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### A Health Maintenance Organization

**Serving:** South Florida (*Miami-Dade, Broward and Palm Beach Counties*)

**Enrollment in this Plan is limited. You must live or work in our Geographic service area to enroll. See page 5 for requirements.**



#### Enrollment codes for this Plan:

- 5E1 Self Only
- 5E2 Self and Family

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## Introduction

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Foundation Health, a Florida Health Plan, Inc.  
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This brochure describes the benefits of Foundation Health, a Florida Health Plan, Inc. under our contract (CS 2715) with the Office of Personnel Management (OPM), as authorized by the Federal Employees Health Benefits law. This brochure is the official statement of benefits. No oral statement can modify or otherwise affect the benefits, limitations, and exclusions of this brochure.

If you are enrolled in this Plan, you are entitled to the benefits described in this brochure. If you are enrolled for Self and Family coverage, each eligible family member is also entitled to these benefits. You do not have a right to benefits that were available before January 1, 2002, unless those benefits are also shown in this brochure.

OPM negotiates benefits and rates with each plan annually. Benefit changes are effective January 1, 2002, and changes are summarized on page 6. Rates are shown at the end of this brochure.

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## Plain Language

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Teams of Government and health plans' staff worked on all FEHB brochures to make them responsive, accessible, and understandable to the public. For instance:

- Except for necessary technical terms, we use common words. For instance, "you" means the enrollee or family member; "we" means Foundation Health.
- We limit acronyms to ones you know. FEHB is the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program. OPM is the Office of Personnel Management. If we use others, we tell you what they mean first.
- Our brochure and other FEHB plans' brochures have the same format and similar descriptions to help you compare plans.

If you have comments or suggestions about how to improve the structure of this brochure, let us know. Visit OPM's "Rate Us" feedback area at [www.opm.gov/insure](http://www.opm.gov/insure) or e-mail us at [fehwebcomments@opm.gov](mailto:fehwebcomments@opm.gov). You may also write to OPM at the Office of Personnel Management, Office of Insurance Planning and Evaluation Division, 1900 E Street NW, Washington DC 20415-3650.

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## Inspector General Advisory

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### Stop health care fraud!

Fraud increases the cost of health care for everyone. If you suspect that a physician, pharmacy, or hospital has charged you for services you did not receive, billed you twice for the same service, or misrepresented any information, do the following:

- Call the provider and ask for an explanation. There may be an error.
- If the provider does not resolve the matter, call us at 1-800/441-5501 and explain the situation.
- If we do not resolve the issue, call **THE HEALTH CARE FRAUD HOTLINE--202/418-3300** or write to:

The United States Office of Personnel Management  
Office of the Inspector General Fraud Hotline  
1900 E Street, NW, Room 6400  
Washington, DC 20415.

### Penalties for Fraud

Anyone who falsifies a claim to obtain FEHB Program benefits can be prosecuted for fraud. Also, the Inspector General may investigate anyone who uses an ID card if the person tries to obtain services for someone who is not an eligible family member, or is no longer enrolled in the Plan and tries to obtain benefits. Your agency may also take administrative action against you.

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## Section 1. Facts about this HMO plan

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This Plan is a health maintenance organization (HMO). We require you to see specific physicians, hospitals, and other providers that contract with us. These Plan providers coordinate your health care services.

HMOs emphasize preventive care such as routine office visits, physical exams, well-baby care, and immunizations, in addition to treatment for illness and injury. Our providers follow generally accepted medical practice when prescribing any course of treatment.

When you receive services from Plan providers, you will not have to submit claim forms or pay bills. You only pay the copayments, coinsurance, and deductibles described in this brochure. When you receive emergency services from non-Plan providers, you may have to submit claim forms.

**You should join an HMO because you prefer the plan's benefits, not because a particular provider is available. You cannot change plans because a provider leaves our Plan. We cannot guarantee that any one physician, hospital, or other provider will be available and/or remain under contract with us.**

### How we pay providers

We contract with individual physicians, medical groups, and hospitals to provide the benefits in this brochure. These Plan providers accept a negotiated payment from us, and you will only be responsible for your copayments or coinsurance.

### Who provides my health care

Foundation Health is an individual practice prepayment (IPP) plan that contracts with doctors to provide services for you out of their own offices.

### Your Rights

OPM requires that all FEHB Plans provide certain information to their FEHB members. You may get information about us, our networks, providers, and facilities. OPM's FEHB website ([www.opm.gov/insure](http://www.opm.gov/insure)) lists the specific types of information that we must make available to you. Some of the required information is listed below.

Foundation Health, a Florida Health Plan, Inc., is a for-profit entity and has been operational since 1984. Foundation Health is NCQA accredited and is licensed by the Department of Insurance and Agency for Health Care Administration to conduct business in the State of Florida.

If you want more information about us, call 800/441-5501, or write to Attn: Customer Service Department, Foundation Health, a Florida Health Plan, Inc., 1340 Concord Terrace, Sunrise, FL 33323. You may also contact us by fax at 954/846-8873 or visit our website at [www.fhfl.com](http://www.fhfl.com)

### Service Area

To enroll in this Plan, you must live in or work in our Service Area. This is where our providers practice. Our service area is: South Florida – Miami-Dade, Broward and Palm Beach Counties (Code 5E).

Ordinarily, you must get your care from providers who contract with us. If you receive care outside our service area, we will pay only for emergency care benefits. We will not pay for any other health care services out of our service area unless the services have prior plan approval.

If you or a covered family member move outside of our service area, you can enroll in another plan. If your dependents live out of the area (for example, if your child goes to college in another state), you should consider enrolling in a fee-for-service plan or an HMO that has agreements with affiliates in other areas. Reciprocity arrangements do not exist in any other Foundation Health Plan networks. If you or a family member move, you do not have to wait until Open Season to change plans. Contact your employing or retirement office.

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## Section 2. How we change for 2002

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Do not rely on these change descriptions; this page is not an official statement of benefits. For that, go to Section 5 Benefits. Also, we edited and clarified language throughout the brochure; any language change not shown here is a clarification that does not change benefits.

### Program-wide changes

We changed the address for sending disputed claims to OPM.

### Changes to this Plan

- Your share of the non-Postal premium will increase by 6.8% for Self Only and for Self and Family.
- We no longer limit total blood cholesterol tests to certain age groups. (Section 5(a))
- We changed speech therapy benefits by removing the requirement that services must be required to restore functional speech. (Section 5(a))
- We now cover certain intestinal transplants. (Section 5(b))
- We changed the benefit for hospital admissions from no copay to a \$200 copay per person once per calendar year. (Section 5(c))
- We changed the benefit for outpatient surgery from no copay to a \$50 copay per visit. (Section 5(c))
- We changed the benefit for home health care from no copay for physicians visits to a \$10 copay per visit; no copay for visits by nurses and health aides. (Section 5(a))
- We added 40% coinsurance of reasonable and customary charges for second opinions provided by non-Plan physicians.
- We changed the emergency room copay from \$25 per visit to \$50 per visit. (Section 5(c))
- The Plan will no longer offer Dental coverage under Non-FEHB benefits. (Section 5(h) & 5(i))
- The Plan has extended the benefit for treatment of chronic and disabling conditions when a specialist terminates from the network from 90 days to 6 months. If the member is pregnant she may continue with the specialist until the end of postpartum care. (Section 3)
- We changed the prescription drug copayments to \$7 (generic) / \$14 (generic formulary when no generic is available) / \$34 (non-formulary). (Section 5(f))
- We expanded the benefit for smoking cessation to cover drugs for one program per person with a \$100 maximum per lifetime. (Section 5(a)). The office visit copay is \$10.

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## Section 3. How you get care

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### Identification cards

We will send you an identification (ID) card when you enroll. You should carry your ID card with you at all times. You must show it whenever you receive services from a Plan provider, or fill a prescription at a Plan pharmacy. Until you receive your ID card, use your copy of the Health Benefits Election Form, SF-2809, your health benefits enrollment confirmation (for annuitants), or your Employee Express confirmation letter.

If you do not receive your ID card within 30 days after the effective date of your enrollment, or if you need replacement cards, call us at 800/441-5501. You may also verify eligibility by visiting our website at [www.fhfl.com](http://www.fhfl.com) and/or our Interactive Voice Response System (IVR) by calling 800/977-6870.

### Where you get covered care

You get care from “Plan providers” and “Plan facilities.” You will only pay copayments and/or coinsurance, and you will not have to file claims.

- **Plan providers**

Plan providers are physicians and other health care professionals in our service area that we contract with to provide covered services to our members. We credential Plan providers according to national standards.

We list Plan providers in the provider directory, which we update periodically. The list is also on our website.

- **Plan facilities**

Plan facilities are hospitals and other facilities in our service area that we contract with to provide covered services to our members. We list these in the provider directory, which we update periodically. The list is also on our website.

### What you must do to get covered care

It depends on the type of care you need. First, you and each family member must choose a primary care physician. This decision is important since your primary care physician provides or arranges for most of your health care. Using our provider directory to select your Primary Care Physician (PCP) you then complete and submit the HMO Provider Choice card physician information provided in your enrollment packet.

- **Primary care**

Your primary care physician can be a *family practitioner, internist, general practitioner, or pediatrician*. Your primary care physician will provide most of your health care, or give you a referral to see a specialist.

If you want to change primary care physicians or if your primary care physician leaves the Plan, call us. We will help you select a new one.

- **Specialty care**

Your primary care physician will refer you to a specialist for needed care. When you receive a referral from your primary care physician, you must return to the primary care physician after the consultation, unless your primary care physician authorized a certain number of visits without additional referrals. The primary care physician must provide or authorize all follow-up care. Do not go to the specialist for return visits unless your primary care physician gives you a referral. However, you may see the following specialists without a referral: Chiropractor 12 times per calendar year; Dermatologist 5 times per calendar year; Podiatrist 12 times per calendar year; OB/GYN once per calendar year for a Well Woman Exam;. You may also access Optometrists for routine vision care and unlimited visits for medical conditions of the eyes.

Here are other things you should know about specialty care:

- If you need to see a specialist frequently because of a chronic, complex, or serious medical condition, your primary care physician will develop a treatment plan that

allows you to see your specialist for a certain number of visits without additional referrals. Your primary care physician will use our criteria when creating your treatment plan (the physician may have to get an authorization or approval beforehand).

- If you are seeing a specialist when you enroll in our Plan, talk to your primary care physician. Your primary care physician will decide what treatment you need. If he or she decides to refer you to a specialist, ask if you can see your current specialist. If your current specialist does not participate with us, you must receive treatment from a specialist who does. Generally, we will not pay for you to see a specialist who does not participate with our Plan.
- If you are seeing a specialist and your specialist leaves the Plan, call your primary care physician, who will arrange for you to see another specialist. You may receive services from your current specialist until we can make arrangements for you to see someone else.
- If you have a chronic or disabling condition and lose access to your specialist because we:
  - terminate our contract with your specialist for other than cause; or
  - drop out of the Federal Employees Health Benefits (FEHB) Program and you enroll in another FEHB Plan; or
  - reduce our service area and you enroll in another FEHB Plan,

you may be able to continue seeing your specialist for up to 6 months after the specialist's contract termination date. Contact us or, if we drop out of the Program, contact your new plan.

If you are in the second or third trimester of pregnancy and you lose access to your specialist based on the above circumstances, you can continue to see your specialist until the end of your postpartum care, even if it is beyond the 6 months.

#### • **Hospital care**

Your Plan primary care physician or specialist will make necessary hospital arrangements and supervise your care. This includes admission to a skilled nursing or other type of facility.

If you are in the hospital when your enrollment in our Plan begins, call our Customer Service Department immediately at 800-441-5501. If you are new to the FEHB Program, we will arrange for you to receive care.

If you changed from another FEHB plan to us, your former plan will pay for the hospital stay until:

- You are discharged, not merely moved to an alternative care center; or
- The day your benefits from your former plan run out; or
- The 92<sup>nd</sup> day after you become a member of this Plan, whichever happens first.

These provisions apply only to the benefits of the hospitalized person.

**Circumstances beyond our control** Under certain extraordinary circumstances, such as natural disasters, we may have to delay your services or we may be unable to provide them. In that case, we will make all reasonable efforts to provide you with the necessary care.

## Services requiring our prior approval

Your primary care physician has authority to refer you for most services. For certain services, however, your physician must obtain approval from us. Before giving approval, we consider if the service is covered, medically necessary, and follows generally accepted medical practice.

We call this review and approval process precertification. Your physician must obtain precertification for the following services:

### This is not an exhaustive list

Inpatient/Outpatient Surgery	Hospice
Home Health	Hyperbaric Therapy
Durable Medical Equipment (DME)	Nuclear Medicine - Thallium/Muga
Total OB Care	Non-Participating Provider Referrals
MRIs / Pet Scans	Dialysis
Lithotripsy	Injectable Medicine
Transplant Evaluation Referrals	Genetic Testing
Oral Surgeon / Dental	Plastic Surgery
Physical, Occupational And Speech Therapy	Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNF)/ Nursing Home
	Growth Hormone Evaluation

Your primary care physician (PCP) has authority to refer you for most services. However your PCP must contact Foundation Health Department for Authorization at 800/242-7174 for certain medical services (see above list) for approval before the service is performed. Requests will be denied if the services are deemed not medically necessary, experimental and/or not covered. All precertifications are conditioned upon the member being actively enrolled at the time the services are requested and/or performed. Medical services receiving precertification are subject to the Plan's copayments.

If a member receives services that require precertification without approval, those services could be denied. If the services are denied based on medical necessity or rendered without approval the member may file a grievance.

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## Section 4. Your costs for covered services

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You must share the cost of some services. You are responsible for:

· **Copayments**

A copayment is a fixed amount of money you pay to the provider, facility, pharmacy, etc., when you receive services.

Example: When you see your primary care physician you pay a copayment of \$10 per office visit and when you go in the hospital, you pay \$200 once per **calendar** year.

· **Coinsurance**

Coinsurance is the percentage of our negotiated fee that you must pay for your care.

Example: In our Plan, you pay 50% of our allowance for infertility services and durable medical equipment.

### **Your catastrophic protection out-of-pocket maximum for coinsurance and copayments**

After your copayments total \$1,500 per person or \$3,000 per family enrollment in any calendar year, you do not have to pay any more for covered services. However, copayments/coinsurance for the following services do not count toward your out-of-pocket maximum and you must continue to pay copayments/coinsurance for these services:

- Routine Vision Care
- Prescription Drugs
- Infertility Treatment

Be sure to keep accurate records of your copayments since you are responsible for informing us when you reach the maximum.

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## Section 5. Benefits -- OVERVIEW

*(See page 6 for how our benefits changed this year and page 47 for a benefits summary.)*

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**NOTE:** This benefits section is divided into subsections. Please read the important things you should keep in mind at the beginning of each subsection. Also read the General Exclusions in Section 6; they apply to the benefits in the following subsections. To obtain claims forms, claims filing advice, or more information about our benefits, contact us at 800-441-5501 or at our website at [www.fhfl.com](http://www.fhfl.com)

(a) Medical services and supplies provided by physicians and other health care professionals .....	12-19
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Diagnostic and treatment services</li><li>• Lab, X-ray, and other diagnostic tests</li><li>• Preventive care, adult</li><li>• Preventive care, children</li><li>• Maternity care</li><li>• Family planning</li><li>• Infertility services</li><li>• Allergy care</li><li>• Treatment therapies</li><li>• Physical and occupational therapies</li></ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Speech therapy</li><li>• Hearing services (testing, treatment, and supplies)</li><li>• Vision services (testing, treatment, and supplies)</li><li>• Foot care</li><li>• Orthopedic and prosthetic devices</li><li>• Durable medical equipment (DME)</li><li>• Home health services</li><li>• Chiropractic</li><li>• Alternative treatments</li><li>• Educational classes and programs</li></ul>	
(b) Surgical and anesthesia services provided by physicians and other health care professionals .....	20-22
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Surgical procedures</li><li>• Reconstructive surgery</li></ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Oral and maxillofacial surgery</li><li>• Organ/tissue transplants</li><li>• Anesthesia</li></ul>	
(c) Services provided by a hospital or other facility, and ambulance services .....	23-24
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Inpatient hospital</li><li>• Outpatient hospital or ambulatory surgical center</li></ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Extended care benefits/skilled nursing care facility benefits</li><li>• Hospice care</li><li>• Ambulance</li></ul>	
(d) Emergency services/accidents .....	25-26
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Medical emergency</li><li>• Ambulance</li></ul>	
(e) Mental health and substance abuse benefits .....	27
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Flexible benefits option</li><li>• High risk pregnancies</li><li>• Centers of excellence for transplants</li><li>• HIV/AIDS</li><li>• Congestive Heart Failure (CHF)</li></ul>	
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## Section 5 (a). Medical services and supplies provided by physicians and other health care professionals

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**Here are some important things to keep in mind about these benefits:**

- Please remember that all benefits are subject to the definitions, limitations, and exclusions in this brochure and are payable only when we determine they are medically necessary.
- Plan physicians must provide or arrange your care.
- Be sure to read Section 4, *Your costs for covered services* for valuable information about how cost sharing works. Also read Section 9 about coordinating benefits with other coverage, including with Medicare.

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Benefit Description	You pay
<b>Diagnostic and treatment services</b>	
Professional services of physicians <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In physician's office</li> </ul>	\$10 per office visit
Professional services of physicians <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• During a hospital stay</li> <li>• In a skilled nursing facility</li> <li>• Office medical consultations</li> </ul>	Nothing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Second surgical opinion</li> </ul>	Nothing if performed by a Plan physician or 40% of usual and customary charges if performed by a non Plan physician
At home	\$10 per office visit
<b>Lab, X-ray and other diagnostic tests</b>	
Tests, such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Blood tests</li> <li>• Urinalysis</li> <li>• Non-routine pap tests</li> <li>• Pathology</li> <li>• X-rays</li> <li>• Non-routine Mammograms</li> <li>• CAT Scans/MRI</li> <li>• Ultrasound</li> <li>• Electrocardiogram and EEG</li> </ul>	Nothing if you receive these services during your office visit; otherwise, \$10 per office visit

Preventive care, adult	You pay
Routine screenings, such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Total Blood Cholesterol – once every three years</li> <li>• Colorectal Cancer Screening, including               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Fecal occult blood test</li> <li>- Sigmoidoscopy, screening – every five years starting at age 50</li> </ul> </li> </ul> Prostate Specific Antigen (PSA test) – one annually for men age 40 and older	\$10 per office visit  \$10 per office visit
Routine pap test Routine chlamydial screening Note: The office visit is covered if pap test is received on the same day; see <i>Diagnosis and Treatment</i> , above.	\$10 per office visit
Routine mammogram –covered for women age 35 and older, as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• From age 35 through 39, one during this five year period</li> <li>• From age 40 through 49, one every two years</li> <li>• At age 50 and older, one mammogram every year.</li> </ul> In addition to routine screening, mammograms are covered when prescribed by your doctor as medically necessary to diagnose or treat your illness.	Nothing
<i>Not covered: Physical exams or services required for obtaining or continuing employment or insurance, attending schools or camp, or travel.</i>	<i>All charges.</i>
Routine immunizations, limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tetanus-diphtheria (Td) booster – once every 10 years, ages 19 and over (except as provided for under Childhood immunizations)</li> <li>• Influenza/Pneumococcal vaccines, annually, age 65 and over</li> </ul>	Nothing
Preventive care, children	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Childhood immunizations recommended by the American Academy of Pediatrics</li> </ul>	Nothing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Well-child care charges for routine examinations, immunizations and care (up to age 22)</li> <li>• Examinations, such as:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Eye exams through age 17 to determine the need for vision correction.</li> <li>- Ear exams through age 17 to determine the need for hearing correction</li> <li>- Examinations done on the day of immunizations ( up to age 22)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	\$10 per office visit

Maternity care	You pay
<p>Complete maternity (obstetrical) care, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prenatal care</li> <li>• Delivery</li> <li>• Postnatal care</li> </ul> <p>Note: Here are some things to keep in mind:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Your doctor must get precertification for your delivery; see page 9 for other circumstances, such as extended stays for you or your baby.</li> <li>• You may remain in the hospital up to 48 hours after a regular delivery and 96 hours after a cesarean delivery. We will extend your inpatient stay if medically necessary.</li> <li>• We cover routine nursery care of the newborn child during the covered portion of the mother’s maternity stay. We will cover other care of an infant who requires non-routine treatment only if we cover the infant under a Self and Family enrollment.</li> <li>• We pay hospitalization and surgeon services (delivery) the same as for illness and injury. See Hospital benefits (Section 5c) and Surgery benefits (Section 5b).</li> </ul>	<p>\$10 per office visit</p>
<p><i>Not covered: Routine sonograms to determine fetal age, size or sex</i></p>	<p><i>All charges.</i></p>
Family planning	
<p>A broad range of voluntary family planning services, limited to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Voluntary sterilization</li> </ul>	<p>\$200</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Surgically implanted contraceptives (such as Norplant)</li> <li>• Injectable contraceptive drugs (such as Depo provera)</li> <li>• Intrauterine devices (IUDs)</li> <li>• Diaphragms</li> </ul> <p>NOTE: We cover oral contraceptives under the prescription drug benefit.</p>	<p>\$10 per office visit</p>
<p><i>Not covered: reversal of voluntary surgical sterilization, genetic counseling,</i></p>	<p><i>All charges.</i></p>
Infertility services	
<p>Diagnosis and treatment of infertility, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Artificial insemination: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>intravaginal insemination (IVI)</i></li> <li>- <i>intra-cervical insemination (ICI)</i></li> <li>- <i>intrauterine insemination (IUI)</i></li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>50% of covered charges</p>

*Infertility services --continued on next page*

Infertility services (continued)	You pay
<p><i>Not covered:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fertility drugs</li> <li>• Assisted reproductive technology (ART) procedures, such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>in vitro</i> fertilization</li> <li>- embryo transfer, gamete GIFT and zygote ZIFT</li> <li>- Zygote transfer</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Services and supplies related to excluded ART procedures</li> <li>• Cost of donor sperm</li> <li>• Cost of donor egg</li> </ul>	<p><i>All charges.</i></p>
<b>Allergy care</b>	
<p>Testing and treatment Allergy injection</p>	<p>\$15 per office visit</p>
<p>Allergy serum</p>	<p>Nothing</p>
<p><i>Not covered: provocative food testing and sublingual allergy desensitization</i></p>	<p><i>All charges.</i></p>
<b>Treatment therapies</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chemotherapy and radiation therapy</li> </ul> <p>Note: High dose chemotherapy in association with autologous bone marrow transplants are limited to those transplants listed under Organ/Tissue Transplants on page 22</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Respiratory and inhalation therapy</li> <li>• Dialysis – Hemodialysis and peritoneal dialysis</li> <li>• Intravenous (IV)/Infusion Therapy – Home IV and antibiotic therapy</li> <li>• Growth hormone therapy (GHT)</li> </ul> <p>Note: Growth hormone is covered under the prescription drug benefit.</p> <p>Note: – We will only cover GHT when we preauthorize the treatment. Call your primary care physician to coordinate your care. We will ask him/her to submit information that establishes that the GHT is medically necessary. Ask us to authorize GHT before you begin treatment; otherwise, we will only cover GHT services from the date the information is submitted. If prior authorization is not given or if we determine GHT is not medically necessary, we will not cover the GHT or related services and supplies. See <i>Services requiring our prior approval</i> in Section 3.</p>	<p>\$10 per office visit</p>

Physical and occupational therapies	You pay
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 60 visits per condition for the services of each of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- qualified physical therapists and</li> <li>- occupational therapists.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Note: We only cover therapy to restore bodily function when there has been a total or partial loss of bodily function due to illness or injury.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inpatient cardiac rehabilitation following a heart transplant, bypass surgery or a myocardial infarction, is provided for up to 100 sessions.</li> <li>• Outpatient cardiac rehabilitation following a heart transplant, bypass surgery or a myocardial infarction.</li> </ul>	<p>\$10 per office visit</p> <p>Nothing per visit during covered inpatient admission.</p> <p>\$10 per office visit</p>
<p><i>Not covered:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• long-term rehabilitative therapy</li> <li>• pulmonary rehabilitation</li> <li>• exercise programs</li> </ul>	<p><i>All charges.</i></p>
Speech therapy	
<p>Habilitative and Rehabilitative Services</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 60 visits per condition</li> </ul>	<p>\$10 per office visit. Nothing per visit during covered inpatient admission.</p>
<p><i>Not covered:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All services not deemed medically necessary</li> </ul>	<p><i>All charges.</i></p>
Hearing services (testing, treatment, and supplies)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First hearing aid and testing only when necessitated by accidental injury</li> <li>• Hearing testing for children through age 18 (see <i>Preventive care, children</i>)</li> </ul>	<p>\$10 per office visit</p>
<p><i>Not covered:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• all other hearing testing</li> <li>• hearing aids, testing and examinations for them</li> </ul>	<p><i>All charges.</i></p>
Vision services (testing, treatment, and supplies)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Annual eye refractions, including written lens prescription</li> </ul> <p>Note: See Preventive care, children for eye exam to determine the need for vision correction for children through age 18.</p>	<p>\$19 per office visit</p>
<p>Eyeglasses</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Standard frames (preselected collection)</li> <li>• Single vision lenses</li> </ul>	<p>Nothing</p> <p>\$20</p>

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Vision services (testing, treatment, and supplies) (cont.)	You pay
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bifocal lenses</li> <li>• Trifocal lenses</li> <li>• One pair of eyeglasses or contact lenses to correct an impairment directly caused by accidental ocular injury or intraocular surgery (such as for cataracts)</li> </ul>	<p>\$25</p> <p>\$30</p> <p>\$10 per office visit</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Medically necessary contact lenses (evaluation and fitting)</li> </ul>	<p>Nothing</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Daily wear contact lenses (Bausch &amp; Lomb, Biomedics)</li> </ul>	<p>\$10</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Extended wear contact lenses (Bausch &amp; Lomb, Biomedics)</li> </ul>	<p>\$15</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Disposable lenses (2 boxes of all clear spherical lens)</li> </ul>	<p>\$48</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All eyewear (including contact lenses) outside of the Select Plan.</li> </ul>	<p>25% discount</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Eye exam to determine the need for vision correction for children through age 18 (see Preventive care, children)</li> </ul>	<p>\$10</p>
<p><i>Not covered:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Eye exercises and orthoptics</li> <li>• Radial keratotomy and other refractive surgery</li> </ul>	<p><i>All charges.</i></p>
<b>Foot care</b>	
<p>Routine foot care when you are under active treatment for a metabolic or peripheral vascular disease, such as diabetes.</p> <p>See orthopedic and prosthetic devices for information on podiatric shoe inserts.</p>	<p>\$10 per office visit</p>
<p><i>Not covered:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cutting, trimming or removal of corns, calluses, or the free edge of toenails, and similar routine treatment of conditions of the foot, except as stated above</li> <li>• Treatment of weak, strained or flat feet or bunions or spurs; and of any instability, imbalance or subluxation of the foot (unless the treatment is by open cutting surgery)</li> </ul>	<p><i>All charges.</i></p>

Orthopedic and prosthetic devices	You pay
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Artificial limbs and eyes; stump hose</li> <li>• Externally worn breast prostheses and surgical bras, including necessary replacements, following a mastectomy</li> <li>• Internal prosthetic devices, such as artificial joints, pacemakers, cochlear implants, and surgically implanted breast implant following mastectomy. Note: See 5(b) for coverage of the surgery to insert the device.</li> <li>• Internal prosthetic devices, such as artificial joints, pacemakers, cochlear implants, and surgically implanted breast implant following mastectomy. Note: We pay internal prosthetic devices as hospital benefits; see Section 5(c) for payment information. See 5(b) for coverage of the surgery to insert the device.</li> <li>• Corrective orthopedic appliances for non-dental treatment of temporomandibular joint (TMJ) pain dysfunction syndrome.</li> </ul>	Nothing
<p><i>Not covered:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>orthopedic and corrective shoes</i></li> <li>• <i>arch supports</i></li> <li>• <i>foot orthotics</i></li> <li>• <i>heel pads and heel cups</i></li> <li>• <i>lumbosacral supports</i></li> <li>• <i>corsets, trusses, elastic stockings, support hose, and other supportive devices</i></li> <li>• <i>prosthetic replacements provided less than 3 years after the last one we covered</i></li> </ul>	<i>All charges.</i>
<b>Durable medical equipment (DME)</b>	
<p>Rental or purchase, at our option, including repair and adjustment, of durable medical equipment prescribed by your Plan physician, such as oxygen and dialysis equipment. Under this benefit, we also cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• hospital beds;</li> <li>• wheelchairs;</li> <li>• crutches;</li> <li>• walkers;</li> <li>• blood glucose monitors; and</li> <li>• insulin pumps;</li> <li>• diabetic strips</li> </ul> <p>Note: Call us at 800-441-5501 as soon as your Plan physician prescribes this equipment.</p>	Nothing

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<b>Durable medical equipment (DME) (continued)</b>	<b>You pay</b>
<p><i>Not covered:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Motorized wheel chairs unless medically necessary to meet the minimum functional requirements of the member.</i></li> </ul>	<p><i>All charges.</i></p>
<b>Home health services</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Home health care ordered and performed by a Plan physician</li> </ul>	<p>\$10 per visit</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Home Health care ordered by a Plan physician and provided by a registered nurse (R.N.), licensed practical nurse (L.P.N.), licensed vocational nurse (L.V.N.), or home health aide.</li> <li>• Services include oxygen therapy, intravenous therapy and medications.</li> </ul>	<p>Nothing</p>
<p><i>Not covered:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>nursing care requested by, or for the convenience of, the patient or the patient's family;</i></li> <li>• <i>home care primarily for personal assistance that does not include a medical component and is not diagnostic, therapeutic, or rehabilitative</i></li> </ul>	<p><i>All charges.</i></p>
<b>Chiropractic</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Manipulation of the spine and extremities</li> <li>• Adjunctive procedures such as ultrasound, electrical muscle stimulation, vibratory therapy, and cold pack application</li> <li>• 12 visits without a referral per calendar year, additional visits require referral from PCP</li> </ul>	<p>\$10 per office visit</p>
<p><i>Not covered:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>All services not deemed medically necessary</i></li> </ul>	<p><i>All charges.</i></p>
<b>Alternative treatments</b>	
<p>Biofeedback – for migraine headaches</p>	<p>\$10 per office visit</p>
<p><i>Not covered:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>acupuncture</i></li> <li>• <i>naturopathic services</i></li> <li>• <i>hypnotherapy</i></li> </ul>	<p><i>All charges.</i></p>
<b>Educational classes and programs</b>	
<p>Coverage is limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Smoking Cessation –The program includes up to \$100 for smoking cessation drugs per member per lifetime</li> </ul>	<p>\$10 per office visit</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diabetes self-management</li> </ul>	<p>Nothing</p>

## Section 5 (b). Surgical and anesthesia services provided by physicians and other health care professionals

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**Here are some important things to keep in mind about these benefits:**

- Please remember that all benefits are subject to the definitions, limitations, and exclusions in this brochure and are payable only when we determine they are medically necessary.
- Plan physicians must provide or arrange your care.
- Be sure to read Section 4, *Your costs for covered services*, for valuable information about how cost sharing works. Also read Section 9 about coordinating benefits with other coverage, including with Medicare.
- The amounts listed below are for the charges billed by a physician or other health care professional for your surgical care. Look in Section 5(c) for charges associated with the facility (i.e. hospital, surgical center, etc.).
- **YOUR PHYSICIAN MUST GET PRECERTIFICATION OF SOME SURGICAL PROCEDURES.** Please refer to the precertification information shown in Section 3 to be sure which services require precertification and identify which surgeries require precertification.

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Benefit Description	You pay
<b>Surgical procedures</b>	
<p>A comprehensive range of services, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Operative procedures</li> <li>• Treatment of fractures, including casting</li> <li>• Normal pre- and post-operative care by the surgeon</li> <li>• Correction of amblyopia and strabismus</li> <li>• Endoscopy procedures</li> <li>• Biopsy procedures</li> <li>• Removal of tumors and cysts</li> <li>• Correction of congenital anomalies (see reconstructive surgery)</li> <li>• Surgical treatment of morbid obesity -- a condition in which an individual weighs 100 pounds or 100% over his or her normal weight according to current underwriting standards; eligible members must be age 18 or over</li> <li>• Insertion of internal prosthetic devices. See 5(a) – Orthopedic and prosthetic devices for device coverage information.</li> </ul>	<p>\$10 per office visit</p> <p>\$200 per calendar year for inpatient hospital <b>admissions</b></p> <p>\$50 per outpatient <b>surgery</b></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Voluntary sterilization</li> </ul>	\$200 copayment
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Treatment of burns</li> </ul> <p>Note: Generally, we pay for internal prostheses (devices) according to where the procedure is done. For example, we pay Hospital benefits for a pacemaker and Surgery benefits for insertion of the pacemaker.</p>	\$10 per office visit.
<p><i>Not covered:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Reversal of voluntary sterilization</i></li> <li>• <i>Routine treatment of conditions of the foot; see Foot care.</i></li> </ul>	<i>All charges.</i>

<b>Reconstructive surgery</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Surgery to correct a functional defect</li> <li>• Surgery to correct a condition caused by injury or illness if: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- the condition produced a major effect on the member's appearance and</li> <li>- the condition can reasonably be expected to be corrected by such surgery</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Surgery to correct a condition that existed at or from birth and is a significant deviation from the common form or norm. Examples of congenital anomalies are: protruding ear deformities; cleft lip; cleft palate; birth marks; webbed fingers; and webbed toes.</li> </ul>	<p>\$10 per office visit.</p> <p>\$200 per calendar year for inpatient hospital.</p> <p>\$50 per outpatient <b>surgery</b></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All stages of breast reconstruction surgery following a mastectomy, such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- surgery to produce a symmetrical appearance on the other breast;</li> <li>- treatment of any physical complications, such as lymphedemas;</li> <li>- breast prostheses and surgical bras and replacements (see Prosthetic devices)</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Note: If you need a mastectomy, you may choose to have the procedure performed on an inpatient basis and remain in the hospital up to 48 hours after the procedure.</p>	See above.
<p><i>Not covered:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Cosmetic surgery – any surgical procedure (or any portion of a procedure) performed primarily to improve physical appearance through change in bodily form, except repair of accidental injury</i></li> <li>• <i>Surgeries related to sex transformation</i></li> </ul>	<i>All charges</i>
<b>Oral and maxillofacial surgery</b>	
<p>Oral surgical procedures, limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reduction of fractures of the jaws or facial bones;</li> <li>• Surgical correction of cleft lip, cleft palate or severe functional malocclusion;</li> <li>• Removal of stones from salivary ducts;</li> <li>• Excision of leukoplakia or malignancies;</li> <li>• Excision of cysts and incision of abscesses when done as independent procedures; and</li> <li>• Other surgical procedures that do not involve the teeth or their supporting structures.</li> </ul>	\$10 per office visit
<p><i>Not covered:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Oral implants and transplants</i></li> <li>• <i>Procedures that involve the teeth or their supporting structures (such as the periodontal membrane, gingiva, and alveolar bone)</i></li> </ul>	<i>All charges.</i>

Organ/tissue transplants	You pay
<p>Limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cornea</li> <li>• Heart</li> <li>• Heart/lung</li> <li>• Kidney</li> <li>• Kidney/Pancreas</li> <li>• Liver</li> <li>• Lung: Single –Double</li> <li>• Pancreas</li> <li>• Allogeneic (donor) bone marrow transplants</li> <li>• Autologous bone marrow transplants (autologous stem cell and peripheral stem cell support) for the following conditions: acute lymphocytic or non-lymphocytic leukemia; advanced Hodgkin's lymphoma; advanced non-Hodgkin's lymphoma; advanced neuroblastoma; breast cancer; multiple myeloma; epithelial ovarian cancer; and testicular, mediastinal, retroperitoneal and ovarian germ cell tumors</li> <li>• Intestinal transplants (small intestine) and the small intestine with the liver or small intestine with multiple organs such as the liver, stomach, and pancreas</li> <li>• Centers for Excellence</li> </ul> <p>Limited Benefits - Treatment for breast cancer, multiple myeloma, and epithelial ovarian cancer may be provided in an NCI- or NIH-approved clinical trial at a Plan-designated center of excellence and if approved by the Plan's medical director in accordance with the Plan's protocols</p> <p>Note: We cover related medical and hospital expenses of the donor when we cover the recipient.</p>	<p>\$200 per calendar year for inpatient hospital.</p>
Organ/tissue transplants	
<p><i>Not covered:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Donor screening tests and donor search expenses, except those performed for the actual donor</i></li> <li>• <i>Implants of artificial organs</i></li> <li>• <i>Transplants not listed as covered</i></li> </ul>	<p><i>All charges.</i></p>
Anesthesia	
<p>Professional services provided in –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hospital (inpatient)</li> <li>• Hospital (outpatient department)</li> </ul>	<p>Nothing</p>
<p>Professional services provided in –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Skilled nursing facility</li> <li>• Ambulatory surgical center</li> <li>• Office</li> </ul>	<p>\$10 per office visit</p>

## Section 5 (c). Services provided by a hospital or other facility, and ambulance services

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**Here are some important things to remember about these benefits:**

- Please remember that all benefits are subject to the definitions, limitations, and exclusions in this brochure and are payable only when we determine they are medically necessary.
- Plan physicians must provide or arrange your care and you must be hospitalized in a Plan facility.
- Be sure to read Section 4, *Your costs for covered services*, for valuable information about how cost sharing works. Also read Section 9 about coordinating benefits with other coverage, including with Medicare.
- The amounts listed below are for the charges billed by the facility (i.e., hospital or surgical center) or ambulance service for your surgery or care. Any costs associated with the professional charge (i.e., physicians, etc.) are covered in 5(a) or (b).
- **YOUR PHYSICIAN MUST GET PRECERTIFICATION OF HOSPITAL STAYS.** Please refer to Section 3 to be sure which services require precertification.

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Benefit Description	You pay
<b>Inpatient hospital</b>	
<p>Room and board, such as</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ward, semiprivate, or intensive care accommodations;</li> <li>• general nursing care; and</li> <li>• meals and special diets.</li> </ul> <p>NOTE: If you want a private room when it is not medically necessary, you pay the additional charge above the semiprivate room rate.</p>	\$200 per calendar year for inpatient hospital
<p>Other hospital services and supplies, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Operating, recovery, maternity, and other treatment rooms</li> <li>• Prescribed drugs and medicines</li> <li>• Diagnostic laboratory tests and X-rays</li> <li>• Administration of blood and blood products</li> <li>• Blood or blood plasma, if not donated or replaced</li> <li>• Dressings, splints, casts, and sterile tray services</li> <li>• Medical supplies and equipment, including oxygen</li> <li>• Anesthetics, including nurse anesthetist services</li> <li>• Take-home items</li> <li>• Medical supplies, appliances, medical equipment, and any covered items billed by a hospital for use at home</li> </ul>	Nothing; included in the inpatient hospital copay
<p><i>Not covered:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Custodial care</i></li> <li>• <i>Non-covered facilities, such as nursing homes, schools</i></li> <li>• <i>Personal comfort items, such as telephone, television, barber services, guest meals and beds</i></li> <li>• <i>Private nursing care</i></li> </ul>	<i>All charges.</i>

<b>Outpatient hospital or ambulatory surgical center</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Operating, recovery, and other treatment rooms</li> <li>• Prescribed drugs and medicines</li> <li>• Diagnostic laboratory tests, X-rays, and pathology services</li> <li>• Administration of blood, blood plasma, and other biologicals</li> <li>• Blood and blood plasma, if not donated or replaced</li> <li>• Pre-surgical testing</li> <li>• Dressings, casts, and sterile tray services</li> <li>• Medical supplies, including oxygen</li> <li>• Anesthetics and anesthesia service</li> </ul> <p>NOTE: – We cover hospital services and supplies related to dental procedures when necessitated by a non-dental physical impairment. We do not cover the dental procedures.</p>	\$50 copay per outpatient surgery
<b>Extended care benefits/skilled nursing care facility benefits</b>	<b>You pay</b>
<p>The Plan provides a comprehensive range of benefits for up to 100 days per calendar year when you are hospitalized under the care of a Plan doctor. All necessary services are covered</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bed, board and general nursing care</li> <li>• Drugs, biological, supplies and equipment ordinarily provided or arranged by the skilled nursing facility when prescribed by a Plan doctor</li> </ul>	Nothing
<i>Not covered: custodial care</i>	<i>All charges.</i>
<b>Hospice care</b>	
<p>The Plan covers supportive and palliative care for a terminally ill member. Coverage is provided in the home or a hospice facility. Services include inpatient, outpatient care and family counseling; these services are provided under the direction of a Plan doctor who certifies that the patient is in terminal stages of illness, with a life expectancy of approximately six months or less.</p>	Nothing
<i>Not covered: Independent nursing, homemaker services</i>	<i>All charges.</i>
<b>Ambulance</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Local professional ambulance service when medically appropriate</li> </ul>	Nothing

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## Section 5 (d). Emergency services/accidents

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Here are some important things to keep in mind about these benefits:

- Please remember that all benefits are subject to the definitions, limitations, and exclusions in this brochure.
- Be sure to read Section 4, *Your costs for covered services* for valuable information about how cost sharing works. Also read Section 9 about coordinating benefits with other coverage, including with Medicare.

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### What is a medical emergency?

A medical emergency is the sudden and unexpected onset of a condition or an injury that you believe endangers your life or could result in serious injury or disability, and requires immediate medical or surgical care. Some problems are emergencies because, if not treated promptly, they might become more serious; examples include deep cuts and broken bones. Others are emergencies because they are potentially life-threatening, such as heart attacks, strokes, poisonings, gunshot wounds, or sudden inability to breathe. There are many other acute conditions that we may determine are medical emergencies – what they all have in common is the need for quick action.

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### What to do in case of emergency:

If you are in an emergency situation, please call your primary care doctor. In extreme emergencies, if you are unable to contact your doctor, contact the local emergency system (e.g., the 911 telephone system) or go to the nearest hospital emergency room. Be sure to tell the emergency room personnel that you are a Plan member so they can notify the Plan. You or a family member should notify the Plan within 48 hours unless it is not reasonably possible to do so. It is your responsibility to ensure that the Plan has been notified timely

If you need to be hospitalized, the Plan must be notified within 48 hours or on the first working day following your admission, unless it was not reasonably possible to notify the Plan in that time. If you are hospitalized in non-Plan facilities and Plan doctors believe care can be better provided in a Plan hospital, you will be transferred when medically feasible with any ambulance charges covered in full.

### Emergencies within our service area:

Benefits are available for care from non-Plan providers in a medical emergency only if delay in reaching a Plan provider would result in death, disability or significant jeopardy to your condition.

To be covered by this Plan, any follow-up care recommended by non-Plan providers must be approved by the Plan or provided by Plan providers.

### Emergencies outside our service area:

Benefits are available for any medically necessary service that is immediately required because of injury or unforeseen illness.

If you need to be hospitalized, the Plan must be notified within 48 hours or on the first working day following your admission, unless it was not reasonably possible to notify the Plan in that time. If you are hospitalized in non-Plan facilities and Plan doctors believe care can be better provided in a Plan hospital, you will be transferred when medically feasible with any ambulance charges covered in full.

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Benefit Description	You pay
<b>Emergency within our service area</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Emergency care at a doctor's office</li> </ul>	\$10 per office visit
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Emergency care at an urgent care center</li> </ul>	\$25 per visit
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Emergency care as an outpatient or inpatient at a hospital, including doctors' services</li> </ul>	\$50 per visit (waived if admitted), or
<i>Not covered: Elective care or non-emergency care</i>	<i>All charges.</i>
<b>Emergency outside our service area</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Emergency care at a doctor's office</li> <li>Emergency care at an urgent care center</li> </ul>	\$25 per visit
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Emergency care as an outpatient or inpatient at a hospital, including doctors' services</li> </ul>	\$50 per visit (waived if admitted)
<p><i>Not covered:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Elective care or non-emergency care</i></li> <li><i>Emergency care provided outside the service area if the need for care could have been foreseen before leaving the service area</i></li> <li><i>Medical and hospital costs resulting from a normal full-term delivery of a baby outside the service area</i></li> </ul>	<i>All charges.</i>
<b>Ambulance</b>	
Professional ambulance service when medically appropriate. See 5(c) for non-emergency service.	Nothing
<i>Not covered: air ambulance (unless pre-approved by the Plan)</i>	<i>All charges.</i>

## Section 5 (e). Mental health and substance abuse benefits

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When you get our approval for services and follow a treatment plan we approve, cost sharing and limitations for Plan mental health and substance abuse benefits will be no greater than for similar benefits for other illnesses and conditions.

**Here are some important things to keep in mind about these benefits:**

- All benefits are subject to the definitions, limitations, and exclusions in this brochure.
- Be sure to read Section 4, *Your costs for covered services*, for valuable information about how cost sharing works. Also read Section 9 about coordinating benefits with other coverage, including with Medicare.
- **YOU MUST GET PREAUTHORIZATION OF THESE SERVICES.** See the instructions after the benefits description below.

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Benefit Description	You pay
<b>Mental health and substance abuse benefits</b>	
<p>All diagnostic and treatment services recommended by a Plan provider and contained in a treatment plan approved by Psych/Care. The treatment plan may include services, drugs, and supplies described elsewhere in this brochure.</p> <p>Note: Plan benefits are payable only when we determine the care is clinically appropriate to treat your condition and only when you receive the care as part of a treatment plan that Psych/Care approves.</p>	Your cost sharing responsibilities are no greater than for other illness or conditions.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Professional services, including individual or group therapy by providers such as psychiatrists, psychologists, or clinical social workers</li> <li>• Medication management</li> </ul>	\$10 per visit
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diagnostic tests</li> </ul>	Nothing if you receive these services during your office visit; otherwise, \$10 per visit
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Services provided by a hospital or other facility</li> <li>• Services in approved alternative care settings such as partial hospitalization, half-way house, residential treatment, full-day hospitalization, facility based intensive outpatient treatment</li> </ul>	\$200 per calendar year for inpatient hospital.
<p><i>Not covered: Services we have not approved.</i></p> <p><i>Note: OPM will base its review of disputes about treatment plans on the treatment plan's clinical appropriateness. OPM will generally not order us to pay or provide one clinically appropriate treatment plan in favor of another.</i></p>	<i>All charges.</i>

**Preauthorization**

To be eligible to receive these benefits you must obtain a treatment plan and follow all of the following authorization processes:

Foundation Health requires you to call Psych/Care directly at 800-221-5487. An assessment of your condition(s) will determine the type of services you will need.

**Limitation**

We may limit your benefits if you do not obtain a treatment plan.

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## Section 5 (f). Prescription drug benefits

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**Here are some important things to keep in mind about these benefits:**

- We cover prescribed drugs and medications, as described in the chart beginning on the next page.
- All benefits are subject to the definitions, limitations and exclusions in this brochure and are payable only when we determine they are medically necessary.
- Be sure to read Section 4, *Your costs for covered services*, for valuable information about how cost sharing works. Also read Section 9 about coordinating benefits with other coverage, including with Medicare.

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**There are important features you should be aware of.** These include:

- **Who can write your prescription.** A licensed physician must write the prescription.
- **Where you can obtain them.** You may fill the prescription at a participating pharmacy, please see the complete listing of participating pharmacies in our provider directory.
- **We use a formulary.** A formulary is a mandatory listing of covered prescription medications which are preferred for use by this Plan and will be dispensed through participating pharmacies to covered persons. All medications are listed by generic name with brand names listed for reference. We cover non-formulary drugs prescribed by a Plan doctor. If a physician prescribes a drug that is not on the formulary, you will be responsible for a higher copayment of \$34. If a physician would like to make a recommendation for a formulary revision they may contact the Plan directly.

We have an open formulary. If your physician believes a name brand product is necessary or there is no generic available, your physician may prescribe a name brand drug from a formulary list. If no generic is available the cost will be a copayment amount of \$14. This list of name brand drugs is a preferred list of drugs that we selected to meet patient needs at a lower cost. To order a prescription drug brochure, call 800-441-5501.

- **These are the dispensing limitations.**

Retail drugs are dispensed in increments of 34-day supply or Foundation Health's Drug Utilization System is set to alert the dispensing pharmacy whenever a maintenance medication is presented for refill very early after the last dispersion, or if the patient has waited beyond the specified days supply for their previous fill. If a physician prescribes a medication that does not have a generic equivalent the member is responsible to pay the brand name copay. Drugs to treat sexual dysfunction are limited to 4 pills or dosage units per month. Prior approval is required.

A generic equivalent will be dispensed if it is available, unless your physician specifically requires a name brand. If you receive a name brand drug when a Federally-approved generic drug is available, you have to pay the brand name copay + the difference in cost between the name brand drug and the generic.

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- **Why use generic drugs?**

Generic drugs offer a safe and economic way to meet your prescription drug needs.

- **When you have to file a claim.**

See Filing a claim for covered services (Section 7).

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Benefit Description	You pay After the calendar year deductible...
<b>Covered medications and supplies</b>	
<p>We cover the following medications and supplies prescribed by a Plan physician and obtained from a Plan pharmacy or through our mail order program:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drugs and medicines that by Federal law of the United States require a physician’s prescription for their purchase, except those listed as <i>Not covered</i>.</li> <li>• Insulin</li> <li>• Disposable needles and syringes for the administration of covered medications</li> <li>• Contraceptive drugs and devices</li> </ul>	<p>\$ 7 per generic formulary;            \$ 14 per formulary brand when a generic is not available;            \$34 per non-formulary drug</p> <p>Note: If there is no generic equivalent available, you will still have to pay the brand name copay.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drugs for sexual dysfunction (Viagra, limited to 4 pills per month, (Prior authorization required))</li> </ul>	<p>\$34 per prescription</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drugs for smoking cessation (combined with all smoking cessation related services)</li> </ul>	<p>\$100 per person per lifetime</p>
<p><i>Not covered:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Drugs and supplies for cosmetic purposes</i></li> <li>• <i>Drugs to enhance athletic performance</i></li> <li>• <i>Drugs obtained at a non-Plan pharmacy; except for out-of-area emergencies</i></li> <li>• <i>Vitamins, nutrients and food supplements even if a physician prescribes or administers them</i></li> <li>• <i>Nonprescription medicines</i></li> </ul>	<p><i>All charges.</i></p>

## Section 5 (g). Special features

Feature	Description
<b>Flexible benefits option</b>	<p>Under the flexible benefits option, we determine the most effective way to provide services.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We may identify medically appropriate alternatives to traditional care and coordinate other benefits as a less costly alternative benefit.</li> <li>• Alternative benefits are subject to our ongoing review.</li> <li>• By approving an alternative benefit, we cannot guarantee you will get it in the future.</li> <li>• The decision to offer an alternative benefit is solely ours, and we may withdraw it at any time and resume regular contract benefits.</li> <li>• Our decision to offer or withdraw alternative benefits is not subject to OPM review under the disputed claims process.</li> </ul>
<b>High risk pregnancies</b>	<p>Foundation Health offers a dedicated OB Case Management unit, coordinating and monitoring all phases of care through the member's pregnancy.</p>
<b>Centers of excellence for transplants/heart surgery/etc.</b>	<p>Foundation Health utilizes United Resource Network (URN) for transplants. URN centers are utilized on a case by case basis. URN has centers of excellence nationwide for various of transplants.</p>
<b>HIV/AIDS</b>	<p>Foundation Health encourages members to get regular testing during their annual exam. With early detection and intervention we assist members via educational material, assist the member with obtaining necessary resources.</p>
<b>Congestive Heart Failure (CHF)</b>	<p>Foundation Health offers members with Congestive Heart Failure dedicated Case Management services. We also provide educational material to the member to assist in the improvement of their condition.</p>

## Section 5 (h). Dental benefits

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**Here are some important things to keep in mind about these benefits:**

- Please remember that all benefits are subject to the definitions, limitations, and exclusions in this brochure and are payable only when we determine they are medically necessary.
- Plan dentists must provide or arrange your care.
- We cover hospitalization for dental procedures only when a nondental physical impairment exists which makes hospitalization necessary to safeguard the health of the patient; we do not cover the dental procedure unless it is described below.
- Be sure to read Section 4, *Your costs for covered services*, for valuable information about how cost sharing works. Also read Section 9 about coordinating benefits with other coverage, including with Medicare.

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<b>Accidental injury benefit</b>	<b>You pay</b>
We cover restorative services and supplies necessary to promptly repair (but not replace) sound natural teeth. The need for these services must result from an accidental injury.	\$10 per office visit
Services rendered in a hospital emergency room or urgent care center.	\$50 per visit
<b>Dental benefits</b>	
We have no other dental benefits.	

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## Section 5 (i). Non-FEHB benefits available to Plan members

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The benefits on this page are not part of the FEHB contract or premium, **and you cannot file an FEHB disputed claim about them.** Fees you pay for these services do not count toward FEHB deductibles or out-of-pocket maximums.

**Medicare Prepaid Plan Enrollment** – This Plan offers Medicare beneficiaries (whether actively working or annuitant) the opportunity to enroll in the Plan through Medicare. As indicated on page 39, certain annuitants and former spouses who are covered by both Medicare Parts A and B and FEHB, may elect to drop their FEHB coverage and later reenroll in FEHB. Prior to dropping your FEHB enrollment to change to a Medicare prepaid health plan, you should contact your retirement system for more information. Contact us at 877/FHS-6899 or by fax at 954/846-8873, for information on the Medicare prepaid plan and the cost of that enrollment.

If you are entitled to Medicare Benefits, you may also choose to enroll in a Medicare HMO sponsored by this Plan without dropping your enrollment in this Plan's FEHB plan. If you are interested in this option and would like more information on the benefits available under the Medicare HMO and how they coordinate with your FEHB benefits, contact us at 877/FHS-6899 or by fax at 954/846-8873.

**Expanded Vision Care** – Discounts on vision services are available to Foundation Health members. Services include Eye exams; Contact lenses; Eyeglasses, Designer glasses, Sunglasses, etc. Non-Medically necessary Contact Lenses evaluation and fitting services are provided by participating providers, there is a maximum charge of \$45 for Foundation Health members.

For details on specific services and discounts, please call our Member Services Department at 877/FHS-6899.

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## Section 6. General exclusions -- things we don't cover

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The exclusions in this section apply to all benefits. **Although we may list a specific service as a benefit, we will not cover it unless your Plan doctor determines it is medically necessary to prevent, diagnose, or treat your illness, disease, injury, or condition.**

We do not cover the following:

- Care by non-Plan providers except for authorized referrals or emergencies (see Emergency Benefits);
- Services, drugs, or supplies you receive while you are not enrolled in this Plan;
- Services, drugs, or supplies that are not medically necessary;
- Services, drugs, or supplies not required according to accepted standards of medical, dental, or psychiatric practice;
- Experimental or investigational procedures, treatments, drugs or devices;
- Services, drugs, or supplies related to abortions, except when the life of the mother would be endangered if the fetus were carried to term or when the pregnancy is the result of an act of rape or incest;
- Services, drugs, or supplies related to sex transformations; or
- Services, drugs, or supplies you receive from a provider or facility barred from the FEHB Program.

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## Section 7. Filing a claim for covered services

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When you see Plan physicians, receive services at Plan hospitals and facilities, or obtain your prescription drugs at Plan pharmacies, you will not have to file claims. Just present your identification card and pay your copayment.

You will only need to file a claim when you receive emergency services from non-plan providers. Sometimes these providers bill us directly. Check with the provider. If you need to file the claim, here is the process:

### Medical, hospital and drug benefits

In most cases, providers and facilities file claims for you. Physicians must file on the form HCFA-1500, Health Insurance Claim Form. Facilities will file on the UB-92 form. For claims questions and assistance, call us at 800/441-5501.

When you must file a claim -- such as for out-of-area care -- submit it on the HCFA-1500 or a claim form that includes the information shown below. Bills and receipts should be itemized and show:

- Covered member's name and ID number;
- Name and address of the physician or facility that provided the service or supply, tax identification
- Dates you received the services or supplies;
- Diagnosis code;
- Type of each service or supply;
- The charge for each service or supply;
- A copy of the explanation of benefits, payments, or denial from any primary payer -- such as the Medicare Summary Notice (MSN); and
- Receipts, if you paid for your services;
- For services received overseas, please provide a translation of services.

**Submit your claims to: Foundation Health  
Attn: FEHB Claims Department  
1340 Concord Terrace  
Sunrise, Florida 33323**

### Deadline for filing your claim

Send us all of the documents for your claim as soon as possible. You must submit the claim by December 31 of the year after the year you received the service, unless timely filing was prevented by administrative operations of Government or legal incapacity, provided the claim was submitted as soon as reasonably possible.

### When we need more information

Please reply promptly when we ask for additional information. We may delay processing or deny your claim if you do not respond.

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## Section 8. The disputed claims process

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Follow this Federal Employees Health Benefits Program disputed claims process if you disagree with our decision on your claim or request for services, drugs, or supplies – including a request for preauthorization:

Step	Description
<b>1</b>	<p>Ask us in writing to reconsider our initial decision. You must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(a) Write to us within 6 months from the date of our decision; and</li><li>(b) Send your request to us at: Foundation Health, a Florida Health Plan, Inc., 1340 Concord Terrace, Sunrise, Florida 33323; and</li><li>(c) Include a statement about why you believe our initial decision was wrong, based on specific benefit provisions in this brochure; and</li><li>(d) Include copies of documents that support your claim, such as physicians' letters, operative reports, bills, medical records, and explanation of benefits (EOB) forms.</li></ul>
<b>2</b>	<p>We have 30 days from the date we receive your request to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(a) Pay the claim (or, if applicable, arrange for the health care provider to give you the care); or</li><li>(b) Write to you and maintain our denial -- go to step 4; or</li><li>(c) Ask you or your provider for more information. If we ask your provider, we will send you a copy of our request—go to step 3.</li></ul>
<b>3</b>	<p>You or your provider must send the information so that we receive it within 60 days of our request. We will then decide within 30 more days.</p> <p>If we do not receive the information within 60 days, we will decide within 30 days of the date the information was due. We will base our decision on the information we already have.</p> <p>We will write to you with our decision.</p>
<b>4</b>	<p>If you do not agree with our decision, you may ask OPM to review it.</p> <p>You must write to OPM within:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 90 days after the date of our letter upholding our initial decision; or</li><li>• 120 days after you first wrote to us -- if we did not answer that request in some way within 30 days; or</li><li>• 120 days after we asked for additional information.</li></ul> <p>Write to OPM at: Office of Personnel Management, Office of Insurance Programs, Contracts Division 3, 1900 E Street, NW, Washington, DC 20415-3630.</p>

## The Disputed Claims process (*Continued*)

Send OPM the following information:

- A statement about why you believe our decision was wrong, based on specific benefit provisions in this brochure;
- Copies of documents that support your claim, such as physicians' letters, operative reports, bills, medical records, and explanation of benefits (EOB) forms;
- Copies of all letters you sent to us about the claim;
- Copies of all letters we sent to you about the claim; and
- Your daytime phone number and the best time to call.

Note: If you want OPM to review different claims, you must clearly identify which documents apply to which claim.

Note: You are the only person who has a right to file a disputed claim with OPM. Parties acting as your representative, such as medical providers, must include a copy of your specific written consent with the review request.

Note: The above deadlines may be extended if you show that you were unable to meet the deadline because of reasons beyond your control.

**5** OPM will review your disputed claim request and will use the information it collects from you and us to decide whether our decision is correct. OPM will send you a final decision within 60 days. There are no other administrative appeals.

**6** If you do not agree with OPM's decision, your only recourse is to sue. If you decide to sue, you must file the suit against OPM in Federal court by December 31 of the third year after the year in which you received the disputed services, drugs, or supplies or from the year in which you were denied precertification or prior approval. This is the only deadline that may not be extended.

OPM may disclose the information it collects during the review process to support their disputed claim decision. This information will become part of the court record.

You may not sue until you have completed the disputed claims process. Further, Federal law governs your lawsuit, benefits, and payment of benefits. The Federal court will base its review on the record that was before OPM when OPM decided to uphold or overturn our decision. You may recover only the amount of benefits in dispute.

**NOTE: If you have a serious or life threatening condition** (one that may cause permanent loss of bodily functions or death if not treated as soon as possible), and

- (a) We haven't responded yet to your initial request for care or preauthorization/prior approval, then call us at 800/441-5501 and we will expedite our review; or
- (b) We denied your initial request for care or preauthorization/prior approval, then:
  - If we expedite our review and maintain our denial, we will inform OPM so that they can give your claim expedited treatment too, or
  - You can call OPM's Health Benefits Contracts Division 3 at 202/606-0737 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. eastern time.

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## Section 9. Coordinating benefits with other coverage

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### When you have other health coverage

You must tell us if you are covered or a family member is covered under another group health plan or have automobile insurance that pays health care expenses without regard to fault. This is called “double coverage.”

When you have double coverage, one plan normally pays its benefits in full as the primary payer and the other plan pays a reduced benefit as the secondary payer. We, like other insurers, determine which coverage is primary according to the National Association of Insurance Commissioners' guidelines.

When we are the primary payer, we will pay the benefits described in this brochure.

When we are the secondary payer, we will determine our allowance. After the primary plan pays, we will pay what is left of our allowance, up to our regular benefit. We will not pay more than our allowance.

### · What is Medicare?

Medicare is a Health Insurance Program for:

- People 65 years of age and older.
- Some people with disabilities, under 65 years of age.
- People with End-Stage Renal Disease (permanent kidney failure requiring dialysis or a transplant).

Medicare has two parts:

- Part A (Hospital Insurance). Most people do not have to pay for Part A. If you or your spouse worked for at least 10 years in Medicare-covered employment, you should be able to qualify for premium-free Part A insurance. (Someone who was a Federal employee on January 1, 1983 or since automatically qualifies.) Otherwise, if you are age 65 or older, you may be able to buy it. Contact 1-800-MEDICARE for more information.
- Part B (Medical Insurance). Most people pay monthly for Part B. Generally, Part B premiums are withheld from your monthly Social Security check or your retirement check.

If you are eligible for Medicare, you may have choices in how you get your health care. Medicare + Choice is the term used to describe the various health plan choices available to Medicare beneficiaries. The information in the next few pages shows how we coordinate benefits with Medicare, depending on the type of Medicare managed care plan you have.

### · The Original Medicare Plan (Part A or Part B)

The Original Medicare Plan (Original Medicare) is available everywhere in the United States. It is the way everyone used to get Medicare benefits and is the way most people get their Medicare Part A and Part B benefits now. You may go to any doctor, specialist, or hospital that accepts Medicare. The Original Medicare Plan pays its share and you pay your share. Some things are not covered under Original Medicare, like prescription drugs. When you are enrolled in Original Medicare along with this Plan, you still need to follow the rules in this brochure for us to cover your care

Your care must continue to be authorized by your Plan PCP, or precertified as required. We will not waive any of our copayments or coinsurance.

**(Primary payer chart begins on next page.)**

The following chart illustrates whether **the Original Medicare Plan** or this Plan should be the primary payer for you according to your employment status and other factors determined by Medicare. It is critical that you tell us if you or a covered family member has Medicare coverage so we can administer these requirements correctly.

<b>Primary Payer Chart</b>		
<b>A. When either you – or your covered spouse -- are age 65 or over and ...</b>	<b>Then the primary payer is...</b>	
	<b>Original Medicare</b>	<b>This Plan</b>
1) Are an active employee with the Federal government (including when you or a family member are eligible for Medicare solely because of a disability),		✓
2) Are an annuitant,	✓	
3) Are a re-employed annuitant with the Federal government when...		
a) The position is excluded from FEHB, or	✓	
b) The position is not excluded from FEHB, (Ask your employing office which of these applies to you).		✓
4) Are a Federal judge who retired under title 28, U.S.C., or a Tax Court judge who retired under Section 7447 of title 26, U.S.C. (or if your covered spouse is this type of judge),	✓	
5) Are enrolled in Part B only, regardless of your employment status,	✓ (for Part B services)	✓ (for other services)
6) Are a former Federal employee receiving Workers' Compensation and the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs has determined that you are unable to return to duty,	✓ (except for claims related to Workers' Compensation.)	
<b>B. When you -- or a covered family member -- have Medicare based on end stage renal disease (ESRD) and...</b>		
1) Are within the first 30 months of eligibility to receive Part A benefits solely because of ESRD,		✓
2) Have completed the 30-month ESRD coordination period and are still eligible for Medicare due to ESRD,	✓	
3) Become eligible for Medicare due to ESRD after Medicare became primary for you under another provision,	✓	
<b>C. When you or a covered family member have FEHB and...</b>		
1) Are eligible for Medicare based on disability, and		
a) Are an annuitant, or	✓	
b) Are an active employee, or		✓
c) Are a former spouse of an annuitant, or	✓	
d) Are a former spouse of an active employee		✓

**Claims process when you have the Original Medicare Plan --** You probably will never have to file a claim form when you have both our Plan and the Original Medicare Plan.

- When we are the primary payer, we process the claim first.
- When Original Medicare is the primary payer, Medicare processes your claim first. In most cases, your claims will be coordinated automatically and we will pay the balance of covered charges. You will not need to do anything. To find out if you need to do something about filing your claims, contact us at 800-441-5501 or [www.fhfl.com](http://www.fhfl.com)

**We do not waive any costs when you have Medicare.**

- **Medicare managed care plan** If you are eligible for Medicare, you may choose to enroll in and get your Medicare benefits from another type of Medicare+Choice plan -- a Medicare managed care plan. These are health care choices (like HMOs) in some areas of the country. In most Medicare managed care plans, you can only go to doctors, specialists, or hospitals that are part of the plan. Medicare managed care plans provide all the benefits that Original Medicare covers. Some cover extras, like prescription drugs. To learn more about enrolling in a Medicare managed care plan, contact Medicare at 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227) or at [www.medicare.gov](http://www.medicare.gov).

If you enroll in a Medicare managed care plan, the following options are available to you:

**This Plan and our Medicare managed care plan:** You may enroll in our Medicare managed care plan and also remain enrolled in our FEHB plan. In this case, we do not waive any of our copayments, coinsurance.

**This Plan and another plan's Medicare managed care plan:** You may enroll in another plan's Medicare managed care plan and also remain enrolled in our FEHB plan. We will still provide benefits when your Medicare managed care plan is primary, even out of the managed care plan's network and/or service area (if you use our Plan providers), but we will not waive any of our copayments or coinsurance. If you enroll in a Medicare managed care plan, tell us. We will need to know whether you are in the Original Medicare Plan or in a Medicare managed care plan so we can correctly coordinate benefits with Medicare.

**Suspended FEHB coverage to enroll in a Medicare managed care plan:** If you are an annuitant or former spouse, you can suspend your FEHB coverage to enroll in a Medicare managed care plan, eliminating your FEHB premium. (OPM does not contribute to your Medicare managed care plan premium.) For information on suspending your FEHB enrollment, contact your retirement office. If you later want to re-enroll in the FEHB Program, generally you may do so only at the next open season unless you involuntarily lose coverage or move out of the Medicare managed care plan's service area.

- **If you do not enroll in Medicare Part A or Part B**

If you do not have one or both Parts of Medicare, you can still be covered under the FEHB Program. We will not require you to enroll in Medicare Part B and, if you can't get premium-free Part A, we will not ask you to enroll in it.

## **TRICARE**

TRICARE is the health care program for eligible dependents of military persons and retirees of the military. TRICARE includes the CHAMPUS program. If both TRICARE and this Plan cover you, we pay first. See your TRICARE Health Benefits Advisor if you have questions about TRICARE coverage.

## **Workers' Compensation**

We do not cover services that:

- you need because of a workplace-related illness or injury that the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP) or a similar Federal or State agency determines they must provide; or
- OWCP or a similar agency pays for through a third party injury settlement or other similar proceeding that is based on a claim you filed under OWCP or similar laws.

Once OWCP or similar agency pays its maximum benefits for your treatment, we will cover your care. You must use our providers.

## **Medicaid**

When you have this Plan and Medicaid, we pay first.

## **When other Government agencies are responsible for your care**

We do not cover services and supplies when a local, State, or Federal Government agency directly or indirectly pays for them.

## **When others are responsible for injuries**

When you receive money to compensate you for medical or hospital care for injuries or illness caused by another person, you must reimburse us for any expenses we paid. However, we will cover the cost of treatment that exceeds the amount you received in the settlement.

If you do not seek damages you must agree to let us try. This is called subrogation. If you need more information, contact us for our subrogation procedures.

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## Section 10. Definitions of terms we use in this brochure

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<b>Calendar year</b>	January 1 through December 31 of the same year. For new enrollees, the calendar year begins on the effective date of their enrollment and ends on December 31 of the same year.
<b>Coinsurance</b>	Coinsurance is the percentage of our allowance that you must pay for your care. See page 10
<b>Copayment</b>	A copayment is a fixed amount of money you pay when you receive covered services. See page 10
<b>Covered services</b>	Care we provide benefits for, as described in this brochure.
<b>Custodial care</b>	Services to support and generally maintain the patient's condition, provide for the patient's comfort or ensure the manageability of the patient.
<b>Experimental or investigational services</b>	Services, supplies, drugs and procedures which have not demonstrated to be safe, effective, medically appropriate for use in the treatment of illness or injury. Also include services, supplies, drugs and procedures that are determined to be the subject of clinical trial.
<b>Group health coverage</b>	Healthcare insurance that covers a group of people (e.g. FEHB) under one master contract.
<b>Medical necessity</b>	Services which are necessary and appropriate for the treatment of an illness or injury according to professionally recognized standards of practice and are consistent with Foundation's medical policies.
<b>Plan allowance</b>	<p>Plan allowance is the amount we use to determine our payment and your coinsurance for covered services. Plans determine their allowances in different ways. We determine our allowance as follows:</p> <p>Covered benefits that require coinsurance are based on our Plan's allowance.</p>
<b>Us/We</b>	Us and we refer to <i>Foundation Health, a Florida Health Plan, Inc.</i>
<b>You</b>	You refers to the enrollee and each covered family member.

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## Section 11. FEHB facts

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### No pre-existing condition limitation

We will not refuse to cover the treatment of a condition that you had before you enrolled in this Plan solely because you had the condition before you enrolled.

### Where you can get information about enrolling in the FEHB Program

See [www.opm.gov/insure](http://www.opm.gov/insure). Also, your employing or retirement office can answer your questions, and give you a *Guide to Federal Employees Health Benefits Plans*, brochures for other plans, and other materials you need to make an informed decision about:

- When you may change your enrollment;
- How you can cover your family members;
- What happens when you transfer to another Federal agency, go on leave without pay, enter military service, or retire;
- When your enrollment ends; and
- When the next open season for enrollment begins.

We don't determine who is eligible for coverage and, in most cases, cannot change your enrollment status without information from your employing or retirement office.

### Types of coverage available for you and your family

Self Only coverage is for you alone. Self and Family coverage is for you, your spouse, and your unmarried dependent children under age 22, including any foster children or stepchildren your employing or retirement office authorizes coverage for. Under certain circumstances, you may also continue coverage for a disabled child 22 years of age or older who is incapable of self-support.

If you have a Self Only enrollment, you may change to a Self and Family enrollment if you marry, give birth, or add a child to your family. You may change your enrollment 31 days before to 60 days after that event. The Self and Family enrollment begins on the first day of the pay period in which the child is born or becomes an eligible family member. When you change to Self and Family because you marry, the change is effective on the first day of the pay period that begins after your employing office receives your enrollment form; benefits will not be available to your spouse until you marry.

Your employing or retirement office will **not** notify you when a family member is no longer eligible to receive health benefits, nor will we. Please tell us immediately when you add or remove family members from your coverage for any reason, including divorce, or when your child under age 22 marries or turns 22. If you or one of your family members is enrolled in one FEHB plan, that person may not be enrolled in or covered as a family member by another FEHB plan.

## When benefits and premiums start

The benefits in this brochure are effective on January 1. If you joined this Plan during Open Season, your coverage begins on the first day of your first pay period that starts on or after January 1. Annuitants' coverage and premium begin on January 1. If you joined at any other time during the year, your employing office will tell you the effective date of coverage.

## Your medical and claims records are confidential

We will keep your medical and claims information confidential. Only the following will have access to it:

- OPM, this Plan, and subcontractors when they administer this contract;
- This Plan and appropriate third parties, such as other insurance plans and the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP), when coordinating benefit payments and subrogating claims;
- Law enforcement officials when investigating and/or prosecuting alleged civil or criminal actions;
- OPM and the General Accounting Office when conducting audits;
- Individuals involved in bona fide medical research or education that does not disclose your identity; or
- OPM, when reviewing a disputed claim or defending litigation about a claim.

## When you retire

When you retire, you can usually stay in the FEHB Program. Generally, you must have been enrolled in the FEHB Program for the last five years of your Federal service. If you do not meet this requirement, you may be eligible for other forms of coverage, such as temporary continuation of coverage (TCC).

## When you lose benefits

### · When FEHB coverage ends

You will receive an additional 31 days of coverage, for no additional premium, when:

- Your enrollment ends, unless you cancel your enrollment, or
- You are a family member no longer eligible for coverage.

You may be eligible for spouse equity coverage or Temporary Continuation of Coverage.

### · Spouse equity coverage

If you are divorced from a Federal employee or annuitant, you may not continue to get benefits under your former spouse's enrollment. But, you may be eligible for your own FEHB coverage under the spouse equity law. If you are recently divorced or are anticipating a divorce, contact your ex-spouse's employing or retirement office to get RI 70-5, the *Guide to Federal Employees Health Benefits Plans for Temporary Continuation of Coverage and Former Spouse Enrollees*, or other information about your coverage choices.

### · Temporary Continuation of Coverage

If you leave Federal service, or if you lose coverage because you no longer qualify as a family member, you may be eligible for Temporary Continuation of Coverage (TCC). For example, you can receive TCC if you are not able to continue your FEHB enrollment after you retire, if you lose your job, if you are a covered dependent child and you turn 22 or marry, etc.

You may not elect TCC if you are fired from your Federal job due to gross misconduct.

**Enrolling in TCC.** Get the RI 79-27, which describes TCC, and the RI 70-5, the *Guide to Federal Employees Health Benefits Plans for Temporary Continuation of Coverage and Former Spouse Enrollees*, from your employing or retirement office or from [www.opm.gov/insure](http://www.opm.gov/insure). It explains what you have to do to enroll.

## · **Converting to individual coverage**

You may convert to a non-FEHB individual policy if:

- Your coverage under TCC or the spouse equity law ends (If you canceled your coverage or did not pay your premium, you cannot convert);
- You decided not to receive coverage under TCC or the spouse equity law; or
- You are not eligible for coverage under TCC or the spouse equity law.

If you leave Federal service, your employing office will notify you of your right to convert. You must apply in writing to us within 31 days after you receive this notice. However, if you are a family member who is losing coverage, the employing or retirement office will **not** notify you. You must apply in writing to us within 31 days after you are no longer eligible for coverage.

Your benefits and rates will differ from those under the FEHB Program; however, you will not have to answer questions about your health, and we will not impose a waiting period or limit your coverage due to pre-existing conditions.

## **Getting a Certificate of Group Health Plan Coverage**

The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) is a Federal law that offers limited Federal protections for health coverage availability and continuity to people who lose employer group coverage. If you leave the FEHB Program, we will give you a Certificate of Group Health Plan Coverage that indicates how long you have been enrolled with us. You can use this certificate when getting health insurance or other health care coverage. Your new plan must reduce or eliminate waiting periods, limitations, or exclusions for health related conditions based on the information in the certificate, as long as you enroll within 63 days of losing coverage under this Plan. If you have been enrolled with us for less than 12 months, but were previously enrolled in other FEHB plans, you may also request a certificate from those plans.

For more information, get OPM pamphlet RI 79-27, Temporary Continuation of Coverage (TCC) under the FEHB Program. See also the FEHB website [www.opm.gov/insure/health](http://www.opm.gov/insure/health); refer to the “TCC and HIPAA” frequently asked questions. These highlight HIPAA rules, such as the requirement that Federal employees must exhaust any TCC eligibility as one condition for guaranteed access to individual health coverage under HIPAA, and have information about Federal and State agencies you can contact for more information.

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## Long Term Care Insurance Is Coming Later in 2002!

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- Many FEHB enrollees think that their health plan and/or Medicare will cover their long-term care needs. Unfortunately, they are *WRONG!*
- How are YOU planning to pay for the future custodial or chronic care you may need?
- You should consider buying long-term care insurance.

The Office of Personnel Management (OPM) will sponsor a high-quality long term care insurance program effective in October 2002. As part of its educational effort, OPM asks you to consider these questions:

**What is long term care (LTC) insurance?**

- It's insurance to help pay for long term care services you may need if you can't take care of yourself because of an extended illness or injury, or an age-related disease such as Alzheimer's.
- LTC insurance can provide broad, flexible benefits for nursing home care, care in an assisted living facility, care in your home, adult day care, hospice care, and more. *It can supplement care provided by family members, reducing the burden you place on them.*

**I'm healthy. I won't need long term care. Or, will I?**

- Welcome to the club!
- 76% of Americans believe they will never need long term care, but the facts are that about half them will. And it's not just the old folks. About 40% of people needing long term care are under age 65. They may need chronic care due to a serious accident, a stroke, or developing multiple sclerosis, etc.
- We hope you will never need long term care, but everyone should have a plan just in case. *Many people now consider long term care insurance to be vital to their financial and retirement planning.*

**Is long term care expensive?**

- Yes, it can be very expensive. A year in a nursing home can exceed \$50,000. Home care for only three 8-hour shifts a week can exceed \$20,000 a year. And that's before inflation!
- Long term care can easily exhaust your savings. *Long term care insurance can protect your savings.*

**But won't my FEHB plan, Medicare or Medicaid cover my long term care?**

- Not FEHB. Look at the "*Not covered*" blocks in sections 5(a) and 5(c) of your FEHB brochure. Health plans don't cover custodial care or a stay in an assisted living facility or a continuing need for a home health aide to help you get in and out of bed and with other activities of daily living. Limited stays in skilled nursing facilities can be covered in some circumstances.
- Medicare only covers skilled nursing home care (the highest level of nursing care) after a hospitalization for those who are blind, age 65 or older or fully disabled. It also has a 100-day limit.
- Medicaid covers long term care for those who meet their state's poverty guidelines, but has restrictions on covered services and where they can be received. *Long term care insurance can provide choices of care and preserve your independence.*

**When will I get more information on how to apply for this new insurance coverage?**

- Employees will get more information from their agencies during the LTC open enrollment period in the late summer/early fall of 2002.
- Retirees will receive information at home.

**How can I find out more about the program NOW?**

- Our toll-free teleservice center will begin in mid-2002. In the meantime, you can learn more about the program on our web site at [www.opm.gov/insure/ltc](http://www.opm.gov/insure/ltc).

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## Summary of benefits for Foundation Health, a Florida Health Plan, Inc. - 2002

- **Do not rely on this chart alone.** All benefits are provided in full unless indicated and are subject to the definitions, limitations, and exclusions in this brochure. On this page we summarize specific expenses we cover; for more detail, look inside.
- If you want to enroll or change your enrollment in this Plan, be sure to put the correct enrollment code from the cover on your enrollment form.
- We only cover services provided or arranged by Plan physicians, except in emergencies.

Benefits	You Pay	Page
Medical services provided by physicians: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diagnostic and treatment services provided in the office .....</li> </ul>	Office visit copay: \$10 primary care; \$10 specialist	12
Services provided by a hospital: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inpatient.....</li> <li>• Outpatient.....</li> </ul>	\$200 per calendar year \$50 per outpatient surgery	23 24
Emergency benefits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In-area .....</li> <li>• Out-of-area .....</li> </ul>	\$50 per emergency room visit (waived if admitted) \$50 per emergency room visit (waived if admitted)	25 25
Mental health and substance abuse treatment.....	Regular cost sharing.	27
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## 2002 Rate Information for Foundation Health Plan

**Non-Postal rates** apply to most non-Postal enrollees. If you are in a special enrollment category, refer to the FEHB Guide for that category or contact the agency that maintains your health benefits enrollment.

**Postal rates** apply to career Postal Service employees. Most employees should refer to the FEHB Guide for United States Postal Service Employees, RI 70-2. Different postal rates apply and special FEHB guides are published for Postal Service Nurses, RI 70-2B; and for Postal Service Inspectors and Office of Inspector General (OIG) employees (see RI 70-2IN).

Postal rates do not apply to non-career postal employees, postal retirees, or associate members of any postal employee organization who are not career postal employees. Refer to the applicable FEHB Guide.

Type of Enrollment	Code	Non-Postal Premium				Postal Premium	
		Biweekly		Monthly		Biweekly	
		Gov't Share	Your Share	Gov't Share	Your Share	USPS Share	Your Share
Self Only	5E1	\$60.05	\$20.01	\$130.10	\$43.36	\$71.05	\$9.01
Self and Family	5E2	\$165.13	\$55.04	\$357.78	\$119.26	\$195.40	\$24.77