

#### TO PLAN ADMINISTRATORS AND BROKERS

# Re: Health Care Reform Rule Summary of Benefits and Coverage and Uniform Glossary

Under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, beginning September 23, 2012 health insurance companies will be required to provide consumers with information in a simple, concise and uniform format. Insurers will need to distribute their responses to a standardized, question-and-answer form addressing what their plans will cover, what limitations or conditions will apply, and what deductibles and out-of-pocket expenses will be imposed under each plan offered.

#### **Identifying The Plan That Fits Best**

Two key documents will help consumers understand, evaluate and compare their health insurance choices:

- A Summary of Benefits and Coverage (SBC) on a four, double-sided page template form with no fine print allowed; and
- A Uniform Glossary of medical and coverage terms commonly used in marketing health insurance.

A unique feature of the SBC is a comparison tool called "coverage examples," similar to the nutrition label required for packaged foods. The coverage examples entail cost estimates for two common health scenarios: childbirth and diabetes management. The examples will help consumers find the plan that best suits their particular health care needs. It will also help them see how valuable their coverage might be if and when needed.

The SBC must be available free of charge to those shopping for coverage, enrolling in coverage, reaching a new plan year, or requesting a copy. Consumers have to be informed in writing 60 days ahead of any significant changes that will be made in a plan.

#### **UHA's Position**

UHA supports the SBC goals of increasing transparency, comparability and consumer-protection, and will be able to fully comply with the new law. UHA is confident that the universally required disclosures will help reveal that UHA compares favorably with other insurers and their plans, particularly on benefits and cost.

As required under the law, UHA will distribute the SBC to employer groups upon enrolling in coverage, reaching a new plan year, as well as notification of changes to the SBC. UHA will also send postcards to subscribers, as required under the law, annually leading up to the new plan year. Postcards will instruct subscribers to obtain a copy of the SBC from their employer; they must receive the SBC for each plan they are eligible for. Employers are contractually responsible for distribution of the SBC and notice of changes to all their Eligible Employees and Enrollees at open enrollment, upon special enrollment, or upon request.

If you should have any questions, please contact the Employer Services Department at 532-4007 from Oahu, or 800-458-4600, extension 299, from the neighbor islands.

#### **EMPLOYER SERVICES DEPARTMENT**



Summary of Benefits and Coverage: What this Plan Covers & What it Costs

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This is only a summary. If you want more detail about your coverage and costs, you can get the complete terms in the policy or plan document at www.uhahealth.com or by calling 1-808-532-4000 or 1800-458-4600.

Important Questions	Answers	Why this Matters:		
What is the overall deductible?	<b>\$200</b> person <b>/ \$600</b> family Doesn't apply to preventive care.	You must pay all the costs up to the <u>deductible</u> amount before this plan begins to proceed services you use. Check your policy or plan document to see when the <u>deductible</u> starts over (usually, but not always, January 1st). See the chart starting or page 2 for how much you pay for covered services after you meet the <u>deductible</u> .		
Are there other deductibles for specific services?	No.	You don't have to meet <u>deductibles</u> for specific services, but see the chart starting on page 2 for other costs for services this plan covers.		
Is there an <u>out-of-</u> <u>pocket limit</u> on my expenses?	Yes. Medical: \$2,200 person / \$6,600 family. Prescription Drug: \$3,850 person/\$5,200 family	The <u>out-of-pocket limit</u> is the most you could pay during a coverage period (usually one year) for your share of the cost of covered services. This limit helps you plan for health care expenses.		
What is not included in the <u>out-of-pocket</u> <u>limit?</u>	Premiums, balance-billed charges, and penalties for failure to obtain prior authorization for services and health care this plan doesn't cover.	Even though you pay these expenses, they don't count toward the <b>out-of-pocket limit</b> .		
Is there an overall annual limit on what the plan pays?	No.	The chart starting on page 2 describes any limits on what the plan will pay for <i>specific</i> covered services, such as office visits.		
Does this plan use a <u>network</u> of <u>providers</u> ?	Yes. For a list of participating providers, see www.uhahealth.com or call 1-800-458-4600.	If you use an in-network doctor or other health care <u>provider</u> , this plan will pay some or all of the costs of covered services. Be aware, your in-network doctor or hospital may use an out-of-network <u>provider</u> for some services. Plans use the term in-network, <u>preferred</u> , or participating for <u>providers</u> in their <u>network</u> . See the chart starting on page 2 for how this plan pays different kinds of <u>providers</u> .		
Do I need a referral to see a specialist?	No. You don't need a referral to see a specialist.	You can see the <b>specialist</b> you choose without permission from this plan.		
Are there services this plan doesn't cover?	Yes.	Some of the services this plan doesn't cover are listed on page 5. See your policy or plan document for additional information about <b>excluded services</b> .		

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- <u>Co-payments</u> are fixed dollar amounts (for example, \$15) you pay for covered health care, usually when you receive the service.
- <u>Co-insurance</u> is *your* share of the costs of a covered service, calculated as a percent of the <u>allowed amount</u> for the service. For example, if the plan's <u>allowed amount</u> for an overnight hospital stay is \$1,000, your <u>co-insurance</u> payment of 20% would be \$200. This may change if you haven't met your <u>deductible</u>.
- The amount the plan pays for covered services is based on the <u>allowed amount</u>. If an out-of-network <u>provider</u> charges more than the <u>allowed amount</u>, you may have to pay the difference. For example, if an out-of-network hospital charges \$1,500 for an overnight stay and the <u>allowed amount</u> is \$1,000, you may have to pay the \$500 difference. (This is called <u>balance billing</u>.)
- This plan may encourage you to use <u>participating providers</u> by charging you lower <u>deductibles</u>, <u>co-payments</u> and <u>co-insurance</u> amounts.

Common Medical Event	Services You May Need	Your Cost If You Use an In-network Provider	Your Cost If You Use an Out-of-network Provider	Limitations & Exceptions
	Primary care visit to treat an injury or illness	\$12 co-pay/visit	\$12 co-pay/visit	Deductible does not apply
	Specialist visit	\$12 co-pay/visit	\$12 co-pay/visit	Deductible does not apply
If you visit a health care provider's office or clinic	Other practitioner office visit	\$12 co-pay/visit* \$10 co-pay for chiropractor and acupuncturist	\$12 co-pay/visit* Plan pays up to \$20 per visit; you pay balance	* APRN/Physician Assistant  Coverage is limited to \$500 annual max for combined chiropractic and acupuncture services  Deductible does not apply
	Preventive care/screening/immunization	No Charge	No Charge	Deductible does not apply
If you have a test	Diagnostic test (x-ray, blood work)	20% co-insurance	20% co-insurance	No Charge: Outpatient - laboratory & pathology services  Deductible does not apply to outpatient diagnostic testing and outpatient laboratory & pathology services; does apply to outpatient radiology

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	Imaging (CT/PET scans, MRIs)	20% co-insurance	20% co-insurance	Prior authorization required for outpatient PET scans and CTCA  Benefits may be denied if Prior Authorization is not obtained
	Generic drugs	20% co-insurance oral chemotherapy; \$0 co-pay oral contraceptives; \$5 co-pay/ retail & \$10 co-pay/ mail order diabetes drugs	Not covered	~ Deductible does not apply ~ Benefits under this plan apply only if you do not have a drug plan
If you need drugs to treat your illness or condition  More information about prescription drug coverage is available at www.uhahealth.com	Preferred brand drugs	20% co-insurance oral chemotherapy; \$15 co-pay oral contraceptives; \$15 co-pay/ retail & \$35 co-pay/ mail order diabetes drugs	Not covered	~ Deductible does not apply ~ Benefits under this plan apply only if you do not have a drug plan
	Non-preferred brand drugs	20% co-insurance oral chemotherapy; not covered for oral contraceptives; \$15 co-pay/ retail & \$60 co-pay/ mail order diabetes drugs	Not covered	~ Deductible does not apply ~ Benefits under this plan apply only if you do not have a drug plan
	Specialty drugs	20% co-insurance	20% co-insurance	Prior Authorization required for certain injectables  Benefits may be denied if Prior Authorization is not obtained

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If you have	Facility fee (e.g., ambulatory surgery center)	20% co-insurance	20% co-insurance	none
outpatient surgery	Physician/surgeon fees	\$12 co-pay/visit / 20% co-insurance	\$12 co-pay/visit / 20% co-insurance	Deductible does not apply to physician visits
If you need	Emergency room services	20% co-insurance	20% co-insurance	none
immediate medical	Emergency medical transportation	20% co-insurance	20% co-insurance	none
attention	Urgent care	\$12 co-pay/visit	\$12 co-pay/visit	Deductible does not apply
If you have a	Facility fee (e.g., hospital room)	20% co-insurance	20% co-insurance	none
hospital stay	Physician/surgeon fee	\$12 co-pay/visit / 20% co-insurance	\$12 co-pay/visit / 20% co-insurance	Deductible does not apply to physician visits
If you have mental health, behavioral	Mental/Behavioral health outpatient services	\$12 co-pay/visit	\$12 co-pay/visit	Deductible does not apply to physicians visits
	Mental/Behavioral health inpatient services	\$12 co-pay/visit professional, 20% co-insurance facility	\$12 co-pay/visit professional, 20% co-insurance facility	Deductible does not apply to physicians visits
health, or substance abuse needs	Substance use disorder outpatient services \$12 co-pay/visit	\$12 co-pay/visit	Deductible does not apply to physicians visits	
	Substance use disorder inpatient services	\$12 co-pay/visit professional, 20% co-insurance facility	\$12 co-pay/visit professional, 20% co-insurance facility	Deductible does not apply to physicians visits
If you are precedent	Prenatal and postnatal care	No Charge	No Charge	Deductible does not apply
If you are pregnant	Delivery and all inpatient services	No Charge	No Charge	Deductible does not apply

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Common Medical Event	Services You May Need	Your Cost If You Use an In-network Provider	Your Cost If You Use an Out-of-network Provider	Limitations & Exceptions
	Home health care	20% co-insurance	20% co-insurance	Up to 150 visits per calendar year; Prior Authorization required after first 12 visits Benefits may be denied if Prior Authorization is not obtained
If you need help recovering or have other special health needs	Rehabilitation services	\$12 co-pay/visit	\$12 co-pay/visit	Deductible does not apply; Prior Authorization required after a combined total of 48 units of physical and occupational therapy per calendar year. Benefits may be denied if Prior
	Habilitation services	\$12 as pay/whit	\$12 as asy/wisit	Authorization is not obtained Same as Rehabilitation services
necus		\$12 co-pay/visit	\$12 co-pay/visit	
	Skilled nursing care	20% co-insurance	20% co-insurance	Up to 120 days per calendar year  Prior Authorization required when purchase
	Durable medical equipment	20% co-insurance	20% co-insurance	is greater than \$500 or rental is greater than \$100/month
				Benefits may be denied if Prior Authorization is not obtained
	Hospice service	No Charge	No Charge	Deductible does not apply
	Eye exam	Not Covered	Not Covered	Coverage for these services is only available
If your child needs dental or eye care	Glasses	Not Covered	Not Covered	with applicable vision and dental riders. More
	Dental check-up	Not Covered	Not Covered	information about vision and dental coverage is available at www.uhahealth.com or call 1-800-458-4600

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#### **Excluded Services & Other Covered Services:**

#### Services Your Plan Does NOT Cover (This isn't a complete list. Check your policy or plan document for other excluded services.)

- Cosmetic surgery
- Dental care
- Long-term care

- Non-emergency care when traveling outside the U.S.
- Non-preferred brand drugs for oral contraceptive
- Private-duty nursing
- Routine Foot Care
- Weight loss programs

### Other Covered Services (This isn't a complete list. Check your policy or plan document for other covered services and your costs for these services.)

- Acupuncture (if for treatment of conditions of the neuromusculoskeletal system)
- Bariatric Surgery

- Chiropractic Care (if for treatment of conditions of the neuromusculoskeletal system)
- Infertility treatment (Covered to the extent required by Hawaii Law, but limited to one outpatient in-vitro fertilization procedure under any UHA medical benefit plan)
- Hearing aids

#### **Your Rights to Continue Coverage:**

If you lose coverage under the plan, then, depending upon the circumstances, Federal and State laws may provide protections that allow you to keep health coverage. Any such rights may be limited in duration and will require you to pay a **premium**, which may be significantly higher than the premium you pay while covered under the plan. Other limitations on your rights to continue coverage may also apply.

For more information on your rights to continue coverage, contact the plan at 1-800-458-4600. You may also contact your state insurance department, the U.S. Department of Labor, Employee Benefits Security Administration at 1-866-444-3272 or <a href="https://www.dol.gov/ebsa">www.dol.gov/ebsa</a>, or the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services at 1-877- 267-2323 x61565 or <a href="https://www.cciio.cms.gov">www.cciio.cms.gov</a>.

#### **Your Grievance and Appeals Rights:**

If you have a complaint or are dissatisfied with a denial of coverage for claims under your plan, you may be able to **appeal** or file a **grievance**. For questions about your rights, this notice, or assistance, you can contact:

Customer Services Department, 700 Bishop Street, Suite 300, Honolulu, HI 96813-4100 at 1-800-458-4600

Department of Labor's Employee Benefits Security Administration at 1-866-444-EBSA (3272) or www.dol.gov/ebsa/healthreform

Hawaii Insurance Division, ATTN: Health Insurance Branch – External Appeals, 335 Merchant Street, Room 213, Honolulu, HI 96813 at 1-808-586-2804

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#### **Does this Coverage Provide Minimum Essential Coverage?**

The Affordable Care Act requires most people to have health care coverage that qualifies as "minimum essential coverage." **This plan or policy <u>does</u>** <u>provide</u> minimum essential coverage.

#### **Does this Coverage Meet the Minimum Value Standard?**

The Affordable Care Act establishes a minimum value standard of benefits of a health plan. The minimum value standard is 60% (actuarial value). This health coverage does meet the minimum value standard for the benefits it provides.

#### **Language Access Services:**

Spanish (Español): Para obtener asistencia en Español, llame al 1-800-458-4600.

Tagalog (Tagalog): Kung kailangan ninyo ang tulong sa Tagalog tumawag sa 1-800-458-4600.

Chinese (中文): 如果需要中文的帮助, 请拨打这个号码 1-800-458-4600.

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

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## **About these Coverage Examples:**

These examples show how this plan might cover medical care in given situations. Use these examples to see, in general, how much financial protection a sample patient might get if they are covered under different plans.



## This is not a cost estimator.

Don't use these examples to estimate your actual costs under this plan. The actual care you receive will be different from these examples, and the cost of that care will also be different.

See the next page for important information about these examples.

#### Having a baby

(normal delivery)

- Amount owed to providers: \$7,540
- Plan pays \$7,090
- Patient pays \$450

#### Sample care costs:

Hospital charges (mother)	\$2,700
Routine obstetric care	\$2,100
Hospital charges (baby)	\$900
Anesthesia	\$900
Laboratory tests	\$500
Prescriptions	\$200
Radiology	\$200
Vaccines, other preventive	\$40
Total	\$7,540

#### Patient pays:

Deductibles	\$100
Co-pays	\$50
Co-insurance	\$200
Limits or exclusions	\$100
Total	\$450

#### Managing type 2 diabetes

(routine maintenance of a well-controlled condition)

- Amount owed to providers: \$5,400
- Plan pays \$4,800
- Patient pays \$600

#### Sample care costs:

Prescriptions	\$2,900
Medical Equipment and Supplies	\$1,300
Office Visits and Procedures	\$700
Education	\$300
Laboratory tests	\$100
Vaccines, other preventive	\$100
Total	\$5,400

#### Patient pays:

Deductibles	\$0
Co-pays	\$300
Co-insurance	\$0
Limits or exclusions	\$300
Total	\$600

Note: These numbers assume the patient is participating in our diabetes wellness program. If you have diabetes and do not participate in the wellness program, your costs may be higher. For more information about the diabetes wellness program, please contact: 1-800-458-4600.

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#### **Questions and answers about the Coverage Examples:**

## What are some of the assumptions behind the Coverage Examples?

- Costs don't include <u>premiums</u>.
- Sample care costs are based on national averages supplied by the U.S.
   Department of Health and Human Services, and aren't specific to a particular geographic area or health plan.
- The patient's condition was not an excluded or preexisting condition.
- All services and treatments started and ended in the same coverage period.
- There are no other medical expenses for any member covered under this plan.
- Out-of-pocket expenses are based only on treating the condition in the example.
- The patient received all care from innetwork <u>providers</u>. If the patient had received care from out-of-network <u>providers</u>, costs would have been higher.

### What does a Coverage Example show?

For each treatment situation, the Coverage Example helps you see how <u>deductibles</u>, <u>copayments</u>, and <u>co-insurance</u> can add up. It also helps you see what expenses might be left up to you to pay because the service or treatment isn't covered or payment is limited.

### Does the Coverage Example predict my own care needs?

No. Treatments shown are just examples. The care you would receive for this condition could be different based on your doctor's advice, your age, how serious your condition is, and many other factors.

## Does the Coverage Example predict my future expenses?

No. Coverage Examples are <u>not</u> cost estimators. You can't use the examples to estimate costs for an actual condition. They are for comparative purposes only. Your own costs will be different depending on the care you receive, the prices your <u>providers</u> charge, and the reimbursement your health plan allows.

### Can I use Coverage Examples to compare plans?

Yes. When you look at the Summary of Benefits and Coverage for other plans, you'll find the same Coverage Examples. When you compare plans, check the "Patient Pays" box in each example. The smaller that number, the more coverage the plan provides.

## Are there other costs I should consider when comparing plans?

Yes. An important cost is the premium you pay. Generally, the lower your premium, the more you'll pay in out-of-pocket costs, such as co-payments, deductibles, and co-insurance. You should also consider contributions to accounts such as health savings accounts (HSAs), flexible spending arrangements (FSAs) or health reimbursement accounts (HRAs) that help you pay out-of-pocket expenses.

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#### Glossary of Health Coverage and Medical Terms

- This glossary has many commonly used terms, but isn't a full list. These glossary terms and definitions are intended to be educational and may be different from the terms and definitions in your plan. Some of these terms also might not have exactly the same meaning when used in your policy or plan, and in any such case, the policy or plan governs. (See your Summary of Benefits and Coverage for information on how to get a copy of your policy or plan document.)
- Bold blue text indicates a term defined in this Glossary.
- See page 4 for an example showing how deductibles, co-insurance and out-of-pocket limits work together in a real life situation

#### Allowed Amount

Maximum amount on which payment is based for covered health care services. This may be called "eligible expense," "payment allowance" or "negotiated rate." If your provider charges more than the allowed amount, you may have to pay the difference. (See Balance Billing.)

#### Appeal

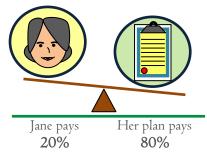
A request for your health insurer or plan to review a decision or a grievance again.

#### Balance Billing

When a **provider** bills you for the difference between the provider's charge and the **allowed amount**. For example, if the provider's charge is \$100 and the allowed amount is \$70, the provider may bill you for the remaining \$30. A **preferred provider** may **not** balance bill you for covered services.

#### Co-insurance

Your share of the costs of a covered health care service, calculated as a percent (for example, 20%) of the allowed amount for the service. You pay co-insurance plus any deductibles you owe. For example,



(See page 4 for a detailed example.)

if the **health insurance** or **plan's** allowed amount for an office visit is \$100 and you've met your deductible, your

office visit is \$100 and you've met your deductible, your co-insurance payment of 20% would be \$20. The health insurance or plan pays the rest of the allowed amount.

#### Complications of Pregnancy

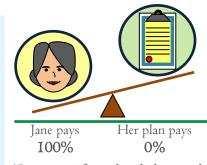
Conditions due to pregnancy, labor and delivery that require medical care to prevent serious harm to the health of the mother or the fetus. Morning sickness and a non-emergency caesarean section aren't complications of pregnancy.

#### Co-payment

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

#### Deductible

The amount you owe for health care services your health insurance or plan covers before your health insurance or plan begins to pay. For example, if your deductible is \$1000, your plan won't pay anything until you've met



(See page 4 for a detailed example.)

your \$1000 deductible for covered health care services subject to the deductible. The deductible may not apply to all services.

#### Durable Medical Equipment (DME)

Equipment and supplies ordered by a health care **provider** for everyday or extended use. Coverage for DME may include: oxygen equipment, wheelchairs, crutches or blood testing strips for diabetics.

#### **Emergency Medical Condition**

An illness, injury, symptom or condition so serious that a reasonable person would seek care right away to avoid severe harm.

#### **Emergency Medical Transportation**

Ambulance services for an emergency medical condition.

#### Emergency Room Care

Emergency services you get in an emergency room.

#### **Emergency Services**

Evaluation of an emergency medical condition and treatment to keep the condition from getting worse.

#### **Excluded Services**

Health care services that your health insurance or plan doesn't pay for or cover.

#### Grievance

A complaint that you communicate to your health insurer or plan.

#### Habilitation Services

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

#### Health Insurance

A contract that requires your health insurer to pay some or all of your health care costs in exchange for a **premium.** 

#### Home Health Care

Health care services a person receives at home.

#### Hospice Services

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

#### Hospitalization

Care in a hospital that requires admission as an inpatient and usually requires an overnight stay. An overnight stay for observation could be outpatient care.

#### Hospital Outpatient Care

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

#### In-network Co-insurance

The percent (for example, 20%) you pay of the allowed amount for covered health care services to providers who contract with your health insurance or plan. In-network co-insurance usually costs you less than out-of-network co-insurance.

#### In-network Co-payment

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#### Medically Necessary

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

#### Network

The facilities, **providers** and suppliers your health insurer or **plan** has contracted with to provide health care services.

#### Non-Preferred Provider

A provider who doesn't have a contract with your health insurer or plan to provide services to you. You'll pay more to see a non-preferred provider. Check your policy to see if you can go to all providers who have contracted with your health insurance or plan, or if your health insurance or plan has a "tiered" network and you must pay extra to see some providers.

#### Out-of-network Co-insurance

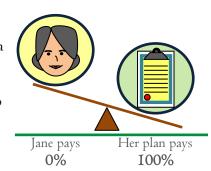
The percent (for example, 40%) you pay of the allowed amount for covered health care services to providers who do *not* contract with your health insurance or plan. Out-of-network co-insurance usually costs you more than innetwork co-insurance.

#### Out-of-network Co-payment

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

#### Out-of-Pocket Limit

The most you pay during a policy period (usually a year) before your health insurance or plan begins to pay 100% of the allowed amount. This limit never includes your premium, balance-billed charges or health care your health



(See page 4 for a detailed example.)

insurance or plan doesn't cover. Some health insurance or plans don't count all of your co-payments, deductibles, co-insurance payments, out-of-network payments or other expenses toward this limit.

#### Physician Services

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

#### Plan

A benefit your employer, union or other group sponsor provides to you to pay for your health care services.

#### Preauthorization

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

#### Preferred Provider

A provider who has a contract with your health insurer or plan to provide services to you at a discount. Check your policy to see if you can see all preferred providers or if your health insurance or plan has a "tiered" network and you must pay extra to see some providers. Your health insurance or plan may have preferred providers who are also "participating" providers. Participating providers also contract with your health insurer or plan, but the discount may not be as great, and you may have to pay more.

#### Premium

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

#### Prescription Drug Coverage

Health insurance or plan that helps pay for prescription drugs and medications.

#### Prescription Drugs

Drugs and medications that by law require a prescription.

#### Primary Care Physician

A physician (M.D. – Medical Doctor or D.O. – Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine) who directly provides or coordinates a range of health care services for a patient.

#### Primary Care Provider

A physician (M.D. – Medical Doctor or D.O. – Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine), nurse practitioner, clinical nurse specialist or physician assistant, as allowed under state law, who provides, coordinates or helps a patient access a range of health care services.

#### Provider

A physician (M.D. – Medical Doctor or D.O. – Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine), health care professional or health care facility licensed, certified or accredited as required by state law.

#### Reconstructive Surgery

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

#### Rehabilitation Services

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

#### Skilled Nursing Care

Services from licensed nurses in your own home or in a nursing home. Skilled care services are from technicians and therapists in your own home or in a nursing home.

#### Specialist

A physician specialist focuses on a specific area of medicine or a group of patients to diagnose, manage, prevent or treat certain types of symptoms and conditions. A non-physician specialist is a **provider** who has more training in a specific area of health care.

#### UCR (Usual, Customary and Reasonable)

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

#### Urgent Care

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

#### **How You and Your Insurer Share Costs - Example**

Co-insurance: 20% Out-of-Pocket Limit: \$5.000 Jane's Plan Deductible: \$1,500

January 1<sup>st</sup> Beginning of Coverage Period

December 31st End of Coverage Period



Jane pays 100%

Her plan pays 0%



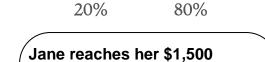
Her plan doesn't pay any of the costs. Office visit costs: \$125 Jane pays: \$125 Her plan pays: \$0











Jane pays

Her plan pays

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

deductible, co-insurance begins

Office visit costs: \$75 Jane pays: 20% of \$75 = \$15Her plan pays: 80% of \$75 = \$60

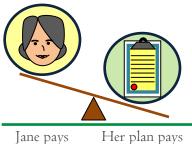












Her plan pays 100%

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

0%

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

Office visit costs: \$200 Jane pays: \$0 Her plan pays: \$200