broken retainers and/or habit appliances, and any fixed or removable interceptive orthodontic appliances previously submitted for payment under the plan.
26. Services that exceed the frequency limitations as identified in this section.

Defined Terms for Pediatric Dental Care Services

The following definitions are in addition to those listed in *Section 8: Defined Terms* of the Policy:

Allowed Dental Amounts - Allowed Dental Amounts for Covered Dental Care Services, incurred while the Policy is in effect, are our contracted fee(s) for Covered Dental Care Services with that provider.

Covered Dental Care Service - a Dental Care Service or Dental Procedure for which Benefits are provided under this section.

Dental Provider - any dentist or dental practitioner who is duly licensed and qualified under the law of jurisdiction in which treatment is received to provide Dental Care Services, perform dental surgery or provide anesthetics for dental surgery.

Dental Care Service or Dental Procedures - dental care or treatment provided by a Dental Provider to a Covered Person while the Policy is in effect, provided such care or treatment is recognized by us as a generally accepted form of care or treatment according to prevailing standards of dental practice.

Necessary - Dental Care Services and supplies under this section which are determined by us through case-by-case assessments of care based on accepted dental practices to be appropriate and are all of the following:

- Necessary to meet the basic dental needs of the Covered Person.
- Provided in the most cost-efficient manner and type of setting appropriate for the delivery of the Dental Care Service.
- Consistent in type, frequency and duration of treatment with scientifically based guidelines of national clinical, research, or health care coverage organizations or governmental agencies that are accepted by us.
- Consistent with the diagnosis of the condition.
- Required for reasons other than the convenience of the Covered Person or his or her Dental Provider.
- Demonstrated through prevailing peer-reviewed dental literature to be either:
  - Safe and effective for treating or diagnosing the condition or sickness for which their use is proposed; or
  - Safe with promising efficacy
    - For treating a life threatening dental disease or condition.
    - Provided in a clinically controlled research setting.
    - Using a specific research protocol that meets standards equivalent to those defined by the *National Institutes of Health*.

(For the purpose of this definition, the term life threatening is used to describe dental diseases or sicknesses or conditions, which are more likely than not to cause death within one year of the date of the request for treatment.)

The fact that a Dental Provider has performed or prescribed a procedure or treatment or the fact that it may be the only treatment for a particular dental disease does not mean that it is a Necessary Covered Dental Care Service as defined in this section. The definition of Necessary used in this section relates only to Benefits under this section and differs from the way in which a Dental Provider engaged in the practice of dentistry may define necessary.

Section 12: Pediatric Vision Care Services

How Do You Use This Document?

This section of the Policy provides Benefits for Vision Care Services, as described below, for Covered Persons under the age of 19. Benefits under this section will end on the last day of the calendar month the Covered Person reaches the age of 19.

What Are Defined Terms?

Because this section is part of a legal document, we want to give you information about the document that will help you understand it. Certain capitalized words have special meanings. We have defined these words in either the Policy in *Section 8: Defined Terms* or in this section under the heading *Defined Terms for Pediatric Vision Care Services.*

When we use the words "we," "us," and "our" in this document, we are referring to UnitedHealthcare Insurance Company. When we use the words "you" and "your" we are referring to people who are Covered Persons, as the term is defined in the Policy in *Section 8: Defined Terms*.

Benefits for Pediatric Vision Care Services

What Are the Benefit Descriptions?

Benefits

Benefit limits are calculated on a calendar year basis unless otherwise specifically stated.

Frequency of Service Limits

Benefits are provided for the Vision Care Services described below, subject to *Frequency of Service* limits and Co-insurance stated under each Vision Care Service in the *Schedule of Benefits*.

Routine Vision Exam

A routine vision exam of the eyes and according to the standards of care in your area, including:

- A patient history that includes reasons for exam, patient medical/eye history, and current medications.
- Visual acuity with each eye and both eyes, far and near, with and without glasses or contact lenses (for example, 20/20 and 20/40).
- Cover test at 20 feet and 16 inches (checks how the eyes work together as a team).
- Ocular motility (how the eyes move) near point of convergence (how well eyes move together for near vision tasks, such as reading), and depth perception (3D vision).
- Pupil reaction to light and focusing.
- Exam of the eye lids, lashes, and outside of the eye.
- Retinoscopy (when needed) - helps to determine the starting point of the refraction which determines the lens power of the glasses.
- Phorometry/Binocular testing - far and near (how well eyes work as a team).
- Tests of accommodation - how well you see up close (for example, reading).
- Tonometry, when indicated - test pressure in eye (glaucoma check).
- Ophthalmoscopic exam of the inside of the eye.
- Visual field testing.
- Color vision testing.
- Diagnosis/prognosis.
- Specific recommendations.

Post exam procedures will be performed only when materials are required.

Or, in lieu of a complete exam, Retinoscopy (when applicable) - objective refraction to determine lens power of corrective lenses and subjective refraction to determine lens power of corrective lenses.

Eyeglass Lenses

Lenses that are placed in eyeglass frames and worn on the face to correct visual acuity limitations.

You are eligible to choose only one of either eyeglasses (*Eyeglass Lenses* and/or *Eyeglass Frames*) or *Contact Lenses*. If you choose more than one of these Vision Care Services, we will pay Benefits for only one Vision Care Service.

Eyeglass Frames

A structure that contains eyeglass lenses, holding the lenses in front of the eyes and supported by the bridge of the nose.

You are eligible to choose only one of either eyeglasses (*Eyeglass Lenses* and/or *Eyeglass Frames*) or *Contact Lenses*. If you choose more than one of these Vision Care Services, we will pay Benefits for only one Vision Care Service.

Contact Lenses

Lenses worn on the surface of the eye to correct visual acuity limitations.

Benefits include the fitting/evaluation fees, contact lenses, and follow-up care.

You are eligible to choose only one of either eyeglasses (*Eyeglass Lenses* and/or *Eyeglass Frames*) or *Contact Lenses*. If you choose more than one of these Vision Care Services, we will pay Benefits for only one Vision Care Service.

Necessary Contact Lenses

Benefits are available when a Vision Care Provider has determined a need for and has prescribed the contact lens. Such determination will be made by the Vision Care Provider and not by us.

Contact lenses are necessary if you have any of the following:

- Keratoconus.
- Anisometropia.
- Irregular corneal/astigmatism.
- Aphakia.
- Facial deformity.
- Corneal deformity.
- Pathological myopia.
- Aniseikonia.
- Aniridia.
- Post-traumatic disorders.

Low Vision

Benefits are available to Covered Persons who have severe visual problems that cannot be corrected with regular lenses and only when a Vision Care Provider has determined a need for and has prescribed the service. Such determination will be made by the Vision Care Provider and not by us.

Benefits include:

- Low vision testing: Complete low vision analysis and diagnosis which includes:
  - A comprehensive exam of visual functions.
  - The prescription of corrective eyewear or vision aids where indicated.
  - Any related follow-up care.
- Low vision therapy: Subsequent low vision therapy if prescribed.

Pediatric Vision Exclusions

Except as may be specifically provided in this section under the heading *Benefits for Pediatric Vision Care Services*, Benefits are not provided under this section for the following:

1. Medical or surgical treatment for eye disease which requires the services of a Physician and for which Benefits are available as stated in the Policy.
2. Vision Care Services received from a non-UnitedHealthcare Vision Network Vision Care Provider.
3. Non-prescription items (e.g. Plano lenses).

4. Replacement or repair of lenses and/or frames that have been lost or broken.
5. Optional Lens Extras not listed in this section under the heading *Benefits for Pediatric Vision Care Services.*
6. Missed appointment charges.
7. Applicable sales tax charged on Vision Care Services.
8. Orthoptics or vision therapy training and any associated supplemental testing.
9. Corrective surgical procedures such as, but not limited to, Radial Keratotomy (RK) and Photo-refractive Keratectomy (PRK).
10. Contact lenses if an eyeglass frame and eyeglass lenses are received in the same calendar year.
11. Eyeglass frame and eyeglass lenses if contact lenses are received in the same calendar year.
12. Services or treatments that are already excluded in *Section 2: Exclusions and Limitations* of the Policy.

Claims for Low Vision Care Services

When obtaining low Vision Care Services, you will be required to pay all billed charges directly to your Vision Care Provider. You may then seek reimbursement from us. Information about claim timelines and responsibilities in the Policy in *Section 5: How to File a Claim* applies to Vision Care Services provided under this section, except that when you submit your claim, you must provide us with all of the information identified below.

Reimbursement for Low Vision Care Services

To file a claim for reimbursement for low Vision Care Services, you must provide all of the following information:

- Your itemized receipts.
- Covered Person's name.
- Covered Person's identification number from the ID card.
- Covered Person's date of birth.

Send the above information to us:

By mail:

Claims Department

P.O. Box 30978

Salt Lake City, UT 84130

By facsimile (fax):

248-733-6060

Defined Terms for Pediatric Vision Care Services

The following definitions are in addition to those listed in *Section 8: Defined Terms* of the Policy:

Covered Contact Lens Formulary - a selection of available contact lenses that may be obtained from a UnitedHealthcare Vision Network Vision Care Provider on a covered-in-full basis, subject to payment of any applicable Co-payment.

UnitedHealthcare Vision Networks - any optometrist, ophthalmologist, optician or other person designated by us who provides Vision Care Services for which Benefits are available under the Policy.

Vision Care Provider - any optometrist, ophthalmologist, optician or other person who may lawfully provide Vision Care Services.

Vision Care Service - any service or item listed in this section under the heading *Benefits for Pediatric Vision Care Services.*

Section 13: Consolidated Appropriations Act Summary

The Policy complies with the applicable provisions of the *Consolidated Appropriations Act (the "Act") (P.L. 116-260)*.

No Surprises Act

Balance Billing

Under the Act, the *No Surprises Act* prohibits balance billing by out-of-Network providers in the following instances:

- When Ancillary Services are received at certain Network facilities on a non-Emergency basis from out-of-Network Physicians.
- When non-Ancillary Services are received at certain Network facilities on a non-Emergency basis from out-of-Network Physicians who have not satisfied the notice and consent criteria or for unforeseen or urgent medical needs that arise at the time a non-Ancillary Service is provided for which notice and consent has been satisfied as described in the Act.
- When Emergency Health Care Services are provided by an out-of-Network provider.
- When Air Ambulance services are provided by an out-of-Network provider.

In these instances, the out-of-Network provider may not bill you for amounts in excess of your applicable Co-payment, Co-insurance or deductible (cost share). Your cost share will be provided at the same level as if provided by a Network provider and is determined based on the Recognized Amount.

For the purpose of this Summary, "certain Network facilities" are limited to a hospital (as defined in *1861(e) of the Social Security Act*), a hospital outpatient department, a critical access hospital (as defined in *1861(mm)(1) of the Social Security Act*), an ambulatory surgical center described in section *1833(i)(1)(A) of the Social Security Act*, and any other facility specified by the Secretary.

Determination of Our Payment to the Out-of-Network Provider:

When Covered Health Care Services are received from out-of-Network providers for the instances as described above, Allowed Amounts, which are used to determine our payment to out-of-Network providers, are based on one of the following in the order listed below as applicable:

- The reimbursement rate as determined by a state *All Payer Model Agreement.*
- The reimbursement rate as determined by state law.
- The initial payment made by us or the amount subsequently agreed to by the out-of-Network provider and us.
- The amount determined by *Independent Dispute Resolution (IDR).*

Continuity of Care

The Act provides that if you are currently receiving treatment for Covered Health Care Services from a provider whose network status changes from Network to out-of-Network during such treatment due to termination (non-renewal or expiration) of the provider's contract, you may be eligible to request continued care from your current provider under the same terms and conditions that would have applied prior to termination of the provider's contract for specified conditions and timeframes. This provision does not apply to provider contract terminations for failure to meet applicable quality standards or for fraud. If you would like help to find out if you are eligible for continuity of care Benefits, please call the telephone number on your ID card.

Provider Directories

The Act provides that if you receive a Covered Health Care Service from an out-of-Network provider and were informed incorrectly by us prior to receipt of the Covered Health Care Service that the provider was a Network provider, either through our database, our provider directory, or in our response to your request for such information (via telephone, electronic, web-based or internet-based means), you may be eligible for cost sharing that would be no greater than if the service had been provided from a Network provider.