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A Health Maintenance Organization (high and standard option)

Serving: The Grand Rapids Michigan Area

Enrollment in this Plan is limited. You must live or work in our geographic service area to enroll. See page 12 for requirements.

IMPORTANT

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Enrollment codes for this Plan:

RL1 High Option - Self Only

RL2 High Option - Self and Family

RL4 Standard - Option Self Only

RL5 Standard Option - Self and Family

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**Important Notice from Grand Valley Health Plan About
Our Prescription Drug Coverage and Medicare**

OPM has determined that the Grand Valley Health Plan's prescription drug coverage is, on average, expected to pay out as much as the standard Medicare prescription drug coverage will pay for all plan participants and is considered Creditable Coverage. Thus you do not need to enroll in Medicare Part D and pay extra for prescription drug benefit coverage. If you decide to enroll in Medicare Part D later, you will not have to pay a penalty for late enrollment as long as you keep your FEHB coverage.

However, if you choose to enroll in Medicare Part D, you can keep your FEHB coverage and will coordinate benefits with Medicare.

Remember: If you are an annuitant and you terminate your FEHB coverage, you may not re-enroll in the FEHB Program.

Please be advised

If you lose or drop your FEHB coverage and go 63 days or longer without prescription drug coverage that's at least as good as Medicare's prescription drug coverage, your monthly premium will go up at least 1% per month for every month that you did not have that coverage. For example, if you go 19 months without Medicare Part D prescription drug coverage, your premium will always be at least 19 percent higher than what many other people pay. You'll have to pay this higher premium as long as you have Medicare prescription drug coverage. In addition, you may have to wait until the next Annual Coordinated Election Period (October 15th through December 7th) to enroll in Medicare Part D.

Medicare's Low Income Benefits

For people with limited income and resources, extra help paying for a Medicare prescription drug plan is available. Information regarding this program is available through the Social Security Administration (SSA) online at www.socialsecurity.gov, or call the SSA at 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778).

You can get more information about Medicare prescription drug plans and the coverage offered in your area from these places:

- Visit www.medicare.gov for personalized help.
- Call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227). TTY 1-877-486-2048.

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Introduction

This brochure describes the benefits of Grand Valley Health Plan under our contract (CS 2632) with the United States Office of Personnel Management, as authorized by the Federal Employees Health Benefits law. Customer service may be reached at 616-949-2410 or through our website: www.gvhp.com. The address for Grand Valley Health Plan administrative offices is:

Grand Valley Health Plan
829 Forest Hill Ave., SE
Grand Rapids, MI 49546

This brochure is the official statement of benefits. No oral statement can modify or otherwise affect the benefits, limitations, and exclusions of this brochure. It is your responsibility to be informed about your health benefits.

If you are enrolled in this Plan, you are entitled to the benefits described in this brochure. If you are enrolled in 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, 2013 unless those benefits are also shown in this brochure.

OPM negotiates benefits and rates with each plan annually. Benefit changes are effective January 1, 2013, and changes are summarized on page 9. Rates are shown at the end of this brochure.

Plain Language

All FEHB brochures are written in plain language to make them easy to understand. Here are some examples:

- Except for necessary technical terms, we use common words. For instance, “you” means the enrollee or family member, “we” means Grand Valley Health Plan.
- We limit acronyms to ones you know. FEHB is the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program. OPM is the United States 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.

Stop Health Care Fraud!

Fraud increases the cost of health care for everyone and increases your Federal Employees Health Benefits Program premium.

OPM’s Office of the Inspector General investigates all allegations of fraud, waste, and abuse in the FEHB Program regardless of the agency that employs you or from which you retired.

Protect Yourself From Fraud – Here are some things that you can do to prevent fraud:

- Do not give your plan identification (ID) number over the telephone or to people you do not know, except to your health care providers, authorized health benefits plan, or OPM representative.
- Let only the appropriate medical professionals review your medical record or recommend services.
- Avoid using health care providers who say that an item or service is not usually covered, but they know how to bill us to get it paid.
- Carefully review explanations of benefits (EOBs) that you receive from us.
- Periodically review your claim history for accuracy to ensure we have not been billed for services that you did not receive.
- Do not ask your doctor to make false entries on certificates, bills or records in order to get us to pay for an item or service.
- If you suspect that a provider 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 616/949-2410 and explain the situation.
- If we do not resolve the issue:

CALL - THE HEALTH CARE FRAUD HOTLINE

877-499-7295

OR go to www.opm.gov/oig

You can also write to:

**United States Office of Personnel Management
Office of the Inspector General Fraud Hotline
1900 E Street NW Room 6400
Washington, DC 20415-1100**

- Do not maintain as a family member on your policy:
 - Your former spouse after a divorce decree or annulment is final (even if a court order stipulates otherwise)
 - Your child age 26 or over (unless he/she is disabled and incapable of self support prior to age 26).
- If you have any questions about the eligibility of a dependent, check with your personnel office if you are employed, with your retirement office (such as OPM) if you are retired, or with the National Finance Center if you are enrolled under Temporary Continuation of Coverage.
- Fraud or intentional misrepresentation of material fact is prohibited under the Plan. You can be prosecuted for fraud and your agency may take action against you. Examples of fraud include, falsifying a claim to obtain FEHB benefits, trying to or obtaining service or coverage for yourself or for someone who is not eligible for coverage, or enrolling in the Plan when you are no longer eligible.
- If your enrollment continues after you are no longer eligible for coverage (i.e. you have separated from Federal service) and premiums are not paid, you will be responsible for all benefits paid during the period in which premiums were not paid. You may be billed by your provider for services received. You may be prosecuted for fraud for knowingly using health insurance benefits for which you have not paid premiums. It is your responsibility to know when you or a family member is no longer eligible to use your health insurance coverage.

Preventing Medical Mistakes

An influential report from the Institute of Medicine estimates that up to 98,000 Americans die every year from medical mistakes in hospitals alone. That's about 3,230 preventable deaths in the FEHB Program a year. While death is the most tragic outcome, medical mistakes cause other problems such as permanent disabilities, extended hospital stays, longer recoveries, and even additional treatments. By asking questions, learning more and understanding your risks, you can improve the safety of your own health care, and that of your family members. Take these simple steps:

1. Ask questions if you have doubts or concerns.

- Ask questions and make sure you understand the answers.
- Choose a doctor with whom you feel comfortable talking.
- Take a relative or friend with you to help you ask questions and understand answers.

2. Keep and bring a list of all the medicines you take.

- Bring the actual medicines or give your doctor and pharmacist a list of all the medicines and dosage that you take, including non-prescription (over-the-counter) medicines and nutritional supplements.
- Tell your doctor and pharmacist about any drug allergies you have.

- Ask about any risks or side effects of the medication and what to avoid while taking it. Be sure to write down what your doctor or pharmacist says.
- Make sure your medicine is what the doctor ordered. Ask the pharmacist about your medicine if it looks different than you expected.
- Read the label and patient package insert when you get your medicine, including all warnings and instructions.
- Know how to use your medicine. Especially note the times and conditions when your medicine should and should not be taken.
- Contact your doctor or pharmacist if you have any questions.

3. Get the results of any test or procedure.

- Ask when and how you will get the results of tests or procedures.
- Don't assume the results are fine if you do not get them when expected, be it in person, by phone, or by mail.
- Call your doctor and ask for your results.
- Ask what the results mean for your care.

4. Talk to your doctor about which hospital is best for your health needs.

- Ask your doctor about which hospital has the best care and results for your condition if you have more than one hospital to choose from to get the health care you need.
- Be sure you understand the instructions you get about follow-up care when you leave the hospital.

5. Make sure you understand what will happen if you need surgery.

- Make sure you, your doctor, and your surgeon all agree on exactly what will be done during the operation.
- Ask your doctor, "Who will manage my care when I am in the hospital?"
- Ask your surgeon:
 - Exactly what will you be doing?
 - About how long will it take?
 - What will happen after surgery
 - How can I expect to feel during recovery?
- Tell the surgeon, anesthesiologist, and nurses about any allergies, bad reaction to anesthesia, and any medications you are taking.

Patient Safety Links

-www.ahrq.gov/consumer. The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality makes available a wide-ranging list of topics not only to inform consumers about patient safety but to help choose quality health care providers and improve the quality of care you receive.

-www.npsf.org. The National Patient Safety Foundation has information on how to ensure safer health care for you and your family.

-www.talkaboutrx.org/. The National Council on Patient Information and Education is dedicated to improving communication about the safe, appropriate use of medicines.

-www.leapfroggroup.org. The Leapfrog Group is active in promoting safe practices in hospital care.

-www.ahqa.org. The American Health Quality Association represents organizations and health care professionals working to improve patient safety.

Never Events

You will not be billed for inpatient services related to treatment of specific hospital acquired conditions or for inpatient services needed to correct never events, if you use Grand Valley Health Plan preferred providers. This policy helps to protect you from preventable medical errors and improve the quality of care you receive.

When you enter the hospital for treatment of one medical problem, you don't expect to leave with additional injuries, infections or other serious conditions that occur during the course of your stay. Although some of these complications may not be avoidable, too often patients suffer from injuries or illnesses that could have been prevented if the hospital had taken proper precautions.

We have a benefit payment policy that encourages hospitals to reduce the likelihood of hospital-acquired conditions such as certain infections, severe bedsores and fractures; and reduce medical errors that should never happen called "Never Events". When a Never Event occurs, neither your FEHB plan nor you will incur cost to correct the medical error.

FEHB Facts

Coverage information

- **No pre-existing condition limitation**

We will not refuse to cover the treatment of a condition 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/health for enrollment information as well as:

- Information on the FEHB Program and plans available to you
- A health plan comparison tool
- A list of agencies who participate in Employee Express
- A link to Employee Express
- Information on and links to other electronic enrollment systems

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 your FEHB coverage. These materials tell you:

- 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
- What happens when your enrollment ends
- 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. For information on your premium deductions, you must also contact 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 26, including any foster children your employing or retirement office authorizes coverage for. Under certain circumstances, you may also continue coverage for a disabled child 26 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 of changes in family member status, including your marriage, divorce, annulment, or when your child reaches age 26

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.

If you have a qualifying life event (QLE) - such as marriage, divorce, or the birth of a child - outside of the Federal Benefits Open Season, you may be eligible to enroll in the FEHB Program, change your enrollment, or cancel coverage. For a complete list of QLEs, visit the FEHB website at www.opm.gov/insure/lifeevents. If you need assistance, please contact your employing agency, personnel/payroll office, or retirement office.

- **Family member coverage**

Family members covered under your Self and Family enrollment are your spouse (including a valid common law marriage) and children as described in the chart below.

Children	Coverage
Natural, adopted children, and stepchildren	Natural, adopted children and stepchildren are covered until their 26 th birthday.
Foster Children	Foster children are eligible for coverage until their 26 th birthday if you provide documentation of your regular and substantial support of the child and sign a certification stating that your foster child meets all the requirements. Contact your human resources office or retirement system for additional information.
Children Incapable of Self-Support	Children who are incapable of self-support because of a mental or physical disability that began before age 26 are eligible to continue coverage. Contact your human resources office or retirement system for additional information.
Married Children	Married children (but NOT their spouse or their own children) are covered until their 26th birthday.
Children with or eligible for employer-provided health insurance	Children who are eligible for or have their own employer-provided health insurance are covered until their 26th birthday.

You can find additional information at www.opm.gov/insure.

- **Children's Equity Act**

OPM has implemented the Federal Employees Health Benefits Children's Equity Act of 2000. This law mandates that you be enrolled for Self and Family coverage in the FEHB Program, if you are an employee subject to a court or administrative order requiring you to provide health benefits for your child(ren).

If this law applies to you, you must enroll for Self and Family coverage in a health plan that provides full benefits in the area where your children live or provide documentation to your employing office that you have obtained other health benefits coverage for your children. If you do not do so, your employing office will enroll you involuntarily as follows:

- If you have no FEHB coverage, your employing office will enroll you for Self and Family coverage in the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Service Benefit Plan's Basic Option;
- If you have a Self Only enrollment in a fee-for-service plan or in an HMO that serves the area where your children live, your employing office will change your enrollment to Self and Family in the same option of the same plan; or
- If you are enrolled in an HMO that does not serve the area where the children live, your employing office will change your enrollment to Self and Family in the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Service Benefit Plan's Basic Option.

As long as the court/administrative order is in effect, and you have at least one child identified in the order who is still eligible under the FEHB Program, you cannot cancel your enrollment, change to Self Only, or change to a plan that doesn't serve the area in which your children live, unless you provide documentation that you have other coverage for the children. If the court/administrative order is still in effect when you retire, and you have at least one child still eligible for FEHB coverage, you must continue your FEHB coverage into retirement (if eligible) and cannot cancel your coverage, change to Self Only, or change to a plan that doesn't serve the area in which your children live as long as the court/administrative order is in effect. Contact your employing office for further information.

- **When benefits and premiums start**

The benefits in this brochure are effective 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. **If you changed plans or plan options during Open Season and you receive care between January 1 and the effective date of coverage under your new plan or option, your claims will be paid according to the 2013 benefits of your old plan or option.** However, if your old plan left the FEHB Program at the end of the year, you are covered under that plan's 2012 benefits until the effective date of your coverage with your new plan. Annuitants' coverage and premiums 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.

If your enrollment continues after you are no longer eligible for coverage (i.e. you have separated from Federal service) and premiums are not paid, you will be responsible for all benefits paid during the period in which premiums were not paid. You may be billed for services received directly from your provider. You may be prosecuted for fraud for knowingly using health insurance benefits for which you have not paid premiums. It is your responsibility to know when you or a family member are no longer eligible to use your health insurance coverage.

- **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.

Any person covered under the 31 day extension of coverage who is confined in a hospital or other institution for care or treatment on the 31st day of the temporary extension is entitled to continuation of the benefits of the Plan during the continuance of the confinement but not beyond the 60th day after the end of the 31 day temporary extension.

You may be eligible for spouse equity coverage or Temporary Continuation of Coverage (TCC), or a conversion policy (a non-FEHB individual policy.).

- **Upon divorce**

If you are divorced from a Federal employee or annuitant, you may not continue to get benefits under your former spouse's enrollment. This is the case even when the court has ordered your former spouse to provide health coverage for you. However, you may be eligible for your own FEHB coverage under either the spouse equity law or Temporary Continuation of Coverage (TCC). 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. You can also download the guide from OPM's Web site, www.opm.gov/insure.

- **Temporary Continuation of Coverage (TCC)**

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 Federal job, if you are a covered dependent child and you turn 26, 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. 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 Web site at 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 information about Federal and State agencies you can contact for more information.

Section 1. How this plan works

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. The Plan is solely responsible for the selection of these providers in your area. Contact the Plan for a copy of their most recent provider directory. We give you a choice of enrollment in a High Option or Standard Option.

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 pay only the copayments, and coinsurance 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.

This plan is a "grandfathered health plan" under the Affordable Care Act. A grandfathered plan must preserve basic health coverage that was already in effect when the law passed. Specifically, this plan cannot eliminate all or substantially all benefits to diagnose or treat a particular condition; it cannot increase your coinsurance (the percentage of a bill you pay); and any increases in deductibles, out-of-pocket limits, and other copayments (the fixed-dollar amount you pay) must be minimal.

Questions regarding what protections apply and what protections do not apply to a grandfathered health plan, and what might cause a plan to change status from grandfathered to non-grandfathered may be directed to us at **[PLAN: insert contact info]**. You can also read additional information from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services at www.healthcare.gov.

Questions regarding what protections apply may be directed to us at **Grand Valley Health Plan, 829 Forest Hill Ave. SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49546**. You can also read additional information from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services at www.healthcare.gov.

General features of our High and Standard Options

Our High Option Features little, if any, out of pocket expenses. Our Standard Option offers benefits with slightly higher out-of-pocket expenses, but at a lower premium cost to you. Both options provide access to Grand Valley Health Plan's high quality delivery system.

How we pay providers

We own and operate our Family Practice Health Centers, and staff them with our own providers. These Family Practice Centers make up our primary care network. We also contract with individual specialist 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 co-payments or coinsurance.

Your medical and claims records are confidential

We will keep your medical and claims records confidential. Please note that we may disclose your medical and claims information (including your prescription drug utilization) to any of your treating physicians or dispensing pharmacies.

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) lists the specific types of information that we must make available to you. Some of the required information is listed below.

Grand Valley Health Plan is a Staff Model Health Maintenance Organization (HMO) that provides a wide variety of primary medical services at its health centers. In addition to health care providers (such as physicians, physician assistants, nurse practitioners, behavioral health counselors, and registered dietitians), lab, and pharmacy services are conveniently located at each health center. The Plan also arranges and covers care through specialists, hospitals and other health care professionals. Different family members may see different primary care providers at their health center. Women who wish to see a Plan Gynecologist for their annual routine examination should contact their Health Center to obtain a list of Plan providers.

We are a for-profit plan that has been in existence since 1982.

If you want more information about us, call 616/949-2410, or write to Grand Valley Health Plan, 829 Forest Hill Ave., SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49546. You may also contact us by fax at 616/949-4978 or visit our website at www.gvhp.com.

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Service Area

To enroll with us and maintain membership, you must live or work in our service area. This is where our providers practice. Our service area is the Grand Rapids Michigan area:

All of Kent County and portions of Allegan, Ionia, and Ottawa Counties defined by the following zip codes:

Allegan County -- 49311, 49323, 49355, and 49348

Ionia County -- 48815

Ottawa County -- 49401, 49403, 49404, 49426, 49427, 49428, 49430, 49435, and 49464.

Ordinarily, you must get your care from providers who staffed or contracted 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 moves 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. 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.

Section 2. Changes for 2013

Do not rely on these change descriptions; this Section 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 change

- Removed annual limits on essential health benefits as described in section 1302 of the Affordable Care Act.
- Plans must provide coverage for routine patient costs for items and services furnished in connection with participation in an approved clinical trial.
- Coverage with no cost sharing for additional preventive care and screenings for women provided in comprehensive guidelines adopted by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)

Changes to the High Option only

- Your share of the non-Postal premium for Self Only will increase and for Self and Family will decrease.
- Your share of the Category 1 Postal premium for Self Only will increase and for Self and Family will decrease.
- Therapeutic Massage Services are no longer covered under the Integrative Holistic Health Program. Previously, Therapeutic Massage Services were covered up to a combined level of 20 visits with acupuncture and chiropractic per contract year, contingent upon assessment and authorization subject to a \$10 office visit copayment. Acupuncture and chiropractic services remain covered.
- Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery is now covered in full. Previously, it was covered with a \$10 office visit copayment.

Changes to the Standard Option only

- Your share of the non-Postal premium for Self Only will increase and for Self and Family will increase.
- Your share of the Category 1 Postal premium for Self Only will increase and for Self and Family will increase.
- Therapeutic Massage Services are no longer covered under the Integrative Holistic Health Program. Previously, Therapeutic Massage Services were covered up to a combined level of 20 visits with acupuncture and chiropractic per contract year, contingent upon assessment and authorization subject to a \$10 office visit copayment. Acupuncture and chiropractic services remain covered.
- Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery is now covered in full. Previously, it was covered with a \$20 office visit copayment.

Section 3. How you get care

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 electronic enrollment system (such as 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 (616) 949-2410 or write to us at: Grand Valley Health Plan, 829 Forest Hill Ave. SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49546. You may also request replacement cards through our Web site: www.gvhp.com.

Where you get covered care

You get care from “Plan providers” and “Plan facilities.” You will only pay copayments, deductibles, and/or coinsurance.

- **Plan providers**

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

- **Plan facilities**

Plan facilities are our Health Centers, or hospitals. Grand Valley Health Plan is a Staff Model Health Maintenance Organization (HMO) that provides a wide variety of primary medical services at its health centers. In addition to health care providers (such as physicians, physician assistants, nurse practitioners, clinical social workers, and registered dietitians), lab, and pharmacy services are conveniently available at each Health Center. The Plan also arranges and covers care through specialists, hospitals and other health care professionals. Different family members may see different primary care providers at their health center. Women who wish to see a Plan Gynecologist for their annual routine examination should contact their Health Center to obtain a list of Plan providers 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 www.gvph.com.

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 Health Center. This decision is important since your Health Center provides or arranges for most of your health care. You choose your Health Center when you enroll in the plan.

- **Primary care**

Primary Care Providers at your Health Center are Family Practice Physicians, Physicians Assistants and Nurse Practitioners. These Primary Care Providers will provide most of your health care, or give you a referral to see a specialist.

- **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.

Here are some 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 create your treatment plan. If you are seeing a specialist when you enroll in our Plan, talk to your primary care physician. 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 and disabling condition and lose access to your specialist because we:
 - terminate our contract with your specialist for other than cause;
 - drop out of the Federal Employees Health Benefits (FEHB) Program and you enroll in another FEHB program 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 90 days after you receive notice of the change. 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 90 days.

• **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 hospitalized when you enrollment begins**

We pay for covered services from the effective date of your enrollment. However, if you are in the hospital when your enrollment in our Plan begins, call our customer service department immediately at (616) 949-2410. If you are new to the FEHB Program, we will arrange for you to receive care and reimburse you for your covered expenses while you are in the hospital beginning on the effective date of your coverage.

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;
- the day your benefits from your former plan run out; or
- the 92nd day after you become a member of this Plan, whichever happens first.

These provisions apply only to the benefits of the hospitalized person. If your plan terminates participation in the FEHB Program in whole or in part, or if OPM orders an enrollment change, this continuation of coverage provision does not apply. In such case, the hospitalized family member's benefits under the new plan begin on the effective date of enrollment.

You need prior Plan approval for certain services

Since your primary care physician arranges most referrals to specialists and inpatient hospitalization, the pre-service claim approval process only applies to care shown under *Other services*.

- **Inpatient hospital admission**

Precertification is the process by which – prior to your inpatient hospital admission – we evaluate the medical necessity of your proposed stay and the number of days required to treat your condition.

- **Other services**

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

- Transplants
- Out-of-Area Care
- Investigational or Experimental Procedures
- Cosmetic Procedures
- Requests for New Technology
- Bariatric Surgery

How to request precertification for an admission or get prior authorization for Other services

First, your physician, your hospital, you, or your representative, must call us at 616-949-2410 before admission or services requiring prior authorization are rendered.

Next, provide the following information:

- enrollee's name and Plan identification number;
- patient's name, birth date, identification number and phone number;
- reason for hospitalization, proposed treatment, or surgery;
- name and phone number of admitting physician;
- name of hospital or facility; and
- number of planned days of confinement.

- **Non-urgent care claims**

For non-urgent care claims, we will then tell the physician and/or hospital the number of approved inpatient days, or the care that we approve for other services that must have prior authorization. We will make our decision within 15 days of receipt of the pre-service claim. If matters beyond our control require an extension of time, we may take up to an additional 15 days for review and we will notify you of the need for an extension of time before the end of the original 15 day period. Our notice will include the circumstances underlying the request for the extension and the date when a decision is expected.

If we need an extension because we have not received necessary information from you, our notice will describe the specific information required and we will allow you up to 60 days from the receipt of the notice to provide the information.

- **Urgent care claims**

If you have an urgent care claim (i.e., when waiting for the regular time limit for your medical care or treatment could seriously jeopardize your life, health, or ability to regain maximum function, or in the opinion of a physician with knowledge of your medical condition, would subject you to severe pain that cannot be adequately managed without this care or treatment), we will expedite our review and notify you of our decision within 72 hours. If you request that we review your claim as an urgent care claim, we will review the documentation you provide and decide whether it is an urgent care claim by applying the judgment of a prudent layperson who possesses an average knowledge of health and medicine.

If you fail to provide sufficient information, we will contact you within 24 hours after we receive the claim to provide notice of the specific information we need to complete our review of the claim. We will allow you up to 48 hours from the receipt of this notice to provide the necessary information. We will make our decision on the claim within 48 hours of (1) the time we received the additional information or (2) the end of the time frame, whichever is earlier.

We may provide our decision orally within these time frames, but we will follow up with written or electronic notification within three days of oral notification.

You may request that your urgent care claim on appeal be reviewed simultaneously by us and OPM. Please let us know that you would like a simultaneous review of your urgent care claim by OPM either in writing at the time you appeal our initial decision, or by calling us at [number]. You may also call OPM's Health Insurance 1 at (202) 606-0727 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. eastern time to ask for the simultaneous review. We will cooperate with OPM so they can quickly review your claim on appeal. In addition, if you did not indicate that your claim was a claim for urgent care, then call us at [number]. If it is determined that your claim is an urgent care claim, we will hasten our review (if we have not yet responded to your claim).

- **Emergency inpatient admission**

If you have an emergency admission due to a condition that you reasonably believe puts your life in danger or could cause serious damage to bodily function, you, your representative, the physician, or the hospital must telephone us within two business days following the day of the emergency admission, even if you have been discharged from the hospital.

- **Maternity care**

Maternity care will be approved when services are arranged, authorized and determined to be medically necessary by your Health Center Team, or authorized specialist.

- **If your treatment needs to be extended**

If you request an extension of an ongoing course of treatment at least 24 hours prior to the expiration of the approved time period and this is also an urgent care claim, then we will make a decision within 24 hours after we receive the claim.

What happens when you do not follow the precertification rules when using non-network facilities

With the exception of emergency care, there would be no coverage.

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.

If you disagree with our pre-service claim decision

If you have a **pre-service claim** and you do not agree with our decision regarding precertification of an inpatient admission or prior approval of other services, you may request a review in accord with the procedures detailed below.

If you have already received the service, supply, or treatment, then you have a **post-service claim** and must follow the entire disputed claims process detailed in Section 8.

- **To reconsider a non-urgent care claim**

Within 6 months of our initial decision, you may ask us in writing to reconsider our initial decision. Follow Step 1 of the disputed claims process detailed in Section 8 of this brochure.

In the case of a pre-service claim and subject to a request for additional information, we have 30 days from the date we receive your written request for reconsideration to

1. Precertify your hospital stay, or, if applicable, arrange for the health care provider to give you the care or grant your request for prior approval for a service, drug, or supply; or
2. Ask you or your provider for more information.

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.

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. We will write to you with our decision.

3. Write to you and maintain our denial.

- **To reconsider an urgent care claim**

In the case of an appeal of a pre-service urgent care claim, within 6 months of our initial decision, you may ask us in writing to reconsider our initial decision. Follow Step 1 of the disputed claims process detailed in Section 8 of this brochure.

Subject to a request for additional information, we will notify you of our decision within 72 hours after receipt of your reconsideration request. We will hasten the review process, which allows oral or written requests for appeals and the exchange of information by telephone, electronic mail, facsimile, or other expeditious methods.

- **To file an appeal with OPM**

After we reconsider your **pre-service claim**, if you do not agree with our decision, you may ask OPM to review it by following Step 3 of the disputed claims process detailed in Section 8 of this brochure.

Section 4 Your costs for covered services

This is what you will pay out-of-pocket for covered care.

Cost-sharing

Cost-sharing is the general term used to refer to your out-of-pocket costs (e.g., deductible, coinsurance, and copayments) for the covered care you receive.

Copayments

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

Example: When you see your primary care physician the High Option, you pay a copayment of \$10 per office visit. When you see your primary care physician the Standard Option, you pay a copayment of \$20 per office visit.

Example: Inpatient Hospital Services in the Standard Option are covered with a \$500 co-payment per member per contract year, with a maximum of three co-payments per family per contract year.

Note: If the billed amount or the Plan allowance that providers we contract with have agreed to accept as payment in full is less than your copayment, you pay the lower amount.

Deductible

We do not have a deductible.

Coinsurance

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

Example: You pay 50% of charges for fertility drugs and growth hormones

**Your catastrophic
protection out-of-pocket
maximum**

- Dialysis - Hemodialysis and peritoneal dialysis have a \$10,000 out-of-pocket maximum.
- Fertility drugs and Growth Hormone drugs have a \$7,000 out-of-pocket maximum.

Section 5 High and Standard Option Benefits

See page 9 for how our benefits changed this year. Page 66 and page 67 are a benefits summary of each option. Make sure that you review the benefits that are available under the option in which you are enrolled.

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Section 5 High and Standard Option Benefits Overview

This Plan offers a High Option. This option is described in Section 5. Make sure that you review the benefits that are available under this option in which you are enrolled.

The High and Standard Option Section 5 is divided into subsections. Please read the *Important things you should keep in mind* at the beginning of the subsections. Also read the General exclusions in Section 6, they apply to the benefits in the following subsections. To obtain claim forms, claims filling advice, or more information about High and Standard Option benefits, contact us at 616-949-2410 or at our Web site at www.gvhp.com.

This option offers unique features.

- **High Option**

The High Option offers a high level of comprehensive benefits. This option will cost slightly more than the Standard Option in premiums, but will offer a higher level of benefits. The High Option includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- 100% coverage for Inpatient Hospitalizations.
- \$10 Copay for Non-preventive Primary care and Specialty care Office Visits.
- A \$5/\$15 Generic/Brand co-payment for prescription drugs and oral contraceptives.
- A dental benefit (see Section 5(h) Dental benefits).

- **Standard Option**

The Standard Option offers the same high level of service that comes with the High Option. This option has slightly lesser benefits, but will cost you less in premiums. The Standard Option offers the following differences:

- A \$500 Inpatient Co-payment per member per contract year with a maximum of 3 co-payments per family per contract year.
- A \$20 office visit co-payment.
- A \$10/\$40 Generic/Brand co-payment for prescription drugs and oral contraceptives
- No Dental Benefit

Section 5(a) Medical services and supplies provided by physicians and other health care professionals

Important things you should 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.

Benefit Description		You pay	
Diagnostic and treatment services		High Option	Standard Option
Professional services of physicians		\$10 per office visit	\$20 per office visit
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In physician's office • At the GVHP Urgent Care Center • Office medical consultation • Second surgical opinion 			
Professional services of physicians		Nothing	Nothing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • During a hospital stay • In a skilled nursing facility 			
At home		Nothing	Nothing
Lab, X-ray and other diagnostic tests		High Option	Standard Option
Laboratory tests, such as:		Nothing	Nothing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blood tests • Urinalysis • Non-routine Pap tests • Pathology • X-rays • Non-routine mammograms • CAT Scans/MRI • Ultrasound • Electrocardiogram and EEG 			
<i>Note: Services related to dental care are excluded</i>		<i>All charges</i>	<i>All charges</i>
Preventive care, adult		High Option	Standard Option
Routine screenings (based on GVHP patient care standards), such as:		Nothing	Nothing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Routine Examinations, Physicals • Total Blood Cholesterol • Colorectal Cancer Screening 			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Routine Prostate Specific Antigen (PSA) test 		Nothing	Nothing

Preventive care, adult - continued on next page

Benefit Description	You pay	
Preventive care, adult (cont.)	High Option	Standard Option
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Well woman 	Nothing	Nothing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Routine mammogram 	Nothing	Nothing
Routine immunizations for the general public endorsed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).	Nothing	Nothing
<i>Not covered: Physical exams and immunizations required for obtaining or continuing employment or insurance, attending schools or camp, adoption, or travel.</i>	All charges.	All charges.
Preventive care, children	High Option	Standard Option
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Childhood immunizations recommended by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) 	Nothing	Nothing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Well-Child care charges for routine examinations, immunizations and care (up to age 22) Examinations, such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eye exams through age 17 to determine the need for vision correction Hearing exams through age 17 to determine the need for hearing correction Examinations done on the day of immunizations 	Nothing	Nothing
<i>Not covered: Physical exams and immunizations required for obtaining or continuing employment or insurance, attending schools or camp, adoption, or travel.</i>		
Maternity care	High Option	Standard Option
Complete maternity (obstetrical) care, such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prenatal care Delivery Postnatal care Note: Here are some things to keep in mind: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> You do not need to precertify your normal delivery; see page 11 for other circumstances, such as extended stays for you or your baby. 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. 	Nothing	Nothing for prenatal and postnatal care. \$500 co-payment per member per contract year for inpatient deliveries.

Maternity care - continued on next page

Benefit Description	You pay	
Maternity care (cont.)	High Option	Standard Option
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We cover routine nursery care of the newborn child during the covered portion of the mother's maternity stay (if baby is added to coverage). 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. Surgical benefits, not maternity benefits, apply to circumcision. • We pay hospitalization and surgeon services for non-maternity care the same as for illness and injury. 	Nothing	Nothing for prenatal and postnatal care. \$500 co-payment per member per contract year for inpatient deliveries.
Family planning	High Option	Standard Option
A range of voluntary family planning services, limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Voluntary sterilization (See Surgical procedures Section 5 (b)) • Surgically implanted contraceptives • Injectable contraceptive drugs (such as Depo provera) • Intrauterine devices (IUDs) • Diaphragms Note: We cover oral contraceptives under the prescription drug benefit.	\$10 per office visit	\$20 per office visit
<i>Not covered:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Reversal of voluntary surgical sterilization</i> • <i>Genetic counseling</i> 	<i>All charges.</i>	<i>All charges.</i>
Infertility services	High Option	Standard Option
Diagnosis and treatment of infertility such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Artificial insemination: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Intravaginal insemination (IVI) - Intracervical insemination (ICI) - Intrauterine insemination (IUI) • Fertility drugs (see note below) Note: We cover injectable fertility drugs under medical benefits and oral fertility drugs under the prescription drug benefit..	\$10 per office visit	\$20 per office visit
<i>Not covered:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Assisted reproductive technology (ART) procedures, such as:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>in vitro fertilization</i> - <i>embryo transfer, gamete intra-fallopian transfer (GIFT) and zygote intra-fallopian transfer (ZIFT)</i> 	<i>All charges.</i>	<i>All charges.</i>

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Benefit Description	You pay	
Infertility services (cont.)	High Option	Standard Option
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Services and supplies, including testing and medications, related to ART procedures Cost of donor sperm Cost of donor egg. 	All charges.	All charges.
Allergy care	High Option	Standard Option
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Testing and treatment Allergy injections 	\$10 per office visit	\$20 per office visit
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allergy serum 	Nothing	Nothing
<i>Not covered: provocative food testing and sublingual allergy desensitization</i>	All charges.	All charges.
Treatment therapies	High Option	Standard Option
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chemotherapy and radiation therapy <p>Note: High dose chemotherapy in association with autologous bone marrow transplants is limited to those transplants listed under Organ/Tissue Transplants on page 25.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Respiratory and inhalation therapy Intravenous (IV)/Infusion Therapy – Home IV and antibiotic therapy 	Nothing	Nothing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dialysis - Hemodialysis and peritoneal dialysis 	20% co-insurance up to \$10,000 out-of-pocket maximum.	20% co-insurance up to \$10,000 out-of-pocket maximum.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Growth hormone therapy (GHT) <p>Note: - We cover Growth Hormone under the Prescription drug benefit</p> <p>Note: - We will only cover GHT when we preauthorize the treatment. Call your health center for preauthorization. We will ask you 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 you submit the information. If you do not ask 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>	\$10 per office visit	\$20 per office visit

Benefit Description	You pay	
Physical and occupational therapies	High Option	Standard Option
<p>60 visits per contract year for conditions expected to result in significant improvement (60 days) on an inpatient or outpatient basis for the services of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • qualified physical therapists • occupational therapists <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"> • Cardiac rehabilitation following a heart transplant, bypass surgery or a myocardial infarction is covered. 	<p>\$10 per outpatient visit. Nothing per visit during covered inpatient admission</p>	<p>\$20 per outpatient visit. Nothing per visit during covered inpatient admission, Inpatient co-payment will apply.</p>
<p><i>Not covered:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Long-term rehabilitative therapy</i> • <i>Exercise programs</i> • <i>Cognitive Therapy</i> 	<p><i>All charges.</i></p>	<p><i>All charges.</i></p>
Speech therapy	High Option	Standard Option
<p>60 visits per contract year for conditions expected to result in significant improvement (60 days), on an inpatient or outpatient basis for;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Habilitation • Rehabilitation 	<p>\$10 per outpatient visit. Nothing per visit during covered inpatient admission</p>	<p>\$20 per outpatient visit. Nothing per visit during covered inpatient admission, Inpatient co-payment will apply.</p>
<p><i>Not covered:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Exercise programs</i> • <i>Language Therapy</i> • <i>Cognitive Therapy</i> 	<p><i>All charges.</i></p>	<p><i>All charges.</i></p>
Hearing services (testing, treatment, and supplies)	High Option	Standard Option
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hearing testing for children through age 17 (see <i>Preventive care, children</i>) • Hearing aids, as shown in <i>Orthopedic and prosthetic devices</i>. 	<p>\$10 per office visit</p>	<p>\$20 per office visit</p>

Benefit Description	You pay	
Vision services (testing, treatment, and supplies)	High Option	Standard Option
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One pair of eyeglasses or contact lenses to correct an impairment directly caused by accidental ocular injury or intraocular surgery (such as for cataracts) 	Nothing	Nothing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Annual eye refractions and eye exam to determine the need for vision correction for children through age 17 (see preventive care) 	\$10 per office visit	\$20 per office visit
<p><i>Not covered:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Eyeglasses or contact lenses, except as shown above</i> <i>Eye exercises and orthoptics</i> <i>Radial keratotomy and other refractive surgery</i> 	<i>All charges.</i>	<i>All charges.</i>
Foot care	High Option	Standard Option
<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>	\$10 per office visit	\$20 per office visit
<p><i>Not covered:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>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</i> <i>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)</i> 	<i>All charges.</i>	<i>All charges.</i>
Orthopedic and prosthetic devices	High Option	Standard Option
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Artificial limbs and eyes Stump hose Externally worn breast prostheses and surgical bras, including necessary replacements, following a mastectomy Internal prosthetic devices, such as artificial joints, pacemakers, and surgically implanted breast implant following mastectomy. Note: Internal prosthetic devices are paid as hospital benefits; see Section 5(c) for payment information. Insertion of the device is paid as surgery; see Section 5(b) for coverage of the surgery to insert the device. Corrective orthopedic devices for the non-dental treatment of temporomandibular joint (TMJ) pain dysfunction syndrome. 	Nothing	Nothing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All orthotics 	50% of charges	50% of charges

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Benefit Description	You pay	
Orthopedic and prosthetic devices (cont.)	High Option	Standard Option
Audiometric exam and evaluation covered up to \$100 per exam. Hearing Aid provided once every 36 months, up to \$700 per ear. Basic models only.	\$10 per office visit	\$20 per office visit
<p><i>Not covered:</i></p> <p><i>Orthopedic and corrective shoes, arch supports, foot orthotics, heel pads and heel cups</i></p> <p><i>Lumbosacral supports</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Corsets, trusses, elastic stockings, support hose, and other supportive devices</i> <i>Cochlear and other hearing implants</i> 	<i>All charges</i>	<i>All charges</i>
Durable medical equipment (DME)	High Option	Standard Option
<p>We cover rental or purchase of durable medical equipment, at our option, including repair and adjustment. Covered items include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Oxygen Hospital beds Wheelchairs Crutches Walkers Motorized wheelchairs when medically necessary Blood glucose monitors Insulin pumps 	Nothing	Nothing
<p><i>Not covered:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Luxury or deluxe items, such as bath tub seats, reachers, raised toilet seats, vehicle modifications</i> <i>Devices, braces used to affect performance in sport related activities</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Duplicate Equipment</i> <i>Items not medical in nature</i> <i>Comfort/Convenience items such as power carts, bed boards, bathtub lifts, air conditioners, batteries, over the bed tables, home modifications</i> <i>Disposable supplies i.e. sheets, gloves, diapers and bags</i> <i>Exercise and hygienic equipment i.e. exercycles, bidets, toilet and bathtub/shower seats</i> <i>Self-help devices not primarily medical in nature such as sauna baths, elevators and ramps, special telephone, computer or other electronic communication devices.</i> <i>Implantable pumps</i> <i>Experimental or research equipment</i> 	<i>All charges.</i>	<i>All charges.</i>

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Benefit Description	You pay	
Durable medical equipment (DME) (cont.)	High Option	Standard Option
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Devices/braces used specifically as safety items - Outpatient medical supplies including, but not limited to gauzes, tapes, and elastic bandages - Equipment authorized while a member is covered by GVHP but delivered after termination of member's coverage. Repair or replacement of durable medical items due to misuse - Earplugs 	<i>All charges.</i>	<i>All charges.</i>
Home health services	High Option	Standard Option
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • Services include oxygen therapy, intravenous therapy and medications. 	Nothing	Nothing
<i>Not covered:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nursing care requested by, or for the convenience of, the patient or the patient's family; • Home care primarily for personal assistance that does not include a medical component and is not diagnostic, therapeutic, or rehabilitative. 	<i>All charges.</i>	<i>All charges.</i>
Chiropractic and Alternative Integrative Holistic Health	High Option	Standard Option
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acupuncture and chiropractic services are covered up to a combined level of 20 visits per contract year, contingent upon assessment and authorization within the GVHP Integrative Holistic Health Program 	\$10 per office visit	\$20 per office visit
<i>Not covered:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Naturopathic services • Hypnotherapy • Biofeedback 	<i>All charges.</i>	<i>All charges.</i>
Educational classes and programs	High Option	Standard Option
Coverage is provided for:	Nothing for counseling for up to two quit attempts per year. Nothing for OTC and prescription drugs approved by the FDA to treat tobacco dependence.	Nothing for counseling for up to two quit attempts per year. Nothing for OTC and prescription drugs approved by the FDA to treat tobacco dependence.

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Benefit Description	You pay	
Educational classes and programs (cont.)	High Option	Standard Option
Two 90 day smoking cessation quit attempt cycles per member per contract year, with four smoking cessation counseling sessions per quit attempt cycle. Prescription medications and over-the counter-drugs that have been approved by the Federal Drug Administration (FDA) to treat tobacco dependence. Medications will be filled up to a medically appropriate volume to a maximum of a 30-day supply or as packaged by the supplier.	Nothing for counseling for up to two quit attempts per year. Nothing for OTC and prescription drugs approved by the FDA to treat tobacco dependence.	Nothing for counseling for up to two quit attempts per year. Nothing for OTC and prescription drugs approved by the FDA to treat tobacco dependence.
Childhood obesity education	Nothing	Nothing
Population Based Programs: Any members who fall into the following categories can participate in the appropriate program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asthma Program • Depression Program • Vascular Program (includes Diabetes) • Pain Management Program • 65 and over program • Healthy Ways Weight Management Program • Obesity Program • High Risk Behavioral Health Program • Obstetrical Program • Oncology Program 	\$10 copay for visits with practitioners, \$5 copay for generic prescription drugs, \$15 for brand name prescription drugs, you pay nothing for obstetrical visits	\$20 copay for visits with practitioners, \$10 copay for generic prescription drugs, \$40 for brand prescription drugs, you pay nothing for obstetrical visits
Health Education Classes	ClassesClasses are free to members. A minimal charge for materials may be required for some classes.	ClassesClasses are free to members. A minimal charge for materials may be required for some classes.
LEARN: Lifestyles, Exercise, Attitudes, Relationships and Nutrition all play a role in healthy, permanent weight loss. Learn skills for long-term weight management. This is a 10-week session. Cost: \$27 fee for the cost of materials, plus a \$20 fee for non-GVHP patients.	Cost: \$27 fee for the cost of materials	Cost: \$27 fee for the cost of materials
Movin' On: This series is designed for participants who have been involved in one-on-one health coaching for weight loss, have been/are participating in LEARN, Intuitive Eating or who would benefit from support from others who are trying to lose and/or manage their weight. These participants may have the skills for continued weight loss on their own, but want support and accountability. This is a 10-week session	Nothing	Nothing

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Benefit Description	You pay	
Educational classes and programs (cont.)	High Option	Standard Option
Intuitive Eating: Consists of 6-7 sessions and is based on a non-diet approach to weight management. Participants learn to follow their body's cues for hunger and fullness and address emotional eating. The program uses a book called, <i>Intuitive Eating</i> , and can be purchased the first night of the program for \$15.00.	Cost: \$15.00 fee for materials	Cost: \$15.00 fee for materials
Healthy Heart: This workshop (one class) is designed for anyone who wants to improve their cholesterol, blood pressure, blood sugar, and/or weight to numbers that are healthy for your heart. For anyone who has been told they have pre-diabetes, or Metabolic Syndrome, you'll want to attend.	Nothing	Nothing
Group Exercise: Individuals interested in weight loss and/or weight management are encouraged to join others in this low-impact, physical activity program lasting 20-45 minutes each week.	Nothing	Nothing
Tai Chi Beginner: This 10-week program is a self-paced system of gentle exercises, stretching and movement to promote physical fitness and a sense of relaxation.	Nothing	Nothing
Tai Chi Continuing: This 10-week program continues the self-paced system of gentle exercises, stretching and movement to promote physical fitness and a sense of relaxation.	Nothing	Nothing
The Child and Infant CPR: This one session class is designed for anyone who wants to learn the skills needed to respond quickly to child or infant breathing and cardiac emergencies. This class offers the required certification needed for child care education and professionals. After successful completion of the course, each participant will receive an American Red Cross Adult CPR certification card.	Nothing	Nothing
Prepared Childbirth: This 5 class series prepares both mother and her coach for a special, shared birth experience. Topics include labor and delivery, hospital procedures, breast and bottle feeding and much more. The classes also include skill sessions in relaxation and breathing techniques.	Nothing	Nothing
Refresher Childbirth: This 2 class series reinforces topics learned in the Prepared Childbirth program for the mother and her coach. Sessions include skill practice in relaxation and breathing techniques.	Nothing	Nothing
Breastfeeding: This 1 session class offers information and support to parents to support and foster a positive breastfeeding experience. Whether it's your first, second or third child, learn the "how-to's" of breastfeeding and how to handle some common difficulties.	Nothing	Nothing

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Benefit Description	You pay	
Educational classes and programs (cont.)	High Option	Standard Option
Managing Your Cholesterol: A clinical staff member will help you evaluate your overall risk, interpret your cholesterol numbers and suggest ways to eat healthier and fit exercise into your life.	Nothing	Nothing
Managing Your Blood Pressure: A clinical staff member will help you interpret your blood pressure values, identify your overall risk, and suggest ways in which diet, physical activity and lifestyle play a role in controlling blood pressure.	Nothing	Nothing
Practical Stress Management: This 1 session classe is designed to help you handle stress overloads that often happen in daily life. Situations and examples from home, work, families, and co-workers will be covered. You will learn a number of different methods to help you cope and take control.	Nothing	Nothing
<i>Not covered: Health Education classes not provided by Grand Valley Health Plan</i>	<i>All charges</i>	<i>All charges</i>

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

Important things you should 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.).

Benefit Description	You pay	
Surgical procedures	High Option	Standard Option
<p>A comprehensive range of services, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Operative procedures • Treatment of fractures, including casting • Normal pre- and post-operative care by the surgeon • Correction of amblyopia and strabismus • Endoscopy procedures • Biopsy procedures • Removal of tumors and cysts • Correction of congenital anomalies (see reconstructive surgery) • Surgical treatment of morbid obesity (bariatric surgery)—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 and meet GVHP Patient Care Standards. • Insertion of internal prosthetic devices. See 5(a) – Orthopedic and prosthetic devices for device coverage information. • Voluntary sterilization (i.e., Tubal ligation, Vasectomy) • Treatment of burns <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>	<p>\$10 per office visit; nothing for outpatient surgical center or hospital visits</p>	<p>\$20 per office visit; nothing for outpatient surgical center visits, \$500 co-payment per member per contract year, with a maximum of 3 co-payments per family per contract year for inpatient hospital visits.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blepharoplasty Procedures 	<p>50% of charges</p>	<p>50% of charges</p>
<p><i>Not covered:</i></p>	<p><i>All charges.</i></p>	<p><i>All charges.</i></p>

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Benefit Description	You pay	
Surgical procedures (cont.)	High Option	Standard Option
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Reversal of voluntary sterilization</i> • <i>Cosmetic surgery</i> • <i>Routine treatment of conditions of the foot; see Foot care</i> 	<i>All charges.</i>	<i>All charges.</i>
Reconstructive surgery	High Option	Standard Option
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Surgery to correct a functional defect • Surgery to correct a condition caused by injury or illness if: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - the condition produced a major effect on the member's appearance and - the condition can reasonably be expected to be corrected by such surgery • 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. 	Nothing	Nothing for outpatient surgical center visits, \$500 co-payment per member per contract year, with a maximum of 3 co-payments per family per contract year for inpatient hospital visits.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Surgery to correct scars (subject to medical necessity) 	50% of charges	50% of charges
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All stages of breast reconstruction surgery following a mastectomy, such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - surgery to produce a symmetrical appearance on the other breast; - treatment of any physical complications, such as lymph edemas; - breast prostheses and surgical bras and replacements (see Prosthetic devices) <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>	Nothing	Nothing for outpatient surgical center visits, \$500 co-payment per member per contract year, with a maximum of 3 co-payments per family per contract year for inpatient hospital visits.
<p><i>Not covered:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <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> • <i>Surgeries related to sex transformation</i> 	<i>All charges.</i>	<i>All charges.</i>

Benefit Description	You pay	
Oral and maxillofacial surgery	High Option	Standard Option
<p>Oral surgical procedures, limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduction of fractures of the jaws or facial bones; • Surgical correction of cleft lip, cleft palate; • Removal of stones from salivary ducts; • Excision of leukoplakia or malignancies; • Excision of cysts and incision of abscesses when done as independent procedures; and • Other surgical procedures that do not involve the teeth or their supporting structures. • Non-dental treatment of TMJ (temporo-mandibular joint dysfunction) 	100% Coverage	100% Coverage
Orthognathic Surgery	50% coverage	50% coverage
<p><i>Not covered:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Oral implants and transplants</i> • <i>Procedures that involve the teeth or their supporting structures including (such as the periodontal membrane, gingiva, and alveolar bone) including dentingious and odontogenic cysts.</i> 	<i>All charges.</i>	<i>All charges.</i>
Organ/tissue transplants	High Option	Standard Option
<p>These solid organ transplants are covered. These solid organ transplants are subject to medical necessity and experimental/investigational review by the Plan. Refer to <i>Other services</i> in Section 3 for prior authorization procedures. Solid organ transplants limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cornea • Heart • Heart/lung • Lung: single/bilateral/lobar • Kidney • Liver • Pancreas • Intestinal transplants <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Small intestine - Small intestine with the liver - Small intestine with multiple organs, such as the liver, stomach, and pancreas 	Nothing	\$500 co-payment per member per contract year, with a maximum of 3 co-payments per family per contract year.
<p>These tandem blood or marrow stem cell transplants for covered transplants are subject to medical necessity review by the Plan. Refer to <i>Other services</i> in Section 3 for prior authorization procedures.</p>	Nothing	\$500 co-payment per member per contract year, with a maximum of 3 co-payments per family per contract year.

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Benefit Description	You pay	
Organ/tissue transplants (cont.)	High Option	Standard Option
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Autologous tandem transplants for <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AL Amyloidosis Multiple myeloma (de novo and treated) Recurrent germ cell tumors (including testicular cancer) 	Nothing	\$500 co-payment per member per contract year, with a maximum of 3 co-payments per family per contract year.
<p>Blood or marrow stem cell transplants limited to the stages of the following diagnoses. For the diagnoses listed below, the medical necessity limitation is considered satisfied if the patient meets the staging description.</p> <p>Allogeneic transplants for</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Acute lymphocytic or non-lymphocytic (i.e., myelogenous) leukemia Advanced Hodgkin's lymphoma with reoccurrence (relapsed) Advanced non-Hodgkin's lymphoma with reoccurrence (relapsed) Acute myeloid leukemia Advanced Myeloproliferative Disorders (MPDs) Amyloidosis Chronic lymphocytic leukemia/small lymphocytic lymphoma (CLL/SLL) Hemoglobinopathy Marrow failure and related disorders (i.e., Fanconi's, PNH, Pure Red Cell Aplasia) Myelodysplasia/Myelodysplastic syndromes Paroxysmal Nocturnal Hemoglobinuria Phagocytic/Hemophagocytic deficiency diseases (e.g., Wiskott-Aldrich syndrome) Severe combined immunodeficiency Severe or very severe aplastic anemia <p>Autologous transplants for</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Acute lymphocytic or nonlymphocytic (i.e., myelogenous) leukemia Advanced Hodgkin's lymphoma with reoccurrence (relapsed) Advanced non-Hodgkin's lymphoma with reoccurrence (relapsed) Amyloidosis Neuroblastoma Testicular, Mediastinal, Retroperitoneal, and ovarian germ cell tumors 	Nothing	\$500 co-payment per member per contract year, with a maximum of 3 co-payments per family per contract year.

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Benefit Description	You pay	
Organ/tissue transplants (cont.)	High Option	Standard Option
<p>Mini-transplants performed in a clinical trial setting (non-myeloablative, reduced intensity conditioning or RIC) for members with a diagnosis listed below are subject to medical necessity and experimental/investigational review by the Plan.</p> <p>Refer to <i>Other services</i> in Section 3 for prior authorization procedures:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allogeneic transplants for <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Acute lymphocytic or non-lymphocytic (i.e., myelogenous) leukemia - Advanced Hodgkin's lymphoma with reoccurrence (relapsed) - Advanced non-Hodgkin's lymphoma with reoccurrence (relapsed) - Acute myeloid leukemia - Advanced Myeloproliferative Disorders (MPDs) - Amyloidosis - Chronic lymphocytic leukemia/small lymphocytic lymphoma (CLL/SLL) - Hemoglobinopathy - Marrow failure and related disorders (i.e., Fanconi's, PNH, Pure Red Cell Aplasia) - Myelodysplasia/Myelodysplastic syndromes - Paroxysmal Nocturnal Hemoglobinuria - Severe combined immunodeficiency - Severe or very severe aplastic anemia • Autologous transplants for <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Acute lymphocytic or nonlymphocytic (i.e., myelogenous) leukemia - Advanced Hodgkin's lymphoma with reoccurrence (relapsed) - Advanced non-Hodgkin's lymphoma with reoccurrence (relapsed) - Amyloidosis - Neuroblastoma <p>These blood or marrow stem cell transplants are covered only in a National Cancer Institute or National Institutes of health approved clinical trial or a Plan-designated center of excellence and if approved by the Plan's medical director in accordance with the Plan's protocols.</p>	<p>Nothing</p>	<p>\$500 co-payment per member per contract year, with a maximum of 3 co-payments per family per contract year.</p>

Organ/tissue transplants - continued on next page

Benefit Description	You pay	
Organ/tissue transplants (cont.)	High Option	Standard Option
<p>If you are a participant in a clinical trial, the Plan will provide benefits for related routine care that is medically necessary (such as doctor visits, lab tests, x-rays and scans, and hospitalization related to treating the patient's condition) if it is not provided by the clinical trial. Section 9 has additional information on costs related to clinical trials. We encourage you to contact the Plan to discuss specific services if you participate in a clinical trial.</p>	Nothing	\$500 co-payment per member per contract year, with a maximum of 3 co-payments per family per contract year.
National Transplant Program (NTP) -		
<p><i>Note: We cover related medical and hospital expenses of the donor when we cover the recipient. We cover donor testing for the actual solid organ donor or up to four bone marrow/stem cell transplant donors in addition to the testing of family members..</i></p>		
<p><i>Not covered:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Donor screening tests and donor search expenses, except those performed for the actual donor</i> • <i>Implants of artificial organs</i> • <i>Transplants not listed as covered</i> 	<i>All charges.</i>	<i>All charges.</i>
Anesthesia	High Option	Standard Option
<p>Professional services provided in –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hospital (inpatient) • Hospital outpatient department • Skilled nursing facility • Ambulatory surgical center • Office 	Nothing	Nothing

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

Important things you should 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 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 in Sections 5(a) or (b).

Benefit Description	You pay	
	High Option	Standard Option
Inpatient hospital		
Room and board, such as <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Semiprivate, or intensive care accommodations; • General nursing care • Meals and special diets <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>	Nothing	\$500 co-payment per member per contract year, with a maximum of 3 co-payments per family per contract year.
Other hospital services and supplies, such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Operating, recovery, maternity, and other treatment rooms • Prescribed drugs and medicines • Diagnostic laboratory tests and X-rays • Administration of blood and blood products • Blood or blood plasma, if not donated or replaced • Dressings, splints, casts, and sterile tray services • Medical supplies and equipment, including oxygen • Anesthetics, including nurse anesthetist services • Medical supplies, appliances, medical equipment, and any covered items billed by a hospital for use at home 	Nothing	\$500 co-payment per member per contract year, with a maximum of 3 co-payments per family per contract year.
<i>Not covered:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Custodial care</i> • <i>Non-covered facilities, such as nursing homes, schools</i> • <i>Personal comfort items, such as telephone, television, barber services, guest meals and beds</i> • <i>Private nursing care, unless medically necessary</i> 	<i>All charges.</i>	<i>All charges.</i>

Benefit Description	You pay	
Outpatient hospital or ambulatory surgical center	High Option	Standard Option
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Operating, recovery, and other treatment rooms • Prescribed drugs and medicines • Diagnostic laboratory tests, X-rays , and pathology services • Administration of blood, blood plasma, and other biologicals • Blood and blood plasma , if not donated or replaced • Pre-surgical testing • Dressings, casts , and sterile tray services • Medical supplies, including oxygen • Anesthetics and anesthesia service <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>	Nothing	Nothing
Extended care benefits/Skilled nursing care facility benefits	High Option	Standard Option
<p>Extended care benefit: We provide a comprehensive range of benefits for up to 45 days per member in a contract year with no dollar limit when full-time skilled nursing care is necessary and confinement in a skilled nursing facility is medically appropriate as determined by a Plan doctor. We cover all necessary services including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bed, board and general nursing care • Drugs, biologicals, supplies, and equipment ordinarily provided or arranged by the skilled nursing facility when prescribed by a Plan doctor. 	Nothing	Nothing
<i>Not covered: custodial care</i>	<i>All charges.</i>	<i>All charges.</i>
Hospice care	High Option	Standard Option
<p>We cover supportive and palliative care for a terminally ill member in the home or hospice facility. Services include inpatient and outpatient care, and family counseling; these services are provided under the direction of a Plan doctor who certifies that the patient is in the terminal stages of illness, with a life expectancy of approximately six months or less</p>	Nothing	<p>\$500 co-payment per member per contract year, with a maximum of 3 co-payments per family per contract year. Nothing if outpatient.</p>
<i>Not covered: Independent nursing, homemaker services</i>	<i>All charges.</i>	<i>All charges.</i>

High and Standard Option

Benefit Description	You pay	
Ambulance	High Option	Standard Option
Ambulance services when medically appropriate	\$50 per service	\$50 per service

Section 5(d) Emergency services/accidents

Important things you should 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.
- 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.

What is a medical emergency?

A medical emergency is defined as the unexpected or unforeseen onset of a traumatic bodily injury or life-threatening or disabling condition which, if not treated immediately, could reasonably be expected to result in serious physical impairment or loss of life.

There are many other acute conditions that we may determine are medically urgent – what they all have in common is the need for quick action.

An urgent condition is defined as a medical condition requiring same-day attention, such that if attention to the condition would be delayed, then an unfavorable outcome would result. The condition is not considered to be life threatening or a medical emergency. Pre-authorization is required.

What to do in case of emergency:

Emergencies within our service area: 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. It is your responsibility to ensure that the Plan has been timely notified.

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 within 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.

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 health 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 within that time. If a Plan doctor believes care can be better provided in a Plan hospital, you will be transferred when medically feasible with any ambulance charges covered in full.

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.

Benefit Description	You pay	
Emergency/Urgent Care within our service area	High Option	Standard Option
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Urgent care at a Grand Valley Health Plan Family Practice office Urgent care at a Grand Valley Health Plan's urgent care center 	\$10 per office visit	\$20 per office visit
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Urgent care at a non-Grand Valley Health Plan urgent care center 	\$25 per office visit	\$25 per office visit
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Emergency care at a hospital, including doctors' services <p>Note: If emergency results in admission to a hospital, we waive the emergency room copay.</p>	\$50 per visit	\$50 per visit
<i>Not covered: Elective care or non-emergency care</i>	<i>All charges.</i>	<i>All charges.</i>
Emergency/Urgent Care outside our service area	High Option	Standard Option
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Urgent care at an urgent care center 	\$25 per office visit	\$25 per office visit
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Emergency care at a hospital, including doctors' services <p>Note: If emergency results in admission to a hospital, we waive the emergency room copay.</p>	\$50 per visit	\$50 per visit
<p><i>Not covered:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Elective care or non-emergency care</i> <i>Emergency care provided outside the service area if the need for care could have been foreseen before leaving the service area</i> <i>Medical and hospital costs resulting from a normal full-term delivery of a baby outside the service area</i> 	<i>All charges.</i>	<i>All charges.</i>
Ambulance	High Option	Standard Option
Professional ambulance service when medically appropriate.	\$50 per service	\$50 per services

Section 5(e) Mental health and substance abuse benefits

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.

Important things you should 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.
- 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.** 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 we approve. The treatment plan may include services, drugs, and supplies described elsewhere in this brochure. To be eligible to receive full benefits, you must follow the preauthorization process and get Plan approval of your treatment plan:

Benefit Description	You pay	
Professional services	High Option	Standard Option
When part of a treatment plan we approve, we cover evidence based, professional services by licensed professional mental health and substance abuse practitioners when acting within the scope of their license, such as psychiatrists, psychologists, clinical social workers, licensed professional counselors.	Your cost-sharing responsibilities are no greater than for other illnesses or conditions.	Your cost sharing responsibilities are no greater than for other illnesses or conditions.
Diagnosis and treatment of psychiatric conditions, mental illness, or mental disorders. Services include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diagnostic evaluation • Crisis intervention and stabilization for acute episodes • Medication evaluation and management (pharmacotherapy) • Psychological and neuropsychological testing necessary to determine the appropriate psychiatric treatment • Treatment and counseling (including individual or group therapy visits) • Diagnosis and treatment of alcoholism and drug abuse, including detoxification, treatment and counseling • Professional charges for intensive outpatient treatment • Electroconvulsive therapy 	\$10 per office visit	\$20 per office visit

Benefit Description	You pay	
Diagnostics	High Option	Standard Option
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Outpatient diagnostic tests provided and billed by a licensed mental health and substance abuse practitioner Outpatient diagnostic tests provided and billed by a laboratory, hospital or other covered facility Inpatient diagnostic tests provided and billed by a hospital or other covered facility 	\$10 per office Visit \$10 per office visit Nothing	\$20 per office Visit \$20 per office visit Nothing
Inpatient hospital or other covered facility	High Option	Standard Option
Inpatient services provided and billed by a hospital or other covered facility Room and board, such as semiprivate or intensive accommodations, general nursing care, meals and special diets, and other hospital services	Nothing	\$500 co-payment per member per contract year, with a maximum of 3 co-payments per family per contract year.
Outpatient hospital or other covered facility	High Option	Standard Option
Outpatient services provided and billed by a hospital or other covered facility Services in approved treatment programs.	\$10 per office visit	\$20 per office visit
Not covered	High Option	Standard Option
<i>Not covered: Services we have not approved</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transitional Living Centers, non-licensed programs, therapeutic boarding schools and services typically provided by Community Mental Health services s program settings. Custodial Care provided in a residential, institutional or assisted living setting and non-skilled care received in a home or facility. Services for caffeine abuse or addictions, antisocial personality and insomnia and other sleep disorders. Services and treatment related to sex therapy. <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>	<i>All Charges</i>	<i>All Charges</i>

Preauthorization

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

Please contact Grand Valley Health Plan health center for services.

Limitation

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

Section 5(f) Prescription drug benefits

Important things you should keep in mind about these benefits:

- We cover prescribed drugs and medications, as described in the chart beginning on the next page.
- 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.
- 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.

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

- **Who can write your prescription.** A licensed physician must write the prescription – or – A plan physician must write the prescription.
- **Where you can obtain them.** You must fill the prescription at a plan pharmacy, or by mail for a maintenance medication
- **These are the dispensing limitations.** All prescriptions will be filled at a 30 day supply unless noted on approved 90-day drug list.
- 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, and your physician has not specified Dispense as Written for the name brand drug, you have to pay the difference in cost between the name brand drug and the generic, plus the copay amount.
- **Why use Generic Drugs.** Generic drugs contain the same active ingredients and are equivalent in strength and dosage to the original brand name product. Generic drugs cost you and your plan less money than a name-brand drug.

Benefit Description	You pay	
	High Option	Standard Option
Covered medications and supplies We cover the following medications and supplies prescribed by a Plan physician and obtained from a Plan pharmacy: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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>. • Insulin • Disposable needles and syringes for the administration of covered medications • Diabetes supplies, including insulin syringes, needles, glucose test tablets and test tape • Drugs for sexual dysfunction • Contraceptive drugs and devices 	\$5 co-payment per generic prescription, \$15 co-payment for brand prescription, you pay nothing for supplies	\$10 co-payment per generic prescription, \$40 co-payment for brand prescription, you pay nothing for supplies
Women's contraceptive drugs and devices Note: Over-the-counter contraceptives drugs and devices approved by the FDA require a written prescription by an approved provider.	\$5 co-payment per generic prescription, \$15 co-payment for brand prescription, you pay nothing for supplies	\$10 co-payment per generic prescription, \$40 co-payment for brand prescription, you pay nothing for supplies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fertility drugs • Growth Hormone 	50% of charges up to \$7,000 out-of-pocket maximum.	50% of charges up to \$7,000 out-of-pocket maximum.
<i>Not covered:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Drugs related to non-covered services</i> 	<i>All charges.</i>	<i>All charges.</i>

Covered medications and supplies - continued on next page

Benefit Description	You pay	
Covered medications and supplies (cont.)	High Option	Standard Option
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Drugs and supplies for cosmetic purposes</i> • <i>Vitamins and nutritional supplements that can be administered without a prescription</i> • <i>Drugs to enhance athletic performance</i> • <i>Prescription medications with a medically equivalent Over the Counter alternative.</i> • <i>Diet medications, trans-dermal, anti-nausea patches, hair loss/hair removal products, retinoid creams, bleaching creams and alcohol dependency drugs.</i> • <i>Medications exceeding an amount of \$250.00 must be filled at a GVHP Pharmacy unless in conjunction with out-of-area emergency services.</i> <p><i>Note: Over-the-counter and prescription drugs approved by the FDA to treat tobacco dependence are covered under the Tobacco cessation benefit. (See page 24.)</i></p>	<i>All charges.</i>	<i>All charges.</i>

Section 5(g) Dental benefits

Important things you should 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
- If you are enrolled in a Federal Employees Dental/Vision Insurance Program (FEDVIP) Dental Plan, your FEHB Plan will be First/Primary payor of any Benefit payments and your FEDVIP Plan is secondary to your FEHB Plan. See Section 9 Coordinating benefits with other coverage.
- Plan dentists must provide or arrange your care.
- We cover hospitalization for dental procedures only when a non-dental physical impairment exists which makes hospitalization necessary to safeguard the health of the patient. See Section 5(c) for inpatient hospital benefits. 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.

Benefit Description	You Pay	
Accidental injury benefit	High Option	Standard Option
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	\$20 per office visit

Section 5(h) Special features

Flexible benefits option	<p>Under the flexible benefits option, we determine the most effective way to provide services.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We may identify medically appropriate alternatives to regular contract benefits as a less costly alternative. If we identify a less costly alternative, we will ask you to sign an alternative benefits agreement that will include all of the following terms in addition to other terms as necessary. Until you sign and return the agreement, regular contract benefits will continue. • Alternative benefits will be made available for a limited time period and are subject to our ongoing review. You must cooperate with the review process. • By approving an alternative benefit, we do not guarantee you will get it in the future. • The decision to offer an alternative benefit is solely ours, and except as expressly provided in this agreement, we may withdraw it at any time and resume regular contract benefits. • If you sign the agreement, we will provide the agreed-upon alternative benefits for the stated time period (unless circumstances change). You may request an extension of the time period, but regular contract benefits will resume if we do not approve your request. • Our decision to offer or withdraw alternative benefits is not subject to OPM review under the disputed claims process. However, if at the time we make a decision regarding alternative benefits, we also decide that regular contract benefits are not payable, then you may dispute our regular contract benefits decision under the OPM disputed claim process (see Section 8).
24 hour nurse/provider line	<p>For any of your health concerns, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, you may call your Health Center number, and talk with a provider who will discuss treatment options and answer your health questions. The Health Center phone numbers are listed below.</p> <p>Beckwith Health Center – (616) 224-1515</p> <p>Hudsonville Health Center – (616) 457-3830</p> <p>Rockford Health Center – (616) 866-9568</p> <p>Walker Health Center – (616) 784-4717</p> <p>Wyoming Health Center – (616) 532-1100</p>

Non-FEHB benefits available to Plan members

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 catastrophic protection out-of-pocket maximums. These programs and materials are the responsibility of the Plan, and all appeals must follow their guidelines. For additional information contact the Plan at, 949-2410 or visit their website at www.gvhp.com

Expanded Vision Care

Discounts are available through SVS Shoppes for Grand Valley Health Plan members.

Section 6 General exclusions – services, drugs and supplies we do not cover

The exclusions in this section apply to all benefits. There may be other exclusions and limitations listed in Section 5 of this brochure. **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. For information on obtaining prior approval for specific services, such as transplants, see Section 3 *When you need prior Plan approval for certain services.***

We do not cover the following:

- Care by non-Plan providers except for authorized referrals or emergencies (see Emergency services/accidents);
- 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 (see specifics regarding transplants);
- 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;
- Services, drugs, or supplies you receive from a provider or facility barred from the FEHB Program; or
- Services, drugs, or supplies you receive without charge while in active military service.
- Extra care costs – costs related to taking part in a clinical trial such as additional tests that a patient may need as part of the trial, but not as part of the patient's routine care
- Research costs – costs related to conducting the clinical trial such as research physician and nurse time, analysis of results, and clinical tests performed only for research purposes
- Against Medical Advice
- Services for sexual/gender identity issues (COC does say we do not cover services, drugs or supplies related to sex transformations)
- Services for adoption adjustment issues
- Biofeedback
- Hypnotherapy
- Gambling Addition
- Diversity Counseling
- Light boxes for photo-therapy
- Addiction medications such as those used for Methadone maintenance
- Marital or relationship counseling
- Religious counseling
- Treatment for Dissociative Identity Disorder & Antisocial Personality Disorder.
- Testing and treatment for Pervasive Developmental Disorders, Autism, Aspergers, Rett's Disorder, and Sensory Integration Disorder are covered for medication management
- Academic and educational related services for testing and treatment of learning disabilities, emotional impairments etc.
- Court-related services

- Custodial or domiciliary care
- Dental implants or dental prosthetics
- Illegal activity
- Lost wages
- No show charge
- Rehabilitation Services: Rehabilitation services including, but not limited to, language therapy, cognitive therapy, vocational training, therapies for developmental delays and driver's training are not covered under this certificate.
- Leave of absence
- Diagnostic procedures and tests for conditions which benefits are not provided under this certificate.
- Charges which are in excess of reasonable and customary
- Food supplements and formula
- Procedures not considered generally accepted medical practice
- Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA)

Section 7 Filing a claim for covered services

This Section primarily deals with post-service claims (claims for services, drugs or supplies you have already received). See Section 3 for information on pre-service claims procedures (services, drugs or supplies requiring prior Plan approval), including urgent care claims procedures. 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, or co-insurance if applicable.

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 and hospital benefits

In most cases, providers and facilities file claims for you. Physicians must file on the form CMS-1500, Health Insurance Claim Form. Your facility will file on the UB-04 form. For claims questions and assistance, contact us at (616) 949-2410.

When you must file a claim – such as for services you received outside the Plan’s service area – 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, date of birth, address, phone number and ID number
- Name and address of the physician or facility that provided the service or supply
- Dates you received the services or supplies
- Diagnosis
- 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 payor – such as the Medicare Summary Notice (MSN)
- Receipts, if you paid for your services

Note: Canceled checks, cash register receipts, or balance due statements are not acceptable substitutes for itemized bills. Grand Valley Health Plan

Submit your claims to:

Grand Valley Health Plan
829 Forest Hill Ave. SE
Grand Rapids, MI 49546

Prescription drugs

Submit your claims to:

Grand Valley Health Plan
829 Forest Hill Ave. SE
Grand Rapids, MI 49546

Other supplies or services

Submit your claims to:

Grand Valley Health Plan
829 Forest Hill Ave. SE
Grand Rapids, MI 49546

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.
Post-service claims procedures	<p>We will notify you of our decision within 30 days after we receive your post-service claim. If matters beyond our control require an extension of time, we may take up to an additional 15 days for review and we will notify you before the expiration of the original 30-day period. Our notice will include the circumstances underlying the request for the extension and the date when a decision is expected.</p> <p>If we need an extension because we have not received necessary information from you, our notice will describe the specific information required and we will allow you up to 60 days from the receipt of the notice to provide the information.</p> <p>If you do not agree with our initial decision, you may ask us to review it by following the disputed claims process detailed in Section 8 of this brochure.</p>
Authorized Representative	You may designate an authorized representative to act on your behalf for filing a claim or to appeal claims decisions to us. For urgent care claims, we will permit a health care professional with knowledge of your medical condition to act as your authorized representative without your express consent. For the purposes of this section, we are also referring to your authorized representative when we refer to you.
Notice Requirements	<p>If you live in a county where at least 10 percent of the population is literate only in a non-English language (as determined by the Secretary of Health and Human Services), we will provide language assistance in that non-English language. You can request a copy of your Explanation of Benefits (EOB) statement, related correspondence, oral language services (such as telephone customer assistance), and help with filing claims and appeals (including external reviews) in the applicable non-English language. The English versions of your EOBs and related correspondence will include information in the non-English language about how to access language services in that non-English language.</p> <p>Any notice of an adverse benefit determination or correspondence from us confirming an adverse benefit determination will include information sufficient to identify the claim involved (including the date of service, the health care provider, and the claim amount, if applicable), and a statement describing the availability, upon request, of the diagnosis and procedure codes</p>

Section 8 The disputed claims process

You may be able to appeal directly to the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) if we do not follow required claims processes. For more information about situations in which you are entitled to immediately appeal to OPM, including additional requirements not listed in Sections 3, 7 and 8 of this brochure, please visit www.gvhp.com/FEHB.

Please follow this Federal Employees Health Benefits Program disputed claims process if you disagree with our decision on your post-service claim (a claim where services, drugs or supplies have already been provided). In Section 3 *If you disagree with our pre-service claim decision*, we describe the process you need to follow if you have a claim for services, referrals, drugs or supplies that must have prior Plan approval, such as inpatient hospital admissions.

To help you prepare your appeal, you may arrange with us to review and copy, free of charge, all relevant materials and Plan documents under our control relating to your claim, including those that involve any expert review(s) of your claim. To make your request, please contact our Customer Service Department by writing Grand Valley Health Plan, Attn: Customer Service, 829 Forest Hill Ave. SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49546, or calling (616) 949-2410.

Our reconsideration will take into account all comments, documents, records, and other information submitted by you relating to the claim, without regard to whether such information was submitted or considered in the initial benefit determination.

When our initial decision is based (in whole or in part) on a medical judgment (i.e., medical necessity, experimental/investigational), we will consult with a health care professional who has appropriate training and experience in the field of medicine involved in the medical judgment and who was not involved in making the initial decision.

Our reconsideration decision will not afford deference to the initial decision and will be conducted by a plan representative who is neither the individual who made the initial decision that is the subject of the reconsideration, nor the subordinate of that individual.

We will not make our decisions regarding hiring, compensation, termination, promotion, or other similar matters with respect to any individual (such as a claims adjudicator or medical expert) based upon the likelihood that the individual will support the denial of benefits. Disagreements between you and the CDHP or HDHP fiduciary regarding the administration of an HSA or HRA are not subject to the disputed claims process.

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Ask us in writing to reconsider our initial decision. You must:

- a) Write to us within 6 months from the date of our decision; and
- b) Send your request to us at: Grand Valley Health Plan, 829 Forest Hill Ave. SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49546 ; and
- c) Include a statement about why you believe our initial decision was wrong, based on specific benefit provisions in this brochure; and
- d) Include copies of documents that support your claim, such as physicians' letters, operative reports, bills, medical records, and explanation of benefits (EOB) forms.
- e) Include your email address (optional for member), if you would like to receive our decision via email. Please note that by giving us your email, we may be able to provide our decision more quickly.

We will provide you, free of charge and in a timely manner, with any new or additional evidence considered, relied upon, or generated by us or at our direction in connection with your claim and any new rationale for our claim decision. We will provide you with this information sufficiently in advance of the date that we are required to provide you with our reconsideration decision to allow you a reasonable opportunity to respond to us before that date. However, our failure to provide you with new evidence or rationale in sufficient time to allow you to timely respond shall not invalidate our decision on reconsideration. You may respond to that new evidence or rationale at the OPM review stage described in step 4.

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In the case of a post-service claim, we have 30 days from the date we receive your request to:

- a) Pay the claim or
- b) Write to you and maintain our denial or.

c) Ask you or your provider for more information

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.

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. We will write to you with our decision.

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If you do not agree with our decision, you may ask OPM to review it.

You must write to OPM within:

- 90 days after the date of our letter upholding our initial decision; or
- 120 days after you first wrote to us -- if we did not answer that request in some way within 30 days; or
- 120 days after we asked for additional information.

Write to OPM at: United States Office of Personnel Management, Healthcare and Insurance, Federal Employee Insurance Operations, Health Insurance 3, 1900 E Street, NW, Washington, DC 20415-xxxx.

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.
- Your email address, if you would like to receive OPM's decision via email. Please note that by providing your email address, you may receive OPM's decision more quickly.

Note: If you want OPM to review more than one claim, 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. However, for urgent care claims, a health care professional with knowledge of your medical condition may act as your authorized representative without your express consent.

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

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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.

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 you did not indicate that your claim was a claim for urgent care, then call us at (616) 949-2410. We will hasten our review (if we have not yet responded to your claim); or we will inform OPM so they can quickly review your claim on appeal. You may call OPM's Health Insurance 3 at (202) 606-0737 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. eastern time.

Please remember that we do not make decisions about plan eligibility issues. For example, we do not determine whether you or a dependent is covered under this plan. You must raise eligibility issues with your Agency personnel/payroll office if you are an employee, your retirement system if you are an annuitant or the Office of Worker's Compensation programs if you are receiving Worker's Compensation benefits.

Section 9 Coordinating benefits with Medicare and other coverage

When you have other health coverage

You must tell us if you or a covered family member has coverage under any other health plan or has 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 payor and the other plan pays a reduced benefit as the secondary payor. We, like other insurers, determine which coverage is primary according to the National Association of Insurance Commissioners’ (NAIC) guidelines. For more information on NAIC rules regarding the coordinating of benefits, visit the NAIC web site at <http://www.NAIC.org>.

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

When we are the secondary payor, 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.

TRICARE and CHAMPVA

TRICARE is the health care program for eligible dependents of military persons, and retirees of the military. TRICARE includes the CHAMPUS program. CHAMPVA provides health coverage to disabled Veterans and their eligible dependents. If TRICARE or CHAMPVA and this Plan cover you, we pay first. See your TRICARE or CHAMPVA Health Benefits Advisor if you have questions about these programs.

Suspended FEHB coverage to enroll in TRICARE or CHAMPVA: If you are an annuitant or former spouse, you can suspend your FEHB coverage to enroll in a one of these programs, eliminating your FEHB premium. (OPM does not contribute to any applicable plan premiums.) 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 under TRICARE or CHAMPVA.

Workers’ Compensation

We do not cover services that:

- You (or a covered family member) 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.

Medicaid

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

Suspended FEHB coverage to enroll in Medicaid or a similar State-sponsored program of medical assistance: If you are an annuitant or former spouse, you can suspend your FEHB coverage to enroll in a one of these State programs, eliminating your FEHB 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 under the State program.

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.

When you have Federal Employees Dental and Vision Insurance Plan (FEDVIP) coverage

Some FEHB plans already cover some dental and vision services. When you are covered by more than one vision/dental plan, coverage provided under your FEHB plan remains as your primary coverage. FEDVIP coverage pays secondary to that coverage. When you enroll in a dental and/or vision plan on BENEFEDS.com, you will be asked to provide information on your FEHB plan so that your plans can coordinate benefits. Providing your FEHB information may reduce your out-of-pocket cost.

Clinical Trials

An approved clinical trial includes a phase I, phase II, phase III, or phase IV clinical trial that is conducted in relation to the prevention, detection, or treatment of cancer or other life-threatening disease or condition and is either Federally funded; conducted under an investigational new drug application reviewed by the Food and Drug Administration; or is a drug trial that is exempt from the requirement of an investigational new drug application.

If you are a participant in a clinical trial, this health plan will provide related care as follows, if it is not provided by the clinical trial:

- Routine care costs – costs for routine services such as doctor visits, lab tests, x-rays and scans, and hospitalizations related to treating the patient's condition, whether the patient is in a clinical trial or is receiving standard therapy. These costs are covered by this plan.
- Extra care costs – costs related to taking part in a clinical trial such as additional tests that a patient may need as part of the trial, but not as part of the patient's routine care. This plan does not cover these costs.
- Research costs – costs related to conducting the clinical trial such as research physician and nurse time, analysis of results, and clinical tests performed only for research purposes. These costs are generally covered by the clinical trials, this plan does not cover these costs.

When you have Medicare

What is Medicare?

Medicare is a health insurance program for:

- People 65 years of age or 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 four 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. (If you were a Federal employee at any time both before and during January 1983, you will receive credit for your Federal employment before January 1983.) Otherwise, if you are age 65 or older, you may be able to buy it. Contact 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227), (TTY 1-877-486-2048) 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.

- **Part C (Medicare Advantage).** You can enroll in a Medicare Advantage plan to get your Medicare benefits. We do not offer a Medicare Advantage plan. Please review the information on coordinating benefits with Medicare Advantage plans on the next page.
- **Part D (Medicare prescription drug coverage).** There is a monthly premium for Part D coverage. If you have limited savings and a low income, you may be eligible for Medicare's Low-Income Benefits. For people with limited income and resources, extra help in paying for a Medicare prescription drug plan is available. Information regarding this program is available through the Social Security Administration (SSA). For more information about this extra help, visit SSA online at www.socialsecurity.gov, or call them at 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778). Before enrolling in Medicare Part D, please review the important disclosure notice from us about the FEHB prescription drug coverage and Medicare. The notice is on the first inside page of this brochure. The notice will give you guidance on enrolling in Medicare Part D.

• **Should I enroll in Medicare?**

The decision to enroll in Medicare is yours. We encourage you to apply for Medicare benefits 3 months before you turn age 65. It's easy. Just call the Social Security Administration toll-free number 1-800-772-1213, (TTY 1-800-325-0778) to set up an appointment to apply. If you do not apply for one or more Parts of Medicare, you can still be covered under the FEHB Program.

If you can get premium-free Part A coverage, we advise you to enroll in it. Most Federal employees and annuitants are entitled to Medicare Part A at age 65 **without cost**. When you don't have to pay premiums for Medicare Part A, it makes good sense to obtain the coverage. It can reduce your out-of-pocket expenses as well as costs to the FEHB, which can help keep FEHB premiums down.

Everyone is charged a premium for Medicare Part B coverage. The Social Security Administration can provide you with premium and benefit information. Review the information and decide if it makes sense for you to buy the Medicare Part B coverage. If you do not sign up for Medicare Part B when you are first eligible, you may be charged a Medicare Part B late enrollment penalty of a 10 % increase in premium for every 12 months you are not enrolled. If you didn't take Part B at age 65 because you were covered under FEHB as an active employee (or you were covered under your spouse's group health insurance plan and he/she was an active employee), you may sign up for Part B (generally without an increased premium) within 8 months from the time you or your spouse stop working or are no longer covered by the group plan. You also can sign up at any time while you are covered by the group plan.

If you are eligible for Medicare, you may have choices in how you get your health care. Medicare Advantage is the term used to describe the various private health plan choices available to Medicare beneficiaries. The information in the next few pages shows how we coordinate benefits with Medicare, depending on whether you are in the Original Medicare Plan or a private Medicare Advantage plan.

• **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.

All physicians and other providers are required by law to file claims directly to Medicare for members with Medicare Part B, when Medicare is primary. This is true whether or not they accept Medicare.

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.

Claims process when you have the Original Medicare Plan -- You will probably not need to file a claim form when you have both our Plan and the Original Medicare Plan.

When we are the primary payor, we process the claim first.

When Original Medicare is the primary payor, Medicare processes your claim first. In most cases, your claim will be coordinated automatically and we will then provide secondary benefits for covered charges. You will not need to do anything. To find out if you need to do something to file your claim, call us at 616/949-2410 or see our Web site at www.gvhp.com.

We do not waive any costs if the Original Medicare Plan is your primary payor.

You can find more information about how our plan coordinates benefits with Medicare at www.gvhp.com.

Tell us about your Medicare coverage

You must tell us if you or a covered family member has Medicare coverage, and let us obtain information about services denied or paid under Medicare if we ask. You must also tell us about other coverage you or your covered family members may have, as this coverage may affect the primary/secondary status of this Plan and Medicare.

- **Medicare Advantage (Part C)**

If you are eligible for Medicare, you may choose to enroll in and get your Medicare benefits from a Medicare Advantage plan. These are private health care choices (like HMOs and regional PPOs) in some areas of the country. To learn more about Medicare Advantage plans, contact Medicare at 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227), (TTY 1-877-486-2048) or at www.medicare.gov.

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

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

Suspended FEHB coverage to enroll in a Medicare Advantage plan: If you are an annuitant or former spouse, you can suspend your FEHB coverage to enroll in a Medicare Advantage plan, eliminating your FEHB premium. (OPM does not contribute to your Medicare Advantage 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 Advantage plan's service area.

- **Medicare prescription drug coverage (Part D)**

When we are the primary payor, we process the claim first. If you enroll in Medicare Part D and we are the secondary payor, we will review claims for your prescription drug costs that are not covered by Medicare Part D and consider them for payment under the FEHB plan.

Medicare always makes the final determination as to whether they are the primary payor. The following chart illustrates whether Medicare or this Plan should be the primary payor 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. **(Having coverage under more than two health plans may change the order of benefits determined on this chart.)**

Primary Payor Chart		
A. When you - or your covered spouse - are age 65 or over and have Medicare and you...	The primary payor for the individual with Medicare is...	
	Medicare	This Plan
1) Have FEHB coverage on your own as an active employee		✓
2) Have FEHB coverage on your own as an annuitant or through your spouse who is an annuitant	✓	
3) Have FEHB through your spouse who is an active employee		✓
4) Are a reemployed annuitant with the Federal government and your position is excluded from the FEHB (your employing office will know if this is the case) and you are not covered under FEHB through your spouse under #3 above	✓	
5) Are a reemployed annuitant with the Federal government and your position is not excluded from the FEHB (your employing office will know if this is the case) and...		
• You have FEHB coverage on your own or through your spouse who is also an active employee		✓
• You have FEHB coverage through your spouse who is an annuitant	✓	
6) 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) and you are not covered under FEHB through your spouse under #3 above	✓	
7) Are enrolled in Part B only, regardless of your employment status	✓ for Part B services	✓ for other services
8) Are a Federal employee receiving Workers' Compensation disability benefits for six months or more	✓ *	
B. When you or a covered family member...		
1) Have Medicare solely based on end stage renal disease (ESRD) and...		
• It is within the first 30 months of eligibility for or entitlement to Medicare due to ESRD (30-month coordination period)		✓
• It is beyond the 30-month coordination period and you or a family member are still entitled to Medicare due to ESRD	✓	
2) Become eligible for Medicare due to ESRD while already a Medicare beneficiary and...		
• This Plan was the primary payor before eligibility due to ESRD (for 30 month coordination period)		✓
• Medicare was the primary payor before eligibility due to ESRD	✓	
3) Have Temporary Continuation of Coverage (TCC) and...		
• Medicare based on age and disability	✓	
• Medicare based on ESRD (for the 30 month coordination period)		✓
• Medicare based on ESRD (after the 30 month coordination period)	✓	
C. When either you or a covered family member are eligible for Medicare solely due to disability and you...		
1) Have FEHB coverage on your own as an active employee or through a family member who is an active employee		✓
2) Have FEHB coverage on your own as an annuitant or through a family member who is an annuitant	✓	
D. When you are covered under the FEHB Spouse Equity provision as a former spouse	✓	

*Workers' Compensation is primary for claims related to your condition under Workers' Compensation.

Section 10 Definitions of terms we use in this brochure

Calendar year	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.
• Clinical Trials Cost Categories	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Routine care costs – costs for routine services such as doctor visits, lab tests, x-rays and scans, and hospitalizations related to treating the patient’s condition whether the patient is in a clinical trial or is receiving standard therapy• Extra care costs – costs related to taking part in a clinical trial such as additional tests that a patient may need as part of the trial, but not as part of the patient’s routine care• Research costs – costs related to conducting the clinical trial such as research physician and nurse time, analysis of results, and clinical tests performed only for research purposes
Coinsurance	Coinsurance is the percentage of our allowance that you must pay for your care. You may also be responsible for additional amounts.
Copayment	A copayment is a fixed amount of money you pay when you receive covered services.
Cost-sharing	Cost-sharing is the general term used to refer to your out-of-pocket costs (e.g., deductible, coinsurance, and copayments) for the covered care you receive.
Covered services	Care we provide benefits for, as described in this brochure.
Custodial care	Room and board, nursing care, and personal care designed to assist a person in the activities of daily living. Custodial care that lasts 90 days or more is sometimes known as Long term care.
Deductible	A deductible is a fixed amount of covered expenses you must incur for certain covered services and supplies before we start paying benefits for those services.
Experimental or investigational service	<p>A procedure, drug, device or biological product is experimental or investigational when:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. There is not sufficient outcome data available from controlled clinical trials published in the peer reviewed literature to substantiate its safety and effectiveness for the disease or injury involved, orb. Required FDA approval has not been granted for marketing; orc. A recognized national medical or dental society or regulatory agency has determined, in writing, that it is experimental or for research purposes; ord. The written protocol(s) used by the treating facility or the protocol(s) of any other facility studying substantially the same drug, device, procedure or treatment or the written informed consent used by the treating facility or by another facility studying the same drug, device, procedure or treatment states that it is experimental or for research purposes; or it is not of proven benefit for the specific diagnosis or treatment of a member’s particular condition; ore. It is not generally recognized by the medical community as effective or appropriate for the specific diagnosis or treatment of a member’s particular condition; or it is provided or performed in special settings for research purposes.
Health care professional	A physician or other health care professional licensed, accredited, or certified to perform specified health services consistent with state law.

Medical necessity	A service, procedure, treatment, supply or accommodation prescribed, ordered, supplied, authorized or provided to you, which has been determined by your Health Center Team to be necessary for your general care and well being, and which is generally acceptable according to the standards of medical practice.
Post-service claims	Any claims that are not pre-service claims. In other words, post-service claims are those claims where treatment has been performed and the claims have been sent to us in order to apply for benefits.
Pre-service claims	Those claims (1) that require precertification, prior approval, or a referral and (2) where failure to obtain precertification, prior approval, or a referral results in a reduction of benefits.
Us/We	Us and We refer to Grand Valley Health Plan.
You	You refers to the enrollee and each covered family member.
Urgent care claims	<p>A physician or other health care professional licensed, accredited, or certified to perform specified health services consistent with state law.</p> <p>A claim for medical care or treatment is an urgent care claim if waiting for the regular time limit for non-urgent care claims could have one of the following impacts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Waiting could seriously jeopardize your life or health; • Waiting could seriously jeopardize your ability to regain maximum function; or • In the opinion of a physician with knowledge of your medical condition, waiting would subject you to severe pain that cannot be adequately managed without the care or treatment that is the subject of the claim. <p>Urgent care claims usually involve Pre-serve claims and not Post-service claims. We will judge whether a claim is an urgent care claim by applying the judgment of a prudent layperson who possesses an average knowledge of health and medicine.</p> <p>If you believe your claim qualifies as an urgent care claim, , please contact our Customer Service Department at Grand Valley Health Plan, 616-949-2410. You may also prove that your claim is an urgent care claim by providing evidence that a physician with knowledge of your medical condition has determined that your claim involves urgent care.</p>

Section 11 Other Federal Programs

Please note, the following programs are not part of your FEHB benefits. They are separate Federal programs that complement your FEHB benefits and can potentially reduce your annual out-of-pocket expenses. These programs are offered independent of the FEHB Program and require you to enroll separately with no government contribution.

Important information about three Federal programs that complement the FEHB Program

First, the **Federal Flexible Spending Account Program**, also known as **FSAFEDS**, lets you set aside pre-tax money from your salary to reimburse you for eligible dependent care and/or health care expenses. You pay less in taxes so you save money. The result can be a discount of 20% to more than 40% on services/products you routinely pay for out-of-pocket.

Second, the **Federal Employees Dental and Vision Insurance Program (FEDVIP)**, provides comprehensive dental and vision insurance at competitive group rates. There are several plans from which to choose. Under FEDVIP you may choose self only, self plus one, or self and family coverage for yourself and any eligible dependents.

Third, the **Federal Long Term Care Insurance Program (FLTCIP)** can help cover long term care costs, which are not covered under the FEHB Program.

The Federal Flexible Spending Account Program – FSAFEDS

What is an FSA?

It is an account where you contribute money from your salary **BEFORE** taxes are withheld, then incur eligible expenses and get reimbursed. You pay less in taxes so you save money. **Annuitants are not eligible to enroll.**

There are three types of FSAs offered by FSAFEDS. Each type has a minimum annual election of \$250. The maximum annual election for a health care flexible spending account (HCFSAs) or a limited expense health care spending account (LEX HCFSAs) is \$2,500.

- **Health Care FSA (HCFSAs)** –Reimburses you for eligible health care expenses (such as copayments, deductibles, insulin, products, **physician prescribed** over-the-counter drugs and medications, vision and dental expenses, and much more) for you and your tax dependents, including adult children (through the end of the calendar year in which they turn 26) which are not covered or reimbursed by FEHBP or FEDVIP coverage or any other insurance. FSAFEDS offers paperless reimbursement for your HCFSAs through a number of FEHB and FEDVIP plans. This means that when you or your provider file claims with your FEHB or FEDVIP plan, FSAFEDS will automatically reimburse your eligible out-of-pocket expenses based on the claim information it receives from your plan.
- **Limited Expense Health Care FSA (LEX HCFSAs)** – Designed for employees enrolled in or covered by a High Deductible Health Plan with a Health Savings Account. Eligible expenses are limited to dental and vision care expenses for you and your tax dependents, including adult children (through the end of the calendar year in which they turn 26) which are not covered or reimbursed by FEHBP or FEDVIP coverage or any other insurance.
- **Dependent Care FSA (DCFSAs)** – Reimburses you for eligible non-medical day care expenses for your child(ren) under age 13 and/or for any person you claim as a dependant on your Federal Income Tax return who is mentally or physically incapable of self-care. You (and your spouse if married) must be working, looking for work (income must be earned during the year), or attending school full-time to be eligible for DCFSAs.
- If you are a new or newly eligible employee you have 60 days from your hire date to enroll in an HCFSAs or LEX HCFSAs and/or DCFSAs, but you must enroll before October 1. If you are hired or become eligible on or after October 1 you must wait and enroll during the Federal Benefits Open Season held each fall.

Where can I get more information about FSAFEDS?

Visit www.FSAFEDS.com or call an FSAFEDS Benefits Counselor toll-free at 1-877-FSAFEDS (1-877-372-3337), Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. until 9 p.m., Eastern Time. TTY: 1-800-952-0450.

The Federal Employees Dental and Vision Insurance Program – *FEDVIP*

Important Information

The Federal Employees Dental and Vision Insurance Program (FEDVIP) is separate and different from the FEHB Program, and was established by the Federal Employee Dental and Vision Benefits Enhancement Act of 2004. **This Program provides comprehensive dental and vision insurance at competitive group rates with no pre-existing condition limitations for enrollment.**

FEDVIP is available to eligible Federal and Postal Service employees, retirees, and their eligible family members on an enrollee-pay-all basis. Employee premiums are withheld from salary on a pre-tax basis.

Dental Insurance

All dental plans provide a comprehensive range of services, including:

- Class A (Basic) services, which include oral examinations, prophylaxis, diagnostic evaluations, sealants and x-rays.
- Class B (Intermediate) services, which include restorative procedures such as fillings, prefabricated stainless steel crowns, periodontal scaling, tooth extractions, and denture adjustments.
- Class C (Major) services, which include endodontic services such as root canals, periodontal services such as gingivectomy, major restorative services such as crowns, oral surgery, bridges and prosthodontic services such as complete dentures.
- Class D (Orthodontic) services with up to a 24-month waiting period for dependent children up to age 19.

Vision Insurance

All vision plans provide comprehensive eye examinations and coverage for lenses, frames and contact lenses. Other benefits such as discounts on LASIK surgery may also be available.

Additional Information

You can find a comparison of the plans available and their premiums on the OPM website at www.opm.gov/insure/vision and www.opm.gov/insure/dental. These sites also provide links to each plan's website, where you can view detailed information about benefits and preferred providers.

How do I enroll?

You enroll on the Internet at www.BENEFEDS.com. For those without access to a computer, call 1-877-888-(TTY 1-877-889-5680).

The Federal Long Term Care Insurance Program – *FLTCIP*

It's important protection

The Federal Long Term Care Insurance Program (FLTCIP) can help pay for the potentially high cost of long term care services, which are not covered by FEHB plans. Long term care is help you receive to perform activities of daily living – such as bathing or dressing yourself - or supervision you receive because of a severe cognitive impairment such as Alzheimer's disease. For example, long term care can be received in your home from a home health aide, in a nursing home, in an assisted living facility or in adult day care. To qualify for coverage under the FLTCIP, you must apply and pass a medical screening (called underwriting). Federal and U.S. Postal Service employees and annuitants, active and retired members of the uniformed services, and qualified relatives, are eligible to apply. Certain medical conditions, or combinations of conditions, will prevent some people from being approved for coverage. You must apply to know if you will be approved for enrollment. For more information, call 1-800-LTC-FEDS (1-800-582-3337) (TTY 1-800-843-3557) or visit www.ltcfeds.com.

Pre-existing Condition Insurance Program (PCIP)

Do you know someone who needs health insurance but can't get it? The Pre-Existing Condition Insurance Plan (PCIP) may help.

An individual is eligible to buy coverage in PCIP if:

- He or she has a pre-existing medical condition or has been denied coverage because of the health condition;
- He or she has been without health coverage for at least the last six months. (If the individual currently has insurance coverage that does not cover the pre-existing condition or is enrolled in a state high risk pool then that person is not eligible for PCIP.);
- He or she is a citizen or national of the United States or resides in the U.S. legally.

The Federal government administers PCIP in the following states: Alabama, Arizona, District of Columbia, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Idaho, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Mississippi, North Dakota, Nebraska, Nevada, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, and Wyoming. To find out about eligibility, visit www.pcip.gov and/or www.healthcare.gov or call 1-866-717-5826 (TTY): 1-866-561-1604.

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Summary of benefits for the High Option of Grand Valley Health Plan - 2013

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- 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.

High Option Benefits	You pay	Page
Medical services provided by physicians:		23-49
Diagnostic and treatment services provided in the office	Office visit copay: \$10 primary care; \$10 specialist	23
Services provided by a hospital:		40-42
• Inpatient	Nothing	40-42
• Outpatient	In office: \$10 copay Surgical Center: Nothing	41
Emergency benefits:		43-44
• In-area	\$50 per visit	44
• Out-of-area	\$50 per visit	44
Mental health and substance abuse treatment:	Regular cost-sharing	45-46
Prescription drugs:	\$5 per generic prescription, \$15 per brand prescription	47-48
Dental care:	No Coverage	49
Vision care:	\$10 per office visit	28
Special features: Flexible Benefits, 24 Hour Health Center Line		50
Protection against catastrophic costs (your out-of-pocket maximum):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dialysis - Hemodialysis and peritoneal dialysis have a \$10,000 out-of-pocket maximum • Fertility drugs and Growth Hormone drugs have a \$7,000 out-of-pocket maximum. 	19

Notes

Summary of benefits for the Standard Option of Grand Valley Health Plan - 2013

- **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.

Standard Option Benefits	You Pay	Page
Medical services provided by physicians:		23-49
Diagnostic and treatment services provided in the office	Office visit copay: \$20 primary care; \$20 specialist	23
Services provided by a hospital:		40-42
• Inpatient	\$500 co-payment per member per year, maximum of 3 co-payments per family per year.	40-42
• Outpatient	In office: \$20 copay Surgical Center: Nothing	41
Emergency benefits:		43-44
• In-area	\$50 per visit	44
• Out-of-area	\$50 per visit	44
Mental health and substance abuse treatment:	Regular cost-sharing	45-46
Prescription drugs:	\$10 per generic prescription, \$40 per brand prescription	47-48
Dental care:	No coverage	49
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2013 Rate Information for Grand Valley Health Plan

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

Postal Category 1 rates apply to career employees covered by the National Postal Mail Handlers Union (NPMHU), National Association of Letter Carriers (NALC) and Postal Police bargaining units.

Postal Category 2 rates apply to other non-APWU, non-PCES, non-law enforcement Postal Service career employees, including management employees, and employees covered by the National Rural Letter Carriers' Association bargaining unit.

Special Guides to Benefits are published for American Postal Workers Union (APWU) employees (see RI 70-2A) including Material Distribution Center, Operating Services and Information Technology/Accounting Services employees and Nurses; Postal Service Inspectors and Office of Inspector General (OIG) law enforcement employees (see RI 70-2IN), Postal Career Executive Service (PCES) employees (see RI 70-2EX), and noncareer employees (see RI 70-8PS).

Career APWU employees hired before May 23, 2011, will have the same rates as the Category 2 rates shown below. In the Guide to Benefits for APWU Employees (RI 70-2A) this will be referred to as the "Current" rate; otherwise, "New" rates apply.

For further assistance, Postal Service employees should call:
Human Resources Shared Service Center
1-877-477-3273, option 5
TTY: 1-866-260-7507

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 *Guide to Federal Benefits*.

Type of Enrollment	Enrollment Code	Non-Postal Premium				Postal Premium	
		Biweekly		Monthly		Biweekly	
		Gov't Share	Your Share	Gov't Share	Your Share	Category 1 Your Share	Category 2 Your Share

Grand Rapids Michigan Area

High Option Self Only	RL1	190.84	110.61	413.49	239.65	89.41	94.71
High Option Self and Family	RL2	424.95	280.44	920.73	607.62	233.22	245.03
Standard Option Self Only	RL4	190.84	90.86	413.49	196.86	69.66	74.96
Standard Option Self and Family	RL5	424.95	234.24	920.73	507.52	187.02	198.83