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Exhibit A, Exhibit B and Exhibit C attached to this amendment sheet are substituted for the original Exhibit A, Exhibit B and Exhibit C attached to the ordinance.

# Summary Plan Description

## **City of Columbia, Missouri Choice Plus \$750 Plan**

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## SECTION 1 - WELCOME

### Quick Reference Box

- Member services, claim inquiries, Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> and Mental Health/Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Administrator: (866) 844-4864;
- Claims submittal address: UnitedHealthcare - Claims, P.O. Box 30555, Salt Lake City, Utah 84130-0555; and
- Online assistance: [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com).

City of Columbia, Missouri is pleased to provide you with this Summary Plan Description (SPD), which describes the health Benefits available to you and your covered family members. It includes summaries of:

- who is eligible;
- services that are covered, called Covered Health Services;
- services that are not covered, called Exclusions;
- how Benefits are paid; and
- your rights and responsibilities under the Plan.

### IMPORTANT

The healthcare service, supply or Pharmaceutical Product is only a Covered Health Service if it is Medically Necessary. (See definitions of Medically Necessary and Covered Health Service in Section 14, *Glossary*.) The fact that a Physician or other provider has performed or prescribed a procedure or treatment, or the fact that it may be the only available treatment for a Sickness, Injury, Mental Illness, substance-related and addictive disorders, disease or its symptoms does not mean that the procedure or treatment is a Covered Health Service under the Plan.

City of Columbia, Missouri intends to continue this Plan, but reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to modify, change, revise, amend or terminate the Plan at any time, for any reason, and without prior notice. This SPD is not to be construed as a contract of or for employment. If there should be an inconsistency between the contents of this summary and the contents of the Plan, your rights shall be determined under the Plan and not under this summary.

UnitedHealthcare is a private healthcare claims administrator. UnitedHealthcare's goal is to give you the tools you need to make wise healthcare decisions. UnitedHealthcare also helps your employer to administer claims. Although UnitedHealthcare will assist you in many ways, it does not guarantee any Benefits. City of Columbia, Missouri is solely responsible for paying Benefits described in this SPD.

Please read this SPD thoroughly to learn how the Plan works. If you have questions contact your local Human Resources department or call the number on the back of your ID card.

**How To Use This SPD**

- Read the entire SPD, and share it with your family. Then keep it in a safe place for future reference.
- Many of the sections of this SPD are related to other sections. You may not have all the information you need by reading just one section.
- You can find copies of your SPD and any future amendments or request printed copies by contacting Human Resources.
- Capitalized words in the SPD have special meanings and are defined in Section 14, *Glossary*.
- If eligible for coverage, the words "you" and "your" refer to Covered Persons as defined in Section 14, *Glossary*.
- City of Columbia, Missouri is also referred to as Company.
- If there is a conflict between this SPD and any benefit summaries (other than Summaries of Material Modifications) provided to you, this SPD will control.

## SECTION 2 - INTRODUCTION

**What this section includes:**

- Who's eligible for coverage under the Plan;
- The factors that impact your cost for coverage;
- Instructions and timeframes for enrolling yourself and your eligible Dependents;
- When coverage begins; and
- When you can make coverage changes under the Plan.

### Eligibility

You are eligible to enroll in the Plan if you are a regular full time employee of the Plan Sponsor, a permanent part-time employee, a non-Medicare eligible retiree, a Spouse of a Medicare eligible retiree under 65 and covered under The Company sponsored Medicare Plan, and a surviving Spouse.

Your eligible Dependents may also participate in the Plan. An eligible Dependent is considered to be:

- your Spouse, as defined in Section 14, *Glossary*;
- your or your Spouse's child who is under age 26, including a natural child, stepchild, a legally adopted child, a child placed for adoption or a child for whom you or your Spouse are the legal guardian; or
- an unmarried child age 26 or over who is or becomes disabled and dependent upon you.

To be eligible for coverage under the Plan, a Dependent must reside within the United States.

**Note:** Your Dependents may not enroll in the Plan unless you are also enrolled. In addition, if you and your Spouse are both covered under the Plan, you may each be enrolled as a Participant or be covered as a Dependent of the other person, but not both. In addition, if you and your Spouse are both covered under the Plan, only one parent may enroll your child as a Dependent.

A Dependent also includes a child for whom health care coverage is required through a Qualified Medical Child Support Order or other court or administrative order, as described in Section 13, *Other Important Information*.

### Cost of Coverage

You and City of Columbia, Missouri share in the cost of the Plan. Your contribution amount depends on the Plan you select and the family members you choose to enroll.

Your contributions are deducted from your paychecks on a before-tax basis. Before-tax dollars come out of your pay before federal income and Social Security taxes are withheld

and in most states, before state and local taxes are withheld. This gives your contributions a special tax advantage and lowers the actual cost to you.

**Note:** The Internal Revenue Service generally does not consider Domestic Partners and their children eligible Dependents. Therefore, the value of City of Columbia, Missouri's cost in covering a Domestic Partner may be imputed to the Participant as income. In addition, the share of the Participant's contribution that covers a Domestic Partner and their children may be paid using after-tax payroll deductions.

Your contributions are subject to review and City of Columbia, Missouri reserves the right to change your contribution amount from time to time.

You can obtain current contribution rates by calling Human Resources.

## How to Enroll

To enroll, call Human Resources within 31 days from your date of hire for medical Plan coverage. If you do not enroll within 31 days, you will need to wait until the next annual Open Enrollment to make your benefit elections.

Each year during annual Open Enrollment, you have the opportunity to review and change your medical election. Any changes you make during Open Enrollment will become effective the following January 1.

### **Important**

If you wish to change your benefit elections following your marriage, birth, adoption of a child, placement for adoption of a child or other family status change, you must contact Human Resources within 31 days of the event. Otherwise, you will need to wait until the next annual Open Enrollment to change your elections.

## When Coverage Begins

Once Human Resources receives your properly completed enrollment, coverage will begin on the first day of the month following your date of hire. Coverage for your Dependents will start on the date your coverage begins, provided you have enrolled them in a timely manner.

Coverage for a Spouse or Dependent stepchild that you acquire via marriage becomes effective the first of the month following the date Human Resources receives notice of your marriage, provided you notify Human Resources within 31 days of your marriage. Coverage for Dependent children acquired through birth, adoption, or placement for adoption is effective the date of the family status change, provided you notify Human Resources within 31 days of the birth, adoption, or placement.

### ***If You Are Hospitalized When Your Coverage Begins***

If you are an inpatient in a Hospital, Skilled Nursing Facility or Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility on the day your coverage begins, the Plan will pay Benefits for Covered Health Services related to that Inpatient Stay as long as you receive Covered Health Services in accordance with the terms of the Plan.

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

## Changing Your Coverage

You may make coverage changes during the year only if you experience a change in family status. The change in coverage must be consistent with the change in status (e.g., you cover your Spouse following your marriage, your child following an adoption, etc.). The following are considered family status changes for purposes of the Plan:

- your marriage, divorce, legal separation or annulment;
- registering a Domestic Partner;
- the birth, adoption, placement for adoption or legal guardianship of a child;
- a change in your Spouse's employment or involuntary loss of health coverage (other than coverage under the Medicare or Medicaid programs) under another employer's plan;
- loss of coverage due to the exhaustion of another employer's COBRA benefits, provided you were paying for premiums on a timely basis;
- the death of a Dependent;
- your Dependent child no longer qualifying as an eligible Dependent;
- a change in your or your Spouse's position or work schedule that impacts eligibility for health coverage;
- contributions were no longer paid by the employer (This is true even if you or your eligible Dependent continues to receive coverage under the prior plan and to pay the amounts previously paid by the employer);
- you or your eligible Dependent who were enrolled in an HMO no longer live or work in that HMO's service area and no other benefit option is available to you or your eligible Dependent;
- benefits are no longer offered by the Plan to a class of individuals that include you or your eligible Dependent;
- termination of your or your Dependent's Medicaid or Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) coverage as a result of loss of eligibility (you must contact Human Resources within 60 days of termination);
- you or your Dependent become eligible for a premium assistance subsidy under Medicaid or CHIP (you must contact Human Resources within 60 days of determination of subsidy eligibility);
- a strike or lockout involving you or your Spouse; or
- a court or administrative order.

Unless otherwise noted above, if you wish to change your elections, you must contact Human Resources within 31 days of the change in family status. Otherwise, you will need to wait until the next annual Open Enrollment.

While some of these changes in status are similar to qualifying events under COBRA, you, or your eligible Dependent, do not need to elect COBRA continuation coverage to take advantage of the special enrollment rights listed above. These will also be available to you or your eligible Dependent if COBRA is elected.

**Note:** Any child under age 26 who is placed with you for adoption will be eligible for coverage on the date the child is placed with you, even if the legal adoption is not yet final. If you do not legally adopt the child, all medical Plan coverage for the child will end when the placement ends. No provision will be made for continuing coverage (such as COBRA coverage) for the child.

***Change in Family Status - Example***

Jane is married and has two children who qualify as Dependents. At annual Open Enrollment, she elects not to participate in City of Columbia, Missouri's medical plan, because her husband, Tom, has family coverage under his employer's medical plan. In June, Tom loses his job as part of a downsizing. As a result, Tom loses his eligibility for medical coverage. Due to this family status change, Jane can elect family medical coverage under City of Columbia, Missouri's medical plan outside of annual Open Enrollment.

## SECTION 3 - HOW THE PLAN WORKS

**What this section includes:**

- Network and Non-Network Benefits;
- Eligible Expenses;
- Annual Deductible;
- Copayment;
- Coinsurance; and
- Out-of-Pocket Maximum.

### Network and Non-Network Benefits

As a participant in this Plan, you have the freedom to choose the Physician or health care professional you prefer each time you need to receive Covered Health Services. The choices you make affect the amounts you pay, as well as the level of Benefits you receive and any benefit limitations that may apply.

You are eligible for the Network level of Benefits under this Plan when you receive Covered Health Services from Physicians and other health care professionals who have contracted with UnitedHealthcare to provide those services.

You can choose to receive Network Benefits or Non-Network Benefits.

**Network Benefits** apply to Covered Health Services that are provided by a Network Physician or other Network provider. Emergency Health Services are always paid as Network Benefits. For facility charges, these are Benefits for Covered Health Services that are billed by a Network facility and provided under the direction of either a Network or non-Network Physician or other provider. Network Benefits include Physician services provided in a Network facility by a Network or a non-Network radiologist, anesthesiologist, pathologist and Emergency room Physician.

**Non-Network Benefits** apply to Covered Health Services that are provided by a non-Network Physician or other non-Network provider, or Covered Health Services that are provided at a non-Network facility.

Depending on the geographic area and the service you receive, you may have access through UnitedHealthcare's Shared Savings Program to non-Network providers who have agreed to discounts negotiated from their charges on certain claims for Covered Health Services. Refer to the definition of Shared Savings Program in Section 14, *Glossary*, of the SPD for details about how the Shared Savings Program applies.

Generally, when you receive Covered Health Services from a Network provider, you pay less than you would if you receive the same care from a non-Network provider. Therefore, in most instances, your out-of-pocket expenses will be less if you use a Network provider.

If you choose to seek care outside the Network, the Plan generally pays Benefits at a lower level. You are required to pay the amount that exceeds the Eligible Expense. The amount in excess of the Eligible Expense could be significant, and this amount does not apply to the Out-of-Pocket Maximum. You may want to ask the non-Network provider about their billed charges before you receive care.

***Health Services from Non-Network Providers Paid as Network Benefits***

If specific Covered Health Services are not available from a Network provider, you may be eligible to receive Network Benefits from a non-Network provider. In this situation, your Network Physician will notify Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup>, and they will work with you and your Network Physician to coordinate care through a non-Network provider.

When you receive Covered Health Services through a Network Physician, the Plan will pay Network Benefits for those Covered Health Services, even if one or more of those Covered Health Services is received from a non-Network provider.

**Looking for a Network Provider?**

In addition to other helpful information, [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com), UnitedHealthcare's consumer website, contains a directory of health care professionals and facilities in UnitedHealthcare's Network. While Network status may change from time to time, [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) has the most current source of Network information. Use [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) to search for Physicians available in your Plan.

***Network Providers***

UnitedHealthcare or its affiliates arrange for health care providers to participate in a Network. At your request, UnitedHealthcare will send you a directory of Network providers free of charge. Keep in mind, a provider's Network status may change. To verify a provider's status or request a provider directory, you can call UnitedHealthcare at the toll-free number on your ID card or log onto [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com).

Network providers are independent practitioners and are not employees of City of Columbia, Missouri or UnitedHealthcare.

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

***Possible Limitations on Provider Use***

If UnitedHealthcare determines that you are using health care services in a harmful or abusive manner, you may be required to select a Network Physician to coordinate all of your future Covered Health Services. If you don't make a selection within 31 days of the date you are notified, UnitedHealthcare will select a Network Physician for you. In the event that you do not use the Network Physician to coordinate all of your care, any Covered Health Services you receive will be paid at the non-Network level.



## Eligible Expenses

City of Columbia, Missouri has delegated to UnitedHealthcare the initial discretion and authority to decide whether a treatment or supply is a Covered Health Service and how the Eligible Expenses will be determined and otherwise covered under the Plan.

Eligible Expenses are the amount UnitedHealthcare determines that UnitedHealthcare will pay for Benefits. For Network Benefits, you are not responsible for any difference between Eligible Expenses and the amount the provider bills. For Network Benefits for Covered Health Services provided by a non-Network provider (other than Emergency Health Services or services otherwise arranged by UnitedHealthcare), you will be responsible to the non-Network Physician or provider for any amount billed that is greater than the amount UnitedHealthcare determines to be an Eligible Expense as described below.

For Non-Network Benefits, you are responsible for paying, directly to the non-Network provider, any difference between the amount the provider bills you and the amount UnitedHealthcare will pay for Eligible Expenses. Eligible Expenses are determined solely in accordance with UnitedHealthcare's reimbursement policy guidelines, as described in the SPD.

**For Network Benefits**, Eligible Expenses are based on the following:

- When Covered Health Services are received from a Network provider, Eligible Expenses are UnitedHealthcare's contracted fee(s) with that provider.
- When Covered Health Services are received from a non-Network provider as a result of an Emergency or as arranged by UnitedHealthcare, Eligible Expenses are an amount negotiated by UnitedHealthcare or an amount permitted by law. Please contact UnitedHealthcare if you are billed for amounts in excess of your applicable Coinsurance, Copayment or any deductible. The Plan will not pay excessive charges or amounts you are not legally obligated to pay.

**For Non-Network Benefits**, Eligible Expenses are based on either of the following:

- When Covered Health Services are received from a non-Network provider, Eligible Expenses are determined, based on:
  - Negotiated rates agreed to by the non-Network provider and either UnitedHealthcare or one of UnitedHealthcare's vendors, affiliates or subcontractors, at UnitedHealthcare's discretion.
  - If rates have not been negotiated, then one of the following amounts:
    - ◆ For Covered Health Services other than pharmaceutical products, Eligible Expenses are determined based on available data resources of competitive fees in that geographic area.
    - ◆ For Mental Health Services and Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services the Eligible Expense will be reduced by 25% for Covered Health Services provided by a psychologist and by 35% for Covered Health Services provided by a masters level counselor.
    - ◆ When Covered Health Services are pharmaceutical products, Eligible Expenses are determined based on 110% of the published rates allowed by the Centers for

Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for Medicare for the same or similar service within the geographic market.

When a rate is not published by *CMS* for the service, UnitedHealthcare uses a gap methodology established by *OptumInsight* and/or a third party vendor that uses a relative value scale. The relative value scale is usually based on the difficulty, time, work, risk and resources of the service. If the relative value scale currently in use becomes no longer available, UnitedHealthcare will use a comparable scale(s). UnitedHealthcare and *OptumInsight* are related companies through common ownership by *UnitedHealth Group*. Refer to UnitedHealthcare's website at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) for information regarding the vendor that provides the applicable gap fill relative value scale information.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** Non-Network providers may bill you for any difference between the provider's billed charges and the Eligible Expense described here.

**Don't Forget Your ID Card**

Remember to show your UnitedHealthcare ID card every time you receive health care services from a provider. If you do not show your ID card, a provider has no way of knowing that you are enrolled under the Plan.

## Annual Deductible

The Annual Deductible is the amount of Eligible Expenses you must pay each calendar year for Covered Health Services before you are eligible to begin receiving Benefits. There are separate Network and non-Network Annual Deductibles for this Plan. The amounts you pay toward your Annual Deductible accumulate over the course of the calendar year.

Amounts paid toward the Annual Deductible for Covered Health Services that are subject to a visit or day limit will also be calculated against that maximum benefit limit. As a result, the limited benefit will be reduced by the number of days or visits you used toward meeting the Annual Deductible.

## Copayment

A Copayment (Copay) is the amount you pay each time you receive certain Covered Health Services. The Copay is a flat dollar amount and is paid at the time of service or when billed by the provider. Copays count toward the Out-of-Pocket-Maximum. Copays do not count toward the Annual Deductible. If the Eligible Expense is less than the Copay, you are only responsible for paying the Eligible Expense and not the Copay.

## Coinsurance

Coinsurance is the percentage of Eligible Expenses that you are responsible for paying. Coinsurance is a fixed percentage that applies to certain Covered Health Services after you meet the Annual Deductible.

**Coinsurance – Example**

Let's assume that you receive Plan Benefits for outpatient surgery from a Network provider. Since the Plan pays 80% after you meet the Annual Deductible, you are responsible for paying the other 20%. This 20% is your Coinsurance.

**Out-of-Pocket Maximum**

The annual Out-of-Pocket Maximum is the most you pay each calendar year for Covered Health Services. There are separate Network and non-Network Out-of-Pocket Maximums for this Plan. If your eligible out-of-pocket expenses in a calendar year exceed the annual maximum, the Plan pays 100% of Eligible Expenses for Covered Health Services through the end of the calendar year.

The following table identifies what does and does not apply toward your Network and non-Network Out-of-Pocket Maximums:

Plan Features	Applies to the Network Out-of-Pocket Maximum?	Applies to the Non-Network Out-of-Pocket Maximum?
Copays, even those for Covered Health Services available in Section 15, <i>Prescription Drugs</i>	Yes	Yes
Payments toward the Annual Deductible	Yes	Yes
Coinsurance Payments	Yes	Yes
Charges for non-Covered Health Services	No	No
The amounts of any reductions in Benefits you incur by not obtaining prior authorization as required	No	No
Charges that exceed Eligible Expenses	No	No

## SECTION 4 - CARE COORDINATION<sup>SM</sup> AND PRIOR AUTHORIZATION

### What this section includes:

- An overview of the Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> program; and
- Covered Health Services which require prior authorization.

### Care Management

When you seek prior authorization as required, the Claims Administrator will work with you to implement the care management process and to provide you with information about additional services that are available to you, such as disease management programs, health education, and patient advocacy.

UnitedHealthcare provides a program called Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> designed to encourage personalized, efficient care for you and your covered Dependents.

Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> nurses center their efforts on prevention, education, and closing any gaps in your care. The goal of the program is to ensure you receive the most appropriate and cost-effective services available.

Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> nurses will provide a variety of different services to help you and your covered family members receive appropriate medical care. Program components are subject to change without notice. When the Claims Administrator is called as required, they will work with you to implement the Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> process and to provide you with information about additional services that are available to you, such as disease management programs, health education, and patient advocacy. As of the publication of this SPD, the Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> program includes:

- **Admission counseling** - Nurse Advocates are available to help you prepare for a successful surgical admission and recovery. Call the number on the back of your ID card for support.
- **Inpatient care management** - If you are hospitalized, a Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> nurse will work with your Physician to make sure you are getting the care you need and that your Physician's treatment plan is being carried out effectively.
- **Readmission Management** - This program serves as a bridge between the Hospital and your home if you are at high risk of being readmitted. After leaving the Hospital, if you have a certain chronic or complex condition, you may receive a phone call from a Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> nurse to confirm that medications, needed equipment, or follow-up services are in place. The Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> nurse will also share important health care information, reiterate and reinforce discharge instructions, and support a safe transition home.
- **Risk Management** - Designed for participants with certain chronic or complex conditions, this program addresses such health care needs as access to medical specialists, medication information, and coordination of equipment and supplies. Participants may receive a phone call from a Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> nurse to discuss and

share important health care information related to the participant's specific chronic or complex condition.

If you do not receive a call from a Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> nurse but feel you could benefit from any of these programs, please call the toll-free number on your ID card.

## Prior Authorization

UnitedHealthcare requires prior authorization for certain Covered Health Services. In general, your Network Primary Physician and other Network providers are responsible for obtaining prior authorization before they provide these services to you. There are some Benefits, however, for which you are responsible for obtaining prior authorization. For detailed information on the Covered Health Services that require prior authorization, please refer to Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.

It is recommended that you confirm with the Claims Administrator that all Covered Health Services listed below have been prior authorized as required. Before receiving these services from a Network provider, you may want to contact the Claims Administrator to verify that the Hospital, Physician and other providers are Network providers and that they have obtained the required prior authorization. Network facilities and Network providers cannot bill you for services they fail to prior authorize as required. You can contact the Claims Administrator by calling the number on the back of your ID card.

When you choose to receive certain Covered Health Services from non-Network providers, you are responsible for obtaining prior authorization before you receive these services. Note that your obligation to obtain prior authorization is also applicable when a non-Network provider intends to admit you to a Network facility or refers you to other Network providers.

**To obtain prior authorization, call the number on the back of your ID card.** This call starts the utilization review process. Once you have obtained the authorization, please review it carefully so that you understand what services have been authorized and what providers are authorized to deliver the services that are subject to the authorization.

The utilization review process is a set of formal techniques designed to monitor the use of, or evaluate the clinical necessity, appropriateness, efficacy, or efficiency of, health care services, procedures or settings. Such techniques may include ambulatory review, prospective review, second opinion, certification, concurrent review, case management, discharge planning, retrospective review or similar programs.

**Contacting UnitedHealthcare or Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> is easy.**  
Simply call the number on your ID card.

Network providers are generally responsible for obtaining prior authorization from the Claims Administrator before they provide certain services to you. However, there are some Network Benefits for which you are responsible for obtaining prior authorization from the Claims Administrator.

When you choose to receive certain Covered Health Services from non-Network providers, you are responsible for obtaining prior authorization from the Claims Administrator before you receive these services. In many cases, your Non-Network Benefits will be reduced if the Claims Administrator has not provided prior authorization.

Services for which you are required to obtain prior authorization are identified in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*, within each Covered Health Service Benefit description. Please note that prior authorization timelines apply. Refer to the applicable Benefit description to determine how far in advance you must obtain prior authorization.

### **Special Note Regarding Medicare**

If you are enrolled in Medicare on a primary basis (Medicare pays before the Plan pays Benefits) the prior authorization requirements do not apply to you. Since Medicare is the primary payer, the Plan will pay as secondary payer as described in Section 10, *Coordination of Benefits (COB)*. You are not required to obtain authorization before receiving Covered Health Services.

## SECTION 5 - PLAN HIGHLIGHTS

The table below provides an overview of Copays that apply when you receive certain Covered Health Services, and outlines the Plan's Annual Deductible and Out-of-Pocket Maximum.

Plan Features	Network	Non-Network
<b>Copays<sup>1</sup></b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Emergency Health Services</li> <li>■ Physician's Office Services - Primary Physician</li> <li>■ Physician's Office Services - Specialist</li> <li>■ Urgent Care Center Services</li> </ul>	\$200 \$25 \$50 \$55	\$200 Not Applicable Not Applicable Not Applicable
<b>Annual Deductible<sup>2</sup></b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Individual</li> <li>■ Family (not to exceed the individual Annual Deductible amount per Covered Person)</li> </ul>	\$750 \$2,250	\$2,250 \$6,750
<b>Annual Out-of-Pocket Maximum<sup>2</sup></b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Individual</li> <li>■ Family (not to exceed the individual Annual Out-of-Pocket Maximum amount per Covered Person)</li> </ul>	\$3,000 \$9,000	\$9,000 \$27,000
<b>Lifetime Maximum Benefit<sup>3</sup></b>		
There is no dollar limit to the amount the Plan will pay for essential Benefits during the entire period you are enrolled in this Plan.	Unlimited	

<sup>1</sup>In addition to these Copays, you may be responsible for meeting the Annual Deductible for the Covered Health Services described in the chart on the following pages. With the exception of Emergency Health Services, a Copay does not apply when you visit a non-Network provider.

<sup>2</sup>Copays apply toward the Out-of-Pocket Maximum. The Annual Deductible applies toward the Out-of-Pocket Maximum for all Covered Health Services.

<sup>3</sup>Generally the following are considered to be essential benefits under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act:

Ambulatory patient services; emergency services, hospitalization; maternity and newborn care, mental health and Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services (including behavioral health treatment); prescription drugs; rehabilitative and habilitative services and devices; laboratory services; preventive and wellness services and chronic disease management; and pediatric services, including oral and vision care.



This table provides an overview of the Plan's coverage levels. For detailed descriptions of your Benefits, refer to Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.

Covered Health Services <sup>1</sup>	Percentage of Eligible Expenses Payable by the Plan:	
	Network	Non-Network
<b>Ambulance Services - Emergency Only</b>	<i>Ground Transportation</i> 80% after you meet the Annual Deductible  <i>Air Transportation</i> 80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	<i>Ground Transportation</i> 80% after you meet the Annual Deductible  <i>Air Transportation</i> 80% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Cancer Resource Services (CRS)<sup>2</sup></b> ■ Hospital - Inpatient Stay	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	Not Covered
<b>Clinical Trials</b>	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits for Clinical Trials will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.	
<b>Congenital Heart Disease (CHD) Surgeries</b> ■ Hospital - Inpatient Stay	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Dental Services - Accident Only</b>	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Durable Medical Equipment (DME)</b>	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible

Covered Health Services <sup>1</sup>	Percentage of Eligible Expenses Payable by the Plan:	
	Network	Non-Network
<p><b>Emergency Health Services</b></p> <p>If you are admitted as an inpatient to a Hospital directly from the Emergency room, you will not have to pay this Copay. The Benefits for an Inpatient Stay in a Hospital will apply instead.</p>	100% after you pay a \$200 Copay then 80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	
<p><b>Eye Examinations</b></p>	100% after you pay a \$25 Copay	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<p><b>Gender Dysphoria</b></p>	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section and in Section 15, <i>Outpatient Prescription Drugs</i> .	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section and in Section 15, <i>Outpatient Prescription Drugs</i> .
<p><b>Hearing Aids</b></p> <p>See Section 6, <i>Additional Coverage Details</i>, for limits</p>	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<p><b>Home Health Care</b></p> <p>Up to 50 visits per calendar year</p>	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<p><b>Hospice Care</b></p> <p>Up to 360 days per lifetime</p>	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<p><b>Hospital - Inpatient Stay</b></p>	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible

Covered Health Services <sup>1</sup>	Percentage of Eligible Expenses Payable by the Plan:	
	Network	Non-Network
<b>Injections received in a Physician's Office</b>	Allergy injections: 80% per injection  Immunizations: 100% per injection	60% per injection after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Kidney Resource Services (KRS)</b> (These Benefits are for Covered Health Services provided through KRS only)	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	Not Covered
<b>Maternity Services</b>	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.	
<b>Mental Health Services</b>		
■ Inpatient.	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
■ Outpatient.	100% after you pay a \$25 Copay	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Neurobiological Disorders - Autism Spectrum Disorder Services</b>		
■ Inpatient.	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
■ Outpatient.	100% after you pay a \$25 Copay	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Obesity</b>	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.	

Covered Health Services <sup>1</sup>	Percentage of Eligible Expenses Payable by the Plan:	
	Network	Non-Network
<b>Ostomy Supplies</b>	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Outpatient Surgery, Diagnostic and Therapeutic Services</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Outpatient Surgery</li> <li>■ Outpatient Diagnostic Services                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Lab and radiology/X-ray</li> <li>- Mammography testing</li> </ul> </li> <li>■ Outpatient Diagnostic/Therapeutic Services - CT Scans, PET Scans, MRI and Nuclear Medicine</li> <li>■ Outpatient Therapeutic Treatments</li> </ul>	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible  80% after you meet the Annual Deductible  80% after you meet the Annual Deductible  80% after you meet the Annual Deductible  80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible  60% after you meet the Annual Deductible  60% after you meet the Annual Deductible  60% after you meet the Annual Deductible  60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Physician's Office Services - Sickness and Injury</b>  No Copayment applies when a Physician charge is not assessed. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Primary Physician (Copay per visit)</li> <li>■ Specialist Physician (Copay per visit)</li> </ul>	\$25 per visit  \$50 per visit	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible  60% after you meet the Annual Deductible

Covered Health Services <sup>1</sup>	Percentage of Eligible Expenses Payable by the Plan:	
	Network	Non-Network
<b>Preventive Care Services</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Immunizations</li> <li>■ Physician Office Services</li> <li>■ Outpatient Diagnostic Services</li> <li>■ Breast Pumps</li> </ul>	100%	Not Covered
<b>Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services</b>	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Prosthetic Devices</b>	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Reconstructive Procedures</b>	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.	
<b>Rehabilitation Services - Outpatient</b> (Copay is per visit)  See Section 6, <i>Additional Coverage Details</i> , for visit limits	100% after you pay a \$50 Copay	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Second Surgical Opinion</b>	Same as Physician's Office Services - Sickness and Injury	Same as Physician's Office Services - Sickness and Injury
<b>Skilled Nursing Facility/Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility Services</b>  Up to 365 days per calendar year	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Spinal Treatment</b>  (Copay is per visit)	100% after you pay a \$50 Copay	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible

Covered Health Services <sup>1</sup>	Percentage of Eligible Expenses Payable by the Plan:	
	Network	Non-Network
<b>Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Inpatient.</li> <li>■ Outpatient.</li> </ul>	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible  100% after you pay a \$25 Copay	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible  60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Transplantation Services</b>	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Urgent Care Center Services</b> (Copay is per visit)	100% after you pay a \$55 Copay	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Virtual Visits</b>  Network Benefits are available only when services are delivered through a Designated Virtual Network Provider. You can find a Designated Virtual Network Provider by going to <a href="http://www.myuhc.com">www.myuhc.com</a> or by calling the telephone number on your ID card.	100% after you pay a \$25 Copay	Non-Network Benefits are not available.

<sup>1</sup>You must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator, as described in Section 4, *Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> and Prior Authorization* to receive full Benefits before receiving certain Covered Health Services from a non-Network provider. In general, if you visit a Network provider, that provider is responsible for obtaining prior authorization from the Claims Administrator before you receive certain Covered Health Services. See Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details* for further information.

<sup>2</sup>These Benefits are for Covered Health Services provided through CRS by a Designated Provider. For oncology services not provided through CRS, the Plan pays Benefits as described under *Physician's Office Services - Sickness and Injury, Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services, Hospital - Inpatient Stay, Surgery - Outpatient, Scopic Procedures - Outpatient Diagnostic and Therapeutic Lab, X-Ray and Diagnostics – Outpatient, and Lab, X-Ray and Major Diagnostics – CT, PET, MRI, MRA and Nuclear Medicine – Outpatient.*

## SECTION 6 - ADDITIONAL COVERAGE DETAILS

### What this section includes:

- Covered Health Services for which the Plan pays Benefits; and
- Covered Health Services that require you to obtain prior authorization before you receive them, and any reduction in Benefits that may apply if you do not call to notify the Claims Administrator to obtain prior authorization.

This section supplements the second table in Section 5, *Plan Highlights*.

While the table provides you with Benefit limitations along with Copayment, Coinsurance and Annual Deductible information for each Covered Health Service, this section includes descriptions of the Benefits. These descriptions include any additional limitations that may apply, as well as Covered Health Services for which you must obtain prior authorization as required. The Covered Health Services in this section appear in the same order as they do in the table for easy reference. Services that are not covered are described in Section 8, *Exclusions and Limitations*.

### Ambulance Services - Emergency only

Emergency ambulance transportation by a licensed ambulance service to the nearest Hospital where Emergency health services can be performed.

### Cancer Resource Services (CRS)

United Healthcare will arrange for access to certain of its Network providers participating in the Cancer Resource Services Program for the provision of oncology services. You may be referred to Cancer Resource Services by United Healthcare, or you may self refer to Cancer Resource Services by calling 866-936-6002. In order to receive the highest level of Benefits, you must contact Cancer Resource Services prior to obtaining Covered Health Services. The oncology services include Covered Health Services and Supplies rendered for the treatment of a condition that has a primary or suspected diagnosis relating to cancer.

In order to receive Benefits under this program, Cancer Resource Services must provide the proper notification to the Network provider performing the services. This is true even if you self refer to a Network provider participating in the program.

When these services are not performed in a Cancer Resource Services facility, Benefits will be paid the described in Section 5, *Plan Highlights* under the headings *Physician's Office Services – Sickness and Injury*, *Professional Fees for Surgical and Medical Services*, *Hospital-Inpatient Stay*, *Outpatient Surgery*, *Diagnostic and Therapeutic Services* listed in this section.

Cancer Clinical Trials and related treatment and services are considered a Covered Health Service when such treatment and services are recommended and provided by a Physician in a cancer center. The cancer center must be a participating center in the Cancer Resource Services Program at the time the treatment or service is given.

To receive Benefits under the CRS program, you must contact CRS prior to obtaining Covered Health Services. The Plan will only pay Benefits under the CRS program if CRS provides the proper notification to the Designated Provider performing the services (even if you self refer to a provider in that Network).

## Clinical Trials

Benefits are available for routine patient care costs incurred during participation in a qualifying clinical trial for the treatment of:

- cancer or other life-threatening disease or condition. For purposes of this benefit, a life-threatening disease or condition is one from which the likelihood of death is probable unless the course of the disease or condition is interrupted;
- cardiovascular disease (cardiac/stroke) which is not life threatening, for which, as UnitedHealthcare determines, a clinical trial meets the qualifying clinical trial criteria stated below;
- surgical musculoskeletal disorders of the spine, hip and knees, which are not life threatening, for which, as UnitedHealthcare determines, a clinical trial meets the qualifying clinical trial criteria stated below; and
- other diseases or disorders which are not life threatening for which, as UnitedHealthcare determines, a clinical trial meets the qualifying clinical trial criteria stated below.

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

Benefits are available only when the Covered Person is clinically eligible for participation in the qualifying clinical trial as defined by the researcher.

- Routine patient care costs for qualifying clinical trials include:
- Covered Health Services for which Benefits are typically provided absent a clinical trial;
- Covered Health Services required solely for the provision of the investigational item or service, the clinically appropriate monitoring of the effects of the item or service, or the prevention of complications; and
- Covered Health Services needed for reasonable and necessary care arising from the provision of an Investigational item or service.

Routine costs for clinical trials do not include:

- the Experimental or Investigational Service or item. The only exceptions to this are:
  - certain Category B devices;
  - certain promising interventions for patients with terminal illnesses; and
  - other items and services that meet specified criteria in accordance with our medical and drug policies;



- items and services provided solely to satisfy data collection and analysis needs and that are not used in the direct clinical management of the patient;
- a service that is clearly inconsistent with widely accepted and established standards of care for a particular diagnosis; and
- items and services provided by the research sponsors free of charge for any person enrolled in the trial.

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

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

- Federally funded trials. The study or investigation is approved or funded (which may include funding through in-kind contributions) by one or more of the following:
  - National Institutes of Health (NIH). (Includes National Cancer Institute (NCI));
  - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC);
  - Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ);
  - Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS);
  - a cooperative group or center of any of the entities described above or the Department of Defense (DOD) or the Veterans Administration (VA);
  - a qualified non-governmental research entity identified in the guidelines issued by the National Institutes of Health for center support grants; or
  - The Department of Veterans Affairs, the Department of Defense or the Department of Energy as long as the study or investigation has been reviewed and approved through a system of peer review that is determined by the Secretary of Health and Human Services to meet both of the following criteria:
    - ◆ comparable to the system of peer review of studies and investigations used by the *National Institutes of Health*; and
    - ◆ ensures unbiased review of the highest scientific standards by qualified individuals who have no interest in the outcome of the review.
- the study or investigation is conducted under an investigational new drug application reviewed by the *U.S. Food and Drug Administration*;
- the study or investigation is a drug trial that is exempt from having such an investigational new drug application;
- the clinical trial must have a written protocol that describes a scientifically sound study and have been approved by all relevant institutional review boards (*IRBs*) before

participants are enrolled in the trial. UnitedHealthcare may, at any time, request documentation about the trial; or

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

#### **Prior Authorization Requirement**

You must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator as soon as the possibility of participation in a Clinical Trial arises. If you fail to obtain prior authorization as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

### **Congenital Heart Disease (CHD) Surgeries**

The Plan pays Benefits for Congenital Heart Disease (CHD) services ordered by a Physician and received at a CHD Resource Services program. Benefits include the facility charge and the charge for supplies and equipment. Benefits are available for the following CHD services:

- outpatient diagnostic testing;
- evaluation;
- surgical interventions;
- interventional cardiac catheterizations (insertion of a tubular device in the heart);
- fetal echocardiograms (examination, measurement and diagnosis of the heart using ultrasound technology); and
- approved fetal interventions.

CHD services other than those listed above are excluded from coverage, unless determined by United Resource Networks or Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> to be proven procedures for the involved diagnoses. Contact United Resource Networks at (888) 936-7246 or Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> at the toll-free number on your ID card for information about CHD services.

If you receive Congenital Heart Disease services from a facility that is not a Designated Provider, the Plan pays Benefits as described under:

- *Physician's Office Services - Sickness and Injury;*
- *Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services;*
- *Scopic Procedures - Outpatient Diagnostic and Therapeutic;*
- *Therapeutic Treatments - Outpatient;*
- *Hospital - Inpatient Stay; and*
- *Surgery - Outpatient.*

**Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Covered Health Services required to be received by a Designated Provider, you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator as soon as the possibility of a CHD surgery arises. If you do not obtain prior authorization and if, as a result, the CHD surgeries are not received by a Designated Provider, Network Benefits will not be paid. Non-Network Benefits will apply.

For Non-Network Benefits, if you fail to obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

**Dental Services - Accident Only**

Dental services when all of the following are true:

- treatment is necessary because of accidental damage;
- dental services are received from a Doctor of Dental Surgery, "D.D.S." or Doctor of Medical Dentistry, "D.M.D.";
- the dental damage is severe enough that initial contact with a Physician or dentist occurred within 72 hours of the accident.

Benefits are available only for treatment of a sound, natural tooth. The Physician or dentist must certify that the injured tooth was:

- a virgin or unrestored tooth; or
- a tooth that has no decay, no filling on more than two surfaces, no gum disease associated with bone loss, no root canal therapy, is not a dental implant and functions normally in chewing and speech.

Dental services for final treatment to repair the damage must be both of the following:

- Started within three months of the accident, or if not a Covered Person at the time of the accident, within the first three months of coverage under the Plan.
- Completed within 12 months of the accident, or if not a Covered Person at the time of the accident, within the first 12 months of coverage under the Plan.

Please note that dental damage that occurs as a result of normal activities of daily living or extraordinary use of the teeth is not considered an "accident". Benefits are not available for repairs to teeth that are injured as a result of such activities.

**Durable Medical Equipment (DME)**

The Plan pays for Durable Medical Equipment (DME) that meets each of the following:

- ordered or provided by a Physician for outpatient use;
- used for medical purposes;

- not consumable or disposable; and
- not of use to a person in the absence of a disease or disability.

If more than one piece of DME can meet your functional needs, Benefits are available only for the most Cost-Effective piece of equipment.

Examples of DME include but are not limited to:

- equipment to assist mobility, such as a standard wheelchair;
- a standard Hospital-type bed;
- oxygen concentrator units and the rental of equipment to administer oxygen;
- delivery pumps for tube feedings;
- braces, including necessary adjustments to shoes to accommodate braces. Braces that stabilize an Injured body part and braces to treat curvature of the spine are considered Durable Medical Equipment and are a Covered Health Service. Braces that straighten or change the shape of a body part are orthotic devices, and are excluded from coverage. Dental braces are also excluded from coverage.
- mechanical equipment necessary for the treatment of chronic or acute respiratory failure (except that air-conditioners, humidifiers, dehumidifiers, air purifiers and filters, and personal comfort items are excluded from coverage).

UnitedHealthcare provides Benefits only for a single purchase (including repair/replacement) of a type of Durable Medical Equipment once every three calendar years.

**Prior Authorization Requirements**

For Non-Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator before obtaining any Durable Medical Equipment that exceeds \$1,000 in cost (either retail purchase cost or cumulative retail rental cost of a single item). If you fail to obtain prior authorization as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

**Emergency Health Services - Outpatient**

The Plan pays for services that are required to stabilize or initiate treatment in an Emergency. Emergency health services must be received on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility.

Network Benefits will be paid for an Emergency admission to a non-Network Hospital as long as the Claims Administrator is notified within two business days of the admission or on the same day of admission if reasonably possible after you are admitted to a non-Network Hospital. If you continue your stay in a non-Network Hospital after the date your Physician determines that it is medically appropriate to transfer you to a Network Hospital, Non-Network Benefits will apply.

Benefits under this section are not available for services to treat a condition that does not meet the definition of an Emergency.

## Eye Examinations

The Plan pays Benefits for eye examinations received from a health care provider in the provider's office.

Benefits include services for illness or Injury only.

Please note that Benefits are not available for charges connected to the purchase or fitting of eyeglasses or contact lenses.

## Gender Dysphoria

Benefits for the treatment of Gender Dysphoria limited to the following services:

- Psychotherapy for Gender Dysphoria and associated co-morbid psychiatric diagnoses are provided as described under *Mental Health Services* in this section.
- Cross-sex hormone therapy:
  - Cross-sex hormone therapy administered by a medical provider.
  - Cross-sex hormone therapy dispensed from a pharmacy is provided as described under Section 15, *Prescription Drugs*.
- Puberty suppressing medication injected or implanted by a medical provider in a clinical setting.
- Laboratory testing to monitor the safety of continuous cross-sex hormone therapy.
- Surgery for the treatment for Gender Dysphoria, including the surgeries listed below:
  - Male to Female:
    - Clitoroplasty (creation of clitoris)
    - Labiaplasty (creation of labia)
    - Orchiectomy (removal of testicles)
    - Penectomy (removal of penis)
    - Urethroplasty (reconstruction of female urethra)
    - Vaginoplasty (creation of vagina)
  - Female to Male:
    - Bilateral mastectomy or breast reduction
    - Hysterectomy (removal of uterus)
    - Metoidioplasty (creation of penis, using clitoris)
    - Penile prosthesis

- Phalloplasty (creation of penis)
- Salpingo-oophorectomy (removal of fallopian tubes and ovaries)
- Scrotoplasty (creation of scrotum)
- Testicular prosthesis
- Urethroplasty (reconstruction of male urethra)
- Vaginectomy (removal of vagina)
- Vulvectomy (removal of vulva)

**Genital Surgery and Bilateral Mastectomy or Breast Reduction Surgery Documentation Requirements:**

The Covered Person must provide documentation of the following for breast surgery:

- A written psychological assessment from at least one qualified behavioral health provider experienced in treating Gender Dysphoria. The assessment must document that the Covered Person meets all of the following criteria:
  - Persistent, well-documented Gender Dysphoria.
  - Capacity to make a fully informed decision and to consent for treatment.
  - Must be 18 years or older.
  - If significant medical or mental health concerns are present, they must be reasonably well controlled.

The Covered Person must provide documentation of the following for genital surgery:

- A written psychological assessment from at least two qualified behavioral health providers experienced in treating Gender Dysphoria, who have independently assessed the Covered Person. The assessment must document that the Covered Person meets all of the following criteria.
  - Persistent, well-documented Gender Dysphoria.
  - Capacity to make a fully informed decision and to consent for treatment.
  - Must 18 years or older.
  - If significant medical or mental health concerns are present, they must be reasonably well controlled.
  - Complete at least 12 months of successful continuous full-time real-life experience in the desired gender.
  - Complete 12 months of continuous cross-sex hormone therapy appropriate for the desired gender (unless medically contraindicated).
- The treatment plan is based on identifiable external sources including the *World Professional Association for Transgender Health (WPATH)* standards, and/or evidence-based professional society guidance.

**Prior Authorization Requirement for Surgical Treatment**

You must obtain prior authorization as soon as the possibility of surgery arises.

If you fail to obtain prior authorization as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

**Prior Authorization Requirement for Non-Surgical Treatment**

Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, any applicable prior authorization requirements will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.

## Hearing Aids

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

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

Benefits do not include bone anchored hearing aids. Bone anchored hearing aids are a Covered Health Service for which Benefits are available under the applicable medical/surgical Covered Health Services categories in this section only for Covered Persons who have either of the following:

- Craniofacial anomalies whose abnormal or absent ear canals preclude the use of a wearable hearing aid.
- Hearing loss of sufficient severity that it would not be adequately remedied by a wearable hearing aid.

Any combination of Network Benefits and Non-Network Benefits is limited to \$1,000 per calendar year. Benefits are limited to a single purchase (including repair/replacement) per hearing impaired ear every three calendar years.

## Home Health Care

Covered Health Services are services received from a Home Health Agency that are both of the following:

- ordered by a Physician; and
- provided by or supervised by a registered nurse in your home.

Benefits are available only when the Home Health Agency services are provided on a part-time, intermittent schedule and when skilled home health care is required.

Skilled home health care is skilled nursing, skilled teaching, and skilled rehabilitation services when all of the following are true:

- it must be delivered or supervised by licensed technical or professional medical personnel in order to obtain the specified medical outcome, and provide for the safety of the patient;
- it is ordered by a Physician;
- it is not delivered for the purpose of assisting with activities of daily living, including but not limited to dressing, feeding, bathing or transferring from a bed to a chair;
- it requires clinical training in order to be delivered safely and effectively; and
- it is not Custodial Care.

Any combination of Network Benefits and Non-Network Benefits is limited to 50 visits per calendar year. One visit equals four hours of Skilled Care services.

#### **Prior Authorization Requirements**

For Non-Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator five business days before receiving services or as soon as is reasonably possible. If you fail to obtain prior authorization as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

## **Hospice Care**

The Plan pays Benefits for hospice care that is recommended by a Physician. Hospice care is an integrated program that provides comfort and support services for the terminally ill. Hospice care includes physical, psychological, social, respite and spiritual care for the terminally ill person, and short-term grief counseling for immediate family members. Benefits are available only when hospice care is received from a licensed hospice agency, which can include a Hospital.

Any combination of Network Benefits and Non-Network Benefits is limited to 360 days per Covered Person during the entire period you are covered under the Plan.

#### **Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits, you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator five business days before admission for an Inpatient Stay in a hospice facility or as soon as reasonably possible. If you fail to obtain prior authorization as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

## **Hospital - Inpatient Stay**

Hospital Benefits are available for:

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



Benefits for other Hospital-based Physician services are described in this section under *Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services*.

Benefits for Emergency admissions and admissions of less than 24 hours are described under *Emergency Health Services and Surgery - Outpatient, Scopic Procedures - Diagnostic and Therapeutics*, and *Therapeutic Treatments - Outpatient*, respectively.

#### **Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits for:

- A scheduled admission, you must obtain prior authorization five business days before admission.
- A non-scheduled admission (including Emergency admissions) you must provide notification as soon as is reasonably possible.

If authorization is not obtained as required, or notification is not provided, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

### **Injections received in a Physician's Office**

The Plan pays for Benefits for injections received in a Physician's office when no other health service is received, for example allergy immunotherapy.

### **Kidney Resource Services (KRS)**

UnitedHealthcare will arrange for access to certain of its Network Providers participating in the Kidney Resource Services Program for End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) and chronic kidney disease. You may be referred to KRS by UnitedHealthcare, or you may self refer to KRS by calling 888-936-7246 and select the KRS prompt. In order to receive the highest level of Benefits, you must contact KRS prior to obtaining Covered Health Services. The services include Covered Health Services and supplies rendered for the treatment and/or diagnosis relating to ESRD or chronic kidney disease.

In order to receive Benefits under this program, KRS must provide the proper notification to the Network provider performing the services. This is true even if you self refer to a Network provider participating in the program. Notification is required:

- prior to vascular access placement for dialysis; and
- prior to any ESRD services.

When these services are not performed in a KRS facility, Benefits will be paid the same as Physician's Office Services, Professional Fees, Hospital-Inpatient Stay, Outpatient Diagnostic and Therapeutic Services listed in this section.

To receive Benefits under the KRS program, you must contact KRS prior to obtaining Covered Health Services. The Plan will only pay Benefits under the KRS program if KRS provides the proper notification to the Designated Provider performing the services (even if you self refer to a provider in that Network).

## Maternity Services

### *Employee and Dependent Spouse Only*

Benefits for Pregnancy will be paid at the same level as Benefits for any other condition, Sickness or Injury. This includes all maternity-related medical services for prenatal care, postnatal care, delivery, and any related complications.

There is a special prenatal program to help during Pregnancy. It is completely voluntary and there is no extra cost for participating in the program. To sign up, you should notify the Claims Administrator during the first trimester, but no later than one month prior to the anticipated childbirth.

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

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

These are federally mandated requirements under the Newborns' and Mothers' Health Protection Act of 1996 which apply to this Plan. The Hospital or other provider is not required to get authorization for the time periods stated above. Authorizations are required for longer lengths of stay. If the mother agrees, the attending Physician may discharge the mother and/or the newborn child earlier than these minimum timeframes.

### *For Dependent Children Only*

Pregnancy Benefits for Dependent children are limited to Covered Health Services for Complications of Pregnancy. For a complete definition of Complications of Pregnancy, see Section 14, *Glossary*.

Benefits are payable for Covered Health Services for the treatment of Complications of Pregnancy given to a Dependent child while covered under this Plan.

Benefits for Complications of Pregnancy are paid in the same way as benefits are paid for Sickness.

Benefits for Complications of Pregnancy which result in the delivery of a child are payable for at least:

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

These are federally mandated requirements under the Newborns' and Mothers' Health Protection Act of 1996 which apply to this Plan. The Hospital or other provider is not required to get authorization for the time periods stated above. Authorizations are required for longer lengths of stay. If the mother agrees, the attending Physician may discharge the mother and/or the newborn child earlier than these minimum timeframes.

The following are not considered Complications of Pregnancy:

- false labor;
- occasional spotting;
- rest prescribed by a Physician;
- morning sickness; and
- other conditions that may be connected with a difficult pregnancy but are not a classifiably distinct complication.

**Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator as soon as reasonably possible if the Inpatient Stay for the mother and/or the newborn will be more than 48 hours for the mother and newborn child following a normal vaginal delivery, or more than 96 hours for the mother and newborn child following a cesarean section delivery. If you fail to obtain prior authorization as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

It is important that you notify us regarding your Pregnancy. Your notification will open the opportunity to become enrolled in prenatal programs that are designed to achieve the best outcomes for you and your baby.

**Mental Health Services**

Mental Health Services include those received on an inpatient or outpatient basis in a Hospital and an Alternate Facility or in a provider's office. All services must be provided by or under the direction of a properly qualified behavioral health provider.

Benefits include the following levels of care:

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

Services include the following:

- Diagnostic evaluations, assessment and treatment planning.
- Treatment and/or procedures.
- Medication management and other associated treatments.
- Individual, family and group therapy.
- Provider-based case management services.

- Crisis intervention.

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

You are encouraged to contact the Mental Health/Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Administrator for referrals to providers and coordination of care.

#### **Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits for:

- A scheduled admission for Mental Health Services (including Partial Hospitalization/Day Treatment and admission for services at a Residential Treatment facility) you must obtain authorization from the Claims Administrator five business days before admission.
- A non-scheduled admission (including Emergency admissions) you must provide notification as soon as is reasonably possible.

In addition, for Non-Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator before the following services are received. Services requiring prior authorization: Partial Hospitalization/Day Treatment; Intensive Outpatient Treatment programs; outpatient electro-convulsive treatment; psychological testing; transcranial magnetic stimulation; extended outpatient treatment visits beyond 45-50 minutes in duration, with or without medication management.

If you fail to obtain prior authorization from or provide notification to the Claims Administrator as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

### **Neurobiological Disorders - Autism Spectrum Disorder Services**

The Plan pays Benefits for behavioral services for Autism Spectrum Disorder including Intensive Behavioral Therapies such as Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) that are the following:

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

These Benefits describe only the behavioral component of treatment for Autism Spectrum Disorder. Medical treatment of Autism Spectrum Disorder is a Covered Health Service for which Benefits are available as described under the applicable medical Covered Health Services categories as described in this section.

Benefits include the following levels of care:

- Inpatient treatment.

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

Services include the following:

- Diagnostic evaluations, assessment and treatment planning.
- Treatment and/or procedures.
- Medication management and other associated treatments.
- Individual, family and group therapy.
- Provider-based case management services.
- Crisis intervention.

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

You are encouraged to contact the Mental Health/Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Administrator for referrals to providers and coordination of care.

#### **Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits for:

- A scheduled admission for Neurobiological Disorders – Autism Spectrum Disorder Services (including Partial Hospitalization/Day Treatment and an admission for services at a Residential Treatment facility) you must obtain authorization from the Claims Administrator five business days before admission.
- A non-scheduled admission (including Emergency admissions) you must provide notification as soon as is reasonably possible.

In addition, for Non-Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator before the following services are received. Services requiring prior authorization: Partial Hospitalization/Day Treatment; Intensive Outpatient Treatment programs; outpatient electro-convulsive treatment; psychological testing; transcranial magnetic stimulation; extended outpatient treatment visits beyond 45-50 minutes in duration, with or without medication management; Intensive Behavioral Therapy, including *Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA)*.

If you fail to obtain prior authorization from or provide notification to the Claims Administrator as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

## Obesity

The Plan pays for Benefits for hospital, physician, and diagnostic fees associated with morbid obesity if:

- The Participant has a Body Mass Index equal to or greater than 35 and said index has been met for the three years prior to the date of surgery;
- The Participant has at least one co-morbidity that is a direct complication of obesity and that has been previously unsuccessfully treated (this requirement is waived for individuals with a Body Mass Index greater than 40);
- The Participant has, within the 24 months prior to surgery, previously completed one physician supervised weight loss attempt, for a duration no less than six months, that included behavioral therapy, diet changes, and alteration of physical activity when indicated and has been unsuccessful in this effort;
- No previous bariatric surgery for weight reduction.

Benefits are available for obesity surgery services that meet the definition of a Covered Health Service, as defined in Section 14, *Glossary* and are not Experimental or Investigational or Unproven Services.

### **Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator as soon as the possibility of obesity surgery arises.

If you fail to obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

It is important that you provide notification regarding your intention to have surgery. Your notification will open the opportunity to become enrolled in programs that are designed to achieve the best outcomes for you.

## Ostomy Supplies

Benefits for ostomy supplies are limited to:

- pouches, face plates and belts;
- irrigation sleeves, bags and catheters; and
- skin barriers.

Benefits are not available for gauze, adhesive, adhesive remover, deodorant, pouch covers, or other items not listed above.

## Outpatient Surgery, Diagnostic and Therapeutic Services

### *Outpatient Surgery*

The Plan pays for Covered Health Services for surgery and related services received on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility.

Benefits under this section include only the facility charge and the charge for required Hospital-based professional services, supplies and equipment. Benefits for the surgeon fees related to outpatient surgery are described under *Professional Fees for Surgical and Medical Services*.

When these services are performed in a Physician's office, Benefits are described under *Physician's Office Services* below.

#### **Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits for blepharoplasty, uvulopalatopharyngoplasty, vein procedures, cardiac catheterization, pacemaker insertion, implantable cardioverter defibrillators, sleep apnea surgeries and cochlear implants you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator five business days before scheduled services are received or for non-scheduled services, within one business day or as soon as is reasonably possible. If you fail to obtain prior authorization as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

### *Outpatient Diagnostic Services*

The Plan pays for Covered Health Services received on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility including:

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

Benefits under this section include the facility charge, and the charge for required services, supplies and equipment, and all related professional fees.

When these services are performed in a Physician's office, Benefits are described under *Physician's Office Services* below.

This section does not include Benefits for CT scans, PET scans, MRIs, or nuclear medicine, which are described immediately below.

#### **Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits for sleep studies, stress echocardiography and transthoracic echocardiogram, you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator five business days before scheduled services are received. If you fail to obtain prior authorization as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

***Outpatient Diagnostic/Therapeutic Services - CT Scans, PET Scans, MRI and Nuclear Medicine***

The Plan pays for Covered Health Services for CT scans, PET scans, MRI, and nuclear medicine received on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility.

Benefits under this section include the facility charge, and the charge for required services, supplies and equipment, and all related professional fees.

***Outpatient Therapeutic Treatments***

The Plan pays for Covered Health Services for therapeutic treatments received on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility, including dialysis, intravenous chemotherapy or other intravenous infusion therapy, and other treatments not listed above.

Benefits under this section include the facility charge, and the charge for required services, supplies and equipment, and all related professional fees.

When these services are performed in a Physician's office, Benefits are described under *Physician's Office Services* below.

**Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits for the following outpatient therapeutic services you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator five business days before scheduled services are received or, for non-scheduled services, within one business day or as soon as is reasonably possible. Services that require prior authorization: dialysis, IV infusion, radiation oncology, intensity modulated radiation therapy and MR-guided focused ultrasound.

If you fail to obtain prior authorization, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

**Physician's Office Services - Sickness and Injury**

Benefits are paid by the Plan for Covered Health Services received in a Physician's office for the evaluation and treatment of a Sickness or Injury. Benefits are provided under this section regardless of whether the Physician's office is free-standing, located in a clinic or located in a Hospital. Benefits under this section include allergy injections and hearing exams in case of Injury or Sickness.

Benefits for preventive services are described under *Preventive Care Services* in this section.

**Please Note**

Your Physician does not have a copy of your SPD, and is not responsible for knowing or communicating your Benefits.



## Preventive Care Services

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

- evidence-based items or services that have in effect a rating of "A" or "B" in the current recommendations of the United States Preventive Services Task Force;
- immunizations that have in effect a recommendation from the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention;
- with respect to infants, children and adolescents, evidence-informed preventive care and screenings provided for in the comprehensive guidelines supported by the Health Resources and Services Administration; and
- with respect to women, such additional preventive care and screenings as provided for in comprehensive guidelines supported by the Health Resources and Services Administration.

Preventive care Benefits defined under the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) requirement include the cost of renting one breast pump per Pregnancy in conjunction with childbirth. Benefits for breast pumps also include the cost of purchasing one breast pump per Pregnancy in conjunction with childbirth. These Benefits are described under Section 5, *Plan Highlights*, under *Covered Health Services*.

Benefits are only available if breast pumps are obtained from a DME provider.

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

- Which pump is the most cost effective;
- Whether the pump should be purchased or rented;
- Duration of a rental;
- Timing of an acquisition.

For questions about your preventive care Benefits under this Plan call the number on the back of your ID card.

## Professional Fees for Surgical and Medical Services

The Plan pays for professional fees for surgical procedures and other medical care received in a Hospital, Skilled Nursing Facility, Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility or Alternate Facility or Physician house calls.

When these services are performed in a Physician's office, Benefits are described under *Physician's Office Services* above.

## Prosthetic Devices

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

- Artificial arms, legs, feet and hands.
- Artificial eyes, ears and noses.
- Breast prosthesis as required by the Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998. Benefits include mastectomy bras and lymphedema stockings for the arm.

If more than one prosthetic device can meet your functional needs, Benefits are available only for the most cost-effective prosthetic device.

The prosthetic device must be ordered or provided by, or under the direction of a Physician. Except for items required by the Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998, Benefits for prosthetic devices are limited to a single purchase of each type of prosthetic device every three calendar years.

**Note:** Prosthetic devices are different from DME - see *Durable Medical Equipment (DME)* in this section.

### **Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits, you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator before obtaining prosthetic devices that exceeds \$1,000 in cost per device. If you fail to obtain prior authorization as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

## Reconstructive Procedures

Reconstructive Procedures are services performed when a physical impairment exists and the primary purpose of the procedure is to improve or restore physiologic function. Reconstructive procedures include surgery or other procedures which are associated with an Injury, Sickness or Congenital Anomaly. The fact that physical appearance may change or improve as a result of a reconstructive procedure does not classify such surgery as a Cosmetic Procedure when a physical impairment exists, and the surgery restores or improves function.

Cosmetic Procedures are excluded from coverage. Procedures that correct an anatomical Congenital Anomaly without improving or restoring physiologic function are considered Cosmetic Procedures. The fact that a Covered Person may suffer psychological consequences or socially avoidant behavior as a result of an Injury, Sickness or Congenital Anomaly does not classify surgery or other procedures done to relieve such consequences or behavior as a reconstructive procedure.

Please note that Benefits for reconstructive procedures include breast reconstruction following a mastectomy and reconstruction of the non-affected breast to achieve symmetry.

Other services mandated by the Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998, including breast prostheses and treatment of complications, are provided in the same manner and at the same level as those for any Covered Health Service. You can contact UnitedHealthcare at the number on your ID card for more information about Benefits for mastectomy-related services.

#### **Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits for:

- Scheduled Reconstructive Procedures, you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator five business days before a scheduled Reconstructive Procedure is performed.
- Non-scheduled Reconstructive Procedures, you must provide notification within one business day or as soon as is reasonably possible.

If authorization is not obtained from the Claims Administrator as required, or notification is not provided, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

### **Rehabilitation Services - Outpatient Therapy**

The Plan provides short-term outpatient rehabilitation services for:

- Physical therapy.
- Occupational therapy.
- Speech therapy.
- Pulmonary rehabilitation therapy.
- Cardiac rehabilitation therapy.

For all rehabilitation services, a licensed therapy provider, under the direction of a Physician (when required by state law), must perform the services. Benefits under this section include rehabilitation services provided in a Physician's office or on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility. Rehabilitative services provided in a Covered Person's home by a Home Health Agency are provided as described under Home Health Care. Rehabilitative services provided in a Covered Person's home other than by a Home Health Agency are provided as described under this section.

Benefits can be denied or shortened for Covered Persons who are not progressing in goal-directed rehabilitation services or if rehabilitation goals have previously been met.

#### ***Habilitative Services***

For the purpose of this Benefit, "habilitative services" means Covered Health Services that help a person keep, learn or improve skills and functioning for daily living. Habilitative services are skilled when all of the following are true:

- The services are part of a prescribed plan of treatment or maintenance program that is provided to maintain a Covered Person's current condition or to prevent or slow further decline.

- It is ordered by a Physician and provided and administered by a licensed provider.
- It is not delivered for the purpose of assisting with activities of daily living, including dressing, feeding, bathing or transferring from a bed to a chair.
- It requires clinical training in order to be delivered safely and effectively.
- It is not Custodial Care.

The Claims Administrator will determine if Benefits are available by reviewing both the skilled nature of the service and the need for Physician-directed medical management. Therapies provided for the purpose of general well-being or conditioning in the absence of a disabling condition are not considered habilitative services. A service will not be determined to be "skilled" simply because there is not an available caregiver.

Benefits are provided for habilitative services provided for Covered Persons with a disabling condition when both of the following conditions are met:

- The treatment is administered by a licensed speech-language pathologist, licensed audiologist, licensed occupational therapist, licensed physical therapist or Physician.
- The initial or continued treatment must be proven and not Experimental or Investigational.

Benefits for habilitative services do not apply to those services that are solely educational in nature or otherwise paid under state or federal law for purely educational services. Custodial Care, respite care, day care, therapeutic recreation, vocational training and Residential Treatment are not habilitative services. A service that does not help the Covered Person to meet functional goals in a treatment plan within a prescribed time frame is not a habilitative service.

The Plan may require that a treatment plan be provided, request medical records, clinical notes, or other necessary data to allow the Plan to substantiate that initial or continued medical treatment is needed. When the treating provider anticipates that continued treatment is or will be required to permit the Covered Person to achieve demonstrable progress, the Plan may request a treatment plan consisting of diagnosis, proposed treatment by type, frequency, anticipated duration of treatment, the anticipated goals of treatment, and how frequently the treatment plan will be updated.

Benefits for Durable Medical Equipment and prosthetic devices, when used as a component of habilitative services, are described under *Durable Medical Equipment* and *Prosthetic Devices* in this section.

Other than as described under Habilitative Services above, please note that the Plan will pay Benefits for speech therapy for the treatment of disorders of speech, language, voice, communication and auditory processing only when the disorder results from Injury, stroke, cancer, Congenital Anomaly, or Autism Spectrum Disorder.

Benefits are limited to:

- 20 visits per calendar year for pulmonary rehabilitation therapy; and
- 36 visits per calendar year for cardiac rehabilitation therapy.

These visit limits apply to Network Benefits and Non-Network Benefits combined.

### **Second Surgical Opinion**

This is not a required service to obtain Benefits.

### **Skilled Nursing Facility/Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility Services**

The Plan pays for Covered Health Services for an Inpatient Stay in a Skilled Nursing Facility or Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility. Benefits are available for:

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

Any combination of Network Benefits and Non-Network Benefits is limited to 365 days per calendar year.

Please note that Benefits are available only for the care and treatment of an Injury or Sickness that would have otherwise required an Inpatient Stay in a Hospital.

#### **Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits for:

- A scheduled admission, you must obtain prior authorization five business days before admission.
- A non-scheduled admission (or admissions resulting from an Emergency) you must provide notification as soon as is reasonably possible.

If authorization is not obtained as required, or notification is not provided, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

### **Spinal Treatment**

Benefits for Spinal Treatment when provided by a Spinal Treatment provider in the provider's office.

Benefits include diagnosis and related services and are limited to one visit and treatment per day.

Coverage is limited to charges incurred.

Spinal Treatment consists of spinal adjustment for acute or chronic subluxation and includes charges for x-rays and other services authorized or recommended by a chiropractor operating within the scope of his license.

Maintenance and preventive care are not covered.

No benefits for Spinal Treatment will be paid under any other section of the Plan.

### **Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services**

Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services include those received on an inpatient or outpatient basis in a Hospital, an Alternate Facility, or in a provider's office. All services must be provided by or under the direction of a properly qualified behavioral health provider.

Benefits include the following levels of care:

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

Services include the following:

- Diagnostic evaluations, assessment and treatment planning.
- Treatment and/or procedures.
- Medication management and other associated treatments.
- Individual, family and group therapy.
- Provider-based case management services.
- Crisis intervention.
- Transitional Living services.

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

You are encouraged to contact the Mental Health/Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Administrator for referrals to providers and coordination of care.

**Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits for:

- A scheduled admission for Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services (including Partial Hospitalization/Day Treatment and an admission for services at a Residential Treatment facility) you must obtain authorization from the Claims Administrator five business days before admission.
- A non-scheduled admission (including Emergency admissions) you must provide notification as soon as is reasonably possible.

In addition, for Non-Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator before the following services are received. Services requiring prior authorization: Partial Hospitalization/Day Treatment; Intensive Outpatient Treatment programs; outpatient electro-convulsive treatment; psychological testing; transcranial magnetic stimulation; extended outpatient treatment visits beyond 45-50 minutes in duration, with or without medication management.

If you fail to obtain prior authorization from or provide notification to the Claims Administrator as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

**Transplantation Services**

Covered Health Services for organ and tissue transplants when ordered by a Physician. For Network Benefits, transplantation services must be received by a Designated Provider. Transplantation services provided by a non-Designated Provider will be covered as Non-Network Benefits. Benefits are available when the transplant meets the definition of a Covered Health Service, and is not an Experimental, Investigational or Unproven Service:

Notification is required for all transplant services.

The Copayment and Annual Deductible will not apply to Network Benefits when a transplant listed below is received by a Designated Provider. The services described under *Transportation and Lodging* below are Covered Health Services **ONLY** in connection with a transplant received by a Designated Provider.

Examples of transplants for which Benefits are available include but are not limited to:

- bone marrow transplants (either from you or from a compatible donor) and peripheral stem cell transplants, with or without high dose chemotherapy. Not all bone marrow transplants meet the definition of a Covered Health Service. The search for bone marrow/stem cell from a donor who is not biologically related to the patient is a Covered Health Service only for a transplant received by a Designated Provider.
- heart transplants;
- heart/lung transplants;
- lung transplants;
- kidney transplants;

- kidney/pancreas transplants;
- liver transplants;
- liver/small bowel transplants;
- pancreas transplants; and
- small bowel transplants.

Benefits for cornea transplants that are provided by a Network Physician at a Network Hospital are paid as if the transplant was received by a Designated Provider. Cornea transplants are not required to be performed received by a Designated Provider in order for you to receive Network Benefits. Donor costs that are directly related to organ removal are Covered Health Services for which Benefits are payable through the organ recipient's coverage under the Plan.

Organ or tissue transplants or multiple organ transplants other than those listed above are excluded from coverage, unless determined by the Claims Administrator to be a proven procedure for the involved diagnoses.

Under the Plan there are specific guidelines regarding Benefits for transplant services. Contact the Claims Administrator at the telephone number on your ID card for information about these guidelines.

**Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator as soon as the possibility of a transplant arises (and before the time a pre-transplantation evaluation is performed at a transplant center). If you don't obtain prior authorization and if, as a result, the services are not performed by a Designated Provider, Network Benefits will not be paid. Non-Network Benefits will apply.

For Non-Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator as soon as the possibility of a transplant arises (and before the time a pre-transplantation evaluation is performed at a transplant center).

For non-Network Benefits, if you don't obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator, as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

**Urgent Care Center Services**

The Plan pays for Covered Health Services received at an Urgent Care Center. When services to treat urgent health care needs are provided in a Physician's office, Benefits are available as described under *Physician's Office Services* earlier in this section.

**Virtual Visits**

Virtual visits for Covered Health Services that include the diagnosis and treatment of low acuity medical conditions for Covered Persons, through the use of interactive audio and video telecommunication and transmissions, and audio-visual communication technology.



Virtual visits provide communication of medical information in real-time between the patient and a distant Physician or health care specialist, through use of interactive audio and video communications equipment outside of a medical facility (for example, from home or from work).

Benefits are available only when services are delivered through a Designated Virtual Network Provider. You can find a Designated Virtual Network Provider by going to [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or by calling the telephone number on your ID card.

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

Benefits under this section do not include email, fax and standard telephone calls, or for telehealth/telemedicine visits that occur within medical facilities (*CMS* defined originating facilities).

## SECTION 7 - CLINICAL PROGRAMS AND RESOURCES

### **What this section includes:**

Health and well-being resources available to you, including:

- Consumer Solutions and Self-Service Tools;
- Disease and Condition Management Services; and
- Wellness Programs.

City of Columbia, Missouri believes in giving you the tools you need to be an educated health care consumer. To that end, City of Columbia, Missouri has made available several convenient educational and support services, accessible by phone and the Internet, which can help you to:

- take care of yourself and your family members;
- manage a chronic health condition; and
- navigate the complexities of the health care system.

### ***NOTE:***

Information obtained through the services identified in this section is based on current medical literature and on Physician review. It is not intended to replace the advice of a doctor. The information is intended to help you make better health care decisions and take a greater responsibility for your own health. UnitedHealthcare and City of Columbia, Missouri are not responsible for the results of your decisions from the use of the information, including, but not limited to, your choosing to seek or not to seek professional medical care, or your choosing or not choosing specific treatment based on the text.

## Consumer Solutions and Self-Service Tools

### ***Health Survey***

You and your Spouse are invited to learn more about your health and wellness at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) and are encouraged to participate in the online health survey. The health survey is an interactive questionnaire designed to help you identify your healthy habits as well as potential health risks.

Your health survey is kept confidential. Completing the survey will not impact your Benefits or eligibility for Benefits in any way.

To find the health survey, log in to [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com). After logging in, access your personalized *Health & Wellness* page. If you need any assistance with the online survey, please call the number on the back of your ID card.

### ***Health Improvement Plan***

You can start a Health Improvement Plan at any time. This plan is created just for you and includes information and interactive tools, plus online health coaching recommendations based on your profile.

Online coaching is available for:

- nutrition;
- exercise;
- weight management;
- stress;
- smoking cessation;
- diabetes; and
- heart health.

To help keep you on track with your Health Improvement Plan and online coaching, you'll also receive personalized messages and reminders – City of Columbia, Missouri's way of helping you meet your health and wellness goals.

### ***NurseLine<sup>SM</sup>***

NurseLine<sup>SM</sup> is a toll-free telephone service that puts you in immediate contact with an experienced registered nurse any time, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Nurses can provide health information for routine or urgent health concerns. When you call, a registered nurse may refer you to any additional resources that City of Columbia, Missouri has available to help you improve your health and well-being or manage a chronic condition. Call any time when you want to learn more about:

- a recent diagnosis;
- a minor Sickness or Injury;
- men's, women's, and children's wellness;
- how to take Prescription Drugs safely;
- self-care tips and treatment options;
- healthy living habits; or
- any other health related topic.

NurseLine<sup>SM</sup> gives you another convenient way to access health information. By calling the same toll-free number, you can listen to one of the Health Information Library's over 1,100 recorded messages, with over half in Spanish.

NurseLine<sup>SM</sup> is available to you at no cost. To use this convenient service, simply call the toll-free number on the back of your ID card.

**Note:** If you have a medical emergency, call 911 instead of calling NurseLine<sup>SM</sup>.

**Your child is running a fever and it's 1:00 AM. What do you do?**

Call NurseLine<sup>SM</sup> toll-free, any time, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. You can count on NurseLine<sup>SM</sup> to help answer your health questions.

With NurseLine<sup>SM</sup>, you also have access to nurses online. To use this service, log onto [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) and click "Live Nurse Chat" in the top menu bar. You'll instantly be connected with a registered nurse who can answer your general health questions any time, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. You can also request an e-mailed transcript of the conversation to use as a reference.

**Note:** If you have a medical emergency, call 911 instead of logging onto [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com).

### ***Reminder Programs***

To help you stay healthy, UnitedHealthcare may send you and your covered Dependents reminders to schedule recommended screening exams. Examples of reminders include:

- mammograms for women between the ages of 40 and 68;
- pediatric and adolescent immunizations;
- cervical cancer screenings for women between the ages of 20 and 64;
- comprehensive screenings for individuals with diabetes; and
- influenza/pneumonia immunizations for enrollees age 65 and older.

There is no need to enroll in this program. You will receive a reminder automatically if you have not had a recommended screening exam.

### ***UnitedHealth Premium<sup>SM</sup> Program***

UnitedHealthcare designates Network Physicians and facilities as UnitedHealth Premium<sup>SM</sup> Program Physicians or facilities for certain medical conditions. Physicians and facilities are evaluated on two levels - quality and efficiency of care. The UnitedHealth Premium<sup>SM</sup> Program was designed to:

- help you make informed decisions on where to receive care;
- provide you with decision support resources; and
- give you access to Physicians and facilities across areas of medicine that have met UnitedHealthcare's quality and efficiency criteria.

For details on the UnitedHealth Premium<sup>SM</sup> Program including how to locate a UnitedHealth Premium<sup>SM</sup> Physician or facility, log onto [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or call the toll-free number on your ID card.

### ***www.myuhc.com***

UnitedHealthcare's member website, [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com), provides information at your fingertips anywhere and anytime you have access to the Internet. [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) opens the door to a wealth of health information and convenient self-service tools to meet your needs.

With [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) you can:

- receive personalized messages that are posted to your own website;

- research a health condition and treatment options to get ready for a discussion with your Physician;
- search for Network providers available in your Plan through the online provider directory;
- access all of the content and wellness topics from NurseLine including Live Nurse Chat 24 hours a day, seven days a week;
- complete a health risk assessment to identify health habits you can improve, learn about healthy lifestyle techniques and access health improvement resources;
- use the treatment cost estimator to obtain an estimate of the costs of various procedures in your area; and
- use the Hospital comparison tool to compare Hospitals in your area on various patient safety and quality measures.

#### **Registering on [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com)**

If you have not already registered as a **[www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com)** subscriber, simply go to **[www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com)** and click on "Register Now." Have your UnitedHealthcare ID card handy. The enrollment process is quick and easy.

Visit **[www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com)** and:

- make real-time inquiries into the status and history of your claims;
- view eligibility and Plan Benefit information, including Copays and Annual Deductibles;
- view and print all of your Explanation of Benefits (EOBs) online; and
- order a new or replacement ID card or, print a temporary ID card.

#### **Want to learn more about a condition or treatment?**

Log on to **[www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com)** and research health topics that are of interest to you. Learn about a specific condition, what the symptoms are, how it is diagnosed, how common it is, and what to ask your Physician.

## **Disease and Condition Management Services**

### ***Diabetes Prevention Program***

The Diabetes Prevention Program (DPP) is available for Covered Persons living with pre-diabetes and offers a 16 session lifestyle intervention that addresses diet, activity and behavior modification. The goal of this program is to slow and/or prevent the development of Type 2 diabetes through lifestyle management and weight loss and is available at local YMCAs.

Participation is completely voluntary and without extra charge. There are no Copays, Coinsurance or Deductibles that need to be met when services are received as part of the DPP program. If you think you may be eligible to participate or would like additional information regarding the programs, please call the number on your ID card.

***HealthNotes<sup>SM</sup>***

UnitedHealthcare provides a service called HealthNotes to help educate members and make suggestions regarding your medical care. HealthNotes provides you and your Physician with suggestions regarding preventive care, testing or medications, potential interactions with medications you have been prescribed, and certain treatments. In addition, your HealthNotes report may include health tips and other wellness information.

UnitedHealthcare makes these suggestions through a software program that provides retrospective, claims-based identification of medical care. Through this process patients are identified whose care may benefit from suggestions using the established standards of evidence based medicine as described in Section 14, *Glossary* under the definition of Covered Health Services.

If your Physician identifies any concerns after reviewing his or her HealthNotes report, he or she may contact you if he or she believes it to be appropriate. In addition, you may use the information in your report to engage your Physician in discussions regarding your health and the identified suggestions. Any decisions regarding your care, though, are always between you and your Physician.

If you have questions or would like additional information about this service, please call the number on the back of your ID card.

**Wellness Programs*****Healthy Pregnancy Program***

If you are pregnant and enrolled in the medical Plan, you can get valuable educational information and advice by calling the toll-free number on your ID card. This program offers:

- pregnancy consultation to identify special needs;
- written and on-line educational materials and resources;
- 24-hour toll-free access to experienced maternity nurses;
- a phone call from a care coordinator during your Pregnancy, to see how things are going; and
- a phone call from a care coordinator approximately four weeks postpartum to give you information on infant care, feeding, nutrition, immunizations and more.

Participation is completely voluntary and without extra charge. To take full advantage of the program, you are encouraged to enroll within the first 12 weeks of Pregnancy. You can enroll any time, up to your 34th week. To enroll, call the toll-free number on the back of your ID card.

As a program participant, you can call any time, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, with any questions or concerns you might have.

## SECTION 8 - EXCLUSIONS AND LIMITATIONS: WHAT THE MEDICAL PLAN WILL NOT COVER

**What this section includes:**

- Services, supplies and treatments that are not Covered Health Services, except as may be specifically provided for in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.

The Plan does not pay Benefits for any of the following services, treatments or supplies even if they are recommended or prescribed by a provider or are the only available treatment for your condition.

When Benefits are limited within any of the Covered Health Services categories described in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*, those limits are stated in the corresponding Covered Health Service category in Section 5, *Plan Highlights*. Limits may also apply to some Covered Health Services that fall under more than one Covered Health Service category. When this occurs, those limits are also stated in Section 5, *Plan Highlights*. Please review all limits carefully, as the Plan will not pay Benefits for any of the services, treatments, items or supplies that exceed these benefit limits.

**Please note that in listing services or examples, when the SPD says "this includes," or "including but not limited to", it is not UnitedHealthcare's intent to limit the description to that specific list. When the Plan does intend to limit a list of services or examples, the SPD specifically states that the list "is limited to."**

### Alternative Treatments

1. acupressure and acupuncture;
2. aromatherapy;
3. hypnotism;
4. massage therapy;
5. rolfing;
6. other forms of alternative treatment as defined by the Office of Alternative Medicine of the National Institutes of Health.

### Comfort or Convenience

1. television;
2. telephone;
3. beauty/barber service;
4. guest service;

5. supplies, equipment and similar incidental services and supplies for personal comfort. Examples include:
  - air conditioners;
  - air purifiers and filter;
  - batteries and battery chargers;
  - dehumidifiers;
  - humidifiers.
  - devices and computers to assist in communication and speech.

## Dental

1. dental care, except as described in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details* under the heading *Dental Services - Accident only*.
2. preventive care, diagnosis, treatment of or related to the teeth, jawbones or gums. Examples include all of the following:
  - extraction, restoration and replacement of teeth;
  - medical or surgical treatments of dental conditions;
  - services to improve dental clinical outcomes.

This exclusion does not apply to preventive care for which Benefits are provided under the *United States Preventive Services Task Force* requirement or the *Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)* requirement. This exclusion also does not apply to accident-related dental services for which Benefits are provided as described under *Dental Services - Accident Only* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.
3. dental implants.
4. dental braces.
5. dental X-rays, supplies and appliances and all associated expenses, including hospitalizations and anesthesia. The only exceptions to this are for any of the following:
  - transplant preparation;
  - initiation of immunosuppressives;
  - the direct treatment of acute traumatic Injury, cancer or cleft palate.

This exclusion does not apply to dental care (oral examination, X-rays, extractions and non-surgical elimination of oral infection) required for the direct treatment of a medical condition for which Benefits are available under the Plan, as identified in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.

6. treatment of congenitally missing, malpositioned or super numerary teeth, even if part of a Congenital Anomaly.

## Drugs

1. prescription drugs for outpatient use that are filled by a prescription order or refill;
2. self-injectable medications;



3. non-injectable medications given in a Physician's office except as required in an Emergency;
4. over the counter drugs and treatments.

### **Experimental or Investigational Services or Unproven Services**

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

### **Foot Care**

1. routine foot care, except when needed for severe systemic disease or preventive foot care for Covered Persons with diabetes. Routine foot care services that are not covered include:
  - cutting or removal of corns and calluses;
  - nail trimming or cutting; and
  - debriding (removal of dead skin or underlying tissue);
2. hygienic and preventive maintenance foot care. Examples include the following:
  - cleaning and soaking the feet;
  - applying skin creams in order to maintain skin tone;
  - other services that are performed when there is not a localized illness, Injury or symptom involving the foot;
3. treatment of flat feet;
4. treatment of subluxation of the foot;
5. shoe orthotics.

### **Gender Dysphoria**

Cosmetic Procedures, including the following:

- Abdominoplasty.
- Blepharoplasty.
- Breast enlargement, including augmentation mammoplasty and breast implants.
- Body contouring, such as lipoplasty.
- Brow lift.
- Calf implants.
- Cheek, chin, and nose implants.
- Injection of fillers or neurotoxins.
- Face lift, forehead lift, or neck tightening.
- Facial bone remodeling for facial feminizations.

- Hair removal.
- Hair transplantation.
- Lip augmentation.
- Lip reduction.
- Liposuction.
- Mastopexy.
- Pectoral implants for chest masculinization.
- Rhinoplasty.
- Skin resurfacing.
- Thyroid cartilage reduction; reduction thyroid chondroplasty; trachea shave (removal or reduction of the Adam's Apple).
- Voice modification surgery.
- Voice lessons and voice therapy.

### Medical Supplies and Appliances

1. devices used specifically as safety items or to affect performance in sports-related activities;
2. prescribed or non-prescribed medical supplies and disposable supplies. Examples include:
  - elastic stockings;
  - ace bandages;
  - gauze and dressings;
  - syringes;
  - diabetic test strips;
3. orthotic appliances that straighten or re-shape a body part, except as described under *Durable Medical Equipment (DME)* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.

Examples of excluded orthotic appliances and devices include but are not limited to, foot orthotics or any orthotic braces available over-the-counter;

4. cranial banding;
5. tubings and masks are not covered except when used with Durable Medical Equipment as described in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details* under the heading *Durable Medical Equipment*.

## Mental Health, Neurobiological Disorders - Autism Spectrum Disorder and Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services

In addition to all other exclusions listed in this Section 8, *Exclusions and Limitations*, the exclusions listed directly below apply to services described under *Mental Health Services*, *Neurobiological Disorders - Autism Spectrum Disorder Services* and/or *Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.

1. Services performed in connection with conditions not classified in the current edition of the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association*.
2. Outside of an initial assessment, services as treatments for a primary diagnosis of conditions and problems that may be a focus of clinical attention, but are specifically noted not to be mental disorders within the current edition of the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association*.
3. Outside of initial assessment, services as treatments for the primary diagnoses of learning disabilities, conduct and impulse control disorders, pyromania, kleptomania, gambling disorder and paraphilic disorder.
4. Educational/behavioral services that are focused on primarily building skills and capabilities in communication, social interaction and learning.
5. Tuition for or services that are school-based for children and adolescents required to be provided by, or paid for by, the school under the *Individuals with Disabilities Education Act*.
6. Outside of initial assessment, unspecified disorders for which the provider is not obligated to provide clinical rationale as defined in the current edition of the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association*.

## Nutrition

1. megavitamin and nutrition based therapy;
2. Individual and group nutritional counseling, including non-specific disease nutritional education such as general good eating habits, calorie control or dietary preferences. This exclusion does not apply to preventive care for which Benefits are provided under the *United States Preventive Services Task Force* requirement. This exclusion also does not apply to nutritional counseling services that are billed as *Preventive Care Services* or to nutritional education services that are provided as part of treatment for a disease by appropriately licensed or registered health care professionals when both of the following are true:
  - nutritional education is required for a disease in which patient self-management is an important component of treatment; and
  - there exists a knowledge deficit regarding the disease which requires the intervention of a trained health professional;

2. enteral feedings and other nutritional and electrolyte formulas, including infant formula and donor breast milk, even if they are the only source of nutrition and even if they are specifically created to treat inborn errors of metabolism such as phenylketonuria (PKU). Infant formula available over the counter is always excluded;
3. health education classes unless offered by UnitedHealthcare or its affiliates, including but not limited to asthma, smoking cessation, and weight control classes.

## Physical Appearance

1. Cosmetic Procedures. See the definition in Section 14, *Glossary*. Examples include:
  - pharmacological regimens, nutritional procedures or treatments;
  - scar or tattoo removal or revision procedures (such as salabrasion, chemosurgery and other such skin abrasion procedures);
  - skin abrasion procedures performed as a treatment for acne;
2. replacement of an existing breast implant if the earlier breast implant was performed as a Cosmetic Procedure. **Note:** Replacement of an existing breast implant is considered reconstructive if the initial breast implant followed mastectomy. See *Reconstructive Procedures* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*;
3. physical conditioning programs such as athletic training, body-building, exercise, fitness, flexibility and diversion or general motivation;
4. weight loss programs whether or not they are under medical supervision. Weight loss programs for medical reasons are also excluded;
5. wigs regardless of the reason for the hair loss.

## Providers

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

This exclusion does not apply to mammography testing.

## Reproduction

1. health services and associated expenses for infertility treatments;
2. surrogate parenting;
3. the reversal of voluntary sterilization;
4. maternity services, including delivery, for Dependent children, except those that have Complications of Pregnancy as defined in Section 14, *Glossary*.

## Services Provided under Another Plan

1. health services for which other coverage is required by federal, state or local law to be purchased or provided through other arrangements. This includes, but is not limited to, coverage required by workers' compensation, no-fault auto insurance, or similar legislation.

If coverage under workers' compensation or similar legislation is optional for you because you could elect it, or could have it elected for you, Benefits will not be paid for any Injury, Sickness or Mental Illness that would have been covered under workers' compensation or similar legislation had that coverage been elected.

2. health services for treatment of military service-related disabilities, when you are legally entitled to other coverage and facilities are reasonably available to you;
3. health services while on active military duty.

## Transplants

1. health services for organ, multiple organ and tissue transplants, except as described in *Transplantation Services* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details* unless UnitedHealthcare determines the transplant to be appropriate according to UnitedHealthcare's transplant guidelines;
2. health services connected with the removal of an organ or tissue from you for purposes of a transplant to another person. (Donor costs for removal are payable for a transplant through the organ recipient's Benefits under the Plan.);
3. health services for transplants involving mechanical or animal organs;
4. any solid organ transplant that is performed as a treatment for cancer.

## Travel

1. health services provided in a foreign country, unless required as Emergency Health Services;
2. travel or transportation expenses, even though prescribed by a Physician. Some travel expenses related to covered transplantation services may be reimbursed at our discretion.

## Vision and Hearing

1. purchase cost of eye glasses or contact lenses;
2. fitting charge for eye glasses or contact lenses;
3. eye exercise or vision therapy;
4. Surgery that is intended to allow you to see better without glasses or other vision correction including radial keratotomy, laser, and other refractive eye surgery;
5. Routine vision examinations, including refractive examinations;
6. Bone anchored hearing aids except when either of the following applies:
  - For Covered Persons with craniofacial anomalies whose abnormal or absent ear canals preclude the use of a wearable hearing aid.
  - For Covered Persons with hearing loss of sufficient severity that it would not be adequately remedied by a wearable hearing aid.

## All Other Exclusions

1. health services and supplies that do not meet the definition of a Covered Health Service
  - see the definition in Section 14, *Glossary*;

Covered Health Services are those health services including services, supplies or Prescription Drugs, which the Claims Administrator determines to be all of the following:

- Medically Necessary;
- described as a Covered Health Service in this Summary Plan Description; and
- not otherwise excluded in this Summary Plan Description under this Section 8, *Exclusions and Limitations*.

This exclusion does not apply to breast pumps for which Benefits are provided under the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) requirement.

2. physical, psychiatric or psychological exams, testing, vaccinations, immunizations or treatments that are otherwise covered under the Plan when;
  - required solely for purposes of career, education, sports or camp, travel, employment, insurance, marriage or adoption;
  - related to judicial or administrative proceedings or orders;
  - conducted for purposes of medical research; This exclusion does not apply to Covered Health Services provided during a clinical trial for which Benefits are provided as described under *Clinical Trials* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*;
  - required to obtain or maintain a license of any type;
3. health services received as a result of war or any act of war, whether declared or undeclared or caused during service in the armed forces of any country;

4. health services received after the date your coverage under the Plan ends, including health services for medical conditions arising before the date your coverage under the Plan ends;
5. health services for which you have no legal responsibility to pay, or for which a charge would not ordinarily be made in the absence of coverage under the Plan;
6. in the event that a non-Network provider waives Copayments and/or the Annual Deductible for a particular health service, no Benefits are provided for the health service for which the Copayments and/or the Annual Deductible are waived;
7. charges in excess of Eligible Expenses or in excess of any specified limitation;
8. services for the evaluation and treatment of temporomandibular joint syndrome (TMJ), whether the services are considered to be medical or dental in nature;
9. upper and lower jawbone surgery except as required for direct treatment of acute traumatic Injury or cancer. Orthognathic surgery, jaw alignment and treatment for the temporomandibular joint, except as a treatment of obstructive sleep apnea;
10. Surgical treatment of obesity excluding severe morbid obesity: (with a BMI equal to or greater than 35) and the said index has been met for three years prior to the date of the scheduled surgery.
11. Non-surgical treatment of obesity including dietary supplements or supplies used in conjunction with weight loss.
12. growth hormone therapy;
13. Custodial Care;
14. Domiciliary Care;
15. private duty nursing;
16. respite care;
17. rest cures;
18. psychosurgery;
19. treatment of benign gynecomastia (abnormal breast enlargement in males);
20. medical and surgical treatment of excessive sweating (hyperhidrosis);
21. panniculectomy, abdominoplasty, thighplasty, brachioplasty, mastopexy, and breast reduction. This exclusion does not apply to breast reconstruction following a mastectomy as described under *Reconstructive Procedures* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*;

22. medical and surgical treatment for snoring, except when provided as a part of treatment for documented obstructive sleep apnea;
23. oral appliances for snoring;
24. speech therapy except as required for treatment of a speech impediment or speech dysfunction that results from Injury, stroke, or a Congenital Anomaly;
25. any charges for missed appointments, room or facility reservations, completion of claim forms or record processing;
26. any charge for services, supplies or equipment advertised by the provider as free;
27. any charges prohibited by federal anti-kickback or self-referral statutes.



## SECTION 9 - CLAIMS PROCEDURES

**What this section includes:**

- How Network and non-Network claims work; and
- What to do if your claim is denied, in whole or in part.

### Network Benefits

In general, if you receive Covered Health Services from a Network provider, UnitedHealthcare will pay the Physician or facility directly. If a Network provider bills you for any Covered Health Service other than your Copay or Coinsurance, please contact the provider or call UnitedHealthcare at the phone number on your ID card for assistance.

Keep in mind, you are responsible for meeting the Annual Deductible and paying any Copay or Coinsurance owed to a Network provider at the time of service, or when you receive a bill from the provider.

### Non-Network Benefits

If you receive a bill for Covered Health Services from a non-Network provider, you (or the provider if they prefer) must send the bill to UnitedHealthcare for processing. To make sure the claim is processed promptly and accurately, a completed claim form must be attached and mailed to UnitedHealthcare at the address on the back of your ID card.

### Prescription Drug Benefit Claims

If you wish to receive reimbursement for a prescription, you may submit a post-service claim as described in this section if:

- you are asked to pay the full cost of the Prescription Drug when you fill it and you believe that the Plan should have paid for it; or
- you pay a Copay and you believe that the amount of the Copay was incorrect.

If a pharmacy (retail or mail order) fails to fill a prescription that you have presented and you believe that it is a Covered Health Service, you may submit a pre-service request for Benefits as described in this section.

### If Your Provider Does Not File Your Claim

You can obtain a claim form by visiting [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com), calling the number on your ID card or contacting Human Resources. If you do not have a claim form, simply attach a brief letter of explanation to the bill, and verify that the bill contains the information listed below. If any of these items are missing from the bill, you can include them in your letter:

- Your name and address.
- The patient's name, age and relationship to the Participant.

- The number as shown on your ID card.
- The name, address and tax identification number of the provider of the service(s).
- A diagnosis from the Physician.
- The date of service.
- An itemized bill from the provider that includes:
  - The Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) codes.
  - A description of, and the charge for, each service.
  - The date the Sickness or Injury began.
  - A statement indicating either that you are, or you are not, enrolled for coverage under any other health insurance plan or program. If you are enrolled for other coverage you must include the name and address of the other carrier(s).

Failure to provide all the information listed above may delay any reimbursement that may be due you.

For medical claims, the above information should be filed with UnitedHealthcare at the address on your ID card. When filing a claim for outpatient Prescription Drug Benefits, submit your claim to the pharmacy benefit manager claims address noted on your ID card.

After UnitedHealthcare has processed your claim, you will receive payment for Benefits that the Plan allows. It is your responsibility to pay the non-Network provider the charges you incurred, including any difference between what you were billed and what the Plan paid.

### ***Payment of Benefits***

You may not assign your Benefits under the Plan or any cause of action related to your Benefits under the Plan to a non-Network provider without UnitedHealthcare's consent. When you assign your Benefits under the Plan to a non-Network provider with UnitedHealthcare's consent, and the non-Network provider submits a claim for payment, you and the non-Network provider represent and warrant that the Covered Health Services were actually provided and were medically appropriate.

When UnitedHealthcare has not consented to an assignment, UnitedHealthcare will send the reimbursement directly to you (the Participant) for you to reimburse the non-Network provider upon receipt of their bill. However, UnitedHealthcare reserves the right, in its discretion, to pay the non-Network provider directly for services rendered to you. When exercising its discretion with respect to payment, UnitedHealthcare may consider whether you have requested that payment of your Benefits be made directly to the non-Network provider. Under no circumstances will UnitedHealthcare pay Benefits to anyone other than you or, in its discretion, your Provider. Direct payment to a non-Network provider shall not be deemed to constitute consent by UnitedHealthcare to an assignment or to waive the consent requirement. When UnitedHealthcare in its discretion directs payment to a non-Network provider, you remain the sole beneficiary of the payment, and the non-Network provider does not thereby become a beneficiary. Accordingly, legally required notices concerning your Benefits will be directed to you, although UnitedHealthcare may in its discretion send information concerning the Benefits to the non-Network provider as well. If payment to a non-Network provider is made, the Plan reserves the right to offset Benefits to

be paid to the provider by any amounts that the provider owes the Plan (including amounts owed as a result of the assignment of other plans' overpayment recovery rights to the Plan), pursuant to *Refund of Overpayments* in Section 10, *Coordination of Benefits*.

### ***Form of Payment of Benefits***

Payment of Benefits under the Plan shall be in cash or cash equivalents, or in the form of other consideration that UnitedHealthcare in its discretion determines to be adequate. Where Benefits are payable directly to a provider, such adequate consideration includes the forgiveness in whole or in part of amounts the provider owes to other plans for which UnitedHealthcare makes payments, where the Plan has taken an assignment of the other plans' recovery rights for value.

### **Health Statements**

Each month in which UnitedHealthcare processes at least one claim for you or a covered Dependent, you will receive a Health Statement in the mail. Health Statements make it easy for you to manage your family's medical costs by providing claims information in easy-to-understand terms.

If you would rather track claims for yourself and your covered Dependents online, you may do so at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com). You may also elect to discontinue receipt of paper Health Statements by making the appropriate selection on this site.

### **Explanation of Benefits (EOB)**

You may request that UnitedHealthcare send you a paper copy of an Explanation of Benefits (EOB) after processing the claim. The EOB will let you know if there is any portion of the claim you need to pay. If any claims are denied in whole or in part, the EOB will include the reason for the denial or partial payment. If you would like paper copies of the EOBs, you may call the toll-free number on your ID card to request them. You can also view and print all of your EOBs online at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com). See Section 14, *Glossary* for the definition of Explanation of Benefits.

#### **Important - Timely Filing of Non-Network Claims**

All claim forms for non-Network services must be submitted within 12 months after the date of service. Otherwise, the Plan will not pay any Benefits for that Eligible Expense, or Benefits will be reduced, as determined by City of Columbia, Missouri. This 12-month requirement does not apply if you are legally incapacitated. If your claim relates to an Inpatient Stay, the date of service is the date your Inpatient Stay ends.

### **Claim Denials and Appeals**

#### ***If Your Claim is Denied***

If a claim for Benefits is denied in part or in whole, you may call UnitedHealthcare at the number on your ID card before requesting a formal appeal. If UnitedHealthcare cannot resolve the issue to your satisfaction over the phone, you have the right to file a formal appeal as described below.

### ***How to Appeal a Denied Claim***

If you wish to appeal a denied pre-service request for Benefits, post-service claim or a rescission of coverage as described below, you or your authorized representative must submit your appeal in writing within 180 days of receiving the adverse benefit determination. You do not need to submit Urgent Care appeals in writing. This communication should include:

- the patient's name and ID number as shown on the ID card;
- the provider's name;
- the date of medical service;
- the reason you disagree with the denial; and
- any documentation or other written information to support your request.

You or your authorized representative may send a written request for an appeal to:

UnitedHealthcare - Appeals  
P.O. Box 30432  
Salt Lake City, UT 84130-0432

For Urgent Care requests for Benefits that have been denied, you or your provider can call UnitedHealthcare at the toll-free number on your ID card to request an appeal.

#### **Types of claims**

The timing of the claims appeal process is based on the type of claim you are appealing. If you wish to appeal a claim, it helps to understand whether it is an:

- urgent care request for Benefits;
- pre-service request for Benefits;
- post-service claim; or
- concurrent claim.

### ***Review of an Appeal***

UnitedHealthcare will conduct a full and fair review of your appeal. The appeal may be reviewed by:

- an appropriate individual(s) who did not make the initial benefit determination; and
- a health care professional with appropriate expertise who was not consulted during the initial benefit determination process.

Once the review is complete, if UnitedHealthcare upholds the denial, you will receive a written explanation of the reasons and facts relating to the denial.

***Filing a Second Appeal***

Your Plan offers two levels of appeal. If you are not satisfied with the first level appeal decision, you have the right to request a second level appeal from City of Columbia, Missouri within 60 days from receipt of the first level appeal determination.

**Note:** Upon written request and free of charge, any Covered Persons may examine documents relevant to their claim and/or appeals and submit opinions and comments. City of Columbia, Missouri will review all claims in accordance with the rules established by the U.S. Department of Labor.

**Federal External Review Program**

If, after exhausting your internal appeals, you are not satisfied with the determination made by City of Columbia, Missouri, or if City of Columbia, Missouri fails to respond to your appeal in accordance with applicable regulations regarding timing, you may be entitled to request an external review of City of Columbia, Missouri's determination. The process is available at no charge to you.

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

- clinical reasons;
- the exclusions for Experimental or Investigational Services or Unproven Services;
- rescission of coverage (coverage that was cancelled or discontinued retroactively); or
- as otherwise required by applicable law.

You or your representative may request a standard external review by sending a written request to the address set out in the determination letter. You or your representative may request an expedited external review, in urgent situations as detailed below, by calling the toll-free number on your ID card or by sending a written request to the address set out in the determination letter. A request must be made within four months after the date you received City of Columbia, Missouri's decision.

An external review request should include all of the following:

- a specific request for an external review;
- the Covered Person's name, address, and insurance ID number;
- your designated representative's name and address, when applicable;
- the service that was denied; and
- any new, relevant information that was not provided during the internal appeal.

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

- a standard external review; and
- an expedited external review.

***Standard External Review***

A standard external review is comprised of all of the following:

- a preliminary review by UnitedHealthcare of the request;
- a referral of the request by UnitedHealthcare to the IRO; and
- a decision by the IRO.

Within the applicable timeframe after receipt of the request, UnitedHealthcare will complete a preliminary review to determine whether the individual for whom the request was submitted meets all of the following:

- is or was covered under the Plan at the time the health care service or procedure that is at issue in the request was provided;
- has exhausted the applicable internal appeals process; and
- has provided all the information and forms required so that UnitedHealthcare may process the request.

After UnitedHealthcare completes the preliminary review, UnitedHealthcare will issue a notification in writing to you. If the request is eligible for external review, UnitedHealthcare will assign an IRO to conduct such review. UnitedHealthcare will assign requests by either rotating claims assignments among the IROs or by using a random selection process.

The IRO will notify you in writing of the request's eligibility and acceptance for external review. You may submit in writing to the IRO within ten business days following the date of receipt of the notice additional information that the IRO will consider when conducting the external review. The IRO is not required to, but may, accept and consider additional information submitted by you after ten business days.

UnitedHealthcare will provide to the assigned IRO the documents and information considered in making City of Columbia, Missouri's determination. The documents include:

- all relevant medical records;
- all other documents relied upon by City of Columbia, Missouri; and
- all other information or evidence that you or your Physician submitted. If there is any information or evidence you or your Physician wish to submit that was not previously provided, you may include this information with your external review request and UnitedHealthcare will include it with the documents forwarded to the IRO.

In reaching a decision, the IRO will review the claim anew and not be bound by any decisions or conclusions reached by City of Columbia, Missouri. The IRO will provide

written notice of its determination (the “Final External Review Decision”) within 45 days after it receives the request for the external review (unless they request additional time and you agree). The IRO will deliver the notice of Final External Review Decision to you and UnitedHealthcare, and it will include the clinical basis for the determination.

Upon receipt of a Final External Review Decision reversing City of Columbia, Missouri determination, the Plan will immediately provide coverage or payment for the benefit claim at issue in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Plan, and any applicable law regarding plan remedies. If the Final External Review Decision is that payment or referral will not be made, the Plan will not be obligated to provide Benefits for the health care service or procedure.

### ***Expedited External Review***

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

You may make a written or verbal request for an expedited external review if you receive either of the following:

- an adverse benefit determination of a claim or appeal if the adverse benefit determination involves a medical condition for which the time frame for completion of an expedited internal appeal would seriously jeopardize the life or health of the individual or would jeopardize the individual's ability to regain maximum function and you have filed a request for an expedited internal appeal; or
- a final appeal decision, if the determination involves a medical condition where the timeframe for completion of a standard external review would seriously jeopardize the life or health of the individual or would jeopardize the individual's ability to regain maximum function, or if the final appeal decision concerns an admission, availability of care, continued stay, or health care service, procedure or product for which the individual received emergency services, but has not been discharged from a facility.

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

- is or was covered under the Plan at the time the health care service or procedure that is at issue in the request was provided.
- has provided all the information and forms required so that UnitedHealthcare may process the request.

After UnitedHealthcare completes the review, UnitedHealthcare will immediately send a notice in writing to you. Upon a determination that a request is eligible for expedited external review, UnitedHealthcare will assign an IRO in the same manner UnitedHealthcare utilizes to assign standard external reviews to IROs. UnitedHealthcare will provide all necessary documents and information considered in making the adverse benefit determination or final adverse benefit determination to the assigned IRO electronically or by

telephone or facsimile or any other available expeditious method. The IRO, to the extent the information or documents are available and the IRO considers them appropriate, must consider the same type of information and documents considered in a standard external review.

In reaching a decision, the IRO will review the claim anew and not be bound by any decisions or conclusions reached by City of Columbia, Missouri. The IRO will provide notice of the final external review decision for an expedited external review as expeditiously as the claimant's medical condition or circumstances require, but in no event more than 72 hours after the IRO receives the request. If the initial notice is not in writing, within 48 hours after the date of providing the initial notice, the assigned IRO will provide written confirmation of the decision to you and to UnitedHealthcare.

You may contact UnitedHealthcare at the toll-free number on your ID card for more information regarding external review rights, or if making a verbal request for an expedited external review.

***Timing of Appeals Determinations***

Separate schedules apply to the timing of claims appeals, depending on the type of claim. There are three types of claims:

- Urgent Care request for Benefits - a request for Benefits provided in connection with Urgent Care services, as defined in Section 14, *Glossary*;
- Pre-Service request for Benefits - a request for Benefits which the Plan must approve or in which you must notify UnitedHealthcare before non-Urgent Care is provided; and
- Post-Service - a claim for reimbursement of the cost of non-Urgent Care that has already been provided.

The tables below describe the time frames which you and UnitedHealthcare are required to follow.

<b>Urgent Care Request for Benefits*</b>	
<b>Type of Request for Benefits or Appeal</b>	<b>Timing</b>
If your request for Benefits is incomplete, UnitedHealthcare must notify you within:	<b>24 hours</b>
You must then provide completed request for Benefits to UnitedHealthcare within:	<b>48 hours</b> after receiving notice of additional information required
UnitedHealthcare must notify you of the benefit determination within:	<b>72 hours</b>
If UnitedHealthcare denies your request for Benefits, you must appeal an adverse benefit determination no later than:	<b>180 days</b> after receiving the adverse



<b>Urgent Care Request for Benefits*</b>	
<b>Type of Request for Benefits or Appeal</b>	<b>Timing</b>
	benefit determination
UnitedHealthcare must notify you of the appeal decision within:	<b>72 hours</b> after receiving the appeal

\*You do not need to submit Urgent Care appeals in writing. You should call UnitedHealthcare as soon as possible to appeal an Urgent Care request for Benefits.

<b>Pre-Service Request for Benefits*</b>	
<b>Type of Request for Benefits or Appeal</b>	<b>Timing</b>
If your request for Benefits is filed improperly, UnitedHealthcare must notify you within:	<b>5 days</b>
If your request for Benefits is incomplete, UnitedHealthcare must notify you within:	<b>15 days</b>
You must then provide completed request for Benefits information to UnitedHealthcare within:	<b>45 days</b>
UnitedHealthcare must notify you of the benefit determination:	
■ if the initial request for Benefits is complete, within:	<b>15 days</b>
■ after receiving the completed request for Benefits (if the initial request for Benefits is incomplete), within:	<b>15 days</b>
You must appeal an adverse benefit determination no later than:	<b>180 days</b> after receiving the adverse benefit determination
UnitedHealthcare must notify you of the first level appeal decision within:	<b>15 days</b> after receiving the first level appeal
You must appeal the first level appeal (file a second level appeal) within:	<b>60 days</b> after receiving the first level appeal decision
City of Columbia, Missouri must notify you of the second level appeal decision within:	<b>15 days</b> after receiving the second level appeal

\*UnitedHealthcare may require a one-time extension for the initial claim determination, of no more than 15 days, only if more time is needed due to circumstances beyond control of the Plan.

<b>Post-Service Claims</b>	
<b>Type of Claim or Appeal</b>	<b>Timing</b>
If your claim is incomplete, UnitedHealthcare must notify you within:	<b>30 days</b>
You must then provide completed claim information to UnitedHealthcare within:	<b>45 days</b>
UnitedHealthcare must notify you of the benefit determination:	
■ if the initial claim is complete, within:	<b>30 days</b>
■ after receiving the completed claim (if the initial claim is incomplete), within:	<b>30 days</b>
You must appeal an adverse benefit determination no later than:	<b>180 days</b> after receiving the adverse benefit determination
UnitedHealthcare must notify you of the first level appeal decision within:	<b>30 days</b> after receiving the first level appeal
You must appeal the first level appeal (file a second level appeal) within:	<b>60 days</b> after receiving the first level appeal decision
City of Columbia, Missouri must notify you of the second level appeal decision within:	<b>30 days</b> after receiving the second level appeal

***Concurrent Care Claims***

If an on-going course of treatment was previously approved for a specific period of time or number of treatments, and your request to extend the treatment is an Urgent Care request for Benefits as defined above, your request will be decided within 24 hours, provided your request is made at least 24 hours prior to the end of the approved treatment.

UnitedHealthcare will make a determination on your request for the extended treatment within 24 hours from receipt of your request.

If your request for extended treatment is not made at least 24 hours prior to the end of the approved treatment, the request will be treated as an Urgent Care request for Benefits and decided according to the timeframes described above. If an on-going course of treatment was previously approved for a specific period of time or number of treatments, and you request to extend treatment in a non-urgent circumstance, your request will be considered a new request and decided according to post-service or pre-service timeframes, whichever applies.

## **Limitation of Action**

You cannot bring any legal action against City of Columbia, Missouri or the Claims Administrator to recover reimbursement until 90 days after you have properly submitted a request for reimbursement as described in this section and all required reviews of your claim have been completed. If you want to bring a legal action against City of Columbia, Missouri or the Claims Administrator, you must do so within three years from the expiration of the time period in which a request for reimbursement must be submitted or you lose any rights to bring such an action against City of Columbia, Missouri or the Claims Administrator.

You cannot bring any legal action against City of Columbia, Missouri or the Claims Administrator for any other reason unless you first complete all the steps in the appeal process described in this section. After completing that process, if you want to bring a legal action against City of Columbia, Missouri or the Claims Administrator you must do so within three years of the date you are notified of the final decision on your appeal or you lose any rights to bring such an action against City of Columbia, Missouri or the Claims Administrator.

## SECTION 10 - COORDINATION OF BENEFITS (COB)

### What this section includes:

- How your Benefits under this Plan coordinate with other medical plans;
- How coverage is affected if you become eligible for Medicare; and
- Procedures in the event the Plan overpays Benefits.

Coordination of Benefits (COB) applies to you if you are covered by more than one health benefits plan, including any one of the following:

- another employer sponsored health benefits plan;
- a medical component of a group long-term care plan, such as skilled nursing care;
- no-fault or traditional "fault" type medical payment benefits or personal injury protection benefits under an auto insurance policy;
- medical payment benefits under any premises liability or other types of liability coverage; or
- Medicare or other governmental health benefit.

If coverage is provided under two or more plans, COB determines which plan is primary and which plan is secondary. The plan considered primary pays its benefits first, without regard to the possibility that another plan may cover some expenses. Any remaining expenses may be paid under the other plan, which is considered secondary. The secondary plan may determine its benefits based on the benefits paid by the primary plan. How much this Plan will reimburse you, if anything, will also depend in part on the allowable expense. The term, "allowable expense," is further explained below.

### Don't forget to update your Dependents' Medical Coverage Information

Avoid delays on your Dependent claims by updating your Dependent's medical coverage information. Just log on to [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or call the toll-free number on your ID card to update your COB information. You will need the name of your Dependent's other medical coverage, along with the policy number.

## Determining Which Plan is Primary

### *Order of Benefit Determination Rules*

If you are covered by two or more plans, the benefit payment follows the rules below in this order:

- this Plan will always be secondary to medical payment coverage or personal injury protection coverage under any auto liability or no-fault insurance policy;
- when you have coverage under two or more medical plans and only one has COB provisions, the plan without COB provisions will pay benefits first;

- a plan that covers a person as an employee pays benefits before a plan that covers the person as a dependent;
- if you are receiving COBRA continuation coverage under another employer plan, this Plan will pay Benefits first;
- your dependent children will receive primary coverage from the parent whose birth date occurs first in a calendar year. If both parents have the same birth date, the plan that pays benefits first is the one that has been in effect the longest. This birthday rule applies only if:
  - the parents are married or living together whether or not they have ever been married and not legally separated; or
  - a court decree awards joint custody without specifying that one party has the responsibility to provide health care coverage;
- if two or more plans cover a dependent child of divorced or separated parents and if there is no court decree stating that one parent is responsible for health care, the child will be covered under the plan of:
  - the parent with custody of the child; then
  - the Spouse of the parent with custody of the child; then
  - the parent not having custody of the child; then
  - the Spouse of the parent not having custody of the child;
- plans for active employees pay before plans covering laid-off or retired employees;
- the plan that has covered the individual claimant the longest will pay first; and
- finally, if none of the above rules determines which plan is primary or secondary, the allowable expenses shall be shared equally between the plans meeting the definition of Plan. In addition, this Plan will not pay more than it would have paid had it been the primary Plan.

The following examples illustrate how the Plan determines which plan pays first and which plan pays second.

#### **Determining Primary and Secondary Plan – Examples**

1) Let's say you and your Spouse both have family medical coverage through your respective employers. You are unwell and go to see a Physician. Since you're covered as a Participant under this Plan, and as a Dependent under your Spouse's plan, this Plan will pay Benefits for the Physician's office visit first.

2) Again, let's say you and your Spouse both have family medical coverage through your respective employers. You take your Dependent child to see a Physician. This Plan will look at your birthday and your Spouse's birthday to determine which plan pays first. If you were born on June 11 and your Spouse was born on May 30, your Spouse's plan will pay first.

## When This Plan is Secondary

If this Plan is secondary, it determines the amount it will pay for a Covered Health Service by following the steps below.

- the Plan determines the amount it would have paid based on the allowable expense.
- the Plan pays the entire difference between the allowable expense and the amount paid by the primary plan – as long as this amount is not more than the Plan would have paid had it been the only plan involved.

You will be responsible for any Copay, Coinsurance or Deductible payments as part of the COB payment. The maximum combined payment you may receive from all plans cannot exceed 100% of the allowable expense.

### *Determining the Allowable Expense If This Plan is Secondary*

**What is an allowable expense?**

For purposes of COB, an allowable expense is a health care expense that is covered at least in part by one of the health benefit plans covering you.

When the provider is a Network provider for both the primary plan and this Plan, the allowable expense is the primary plan's network rate. When the provider is a network provider for the primary plan and a non-Network provider for this Plan, the allowable expense is the primary plan's network rate. When the provider is a non-Network provider for the primary plan and a Network provider for this Plan, the allowable expense is the reasonable and customary charges allowed by the primary plan. When the provider is a non-Network provider for both the primary plan and this Plan, the allowable expense is the greater of the two Plans' reasonable and customary charges. If this plan is secondary to Medicare, please also refer to the discussion in the section below, titled *Determining the Allowable Expense When This Plan is Secondary to Medicare*.

## When a Covered Person Qualifies for Medicare

### *Determining Which Plan is Primary*

As permitted by law, this Plan will pay Benefits second to Medicare when you become eligible for Medicare, even if you don't elect it. There are, however, Medicare-eligible individuals for whom the Plan pays Benefits first and Medicare pays benefits second:

- employees with active current employment status age 65 or older and their Spouses age 65 or older (however, Domestic Partners are excluded as provided by Medicare); and
- individuals with end-stage renal disease, for a limited period of time.

***Determining the Allowable Expense When This Plan is Secondary to Medicare***

If this Plan is secondary to Medicare, the Medicare approved amount is the allowable expense, as long as the provider accepts reimbursement directly from Medicare. If the provider accepts reimbursement directly from Medicare, the Medicare approved amount is the charge that Medicare has determined that it will recognize and which it reports on an "explanation of Medicare benefits" issued by Medicare (the "EOMB") for a given service. Medicare typically reimburses such providers a percentage of its approved charge – often 80%.

If the provider does not accept assignment of your Medicare benefits, the Medicare limiting charge (the most a provider can charge you if they don't accept Medicare – typically 115% of the Medicare approved amount) will be the allowable expense. Medicare payments, combined with Plan Benefits, will not exceed 100% of the allowable expense.

If you are eligible for, but not enrolled in, Medicare, and this Plan is secondary to Medicare, or if you have enrolled in Medicare but choose to obtain services from a provider that does not participate in the Medicare program, (as opposed to a provider who does not accept assignment of Medicare benefits), Benefits will be paid on a secondary basis under this Plan and will be determined as if you timely enrolled in Medicare and obtained services from a Medicare participating provider.

When calculating the Plan's Benefits in these situations, and when Medicare does not issue an EOMB, for administrative convenience UnitedHealthcare will treat the provider's billed charges for covered services as the allowable expense for both the Plan and Medicare, rather than the Medicare approved amount or Medicare limiting charge.

**Medicare Crossover Program**

The Plan offers a Medicare Cross-over program for Medicare Part A and Part B and Durable Medical Equipment (DME) claims. Under this program, you no longer have to file a separate claim with the Plan to receive secondary benefits for these expenses. Your Dependent will also have this automated crossover, as long as he or she is eligible for Medicare and this Plan is your only secondary medical coverage.

Once the Medicare Part A and Part B and DME carriers have reimbursed your health care provider, the Medicare carrier will electronically submit the necessary information to the Claims Administrator to process the balance of your claim under the provisions of this Plan.

You can verify that the automated cross-over took place when your copy of the explanation of Medicare benefits (EOMB) states your claim has been forwarded to your secondary carrier.

This cross-over process does not apply to expenses that Medicare does not cover. You must go on to file claims for these expenses.

For information about enrollment or if you have questions about the program, call the telephone number listed on the back of your ID card.

## Right to Receive and Release Needed Information

Certain facts about health care coverage and services are needed to apply these COB rules and to determine benefits payable under this Plan and other plans. UnitedHealthcare may get the facts needed from, or give them to, other organizations or persons for the purpose of applying these rules and determining benefits payable under this Plan and other plans covering the person claiming benefits.

UnitedHealthcare does not need to tell, or get the consent of, any person to do this. Each person claiming benefits under this Plan must give UnitedHealthcare any facts needed to apply those rules and determine benefits payable. If you do not provide UnitedHealthcare the information needed to apply these rules and determine the Benefits payable, your claim for Benefits will be denied.

## Overpayment and Underpayment of Benefits

If you are covered under more than one medical plan, there is a possibility that the other plan will pay a benefit that the Plan should have paid. If this occurs, the Plan may pay the other plan the amount owed.

If the Plan pays you more than it owes under this COB provision, you should pay the excess back promptly. Otherwise, the Company may recover the amount in the form of salary, wages, or benefits payable under any Company-sponsored benefit plans, including this Plan. The Company also reserves the right to recover any overpayment by legal action or offset payments on future Eligible Expenses.

If the Plan overpays a health care provider, UnitedHealthcare reserves the right to recover the excess amount from the provider pursuant to *Refund of Overpayments*, below.

### ***Refund of Overpayments***

If the Plan pays for Benefits for expenses incurred on account of a Covered Person, that Covered Person, or any other person or organization that was paid, must make a refund to the Plan if:

- the Plan's obligation to pay Benefits was contingent on the expenses incurred being legally owed and paid by the Covered Person, but all or some of the expenses were not paid by the Covered Person or did not legally have to be paid by the Covered Person.
- all or some of the payment the Plan made exceeded the Benefits under the Plan; or
- all or some of the payment was made in error.

The amount that must be refunded equals the amount the Plan paid in excess of the amount that should have been paid under the Plan. If the refund is due from another person or organization, the Covered Person agrees to help the Plan get the refund when requested.

If the refund is due from the Covered Person and the Covered Person does not promptly refund the full amount owed, the Plan may recover the overpayment by reallocating the overpaid amount to pay, in whole or in part, future Benefits for the Covered Person that are



payable under the Plan. If the refund is due from a person or organization other than the Covered Person, the Plan may recover the overpayment by reallocating the overpaid amount to pay, in whole or in part, (i) future Benefits that are payable in connection with services provided to other Covered Persons under the Plan; or (ii) future benefits that are payable in connection with services provided to persons under other plans for which UnitedHealthcare makes payments, pursuant to a transaction in which the Plan's overpayment recovery rights are assigned to such other plans in exchange for such plans' remittance of the amount of the reallocated payment. The reallocated payment amount will equal the amount of the required refund or, if less than the full amount of the required refund, will be deducted from the amount of refund owed to the Plan. The Plan may have other rights in addition to the right to reallocate overpaid amounts and other enumerated rights, including the right to commence a legal action.

## SECTION 11 - SUBROGATION AND REIMBURSEMENT

The Plan has a right to subrogation and reimbursement. References to “you” or “your” in this *Subrogation and Reimbursement* section shall include you, your estate and your heirs and beneficiaries unless otherwise stated.

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

### ***Subrogation – Example***

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

The right to reimbursement means that if it is alleged that any third party caused or is responsible for a Sickness or Injury for which you receive a settlement, judgment, or other recovery from any third party, you must use those proceeds to fully return to the Plan 100% of any Benefits you receive for that Sickness or Injury. The right of reimbursement shall apply to any Benefits received at any time until the rights are extinguished, resolved or waived in writing.

### ***Reimbursement – Example***

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

The following persons and entities are considered third parties:

- A person or entity alleged to have caused you to suffer a Sickness, Injury or damages, or who is legally responsible for the Sickness, Injury or damages.
- Any insurer or other indemnifier of any person or entity alleged to have caused or who caused the Sickness, Injury or damages.
- The Plan Sponsor in a workers’ compensation case or other matter alleging liability.
- Any person or entity who is or may be obligated to provide Benefits or payments to you, including Benefits or payments for underinsured or uninsured motorist protection, no-fault or traditional auto insurance, medical payment coverage (auto, homeowners or otherwise), workers' compensation coverage, other insurance carriers or third party administrators.

- Any person or entity against whom you may have any claim for professional and/or legal malpractice arising out of or connected to a Sickness or Injury you allege or could have alleged were the responsibility of any third party.
- Any person or entity that is liable for payment to you on any equitable or legal liability theory.

You agree as follows:

- You will cooperate with the Plan in protecting its legal and equitable rights to subrogation and reimbursement in a timely manner, including, but not limited to:
  - Notifying the Plan, in writing, of any potential legal claim(s) you may have against any third party for acts which caused Benefits to be paid or become payable.
  - Providing any relevant information requested by the Plan.
  - Signing and/or delivering such documents as the Plan or its agents reasonably request to secure the subrogation and reimbursement claim.
  - Responding to requests for information about any accident or injuries.
  - Making court appearances.
  - Obtaining the Plan's consent or its agents' consent before releasing any party from liability or payment of medical expenses.
  - Complying with the terms of this section.

Your failure to cooperate with the Plan is considered a breach of contract. As such, the Plan has the right to terminate your Benefits, deny future Benefits, take legal action against you, and/or set off from any future Benefits the value of Benefits the Plan has paid relating to any Sickness or Injury alleged to have been caused or caused by any third party to the extent not recovered by the Plan due to you or your representative not cooperating with the Plan. If the Plan incurs attorneys' fees and costs in order to collect third party settlement funds held by you or your representative, the Plan has the right to recover those fees and costs from you. You will also be required to pay interest on any amounts you hold which should have been returned to the Plan.

- The Plan has a first priority right to receive payment on any claim against any third party before you receive payment from that third party. Further, the Plan's first priority right to payment is superior to any and all claims, debts or liens asserted by any medical providers, including but not limited to hospitals or emergency treatment facilities, that assert a right to payment from funds payable from or recovered from an allegedly responsible third party and/or insurance carrier.
- The Plan's subrogation and reimbursement rights apply to full and partial settlements, judgments, or other recoveries paid or payable to you or your representative, your estate, your heirs and beneficiaries, no matter how those proceeds are captioned or characterized. Payments include, but are not limited to, economic, non-economic, pecuniary, consortium and punitive damages. The Plan is not required to help you to pursue your claim for damages or personal injuries and no amount of associated costs, including attorneys' fees, shall be deducted from the Plan's recovery without the Plan's express written consent. No so-called "Fund Doctrine" or "Common Fund Doctrine" or "Attorney's Fund Doctrine" shall defeat this right.

- Regardless of whether you have been fully compensated or made whole, the Plan may collect from you the proceeds of any full or partial recovery that you or your legal representative obtain, whether in the form of a settlement (either before or after any determination of liability) or judgment, no matter how those proceeds are captioned or characterized. Proceeds from which the Plan may collect include, but are not limited to, economic, non-economic, and punitive damages. No "collateral source" rule, any "Made-Whole Doctrine" or "Make-Whole Doctrine," claim of unjust enrichment, nor any other equitable limitation shall limit the Plan's subrogation and reimbursement rights.
- Benefits paid by the Plan may also be considered to be Benefits advanced.
- If you receive any payment from any party as a result of Sickness or Injury, and the Plan alleges some or all of those funds are due and owed to the Plan, you and/or your representative shall hold those funds in trust, either in a separate bank account in your name or in your representative's trust account.
- By participating in and accepting Benefits from the Plan, you agree that (i) any amounts recovered by you from any third party shall constitute Plan assets to the extent of the amount of Plan Benefits provided on behalf of the Covered Person, (ii) you and your representative shall be fiduciaries of the Plan (within the meaning of ERISA) with respect to such amounts, and (iii) you shall be liable for and agree to pay any costs and fees (including reasonable attorney fees) incurred by the Plan to enforce its reimbursement rights.
- The Plan's rights to recovery will not be reduced due to your own negligence.
- By participating in and accepting Benefits from the Plan, you agree to assign to the Plan any Benefits, claims or rights of recovery you have under any automobile policy - including no-fault Benefits, PIP Benefits and/or medical payment Benefits - other coverage or against any third party, to the full extent of the Benefits the Plan has paid for the Sickness or Injury. By agreeing to provide this assignment in exchange for participating in and accepting Benefits, you acknowledge and recognize the Plan's right to assert, pursue and recover on any such claim, whether or not you choose to pursue the claim, and you agree to this assignment voluntarily.
- The Plan may, at its option, take necessary and appropriate action to preserve its rights under these provisions, including but not limited to, providing or exchanging medical payment information with an insurer, the insurer's legal representative or other third party; filing an ERISA reimbursement lawsuit to recover the full amount of medical Benefits you receive for the Sickness or Injury out of any settlement, judgment or other recovery from any third party considered responsible and filing suit in your name or your estate's name, which does not obligate the Plan in any way to pay you part of any recovery the Plan might obtain. Any ERISA reimbursement lawsuit stemming from a refusal to refund Benefits as required under the terms of the Plan is governed by a six-year statute of limitations.
- You may not accept any settlement that does not fully reimburse the Plan, without its written approval.
- The Plan has the authority and discretion to resolve all disputes regarding the interpretation of the language stated herein.

- In the case of your death, giving rise to any wrongful death or survival claim, the provisions of this section apply to your estate, the personal representative of your estate, and your heirs or beneficiaries. In the case of your death the Plan's right of reimbursement and right of subrogation shall apply if a claim can be brought on behalf of you or your estate that can include a claim for past medical expenses or damages. The obligation to reimburse the Plan is not extinguished by a release of claims or settlement agreement of any kind.
- No allocation of damages, settlement funds or any other recovery, by you, your estate, the personal representative of your estate, your heirs, your beneficiaries or any other person or party, shall be valid if it does not reimburse the Plan for 100% of its interest unless the Plan provides written consent to the allocation.
- The provisions of this section apply to the parents, guardian, or other representative of a Dependent child who incurs a Sickness or Injury caused by any third party. If a parent or guardian may bring a claim for damages arising out of a minor's Sickness or Injury, the terms of this subrogation and reimbursement clause shall apply to that claim.
- If any third party causes or is alleged to have caused you to suffer a Sickness or Injury while you are covered under this Plan, the provisions of this section continue to apply, even after you are no longer covered.
- In the event that you do not abide by the terms of the Plan pertaining to reimbursement, the Plan may terminate Benefits to you, your dependents or the participant, deny future Benefits, take legal action against you, and/or set off from any future Benefits the value of Benefits the Plan has paid relating to any Sickness or Injury alleged to have been caused or caused by any third party to the extent not recovered by the Plan due to your failure to abide by the terms of the Plan. If the Plan incurs attorneys' fees and costs in order to collect third party settlement funds held by you or your representative, the Plan has the right to recover those fees and costs from you. You will also be required to pay interest on any amounts you hold which should have been returned to the Plan.
- The Plan and all Administrators administering the terms and conditions of the Plan's subrogation and reimbursement rights have such powers and duties as are necessary to discharge its duties and functions, including the exercise of its discretionary authority to (1) construe and enforce the terms of the Plan's subrogation and reimbursement rights and (2) make determinations with respect to the subrogation amounts and reimbursements owed to the Plan.

## Right of Recovery

The Plan also has the right to recover Benefits it has paid on you or your Dependent's behalf that were:

- Made in error.
- Due to a mistake in fact.
- Advanced during the time period of meeting the calendar year Deductible.
- Advanced during the time period of meeting the Out-of-Pocket Maximum for the calendar year.

- Benefits paid because you or your Dependent misrepresented facts are also subject to recovery.
- If the Plan provides a Benefit for you or your Dependent that exceeds the amount that should have been paid, the Plan will:
  - Require that the overpayment be returned when requested.
  - Reduce a future Benefit payment for you or your Dependent by the amount of the overpayment.

If the Plan provides an advancement of Benefits to you or your Dependent during the time period of meeting the Deductible and/or meeting the Out-of-Pocket Maximum for the calendar year, the Plan will send you or your Dependent a monthly statement identifying the amount you owe with payment instructions. The Plan has the right to recover Benefits it has advanced by:

- Submitting a reminder letter to you or a covered Dependent that details any outstanding balance owed to the Plan.
- Conducting courtesy calls to you or a covered Dependent to discuss any outstanding balance owed to the Plan.

## SECTION 12 - WHEN COVERAGE ENDS

**What this section includes:**

- Circumstances that cause coverage to end;
- Extended coverage;
- Conversion from a group policy to an individual policy; and
- How to continue coverage after it ends.

Your entitlement to Benefits automatically ends on the date that coverage ends, even if you are hospitalized or are otherwise receiving medical treatment on that date. Please note that this does not affect coverage that is extended under *Extended Coverage for Total Disability* below.

When your coverage ends, City of Columbia, Missouri will still pay claims for Covered Health Services that you received before your coverage ended. However, once your coverage ends, Benefits are not provided for health services that you receive after coverage ended, even if the underlying medical condition occurred before your coverage ended. Please note that this does not affect coverage that is extended under *Extended Coverage for Total Disability* below.

Your coverage under the Plan will end on the earliest of:

- the last day of the month your employment with the Company ends;
- the date the Plan ends;
- the last day of the month you stop making the required contributions;
- the last day of the month you are no longer eligible;
- the last day of the month UnitedHealthcare receives written notice from City of Columbia, Missouri to end your coverage, or the date requested in the notice, if later; or
- the last day of the month you retire or are pensioned under the Plan, unless specific coverage is available for retired or pensioned persons and you are eligible for that coverage.

Coverage for your eligible Dependents will end on the earliest of:

- the date your coverage ends;
- the last day of the month you stop making the required contributions;
- the last day of the month UnitedHealthcare receives written notice from City of Columbia, Missouri to end your coverage, or the date requested in the notice, if later; or
- the last day of the month your Dependents no longer qualify as Dependents under this Plan.

### ***Other Events Ending Your Coverage***

The Plan will provide at least thirty days' prior written notice to you that your coverage will end on the date identified in the notice if you commit an act, practice, or omission that constituted fraud, or an intentional misrepresentation of a material fact including, but not limited to, knowingly providing incorrect information relating to another person's eligibility or status as a Dependent. You may appeal this decision during the 30-day notice period. The notice will contain information on how to pursue your appeal.

**Note:** If UnitedHealthcare finds that you have performed an act, practice, or omission that constitutes fraud, or have made an intentional misrepresentation of material fact City of Columbia, Missouri has the right to demand that you pay back all Benefits City of Columbia, Missouri paid to you, or paid in your name, during the time you were incorrectly covered under the Plan.

### **Coverage for a Disabled Child**

If an unmarried enrolled Dependent child with a mental or physical disability reaches an age when coverage would otherwise end, the Plan will continue to cover the child, as long as:

- the child is unable to be self-supporting due to a mental or physical handicap or disability;
- the child depends mainly on you for support;
- you provide to City of Columbia, Missouri proof of the child's incapacity and dependency within 31 days of the date coverage would have otherwise ended because the child reached a certain age; and
- you provide proof, upon City of Columbia, Missouri's request, that the child continues to meet these conditions.

The proof might include medical examinations at City of Columbia, Missouri's expense. However, you will not be asked for this information more than once a year. If you do not supply such proof within 31 days, the Plan will no longer pay Benefits for that child.

Coverage will continue, as long as the enrolled Dependent is incapacitated and dependent upon you, unless coverage is otherwise terminated in accordance with the terms of the Plan.

### **Extended Coverage for Total Disability**

If a Covered Person has a Total Disability on the date their coverage under the Plan ends, their Benefits will not end automatically. The Plan will temporarily extend coverage, only for treatment of the condition causing the Total Disability. Benefits will be paid until the earlier of:

- the Total Disability ends; or
- twenty nine months from the date coverage would have ended.



## Continuing Coverage Through COBRA

If you lose your Plan coverage, you may have the right to extend it under the Consolidated Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 (COBRA), as defined in Section 14, *Glossary*.

Continuation coverage under COBRA is available only to Plans that are subject to the terms of COBRA. You can contact your Plan Administrator to determine if City of Columbia, Missouri is subject to the provisions of COBRA.

### *Continuation Coverage under Federal Law (COBRA)*

Much of the language in this section comes from the federal law that governs continuation coverage. You should call your Plan Administrator if you have questions about your right to continue coverage.

In order to be eligible for continuation coverage under federal law, you must meet the definition of a "Qualified Beneficiary". A Qualified Beneficiary is any of the following persons who were covered under the Plan on the day before a qualifying event:

- a Participant;
- a Participant's enrolled Dependent, including with respect to the Participant's children, a child born to or placed for adoption with the Participant during a period of continuation coverage under federal law; or
- a Participant's former Spouse.

### *Qualifying Events for Continuation Coverage under COBRA*

The following table outlines situations in which you may elect to continue coverage under COBRA for yourself and your Dependents, and the maximum length of time you can receive continued coverage. These situations are considered qualifying events.

If Coverage Ends Because of the Following Qualifying Events:	You May Elect COBRA:		
	For Yourself	For Your Spouse	For Your Child(ren)
Your work hours are reduced	18 months	18 months	18 months
Your employment terminates for any reason (other than gross misconduct)	18 months	18 months	18 months
You or your family member become eligible for Social Security disability benefits at any time within the first 60 days of losing coverage <sup>1</sup>	29 months	29 months	29 months
You die	N/A	36 months	36 months

If Coverage Ends Because of the Following Qualifying Events:	You May Elect COBRA:		
	For Yourself	For Your Spouse	For Your Child(ren)
You divorce (or legally separate)	N/A	36 months	36 months
Your child is no longer an eligible family member (e.g., reaches the maximum age limit)	N/A	N/A	36 months
You become entitled to Medicare	N/A	See table below	See table below
City of Columbia, Missouri files for bankruptcy under Title 11, United States Code. <sup>2</sup>	36 months	36 months <sup>3</sup>	36 months <sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Subject to the following conditions: (i) notice of the disability must be provided within the latest of 60 days after a). the determination of the disability, b). the date of the qualifying event, c). the date the Qualified Beneficiary would lose coverage under the Plan, and in no event later than the end of the first 18 months; (ii) the Qualified Beneficiary must agree to pay any increase in the required premium for the additional 11 months over the original 18 months; and (iii) if the Qualified Beneficiary entitled to the 11 months of coverage has non-disabled family members who are also Qualified Beneficiaries, then those non-disabled Qualified Beneficiaries are also entitled to the additional 11 months of continuation coverage. Notice of any final determination that the Qualified Beneficiary is no longer disabled must be provided within 30 days of such determination. Thereafter, continuation coverage may be terminated on the first day of the month that begins more than 30 days after the date of that determination.

<sup>2</sup>This is a qualifying event for any Retired Participant and his or her enrolled Dependents if there is a substantial elimination of coverage within one year before or after the date the bankruptcy was filed.

<sup>3</sup>From the date of the Participant's death if the Participant dies during the continuation coverage.

***How Your Medicare Eligibility Affects Dependent COBRA Coverage***

The table below outlines how your Dependents' COBRA coverage is impacted if you become entitled to Medicare.

If Dependent Coverage Ends When:	You May Elect COBRA Dependent Coverage For Up To:
You become entitled to Medicare and don't experience any additional qualifying events	18 months
You become entitled to Medicare, after which you experience a second qualifying event* before the initial 18-month period expires	36 months

If Dependent Coverage Ends When:	You May Elect COBRA Dependent Coverage For Up To:
You experience a qualifying event*, after which you become entitled to Medicare before the initial 18-month period expires; and, if absent this initial qualifying event, your Medicare entitlement would have resulted in loss of Dependent coverage under the Plan	36 months

\* Your work hours are reduced or your employment is terminated for reasons other than gross misconduct.

***Getting Started***

You will be notified by mail if you become eligible for COBRA coverage as a result of a reduction in work hours or termination of employment. The notification will give you instructions for electing COBRA coverage, and advise you of the monthly cost. Your monthly cost is the full cost, including both Participant and Employer costs, plus a 2% administrative fee or other cost as permitted by law.

You will have up to 60 days from the date you receive notification or 60 days from the date your coverage ends to elect COBRA coverage, whichever is later. You will then have an additional 45 days to pay the cost of your COBRA coverage, retroactive to the date your Plan coverage ended.

During the 60-day election period, the Plan will, only in response to a request from a provider, inform that provider of your right to elect COBRA coverage, retroactive to the date your COBRA eligibility began.

While you are a participant in the medical Plan under COBRA, you have the right to change your coverage election:

- during Open Enrollment; and
- following a change in family status, as described under *Changing Your Coverage* in Section 2, *Introduction*.

***Notification Requirements***

If your covered Dependents lose coverage due to divorce, legal separation, or loss of Dependent status, you or your Dependents must notify the Plan Administrator within 60 days of the latest of:

- the date of the divorce, legal separation or an enrolled Dependent's loss of eligibility as an enrolled Dependent;
- the date your enrolled Dependent would lose coverage under the Plan; or
- the date on which you or your enrolled Dependent are informed of your obligation to provide notice and the procedures for providing such notice.

You or your Dependents must also notify the Plan Administrator when a qualifying event occurs that will extend continuation coverage.

If you or your Dependents fail to notify the Plan Administrator of these events within the 60 day period, the Plan Administrator is not obligated to provide continued coverage to the affected Qualified Beneficiary. If you are continuing coverage under federal law, you must notify the Plan Administrator within 60 days of the birth or adoption of a child.

Once you have notified the Plan Administrator, you will then be notified by mail of your election rights under COBRA.

***Notification Requirements for Disability Determination***

If you extend your COBRA coverage beyond 18 months because you are eligible for disability benefits from Social Security, you must provide Human Resources with notice of the Social Security Administration's determination within 60 days after you receive that determination, and before the end of your initial 18-month continuation period.

The notice requirements will be satisfied by providing written notice to the Plan Administrator at the address stated in Section 16, *Important Administrative Information: ERISA*. The contents of the notice must be such that the Plan Administrator is able to determine the covered Employee and qualified beneficiary(ies), the qualifying event or disability, and the date on which the qualifying event occurred.

***Trade Act of 2002***

The Trade Act of 2002 amended COBRA to provide for a special second 60-day COBRA election period for certain Participants who have experienced a termination or reduction of hours and who lose group health plan coverage as a result. The special second COBRA election period is available only to a very limited group of individuals: generally, those who are receiving trade adjustment assistance (TAA) or 'alternative trade adjustment assistance' under a federal law called the Trade Act of 1974. These Participants are entitled to a second opportunity to elect COBRA coverage for themselves and certain family members (if they did not already elect COBRA coverage), but only within a limited period of 60 days from the first day of the month when an individual begins receiving TAA (or would be eligible to receive TAA but for the requirement that unemployment benefits be exhausted) and only during the six months immediately after their group health plan coverage ended.

If a Participant qualifies or may qualify for assistance under the Trade Act of 1974, he or she should contact the Plan Administrator for additional information. The Participant must contact the Plan Administrator promptly after qualifying for assistance under the Trade Act of 1974 or the Participant will lose his or her special COBRA rights. COBRA coverage elected during the special second election period is not retroactive to the date that Plan coverage was lost, but begins on the first day of the special second election period.

## When COBRA Ends

COBRA coverage will end, before the maximum continuation period, on the earliest of the following dates:

- the date, after electing continuation coverage, that coverage is first obtained under any other group health plan;
- the date, after electing continuation coverage, that you or your covered Dependent first becomes entitled to Medicare;
- the date coverage ends for failure to make the first required premium payment (premium is not paid within 45 days);
- the date coverage ends for failure to make any other monthly premium payment (premium is not paid within 30 days of its due date);
- the date the entire Plan ends; or
- the date coverage would otherwise terminate under the Plan as described in the beginning of this section.

**Note:** If you selected continuation coverage under a prior plan which was then replaced by coverage under this Plan, continuation coverage will end as scheduled under the prior plan or in accordance with the terminating events listed in this section, whichever is earlier.

## Conversion from a Group Plan to an Individual Plan

If your coverage terminates for one of the reasons described below, you may apply for conversion coverage, without furnishing evidence of insurability, if:

- you are no longer eligible as a Participant or enrolled Dependent; or
- continuation coverage ends.

This right to conversion coverage is contingent upon the exhaustion of COBRA continuation coverage.

In addition, you may not be eligible for conversion coverage if you are:

- age 65 or older;
- covered under or eligible for coverage under Medicare (title XVIII as amended); or
- covered under or eligible for any group, individual, prepayment, government, or other plan or program which would result in overinsurance if conversion coverage was issued.

You must submit your first application and payment to UnitedHealthcare or its designated insurance company within 31 days after coverage ends under this Plan. UnitedHealthcare or its designated insurance company will issue conversion coverage according to the terms and conditions in effect at the time you apply. Conversion coverage may be substantially different from coverage provided under this Plan. Even though you may be eligible for conversion coverage, UnitedHealthcare does not offer conversion products in certain states.

When a conversion product is not available, the conversion coverage may be provided by a state sponsored risk pool.

### **Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act**

A Participant who is absent from employment for more than 30 days by reason of service in the Uniformed Services may elect to continue Plan coverage for the Participant and the Participant's Dependents in accordance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act of 1994, as amended (USERRA).

The terms "Uniformed Services" or "Military Service" mean the Armed Forces, the Army National Guard and the Air National Guard when engaged in active duty for training, inactive duty training, or full-time National Guard duty, the commissioned corps of the Public Health Service, and any other category of persons designated by the President in time of war or national emergency.

If qualified to continue coverage pursuant to the USERRA, Participants may elect to continue coverage under the Plan by notifying the Plan Administrator in advance, and providing payment of any required contribution for the health coverage. This may include the amount the Plan Administrator normally pays on a Participant's behalf. If a Participant's Military Service is for a period of time less than 31 days, the Participant may not be required to pay more than the regular contribution amount, if any, for continuation of health coverage.

A Participant may continue Plan coverage under USERRA for up to the lesser of:

- the 24 month period beginning on the date of the Participant's absence from work; or
- the day after the date on which the Participant fails to apply for, or return to, a position of employment.

Regardless of whether a Participant continues health coverage, if the Participant returns to a position of employment, the Participant's health coverage and that of the Participant's eligible Dependents will be reinstated under the Plan. No exclusions or waiting period may be imposed on a Participant or the Participant's eligible Dependents in connection with this reinstatement, unless a Sickness or Injury is determined by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to have been incurred in, or aggravated during, the performance of military service.

You should call the Plan Administrator if you have questions about your rights to continue health coverage under USERRA.

## SECTION 13 - OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

### What this section includes:

- Court-ordered Benefits for Dependent children;
- Your relationship with UnitedHealthcare and City of Columbia, Missouri;
- Relationships with providers;
- Interpretation of Benefits;
- Information and records;
- Incentives to providers and you;
- The future of the Plan; and
- How to access the official Plan documents.

### Qualified Medical Child Support Orders (QMCSOs)

A qualified medical child support order (QMCSO) is a judgment, decree or order issued by a court or appropriate state agency that requires a child to be covered for medical benefits. Generally, a QMCSO is issued as part of a paternity, divorce, or other child support settlement.

If the Plan receives a medical child support order for your child that instructs the Plan to cover the child, the Plan Administrator will review it to determine if it meets the requirements for a QMCSO. If it determines that it does, your child will be enrolled in the Plan as your Dependent, and the Plan will be required to pay Benefits as directed by the order.

You may obtain, without charge, a copy of the procedures governing QMCSOs from the Plan Administrator.

**Note:** A National Medical Support Notice will be recognized as a QMCSO if it meets the requirements of a QMCSO.

### Your Relationship with UnitedHealthcare and City of Columbia, Missouri

In order to make choices about your health care coverage and treatment, City of Columbia, Missouri believes that it is important for you to understand how UnitedHealthcare interacts with the Plan Sponsor's benefit Plan and how it may affect you. UnitedHealthcare helps administer the Plan Sponsor's benefit plan in which you are enrolled. UnitedHealthcare does not provide medical services or make treatment decisions. This means:

- UnitedHealthcare communicates to you decisions about whether the Plan will cover or pay for the health care that you may receive (the Plan pays for Covered Health Services, which are more fully described in this SPD); and
- the Plan may not pay for all treatments you or your Physician may believe are necessary. If the Plan does not pay, you will be responsible for the cost.

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

### **Relationship with Providers**

The relationships between City of Columbia, Missouri, UnitedHealthcare and Network providers are solely contractual relationships between independent contractors. Network providers are not City of Columbia, Missouri's agents or employees, nor are they agents or employees of UnitedHealthcare. City of Columbia, Missouri and any of its employees are not agents or employees of Network providers, nor are UnitedHealthcare and any of its employees agents or employees of Network providers.

City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare do not provide health care services or supplies, nor do they practice medicine. Instead, City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare arrange for health care providers to participate in a Network and pay Benefits. Network providers are independent practitioners who run their own offices and facilities. UnitedHealthcare's credentialing process confirms public information about the providers' licenses and other credentials, but does not assure the quality of the services provided. They are not City of Columbia, Missouri's employees nor are they employees of UnitedHealthcare. City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare do not have any other relationship with Network providers such as principal-agent or joint venture. City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare are not liable for any act or omission of any provider.

UnitedHealthcare is not considered to be an employer of the Plan Administrator for any purpose with respect to the administration or provision of benefits under this Plan.

City of Columbia, Missouri is solely responsible for:

- Enrollment and classification changes (including classification changes resulting in your enrollment or the termination of your coverage).
- The timely payment of the service fee to UnitedHealthcare.
- The funding of Benefits on a timely basis.
- Notifying you of the termination or modifications to the Plan.



## Your Relationship with Providers

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

- are responsible for choosing your own provider;
- are responsible for paying, directly to your provider, any amount identified as a member responsibility, including Copayments, Coinsurance, any deductible and any amount that exceeds Eligible Expenses;
- are responsible for paying, directly to your provider, the cost of any non-Covered Health Service;
- must decide if any provider treating you is right for you (this includes Network providers you choose and providers to whom you have been referred); and
- must decide with your provider what care you should receive.

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

The relationship between you and City of Columbia, Missouri is that of employer and employee, Dependent or other classification as defined in this SPD.

## Interpretation of Benefits

City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare have the sole and exclusive discretion to:

- interpret Benefits under the Plan;
- interpret the other terms, conditions, limitations and exclusions of the Plan, including this SPD and any Summary of Material Modifications and/or Amendments; and
- make factual determinations related to the Plan and its Benefits.

City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare may delegate this discretionary authority to other persons or entities that provide services in regard to the administration of the Plan.

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

## Information and Records

City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare may use your individually identifiable health information to administer the Plan and pay claims, to identify procedures, products, or services that you may find valuable, and as otherwise permitted or required by law. City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare may request additional information from you to decide your claim for Benefits. City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare will keep

this information confidential. City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare may also use your de-identified data for commercial purposes, including research, as permitted by law.

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

City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare have the right to release any and all records concerning health care services which are necessary to implement and administer the terms of the Plan, for appropriate medical review or quality assessment, or as City of Columbia, Missouri is required to do by law or regulation. During and after the term of the Plan, City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare and its related entities may use and transfer the information gathered under the Plan in a de-identified format for commercial purposes, including research and analytic purposes.

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

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

In some cases, City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare will designate other persons or entities to request records or information from or related to you, and to release those records as necessary. UnitedHealthcare's designees have the same rights to this information as does the Plan Administrator.

### **Incentives to Providers**

Network providers may be provided financial incentives by UnitedHealthcare to promote the delivery of health care in a cost efficient and effective manner. These financial incentives are not intended to affect your access to health care.

Examples of financial incentives for Network providers are:

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

If you have any questions regarding financial incentives you may contact the telephone number on your ID card. You can ask whether your Network provider is paid by any financial incentive, including those listed above; however, the specific terms of the contract, including rates of payment, are confidential and cannot be disclosed. In addition, you may choose to discuss these financial incentives with your Network provider.

### **Incentives to You**

Sometimes you may be offered coupons or other incentives to encourage you to participate in various wellness programs or certain disease management programs. The decision about whether or not to participate is yours alone but City of Columbia, Missouri recommends that you discuss participating in such programs with your Physician. These incentives are not Benefits and do not alter or affect your Benefits. You may call the number on the back of your ID card if you have any questions.

### **Rebates and Other Payments**

City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare may receive rebates for certain drugs that are administered to you in a Physician's office, or at a Hospital or Alternate Facility. This includes rebates for those drugs that are administered to you before you meet your Annual Deductible. City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare do not pass these rebates on to you, nor are they applied to your Annual Deductible or taken into account in determining your Copays or Coinsurance.

### **Workers' Compensation Not Affected**

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

### **Future of the Plan**

Although the Company expects to continue the Plan indefinitely, it reserves the right to discontinue, alter or modify the Plan in whole or in part, at any time and for any reason, at its sole determination.

The Company's decision to terminate or amend a Plan may be due to changes in federal or state laws governing employee benefits, the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code or Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), or any other reason. A plan change may transfer plan assets and debts to another plan or split a plan into two or more parts. If the Company does change or terminate a plan, it may decide to set up a different plan providing similar or different benefits.

If this Plan is terminated, Covered Persons will not have the right to any other Benefits from the Plan, other than for those claims incurred prior to the date of termination, or as otherwise provided under the Plan. In addition, if the Plan is amended, Covered Persons may be subject to altered coverage and Benefits.

The amount and form of any final benefit you receive will depend on any Plan document or contract provisions affecting the Plan and Company decisions. After all Benefits have been

paid and other requirements of the law have been met, certain remaining Plan assets will be turned over to the Company and others as may be required by any applicable law.

## Plan Document

This Summary Plan Description (SPD) represents an overview of your Benefits. In the event there is a discrepancy between the SPD and the official plan document, the plan document will govern. A copy of the plan document is available for your inspection during regular business hours in the office of the Plan Administrator. You (or your personal representative) may obtain a copy of this document by written request to the Plan Administrator, for a nominal charge.

## Review and Determine Benefits in Accordance with UnitedHealthcare Reimbursement Policies

UnitedHealthcare develops its reimbursement policy guidelines, in its sole discretion, in accordance with one or more of the following methodologies:

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

Following evaluation and validation of certain provider billings (e.g., error, abuse and fraud reviews), UnitedHealthcare's reimbursement policies are applied to provider billings. UnitedHealthcare shares its reimbursement policies with Physicians and other providers in UnitedHealthcare's Network through UnitedHealthcare's provider website. Network Physicians and providers may not bill you for the difference between their contract rate (as may be modified by UnitedHealthcare's reimbursement policies) and the billed charge. However, non-Network providers are not subject to this prohibition, and may bill you for any amounts the Plan does not pay, including amounts that are denied because one of UnitedHealthcare's reimbursement policies does not reimburse (in whole or in part) for the service billed. You may obtain copies of UnitedHealthcare's reimbursement policies for yourself or to share with your non-Network Physician or provider by going to [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or by calling the telephone number on your ID card.

## SECTION 14 - GLOSSARY

**What this section includes:**

- Definitions of terms used throughout this SPD.

Many of the terms used throughout this SPD may be unfamiliar to you or have a specific meaning with regard to the way the Plan is administered and how Benefits are paid. This section defines terms used throughout this SPD, but it does not describe the Benefits provided by the Plan.

**Addendum** – any attached written description of additional or revised provisions to the Plan. The benefits and exclusions of this SPD and any amendments thereto shall apply to the Addendum except that in the case of any conflict between the Addendum and SPD and/or Amendments to the SPD, the Addendum shall be controlling.

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

- surgical services;
- Emergency Health Services; or
- rehabilitative, laboratory, diagnostic or therapeutic services.

An Alternate Facility may also provide Mental Health or Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services on an outpatient basis or inpatient basis (for example a Residential Treatment facility).

**Amendment** – any attached written description of additional or alternative provisions to the Plan. Amendments are effective only when distributed by the Plan Sponsor or the Plan Administrator. Amendments are subject to all conditions, limitations and exclusions of the Plan, except for those that the amendment is specifically changing.

**Annual Deductible (or Deductible)** – the amount you must pay for Covered Health Services in a calendar year before the Plan will begin paying Benefits in that calendar year. The Deductible is shown in the first table in Section 5, *Plan Highlights*.

**Autism Spectrum Disorder** - a condition marked by enduring problems communicating and interacting with others, along with restricted and repetitive behavior, interests or activities.

**Benefits** – Plan payments for Covered Health Services, subject to the terms and conditions of the Plan and any Addendums and/or Amendments.

**Body Mass Index (BMI)** – a calculation used in obesity risk assessment which uses a person's weight and height to approximate body fat.

**BMI** – see Body Mass Index (BMI).

**Cancer Resource Services (CRS)** – a program administered by UnitedHealthcare or its affiliates made available to you by City of Columbia, Missouri. The CRS program provides:

- specialized consulting services, on a limited basis, to Participants and enrolled Dependents with cancer;
- access to cancer centers with expertise in treating the most rare or complex cancers; and
- education to help patients understand their cancer and make informed decisions about their care and course of treatment.

**Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup>** – programs provided by UnitedHealthcare that focus on prevention, education, and closing the gaps in care designed to encourage an efficient system of care for you and your covered Dependents.

**Claims Administrator** – UnitedHealthcare (also known as United HealthCare Services, Inc.) and its affiliates, who provide certain claim administration services for the Plan.

**Clinical Trial** – a scientific study designed to identify new health services that improve health outcomes. In a Clinical Trial, two or more treatments are compared to each other and the patient is not allowed to choose which treatment will be received.

**COBRA** – see Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 (COBRA).

**Coinsurance** – the percentage of Eligible Expenses you are required to pay for certain Covered Health Services as described in Section 3, *How the Plan Works*.

**Company** – City of Columbia, Missouri.

**Complications of Pregnancy** – a condition suffered by a Dependent child that requires medical treatment before or after Pregnancy ends.

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

**Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 (COBRA)** – a federal law that requires employers to offer continued health insurance coverage to certain employees and their dependents whose group health insurance has been terminated.

**Copayment (or Copay)** – the set dollar amount you are required to pay for certain Covered Health Services as described in Section 3, *How the Plan Works*.

**Cosmetic Procedures** – procedures or services that change or improve appearance without significantly improving physiological function, as determined by the Claims Administrator. Reshaping a nose with a prominent bump is a good example of a Cosmetic Procedure because appearance would be improved, but there would be no improvement in function like breathing.

**Cost-Effective** – the least expensive equipment that performs the necessary function. This term applies to Durable Medical Equipment and prosthetic devices.

**Covered Health Services** - those health services, including services, supplies or Pharmaceutical Products, which the Claims Administrator determines to be:

- Medically Necessary.
- Described as a Covered Health Service in this SPD under Section 5, *Plan Highlights* and Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details* and Section 15, *Outpatient Prescription Drugs*.
- Provided to a Covered Person who meets the Plan's eligibility requirements, as described under *Eligibility* in Section 2, *Introduction*.
- Not otherwise excluded in this SPD under Section 8, *Exclusions and Limitations* or Section 15, *Outpatient Prescription Drugs*.

**Covered Person** – either the Participant or an enrolled Dependent only while enrolled and eligible for Benefits under the Plan. References to "you" and "your" throughout this SPD are references to a Covered Person.

**CRS** – see Cancer Resource Services (CRS).

**Custodial Care** – services that do not require special skills or training and that:

- provide assistance in activities of daily living (including but not limited to feeding, dressing, bathing, ostomy care, incontinence care, checking of routine vital signs, transferring and ambulating);
- are provided for the primary purpose of meeting the personal needs of the patient or maintaining a level of function (even if the specific services are considered to be skilled services), as opposed to improving that function to an extent that might allow for a more independent existence; or
- do not require continued administration by trained medical personnel in order to be delivered safely and effectively.

**Deductible** – see Annual Deductible.

**Dependent** – an individual who meets the eligibility requirements specified in the Plan, as described under *Eligibility* in Section 2, *Introduction*. A Dependent does not include anyone who is also enrolled as a Participant. No one can be a Dependent of more than one Participant.

**Designated Provider** - a provider and/or facility that:

- Has entered into an agreement with UnitedHealthcare, or with an organization contracting on UnitedHealthcare's behalf, to provide Covered Health Services for the treatment of specific diseases or conditions; or
- UnitedHealthcare has identified through UnitedHealthcare's designation programs as a Designated Provider. Such designation may apply to specific treatments, conditions and/or procedures.

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

You can find out if your provider is a Designated Provider by contacting UnitedHealthcare at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or the telephone number on your ID card.

**Designated Virtual Network Provider** - a provider or facility that has entered into an agreement with UnitedHealthcare, or with an organization contracting on UnitedHealthcare's behalf, to deliver Covered Health Services via interactive audio and video modalities.

**DME** – see Durable Medical Equipment (DME).

**Domestic Partner** – an individual of the same or opposite sex with whom you have established a domestic partnership as described below.

A domestic partnership is a relationship between a Participant and one other person of the same or opposite sex. Both persons must:

- not be so closely related that marriage would otherwise be prohibited;
- not be legally married to, or the Domestic Partner of, another person under either statutory or common law;
- be at least 18 years old;
- live together and share the common necessities of life;
- be mentally competent to enter into a contract; and
- be financially interdependent and have furnished documents to support at least two of the following conditions of such financial interdependence:
  - they have a single dedicated relationship of at least 6 months duration;
  - they have joint ownership of a residence; or
  - they have at least two of the following:
    - ◆ a joint ownership of an automobile;
    - ◆ a joint checking, bank or investment account;
    - ◆ a joint credit account;
    - ◆ a lease for a residence identifying both partners as tenants; or
    - ◆ a will and/or life insurance policies which designate the other as primary beneficiary.

The Participant and Domestic Partner must jointly sign an affidavit of domestic partnership provided by Human Resources upon your request.

**Domiciliary Care** – living arrangements designed to meet the needs of people who cannot live independently but do not require Skilled Nursing Facility services.



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

- used to serve a medical purpose with respect to treatment of a Sickness, Injury or their symptoms;
- not disposable;
- not of use to a person in the absence of a Sickness, Injury or their symptoms;
- durable enough to withstand repeated use;
- not implantable within the body; and
- appropriate for use, and primarily used, within the home.

**Eligible Expenses** – for Covered Health Services, incurred while the Plan is in effect, Eligible Expenses are determined by UnitedHealthcare as stated below and as detailed in Section 3, *How the Plan Works*.

Eligible Expenses are determined solely in accordance with UnitedHealthcare’s reimbursement policy guidelines. UnitedHealthcare develops the reimbursement policy guidelines, in UnitedHealthcare’s discretion, following evaluation and validation of all provider billings in accordance with one or more of the following methodologies:

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

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

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

**Emergency Health Services** – with respect to an Emergency, both of the following:

- A medical screening examination (as required under section 1867 of the *Social Security Act*, 42 U.S.C. 1395dd) that is within the capability of the emergency department of a Hospital, including ancillary services routinely available to the emergency department to evaluate such Emergency.

- Such further medical examination and treatment, to the extent they are within the capabilities of the staff and facilities available at the Hospital, as are required under section 1867 of the *Social Security Act* (42 U.S.C. 1395dd(e)(3)).

**Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA)** – the federal legislation that regulates retirement and employee welfare benefit programs maintained by employers and unions.

**Employer** – City of Columbia, Missouri.

**EOB** – see Explanation of Benefits (EOB).

**Experimental or Investigational Services** – medical, surgical, diagnostic, psychiatric, mental health, substance-related and addictive disorders or other health care services, technologies, supplies, treatments, procedures, drug therapies, medications or devices that, at the time the Claims Administrator and City of Columbia, Missouri make a determination regarding coverage in a particular case, are determined to be any of the following:

- Not approved by the *U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)* to be lawfully marketed for the proposed use and not identified in the *American Hospital Formulary Service* or the *United States Pharmacopoeia Dispensing Information* as appropriate for the proposed use.
- Subject to review and approval by any institutional review board for the proposed use (Devices which are *FDA* approved under the *Humanitarian Use Device* exemption are not considered to be Experimental or Investigational.)
- The subject of an ongoing Clinical Trial that meets the definition of a Phase I, II or III Clinical Trial set forth in the *FDA* regulations, regardless of whether the trial is actually subject to *FDA* oversight.

Exceptions:

- Clinical Trials for which Benefits are available as described under *Clinical Trials* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.
- If you are not a participant in a qualifying Clinical Trial as described under Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*, and have a Sickness or condition that is likely to cause death within one year of the request for treatment, the Claims Administrator and City of Columbia, Missouri may, at their discretion, consider an otherwise Experimental or Investigational Service to be a Covered Health Service for that Sickness or condition. Prior to such consideration, the Claims Administrator and City of Columbia, Missouri must determine that, although unproven, the service has significant potential as an effective treatment for that Sickness or condition.

**Explanation of Benefits (EOB)** – a statement provided by UnitedHealthcare to you, your Physician, or another health care professional that explains:

- the Benefits provided (if any);
- the allowable reimbursement amounts;

- Deductibles;
- Coinsurance;
- any other reductions taken;
- the net amount paid by the Plan; and
- the reason(s) why the service or supply was not covered by the Plan.

**Gender Dysphoria** - A disorder characterized by the following diagnostic criteria classified in the current edition of the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association*:

- Diagnostic criteria for adults and adolescents:
  - A marked incongruence between one's experienced/expressed gender and assigned gender, of at least six months' duration, as manifested by at least two of the following:
    - ◆ A marked incongruence between one's experienced/expressed gender and primary and/or secondary sex characteristics (or in young adolescents, the anticipated secondary sex characteristics).
    - ◆ A strong desire to be rid of one's primary and/or secondary sex characteristics because of a marked incongruence with one's experienced/expressed gender or in young adolescents, a desire to prevent the development of the anticipated secondary sex characteristics).
    - ◆ A strong desire for the primary and/or secondary sex characteristics of the other gender.
    - ◆ A strong desire to be of the other gender (or some alternative gender different from one's assigned gender).
    - ◆ A strong desire to be treated as the other gender (or some alternative gender different from one's assigned gender).
    - ◆ A strong conviction that one has the typical feelings and reactions of the other gender (or some alternative gender different from one's assigned gender).
  - The condition is associated with clinically significant distress or impairment in social, occupational or other important areas of functioning.
- Diagnostic criteria for children:
  - A marked incongruence between one's experienced/expressed gender and assigned gender, of at least six months' duration, as manifested by at least six of the following (one of which must be criterion as shown in the first bullet below):
    - ◆ A strong desire to be of the other gender or an insistence that one is the other gender (or some alternative gender different from one's assigned gender).
    - ◆ In boys (assigned gender), a strong preference for cross-dressing or simulating female attire; or in girls (assigned gender), a strong preference for wearing only

typical masculine clothing and a strong resistance to the wearing of typical feminine clothing.

- ◆ A strong preference for cross-gender roles in make-believe play or fantasy play.
  - ◆ A strong preference for the toys, games or activities stereotypically used or engaged in by the other gender.
  - ◆ A strong preference for playmates of the other gender.
  - ◆ In boys (assigned gender), a strong rejection of typically masculine toys, games and activities and a strong avoidance of rough-and-tumble play; or in girls (assigned gender), a strong rejection of typically feminine toys, games and activities.
  - ◆ A strong dislike of ones' sexual anatomy.
  - ◆ A strong desire for the primary and/or secondary sex characteristics that match one's experienced gender.
- The condition is associated with clinically significant distress or impairment in social, school or other important areas of functioning.

**Health Statement(s)** – a single, integrated statement that summarizes EOB information by providing detailed content on account balances and claim activity.

**Home Health Agency** – a program or organization authorized by law to provide health care services in the home.

**Hospital** – an institution, operated as required by law, which is:

- primarily engaged in providing health services, on an inpatient basis, for the acute care and treatment of sick or injured individuals. Care is provided through medical, mental health, substance-related and addictive disorders, diagnostic and surgical facilities, by or under the supervision of a staff of Physicians; and
- has 24 hour nursing services.

A Hospital is not primarily a place for rest, Custodial Care or care of the aged and is not a Skilled Nursing Facility, convalescent home or similar institution.

**Injury** – bodily damage other than Sickness, including all related conditions and recurrent symptoms.

**Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility** – a long term acute rehabilitation center, a Hospital (or a special unit of a Hospital designated as an Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility) that provides rehabilitation services (including physical therapy, occupational therapy and/or speech therapy) on an inpatient basis, as authorized by law.

**Inpatient Stay** – an uninterrupted confinement, following formal admission to a Hospital, Skilled Nursing Facility or Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility.

**Intensive Behavioral Therapy (IBT)** - outpatient behavioral/educational services that aim to reinforce adaptive behaviors, reduce maladaptive behaviors and improve the mastery of functional age appropriate skills in people with Autism Spectrum Disorders. Examples include *Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA)*, *The Denver Model*, and *Relationship Development Intervention (RDI)*.

**Intensive Outpatient Treatment** - a structured outpatient mental health or substance-related and addictive disorders treatment program that may be free-standing or Hospital-based and provides services for at least three hours per day, two or more days per week.

**Intermittent Care** – skilled nursing care that is provided or needed either:

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

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

**Kidney Resource Services (KRS)** – a program administered by UnitedHealthcare or its affiliates made available to you by City of Columbia, Missouri. The KRS program provides:

- specialized consulting services to Participants and enrolled Dependents with ESRD or chronic kidney disease;
- access to dialysis centers with expertise in treating kidney disease; and
- guidance for the patient on the prescribed plan of care.

**Medicaid** – a federal program administered and operated individually by participating state and territorial governments that provides medical benefits to eligible low-income people needing health care. The federal and state governments share the program's costs.

**Medically Necessary** - health care services provided for the purpose of preventing, evaluating, diagnosing or treating a Sickness, Injury, Mental Illness, substance-related and addictive disorders, condition, disease or its symptoms, that are all of the following as determined by the Claims Administrator or its designee, within the Claims Administrator's sole discretion. The services must be:

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

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

If no credible scientific evidence is available, then standards that are based on Physician specialty society recommendations or professional standards of care may be considered. The Claims Administrator reserves the right to consult expert opinion in determining whether health care services are Medically Necessary. The decision to apply Physician specialty society recommendations, the choice of expert and the determination of when to use any such expert opinion, shall be within the Claims Administrator's sole discretion.

The Claims Administrator develops and maintains clinical policies that describe the *Generally Accepted Standards of Medical Practice* scientific evidence, prevailing medical standards and clinical guidelines supporting its determinations regarding specific services. These clinical policies (as developed by the Claims Administrator and revised from time to time), are available to Covered Persons on [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or by calling the number on your ID card, and to Physicians and other health care professionals on [www.UnitedHealthcareOnline.com](http://www.UnitedHealthcareOnline.com).

**Medicare** – Parts A, B, C and D of the insurance program established by Title XVIII, United States Social Security Act, as amended by 42 U.S.C. Sections 1394, et seq. and as later amended.

**Mental Health Services** – Covered Health Services for the diagnosis and treatment of Mental Illnesses. The fact that a condition is listed in the current *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association* does not mean that treatment for the condition is a Covered Health Service.

**Mental Health/Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Administrator** – the organization or individual designated by City of Columbia, Missouri who provides or arranges Mental Health and Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services under the Plan.

**Mental Illness** – mental health or psychiatric diagnostic categories listed in the current *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association*, unless they are listed in Section 8, *Exclusions and Limitations*.

**Network** – when used to describe a provider of health care services, this means a provider that has a participation agreement in effect (either directly or indirectly) with the Claims Administrator or with its affiliate to participate in the Network; however, this does not include those providers who have agreed to discount their charges for Covered Health Services by way of their participation in the Shared Savings Program. The Claims Administrator's affiliates are those entities affiliated with the Claims Administrator through common ownership or control with the Claims Administrator or with the Claims Administrator's ultimate corporate parent, including direct and indirect subsidiaries.

A provider may enter into an agreement to provide only certain Covered Health Services, but not all Covered Health Services, or to be a Network provider for only some products. In this case, the provider will be a Network provider for the Covered Health Services and products included in the participation agreement, and a non-Network provider for other Covered Health Services and products. The participation status of providers will change from time to time.

**Network Benefits** - description of how Benefits are paid for Covered Health Services provided by Network providers. Refer to Section 5, *Plan Highlights* for details about how Network Benefits apply.

**Non-Network Benefits** - description of how Benefits are paid for Covered Health Services provided by non-Network providers. Refer to Section 5, *Plan Highlights* for details about how Non-Network Benefits apply.

**Open Enrollment** – the period of time, determined by City of Columbia, Missouri, during which eligible Participants may enroll themselves and their Dependents under the Plan. City of Columbia, Missouri determines the period of time that is the Open Enrollment period.

**Out-of-Pocket Maximum** – the maximum amount you pay every calendar year. Refer to Section 5, *Plan Highlights* for the Out-of-Pocket Maximum amount. See Section 3, *How the Plan Works* for a description of how the Out-of-Pocket Maximum works.

**Partial Hospitalization/Day Treatment** – a structured ambulatory program that may be a free-standing or Hospital-based program and that provides services for at least 20 hours per week.

**Participant** – a full-time Participant of the Employer who meets the eligibility requirements specified in the Plan, as described under *Eligibility* in Section 2, *Introduction*. A Participant must live and/or work in the United States.

**Physician** – any Doctor of Medicine or Doctor of Osteopathy who is properly licensed and qualified by law.

Please note: Any podiatrist, dentist, psychologist, chiropractor, optometrist or other provider who acts within the scope of his or her license will be considered on the same basis as a Physician. The fact that a provider is described as a Physician does not mean that Benefits for services from that provider are available to you under the Plan.

**Plan** – The City of Columbia, Missouri Medical Plan.

**Plan Administrator** – City of Columbia, Missouri or its designee.

**Plan Sponsor** – City of Columbia, Missouri.

**Pregnancy** – includes prenatal care, postnatal care, childbirth, and any complications associated with the above.

**Primary Physician** – a Physician who has a majority of his or her practice in general pediatrics, internal medicine, obstetrics/gynecology, family practice or general medicine.

**Private Duty Nursing** – nursing care that is provided to a patient on a one-to-one basis by licensed nurses in an inpatient or a home setting when any of the following are true:

- no skilled services are identified;
- skilled nursing resources are available in the facility;
- the skilled care can be provided by a Home Health Agency on a per visit basis for a specific purpose; or
- the service is provided to a Covered Person by an independent nurse who is hired directly by the Covered Person or his/her family. This includes nursing services provided on an inpatient or a home-care basis, whether the service is skilled or non-skilled independent nursing.

**Reconstructive Procedure** – a procedure performed to address a physical impairment where the expected outcome is restored or improved function. The primary purpose of a Reconstructive Procedure is either to treat a medical condition or to improve or restore physiologic function. Reconstructive Procedures include surgery or other procedures which are associated with an Injury, Sickness or Congenital Anomaly. The primary result of the procedure is not changed or improved physical appearance. The fact that a person may suffer psychologically as a result of the impairment does not classify surgery or any other procedure done to relieve the impairment as a Reconstructive Procedure.

**Residential Treatment** – treatment in a facility which provides Mental Health Services or Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services treatment. The facility meets all of the following requirements:

- It is established and operated in accordance with applicable state law for Residential Treatment programs.
- It provides a program of treatment under the active participation and direction of a Physician and approved by the Mental Health/Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Administrator.
- It has or maintains a written, specific and detailed treatment program requiring full-time residence and full-time participation by the patient.
- It provides at least the following basic services in a 24-hour per day, structured milieu:
  - Room and board.
  - Evaluation and diagnosis.
  - Counseling.
  - Referral and orientation to specialized community resources.

A Residential Treatment facility that qualifies as a Hospital is considered a Hospital.

**Retired Employee** – an Employee who retires while covered under the Plan.



**Semi-private Room** - a room with two or more beds. When an Inpatient Stay in a Semi-private Room is a Covered Health Service, the difference in cost between a Semi-private Room and a private room is a benefit only when a private room is necessary in terms of generally accepted medical practice, or when a Semi-private Room is not available.

**Shared Savings Program** - a program in which UnitedHealthcare may obtain a discount to a non-Network provider's billed charges. This discount is usually based on a schedule previously agreed to by the non-Network provider. When this happens, you may experience lower out-of-pocket amounts. Plan coinsurance and deductibles would still apply to the reduced charge. Sometimes Plan provisions or administrative practices conflict with the scheduled rate, and a different rate is determined by UnitedHealthcare. In this case the non-Network provider may bill you for the difference between the billed amount and the rate determined by UnitedHealthcare. If this happens you should call the number on your ID Card. Shared Savings Program providers are not Network providers and are not credentialed by UnitedHealthcare.

**Sickness** - physical illness, disease or Pregnancy. The term Sickness as used in this SPD includes Mental Illness, or substance-related and addictive disorders, regardless of the cause or origin of the Mental Illness, or substance-related and addictive disorder.

**Skilled Care** – skilled nursing, teaching, and rehabilitation services when:

- they are delivered or supervised by licensed technical or professional medical personnel in order to obtain the specified medical outcome and provide for the safety of the patient;
- a Physician orders them;
- they are not delivered for the purpose of assisting with activities of daily living, including dressing, feeding, bathing or transferring from a bed to a chair;
- they require clinical training in order to be delivered safely and effectively; and
- they are not Custodial Care, as defined in this section.

**Skilled Nursing Facility** – a nursing facility that is licensed and operated as required by law. A Skilled Nursing Facility that is part of a Hospital is considered a Skilled Nursing Facility for purposes of the Plan.

**Specialist Physician** - a Physician who has a majority of his or her practice in areas other than general pediatrics, internal medicine, obstetrics/gynecology, family practice or general medicine.

**Spinal Treatment** – detection or correction (by manual or mechanical means) of subluxation(s) in the body to remove nerve interference or its effects. The interference must be the result of, or related to, distortion, misalignment or subluxation of, or in, the vertebral column.

**Spouse** – an individual to whom you are legally married or a Domestic Partner as defined in this section.

**Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services** - Covered Health Services for the diagnosis and treatment of alcoholism and substance-related and addictive disorders that are listed in the current *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association*, unless those services are specifically excluded. The fact that a disorder is listed in the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association* does not mean that treatment of the disorder is a Covered Health Service.

**Total Disability** – a Participant's inability to perform all substantial job duties because of physical or mental impairment, or a Dependent's or retired person's inability to perform the normal activities of a person of like age and gender.

**Transitional Living** - Mental Health Services/Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services that are provided through facilities, group homes and supervised apartments that provide 24-hour supervision that are either:

- Sober living arrangements such as drug-free housing, alcohol/drug halfway houses. These are transitional, supervised living arrangements that provide stable and safe housing, an alcohol/drug-free environment and support for recovery. A sober living arrangement may be utilized as an adjunct to ambulatory treatment when treatment doesn't offer the intensity and structure needed to assist the Covered Person with recovery.
- Supervised living arrangements which are residences such as facilities, group homes and supervised apartments that provide members with stable and safe housing and the opportunity to learn how to manage their activities of daily living. Supervised living arrangements may be utilized as an adjunct to treatment when treatment doesn't offer the intensity and structure needed to assist the Covered Person with recovery.

**UnitedHealth Premium Program<sup>SM</sup>** – a program that identifies Network Physicians or facilities that have been designated as a UnitedHealth Premium Program<sup>SM</sup> Physician or facility for certain medical conditions.

To be designated as a UnitedHealth Premium<sup>SM</sup> provider, Physicians and facilities must meet program criteria. The fact that a Physician or facility is a Network Physician or facility does not mean that it is a UnitedHealth Premium Program<sup>SM</sup> Physician or facility.

**Unproven Services** – health services, including medications that are determined not to be effective for treatment of the medical condition and/or not to have a beneficial effect on health outcomes due to insufficient and inadequate clinical evidence from well-conducted randomized controlled trials or cohort studies in the prevailing published peer-reviewed medical literature:

- Well-conducted randomized controlled trials are two or more treatments compared to each other, with the patient not being allowed to choose which treatment is received.
- Well-conducted cohort studies from more than one institution are studies in which patients who receive study treatment are compared to a group of patients who receive standard therapy. The comparison group must be nearly identical to the study treatment group.

UnitedHealthcare has a process by which it compiles and reviews clinical evidence with respect to certain health services. From time to time, UnitedHealthcare issues medical and drug policies that describe the clinical evidence available with respect to specific health care services. These medical and drug policies are subject to change without prior notice. You can view these policies at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com).

Please note:

- If you have a life threatening Sickness or condition (one that is likely to cause death within one year of the request for treatment), UnitedHealthcare and City of Columbia, Missouri may, at their discretion, consider an otherwise Unproven Service to be a Covered Health Service for that Sickness or condition. Prior to such a consideration, UnitedHealthcare and City of Columbia, Missouri must first establish that there is sufficient evidence to conclude that, albeit unproven, the service has significant potential as an effective treatment for that Sickness or condition.

The decision about whether such a service can be deemed a Covered Health Service is solely at UnitedHealthcare and City of Columbia, Missouri's discretion. Other apparently similar promising but unproven services may not qualify.

**Urgent Care** – care that requires prompt attention to avoid adverse consequences, but does not pose an immediate threat to a person's life. Urgent care is usually delivered in a walk-in setting and without an appointment. Urgent care facilities are a location, distinct from a hospital emergency department, an office or a clinic. The purpose is to diagnose and treat illness or injury for unscheduled, ambulatory patients seeking immediate medical attention.

**Urgent Care Center** – a facility that provides Covered Health Services that are required to prevent serious deterioration of your health, and that are required as a result of an unforeseen Sickness, Injury, or the onset of acute or severe symptoms.

## SECTION 15 - PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

**What this section includes:**

- Benefits available for Prescription Drugs;
- How to utilize the retail and mail order service for obtaining Prescription Drugs;
- Any benefit limitations and exclusions that exist for Prescription Drugs; and
- Definitions of terms used throughout this section related to the Prescription Drug Plan.

**Prescription Drug Coverage Highlights**

The table below provides an overview of the Plan's Prescription Drug coverage. It includes Copay amounts that apply when you have a prescription filled at a Pharmacy. For detailed descriptions of your Benefits, refer to *Retail* and *Mail Order* in this section.

Covered Health Services <sup>1,2</sup>	Percentage of Prescription Drug Charge Payable by the Plan:	Percentage of Out-of-Network Reimbursement Rate Payable by the Plan:
	Network	Non-Network
<b>Retail</b> - up to a 31-day supply	100% after you pay a:	
■ tier-1	\$10 Copay	\$10 Copay
■ tier-2	\$35 Copay	\$35 Copay
■ tier-3	\$75 Copay	\$75 Copay
■ tier-4	\$150 Copay	\$150 Copay
<b>Retail</b> - up to a 90-day supply	100% after you pay a:	
■ tier-1	\$25 Copay	Not Covered
■ tier-2	\$87.50 Copay	Not Covered
■ tier-3	\$187.50 Copay	Not Covered
■ tier-4	\$375 Copay	Not Covered

Covered Health Services <sup>1,2</sup>	Percentage of Prescription Drug Charge Payable by the Plan:	Percentage of Out-of-Network Reimbursement Rate Payable by the Plan:
	Network	Non-Network
<b>Specialty Prescription Drugs</b> - up to 31-day supply		
■ tier-1	\$10 Copay	Not Covered
■ tier-2	\$35 Copay	Not Covered
■ tier-3	\$75 Copay	Not Covered
■ tier-4	\$150 Copay	Not Covered
<b>Mail order</b> - up to a 90-day supply		
■ tier-1	\$25 Copay	Not Covered
■ tier-2	\$87.50 Copay	Not Covered
■ tier-3	\$187.50 Copay	Not Covered
■ tier-4	\$375 Copay	Not Covered

<sup>1</sup>You, your Physician or your pharmacist must obtain prior authorization from UnitedHealthcare to receive full Benefits for certain Prescription Drugs. Otherwise, you may pay more out-of-pocket. See *Prior Authorization Requirements* in this section for details.

<sup>2</sup>You are not responsible for paying a Copayment and/or Coinsurance for Preventive Care Medications.

**Note:** The Coordination of Benefits provision described in Section 10, *Coordination of Benefits (COB)* does not apply to covered Prescription Drugs as described in this section. Prescription Drug Benefits will not be coordinated with those of any other health coverage plan.

## Identification Card (ID Card) – Network Pharmacy

You must either show your ID card at the time you obtain your Prescription Drug at a Network Pharmacy or you must provide the Network Pharmacy with identifying information that can be verified by the Claims Administrator during regular business hours.

If you don't show your ID card or provide verifiable information at a Network Pharmacy, you will be required to pay the Usual and Customary Charge for the Prescription Drug at the pharmacy.

You may seek reimbursement from the Plan as described in Section 9, *Claims Procedures*, under the heading, *How to File a Claim*. When you submit a claim on this basis, you may pay more because you failed to verify your eligibility when the Prescription Drug was dispensed. The amount you are reimbursed will be based on the Prescription Drug Charge, less the required Copayment and/or Coinsurance, and any deductible that applies.

Submit your claim to:

Optum Rx  
P.O. Box 29077  
Hot Springs, AR 71903

## Benefit Levels

Benefits are available for outpatient Prescription Drugs that are considered Covered Health Services.

The Plan pays Benefits at different levels for tier-1, tier-2, tier-3 and tier-4 Prescription Drugs. All Prescription Drugs covered by the Plan are categorized into these four tiers on the Prescription Drug List (PDL). The tier status of a Prescription Drug can change periodically, generally quarterly but no more than six times per calendar year, based on the Prescription Drug List Management Committee's periodic tiering decisions. When that occurs, you may pay more or less for a Prescription Drug, depending on its tier assignment. Since the PDL may change periodically, you can visit [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or call UnitedHealthcare at the toll-free number on your ID card for the most current information.

Each tier is assigned a Copay, which is the amount you pay when you visit the pharmacy or order your medications through mail order. Your Copay will also depend on whether or not you visit the pharmacy or use the mail order service - see the table shown at the beginning of this section for further details. Here's how the tier system works:

- Tier-1 is your lowest Copay option. For the lowest out-of-pocket expense, you should consider tier-1 drugs if you and your Physician decide they are appropriate for your treatment.
- Tier-2 is your middle Copay option. Consider a tier-2 drug if no tier-1 drug is available to treat your condition.
- Tier-3 and Tier-4 are your highest Copay options. The drugs in tier-3 and tier-4 are usually more costly. Sometimes there are alternatives available in tier-1 or tier-2.

For Prescription Drugs at a retail Network Pharmacy, you are responsible for paying the lower of:

- the applicable Copay;
- the Network Pharmacy's Usual and Customary Charge for the Prescription Drug; or
- the Prescription Drug Charge that UnitedHealthcare agreed to pay the Network Pharmacy.

For Prescription Drugs from a mail order Network Pharmacy, you are responsible for paying the lower of:

- the applicable Copay; or
- the Prescription Drug Charge for that particular Prescription Drug.

## Retail

The Plan has a Network of participating retail pharmacies, which includes many large drug store chains. You can obtain information about Network Pharmacies by contacting UnitedHealthcare at the toll-free number on your ID card or by logging onto [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com).

To obtain your prescription from a retail pharmacy, simply present your ID card and pay the Copay. The Plan pays Benefits for certain covered Prescription Drugs:

- as written by a Physician;
- up to a consecutive 31-day or 90-day supply, unless adjusted based on the drug manufacturer's packaging size or based on supply limits;
- when a Prescription Drug is packaged or designed to deliver in a manner that provides more than a consecutive 31-day or 90-day supply, the Copay that applies will reflect the number of days dispensed; and
- a one-cycle supply of an oral contraceptive. You may obtain up to three cycles at one time if you pay a Copay for each cycle supplied.

**Note:** Pharmacy Benefits apply only if your prescription is for a Covered Health Service, and not for Experimental or Investigational, or Unproven Services. Otherwise, you are responsible for paying 100% of the cost.

## Mail Order

The mail order service may allow you to purchase up to a 90-day supply of a covered maintenance drug through the mail. Maintenance drugs help in the treatment of chronic illnesses, such as heart conditions, allergies, high blood pressure, and arthritis.

To use the mail order service, all you need to do is complete a patient profile and enclose your prescription order or refill. Your medication, plus instructions for obtaining refills, will arrive by mail about 14 days after your order is received. If you need a patient profile form,

or if you have any questions, you can reach UnitedHealthcare at the toll-free number on your ID card.

The Plan pays mail order Benefits for certain covered Prescription Drugs:

- as written by a Physician; and
- up to a consecutive 90-day supply, unless adjusted based on the drug manufacturer's packaging size or based on supply limits.

You may be required to fill an initial Prescription Drug order and obtain one refill through a retail pharmacy prior to using a mail order Network Pharmacy.

**Note:** To maximize your benefit, ask your Physician to write your prescription order or refill for a 90-day supply, with refills when appropriate. You will be charged a mail order Copay for any prescription order or refill if you use the mail order service, regardless of the number of days' supply that is written on the order or refill. Be sure your Physician writes your mail order or refill for a 90-day supply, not a 30-day supply with three refills.

### Benefits for Preventive Care Medications

Benefits under the Prescription Drug Plan include those for Preventive Care Medications as defined under *Glossary – Prescription Drugs*. You may determine whether a drug is a Preventive Care Medication through the internet at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or by calling UnitedHealthcare at the toll-free telephone number on your ID card.

### Designated Pharmacy

If you require certain Prescription Drugs, UnitedHealthcare may direct you to a Designated Pharmacy with whom it has an arrangement to provide those Prescription Drugs.

### *Specialty Prescription Drugs*

If you are directed to a Designated Pharmacy and you choose not to obtain your Specialty Prescription Drugs from a Designated Pharmacy, no Benefits will be paid and you will be responsible for paying all charges.

Please see the Prescription Drug Glossary in this section for definitions of Specialty Prescription Drug and Designated Pharmacy.

#### **Want to lower your out-of-pocket Prescription Drug costs?**

Consider tier-1 Prescription Drugs, if you and your Physician decide they are appropriate.

### Assigning Prescription Drugs to the PDL

UnitedHealthcare's Prescription Drug List (PDL) Management Committee makes the final approval of Prescription Drug placement in tiers. In its evaluation of each Prescription Drug, the PDL Management Committee takes into account a number of factors including, but not limited to, clinical and economic factors. Clinical factors may include:

- evaluations of the place in therapy;



- relative safety and efficacy; and
- whether supply limits or prior authorization requirements should apply.

Economic factors may include:

- the acquisition cost of the Prescription Drug; and
- available rebates and assessments on the cost effectiveness of the Prescription Drug.

Some Prescription Drugs are most cost effective for specific indications as compared to others, therefore, a Prescription Drug may be listed on multiple tiers according to the indication for which the Prescription Drug was prescribed.

When considering a Prescription Drug for tier placement, the PDL Management Committee reviews clinical and economic factors regarding Covered Persons as a general population. Whether a particular Prescription Drug is appropriate for an individual Covered Person is a determination that is made by the Covered Person and the prescribing Physician.

The PDL Management Committee may periodically change the placement of a Prescription Drug among the tiers. These changes will not occur more than six times per calendar year and may occur without prior notice to you.

Prescription Drug, Prescription Drug List (PDL), and Prescription Drug List (PDL) Management Committee are defined at the end of this section.

**Prescription Drug List (PDL)**

The Prescription Drug List (PDL) is a tool that helps guide you and your Physician in choosing the medications that allow the most effective and affordable use of your Prescription Drug benefit.

**Prior Authorization Requirements**

Before certain Prescription Drugs are dispensed to you, it is the responsibility of your Physician, your pharmacist or you to obtain prior authorization from UnitedHealthcare. UnitedHealthcare will determine if the Prescription Drug, in accordance with UnitedHealthcare approved guidelines, is both:

- a Covered Health Service as defined by the Plan; and
- not Experimental or Investigational or Unproven, as defined in Section 14, *Glossary*.

The Plan may also require you to obtain prior authorization from UnitedHealthcare so UnitedHealthcare can determine whether the Prescription Drug, in accordance with its approved guidelines, was prescribed by a Specialist Physician.

### ***Network Pharmacy Prior Authorization***

When Prescription Drugs are dispensed at a Network Pharmacy, the prescribing provider, the pharmacist, or you are responsible for obtaining prior authorization from UnitedHealthcare.

### ***Non-Network Pharmacy Prior Authorization***

When Prescription Drugs are dispensed at a non-Network Pharmacy, you or your Physician are responsible for obtaining prior authorization from UnitedHealthcare as required.

If you do not obtain prior authorization before the Prescription Drug is dispensed, you may pay more for that Prescription Drug order or refill. You will be required to pay for the Prescription Drug at the time of purchase. The contracted pharmacy reimbursement rates (the Prescription Drug Charge) will not be available to you at a non-Network Pharmacy. If you do not obtain prior authorization before you purchase the Prescription Drug, you can request reimbursement after you receive the Prescription Drug - see Section 9, *Claims Procedures*, for information on how to file a claim.

When you submit a claim on this basis, you may pay more because you did not obtain prior authorization from UnitedHealthcare before the Prescription Drug was dispensed. The amount you are reimbursed will be based on the Prescription Drug Charge (for Prescription Drugs from a Network Pharmacy) or the Out-of-Network Reimbursement Rate (for Prescription Drugs from a non-Network Pharmacy), less the required Copayment and/or Coinsurance and any Deductible that applies.

To determine if a Prescription Drug requires prior authorization, either visit **www.myuhc.com** or call the toll-free number on your ID card. The Prescription Drugs requiring prior authorization are subject to UnitedHealthcare's periodic review and modification.

Benefits may not be available for the Prescription Drug after the Claims Administrator reviews the documentation provided and determines that the Prescription Drug is not a Covered Health Service or it is an Experimental or Investigational or Unproven Service.

UnitedHealthcare may also require prior authorization for certain programs which may have specific requirements for participation and/or activation of an enhanced level of Benefits associated with such programs. You may access information on available programs and any applicable prior authorization, participation or activation requirements associated with such programs through the Internet at **www.myuhc.com** or by calling the toll-free number on your ID card.

### **Prescription Drug Benefit Claims**

For Prescription Drug claims procedures, please refer to Section 9, *Claims Procedures*.

### **Limitation on Selection of Pharmacies**

If the Claims Administrator determines that you may be using Prescription Drugs in a harmful or abusive manner, or with harmful frequency, your selection of Network Pharmacies may be limited. If this happens, you may be required to select a single Network

Pharmacy that will provide and coordinate all future pharmacy services. Benefits will be paid only if you use the designated single Network Pharmacy. If you don't make a selection within 31 days of the date the Plan Administrator notifies you, the Claims Administrator will select a single Network Pharmacy for you.

### **Supply Limits**

Some Prescription Drugs are subject to supply limits that may restrict the amount dispensed per prescription order or refill. To determine if a Prescription Drug has been assigned a maximum quantity level for dispensing, either visit [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or call the toll-free number on your ID card. Whether or not a Prescription Drug has a supply limit is subject to UnitedHealthcare's periodic review and modification.

**Note:** Some products are subject to additional supply limits based on criteria that the Plan Administrator and the Claims Administrator have developed, subject to periodic review and modification. The limit may restrict the amount dispensed per prescription order or refill and/or the amount dispensed per month's supply.

### **If a Brand-name Drug Becomes Available as a Generic**

If a Brand-name Prescription Drug becomes available as a Generic drug, the tier placement of the Brand-name Drug may change. As a result, your Copay may change. You will pay the Copay applicable for the tier to which the Prescription Drug is assigned.

### **Special Programs**

City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare may have certain programs in which you may receive an enhanced or reduced benefit based on your actions such as adherence/compliance to medication or treatment regimens and/or participation in health management programs. You may access information on these programs through the Internet at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or by calling the number on the back of your ID card.

### **Prescription Drugs Prescribed by a Specialist Physician**

You may receive an enhanced or reduced benefit, or no benefit, based on whether the Prescription Drug was prescribed by a specialist physician. You may access information on which Prescription Drugs are subject to benefit enhancement, reduction or no benefit through the Internet at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or by calling the telephone number on your ID card.

### **Rebates and Other Discounts**

UnitedHealthcare and City of Columbia, Missouri may, at times, receive rebates for certain drugs on the PDL. UnitedHealthcare does not pass these rebates and other discounts on to you nor does UnitedHealthcare take them into account when determining your Copays.

The Claims Administrator and a number of its affiliated entities, conduct business with various pharmaceutical manufacturers separate and apart from this Prescription Drug section. Such business may include, but is not limited to, data collection, consulting, educational grants and research. Amounts received from pharmaceutical manufacturers

pursuant to such arrangements are not related to this Prescription Drug section. The Claims Administrator is not required to pass on to you, and does not pass on to you, such amounts.

### **Coupons, Incentives and Other Communications**

At various times, UnitedHealthcare may send mailings or provide other communications to you, your Physician or your pharmacy that communicate a variety of messages, including information about Prescription Drugs. These communications may include offers that enable you, at your discretion, to purchase the described product at a discount. In some instances, non-UnitedHealthcare entities may support and/or provide content for these communications and offers. Only you and your Physician can determine whether a change in your Prescription and/or non-prescription Drug regimen is appropriate for your medical condition.

UnitedHealthcare may not permit certain coupons or offers from pharmaceutical manufacturers to reduce your Copayment and/or Coinsurance. You may access information on which coupons or offers are not permitted through the Internet at **[www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com)** or by calling the number on your ID card.

## Exclusions - What the Prescription Drug Plan Will Not Cover

Exclusions from coverage listed in Section 8, *Exclusions and Limitations* apply also to this section. In addition, the exclusions listed below apply.

When an exclusion applies to only certain Prescription Drugs, you can access **www.myuhc.com** through the Internet or by calling the telephone number on your ID card for information on which Prescription Drugs are excluded.

Medications that are:

1. for any condition, Injury, Sickness or mental illness arising out of, or in the course of, employment for which benefits are available under any workers' compensation law or other similar laws, whether or not a claim for such benefits is made or payment or benefits are received;
2. any Prescription Drug for which payment or benefits are provided or available from the local, state or federal government (for example Medicare) whether or not payment or benefits are received, except as otherwise provided by law;
3. Pharmaceutical products for which Benefits are provided in the medical (not in Section 15, *Prescription Drugs*) portion of the Plan;

This exclusion does not apply to Depo Provera and other injectable drugs used for contraception.

4. available over-the-counter that do not require a prescription order or refill by federal or state law before being dispensed, unless the Plan Administrator has designated over-the-counter medication as eligible for coverage as if it were a Prescription Drug and it is obtained with a prescription order or refill from a Physician. Prescription Drugs that are available in over-the-counter form or comprised of components that are available in over-the-counter form or equivalent. Certain Prescription Drugs that the Plan Administrator has determined are Therapeutically Equivalent to an over-the-counter drug. Such determinations may be made up to six times during a calendar year, and the Plan Administrator may decide at any time to reinstate Benefits for a Prescription Drug that was previously excluded under this provision;
5. Compounded drugs that contain certain bulk chemicals. (Compounded drugs that contain at least one ingredient that requires a Prescription Order or Refill are assigned to Tier-3.) Compounded drugs that are available as a similar commercially available Prescription Drug;
6. dispensed outside of the United States, except in an Emergency;
7. Durable Medical Equipment (prescribed and non-prescribed outpatient supplies, other than the diabetic supplies and inhaler spacers specifically stated as covered);
8. certain Prescription Drugs for smoking cessation;

9. growth hormone for children with familial short stature based upon heredity and not caused by a diagnosed medical condition;
10. the amount dispensed (days' supply or quantity limit) which exceeds the supply limit;
11. the amount dispensed (days' supply or quantity limit) which is less than the minimum supply limit;
12. certain Prescription Drugs that have not been prescribed by a specialist physician;
13. certain new drugs and/or new dosages, until they are reviewed and assigned to a tier by the PDL Management Committee;
14. prescribed, dispensed or intended for use during an Inpatient Stay;
15. prescribed for appetite suppression, and other weight loss products;
16. prescribed to treat infertility;
17. Prescription Drugs, including new Prescription Drugs or new dosage forms, that UnitedHealthcare and City of Columbia, Missouri determines do not meet the definition of a Covered Health Service;
18. A Prescription Drug that contains (an) active ingredient(s) available in and Therapeutically Equivalent to another covered Prescription Drug. Such determinations may be made up to six times during a calendar year, and UnitedHealthcare may decide at any time to reinstate Benefits for a Prescription Drug that was previously excluded under this provision;
19. A Prescription Drug that contains (an) active ingredient(s) which is (are) a modified version of and Therapeutically Equivalent to another covered Prescription Drug. Such determinations may be made up to six times during a calendar year, and UnitedHealthcare may decide at any time to reinstate Benefits for a Prescription Drug that was previously excluded under this provision;
20. Certain Prescription Drugs for which there are Therapeutically Equivalent alternatives available, unless otherwise required by law or approved by UnitedHealthcare. Such determinations may be made up to six times during a calendar year, and UnitedHealthcare may decide at any time to reinstate Benefits for a Prescription Drug that was previously excluded under this provision;
21. typically administered by a qualified provider or licensed health professional in an outpatient setting. This exclusion does not apply to Depo Provera and other injectable drugs used for contraception;
22. unit dose packaging of Prescription Drugs;
23. used for conditions and/or at dosages determined to be Experimental or Investigational, or Unproven, unless UnitedHealthcare and City of Columbia, Missouri have agreed to

cover an Experimental or Investigational or Unproven treatment, as defined in Section 14, *Glossary*;

24. used for cosmetic purposes;
25. Prescription Drug as a replacement for a previously dispensed Prescription Drug that was lost, stolen, broken or destroyed;
26. vitamins, except for the following which require a prescription:
  - prenatal vitamins;
  - vitamins with fluoride; and
  - single entity vitamins;
27. any product for which the primary use is a source of nutrition, nutritional supplements, or dietary management of disease, and prescription medical food products even when used for the treatment of Sickness or Injury;
28. dental products, including but not limited to prescription fluoride topicals;
29. A Prescription Drug with an approved biosimilar or a biosimilar and Therapeutically Equivalent to another covered Prescription Drug. For the purpose of this exclusion a "biosimilar" is a biological Prescription Drug approved based on showing that it is highly similar to a reference product (a biological Prescription Drug) and has no clinically meaningful differences in terms of safety and effectiveness from the reference product. Such determinations may be made up to six times during a calendar year, and UnitedHealthcare may decide at any time to reinstate Benefits for a Prescription Drug that was previously excluded under this provision; and
30. Health services and supplies that do not meet the definition of a Covered Health Service as defined in this Section 15, *Prescription Drugs*, under *Glossary – Prescription Drugs*. Covered Health Services are those health services including services, supplies, Prescription Drugs, which UnitedHealthcare determines to be all of the following:
  - Medically Necessary as defined in this Section 15, *Prescription Drugs*, under *Glossary – Prescription Drugs*.
  - Described as a Covered Health Service in this SPD under the Schedule of Benefits Prescription Drug Coverage Highlights in this Section 15, *Prescription Drugs*.
  - Not otherwise excluded in this SPD.

## Glossary - Prescription Drugs

In addition to the definitions in Section 14, *Glossary*, the following definitions apply in this Section 15, *Prescription Drugs*.

**Brand-name** - a Prescription Drug that is either:

- manufactured and marketed under a trademark or name by a specific drug manufacturer; or
- identified by UnitedHealthcare as a Brand-name Drug based on available data resources including, but not limited to, Medi-Span, that classify drugs as either Brand-name or Generic based on a number of factors.

You should know that all products identified as "brand name" by the manufacturer, pharmacy, or your Physician may not be classified as Brand-name by the Claims Administrator.

**Covered Health Services** – those health services, including services, supplies or pharmaceutical products, which the Claims Administrator determines to be:

- Medically Necessary.
- Described as a Covered Health Service under the *Schedule of Benefits* in this Section 15, *Prescription Drugs*.
- Provided to a Covered Person who meets the Plan's eligibility requirements, as described in this SPD under *Eligibility* in Section 2, *Introduction*.
- Not otherwise excluded in this Section 15, *Prescription Drugs* or under Section 8, *Exclusions and Limitations* of this SPD.

**Designated Pharmacy** – a pharmacy that has entered into an agreement with UnitedHealthcare or with an organization contracting on its behalf, to provide specific Prescription Drugs including, but not limited to, Specialty Prescription Drugs. The fact that a pharmacy is a Network Pharmacy does not mean that it is a Designated Pharmacy.

**Generic** - a Prescription Drug that is either:

- chemically equivalent to a Brand-name drug; or
- identified by UnitedHealthcare as a Generic Drug based on available data resources, including, but not limited to, Medi-Span, that classify drugs as either Brand-name or Generic based on a number of factors.

You should know that all products identified as a "generic" by the manufacturer, pharmacy or your Physician may not be classified as a Generic by the Claims Administrator.

**Medically Necessary** – health care services provided for the purpose of preventing, evaluating, diagnosing or treating a Sickness, Injury, Mental Illness, substance-related and addictive disorder, condition, disease or its symptoms, that are all of the following as



determined by the Claims Administrator or its designee, within the Claims Administrator's sole discretion. The services must be:

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

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

If no credible scientific evidence is available, then standards that are based on Physician specialty society recommendations or professional standards of care may be considered. The Claims Administrator reserves the right to consult expert opinion in determining whether health care services are Medically Necessary. The decision to apply Physician specialty society recommendations, the choice of expert and the determination of when to use any such expert opinion, shall be within the Claims Administrator's sole discretion.

The Claims Administrator develops and maintains clinical policies that describe the *Generally Accepted Standards of Medical Practice* scientific evidence, prevailing medical standards and clinical guidelines supporting its determinations regarding specific services. These clinical policies (as developed by the Claims Administrator and revised from time to time), are available to Covered Persons on [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or by calling the number on your ID card, and to Physicians and other health care professionals on [www.UnitedHealthcareOnline.com](http://www.UnitedHealthcareOnline.com).

**Network Pharmacy** - a retail or mail order pharmacy that has:

- entered into an agreement with the Claims Administrator to dispense Prescription Drugs to Covered Persons;
- agreed to accept specified reimbursement rates for Prescription Drugs; and
- been designated by the Claims Administrator as a Network Pharmacy.

**Out-of-Network Reimbursement Rate** – the amount the Plan will pay to reimburse you for a Prescription Drug Product that is dispensed at a non-Network Pharmacy. The Out-of-Network Reimbursement Rate for a particular Prescription Drug Product dispensed at a non-Network Pharmacy includes a dispensing fee and any applicable sales tax.

**PDL** - see Prescription Drug List (PDL).

**PDL Management Committee** - see Prescription Drug List (PDL) Management Committee.

**Prescription Drug** - a medication, or product that has been approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and that can, under federal or state law, be dispensed only pursuant to a Prescription Order or Refill. A Prescription Drug includes a medication that, due to its characteristics, is appropriate for self-administration or administration by a non-skilled caregiver. For purposes of Benefits under this Plan, this definition includes:

- Inhalers (with spacers).
- Insulin.
- The following diabetic supplies:
  - Standard insulin syringes with needles.
  - Blood-testing strips - glucose.
  - Urine-testing strips - glucose.
  - Ketone-testing strips and tablets.
  - Lancets and lancet devices.
  - Glucose meters. This does not include continuous glucose monitors. Benefits for continuous glucose monitors are provided as described in your SPD.

**Prescription Drug Charge** – the rate the Plan has agreed to pay UnitedHealthcare on behalf of its Network Pharmacies, including the applicable dispensing fee and any applicable sales tax, for a Prescription Drug dispensed at a Network Pharmacy.

**Prescription Drug List (PDL)** - a list that categorizes into tiers medications, products or devices that have been approved by the *U.S. Food and Drug Administration*. This list is subject to periodic review and modification (generally quarterly, but no more than six times per calendar year). You may determine to which tier a particular Prescription Drug has been assigned by contacting UnitedHealthcare at the toll-free number on your ID card or by logging onto [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com).

**Prescription Drug List (PDL) Management Committee** - the committee that UnitedHealthcare designates for, among other responsibilities, classifying Prescription Drugs into specific tiers.

**Preventive Care Medications** - the medications that are obtained at a Network Pharmacy and that are payable at 100% of the Prescription Drug Charge (without application of any Copayment, Coinsurance, Annual Deductible, Annual Prescription Drug Deductible or Specialty Prescription Drug Annual Deductible) as required by applicable law under any of the following:

- evidence-based items or services that have in effect a rating of "A" or "B" in the current recommendations of the United States Preventive Services Task Force;

- immunizations that have in effect a recommendation from the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention;
- with respect to infants, children and adolescents, evidence-informed preventive care and screenings provided for in the comprehensive guidelines supported by the Health Resources and Services Administration; or
- with respect to women, such additional preventive care and screenings as provided for in comprehensive guidelines supported by the Health Resources and Services Administration.

You may determine whether a drug is a Preventive Care Medication through the internet at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or by calling UnitedHealthcare at the toll-free telephone number on your ID card.

**Specialty Prescription Drug** - Prescription Drug that is generally high cost, self-injectable, oral or inhaled biotechnology drug used to treat patients with certain illnesses. For more information, visit [myuhc.com](http://myuhc.com) or call UnitedHealthcare at the toll-free number on your ID card.

**Therapeutically Equivalent** – when Prescription Drugs have essentially the same efficacy and adverse effect profile.

**Usual and Customary Charge** – the usual fee that a pharmacy charges individuals for a Prescription Drug without reference to reimbursement to the pharmacy by third parties. The Usual and Customary Charge includes a dispensing fee and any applicable sales tax.

## SECTION 16 - IMPORTANT ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION: ERISA

**What this section includes:**

- Plan administrative information.

This section includes information on the administration of the medical Plan. While you may not need this information for your day-to-day participation, it is information you may find important.

### *Additional Plan Description*

**Claims Administrator:** The company which provides certain administrative services for the Plan Benefits described in this Summary Plan Description.

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The Claims Administrator shall not be deemed or construed as an employer for any purpose with respect to the administration or provision of benefits under the Plan Sponsor's Plan. The Claims Administrator shall not be responsible for fulfilling any duties or obligations of an employer with respect to the Plan Sponsor's Plan.

**Type of Administration of the Plan:** The Plan Sponsor provides certain administrative services in connection with its Plan. The Plan Sponsor may, from time to time in its sole discretion, contract with outside parties to arrange for the provision of other administrative services including arrangement of access to a Network Provider; claims processing services, including coordination of benefits and subrogation; utilization management and complaint resolution assistance. This external administrator is referred to as the Claims Administrator. For Benefits as described in this Summary Plan Description, the Plan Sponsor also has selected a provider network established by United HealthCare Insurance Company. The named fiduciary of Plan is City of Columbia, Missouri, the Plan Sponsor.

The Plan Sponsor retains all fiduciary responsibilities with respect to the Plan except to the extent the Plan Sponsor has delegated or allocated to other persons or entities one or more fiduciary responsibility with respect to the Plan.

## ATTACHMENT I - HEALTH CARE REFORM NOTICES

### Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act ("PPACA")

#### *Patient Protection Notices*

The Claims Administrator generally allows the designation of a primary care provider. You have the right to designate any primary care provider who participates in the Claims Administrator's network and who is available to accept you or your family members. For information on how to select a primary care provider, and for a list of the participating primary care providers, contact the Claims Administrator at the number on the back of your ID card.

For children, you may designate a pediatrician as the primary care provider.

You do not need prior authorization from the Claims Administrator or from any other person (including a primary care provider) in order to obtain access to obstetrical or gynecological care from a health care professional in the Claims Administrator's network who specializes in obstetrics or gynecology. The health care professional, however, may be required to comply with certain procedures, including obtaining prior authorization for certain services, following a pre-approved treatment plan, or procedures for making referrals. For a list of participating health care professionals who specialize in obstetrics or gynecology, contact the Claims Administrator at the number on the back of your ID card.

## ATTACHMENT II – LEGAL NOTICES

### Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998

As required by the Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998, we provide Benefits under the Plan for mastectomy, including reconstruction and surgery to achieve symmetry between the breasts, prostheses, and complications resulting from a mastectomy (including lymphedema).

If you are receiving Benefits in connection with a mastectomy, Benefits are also provided for the following Covered Health Services, as you determine appropriate with your attending Physician:

- All stages of reconstruction of the breast on which the mastectomy was performed;
- Surgery and reconstruction of the other breast to produce a symmetrical appearance; and
- Prostheses and treatment of physical complications of the mastectomy, including lymphedema.

The amount you must pay for such Covered Health Services (including Copayments and any Annual Deductible) are the same as are required for any other Covered Health Service. Limitations on Benefits are the same as for any other Covered Health Service.

### Statement of Rights under the Newborns' and Mothers' Health Protection Act

Under Federal law, group health Plans and health insurance issuers offering group health insurance coverage generally may not restrict Benefits for any Hospital length of stay in connection with childbirth for the mother or newborn child to less than 48 hours following a vaginal delivery, or less than 96 hours following a delivery by cesarean section. However, the Plan or issuer may pay for a shorter stay if the attending provider (e.g., your physician, nurse midwife, or physician assistant), after consultation with the mother, discharges the mother or newborn earlier.

Also, under Federal law, plans and issuers may not set the level of Benefits or out-of-pocket costs so that any later portion of the 48-hour (or 96-hour) stay is treated in a manner less favorable to the mother or newborn than any earlier portion of the stay.

In addition, a plan or issuer may not, under Federal law, require that a physician or other health care provider obtain authorization for prescribing a length of stay of up to 48 hours (or 96 hours). However, to use certain providers or facilities, or to reduce your out-of-pocket costs, you may be required to obtain precertification. For information on precertification, contact your issuer.

## ATTACHMENT III – NONDISCRIMINATION AND ACCESSIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

When the Plan uses the words "Claims Administrator" in this Attachment, it is a reference to United HealthCare Services, Inc., on behalf of itself and its affiliated companies.

The Claims Administrator on behalf of itself and its affiliated companies complies with applicable Federal civil rights laws and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex. UnitedHealthcare does not exclude people or treat them differently because of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex.

The Claims Administrator provides free aids and services to people with disabilities to communicate effectively with us, such as:

- Qualified sign language interpreters
- Written information in other formats (large print, audio, accessible electronic formats, other formats)
- Provides free language services to people whose primary language is not English, such as: Qualified interpreters
- Information written in other languages

If you need these services, please call the toll-free member number on your health plan ID card, TTY 711 or the Plan Sponsor.

If you believe that the Claims Administrator has failed to provide these services or discriminated in another way on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex, you can file a grievance in writing by mail or email with the Civil Rights Coordinator identified below. A grievance must be sent within 60 calendar days of the date that you become aware of the discriminatory action and contain the name and address of the person filing it along with the problem and the requested remedy.

A written decision will be sent to you within 30 calendar days. If you disagree with the decision, you may file an appeal within 15 calendar days of receiving the decision.

<b>Claims Administrator Civil Rights Coordinator</b>
<b>United HealthCare Services, Inc. Civil Rights Coordinator</b> UnitedHealthcare Civil Rights Grievance P.O. Box 30608 Salt Lake City, UT 84130 The toll-free member phone number listed on your health plan ID card, TTY 711 UHC_Civil_Rights@UHC.com

If you need help filing a grievance, the Civil Rights Coordinator identified above is available to help you.

You can also file a complaint directly with the U.S. Dept. of Health and Human services online, by phone or mail:

Online <https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf>

Complaint forms are available at <http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html>

Phone: Toll-free 1-800-368-1019, 800-537-7697 (TDD)

Mail: U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, 200 Independence Avenue, SW Room 509F, HHH Building, Washington, D.C. 20201



**ATTACHMENT IV – GETTING HELP IN OTHER LANGUAGES OR FORMATS**

You have the right to get help and information in your language at no cost. To request an interpreter, call the toll-free member phone number listed on your health plan ID card, press 0. TTY 711.

This letter is also available in other formats like large print. To request the document in another format, please call the toll-free member phone number listed on your health plan ID card, press 0. TTY 711, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Language	Translated Taglines
1. Albanian	Ju keni të drejtë të merrni ndihmë dhe informacion falas në gjuhën tuaj. Për të kërkuar një përkthyes, telefononi në numrin që gjendet në kartën e planit tuaj shëndetësor, shtypni 0. TTY 711.
2. Amharic	ያለ ምንም ክፍያ በቋንቋዎ እርዳታና መረጃ የማግኘት መብት አላችሁ። አስተርጓሚ እንዲቀርብልዎ ከራሉን በጤና ፕላን መታወቂያዎት ላይ ባለው በተጻ መስመር ስልክ ቁጥር ይደውሉና 0ን ይጫኑ። TTY 711
3. Arabic	لك الحق في الحصول على المساعدة والمعلومات بلغتك دون تحمل أي تكلفة. لطلب مترجم فوري، اتصل برقم الهاتف المجاني الخاص بالأعضاء المدرج ببطاقة مُعرّف العضوية الخاصة بخطتك الصحية، واضغط على 0. الهاتف النصي (TTY) 711
4. Armenian	Թարգմանիչ պահանջելու համար, զանգահարե՛ք Ձեր ստորոջապահական ծրագրի ինքնուրոյան (ID) տոմսի վրա նշված անվճար Անդամների հեռախոսահամարով, սեղմե՛ք 0: TTY 711
5. Bantu-Kirundi	Urafise uburenganzira bwo kuronka ubufasha n’amakuru mu rurimi rwawe ku buntu. Kugira usabe umusemuzi, hamagara inomero ya telephone y’ubuntu yagenewe abanywanyi iri ku rutonde ku karangamuntu k’umugambi wawe w’ubuzima, fyonda 0. TTY 711
6. Bisayan-Visayan (Cebuano)	Aduna kay katungod nga mangayo og tabang ug impormasyon sa imong lengguwahe nga walay bayad. Aron mohangyo og tighubad, tawag sa toll-free nga numero sa telepono sa miyembro nga nakalista sa imong ID kard sa plano sa panglawas, pindota ang 0. TTY 711
7. Bengali-Bangala	অনুবাদের অনুরোধ থাকলে, আপনার স্বাস্থ্য পরিকল্পনার আই ডি কার্ড এ তালিকাভুক্ত ও কর দিতে হবে না এমন টেলিফোন নম্বরে ফোন করুন। (০) শূণ্য চাপুন। TTY 711
8. Burmese	ကုန်ကျစရိတ်ပေးရန်မလိုဘဲ မိမိဘာသာစကားဖြင့် အကူအညီနှင့် သတင်းအချက်အလက်များ ကိုရယူနိုင်ခြင်း သည်သင်၏အခွင့်အရေးဖြစ်သည်။ စကားပြန်တစ်ဦးတောင်းဆိုရန်သင်၏ကျန်းမာရေးအစီအစဉ် လက်မှတ်ပေါ်ရှိအသင်းဝင်များအတွက်အခမဲ့ရန်လိုင်းသို့ခေါ်ဆိုပြီး 0 ကိုနှိပ်ပါ။ TTY 711



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19. Gujarati	તમને વિના મૂલ્યે મદદ અને તમારી ભાષામાં માહિતી મેળવવાનો અધિકાર છે. દુભાષિયા માટે વિનંતી કરવા, તમારા હેલ્થ પ્લાન ID કાર્ડ પરની સૂચીમાં આપેલ ટોલ-ફ્રી મેમ્બર ફોન નંબર ઉપર કોલ કરો, ૦ દબાવો. TTY 711
20. Hawaiian	He pono ke kōkua ‘ana aku iā ‘oe ma ka maopopo ‘ana o kēia ‘ike ma loko o kāu ‘ōlelo pono‘ī me ka uku ‘ole ‘ana. E kama‘ilio ‘oe me kekahi kanaka unuhi, e kāhea i ka helu kelepona kāki ‘ole ma kou kāleka olakino, a e kaomi i ka helu 0. TTY 711.
21. Hindi	आप के पास अपनी भाषा में सहायता एवं जानकारी निःशुल्क प्राप्त करने का अधिकार है। दुभाषिए के लिए अनुरोध करने के लिए, अपने हैल्थ प्लान ID कार्ड पर सूचीबद्ध टोल-फ्री नंबर पर फ़ोन करें, 0 दबाएं। TTY 711
22. Hmong	Koj muaj cai tau kev pab thiab tau cov ntaub ntawv sau ua koj hom lus pub dawb. Yog xav tau ib tug neeg txhais, hu tus xov tooj rau tswv cuab hu dawb uas sau muaj nyob ntawm koj daim yuaj them nqi kho mob, nias 0. TTY 711.
23. Ibo	Inwere ikike inweta enyemaka nakwa imuta asusụ gi n’efu n’akwughị ugwo. Maka ikpoturu onye nsughari okwu, kpoo akara ekwentị nke di n’akwukwo njirimara gi nke emere maka ahụike gi, pịa 0. TTY 711.
24. Ilocano	Adda karbengam nga makaala ti tulong ken impormasyon iti pagsasaom nga libre. Tapno agdawat iti maysa nga agipatarus, tumawag iti toll-free nga numero ti telepono nga para kadagiti kameng nga nakalista ayan ti ID card mo para ti plano ti salun-at, ipindut ti 0. TTY 711
25. Indonesian	Anda berhak untuk mendapatkan bantuan dan informasi dalam bahasa Anda tanpa dikenakan biaya. Untuk meminta bantuan penerjemah, hubungi nomor telepon anggota, bebas pulsa, yang tercantum pada kartu ID rencana kesehatan Anda, tekan 0. TTY 711
26. Italian	Hai il diritto di ottenere aiuto e informazioni nella tua lingua gratuitamente. Per richiedere un interprete, chiama il numero telefonico verde indicato sulla tua tessera identificativa del piano sanitario e premi lo 0. Dispositivi per non udenti/TTY: 711



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36. Navajo	T'áá jíík'eh doo bááh 'alínígóó bee baa hane'ígíí t'áá ni nizaád bee níká'e'eyeego bee ná'ahoot'i'. 'Ata' halne'i ła yíníkeedgo, ninaaltsos nit[ 'iz7 'ats'77s bee baa' ahay1 bee n44hozin7g77 bik11' b44sh bee hane'7 t'11 j77k'eh bee hane'7 bik1'7g77 bich'8' hodílnih dóó 0 bíł 'adidíłchíł. TTY 711
37. Nepali	तपाईंले आफ्नो भाषामा निःशुल्क सहयोग र जानकारी प्राप्त गर्ने अधिकार तपाईंसँग छ। अनुवादक प्राप्त गरीपाउँ भनी अनुरोध गर्न, तपाईंको स्वास्थ्य योजना परिचय कार्डमा सूचीकृत टोल-फ्री सदस्य फोन नम्बरमा सम्पर्क गर्नुहोस्, 0 थिचुहोस्। TTY 711
38. Nilotic-Dinka	Yín nɔŋ lɔŋ bē yi kuɔny nē wēřɛyic de thōŋ du ābac ke cin wēu tāāue ke piny. Ācān bā ran yē kɔc ger thok thiēc, ke yin cɔl nāmba yene yup abac de ran tōŋ ye kɔc wāār thok tɔ nē ID kat duön de pānakim yic, thāny 0 yic. TTY 711.
39. Norwegian	<b>Du har rett til å få gratis hjelp og informasjon på ditt eget språk. For å be om en tolk, ring gratisnummeret for medlemmer som er oppført på helsekortet ditt og trykk 0. TTY 711</b>
40. Pennsylvania Dutch	Du hoscht die Recht fer Hilf unn Information in deine Schprooch griege, fer nix. Wann du en Iwwersetzer hawwe willscht, kansch du die frei Telefon Nummer uff dei Gesundheit Blann ID Kaarde yuuse, dricke 0. <b>TTY 711</b>
41. Persian-Farsi	شما حق دارید که کمک و اطلاعات به زبان خود را به طور رایگان دریافت نمایید. برای درخواست مترجم شفاهی با شماره تلفن رایگان قید شده در کارت شناسایی برنامه بهداشتی خود تماس حاصل نموده و 0 را فشار دهید. <b>TTY 711</b>
42. Punjabi	ਤੁਹਾਡੇ ਕੋਲ ਆਪਣੀ ਭਾਸ਼ਾ ਵਿੱਚ ਸਹਾਇਤਾ ਅਤੇ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਮੁਫਤ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤ ਕਰਨ ਦਾ ਅਧਿਕਾਰ ਹੈ। ਦੁਭਾਸ਼ੀਏ ਲਈ ਤੁਹਾਡੇ ਹੈਲਥ ਪਲਾਨ ਆਈਡੀ ਦਿੱਤੇ ਗਏ ਟਾਲ ਫ੍ਰੀ ਮੈਂਬਰ ਫੋਨ ਨੰਬਰ ਟੀਟੀਵਾਈ 711 ਤੇ ਕਾਲ ਕਰੋ, 0 ਦੱਬੋ।
43. Polish	Masz prawo do uzyskania bezpłatnej informacji i pomocy we własnym języku. Po usługi tłumacza zadzwoń pod bezpłatny numer umieszczony na karcie identyfikacyjnej planu medycznego i wciśnij 0. <b>TTY 711</b>
44. Portuguese	<b>Você tem o direito de obter ajuda e informação em seu idioma e sem custos. Para solicitar um intérprete, ligue para o número de telefone gratuito que consta no cartão de ID do seu plano de saúde, pressione 0. TTY 711</b>
45. Romanian	Aveți dreptul de a obține gratuit ajutor și informații în limba dumneavoastră. Pentru a cere un interpret, sunați la numărul de telefon gratuit care se găsește pe cardul dumneavoastră de sănătate, apăsați pe tasta 0. <b>TTY 711</b>



Language	Translated Taglines
55. Thai	<p>คุณมีสิทธิที่จะได้รับความช่วยเหลือและข้อมูลในภาษาของคุณได้โดยไม่มีค่าใช้จ่าย หากต้องการขอล่ามแปลภาษา โปรดโทรศัพท์ถึงหมายเลขโทรฟรีที่อยู่บนบัตรประจำตัวสำหรับแผนสุขภาพของคุณ แล้วกด 0 สำหรับผู้ที่มีความบกพร่องทางการได้ยินหรือการพูด โปรดโทรฯถึงหมายเลข 711</p>
56. Tongan- Fakatonga	<p>‘Oku ke ma’u ‘a e totonu ke ma’u ‘a e tokoni mo e ‘u fakamatala ‘i ho’o lea fakafonua ta’etotongi. Ke kole ha tokotaha fakatonulea, ta ki he fika telefoni ta’etotongi ma’ae kau memipa ‘a ee ‘oku lisi ‘I ho’o kaati ID ki ho’o palani ki he mo’uilelei, Lomi’I ‘a e 0. TTY 711</p>
57. Trukese (Chuukese)	<p>Mi wor omw pwung om kopwe nounou ika amasou noum ekkewe aninis ika toropwen aninis nge epwe awewetiw non kapasen fonuom, ese kamo. Ika ka mwochen tungoren aninisin chiakku, kori ewe member nampa, ese pwan kamo, mi pachanong won an noum health plan katen ID, iwe tiki "0". Ren TTY, kori 711.</p>
58. Turkish	<p>Kendi dilinizde ücretsiz olarak yardım ve bilgi alma hakkınız bulunmaktadır. Bir tercüman istemek için sağlık planı kimlik kartınızın üzerinde yer alan ücretsiz telefon numarasını arayınız, sonra 0'a basınız. TTY (yazılı iletişim) için 711</p>
59. Ukrainian	<p>У Вас є право отримати безкоштовну допомогу та інформацію на Вашій рідній мові. Щоб подати запит про надання послуг перекладача, зателефонуйте на безкоштовний номер телефону учасника, вказаний на вашій ідентифікаційній карті плану медичного страхування, натисніть 0. TTY 711</p>
60. Urdu	<p>آپ کو اپنی زبان میں مفت مدد اور معلومات حاصل کرنے کا حق ہے۔ کسی ترجمان سے بات کرنے کے لئے، ٹول فری ممبر فون نمبر پر کال کریں جو آپ کے ہیلتھ پلان آئی ڈی کارڈ پر درج ہے، 0 دبائیں۔ TTY 711</p>
61. Vietnamese	<p>Quý vị có quyền được giúp đỡ và cấp thông tin bằng ngôn ngữ của quý vị miễn phí. Để yêu cầu được thông dịch viên giúp đỡ, vui lòng gọi số điện thoại miễn phí dành cho hội viên được nêu trên thẻ ID chương trình bảo hiểm y tế của quý vị, bấm số 0. TTY 711</p>
62. Yiddish	<p>איר האט די רעכט צו באקומען הילף און אינפארמאציע אין אייער שפראך פריי פון אפצאל. צו פארלאנגען א דאלמעטשער, רופט דעם טאל פרייע מעמבער טעלעפאן נומער וואס שטייט אויף אייער העלט פלאן ID קארטל, דרוקט 0. TTY 711</p>
63. Yoruba	<p>O ní ẹtọ lati rí iranwọ àti ifitónilétí gbà ní èdè rẹ láìsanwọ. Látí bá ògbufọ kan sọrọ, pè sọrí nọmbà ẹrọ ibánisọrọ láìsanwọ ibodè ti a tò sọrí kádi idánimọ ti ètò ilera rẹ, tẹ '0'. TTY 711</p>

## ADDENDUM - UNITEDHEALTH ALLIES

### Introduction

This Addendum to the Summary Plan Description provides discounts for select non-Covered Health Services from Physicians and health care professionals.

When the words "you" and "your" are used the Plan is referring to people who are Covered Persons as the term is defined in the Summary Plan Description (SPD). See Section 14, *Glossary* in the SPD.

***Important:***

UnitedHealth Allies is not a health insurance plan. You are responsible for the full cost of any services purchased, minus the applicable discount. Always use your health insurance plan for Covered Health Services described in the Summary Plan Description (see Section 5, *Plan Highlights*) when a benefit is available.

### What is UnitedHealth Allies?

UnitedHealth Allies is a health value program that offers savings on certain products and services that are not Covered Health Services under your health plan.

Because this is not a health insurance plan, you are not required to receive a referral or submit any claim forms.

Discounts through UnitedHealth Allies are available to you and your Dependents as defined in the Summary Plan Description in Section 14, *Glossary*.

### Selecting a Discounted Product or Service

A list of available discounted products or services can be viewed online at [www.Unitedhealthallies.com](http://www.Unitedhealthallies.com) or by calling the number on the back of your ID card.

After selecting a health care professional and product or service, reserve the preferred rate and print the rate confirmation letter. If you have reserved a product or service with a customer service representative, the rate confirmation letter will be faxed or mailed to you.

***Important:***

You must present the rate confirmation at the time of receiving the product or service in order to receive the discount.

### Visiting Your Selected Health Care Professional

After reserving a preferred rate, make an appointment directly with the health care professional. Your appointment must be within ninety (90) days of the date on your rate confirmation letter.



Present the rate confirmation and your ID card at the time you receive the service. You will be required to pay the preferred rate directly to the health care professional at the time the service is received.

**Additional UnitedHealth Allies Information**

Additional information on the UnitedHealth Allies program can be obtained online at **[www.Unitedhealthallies.com](http://www.Unitedhealthallies.com)** or by calling the toll-free phone number on the back of your ID card.

## ADDENDUM - PARENTSTEPS®

### Introduction

This Addendum to the Summary Plan Description illustrates the benefits you may be eligible for under the ParentSteps program.

When the words "you" and "your" are used the Plan is referring to people who are Covered Persons as the term is defined in the Summary Plan Description (SPD). See Section 14, *Glossary* in the SPD.

***Important:***

ParentSteps is not a health insurance plan. You are responsible for the full cost of any services purchased. ParentSteps will collect the provider payment from you online via the ParentSteps website and forward the payment to the provider on your behalf. Always use your health insurance plan for Covered Health Services (described in the Summary Plan Description Section 5, *Plan Highlights*) when a benefit is available.

### What is ParentSteps?

ParentSteps is a discount program that offers savings on certain medications and services for the treatment of infertility that are not Covered Health Services under your health plan.

This program also offers:

- guidance to help you make informed decisions on where to receive care;
- education and support resources through experienced infertility nurses;
- access to providers contracted with UnitedHealthcare that offer discounts for infertility medical services; and
- discounts on select medications when filled through a designated pharmacy partner.

Because this is not a health insurance plan, you are not required to receive a referral or submit any claim forms.

Discounts through this program are available to you and your Dependents. Dependents are defined in the Summary Plan Description in Section 14, *Glossary*.

### Registering for ParentSteps

Prior to obtaining discounts on infertility medical treatment or speaking with an infertility nurse you need to register for the program online at [www.myoptumhealthparentsteps.com](http://www.myoptumhealthparentsteps.com) or by calling ParentSteps toll-free at 1-877-801-3507.

### Selecting a Contracted Provider

After registering for the program you can view ParentSteps facilities and clinics online based on location, compare IVF cycle outcome data for each participating provider and see the

specific rates negotiated by ParentSteps with each provider for select types of infertility treatment in order to make an informed decision.

### **Visiting Your Selected Health Care Professional**

Once you have selected a provider, you will be asked to choose that clinic for a consultation. You should then call and make an appointment with that clinic and mention you are a ParentSteps member. ParentSteps will validate your choice and send a validation email to you and the clinic.

### **Obtaining a Discount**

If you and your provider choose a treatment in which ParentSteps discounts apply, the provider will enter in your proposed course of treatment. ParentSteps will alert you, via email, that treatment has been assigned. Once you log in to the ParentSteps website, you will see your treatment plan with a cost breakdown for your review.

After reviewing the treatment plan and determining it is correct you can pay for the treatment online. Once this payment has been made successfully ParentSteps will notify your provider with a statement saying that treatments may begin.

### **Speaking with a Nurse**

Once you have successfully registered for the ParentSteps program you may receive additional educational and support resources through an experienced infertility nurse. You may even work with a single nurse throughout your treatment if you choose.

For questions about diagnosis, treatment options, your plan of care or general support, please contact a ParentSteps nurse via phone (toll-free) by calling 1-866-774-4626.

ParentSteps nurses are available from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Central Time; Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

### **Additional ParentSteps Information**

Additional information on the ParentSteps program can be obtained online at [www.myoptumhealthparentsteps.com](http://www.myoptumhealthparentsteps.com) or by calling 1-877-801-3507 (toll-free).



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## SECTION 1 - WELCOME

### Quick Reference Box

- Member services, claim inquiries, Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> and Mental Health/Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Administrator: (866) 844-4864;
- Claims submittal address: UnitedHealthcare - Claims, P.O. Box 30555, Salt Lake City, Utah 84130-0555; and
- Online assistance: [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com).

City of Columbia, Missouri is pleased to provide you with this Summary Plan Description (SPD), which describes the health Benefits available to you and your covered family members. It includes summaries of:

- who is eligible;
- services that are covered, called Covered Health Services;
- services that are not covered, called Exclusions;
- how Benefits are paid; and
- your rights and responsibilities under the Plan.

### IMPORTANT

The healthcare service, supply or Pharmaceutical Product is only a Covered Health Service if it is Medically Necessary. (See definitions of Medically Necessary and Covered Health Service in Section 14, *Glossary*.) The fact that a Physician or other provider has performed or prescribed a procedure or treatment, or the fact that it may be the only available treatment for a Sickness, Injury, Mental Illness, substance-related and addictive disorders, disease or its symptoms does not mean that the procedure or treatment is a Covered Health Service under the Plan.

City of Columbia, Missouri intends to continue this Plan, but reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to modify, change, revise, amend or terminate the Plan at any time, for any reason, and without prior notice. This SPD is not to be construed as a contract of or for employment. If there should be an inconsistency between the contents of this summary and the contents of the Plan, your rights shall be determined under the Plan and not under this summary.

UnitedHealthcare is a private healthcare claims administrator. UnitedHealthcare's goal is to give you the tools you need to make wise healthcare decisions. UnitedHealthcare also helps your employer to administer claims. Although UnitedHealthcare will assist you in many ways, it does not guarantee any Benefits. City of Columbia, Missouri is solely responsible for paying Benefits described in this SPD.

Please read this SPD thoroughly to learn how the Plan works. If you have questions contact your local Human Resources department or call the number on the back of your ID card.

**How To Use This SPD**

- Read the entire SPD, and share it with your family. Then keep it in a safe place for future reference.
- Many of the sections of this SPD are related to other sections. You may not have all the information you need by reading just one section.
- You can find copies of your SPD and any future amendments or request printed copies by contacting Human Resources.
- Capitalized words in the SPD have special meanings and are defined in Section 14, *Glossary*.
- If eligible for coverage, the words "you" and "your" refer to Covered Persons as defined in Section 14, *Glossary*.
- City of Columbia, Missouri is also referred to as Company.
- If there is a conflict between this SPD and any benefit summaries (other than Summaries of Material Modifications) provided to you, this SPD will control.

## SECTION 2 - INTRODUCTION

**What this section includes:**

- Who's eligible for coverage under the Plan;
- The factors that impact your cost for coverage;
- Instructions and timeframes for enrolling yourself and your eligible Dependents;
- When coverage begins; and
- When you can make coverage changes under the Plan.

### Eligibility

You are eligible to enroll in the Plan if you are a regular full time employee of the Plan Sponsor, a permanent part-time employee, a non-Medicare eligible retiree, a Spouse of a Medicare eligible retiree under 65 and covered under The Company sponsored Medicare Plan, and a surviving Spouse.

Your eligible Dependents may also participate in the Plan. An eligible Dependent is considered to be:

- your Spouse, as defined in Section 14, *Glossary*;
- your or your Spouse's child who is under age 26, including a natural child, stepchild, a legally adopted child, a child placed for adoption or a child for whom you or your Spouse are the legal guardian; or
- an unmarried child age 26 or over who is or becomes disabled and dependent upon you.

To be eligible for coverage under the Plan, a Dependent must reside within the United States.

**Note:** Your Dependents may not enroll in the Plan unless you are also enrolled. In addition, if you and your Spouse are both covered under the Plan, you may each be enrolled as a Participant or be covered as a Dependent of the other person, but not both. In addition, if you and your Spouse are both covered under the Plan, only one parent may enroll your child as a Dependent.

A Dependent also includes a child for whom health care coverage is required through a Qualified Medical Child Support Order or other court or administrative order, as described in Section 13, *Other Important Information*.

### Cost of Coverage

You and City of Columbia, Missouri share in the cost of the Plan. Your contribution amount depends on the Plan you select and the family members you choose to enroll.

Your contributions are deducted from your paychecks on a before-tax basis. Before-tax dollars come out of your pay before federal income and Social Security taxes are withheld

and in most states, before state and local taxes are withheld. This gives your contributions a special tax advantage and lowers the actual cost to you.

**Note:** The Internal Revenue Service generally does not consider Domestic Partners and their children eligible Dependents. Therefore, the value of City of Columbia, Missouri's cost in covering a Domestic Partner may be imputed to the Participant as income. In addition, the share of the Participant's contribution that covers a Domestic Partner and their children may be paid using after-tax payroll deductions.

Your contributions are subject to review and City of Columbia, Missouri reserves the right to change your contribution amount from time to time.

You can obtain current contribution rates by calling Human Resources.

## How to Enroll

To enroll, call Human Resources within 31 days from your date of hire for medical Plan coverage. If you do not enroll within 31 days, you will need to wait until the next annual Open Enrollment to make your benefit elections.

Each year during annual Open Enrollment, you have the opportunity to review and change your medical election. Any changes you make during Open Enrollment will become effective the following January 1.

### **Important**

If you wish to change your benefit elections following your marriage, birth, adoption of a child, placement for adoption of a child or other family status change, you must contact Human Resources within 31 days of the event. Otherwise, you will need to wait until the next annual Open Enrollment to change your elections.

## When Coverage Begins

Once Human Resources receives your properly completed enrollment, coverage will begin on the first day of the month following your date of hire. Coverage for your Dependents will start on the date your coverage begins, provided you have enrolled them in a timely manner.

Coverage for a Spouse or Dependent stepchild that you acquire via marriage becomes effective the first of the month following the date Human Resources receives notice of your marriage, provided you notify Human Resources within 31 days of your marriage. Coverage for Dependent children acquired through birth, adoption, or placement for adoption is effective the date of the family status change, provided you notify Human Resources within 31 days of the birth, adoption, or placement.

### ***If You Are Hospitalized When Your Coverage Begins***

If you are an inpatient in a Hospital, Skilled Nursing Facility or Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility on the day your coverage begins, the Plan will pay Benefits for Covered Health Services related to that Inpatient Stay as long as you receive Covered Health Services in accordance with the terms of the Plan.

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

## Changing Your Coverage

You may make coverage changes during the year only if you experience a change in family status. The change in coverage must be consistent with the change in status (e.g., you cover your Spouse following your marriage, your child following an adoption, etc.). The following are considered family status changes for purposes of the Plan:

- your marriage, divorce, legal separation or annulment;
- registering a Domestic Partner;
- the birth, adoption, placement for adoption or legal guardianship of a child;
- a change in your Spouse's employment or involuntary loss of health coverage (other than coverage under the Medicare or Medicaid programs) under another employer's plan;
- loss of coverage due to the exhaustion of another employer's COBRA benefits, provided you were paying for premiums on a timely basis;
- the death of a Dependent;
- your Dependent child no longer qualifying as an eligible Dependent;
- a change in your or your Spouse's position or work schedule that impacts eligibility for health coverage;
- contributions were no longer paid by the employer (This is true even if you or your eligible Dependent continues to receive coverage under the prior plan and to pay the amounts previously paid by the employer);
- you or your eligible Dependent who were enrolled in an HMO no longer live or work in that HMO's service area and no other benefit option is available to you or your eligible Dependent;
- benefits are no longer offered by the Plan to a class of individuals that include you or your eligible Dependent;
- termination of your or your Dependent's Medicaid or Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) coverage as a result of loss of eligibility (you must contact Human Resources within 60 days of termination);
- you or your Dependent become eligible for a premium assistance subsidy under Medicaid or CHIP (you must contact Human Resources within 60 days of determination of subsidy eligibility);
- a strike or lockout involving you or your Spouse; or
- a court or administrative order.



Unless otherwise noted above, if you wish to change your elections, you must contact Human Resources within 31 days of the change in family status. Otherwise, you will need to wait until the next annual Open Enrollment.

While some of these changes in status are similar to qualifying events under COBRA, you, or your eligible Dependent, do not need to elect COBRA continuation coverage to take advantage of the special enrollment rights listed above. These will also be available to you or your eligible Dependent if COBRA is elected.

**Note:** Any child under age 26 who is placed with you for adoption will be eligible for coverage on the date the child is placed with you, even if the legal adoption is not yet final. If you do not legally adopt the child, all medical Plan coverage for the child will end when the placement ends. No provision will be made for continuing coverage (such as COBRA coverage) for the child.

***Change in Family Status - Example***

Jane is married and has two children who qualify as Dependents. At annual Open Enrollment, she elects not to participate in City of Columbia, Missouri's medical plan, because her husband, Tom, has family coverage under his employer's medical plan. In June, Tom loses his job as part of a downsizing. As a result, Tom loses his eligibility for medical coverage. Due to this family status change, Jane can elect family medical coverage under City of Columbia, Missouri's medical plan outside of annual Open Enrollment.

## SECTION 3 - HOW THE PLAN WORKS

**What this section includes:**

- Network and Non-Network Benefits;
- Eligible Expenses;
- Annual Deductible;
- Copayment;
- Coinsurance; and
- Out-of-Pocket Maximum.

### Network and Non-Network Benefits

As a participant in this Plan, you have the freedom to choose the Physician or health care professional you prefer each time you need to receive Covered Health Services. The choices you make affect the amounts you pay, as well as the level of Benefits you receive and any benefit limitations that may apply.

You are eligible for the Network level of Benefits under this Plan when you receive Covered Health Services from Physicians and other health care professionals who have contracted with UnitedHealthcare to provide those services.

You can choose to receive Network Benefits or Non-Network Benefits.

**Network Benefits** apply to Covered Health Services that are provided by a Network Physician or other Network provider. Emergency Health Services are always paid as Network Benefits. For facility charges, these are Benefits for Covered Health Services that are billed by a Network facility and provided under the direction of either a Network or non-Network Physician or other provider. Network Benefits include Physician services provided in a Network facility by a Network or a non-Network radiologist, anesthesiologist, pathologist and Emergency room Physician.

**Non-Network Benefits** apply to Covered Health Services that are provided by a non-Network Physician or other non-Network provider, or Covered Health Services that are provided at a non-Network facility.

Depending on the geographic area and the service you receive, you may have access through UnitedHealthcare's Shared Savings Program to non-Network providers who have agreed to discounts negotiated from their charges on certain claims for Covered Health Services. Refer to the definition of Shared Savings Program in Section 14, *Glossary*, of the SPD for details about how the Shared Savings Program applies.

Generally, when you receive Covered Health Services from a Network provider, you pay less than you would if you receive the same care from a non-Network provider. Therefore, in most instances, your out-of-pocket expenses will be less if you use a Network provider.

If you choose to seek care outside the Network, the Plan generally pays Benefits at a lower level. You are required to pay the amount that exceeds the Eligible Expense. The amount in excess of the Eligible Expense could be significant, and this amount does not apply to the Out-of-Pocket Maximum. You may want to ask the non-Network provider about their billed charges before you receive care.

***Health Services from Non-Network Providers Paid as Network Benefits***

If specific Covered Health Services are not available from a Network provider, you may be eligible to receive Network Benefits from a non-Network provider. In this situation, your Network Physician will notify Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup>, and they will work with you and your Network Physician to coordinate care through a non-Network provider.

When you receive Covered Health Services through a Network Physician, the Plan will pay Network Benefits for those Covered Health Services, even if one or more of those Covered Health Services is received from a non-Network provider.

**Looking for a Network Provider?**

In addition to other helpful information, **www.myuhc.com**, UnitedHealthcare's consumer website, contains a directory of health care professionals and facilities in UnitedHealthcare's Network. While Network status may change from time to time, **www.myuhc.com** has the most current source of Network information. Use **www.myuhc.com** to search for Physicians available in your Plan.

***Network Providers***

UnitedHealthcare or its affiliates arrange for health care providers to participate in a Network. At your request, UnitedHealthcare will send you a directory of Network providers free of charge. Keep in mind, a provider's Network status may change. To verify a provider's status or request a provider directory, you can call UnitedHealthcare at the toll-free number on your ID card or log onto **www.myuhc.com**.

Network providers are independent practitioners and are not employees of City of Columbia, Missouri or UnitedHealthcare.

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

***Possible Limitations on Provider Use***

If UnitedHealthcare determines that you are using health care services in a harmful or abusive manner, you may be required to select a Network Physician to coordinate all of your future Covered Health Services. If you don't make a selection within 31 days of the date you are notified, UnitedHealthcare will select a Network Physician for you. In the event that you do not use the Network Physician to coordinate all of your care, any Covered Health Services you receive will be paid at the non-Network level.

## Eligible Expenses

City of Columbia, Missouri has delegated to UnitedHealthcare the initial discretion and authority to decide whether a treatment or supply is a Covered Health Service and how the Eligible Expenses will be determined and otherwise covered under the Plan.

Eligible Expenses are the amount UnitedHealthcare determines that UnitedHealthcare will pay for Benefits. For Network Benefits, you are not responsible for any difference between Eligible Expenses and the amount the provider bills. For Network Benefits for Covered Health Services provided by a non-Network provider (other than Emergency Health Services or services otherwise arranged by UnitedHealthcare), you will be responsible to the non-Network Physician or provider for any amount billed that is greater than the amount UnitedHealthcare determines to be an Eligible Expense as described below.

For Non-Network Benefits, you are responsible for paying, directly to the non-Network provider, any difference between the amount the provider bills you and the amount UnitedHealthcare will pay for Eligible Expenses. Eligible Expenses are determined solely in accordance with UnitedHealthcare's reimbursement policy guidelines, as described in the SPD.

**For Network Benefits**, Eligible Expenses are based on the following:

- When Covered Health Services are received from a Network provider, Eligible Expenses are UnitedHealthcare's contracted fee(s) with that provider.
- When Covered Health Services are received from a non-Network provider as a result of an Emergency or as arranged by UnitedHealthcare, Eligible Expenses are an amount negotiated by UnitedHealthcare or an amount permitted by law. Please contact UnitedHealthcare if you are billed for amounts in excess of your applicable Coinsurance, Copayment or any deductible. The Plan will not pay excessive charges or amounts you are not legally obligated to pay.

**For Non-Network Benefits**, Eligible Expenses are based on either of the following:

- When Covered Health Services are received from a non-Network provider, Eligible Expenses are determined, based on:
  - Negotiated rates agreed to by the non-Network provider and either UnitedHealthcare or one of UnitedHealthcare's vendors, affiliates or subcontractors, at UnitedHealthcare's discretion.
  - If rates have not been negotiated, then one of the following amounts:
    - ◆ For Covered Health Services other than pharmaceutical products, Eligible Expenses are determined based on available data resources of competitive fees in that geographic area.
    - ◆ For Mental Health Services and Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services the Eligible Expense will be reduced by 25% for Covered Health Services provided by a psychologist and by 35% for Covered Health Services provided by a masters level counselor.
    - ◆ When Covered Health Services are pharmaceutical products, Eligible Expenses are determined based on 110% of the published rates allowed by the Centers for

Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for Medicare for the same or similar service within the geographic market.

When a rate is not published by *CMS* for the service, UnitedHealthcare uses a gap methodology established by *OptumInsight* and/or a third party vendor that uses a relative value scale. The relative value scale is usually based on the difficulty, time, work, risk and resources of the service. If the relative value scale currently in use becomes no longer available, UnitedHealthcare will use a comparable scale(s). UnitedHealthcare and *OptumInsight* are related companies through common ownership by *UnitedHealth Group*. Refer to UnitedHealthcare's website at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) for information regarding the vendor that provides the applicable gap fill relative value scale information.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** Non-Network providers may bill you for any difference between the provider's billed charges and the Eligible Expense described here.

**Don't Forget Your ID Card**

Remember to show your UnitedHealthcare ID card every time you receive health care services from a provider. If you do not show your ID card, a provider has no way of knowing that you are enrolled under the Plan.

## Annual Deductible

The Annual Deductible is the amount of Eligible Expenses you must pay each calendar year for Covered Health Services before you are eligible to begin receiving Benefits. There are separate Network and non-Network Annual Deductibles for this Plan. The amounts you pay toward your Annual Deductible accumulate over the course of the calendar year.

Amounts paid toward the Annual Deductible for Covered Health Services that are subject to a visit or day limit will also be calculated against that maximum benefit limit. As a result, the limited benefit will be reduced by the number of days or visits you used toward meeting the Annual Deductible.

## Copayment

A Copayment (Copay) is the amount you pay each time you receive certain Covered Health Services. The Copay is a flat dollar amount and is paid at the time of service or when billed by the provider. Copays count toward the Out-of-Pocket-Maximum. Copays do not count toward the Annual Deductible. If the Eligible Expense is less than the Copay, you are only responsible for paying the Eligible Expense and not the Copay.

## Coinsurance

Coinsurance is the percentage of Eligible Expenses that you are responsible for paying. Coinsurance is a fixed percentage that applies to certain Covered Health Services after you meet the Annual Deductible.

**Coinsurance – Example**

Let's assume that you receive Plan Benefits for outpatient surgery from a Network provider. Since the Plan pays 80% after you meet the Annual Deductible, you are responsible for paying the other 20%. This 20% is your Coinsurance.

**Out-of-Pocket Maximum**

The annual Out-of-Pocket Maximum is the most you pay each calendar year for Covered Health Services. There are separate Network and non-Network Out-of-Pocket Maximums for this Plan. If your eligible out-of-pocket expenses in a calendar year exceed the annual maximum, the Plan pays 100% of Eligible Expenses for Covered Health Services through the end of the calendar year.

The following table identifies what does and does not apply toward your Network and non-Network Out-of-Pocket Maximums:

Plan Features	Applies to the Network Out-of-Pocket Maximum?	Applies to the Non-Network Out-of-Pocket Maximum?
Copays, even those for Covered Health Services available in Section 15, <i>Prescription Drugs</i>	Yes	Yes
Payments toward the Annual Deductible	Yes	Yes
Coinsurance Payments	Yes	Yes
Charges for non-Covered Health Services	No	No
The amounts of any reductions in Benefits you incur by not obtaining prior authorization as required	No	No
Charges that exceed Eligible Expenses	No	No

## SECTION 4 - CARE COORDINATION<sup>SM</sup> AND PRIOR AUTHORIZATION

### What this section includes:

- An overview of the Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> program; and
- Covered Health Services which require prior authorization.

### Care Management

When you seek prior authorization as required, the Claims Administrator will work with you to implement the care management process and to provide you with information about additional services that are available to you, such as disease management programs, health education, and patient advocacy.

UnitedHealthcare provides a program called Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> designed to encourage personalized, efficient care for you and your covered Dependents.

Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> nurses center their efforts on prevention, education, and closing any gaps in your care. The goal of the program is to ensure you receive the most appropriate and cost-effective services available.

Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> nurses will provide a variety of different services to help you and your covered family members receive appropriate medical care. Program components are subject to change without notice. When the Claims Administrator is called as required, they will work with you to implement the Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> process and to provide you with information about additional services that are available to you, such as disease management programs, health education, and patient advocacy. As of the publication of this SPD, the Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> program includes:

- **Admission counseling** - Nurse Advocates are available to help you prepare for a successful surgical admission and recovery. Call the number on the back of your ID card for support.
- **Inpatient care management** - If you are hospitalized, a Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> nurse will work with your Physician to make sure you are getting the care you need and that your Physician's treatment plan is being carried out effectively.
- **Readmission Management** - This program serves as a bridge between the Hospital and your home if you are at high risk of being readmitted. After leaving the Hospital, if you have a certain chronic or complex condition, you may receive a phone call from a Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> nurse to confirm that medications, needed equipment, or follow-up services are in place. The Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> nurse will also share important health care information, reiterate and reinforce discharge instructions, and support a safe transition home.
- **Risk Management** - Designed for participants with certain chronic or complex conditions, this program addresses such health care needs as access to medical specialists, medication information, and coordination of equipment and supplies. Participants may receive a phone call from a Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> nurse to discuss and

share important health care information related to the participant's specific chronic or complex condition.

If you do not receive a call from a Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> nurse but feel you could benefit from any of these programs, please call the toll-free number on your ID card.

## Prior Authorization

UnitedHealthcare requires prior authorization for certain Covered Health Services. In general, your Network Primary Physician and other Network providers are responsible for obtaining prior authorization before they provide these services to you. There are some Benefits, however, for which you are responsible for obtaining prior authorization. For detailed information on the Covered Health Services that require prior authorization, please refer to Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.

It is recommended that you confirm with the Claims Administrator that all Covered Health Services listed below have been prior authorized as required. Before receiving these services from a Network provider, you may want to contact the Claims Administrator to verify that the Hospital, Physician and other providers are Network providers and that they have obtained the required prior authorization. Network facilities and Network providers cannot bill you for services they fail to prior authorize as required. You can contact the Claims Administrator by calling the number on the back of your ID card.

When you choose to receive certain Covered Health Services from non-Network providers, you are responsible for obtaining prior authorization before you receive these services. Note that your obligation to obtain prior authorization is also applicable when a non-Network provider intends to admit you to a Network facility or refers you to other Network providers.

**To obtain prior authorization, call the number on the back of your ID card.** This call starts the utilization review process. Once you have obtained the authorization, please review it carefully so that you understand what services have been authorized and what providers are authorized to deliver the services that are subject to the authorization.

The utilization review process is a set of formal techniques designed to monitor the use of, or evaluate the clinical necessity, appropriateness, efficacy, or efficiency of, health care services, procedures or settings. Such techniques may include ambulatory review, prospective review, second opinion, certification, concurrent review, case management, discharge planning, retrospective review or similar programs.

**Contacting UnitedHealthcare or Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> is easy.**  
Simply call the number on your ID card.

Network providers are generally responsible for obtaining prior authorization from the Claims Administrator before they provide certain services to you. However, there are some Network Benefits for which you are responsible for obtaining prior authorization from the Claims Administrator.



When you choose to receive certain Covered Health Services from non-Network providers, you are responsible for obtaining prior authorization from the Claims Administrator before you receive these services. In many cases, your Non-Network Benefits will be reduced if the Claims Administrator has not provided prior authorization.

Services for which you are required to obtain prior authorization are identified in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*, within each Covered Health Service Benefit description. Please note that prior authorization timelines apply. Refer to the applicable Benefit description to determine how far in advance you must obtain prior authorization.

### **Special Note Regarding Medicare**

If you are enrolled in Medicare on a primary basis (Medicare pays before the Plan pays Benefits) the prior authorization requirements do not apply to you. Since Medicare is the primary payer, the Plan will pay as secondary payer as described in Section 10, *Coordination of Benefits (COB)*. You are not required to obtain authorization before receiving Covered Health Services.

**SECTION 5 - PLAN HIGHLIGHTS**

The table below provides an overview of Copays that apply when you receive certain Covered Health Services, and outlines the Plan's Annual Deductible and Out-of-Pocket Maximum.

<b>Plan Features</b>	<b>Network</b>	<b>Non-Network</b>
<b>Copays<sup>1</sup></b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Emergency Health Services</li> <li>■ Physician's Office Services - Primary Physician</li> <li>■ Physician's Office Services - Specialist</li> <li>■ Urgent Care Center Services</li> </ul>	<p>\$200</p> <p>\$25</p> <p>\$50</p> <p>\$55</p>	<p>\$200</p> <p>Not Applicable</p> <p>Not Applicable</p> <p>Not Applicable</p>
<b>Annual Deductible<sup>2</sup></b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Individual</li> <li>■ Family (not to exceed the individual Annual Deductible amount per Covered Person)</li> </ul>	<p>\$1,500</p> <p>\$4,500</p>	<p>\$4,500</p> <p>\$13,500</p>
<b>Annual Out-of-Pocket Maximum<sup>2</sup></b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Individual</li> <li>■ Family (not to exceed the individual Annual Out-of-Pocket Maximum amount per Covered Person)</li> </ul>	<p>\$4,000</p> <p>\$12,000</p>	<p>\$12,000</p> <p>\$36,000</p>
<b>Lifetime Maximum Benefit<sup>3</sup></b>		
There is no dollar limit to the amount the Plan will pay for essential Benefits during the entire period you are enrolled in this Plan.	Unlimited	

<sup>1</sup>In addition to these Copays, you may be responsible for meeting the Annual Deductible for the Covered Health Services described in the chart on the following pages. With the exception of Emergency Health Services, a Copay does not apply when you visit a non-Network provider.

<sup>2</sup>Copays apply toward the Out-of-Pocket Maximum. The Annual Deductible applies toward the Out-of-Pocket Maximum for all Covered Health Services.

<sup>3</sup>Generally the following are considered to be essential benefits under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act:

Ambulatory patient services; emergency services, hospitalization; maternity and newborn care, mental health and Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services (including behavioral health treatment); prescription drugs; rehabilitative and habilitative services and devices; laboratory services; preventive and wellness services and chronic disease management; and pediatric services, including oral and vision care.

This table provides an overview of the Plan's coverage levels. For detailed descriptions of your Benefits, refer to Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.

Covered Health Services <sup>1</sup>	Percentage of Eligible Expenses Payable by the Plan:	
	Network	Non-Network
<b>Ambulance Services - Emergency Only</b>	<i>Ground Transportation</i> 80% after you meet the Annual Deductible  <i>Air Transportation</i> 80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	<i>Ground Transportation</i> 80% after you meet the Annual Deductible  <i>Air Transportation</i> 80% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Cancer Resource Services (CRS)<sup>2</sup></b> ■ Hospital - Inpatient Stay	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	Not Covered
<b>Clinical Trials</b>	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits for Clinical Trials will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.	
<b>Congenital Heart Disease (CHD) Surgeries</b> ■ Hospital - Inpatient Stay	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Dental Services - Accident Only</b>	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Durable Medical Equipment (DME)</b>	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible

Covered Health Services <sup>1</sup>	Percentage of Eligible Expenses Payable by the Plan:	
	Network	Non-Network
<p><b>Emergency Health Services</b></p> <p>If you are admitted as an inpatient to a Hospital directly from the Emergency room, you will not have to pay this Copay. The Benefits for an Inpatient Stay in a Hospital will apply instead.</p>	100% after you pay a \$200 Copay then 80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	
<p><b>Eye Examinations</b></p>	100% after you pay a \$25 Copay	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<p><b>Gender Dysphoria</b></p>	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section and in Section 15, <i>Outpatient Prescription Drugs</i> .	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section and in Section 15, <i>Outpatient Prescription Drugs</i> .
<p><b>Hearing Aids</b></p> <p>See Section 6, <i>Additional Coverage Details</i>, for limits</p>	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<p><b>Home Health Care</b></p> <p>Up to 50 visits per calendar year</p>	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<p><b>Hospice Care</b></p> <p>Up to 360 days per lifetime</p>	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<p><b>Hospital - Inpatient Stay</b></p>	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible

Covered Health Services <sup>1</sup>	Percentage of Eligible Expenses Payable by the Plan:	
	Network	Non-Network
<b>Injections received in a Physician's Office</b>	Allergy injections: 80% per injection  Immunizations: 100% per injection	60% per injection after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Kidney Resource Services (KRS)</b> (These Benefits are for Covered Health Services provided through KRS only)	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	Not Covered
<b>Maternity Services</b>	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.	
<b>Mental Health Services</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Inpatient.</li> <li>■ Outpatient.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>80% after you meet the Annual Deductible</li> <li>100% after you pay a \$25 Copay</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>60% after you meet the Annual Deductible</li> <li>60% after you meet the Annual Deductible</li> </ul>
<b>Neurobiological Disorders - Autism Spectrum Disorder Services</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Inpatient.</li> <li>■ Outpatient.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>80% after you meet the Annual Deductible</li> <li>100% after you pay a \$25 Copay</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>60% after you meet the Annual Deductible</li> <li>60% after you meet the Annual Deductible</li> </ul>
<b>Obesity</b>	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.	

Covered Health Services <sup>1</sup>	Percentage of Eligible Expenses Payable by the Plan:	
	Network	Non-Network
<b>Ostomy Supplies</b>	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Outpatient Surgery, Diagnostic and Therapeutic Services</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Outpatient Surgery</li> <li>■ Outpatient Diagnostic Services                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Lab and radiology/X-ray</li> <li>- Mammography testing</li> </ul> </li> <li>■ Outpatient Diagnostic/Therapeutic Services - CT Scans, PET Scans, MRI and Nuclear Medicine</li> <li>■ Outpatient Therapeutic Treatments</li> </ul>	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible  80% after you meet the Annual Deductible  80% after you meet the Annual Deductible  80% after you meet the Annual Deductible  80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible  60% after you meet the Annual Deductible  60% after you meet the Annual Deductible  60% after you meet the Annual Deductible  60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Physician's Office Services - Sickness and Injury</b>  No Copayment applies when a Physician charge is not assessed. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Primary Physician (Copay per visit)</li> <li>■ Specialist Physician (Copay per visit)</li> </ul>	\$25 per visit  \$50 per visit	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible  60% after you meet the Annual Deductible

Covered Health Services <sup>1</sup>	Percentage of Eligible Expenses Payable by the Plan:	
	Network	Non-Network
<b>Preventive Care Services</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Immunizations</li> <li>■ Physician Office Services</li> <li>■ Outpatient Diagnostic Services</li> <li>■ Breast Pumps</li> </ul>	100%	Not Covered
<b>Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services</b>	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Prosthetic Devices</b>	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Reconstructive Procedures</b>	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.	
<b>Rehabilitation Services - Outpatient</b> (Copay is per visit)  See Section 6, <i>Additional Coverage Details</i> , for visit limits	100% after you pay a \$50 Copay	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Second Surgical Opinion</b>	Same as Physician's Office Services - Sickness and Injury	Same as Physician's Office Services - Sickness and Injury
<b>Skilled Nursing Facility/Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility Services</b>  Up to 365 days per calendar year	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Spinal Treatment</b>  (Copay is per visit)	100% after you pay a \$50 Copay	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible



Covered Health Services <sup>1</sup>	Percentage of Eligible Expenses Payable by the Plan:	
	Network	Non-Network
<b>Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Inpatient.</li> <li>■ Outpatient.</li> </ul>	<p>80% after you meet the Annual Deductible</p> <p>100% after you pay a \$25 Copay</p>	<p>60% after you meet the Annual Deductible</p> <p>60% after you meet the Annual Deductible</p>
<b>Transplantation Services</b>	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Urgent Care Center Services</b> (Copay is per visit)	100% after you pay a \$55 Copay	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Virtual Visits</b>  Network Benefits are available only when services are delivered through a Designated Virtual Network Provider. You can find a Designated Virtual Network Provider by going to <a href="http://www.myuhc.com">www.myuhc.com</a> or by calling the telephone number on your ID card.	100% after you pay a \$25 Copay	Non-Network Benefits are not available.

<sup>1</sup>You must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator, as described in Section 4, *Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> and Prior Authorization* to receive full Benefits before receiving certain Covered Health Services from a non-Network provider. In general, if you visit a Network provider, that provider is responsible for obtaining prior authorization from the Claims Administrator before you receive certain Covered Health Services. See Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details* for further information.

<sup>2</sup>These Benefits are for Covered Health Services provided through CRS by a Designated Provider. For oncology services not provided through CRS, the Plan pays Benefits as described under *Physician's Office Services - Sickness and Injury, Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services, Hospital - Inpatient Stay, Surgery - Outpatient, Scopic Procedures - Outpatient Diagnostic and Therapeutic Lab, X-Ray and Diagnostics – Outpatient, and Lab, X-Ray and Major Diagnostics – CT, PET, MRI, MRA and Nuclear Medicine – Outpatient.*

## SECTION 6 - ADDITIONAL COVERAGE DETAILS

### What this section includes:

- Covered Health Services for which the Plan pays Benefits; and
- Covered Health Services that require you to obtain prior authorization before you receive them, and any reduction in Benefits that may apply if you do not call to notify the Claims Administrator to obtain prior authorization.

This section supplements the second table in Section 5, *Plan Highlights*.

While the table provides you with Benefit limitations along with Copayment, Coinsurance and Annual Deductible information for each Covered Health Service, this section includes descriptions of the Benefits. These descriptions include any additional limitations that may apply, as well as Covered Health Services for which you must obtain prior authorization as required. The Covered Health Services in this section appear in the same order as they do in the table for easy reference. Services that are not covered are described in Section 8, *Exclusions and Limitations*.

### Ambulance Services - Emergency only

Emergency ambulance transportation by a licensed ambulance service to the nearest Hospital where Emergency health services can be performed.

### Cancer Resource Services (CRS)

United Healthcare will arrange for access to certain of its Network providers participating in the Cancer Resource Services Program for the provision of oncology services. You may be referred to Cancer Resource Services by United Healthcare, or you may self refer to Cancer Resource Services by calling 866-936-6002. In order to receive the highest level of Benefits, you must contact Cancer Resource Services prior to obtaining Covered Health Services. The oncology services include Covered Health Services and Supplies rendered for the treatment of a condition that has a primary or suspected diagnosis relating to cancer.

In order to receive Benefits under this program, Cancer Resource Services must provide the proper notification to the Network provider performing the services. This is true even if you self refer to a Network provider participating in the program.

When these services are not performed in a Cancer Resource Services facility, Benefits will be paid the described in Section 5, *Plan Highlights* under the headings *Physician's Office Services – Sickness and Injury*, *Professional Fees for Surgical and Medical Services*, *Hospital-Inpatient Stay*, *Outpatient Surgery*, *Diagnostic and Therapeutic Services* listed in this section.

Cancer Clinical Trials and related treatment and services are considered a Covered Health Service when such treatment and services are recommended and provided by a Physician in a cancer center. The cancer center must be a participating center in the Cancer Resource Services Program at the time the treatment or service is given.

To receive Benefits under the CRS program, you must contact CRS prior to obtaining Covered Health Services. The Plan will only pay Benefits under the CRS program if CRS provides the proper notification to the Designated Provider performing the services (even if you self refer to a provider in that Network).

## Clinical Trials

Benefits are available for routine patient care costs incurred during participation in a qualifying clinical trial for the treatment of:

- cancer or other life-threatening disease or condition. For purposes of this benefit, a life-threatening disease or condition is one from which the likelihood of death is probable unless the course of the disease or condition is interrupted;
- cardiovascular disease (cardiac/stroke) which is not life threatening, for which, as UnitedHealthcare determines, a clinical trial meets the qualifying clinical trial criteria stated below;
- surgical musculoskeletal disorders of the spine, hip and knees, which are not life threatening, for which, as UnitedHealthcare determines, a clinical trial meets the qualifying clinical trial criteria stated below; and
- other diseases or disorders which are not life threatening for which, as UnitedHealthcare determines, a clinical trial meets the qualifying clinical trial criteria stated below.

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

Benefits are available only when the Covered Person is clinically eligible for participation in the qualifying clinical trial as defined by the researcher.

- Routine patient care costs for qualifying clinical trials include:
- Covered Health Services for which Benefits are typically provided absent a clinical trial;
- Covered Health Services required solely for the provision of the investigational item or service, the clinically appropriate monitoring of the effects of the item or service, or the prevention of complications; and
- Covered Health Services needed for reasonable and necessary care arising from the provision of an Investigational item or service.

Routine costs for clinical trials do not include:

- the Experimental or Investigational Service or item. The only exceptions to this are:
  - certain Category B devices;
  - certain promising interventions for patients with terminal illnesses; and
  - other items and services that meet specified criteria in accordance with our medical and drug policies;

- items and services provided solely to satisfy data collection and analysis needs and that are not used in the direct clinical management of the patient;
- a service that is clearly inconsistent with widely accepted and established standards of care for a particular diagnosis; and
- items and services provided by the research sponsors free of charge for any person enrolled in the trial.

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

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

- Federally funded trials. The study or investigation is approved or funded (which may include funding through in-kind contributions) by one or more of the following:
  - National Institutes of Health (NIH). (Includes National Cancer Institute (NCI));
  - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC);
  - Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ);
  - Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS);
  - a cooperative group or center of any of the entities described above or the Department of Defense (DOD) or the Veterans Administration (VA);
  - a qualified non-governmental research entity identified in the guidelines issued by the National Institutes of Health for center support grants; or
  - The Department of Veterans Affairs, the Department of Defense or the Department of Energy as long as the study or investigation has been reviewed and approved through a system of peer review that is determined by the Secretary of Health and Human Services to meet both of the following criteria:
    - ◆ comparable to the system of peer review of studies and investigations used by the *National Institutes of Health*; and
    - ◆ ensures unbiased review of the highest scientific standards by qualified individuals who have no interest in the outcome of the review.
- the study or investigation is conducted under an investigational new drug application reviewed by the *U.S. Food and Drug Administration*;
- the study or investigation is a drug trial that is exempt from having such an investigational new drug application;
- the clinical trial must have a written protocol that describes a scientifically sound study and have been approved by all relevant institutional review boards (*IRBs*) before

participants are enrolled in the trial. UnitedHealthcare may, at any time, request documentation about the trial; or

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

#### **Prior Authorization Requirement**

You must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator as soon as the possibility of participation in a Clinical Trial arises. If you fail to obtain prior authorization as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

### **Congenital Heart Disease (CHD) Surgeries**

The Plan pays Benefits for Congenital Heart Disease (CHD) services ordered by a Physician and received at a CHD Resource Services program. Benefits include the facility charge and the charge for supplies and equipment. Benefits are available for the following CHD services:

- outpatient diagnostic testing;
- evaluation;
- surgical interventions;
- interventional cardiac catheterizations (insertion of a tubular device in the heart);
- fetal echocardiograms (examination, measurement and diagnosis of the heart using ultrasound technology); and
- approved fetal interventions.

CHD services other than those listed above are excluded from coverage, unless determined by United Resource Networks or Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> to be proven procedures for the involved diagnoses. Contact United Resource Networks at (888) 936-7246 or Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> at the toll-free number on your ID card for information about CHD services.

If you receive Congenital Heart Disease services from a facility that is not a Designated Provider, the Plan pays Benefits as described under:

- *Physician's Office Services - Sickness and Injury;*
- *Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services;*
- *Scopic Procedures - Outpatient Diagnostic and Therapeutic;*
- *Therapeutic Treatments - Outpatient;*
- *Hospital - Inpatient Stay; and*
- *Surgery - Outpatient.*

**Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Covered Health Services required to be received by a Designated Provider, you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator as soon as the possibility of a CHD surgery arises. If you do not obtain prior authorization and if, as a result, the CHD surgeries are not received by a Designated Provider, Network Benefits will not be paid. Non-Network Benefits will apply.

For Non-Network Benefits, if you fail to obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

**Dental Services - Accident Only**

Dental services when all of the following are true:

- treatment is necessary because of accidental damage;
- dental services are received from a Doctor of Dental Surgery, "D.D.S." or Doctor of Medical Dentistry, "D.M.D.";
- the dental damage is severe enough that initial contact with a Physician or dentist occurred within 72 hours of the accident.

Benefits are available only for treatment of a sound, natural tooth. The Physician or dentist must certify that the injured tooth was:

- a virgin or unrestored tooth; or
- a tooth that has no decay, no filling on more than two surfaces, no gum disease associated with bone loss, no root canal therapy, is not a dental implant and functions normally in chewing and speech.

Dental services for final treatment to repair the damage must be both of the following:

- Started within three months of the accident, or if not a Covered Person at the time of the accident, within the first three months of coverage under the Plan.
- Completed within 12 months of the accident, or if not a Covered Person at the time of the accident, within the first 12 months of coverage under the Plan.

Please note that dental damage that occurs as a result of normal activities of daily living or extraordinary use of the teeth is not considered an "accident". Benefits are not available for repairs to teeth that are injured as a result of such activities.

**Durable Medical Equipment (DME)**

The Plan pays for Durable Medical Equipment (DME) that meets each of the following:

- ordered or provided by a Physician for outpatient use;
- used for medical purposes;

- not consumable or disposable; and
- not of use to a person in the absence of a disease or disability.

If more than one piece of DME can meet your functional needs, Benefits are available only for the most Cost-Effective piece of equipment.

Examples of DME include but are not limited to:

- equipment to assist mobility, such as a standard wheelchair;
- a standard Hospital-type bed;
- oxygen concentrator units and the rental of equipment to administer oxygen;
- delivery pumps for tube feedings;
- braces, including necessary adjustments to shoes to accommodate braces. Braces that stabilize an Injured body part and braces to treat curvature of the spine are considered Durable Medical Equipment and are a Covered Health Service. Braces that straighten or change the shape of a body part are orthotic devices, and are excluded from coverage. Dental braces are also excluded from coverage.
- mechanical equipment necessary for the treatment of chronic or acute respiratory failure (except that air-conditioners, humidifiers, dehumidifiers, air purifiers and filters, and personal comfort items are excluded from coverage).

UnitedHealthcare provides Benefits only for a single purchase (including repair/replacement) of a type of Durable Medical Equipment once every three calendar years.

**Prior Authorization Requirements**

For Non-Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator before obtaining any Durable Medical Equipment that exceeds \$1,000 in cost (either retail purchase cost or cumulative retail rental cost of a single item). If you fail to obtain prior authorization as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

**Emergency Health Services - Outpatient**

The Plan pays for services that are required to stabilize or initiate treatment in an Emergency. Emergency health services must be received on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility.

Network Benefits will be paid for an Emergency admission to a non-Network Hospital as long as the Claims Administrator is notified within two business days of the admission or on the same day of admission if reasonably possible after you are admitted to a non-Network Hospital. If you continue your stay in a non-Network Hospital after the date your Physician determines that it is medically appropriate to transfer you to a Network Hospital, Non-Network Benefits will apply.

Benefits under this section are not available for services to treat a condition that does not meet the definition of an Emergency.

## Eye Examinations

The Plan pays Benefits for eye examinations received from a health care provider in the provider's office.

Benefits include services for illness or Injury only.

Please note that Benefits are not available for charges connected to the purchase or fitting of eyeglasses or contact lenses.

## Gender Dysphoria

Benefits for the treatment of Gender Dysphoria limited to the following services:

- Psychotherapy for Gender Dysphoria and associated co-morbid psychiatric diagnoses are provided as described under *Mental Health Services* in this section.
- Cross-sex hormone therapy:
  - Cross-sex hormone therapy administered by a medical provider.
  - Cross-sex hormone therapy dispensed from a pharmacy is provided as described under Section 15, *Prescription Drugs*.
- Puberty suppressing medication injected or implanted by a medical provider in a clinical setting.
- Laboratory testing to monitor the safety of continuous cross-sex hormone therapy.
- Surgery for the treatment for Gender Dysphoria, including the surgeries listed below:
  - Male to Female:
    - Clitoroplasty (creation of clitoris)
    - Labiaplasty (creation of labia)
    - Orchiectomy (removal of testicles)
    - Penectomy (removal of penis)
    - Urethroplasty (reconstruction of female urethra)
    - Vaginoplasty (creation of vagina)
  - Female to Male:
    - Bilateral mastectomy or breast reduction
    - Hysterectomy (removal of uterus)
    - Metoidioplasty (creation of penis, using clitoris)
    - Penile prosthesis



- Phalloplasty (creation of penis)
- Salpingo-oophorectomy (removal of fallopian tubes and ovaries)
- Scrotoplasty (creation of scrotum)
- Testicular prosthesis
- Urethroplasty (reconstruction of male urethra)
- Vaginectomy (removal of vagina)
- Vulvectomy (removal of vulva)

**Genital Surgery and Bilateral Mastectomy or Breast Reduction Surgery Documentation Requirements:**

The Covered Person must provide documentation of the following for breast surgery:

- A written psychological assessment from at least one qualified behavioral health provider experienced in treating Gender Dysphoria. The assessment must document that the Covered Person meets all of the following criteria:
  - Persistent, well-documented Gender Dysphoria.
  - Capacity to make a fully informed decision and to consent for treatment.
  - Must be 18 years or older.
  - If significant medical or mental health concerns are present, they must be reasonably well controlled.

The Covered Person must provide documentation of the following for genital surgery:

- A written psychological assessment from at least two qualified behavioral health providers experienced in treating Gender Dysphoria, who have independently assessed the Covered Person. The assessment must document that the Covered Person meets all of the following criteria.
  - Persistent, well-documented Gender Dysphoria.
  - Capacity to make a fully informed decision and to consent for treatment.
  - Must 18 years or older.
  - If significant medical or mental health concerns are present, they must be reasonably well controlled.
  - Complete at least 12 months of successful continuous full-time real-life experience in the desired gender.
  - Complete 12 months of continuous cross-sex hormone therapy appropriate for the desired gender (unless medically contraindicated).
- The treatment plan is based on identifiable external sources including the *World Professional Association for Transgender Health (WPATH)* standards, and/or evidence-based professional society guidance.

**Prior Authorization Requirement for Surgical Treatment**

You must obtain prior authorization as soon as the possibility of surgery arises.

If you fail to obtain prior authorization as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

**Prior Authorization Requirement for Non-Surgical Treatment**

Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, any applicable prior authorization requirements will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.

**Hearing Aids**

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

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

Benefits do not include bone anchored hearing aids. Bone anchored hearing aids are a Covered Health Service for which Benefits are available under the applicable medical/surgical Covered Health Services categories in this section only for Covered Persons who have either of the following:

- Craniofacial anomalies whose abnormal or absent ear canals preclude the use of a wearable hearing aid.
- Hearing loss of sufficient severity that it would not be adequately remedied by a wearable hearing aid.

Any combination of Network Benefits and Non-Network Benefits is limited to \$1,000 per calendar year. Benefits are limited to a single purchase (including repair/replacement) per hearing impaired ear every three calendar years.

**Home Health Care**

Covered Health Services are services received from a Home Health Agency that are both of the following:

- ordered by a Physician; and
- provided by or supervised by a registered nurse in your home.

Benefits are available only when the Home Health Agency services are provided on a part-time, intermittent schedule and when skilled home health care is required.

Skilled home health care is skilled nursing, skilled teaching, and skilled rehabilitation services when all of the following are true:

- it must be delivered or supervised by licensed technical or professional medical personnel in order to obtain the specified medical outcome, and provide for the safety of the patient;
- it is ordered by a Physician;
- it is not delivered for the purpose of assisting with activities of daily living, including but not limited to dressing, feeding, bathing or transferring from a bed to a chair;
- it requires clinical training in order to be delivered safely and effectively; and
- it is not Custodial Care.

Any combination of Network Benefits and Non-Network Benefits is limited to 50 visits per calendar year. One visit equals four hours of Skilled Care services.

#### **Prior Authorization Requirements**

For Non-Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator five business days before receiving services or as soon as is reasonably possible. If you fail to obtain prior authorization as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

### **Hospice Care**

The Plan pays Benefits for hospice care that is recommended by a Physician. Hospice care is an integrated program that provides comfort and support services for the terminally ill. Hospice care includes physical, psychological, social, respite and spiritual care for the terminally ill person, and short-term grief counseling for immediate family members. Benefits are available only when hospice care is received from a licensed hospice agency, which can include a Hospital.

Any combination of Network Benefits and Non-Network Benefits is limited to 360 days per Covered Person during the entire period you are covered under the Plan.

#### **Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits, you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator five business days before admission for an Inpatient Stay in a hospice facility or as soon as reasonably possible. If you fail to obtain prior authorization as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

### **Hospital - Inpatient Stay**

Hospital Benefits are available for:

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

Benefits for other Hospital-based Physician services are described in this section under *Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services*.

Benefits for Emergency admissions and admissions of less than 24 hours are described under *Emergency Health Services* and *Surgery - Outpatient, Scopic Procedures - Diagnostic and Therapeutics*, and *Therapeutic Treatments - Outpatient*, respectively.

#### **Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits for:

- A scheduled admission, you must obtain prior authorization five business days before admission.
- A non-scheduled admission (including Emergency admissions) you must provide notification as soon as is reasonably possible.

If authorization is not obtained as required, or notification is not provided, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

### **Injections received in a Physician's Office**

The Plan pays for Benefits for injections received in a Physician's office when no other health service is received, for example allergy immunotherapy.

### **Kidney Resource Services (KRS)**

UnitedHealthcare will arrange for access to certain of its Network Providers participating in the Kidney Resource Services Program for End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) and chronic kidney disease. You may be referred to KRS by UnitedHealthcare, or you may self refer to KRS by calling 888-936-7246 and select the KRS prompt. In order to receive the highest level of Benefits, you must contact KRS prior to obtaining Covered Health Services. The services include Covered Health Services and supplies rendered for the treatment and/or diagnosis relating to ESRD or chronic kidney disease.

In order to receive Benefits under this program, KRS must provide the proper notification to the Network provider performing the services. This is true even if you self refer to a Network provider participating in the program. Notification is required:

- prior to vascular access placement for dialysis; and
- prior to any ESRD services.

When these services are not performed in a KRS facility, Benefits will be paid the same as Physician's Office Services, Professional Fees, Hospital-Inpatient Stay, Outpatient Diagnostic and Therapeutic Services listed in this section.

To receive Benefits under the KRS program, you must contact KRS prior to obtaining Covered Health Services. The Plan will only pay Benefits under the KRS program if KRS provides the proper notification to the Designated Provider performing the services (even if you self refer to a provider in that Network).

## Maternity Services

### *Employee and Dependent Spouse Only*

Benefits for Pregnancy will be paid at the same level as Benefits for any other condition, Sickness or Injury. This includes all maternity-related medical services for prenatal care, postnatal care, delivery, and any related complications.

There is a special prenatal program to help during Pregnancy. It is completely voluntary and there is no extra cost for participating in the program. To sign up, you should notify the Claims Administrator during the first trimester, but no later than one month prior to the anticipated childbirth.

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

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

These are federally mandated requirements under the Newborns' and Mothers' Health Protection Act of 1996 which apply to this Plan. The Hospital or other provider is not required to get authorization for the time periods stated above. Authorizations are required for longer lengths of stay. If the mother agrees, the attending Physician may discharge the mother and/or the newborn child earlier than these minimum timeframes.

### *For Dependent Children Only*

Pregnancy Benefits for Dependent children are limited to Covered Health Services for Complications of Pregnancy. For a complete definition of Complications of Pregnancy, see Section 14, *Glossary*.

Benefits are payable for Covered Health Services for the treatment of Complications of Pregnancy given to a Dependent child while covered under this Plan.

Benefits for Complications of Pregnancy are paid in the same way as benefits are paid for Sickness.

Benefits for Complications of Pregnancy which result in the delivery of a child are payable for at least:

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

These are federally mandated requirements under the Newborns' and Mothers' Health Protection Act of 1996 which apply to this Plan. The Hospital or other provider is not required to get authorization for the time periods stated above. Authorizations are required for longer lengths of stay. If the mother agrees, the attending Physician may discharge the mother and/or the newborn child earlier than these minimum timeframes.

The following are not considered Complications of Pregnancy:

- false labor;
- occasional spotting;
- rest prescribed by a Physician;
- morning sickness; and
- other conditions that may be connected with a difficult pregnancy but are not a classifiably distinct complication.

**Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator as soon as reasonably possible if the Inpatient Stay for the mother and/or the newborn will be more than 48 hours for the mother and newborn child following a normal vaginal delivery, or more than 96 hours for the mother and newborn child following a cesarean section delivery. If you fail to obtain prior authorization as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

It is important that you notify us regarding your Pregnancy. Your notification will open the opportunity to become enrolled in prenatal programs that are designed to achieve the best outcomes for you and your baby.

## Mental Health Services

Mental Health Services include those received on an inpatient or outpatient basis in a Hospital and an Alternate Facility or in a provider's office. All services must be provided by or under the direction of a properly qualified behavioral health provider.

Benefits include the following levels of care:

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

Services include the following:

- Diagnostic evaluations, assessment and treatment planning.
- Treatment and/or procedures.
- Medication management and other associated treatments.
- Individual, family and group therapy.
- Provider-based case management services.

- Crisis intervention.

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

You are encouraged to contact the Mental Health/Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Administrator for referrals to providers and coordination of care.

#### **Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits for:

- A scheduled admission for Mental Health Services (including Partial Hospitalization/Day Treatment and admission for services at a Residential Treatment facility) you must obtain authorization from the Claims Administrator five business days before admission.
- A non-scheduled admission (including Emergency admissions) you must provide notification as soon as is reasonably possible.

In addition, for Non-Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator before the following services are received. Services requiring prior authorization: Partial Hospitalization/Day Treatment; Intensive Outpatient Treatment programs; outpatient electro-convulsive treatment; psychological testing; transcranial magnetic stimulation; extended outpatient treatment visits beyond 45-50 minutes in duration, with or without medication management.

If you fail to obtain prior authorization from or provide notification to the Claims Administrator as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

### **Neurobiological Disorders - Autism Spectrum Disorder Services**

The Plan pays Benefits for behavioral services for Autism Spectrum Disorder including Intensive Behavioral Therapies such as Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) that are the following:

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

These Benefits describe only the behavioral component of treatment for Autism Spectrum Disorder. Medical treatment of Autism Spectrum Disorder is a Covered Health Service for which Benefits are available as described under the applicable medical Covered Health Services categories as described in this section.

Benefits include the following levels of care:

- Inpatient treatment.

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

Services include the following:

- Diagnostic evaluations, assessment and treatment planning.
- Treatment and/or procedures.
- Medication management and other associated treatments.
- Individual, family and group therapy.
- Provider-based case management services.
- Crisis intervention.

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

You are encouraged to contact the Mental Health/Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Administrator for referrals to providers and coordination of care.

#### **Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits for:

- A scheduled admission for Neurobiological Disorders – Autism Spectrum Disorder Services (including Partial Hospitalization/Day Treatment and an admission for services at a Residential Treatment facility) you must obtain authorization from the Claims Administrator five business days before admission.
- A non-scheduled admission (including Emergency admissions) you must provide notification as soon as is reasonably possible.

In addition, for Non-Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator before the following services are received. Services requiring prior authorization: Partial Hospitalization/Day Treatment; Intensive Outpatient Treatment programs; outpatient electro-convulsive treatment; psychological testing; transcranial magnetic stimulation; extended outpatient treatment visits beyond 45-50 minutes in duration, with or without medication management; Intensive Behavioral Therapy, including *Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA)*.

If you fail to obtain prior authorization from or provide notification to the Claims Administrator as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.



## Obesity

The Plan pays for Benefits for hospital, physician, and diagnostic fees associated with morbid obesity if:

- The Participant has a Body Mass Index equal to or greater than 35 and said index has been met for the three years prior to the date of surgery;
- The Participant has at least one co-morbidity that is a direct complication of obesity and that has been previously unsuccessfully treated (this requirement is waived for individuals with a Body Mass Index greater than 40);
- The Participant has, within the 24 months prior to surgery, previously completed one physician supervised weight loss attempt, for a duration no less than six months, that included behavioral therapy, diet changes, and alteration of physical activity when indicated and has been unsuccessful in this effort;
- No previous bariatric surgery for weight reduction.

Benefits are available for obesity surgery services that meet the definition of a Covered Health Service, as defined in Section 14, *Glossary* and are not Experimental or Investigational or Unproven Services.

### **Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator as soon as the possibility of obesity surgery arises.

If you fail to obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

It is important that you provide notification regarding your intention to have surgery. Your notification will open the opportunity to become enrolled in programs that are designed to achieve the best outcomes for you.

## Ostomy Supplies

Benefits for ostomy supplies are limited to:

- pouches, face plates and belts;
- irrigation sleeves, bags and catheters; and
- skin barriers.

Benefits are not available for gauze, adhesive, adhesive remover, deodorant, pouch covers, or other items not listed above.

## Outpatient Surgery, Diagnostic and Therapeutic Services

### *Outpatient Surgery*

The Plan pays for Covered Health Services for surgery and related services received on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility.

Benefits under this section include only the facility charge and the charge for required Hospital-based professional services, supplies and equipment. Benefits for the surgeon fees related to outpatient surgery are described under *Professional Fees for Surgical and Medical Services*.

When these services are performed in a Physician's office, Benefits are described under *Physician's Office Services* below.

#### **Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits for blepharoplasty, uvulopalatopharyngoplasty, vein procedures, cardiac catheterization, pacemaker insertion, implantable cardioverter defibrillators, sleep apnea surgeries and cochlear implants you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator five business days before scheduled services are received or for non-scheduled services, within one business day or as soon as is reasonably possible. If you fail to obtain prior authorization as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

### *Outpatient Diagnostic Services*

The Plan pays for Covered Health Services received on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility including:

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

Benefits under this section include the facility charge, and the charge for required services, supplies and equipment, and all related professional fees.

When these services are performed in a Physician's office, Benefits are described under *Physician's Office Services* below.

This section does not include Benefits for CT scans, PET scans, MRIs, or nuclear medicine, which are described immediately below.

#### **Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits for sleep studies, stress echocardiography and transthoracic echocardiogram, you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator five business days before scheduled services are received. If you fail to obtain prior authorization as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

***Outpatient Diagnostic/Therapeutic Services - CT Scans, PET Scans, MRI and Nuclear Medicine***

The Plan pays for Covered Health Services for CT scans, PET scans, MRI, and nuclear medicine received on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility.

Benefits under this section include the facility charge, and the charge for required services, supplies and equipment, and all related professional fees.

***Outpatient Therapeutic Treatments***

The Plan pays for Covered Health Services for therapeutic treatments received on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility, including dialysis, intravenous chemotherapy or other intravenous infusion therapy, and other treatments not listed above.

Benefits under this section include the facility charge, and the charge for required services, supplies and equipment, and all related professional fees.

When these services are performed in a Physician's office, Benefits are described under *Physician's Office Services* below.

**Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits for the following outpatient therapeutic services you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator five business days before scheduled services are received or, for non-scheduled services, within one business day or as soon as is reasonably possible. Services that require prior authorization: dialysis, IV infusion, radiation oncology, intensity modulated radiation therapy and MR-guided focused ultrasound.

If you fail to obtain prior authorization, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

**Physician's Office Services - Sickness and Injury**

Benefits are paid by the Plan for Covered Health Services received in a Physician's office for the evaluation and treatment of a Sickness or Injury. Benefits are provided under this section regardless of whether the Physician's office is free-standing, located in a clinic or located in a Hospital. Benefits under this section include allergy injections and hearing exams in case of Injury or Sickness.

Benefits for preventive services are described under *Preventive Care Services* in this section.

**Please Note**

Your Physician does not have a copy of your SPD, and is not responsible for knowing or communicating your Benefits.

## Preventive Care Services

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

- evidence-based items or services that have in effect a rating of "A" or "B" in the current recommendations of the United States Preventive Services Task Force;
- immunizations that have in effect a recommendation from the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention;
- with respect to infants, children and adolescents, evidence-informed preventive care and screenings provided for in the comprehensive guidelines supported by the Health Resources and Services Administration; and
- with respect to women, such additional preventive care and screenings as provided for in comprehensive guidelines supported by the Health Resources and Services Administration.

Preventive care Benefits defined under the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) requirement include the cost of renting one breast pump per Pregnancy in conjunction with childbirth. Benefits for breast pumps also include the cost of purchasing one breast pump per Pregnancy in conjunction with childbirth. These Benefits are described under Section 5, *Plan Highlights*, under *Covered Health Services*.

Benefits are only available if breast pumps are obtained from a DME provider.

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

- Which pump is the most cost effective;
- Whether the pump should be purchased or rented;
- Duration of a rental;
- Timing of an acquisition.

For questions about your preventive care Benefits under this Plan call the number on the back of your ID card.

## Professional Fees for Surgical and Medical Services

The Plan pays for professional fees for surgical procedures and other medical care received in a Hospital, Skilled Nursing Facility, Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility or Alternate Facility or Physician house calls.

When these services are performed in a Physician's office, Benefits are described under *Physician's Office Services* above.

## Prosthetic Devices

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

- Artificial arms, legs, feet and hands.
- Artificial eyes, ears and noses.
- Breast prosthesis as required by the Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998. Benefits include mastectomy bras and lymphedema stockings for the arm.

If more than one prosthetic device can meet your functional needs, Benefits are available only for the most cost-effective prosthetic device.

The prosthetic device must be ordered or provided by, or under the direction of a Physician. Except for items required by the Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998, Benefits for prosthetic devices are limited to a single purchase of each type of prosthetic device every three calendar years.

**Note:** Prosthetic devices are different from DME - see *Durable Medical Equipment (DME)* in this section.

### **Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits, you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator before obtaining prosthetic devices that exceeds \$1,000 in cost per device. If you fail to obtain prior authorization as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

## Reconstructive Procedures

Reconstructive Procedures are services performed when a physical impairment exists and the primary purpose of the procedure is to improve or restore physiologic function. Reconstructive procedures include surgery or other procedures which are associated with an Injury, Sickness or Congenital Anomaly. The fact that physical appearance may change or improve as a result of a reconstructive procedure does not classify such surgery as a Cosmetic Procedure when a physical impairment exists, and the surgery restores or improves function.

Cosmetic Procedures are excluded from coverage. Procedures that correct an anatomical Congenital Anomaly without improving or restoring physiologic function are considered Cosmetic Procedures. The fact that a Covered Person may suffer psychological consequences or socially avoidant behavior as a result of an Injury, Sickness or Congenital Anomaly does not classify surgery or other procedures done to relieve such consequences or behavior as a reconstructive procedure.

Please note that Benefits for reconstructive procedures include breast reconstruction following a mastectomy and reconstruction of the non-affected breast to achieve symmetry.

Other services mandated by the Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998, including breast prostheses and treatment of complications, are provided in the same manner and at the same level as those for any Covered Health Service. You can contact UnitedHealthcare at the number on your ID card for more information about Benefits for mastectomy-related services.

#### **Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits for:

- Scheduled Reconstructive Procedures, you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator five business days before a scheduled Reconstructive Procedure is performed.
- Non-scheduled Reconstructive Procedures, you must provide notification within one business day or as soon as is reasonably possible.

If authorization is not obtained from the Claims Administrator as required, or notification is not provided, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

### **Rehabilitation Services - Outpatient Therapy**

The Plan provides short-term outpatient rehabilitation services for:

- Physical therapy.
- Occupational therapy.
- Speech therapy.
- Pulmonary rehabilitation therapy.
- Cardiac rehabilitation therapy.

For all rehabilitation services, a licensed therapy provider, under the direction of a Physician (when required by state law), must perform the services. Benefits under this section include rehabilitation services provided in a Physician's office or on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility. Rehabilitative services provided in a Covered Person's home by a Home Health Agency are provided as described under Home Health Care. Rehabilitative services provided in a Covered Person's home other than by a Home Health Agency are provided as described under this section.

Benefits can be denied or shortened for Covered Persons who are not progressing in goal-directed rehabilitation services or if rehabilitation goals have previously been met.

#### ***Habilitative Services***

For the purpose of this Benefit, "habilitative services" means Covered Health Services that help a person keep, learn or improve skills and functioning for daily living. Habilitative services are skilled when all of the following are true:

- The services are part of a prescribed plan of treatment or maintenance program that is provided to maintain a Covered Person's current condition or to prevent or slow further decline.

- It is ordered by a Physician and provided and administered by a licensed provider.
- It is not delivered for the purpose of assisting with activities of daily living, including dressing, feeding, bathing or transferring from a bed to a chair.
- It requires clinical training in order to be delivered safely and effectively.
- It is not Custodial Care.

The Claims Administrator will determine if Benefits are available by reviewing both the skilled nature of the service and the need for Physician-directed medical management. Therapies provided for the purpose of general well-being or conditioning in the absence of a disabling condition are not considered habilitative services. A service will not be determined to be "skilled" simply because there is not an available caregiver.

Benefits are provided for habilitative services provided for Covered Persons with a disabling condition when both of the following conditions are met:

- The treatment is administered by a licensed speech-language pathologist, licensed audiologist, licensed occupational therapist, licensed physical therapist or Physician.
- The initial or continued treatment must be proven and not Experimental or Investigational.

Benefits for habilitative services do not apply to those services that are solely educational in nature or otherwise paid under state or federal law for purely educational services. Custodial Care, respite care, day care, therapeutic recreation, vocational training and Residential Treatment are not habilitative services. A service that does not help the Covered Person to meet functional goals in a treatment plan within a prescribed time frame is not a habilitative service.

The Plan may require that a treatment plan be provided, request medical records, clinical notes, or other necessary data to allow the Plan to substantiate that initial or continued medical treatment is needed. When the treating provider anticipates that continued treatment is or will be required to permit the Covered Person to achieve demonstrable progress, the Plan may request a treatment plan consisting of diagnosis, proposed treatment by type, frequency, anticipated duration of treatment, the anticipated goals of treatment, and how frequently the treatment plan will be updated.

Benefits for Durable Medical Equipment and prosthetic devices, when used as a component of habilitative services, are described under *Durable Medical Equipment* and *Prosthetic Devices* in this section.

Other than as described under Habilitative Services above, please note that the Plan will pay Benefits for speech therapy for the treatment of disorders of speech, language, voice, communication and auditory processing only when the disorder results from Injury, stroke, cancer, Congenital Anomaly, or Autism Spectrum Disorder.

Benefits are limited to:

- 20 visits per calendar year for pulmonary rehabilitation therapy; and
- 36 visits per calendar year for cardiac rehabilitation therapy.

These visit limits apply to Network Benefits and Non-Network Benefits combined.

### **Second Surgical Opinion**

This is not a required service to obtain Benefits.

### **Skilled Nursing Facility/Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility Services**

The Plan pays for Covered Health Services for an Inpatient Stay in a Skilled Nursing Facility or Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility. Benefits are available for:

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

Any combination of Network Benefits and Non-Network Benefits is limited to 365 days per calendar year.

Please note that Benefits are available only for the care and treatment of an Injury or Sickness that would have otherwise required an Inpatient Stay in a Hospital.

#### **Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits for:

- A scheduled admission, you must obtain prior authorization five business days before admission.
- A non-scheduled admission (or admissions resulting from an Emergency) you must provide notification as soon as is reasonably possible.

If authorization is not obtained as required, or notification is not provided, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

### **Spinal Treatment**

Benefits for Spinal Treatment when provided by a Spinal Treatment provider in the provider's office.

Benefits include diagnosis and related services and are limited to one visit and treatment per day.

Coverage is limited to charges incurred.

Spinal Treatment consists of spinal adjustment for acute or chronic subluxation and includes charges for x-rays and other services authorized or recommended by a chiropractor operating within the scope of his license.



Maintenance and preventive care are not covered.

No benefits for Spinal Treatment will be paid under any other section of the Plan.

### **Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services**

Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services include those received on an inpatient or outpatient basis in a Hospital, an Alternate Facility, or in a provider's office. All services must be provided by or under the direction of a properly qualified behavioral health provider.

Benefits include the following levels of care:

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

Services include the following:

- Diagnostic evaluations, assessment and treatment planning.
- Treatment and/or procedures.
- Medication management and other associated treatments.
- Individual, family and group therapy.
- Provider-based case management services.
- Crisis intervention.
- Transitional Living services.

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

You are encouraged to contact the Mental Health/Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Administrator for referrals to providers and coordination of care.

**Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits for:

- A scheduled admission for Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services (including Partial Hospitalization/Day Treatment and an admission for services at a Residential Treatment facility) you must obtain authorization from the Claims Administrator five business days before admission.
- A non-scheduled admission (including Emergency admissions) you must provide notification as soon as is reasonably possible.

In addition, for Non-Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator before the following services are received. Services requiring prior authorization: Partial Hospitalization/Day Treatment; Intensive Outpatient Treatment programs; outpatient electro-convulsive treatment; psychological testing; transcranial magnetic stimulation; extended outpatient treatment visits beyond 45-50 minutes in duration, with or without medication management.

If you fail to obtain prior authorization from or provide notification to the Claims Administrator as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

**Transplantation Services**

Covered Health Services for organ and tissue transplants when ordered by a Physician. For Network Benefits, transplantation services must be received by a Designated Provider. Transplantation services provided by a non-Designated Provider will be covered as Non-Network Benefits. Benefits are available when the transplant meets the definition of a Covered Health Service, and is not an Experimental, Investigational or Unproven Service:

Notification is required for all transplant services.

The Copayment and Annual Deductible will not apply to Network Benefits when a transplant listed below is received by a Designated Provider. The services described under *Transportation and Lodging* below are Covered Health Services **ONLY** in connection with a transplant received by a Designated Provider.

Examples of transplants for which Benefits are available include but are not limited to:

- bone marrow transplants (either from you or from a compatible donor) and peripheral stem cell transplants, with or without high dose chemotherapy. Not all bone marrow transplants meet the definition of a Covered Health Service. The search for bone marrow/stem cell from a donor who is not biologically related to the patient is a Covered Health Service only for a transplant received by a Designated Provider.
- heart transplants;
- heart/lung transplants;
- lung transplants;
- kidney transplants;

- kidney/pancreas transplants;
- liver transplants;
- liver/small bowel transplants;
- pancreas transplants; and
- small bowel transplants.

Benefits for cornea transplants that are provided by a Network Physician at a Network Hospital are paid as if the transplant was received by a Designated Provider. Cornea transplants are not required to be performed received by a Designated Provider in order for you to receive Network Benefits. Donor costs that are directly related to organ removal are Covered Health Services for which Benefits are payable through the organ recipient's coverage under the Plan.

Organ or tissue transplants or multiple organ transplants other than those listed above are excluded from coverage, unless determined by the Claims Administrator to be a proven procedure for the involved diagnoses.

Under the Plan there are specific guidelines regarding Benefits for transplant services. Contact the Claims Administrator at the telephone number on your ID card for information about these guidelines.

**Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator as soon as the possibility of a transplant arises (and before the time a pre-transplantation evaluation is performed at a transplant center). If you don't obtain prior authorization and if, as a result, the services are not performed by a Designated Provider, Network Benefits will not be paid. Non-Network Benefits will apply.

For Non-Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator as soon as the possibility of a transplant arises (and before the time a pre-transplantation evaluation is performed at a transplant center).

For non-Network Benefits, if you don't obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator, as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

**Urgent Care Center Services**

The Plan pays for Covered Health Services received at an Urgent Care Center. When services to treat urgent health care needs are provided in a Physician's office, Benefits are available as described under *Physician's Office Services* earlier in this section.

**Virtual Visits**

Virtual visits for Covered Health Services that include the diagnosis and treatment of low acuity medical conditions for Covered Persons, through the use of interactive audio and video telecommunication and transmissions, and audio-visual communication technology.

Virtual visits provide communication of medical information in real-time between the patient and a distant Physician or health care specialist, through use of interactive audio and video communications equipment outside of a medical facility (for example, from home or from work).

Benefits are available only when services are delivered through a Designated Virtual Network Provider. You can find a Designated Virtual Network Provider by going to [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or by calling the telephone number on your ID card.

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

Benefits under this section do not include email, fax and standard telephone calls, or for telehealth/telemedicine visits that occur within medical facilities (*CMS* defined originating facilities).

## SECTION 7 - CLINICAL PROGRAMS AND RESOURCES

### **What this section includes:**

Health and well-being resources available to you, including:

- Consumer Solutions and Self-Service Tools;
- Disease and Condition Management Services; and
- Wellness Programs.

City of Columbia, Missouri believes in giving you the tools you need to be an educated health care consumer. To that end, City of Columbia, Missouri has made available several convenient educational and support services, accessible by phone and the Internet, which can help you to:

- take care of yourself and your family members;
- manage a chronic health condition; and
- navigate the complexities of the health care system.

### ***NOTE:***

Information obtained through the services identified in this section is based on current medical literature and on Physician review. It is not intended to replace the advice of a doctor. The information is intended to help you make better health care decisions and take a greater responsibility for your own health. UnitedHealthcare and City of Columbia, Missouri are not responsible for the results of your decisions from the use of the information, including, but not limited to, your choosing to seek or not to seek professional medical care, or your choosing or not choosing specific treatment based on the text.

## Consumer Solutions and Self-Service Tools

### ***Health Survey***

You and your Spouse are invited to learn more about your health and wellness at **[www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com)** and are encouraged to participate in the online health survey. The health survey is an interactive questionnaire designed to help you identify your healthy habits as well as potential health risks.

Your health survey is kept confidential. Completing the survey will not impact your Benefits or eligibility for Benefits in any way.

To find the health survey, log in to **[www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com)**. After logging in, access your personalized *Health & Wellness* page. If you need any assistance with the online survey, please call the number on the back of your ID card.

### ***Health Improvement Plan***

You can start a Health Improvement Plan at any time. This plan is created just for you and includes information and interactive tools, plus online health coaching recommendations based on your profile.

Online coaching is available for:

- nutrition;
- exercise;
- weight management;
- stress;
- smoking cessation;
- diabetes; and
- heart health.

To help keep you on track with your Health Improvement Plan and online coaching, you'll also receive personalized messages and reminders – City of Columbia, Missouri's way of helping you meet your health and wellness goals.

### ***NurseLine<sup>SM</sup>***

NurseLine<sup>SM</sup> is a toll-free telephone service that puts you in immediate contact with an experienced registered nurse any time, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Nurses can provide health information for routine or urgent health concerns. When you call, a registered nurse may refer you to any additional resources that City of Columbia, Missouri has available to help you improve your health and well-being or manage a chronic condition. Call any time when you want to learn more about:

- a recent diagnosis;
- a minor Sickness or Injury;
- men's, women's, and children's wellness;
- how to take Prescription Drugs safely;
- self-care tips and treatment options;
- healthy living habits; or
- any other health related topic.

NurseLine<sup>SM</sup> gives you another convenient way to access health information. By calling the same toll-free number, you can listen to one of the Health Information Library's over 1,100 recorded messages, with over half in Spanish.

NurseLine<sup>SM</sup> is available to you at no cost. To use this convenient service, simply call the toll-free number on the back of your ID card.

**Note:** If you have a medical emergency, call 911 instead of calling NurseLine<sup>SM</sup>.

**Your child is running a fever and it's 1:00 AM. What do you do?**

Call NurseLine<sup>SM</sup> toll-free, any time, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. You can count on NurseLine<sup>SM</sup> to help answer your health questions.

With NurseLine<sup>SM</sup>, you also have access to nurses online. To use this service, log onto [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) and click "Live Nurse Chat" in the top menu bar. You'll instantly be connected with a registered nurse who can answer your general health questions any time, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. You can also request an e-mailed transcript of the conversation to use as a reference.

**Note:** If you have a medical emergency, call 911 instead of logging onto [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com).

### ***Reminder Programs***

To help you stay healthy, UnitedHealthcare may send you and your covered Dependents reminders to schedule recommended screening exams. Examples of reminders include:

- mammograms for women between the ages of 40 and 68;
- pediatric and adolescent immunizations;
- cervical cancer screenings for women between the ages of 20 and 64;
- comprehensive screenings for individuals with diabetes; and
- influenza/pneumonia immunizations for enrollees age 65 and older.

There is no need to enroll in this program. You will receive a reminder automatically if you have not had a recommended screening exam.

### ***UnitedHealth Premium<sup>SM</sup> Program***

UnitedHealthcare designates Network Physicians and facilities as UnitedHealth Premium<sup>SM</sup> Program Physicians or facilities for certain medical conditions. Physicians and facilities are evaluated on two levels - quality and efficiency of care. The UnitedHealth Premium<sup>SM</sup> Program was designed to:

- help you make informed decisions on where to receive care;
- provide you with decision support resources; and
- give you access to Physicians and facilities across areas of medicine that have met UnitedHealthcare's quality and efficiency criteria.

For details on the UnitedHealth Premium<sup>SM</sup> Program including how to locate a UnitedHealth Premium<sup>SM</sup> Physician or facility, log onto [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or call the toll-free number on your ID card.

### ***www.myuhc.com***

UnitedHealthcare's member website, [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com), provides information at your fingertips anywhere and anytime you have access to the Internet. [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) opens the door to a wealth of health information and convenient self-service tools to meet your needs.

With [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) you can:

- receive personalized messages that are posted to your own website;

- research a health condition and treatment options to get ready for a discussion with your Physician;
- search for Network providers available in your Plan through the online provider directory;
- access all of the content and wellness topics from NurseLine including Live Nurse Chat 24 hours a day, seven days a week;
- complete a health risk assessment to identify health habits you can improve, learn about healthy lifestyle techniques and access health improvement resources;
- use the treatment cost estimator to obtain an estimate of the costs of various procedures in your area; and
- use the Hospital comparison tool to compare Hospitals in your area on various patient safety and quality measures.

#### **Registering on [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com)**

If you have not already registered as a **[www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com)** subscriber, simply go to **[www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com)** and click on "Register Now." Have your UnitedHealthcare ID card handy. The enrollment process is quick and easy.

Visit **[www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com)** and:

- make real-time inquiries into the status and history of your claims;
- view eligibility and Plan Benefit information, including Copays and Annual Deductibles;
- view and print all of your Explanation of Benefits (EOBs) online; and
- order a new or replacement ID card or, print a temporary ID card.

#### **Want to learn more about a condition or treatment?**

Log on to **[www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com)** and research health topics that are of interest to you. Learn about a specific condition, what the symptoms are, how it is diagnosed, how common it is, and what to ask your Physician.

## **Disease and Condition Management Services**

### ***Diabetes Prevention Program***

The Diabetes Prevention Program (DPP) is available for Covered Persons living with pre-diabetes and offers a 16 session lifestyle intervention that addresses diet, activity and behavior modification. The goal of this program is to slow and/or prevent the development of Type 2 diabetes through lifestyle management and weight loss and is available at local YMCAs.

Participation is completely voluntary and without extra charge. There are no Copays, Coinsurance or Deductibles that need to be met when services are received as part of the DPP program. If you think you may be eligible to participate or would like additional information regarding the programs, please call the number on your ID card.



***HealtheNotes<sup>SM</sup>***

UnitedHealthcare provides a service called HealtheNotes to help educate members and make suggestions regarding your medical care. HealtheNotes provides you and your Physician with suggestions regarding preventive care, testing or medications, potential interactions with medications you have been prescribed, and certain treatments. In addition, your HealtheNotes report may include health tips and other wellness information.

UnitedHealthcare makes these suggestions through a software program that provides retrospective, claims-based identification of medical care. Through this process patients are identified whose care may benefit from suggestions using the established standards of evidence based medicine as described in Section 14, *Glossary* under the definition of Covered Health Services.

If your Physician identifies any concerns after reviewing his or her HealtheNotes report, he or she may contact you if he or she believes it to be appropriate. In addition, you may use the information in your report to engage your Physician in discussions regarding your health and the identified suggestions. Any decisions regarding your care, though, are always between you and your Physician.

If you have questions or would like additional information about this service, please call the number on the back of your ID card.

**Wellness Programs*****Healthy Pregnancy Program***

If you are pregnant and enrolled in the medical Plan, you can get valuable educational information and advice by calling the toll-free number on your ID card. This program offers:

- pregnancy consultation to identify special needs;
- written and on-line educational materials and resources;
- 24-hour toll-free access to experienced maternity nurses;
- a phone call from a care coordinator during your Pregnancy, to see how things are going; and
- a phone call from a care coordinator approximately four weeks postpartum to give you information on infant care, feeding, nutrition, immunizations and more.

Participation is completely voluntary and without extra charge. To take full advantage of the program, you are encouraged to enroll within the first 12 weeks of Pregnancy. You can enroll any time, up to your 34th week. To enroll, call the toll-free number on the back of your ID card.

As a program participant, you can call any time, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, with any questions or concerns you might have.

## SECTION 8 - EXCLUSIONS AND LIMITATIONS: WHAT THE MEDICAL PLAN WILL NOT COVER

**What this section includes:**

- Services, supplies and treatments that are not Covered Health Services, except as may be specifically provided for in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.

The Plan does not pay Benefits for any of the following services, treatments or supplies even if they are recommended or prescribed by a provider or are the only available treatment for your condition.

When Benefits are limited within any of the Covered Health Services categories described in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*, those limits are stated in the corresponding Covered Health Service category in Section 5, *Plan Highlights*. Limits may also apply to some Covered Health Services that fall under more than one Covered Health Service category. When this occurs, those limits are also stated in Section 5, *Plan Highlights*. Please review all limits carefully, as the Plan will not pay Benefits for any of the services, treatments, items or supplies that exceed these benefit limits.

**Please note that in listing services or examples, when the SPD says "this includes," or "including but not limited to", it is not UnitedHealthcare's intent to limit the description to that specific list. When the Plan does intend to limit a list of services or examples, the SPD specifically states that the list "is limited to."**

### Alternative Treatments

1. acupressure and acupuncture;
2. aromatherapy;
3. hypnotism;
4. massage therapy;
5. rolfing;
6. other forms of alternative treatment as defined by the Office of Alternative Medicine of the National Institutes of Health.

### Comfort or Convenience

1. television;
2. telephone;
3. beauty/barber service;
4. guest service;

5. supplies, equipment and similar incidental services and supplies for personal comfort. Examples include:
  - air conditioners;
  - air purifiers and filter;
  - batteries and battery chargers;
  - dehumidifiers;
  - humidifiers;
  - devices and computers to assist in communication and speech.

## Dental

1. dental care, except as described in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details* under the heading *Dental Services - Accident only*.
2. preventive care, diagnosis, treatment of or related to the teeth, jawbones or gums. Examples include all of the following:
  - extraction, restoration and replacement of teeth;
  - medical or surgical treatments of dental conditions;
  - services to improve dental clinical outcomes.

This exclusion does not apply to preventive care for which Benefits are provided under the *United States Preventive Services Task Force* requirement or the *Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)* requirement. This exclusion also does not apply to accident-related dental services for which Benefits are provided as described under *Dental Services - Accident Only* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.
3. dental implants.
4. dental braces.
5. dental X-rays, supplies and appliances and all associated expenses, including hospitalizations and anesthesia. The only exceptions to this are for any of the following:
  - transplant preparation;
  - initiation of immunosuppressives;
  - the direct treatment of acute traumatic Injury, cancer or cleft palate.

This exclusion does not apply to dental care (oral examination, X-rays, extractions and non-surgical elimination of oral infection) required for the direct treatment of a medical condition for which Benefits are available under the Plan, as identified in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.

6. treatment of congenitally missing, malpositioned or super numerary teeth, even if part of a Congenital Anomaly.

## Drugs

1. prescription drugs for outpatient use that are filled by a prescription order or refill;
2. self-injectable medications;

3. non-injectable medications given in a Physician's office except as required in an Emergency;
4. over the counter drugs and treatments.

### **Experimental or Investigational Services or Unproven Services**

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

### **Foot Care**

1. routine foot care, except when needed for severe systemic disease or preventive foot care for Covered Persons with diabetes. Routine foot care services that are not covered include:
  - cutting or removal of corns and calluses;
  - nail trimming or cutting; and
  - debriding (removal of dead skin or underlying tissue);
2. hygienic and preventive maintenance foot care. Examples include the following:
  - cleaning and soaking the feet;
  - applying skin creams in order to maintain skin tone;
  - other services that are performed when there is not a localized illness, Injury or symptom involving the foot;
3. treatment of flat feet;
4. treatment of subluxation of the foot;
5. shoe orthotics.

### **Gender Dysphoria**

Cosmetic Procedures, including the following:

- Abdominoplasty.
- Blepharoplasty.
- Breast enlargement, including augmentation mammoplasty and breast implants.
- Body contouring, such as lipoplasty.
- Brow lift.
- Calf implants.
- Cheek, chin, and nose implants.
- Injection of fillers or neurotoxins.
- Face lift, forehead lift, or neck tightening.
- Facial bone remodeling for facial feminizations.

- Hair removal.
- Hair transplantation.
- Lip augmentation.
- Lip reduction.
- Liposuction.
- Mastopexy.
- Pectoral implants for chest masculinization.
- Rhinoplasty.
- Skin resurfacing.
- Thyroid cartilage reduction; reduction thyroid chondroplasty; trachea shave (removal or reduction of the Adam's Apple).
- Voice modification surgery.
- Voice lessons and voice therapy.

### Medical Supplies and Appliances

1. devices used specifically as safety items or to affect performance in sports-related activities;
2. prescribed or non-prescribed medical supplies and disposable supplies. Examples include:
  - elastic stockings;
  - ace bandages;
  - gauze and dressings;
  - syringes;
  - diabetic test strips;
3. orthotic appliances that straighten or re-shape a body part, except as described under *Durable Medical Equipment (DME)* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.

Examples of excluded orthotic appliances and devices include but are not limited to, foot orthotics or any orthotic braces available over-the-counter.

4. cranial banding;
5. tubings and masks are not covered except when used with Durable Medical Equipment as described in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details* under the heading *Durable Medical Equipment*.

## Mental Health, Neurobiological Disorders - Autism Spectrum Disorder and Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services

In addition to all other exclusions listed in this Section 8, *Exclusions and Limitations*, the exclusions listed directly below apply to services described under *Mental Health Services*, *Neurobiological Disorders - Autism Spectrum Disorder Services* and/or *Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.

1. Services performed in connection with conditions not classified in the current edition of the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association*.
2. Outside of an initial assessment, services as treatments for a primary diagnosis of conditions and problems that may be a focus of clinical attention, but are specifically noted not to be mental disorders within the current edition of the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association*.
3. Outside of initial assessment, services as treatments for the primary diagnoses of learning disabilities, conduct and impulse control disorders, pyromania, kleptomania, gambling disorder and paraphilic disorder.
4. Educational/behavioral services that are focused on primarily building skills and capabilities in communication, social interaction and learning.
5. Tuition for or services that are school-based for children and adolescents required to be provided by, or paid for by, the school under the *Individuals with Disabilities Education Act*.
6. Outside of initial assessment, unspecified disorders for which the provider is not obligated to provide clinical rationale as defined in the current edition of the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association*.

## Nutrition

1. megavitamin and nutrition based therapy;
2. Individual and group nutritional counseling, including non-specific disease nutritional education such as general good eating habits, calorie control or dietary preferences. This exclusion does not apply to preventive care for which Benefits are provided under the *United States Preventive Services Task Force* requirement. This exclusion also does not apply to nutritional counseling services that are billed as *Preventive Care Services* or to nutritional education services that are provided as part of treatment for a disease by appropriately licensed or registered health care professionals when both of the following are true:
  - nutritional education is required for a disease in which patient self-management is an important component of treatment; and
  - there exists a knowledge deficit regarding the disease which requires the intervention of a trained health professional;

2. enteral feedings and other nutritional and electrolyte formulas, including infant formula and donor breast milk, even if they are the only source of nutrition and even if they are specifically created to treat inborn errors of metabolism such as phenylketonuria (PKU). Infant formula available over the counter is always excluded;
3. health education classes unless offered by UnitedHealthcare or its affiliates, including but not limited to asthma, smoking cessation, and weight control classes.

## Physical Appearance

1. Cosmetic Procedures. See the definition in Section 14, *Glossary*. Examples include:
  - pharmacological regimens, nutritional procedures or treatments;
  - scar or tattoo removal or revision procedures (such as salabrasion, chemosurgery and other such skin abrasion procedures);
  - skin abrasion procedures performed as a treatment for acne;
2. replacement of an existing breast implant if the earlier breast implant was performed as a Cosmetic Procedure. **Note:** Replacement of an existing breast implant is considered reconstructive if the initial breast implant followed mastectomy. See *Reconstructive Procedures* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*;
3. physical conditioning programs such as athletic training, body-building, exercise, fitness, flexibility and diversion or general motivation;
4. weight loss programs whether or not they are under medical supervision. Weight loss programs for medical reasons are also excluded;
5. wigs regardless of the reason for the hair loss.

## Providers

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

This exclusion does not apply to mammography testing.

## Reproduction

1. health services and associated expenses for infertility treatments;
2. surrogate parenting;
3. the reversal of voluntary sterilization;
4. maternity services, including delivery, for Dependent children, except those that have Complications of Pregnancy as defined in Section 14, *Glossary*.

## Services Provided under Another Plan

1. health services for which other coverage is required by federal, state or local law to be purchased or provided through other arrangements. This includes, but is not limited to, coverage required by workers' compensation, no-fault auto insurance, or similar legislation.

If coverage under workers' compensation or similar legislation is optional for you because you could elect it, or could have it elected for you, Benefits will not be paid for any Injury, Sickness or Mental Illness that would have been covered under workers' compensation or similar legislation had that coverage been elected.

2. health services for treatment of military service-related disabilities, when you are legally entitled to other coverage and facilities are reasonably available to you;
3. health services while on active military duty.

## Transplants

1. health services for organ, multiple organ and tissue transplants, except as described in *Transplantation Services* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details* unless UnitedHealthcare determines the transplant to be appropriate according to UnitedHealthcare's transplant guidelines;
2. health services connected with the removal of an organ or tissue from you for purposes of a transplant to another person. (Donor costs for removal are payable for a transplant through the organ recipient's Benefits under the Plan.);
3. health services for transplants involving mechanical or animal organs;
4. any solid organ transplant that is performed as a treatment for cancer.

## Travel

1. health services provided in a foreign country, unless required as Emergency Health Services;
2. travel or transportation expenses, even though prescribed by a Physician. Some travel expenses related to covered transplantation services may be reimbursed at our discretion.



## Vision and Hearing

1. purchase cost of eye glasses or contact lenses;
2. fitting charge for eye glasses or contact lenses;
3. eye exercise or vision therapy;
4. Surgery that is intended to allow you to see better without glasses or other vision correction including radial keratotomy, laser, and other refractive eye surgery;
5. Routine vision examinations, including refractive examinations;
6. Bone anchored hearing aids except when either of the following applies:
  - For Covered Persons with craniofacial anomalies whose abnormal or absent ear canals preclude the use of a wearable hearing aid.
  - For Covered Persons with hearing loss of sufficient severity that it would not be adequately remedied by a wearable hearing aid.

## All Other Exclusions

1. health services and supplies that do not meet the definition of a Covered Health Service
  - see the definition in Section 14, *Glossary*;

Covered Health Services are those health services including services, supplies or Prescription Drugs, which the Claims Administrator determines to be all of the following:

- Medically Necessary;
- described as a Covered Health Service in this Summary Plan Description; and
- not otherwise excluded in this Summary Plan Description under this Section 8, *Exclusions and Limitations*.

This exclusion does not apply to breast pumps for which Benefits are provided under the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) requirement.

2. physical, psychiatric or psychological exams, testing, vaccinations, immunizations or treatments that are otherwise covered under the Plan when;
  - required solely for purposes of career, education, sports or camp, travel, employment, insurance, marriage or adoption;
  - related to judicial or administrative proceedings or orders;
  - conducted for purposes of medical research; This exclusion does not apply to Covered Health Services provided during a clinical trial for which Benefits are provided as described under *Clinical Trials* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*;
  - required to obtain or maintain a license of any type;
3. health services received as a result of war or any act of war, whether declared or undeclared or caused during service in the armed forces of any country;

4. health services received after the date your coverage under the Plan ends, including health services for medical conditions arising before the date your coverage under the Plan ends;
5. health services for which you have no legal responsibility to pay, or for which a charge would not ordinarily be made in the absence of coverage under the Plan;
6. in the event that a non-Network provider waives Copayments and/or the Annual Deductible for a particular health service, no Benefits are provided for the health service for which the Copayments and/or the Annual Deductible are waived;
7. charges in excess of Eligible Expenses or in excess of any specified limitation;
8. services for the evaluation and treatment of temporomandibular joint syndrome (TMJ), whether the services are considered to be medical or dental in nature;
9. upper and lower jawbone surgery except as required for direct treatment of acute traumatic Injury or cancer. Orthognathic surgery, jaw alignment and treatment for the temporomandibular joint, except as a treatment of obstructive sleep apnea;
10. Surgical treatment of obesity excluding severe morbid obesity: (with a BMI equal to or greater than 35) and the said index has been met for three years prior to the date of the scheduled surgery.
11. Non-surgical treatment of obesity including dietary supplements or supplies used in conjunction with weight loss.
12. growth hormone therapy;
13. Custodial Care;
14. Domiciliary Care;
15. private duty nursing;
16. respite care;
17. rest cures;
18. psychosurgery;
19. treatment of benign gynecomastia (abnormal breast enlargement in males);
20. medical and surgical treatment of excessive sweating (hyperhidrosis);
21. panniculectomy, abdominoplasty, thighplasty, brachioplasty, mastopexy, and breast reduction. This exclusion does not apply to breast reconstruction following a mastectomy as described under *Reconstructive Procedures* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*;

22. medical and surgical treatment for snoring, except when provided as a part of treatment for documented obstructive sleep apnea;
23. oral appliances for snoring;
24. speech therapy except as required for treatment of a speech impediment or speech dysfunction that results from Injury, stroke, or a Congenital Anomaly;
25. any charges for missed appointments, room or facility reservations, completion of claim forms or record processing;
26. any charge for services, supplies or equipment advertised by the provider as free;
27. any charges prohibited by federal anti-kickback or self-referral statutes.

## SECTION 9 - CLAIMS PROCEDURES

**What this section includes:**

- How Network and non-Network claims work; and
- What to do if your claim is denied, in whole or in part.

### Network Benefits

In general, if you receive Covered Health Services from a Network provider, UnitedHealthcare will pay the Physician or facility directly. If a Network provider bills you for any Covered Health Service other than your Copay or Coinsurance, please contact the provider or call UnitedHealthcare at the phone number on your ID card for assistance.

Keep in mind, you are responsible for meeting the Annual Deductible and paying any Copay or Coinsurance owed to a Network provider at the time of service, or when you receive a bill from the provider.

### Non-Network Benefits

If you receive a bill for Covered Health Services from a non-Network provider, you (or the provider if they prefer) must send the bill to UnitedHealthcare for processing. To make sure the claim is processed promptly and accurately, a completed claim form must be attached and mailed to UnitedHealthcare at the address on the back of your ID card.

### Prescription Drug Benefit Claims

If you wish to receive reimbursement for a prescription, you may submit a post-service claim as described in this section if:

- you are asked to pay the full cost of the Prescription Drug when you fill it and you believe that the Plan should have paid for it; or
- you pay a Copay and you believe that the amount of the Copay was incorrect.

If a pharmacy (retail or mail order) fails to fill a prescription that you have presented and you believe that it is a Covered Health Service, you may submit a pre-service request for Benefits as described in this section.

### If Your Provider Does Not File Your Claim

You can obtain a claim form by visiting [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com), calling the number on your ID card or contacting Human Resources. If you do not have a claim form, simply attach a brief letter of explanation to the bill, and verify that the bill contains the information listed below. If any of these items are missing from the bill, you can include them in your letter:

- Your name and address.
- The patient's name, age and relationship to the Participant.

- The number as shown on your ID card.
- The name, address and tax identification number of the provider of the service(s).
- A diagnosis from the Physician.
- The date of service.
- An itemized bill from the provider that includes:
  - The Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) codes.
  - A description of, and the charge for, each service.
  - The date the Sickness or Injury began.
  - A statement indicating either that you are, or you are not, enrolled for coverage under any other health insurance plan or program. If you are enrolled for other coverage you must include the name and address of the other carrier(s).

Failure to provide all the information listed above may delay any reimbursement that may be due you.

For medical claims, the above information should be filed with UnitedHealthcare at the address on your ID card. When filing a claim for outpatient Prescription Drug Benefits, submit your claim to the pharmacy benefit manager claims address noted on your ID card.

After UnitedHealthcare has processed your claim, you will receive payment for Benefits that the Plan allows. It is your responsibility to pay the non-Network provider the charges you incurred, including any difference between what you were billed and what the Plan paid.

### ***Payment of Benefits***

You may not assign your Benefits under the Plan or any cause of action related to your Benefits under the Plan to a non-Network provider without UnitedHealthcare's consent. When you assign your Benefits under the Plan to a non-Network provider with UnitedHealthcare's consent, and the non-Network provider submits a claim for payment, you and the non-Network provider represent and warrant that the Covered Health Services were actually provided and were medically appropriate.

When UnitedHealthcare has not consented to an assignment, UnitedHealthcare will send the reimbursement directly to you (the Participant) for you to reimburse the non-Network provider upon receipt of their bill. However, UnitedHealthcare reserves the right, in its discretion, to pay the non-Network provider directly for services rendered to you. When exercising its discretion with respect to payment, UnitedHealthcare may consider whether you have requested that payment of your Benefits be made directly to the non-Network provider. Under no circumstances will UnitedHealthcare pay Benefits to anyone other than you or, in its discretion, your Provider. Direct payment to a non-Network provider shall not be deemed to constitute consent by UnitedHealthcare to an assignment or to waive the consent requirement. When UnitedHealthcare in its discretion directs payment to a non-Network provider, you remain the sole beneficiary of the payment, and the non-Network provider does not thereby become a beneficiary. Accordingly, legally required notices concerning your Benefits will be directed to you, although UnitedHealthcare may in its discretion send information concerning the Benefits to the non-Network provider as well. If payment to a non-Network provider is made, the Plan reserves the right to offset Benefits to

be paid to the provider by any amounts that the provider owes the Plan (including amounts owed as a result of the assignment of other plans' overpayment recovery rights to the Plan), pursuant to *Refund of Overpayments* in Section 10, *Coordination of Benefits*.

### ***Form of Payment of Benefits***

Payment of Benefits under the Plan shall be in cash or cash equivalents, or in the form of other consideration that UnitedHealthcare in its discretion determines to be adequate. Where Benefits are payable directly to a provider, such adequate consideration includes the forgiveness in whole or in part of amounts the provider owes to other plans for which UnitedHealthcare makes payments, where the Plan has taken an assignment of the other plans' recovery rights for value.

### **Health Statements**

Each month in which UnitedHealthcare processes at least one claim for you or a covered Dependent, you will receive a Health Statement in the mail. Health Statements make it easy for you to manage your family's medical costs by providing claims information in easy-to-understand terms.

If you would rather track claims for yourself and your covered Dependents online, you may do so at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com). You may also elect to discontinue receipt of paper Health Statements by making the appropriate selection on this site.

### **Explanation of Benefits (EOB)**

You may request that UnitedHealthcare send you a paper copy of an Explanation of Benefits (EOB) after processing the claim. The EOB will let you know if there is any portion of the claim you need to pay. If any claims are denied in whole or in part, the EOB will include the reason for the denial or partial payment. If you would like paper copies of the EOBs, you may call the toll-free number on your ID card to request them. You can also view and print all of your EOBs online at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com). See Section 14, *Glossary* for the definition of Explanation of Benefits.

#### **Important - Timely Filing of Non-Network Claims**

All claim forms for non-Network services must be submitted within 12 months after the date of service. Otherwise, the Plan will not pay any Benefits for that Eligible Expense, or Benefits will be reduced, as determined by City of Columbia, Missouri. This 12-month requirement does not apply if you are legally incapacitated. If your claim relates to an Inpatient Stay, the date of service is the date your Inpatient Stay ends.

### **Claim Denials and Appeals**

#### ***If Your Claim is Denied***

If a claim for Benefits is denied in part or in whole, you may call UnitedHealthcare at the number on your ID card before requesting a formal appeal. If UnitedHealthcare cannot resolve the issue to your satisfaction over the phone, you have the right to file a formal appeal as described below.

### ***How to Appeal a Denied Claim***

If you wish to appeal a denied pre-service request for Benefits, post-service claim or a rescission of coverage as described below, you or your authorized representative must submit your appeal in writing within 180 days of receiving the adverse benefit determination. You do not need to submit Urgent Care appeals in writing. This communication should include:

- the patient's name and ID number as shown on the ID card;
- the provider's name;
- the date of medical service;
- the reason you disagree with the denial; and
- any documentation or other written information to support your request.

You or your authorized representative may send a written request for an appeal to:

UnitedHealthcare - Appeals  
P.O. Box 30432  
Salt Lake City, UT 84130-0432

For Urgent Care requests for Benefits that have been denied, you or your provider can call UnitedHealthcare at the toll-free number on your ID card to request an appeal.

#### **Types of claims**

The timing of the claims appeal process is based on the type of claim you are appealing. If you wish to appeal a claim, it helps to understand whether it is an:

- urgent care request for Benefits;
- pre-service request for Benefits;
- post-service claim; or
- concurrent claim.

### ***Review of an Appeal***

UnitedHealthcare will conduct a full and fair review of your appeal. The appeal may be reviewed by:

- an appropriate individual(s) who did not make the initial benefit determination; and
- a health care professional with appropriate expertise who was not consulted during the initial benefit determination process.

Once the review is complete, if UnitedHealthcare upholds the denial, you will receive a written explanation of the reasons and facts relating to the denial.

***Filing a Second Appeal***

Your Plan offers two levels of appeal. If you are not satisfied with the first level appeal decision, you have the right to request a second level appeal from City of Columbia, Missouri within 60 days from receipt of the first level appeal determination.

**Note:** Upon written request and free of charge, any Covered Persons may examine documents relevant to their claim and/or appeals and submit opinions and comments. City of Columbia, Missouri will review all claims in accordance with the rules established by the U.S. Department of Labor.

**Federal External Review Program**

If, after exhausting your internal appeals, you are not satisfied with the determination made by City of Columbia, Missouri, or if City of Columbia, Missouri fails to respond to your appeal in accordance with applicable regulations regarding timing, you may be entitled to request an external review of City of Columbia, Missouri's determination. The process is available at no charge to you.

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

- clinical reasons;
- the exclusions for Experimental or Investigational Services or Unproven Services;
- rescission of coverage (coverage that was cancelled or discontinued retroactively); or
- as otherwise required by applicable law.

You or your representative may request a standard external review by sending a written request to the address set out in the determination letter. You or your representative may request an expedited external review, in urgent situations as detailed below, by calling the toll-free number on your ID card or by sending a written request to the address set out in the determination letter. A request must be made within four months after the date you received City of Columbia, Missouri's decision.

An external review request should include all of the following:

- a specific request for an external review;
- the Covered Person's name, address, and insurance ID number;
- your designated representative's name and address, when applicable;
- the service that was denied; and
- any new, relevant information that was not provided during the internal appeal.

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



- a standard external review; and
- an expedited external review.

***Standard External Review***

A standard external review is comprised of all of the following:

- a preliminary review by UnitedHealthcare of the request;
- a referral of the request by UnitedHealthcare to the IRO; and
- a decision by the IRO.

Within the applicable timeframe after receipt of the request, UnitedHealthcare will complete a preliminary review to determine whether the individual for whom the request was submitted meets all of the following:

- is or was covered under the Plan at the time the health care service or procedure that is at issue in the request was provided;
- has exhausted the applicable internal appeals process; and
- has provided all the information and forms required so that UnitedHealthcare may process the request.

After UnitedHealthcare completes the preliminary review, UnitedHealthcare will issue a notification in writing to you. If the request is eligible for external review, UnitedHealthcare will assign an IRO to conduct such review. UnitedHealthcare will assign requests by either rotating claims assignments among the IROs or by using a random selection process.

The IRO will notify you in writing of the request's eligibility and acceptance for external review. You may submit in writing to the IRO within ten business days following the date of receipt of the notice additional information that the IRO will consider when conducting the external review. The IRO is not required to, but may, accept and consider additional information submitted by you after ten business days.

UnitedHealthcare will provide to the assigned IRO the documents and information considered in making City of Columbia, Missouri's determination. The documents include:

- all relevant medical records;
- all other documents relied upon by City of Columbia, Missouri; and
- all other information or evidence that you or your Physician submitted. If there is any information or evidence you or your Physician wish to submit that was not previously provided, you may include this information with your external review request and UnitedHealthcare will include it with the documents forwarded to the IRO.

In reaching a decision, the IRO will review the claim anew and not be bound by any decisions or conclusions reached by City of Columbia, Missouri. The IRO will provide

written notice of its determination (the “Final External Review Decision”) within 45 days after it receives the request for the external review (unless they request additional time and you agree). The IRO will deliver the notice of Final External Review Decision to you and UnitedHealthcare, and it will include the clinical basis for the determination.

Upon receipt of a Final External Review Decision reversing City of Columbia, Missouri determination, the Plan will immediately provide coverage or payment for the benefit claim at issue in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Plan, and any applicable law regarding plan remedies. If the Final External Review Decision is that payment or referral will not be made, the Plan will not be obligated to provide Benefits for the health care service or procedure.

### ***Expedited External Review***

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

You may make a written or verbal request for an expedited external review if you receive either of the following:

- an adverse benefit determination of a claim or appeal if the adverse benefit determination involves a medical condition for which the time frame for completion of an expedited internal appeal would seriously jeopardize the life or health of the individual or would jeopardize the individual's ability to regain maximum function and you have filed a request for an expedited internal appeal; or
- a final appeal decision, if the determination involves a medical condition where the timeframe for completion of a standard external review would seriously jeopardize the life or health of the individual or would jeopardize the individual's ability to regain maximum function, or if the final appeal decision concerns an admission, availability of care, continued stay, or health care service, procedure or product for which the individual received emergency services, but has not been discharged from a facility.

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

- is or was covered under the Plan at the time the health care service or procedure that is at issue in the request was provided.
- has provided all the information and forms required so that UnitedHealthcare may process the request.

After UnitedHealthcare completes the review, UnitedHealthcare will immediately send a notice in writing to you. Upon a determination that a request is eligible for expedited external review, UnitedHealthcare will assign an IRO in the same manner UnitedHealthcare utilizes to assign standard external reviews to IROs. UnitedHealthcare will provide all necessary documents and information considered in making the adverse benefit determination or final adverse benefit determination to the assigned IRO electronically or by

telephone or facsimile or any other available expeditious method. The IRO, to the extent the information or documents are available and the IRO considers them appropriate, must consider the same type of information and documents considered in a standard external review.

In reaching a decision, the IRO will review the claim anew and not be bound by any decisions or conclusions reached by City of Columbia, Missouri. The IRO will provide notice of the final external review decision for an expedited external review as expeditiously as the claimant's medical condition or circumstances require, but in no event more than 72 hours after the IRO receives the request. If the initial notice is not in writing, within 48 hours after the date of providing the initial notice, the assigned IRO will provide written confirmation of the decision to you and to UnitedHealthcare.

You may contact UnitedHealthcare at the toll-free number on your ID card for more information regarding external review rights, or if making a verbal request for an expedited external review.

***Timing of Appeals Determinations***

Separate schedules apply to the timing of claims appeals, depending on the type of claim. There are three types of claims:

- Urgent Care request for Benefits - a request for Benefits provided in connection with Urgent Care services, as defined in Section 14, *Glossary*;
- Pre-Service request for Benefits - a request for Benefits which the Plan must approve or in which you must notify UnitedHealthcare before non-Urgent Care is provided; and
- Post-Service - a claim for reimbursement of the cost of non-Urgent Care that has already been provided.

The tables below describe the time frames which you and UnitedHealthcare are required to follow.

<b>Urgent Care Request for Benefits*</b>	
<b>Type of Request for Benefits or Appeal</b>	<b>Timing</b>
If your request for Benefits is incomplete, UnitedHealthcare must notify you within:	<b>24 hours</b>
You must then provide completed request for Benefits to UnitedHealthcare within:	<b>48 hours</b> after receiving notice of additional information required
UnitedHealthcare must notify you of the benefit determination within:	<b>72 hours</b>
If UnitedHealthcare denies your request for Benefits, you must appeal an adverse benefit determination no later than:	<b>180 days</b> after receiving the adverse

<b>Urgent Care Request for Benefits*</b>	
<b>Type of Request for Benefits or Appeal</b>	<b>Timing</b>
	benefit determination
UnitedHealthcare must notify you of the appeal decision within:	<b>72 hours</b> after receiving the appeal

\*You do not need to submit Urgent Care appeals in writing. You should call UnitedHealthcare as soon as possible to appeal an Urgent Care request for Benefits.

<b>Pre-Service Request for Benefits*</b>	
<b>Type of Request for Benefits or Appeal</b>	<b>Timing</b>
If your request for Benefits is filed improperly, UnitedHealthcare must notify you within:	<b>5 days</b>
If your request for Benefits is incomplete, UnitedHealthcare must notify you within:	<b>15 days</b>
You must then provide completed request for Benefits information to UnitedHealthcare within:	<b>45 days</b>
UnitedHealthcare must notify you of the benefit determination:	
■ if the initial request for Benefits is complete, within:	<b>15 days</b>
■ after receiving the completed request for Benefits (if the initial request for Benefits is incomplete), within:	<b>15 days</b>
You must appeal an adverse benefit determination no later than:	<b>180 days</b> after receiving the adverse benefit determination
UnitedHealthcare must notify you of the first level appeal decision within:	<b>15 days</b> after receiving the first level appeal
You must appeal the first level appeal (file a second level appeal) within:	<b>60 days</b> after receiving the first level appeal decision
City of Columbia, Missouri must notify you of the second level appeal decision within:	<b>15 days</b> after receiving the second level appeal

\*UnitedHealthcare may require a one-time extension for the initial claim determination, of no more than 15 days, only if more time is needed due to circumstances beyond control of the Plan.

<b>Post-Service Claims</b>	
<b>Type of Claim or Appeal</b>	<b>Timing</b>
If your claim is incomplete, UnitedHealthcare must notify you within:	<b>30 days</b>
You must then provide completed claim information to UnitedHealthcare within:	<b>45 days</b>
UnitedHealthcare must notify you of the benefit determination:	
■ if the initial claim is complete, within:	<b>30 days</b>
■ after receiving the completed claim (if the initial claim is incomplete), within:	<b>30 days</b>
You must appeal an adverse benefit determination no later than:	<b>180 days</b> after receiving the adverse benefit determination
UnitedHealthcare must notify you of the first level appeal decision within:	<b>30 days</b> after receiving the first level appeal
You must appeal the first level appeal (file a second level appeal) within:	<b>60 days</b> after receiving the first level appeal decision
City of Columbia, Missouri must notify you of the second level appeal decision within:	<b>30 days</b> after receiving the second level appeal

***Concurrent Care Claims***

If an on-going course of treatment was previously approved for a specific period of time or number of treatments, and your request to extend the treatment is an Urgent Care request for Benefits as defined above, your request will be decided within 24 hours, provided your request is made at least 24 hours prior to the end of the approved treatment.

UnitedHealthcare will make a determination on your request for the extended treatment within 24 hours from receipt of your request.

If your request for extended treatment is not made at least 24 hours prior to the end of the approved treatment, the request will be treated as an Urgent Care request for Benefits and decided according to the timeframes described above. If an on-going course of treatment was previously approved for a specific period of time or number of treatments, and you request to extend treatment in a non-urgent circumstance, your request will be considered a new request and decided according to post-service or pre-service timeframes, whichever applies.

## **Limitation of Action**

You cannot bring any legal action against City of Columbia, Missouri or the Claims Administrator to recover reimbursement until 90 days after you have properly submitted a request for reimbursement as described in this section and all required reviews of your claim have been completed. If you want to bring a legal action against City of Columbia, Missouri or the Claims Administrator, you must do so within three years from the expiration of the time period in which a request for reimbursement must be submitted or you lose any rights to bring such an action against City of Columbia, Missouri or the Claims Administrator.

You cannot bring any legal action against City of Columbia, Missouri or the Claims Administrator for any other reason unless you first complete all the steps in the appeal process described in this section. After completing that process, if you want to bring a legal action against City of Columbia, Missouri or the Claims Administrator you must do so within three years of the date you are notified of the final decision on your appeal or you lose any rights to bring such an action against City of Columbia, Missouri or the Claims Administrator.

## SECTION 10 - COORDINATION OF BENEFITS (COB)

### What this section includes:

- How your Benefits under this Plan coordinate with other medical plans;
- How coverage is affected if you become eligible for Medicare; and
- Procedures in the event the Plan overpays Benefits.

Coordination of Benefits (COB) applies to you if you are covered by more than one health benefits plan, including any one of the following:

- another employer sponsored health benefits plan;
- a medical component of a group long-term care plan, such as skilled nursing care;
- no-fault or traditional "fault" type medical payment benefits or personal injury protection benefits under an auto insurance policy;
- medical payment benefits under any premises liability or other types of liability coverage; or
- Medicare or other governmental health benefit.

If coverage is provided under two or more plans, COB determines which plan is primary and which plan is secondary. The plan considered primary pays its benefits first, without regard to the possibility that another plan may cover some expenses. Any remaining expenses may be paid under the other plan, which is considered secondary. The secondary plan may determine its benefits based on the benefits paid by the primary plan. How much this Plan will reimburse you, if anything, will also depend in part on the allowable expense. The term, "allowable expense," is further explained below.

### Don't forget to update your Dependents' Medical Coverage Information

Avoid delays on your Dependent claims by updating your Dependent's medical coverage information. Just log on to [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or call the toll-free number on your ID card to update your COB information. You will need the name of your Dependent's other medical coverage, along with the policy number.

## Determining Which Plan is Primary

### *Order of Benefit Determination Rules*

If you are covered by two or more plans, the benefit payment follows the rules below in this order:

- this Plan will always be secondary to medical payment coverage or personal injury protection coverage under any auto liability or no-fault insurance policy;
- when you have coverage under two or more medical plans and only one has COB provisions, the plan without COB provisions will pay benefits first;

- a plan that covers a person as an employee pays benefits before a plan that covers the person as a dependent;
- if you are receiving COBRA continuation coverage under another employer plan, this Plan will pay Benefits first;
- your dependent children will receive primary coverage from the parent whose birth date occurs first in a calendar year. If both parents have the same birth date, the plan that pays benefits first is the one that has been in effect the longest. This birthday rule applies only if:
  - the parents are married or living together whether or not they have ever been married and not legally separated; or
  - a court decree awards joint custody without specifying that one party has the responsibility to provide health care coverage;
- if two or more plans cover a dependent child of divorced or separated parents and if there is no court decree stating that one parent is responsible for health care, the child will be covered under the plan of:
  - the parent with custody of the child; then
  - the Spouse of the parent with custody of the child; then
  - the parent not having custody of the child; then
  - the Spouse of the parent not having custody of the child;
- plans for active employees pay before plans covering laid-off or retired employees;
- the plan that has covered the individual claimant the longest will pay first; and
- finally, if none of the above rules determines which plan is primary or secondary, the allowable expenses shall be shared equally between the plans meeting the definition of Plan. In addition, this Plan will not pay more than it would have paid had it been the primary Plan.

The following examples illustrate how the Plan determines which plan pays first and which plan pays second.

#### **Determining Primary and Secondary Plan – Examples**

1) Let's say you and your Spouse both have family medical coverage through your respective employers. You are unwell and go to see a Physician. Since you're covered as a Participant under this Plan, and as a Dependent under your Spouse's plan, this Plan will pay Benefits for the Physician's office visit first.

2) Again, let's say you and your Spouse both have family medical coverage through your respective employers. You take your Dependent child to see a Physician. This Plan will look at your birthday and your Spouse's birthday to determine which plan pays first. If you were born on June 11 and your Spouse was born on May 30, your Spouse's plan will pay first.



## When This Plan is Secondary

If this Plan is secondary, it determines the amount it will pay for a Covered Health Service by following the steps below.

- the Plan determines the amount it would have paid based on the allowable expense.
- the Plan pays the entire difference between the allowable expense and the amount paid by the primary plan – as long as this amount is not more than the Plan would have paid had it been the only plan involved.

You will be responsible for any Copay, Coinsurance or Deductible payments as part of the COB payment. The maximum combined payment you may receive from all plans cannot exceed 100% of the allowable expense.

### *Determining the Allowable Expense If This Plan is Secondary*

**What is an allowable expense?**

For purposes of COB, an allowable expense is a health care expense that is covered at least in part by one of the health benefit plans covering you.

When the provider is a Network provider for both the primary plan and this Plan, the allowable expense is the primary plan's network rate. When the provider is a network provider for the primary plan and a non-Network provider for this Plan, the allowable expense is the primary plan's network rate. When the provider is a non-Network provider for the primary plan and a Network provider for this Plan, the allowable expense is the reasonable and customary charges allowed by the primary plan. When the provider is a non-Network provider for both the primary plan and this Plan, the allowable expense is the greater of the two Plans' reasonable and customary charges. If this plan is secondary to Medicare, please also refer to the discussion in the section below, titled *Determining the Allowable Expense When This Plan is Secondary to Medicare*.

## When a Covered Person Qualifies for Medicare

### *Determining Which Plan is Primary*

As permitted by law, this Plan will pay Benefits second to Medicare when you become eligible for Medicare, even if you don't elect it. There are, however, Medicare-eligible individuals for whom the Plan pays Benefits first and Medicare pays benefits second:

- employees with active current employment status age 65 or older and their Spouses age 65 or older (however, Domestic Partners are excluded as provided by Medicare); and
- individuals with end-stage renal disease, for a limited period of time.

***Determining the Allowable Expense When This Plan is Secondary to Medicare***

If this Plan is secondary to Medicare, the Medicare approved amount is the allowable expense, as long as the provider accepts reimbursement directly from Medicare. If the provider accepts reimbursement directly from Medicare, the Medicare approved amount is the charge that Medicare has determined that it will recognize and which it reports on an "explanation of Medicare benefits" issued by Medicare (the "EOMB") for a given service. Medicare typically reimburses such providers a percentage of its approved charge – often 80%.

If the provider does not accept assignment of your Medicare benefits, the Medicare limiting charge (the most a provider can charge you if they don't accept Medicare – typically 115% of the Medicare approved amount) will be the allowable expense. Medicare payments, combined with Plan Benefits, will not exceed 100% of the allowable expense.

If you are eligible for, but not enrolled in, Medicare, and this Plan is secondary to Medicare, or if you have enrolled in Medicare but choose to obtain services from a provider that does not participate in the Medicare program, (as opposed to a provider who does not accept assignment of Medicare benefits), Benefits will be paid on a secondary basis under this Plan and will be determined as if you timely enrolled in Medicare and obtained services from a Medicare participating provider.

When calculating the Plan's Benefits in these situations, and when Medicare does not issue an EOMB, for administrative convenience UnitedHealthcare will treat the provider's billed charges for covered services as the allowable expense for both the Plan and Medicare, rather than the Medicare approved amount or Medicare limiting charge.

**Medicare Crossover Program**

The Plan offers a Medicare Cross-over program for Medicare Part A and Part B and Durable Medical Equipment (DME) claims. Under this program, you no longer have to file a separate claim with the Plan to receive secondary benefits for these expenses. Your Dependent will also have this automated crossover, as long as he or she is eligible for Medicare and this Plan is your only secondary medical coverage.

Once the Medicare Part A and Part B and DME carriers have reimbursed your health care provider, the Medicare carrier will electronically submit the necessary information to the Claims Administrator to process the balance of your claim under the provisions of this Plan.

You can verify that the automated cross-over took place when your copy of the explanation of Medicare benefits (EOMB) states your claim has been forwarded to your secondary carrier.

This cross-over process does not apply to expenses that Medicare does not cover. You must go on to file claims for these expenses.

For information about enrollment or if you have questions about the program, call the telephone number listed on the back of your ID card.

## Right to Receive and Release Needed Information

Certain facts about health care coverage and services are needed to apply these COB rules and to determine benefits payable under this Plan and other plans. UnitedHealthcare may get the facts needed from, or give them to, other organizations or persons for the purpose of applying these rules and determining benefits payable under this Plan and other plans covering the person claiming benefits.

UnitedHealthcare does not need to tell, or get the consent of, any person to do this. Each person claiming benefits under this Plan must give UnitedHealthcare any facts needed to apply those rules and determine benefits payable. If you do not provide UnitedHealthcare the information needed to apply these rules and determine the Benefits payable, your claim for Benefits will be denied.

## Overpayment and Underpayment of Benefits

If you are covered under more than one medical plan, there is a possibility that the other plan will pay a benefit that the Plan should have paid. If this occurs, the Plan may pay the other plan the amount owed.

If the Plan pays you more than it owes under this COB provision, you should pay the excess back promptly. Otherwise, the Company may recover the amount in the form of salary, wages, or benefits payable under any Company-sponsored benefit plans, including this Plan. The Company also reserves the right to recover any overpayment by legal action or offset payments on future Eligible Expenses.

If the Plan overpays a health care provider, UnitedHealthcare reserves the right to recover the excess amount from the provider pursuant to *Refund of Overpayments*, below.

### ***Refund of Overpayments***

If the Plan pays for Benefits for expenses incurred on account of a Covered Person, that Covered Person, or any other person or organization that was paid, must make a refund to the Plan if:

- the Plan's obligation to pay Benefits was contingent on the expenses incurred being legally owed and paid by the Covered Person, but all or some of the expenses were not paid by the Covered Person or did not legally have to be paid by the Covered Person.
- all or some of the payment the Plan made exceeded the Benefits under the Plan; or
- all or some of the payment was made in error.

The amount that must be refunded equals the amount the Plan paid in excess of the amount that should have been paid under the Plan. If the refund is due from another person or organization, the Covered Person agrees to help the Plan get the refund when requested.

If the refund is due from the Covered Person and the Covered Person does not promptly refund the full amount owed, the Plan may recover the overpayment by reallocating the overpaid amount to pay, in whole or in part, future Benefits for the Covered Person that are

payable under the Plan. If the refund is due from a person or organization other than the Covered Person, the Plan may recover the overpayment by reallocating the overpaid amount to pay, in whole or in part, (i) future Benefits that are payable in connection with services provided to other Covered Persons under the Plan; or (ii) future benefits that are payable in connection with services provided to persons under other plans for which UnitedHealthcare makes payments, pursuant to a transaction in which the Plan's overpayment recovery rights are assigned to such other plans in exchange for such plans' remittance of the amount of the reallocated payment. The reallocated payment amount will equal the amount of the required refund or, if less than the full amount of the required refund, will be deducted from the amount of refund owed to the Plan. The Plan may have other rights in addition to the right to reallocate overpaid amounts and other enumerated rights, including the right to commence a legal action.

## SECTION 11 - SUBROGATION AND REIMBURSEMENT

The Plan has a right to subrogation and reimbursement. References to “you” or “your” in this *Subrogation and Reimbursement* section shall include you, your estate and your heirs and beneficiaries unless otherwise stated.

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

### ***Subrogation – Example***

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

The right to reimbursement means that if it is alleged that any third party caused or is responsible for a Sickness or Injury for which you receive a settlement, judgment, or other recovery from any third party, you must use those proceeds to fully return to the Plan 100% of any Benefits you receive for that Sickness or Injury. The right of reimbursement shall apply to any Benefits received at any time until the rights are extinguished, resolved or waived in writing.

### ***Reimbursement – Example***

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

The following persons and entities are considered third parties:

- A person or entity alleged to have caused you to suffer a Sickness, Injury or damages, or who is legally responsible for the Sickness, Injury or damages.
- Any insurer or other indemnifier of any person or entity alleged to have caused or who caused the Sickness, Injury or damages.
- The Plan Sponsor in a workers’ compensation case or other matter alleging liability.
- Any person or entity who is or may be obligated to provide Benefits or payments to you, including Benefits or payments for underinsured or uninsured motorist protection, no-fault or traditional auto insurance, medical payment coverage (auto, homeowners or otherwise), workers' compensation coverage, other insurance carriers or third party administrators.

- Any person or entity against whom you may have any claim for professional and/or legal malpractice arising out of or connected to a Sickness or Injury you allege or could have alleged were the responsibility of any third party.
- Any person or entity that is liable for payment to you on any equitable or legal liability theory.

You agree as follows:

- You will cooperate with the Plan in protecting its legal and equitable rights to subrogation and reimbursement in a timely manner, including, but not limited to:
  - Notifying the Plan, in writing, of any potential legal claim(s) you may have against any third party for acts which caused Benefits to be paid or become payable.
  - Providing any relevant information requested by the Plan.
  - Signing and/or delivering such documents as the Plan or its agents reasonably request to secure the subrogation and reimbursement claim.
  - Responding to requests for information about any accident or injuries.
  - Making court appearances.
  - Obtaining the Plan's consent or its agents' consent before releasing any party from liability or payment of medical expenses.
  - Complying with the terms of this section.

Your failure to cooperate with the Plan is considered a breach of contract. As such, the Plan has the right to terminate your Benefits, deny future Benefits, take legal action against you, and/or set off from any future Benefits the value of Benefits the Plan has paid relating to any Sickness or Injury alleged to have been caused or caused by any third party to the extent not recovered by the Plan due to you or your representative not cooperating with the Plan. If the Plan incurs attorneys' fees and costs in order to collect third party settlement funds held by you or your representative, the Plan has the right to recover those fees and costs from you. You will also be required to pay interest on any amounts you hold which should have been returned to the Plan.

- The Plan has a first priority right to receive payment on any claim against any third party before you receive payment from that third party. Further, the Plan's first priority right to payment is superior to any and all claims, debts or liens asserted by any medical providers, including but not limited to hospitals or emergency treatment facilities, that assert a right to payment from funds payable from or recovered from an allegedly responsible third party and/or insurance carrier.
- The Plan's subrogation and reimbursement rights apply to full and partial settlements, judgments, or other recoveries paid or payable to you or your representative, your estate, your heirs and beneficiaries, no matter how those proceeds are captioned or characterized. Payments include, but are not limited to, economic, non-economic, pecuniary, consortium and punitive damages. The Plan is not required to help you to pursue your claim for damages or personal injuries and no amount of associated costs, including attorneys' fees, shall be deducted from the Plan's recovery without the Plan's express written consent. No so-called "Fund Doctrine" or "Common Fund Doctrine" or "Attorney's Fund Doctrine" shall defeat this right.

- Regardless of whether you have been fully compensated or made whole, the Plan may collect from you the proceeds of any full or partial recovery that you or your legal representative obtain, whether in the form of a settlement (either before or after any determination of liability) or judgment, no matter how those proceeds are captioned or characterized. Proceeds from which the Plan may collect include, but are not limited to, economic, non-economic, and punitive damages. No "collateral source" rule, any "Made-Whole Doctrine" or "Make-Whole Doctrine," claim of unjust enrichment, nor any other equitable limitation shall limit the Plan's subrogation and reimbursement rights.
- Benefits paid by the Plan may also be considered to be Benefits advanced.
- If you receive any payment from any party as a result of Sickness or Injury, and the Plan alleges some or all of those funds are due and owed to the Plan, you and/or your representative shall hold those funds in trust, either in a separate bank account in your name or in your representative's trust account.
- By participating in and accepting Benefits from the Plan, you agree that (i) any amounts recovered by you from any third party shall constitute Plan assets to the extent of the amount of Plan Benefits provided on behalf of the Covered Person, (ii) you and your representative shall be fiduciaries of the Plan (within the meaning of ERISA) with respect to such amounts, and (iii) you shall be liable for and agree to pay any costs and fees (including reasonable attorney fees) incurred by the Plan to enforce its reimbursement rights.
- The Plan's rights to recovery will not be reduced due to your own negligence.
- By participating in and accepting Benefits from the Plan, you agree to assign to the Plan any Benefits, claims or rights of recovery you have under any automobile policy - including no-fault Benefits, PIP Benefits and/or medical payment Benefits - other coverage or against any third party, to the full extent of the Benefits the Plan has paid for the Sickness or Injury. By agreeing to provide this assignment in exchange for participating in and accepting Benefits, you acknowledge and recognize the Plan's right to assert, pursue and recover on any such claim, whether or not you choose to pursue the claim, and you agree to this assignment voluntarily.
- The Plan may, at its option, take necessary and appropriate action to preserve its rights under these provisions, including but not limited to, providing or exchanging medical payment information with an insurer, the insurer's legal representative or other third party; filing an ERISA reimbursement lawsuit to recover the full amount of medical Benefits you receive for the Sickness or Injury out of any settlement, judgment or other recovery from any third party considered responsible and filing suit in your name or your estate's name, which does not obligate the Plan in any way to pay you part of any recovery the Plan might obtain. Any ERISA reimbursement lawsuit stemming from a refusal to refund Benefits as required under the terms of the Plan is governed by a six-year statute of limitations.
- You may not accept any settlement that does not fully reimburse the Plan, without its written approval.
- The Plan has the authority and discretion to resolve all disputes regarding the interpretation of the language stated herein.

- In the case of your death, giving rise to any wrongful death or survival claim, the provisions of this section apply to your estate, the personal representative of your estate, and your heirs or beneficiaries. In the case of your death the Plan's right of reimbursement and right of subrogation shall apply if a claim can be brought on behalf of you or your estate that can include a claim for past medical expenses or damages. The obligation to reimburse the Plan is not extinguished by a release of claims or settlement agreement of any kind.
- No allocation of damages, settlement funds or any other recovery, by you, your estate, the personal representative of your estate, your heirs, your beneficiaries or any other person or party, shall be valid if it does not reimburse the Plan for 100% of its interest unless the Plan provides written consent to the allocation.
- The provisions of this section apply to the parents, guardian, or other representative of a Dependent child who incurs a Sickness or Injury caused by any third party. If a parent or guardian may bring a claim for damages arising out of a minor's Sickness or Injury, the terms of this subrogation and reimbursement clause shall apply to that claim.
- If any third party causes or is alleged to have caused you to suffer a Sickness or Injury while you are covered under this Plan, the provisions of this section continue to apply, even after you are no longer covered.
- In the event that you do not abide by the terms of the Plan pertaining to reimbursement, the Plan may terminate Benefits to you, your dependents or the participant, deny future Benefits, take legal action against you, and/or set off from any future Benefits the value of Benefits the Plan has paid relating to any Sickness or Injury alleged to have been caused or caused by any third party to the extent not recovered by the Plan due to your failure to abide by the terms of the Plan. If the Plan incurs attorneys' fees and costs in order to collect third party settlement funds held by you or your representative, the Plan has the right to recover those fees and costs from you. You will also be required to pay interest on any amounts you hold which should have been returned to the Plan.
- The Plan and all Administrators administering the terms and conditions of the Plan's subrogation and reimbursement rights have such powers and duties as are necessary to discharge its duties and functions, including the exercise of its discretionary authority to (1) construe and enforce the terms of the Plan's subrogation and reimbursement rights and (2) make determinations with respect to the subrogation amounts and reimbursements owed to the Plan.

## Right of Recovery

The Plan also has the right to recover Benefits it has paid on you or your Dependent's behalf that were:

- Made in error.
- Due to a mistake in fact.
- Advanced during the time period of meeting the calendar year Deductible.
- Advanced during the time period of meeting the Out-of-Pocket Maximum for the calendar year.



- Benefits paid because you or your Dependent misrepresented facts are also subject to recovery.
- If the Plan provides a Benefit for you or your Dependent that exceeds the amount that should have been paid, the Plan will:
  - Require that the overpayment be returned when requested.
  - Reduce a future Benefit payment for you or your Dependent by the amount of the overpayment.

If the Plan provides an advancement of Benefits to you or your Dependent during the time period of meeting the Deductible and/or meeting the Out-of-Pocket Maximum for the calendar year, the Plan will send you or your Dependent a monthly statement identifying the amount you owe with payment instructions. The Plan has the right to recover Benefits it has advanced by:

- Submitting a reminder letter to you or a covered Dependent that details any outstanding balance owed to the Plan.
- Conducting courtesy calls to you or a covered Dependent to discuss any outstanding balance owed to the Plan.

## SECTION 12 - WHEN COVERAGE ENDS

**What this section includes:**

- Circumstances that cause coverage to end;
- Extended coverage;
- Conversion from a group policy to an individual policy; and
- How to continue coverage after it ends.

Your entitlement to Benefits automatically ends on the date that coverage ends, even if you are hospitalized or are otherwise receiving medical treatment on that date. Please note that this does not affect coverage that is extended under *Extended Coverage for Total Disability* below.

When your coverage ends, City of Columbia, Missouri will still pay claims for Covered Health Services that you received before your coverage ended. However, once your coverage ends, Benefits are not provided for health services that you receive after coverage ended, even if the underlying medical condition occurred before your coverage ended. Please note that this does not affect coverage that is extended under *Extended Coverage for Total Disability* below.

Your coverage under the Plan will end on the earliest of:

- the last day of the month your employment with the Company ends;
- the date the Plan ends;
- the last day of the month you stop making the required contributions;
- the last day of the month you are no longer eligible;
- the last day of the month UnitedHealthcare receives written notice from City of Columbia, Missouri to end your coverage, or the date requested in the notice, if later; or
- the last day of the month you retire or are pensioned under the Plan, unless specific coverage is available for retired or pensioned persons and you are eligible for that coverage.

Coverage for your eligible Dependents will end on the earliest of:

- the date your coverage ends;
- the last day of the month you stop making the required contributions;
- the last day of the month UnitedHealthcare receives written notice from City of Columbia, Missouri to end your coverage, or the date requested in the notice, if later; or
- the last day of the month your Dependents no longer qualify as Dependents under this Plan.

### ***Other Events Ending Your Coverage***

The Plan will provide at least thirty days' prior written notice to you that your coverage will end on the date identified in the notice if you commit an act, practice, or omission that constituted fraud, or an intentional misrepresentation of a material fact including, but not limited to, knowingly providing incorrect information relating to another person's eligibility or status as a Dependent. You may appeal this decision during the 30-day notice period. The notice will contain information on how to pursue your appeal.

**Note:** If UnitedHealthcare finds that you have performed an act, practice, or omission that constitutes fraud, or have made an intentional misrepresentation of material fact City of Columbia, Missouri has the right to demand that you pay back all Benefits City of Columbia, Missouri paid to you, or paid in your name, during the time you were incorrectly covered under the Plan.

### **Coverage for a Disabled Child**

If an unmarried enrolled Dependent child with a mental or physical disability reaches an age when coverage would otherwise end, the Plan will continue to cover the child, as long as:

- the child is unable to be self-supporting due to a mental or physical handicap or disability;
- the child depends mainly on you for support;
- you provide to City of Columbia, Missouri proof of the child's incapacity and dependency within 31 days of the date coverage would have otherwise ended because the child reached a certain age; and
- you provide proof, upon City of Columbia, Missouri's request, that the child continues to meet these conditions.

The proof might include medical examinations at City of Columbia, Missouri's expense. However, you will not be asked for this information more than once a year. If you do not supply such proof within 31 days, the Plan will no longer pay Benefits for that child.

Coverage will continue, as long as the enrolled Dependent is incapacitated and dependent upon you, unless coverage is otherwise terminated in accordance with the terms of the Plan.

### **Extended Coverage for Total Disability**

If a Covered Person has a Total Disability on the date their coverage under the Plan ends, their Benefits will not end automatically. The Plan will temporarily extend coverage, only for treatment of the condition causing the Total Disability. Benefits will be paid until the earlier of:

- the Total Disability ends; or
- twenty nine months from the date coverage would have ended.

## Continuing Coverage Through COBRA

If you lose your Plan coverage, you may have the right to extend it under the Consolidated Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 (COBRA), as defined in Section 14, *Glossary*.

Continuation coverage under COBRA is available only to Plans that are subject to the terms of COBRA. You can contact your Plan Administrator to determine if City of Columbia, Missouri is subject to the provisions of COBRA.

### *Continuation Coverage under Federal Law (COBRA)*

Much of the language in this section comes from the federal law that governs continuation coverage. You should call your Plan Administrator if you have questions about your right to continue coverage.

In order to be eligible for continuation coverage under federal law, you must meet the definition of a "Qualified Beneficiary". A Qualified Beneficiary is any of the following persons who were covered under the Plan on the day before a qualifying event:

- a Participant;
- a Participant's enrolled Dependent, including with respect to the Participant's children, a child born to or placed for adoption with the Participant during a period of continuation coverage under federal law; or
- a Participant's former Spouse.

### *Qualifying Events for Continuation Coverage under COBRA*

The following table outlines situations in which you may elect to continue coverage under COBRA for yourself and your Dependents, and the maximum length of time you can receive continued coverage. These situations are considered qualifying events.

If Coverage Ends Because of the Following Qualifying Events:	You May Elect COBRA:		
	For Yourself	For Your Spouse	For Your Child(ren)
Your work hours are reduced	18 months	18 months	18 months
Your employment terminates for any reason (other than gross misconduct)	18 months	18 months	18 months
You or your family member become eligible for Social Security disability benefits at any time within the first 60 days of losing coverage <sup>1</sup>	29 months	29 months	29 months
You die	N/A	36 months	36 months

If Coverage Ends Because of the Following Qualifying Events:	You May Elect COBRA:		
	For Yourself	For Your Spouse	For Your Child(ren)
You divorce (or legally separate)	N/A	36 months	36 months
Your child is no longer an eligible family member (e.g., reaches the maximum age limit)	N/A	N/A	36 months
You become entitled to Medicare	N/A	See table below	See table below
City of Columbia, Missouri files for bankruptcy under Title 11, United States Code. <sup>2</sup>	36 months	36 months <sup>3</sup>	36 months <sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Subject to the following conditions: (i) notice of the disability must be provided within the latest of 60 days after a). the determination of the disability, b). the date of the qualifying event, c). the date the Qualified Beneficiary would lose coverage under the Plan, and in no event later than the end of the first 18 months; (ii) the Qualified Beneficiary must agree to pay any increase in the required premium for the additional 11 months over the original 18 months; and (iii) if the Qualified Beneficiary entitled to the 11 months of coverage has non-disabled family members who are also Qualified Beneficiaries, then those non-disabled Qualified Beneficiaries are also entitled to the additional 11 months of continuation coverage. Notice of any final determination that the Qualified Beneficiary is no longer disabled must be provided within 30 days of such determination. Thereafter, continuation coverage may be terminated on the first day of the month that begins more than 30 days after the date of that determination.

<sup>2</sup>This is a qualifying event for any Retired Participant and his or her enrolled Dependents if there is a substantial elimination of coverage within one year before or after the date the bankruptcy was filed.

<sup>3</sup>From the date of the Participant's death if the Participant dies during the continuation coverage.

***How Your Medicare Eligibility Affects Dependent COBRA Coverage***

The table below outlines how your Dependents' COBRA coverage is impacted if you become entitled to Medicare.

If Dependent Coverage Ends When:	You May Elect COBRA Dependent Coverage For Up To:
You become entitled to Medicare and don't experience any additional qualifying events	18 months
You become entitled to Medicare, after which you experience a second qualifying event* before the initial 18-month period expires	36 months

If Dependent Coverage Ends When:	You May Elect COBRA Dependent Coverage For Up To:
You experience a qualifying event*, after which you become entitled to Medicare before the initial 18-month period expires; and, if absent this initial qualifying event, your Medicare entitlement would have resulted in loss of Dependent coverage under the Plan	36 months

\* Your work hours are reduced or your employment is terminated for reasons other than gross misconduct.

***Getting Started***

You will be notified by mail if you become eligible for COBRA coverage as a result of a reduction in work hours or termination of employment. The notification will give you instructions for electing COBRA coverage, and advise you of the monthly cost. Your monthly cost is the full cost, including both Participant and Employer costs, plus a 2% administrative fee or other cost as permitted by law.

You will have up to 60 days from the date you receive notification or 60 days from the date your coverage ends to elect COBRA coverage, whichever is later. You will then have an additional 45 days to pay the cost of your COBRA coverage, retroactive to the date your Plan coverage ended.

During the 60-day election period, the Plan will, only in response to a request from a provider, inform that provider of your right to elect COBRA coverage, retroactive to the date your COBRA eligibility began.

While you are a participant in the medical Plan under COBRA, you have the right to change your coverage election:

- during Open Enrollment; and
- following a change in family status, as described under *Changing Your Coverage* in Section 2, *Introduction*.

***Notification Requirements***

If your covered Dependents lose coverage due to divorce, legal separation, or loss of Dependent status, you or your Dependents must notify the Plan Administrator within 60 days of the latest of:

- the date of the divorce, legal separation or an enrolled Dependent's loss of eligibility as an enrolled Dependent;
- the date your enrolled Dependent would lose coverage under the Plan; or
- the date on which you or your enrolled Dependent are informed of your obligation to provide notice and the procedures for providing such notice.

You or your Dependents must also notify the Plan Administrator when a qualifying event occurs that will extend continuation coverage.

If you or your Dependents fail to notify the Plan Administrator of these events within the 60 day period, the Plan Administrator is not obligated to provide continued coverage to the affected Qualified Beneficiary. If you are continuing coverage under federal law, you must notify the Plan Administrator within 60 days of the birth or adoption of a child.

Once you have notified the Plan Administrator, you will then be notified by mail of your election rights under COBRA.

***Notification Requirements for Disability Determination***

If you extend your COBRA coverage beyond 18 months because you are eligible for disability benefits from Social Security, you must provide Human Resources with notice of the Social Security Administration's determination within 60 days after you receive that determination, and before the end of your initial 18-month continuation period.

The notice requirements will be satisfied by providing written notice to the Plan Administrator at the address stated in Section 16, *Important Administrative Information: ERISA*. The contents of the notice must be such that the Plan Administrator is able to determine the covered Employee and qualified beneficiary(ies), the qualifying event or disability, and the date on which the qualifying event occurred.

***Trade Act of 2002***

The Trade Act of 2002 amended COBRA to provide for a special second 60-day COBRA election period for certain Participants who have experienced a termination or reduction of hours and who lose group health plan coverage as a result. The special second COBRA election period is available only to a very limited group of individuals: generally, those who are receiving trade adjustment assistance (TAA) or 'alternative trade adjustment assistance' under a federal law called the Trade Act of 1974. These Participants are entitled to a second opportunity to elect COBRA coverage for themselves and certain family members (if they did not already elect COBRA coverage), but only within a limited period of 60 days from the first day of the month when an individual begins receiving TAA (or would be eligible to receive TAA but for the requirement that unemployment benefits be exhausted) and only during the six months immediately after their group health plan coverage ended.

If a Participant qualifies or may qualify for assistance under the Trade Act of 1974, he or she should contact the Plan Administrator for additional information. The Participant must contact the Plan Administrator promptly after qualifying for assistance under the Trade Act of 1974 or the Participant will lose his or her special COBRA rights. COBRA coverage elected during the special second election period is not retroactive to the date that Plan coverage was lost, but begins on the first day of the special second election period.

## When COBRA Ends

COBRA coverage will end, before the maximum continuation period, on the earliest of the following dates:

- the date, after electing continuation coverage, that coverage is first obtained under any other group health plan;
- the date, after electing continuation coverage, that you or your covered Dependent first becomes entitled to Medicare;
- the date coverage ends for failure to make the first required premium payment (premium is not paid within 45 days);
- the date coverage ends for failure to make any other monthly premium payment (premium is not paid within 30 days of its due date);
- the date the entire Plan ends; or
- the date coverage would otherwise terminate under the Plan as described in the beginning of this section.

**Note:** If you selected continuation coverage under a prior plan which was then replaced by coverage under this Plan, continuation coverage will end as scheduled under the prior plan or in accordance with the terminating events listed in this section, whichever is earlier.

## Conversion from a Group Plan to an Individual Plan

If your coverage terminates for one of the reasons described below, you may apply for conversion coverage, without furnishing evidence of insurability, if:

- you are no longer eligible as a Participant or enrolled Dependent; or
- continuation coverage ends.

This right to conversion coverage is contingent upon the exhaustion of COBRA continuation coverage.

In addition, you may not be eligible for conversion coverage if you are:

- age 65 or older;
- covered under or eligible for coverage under Medicare (title XVIII as amended); or
- covered under or eligible for any group, individual, prepayment, government, or other plan or program which would result in overinsurance if conversion coverage was issued.

You must submit your first application and payment to UnitedHealthcare or its designated insurance company within 31 days after coverage ends under this Plan. UnitedHealthcare or its designated insurance company will issue conversion coverage according to the terms and conditions in effect at the time you apply. Conversion coverage may be substantially different from coverage provided under this Plan. Even though you may be eligible for conversion coverage, UnitedHealthcare does not offer conversion products in certain states.



When a conversion product is not available, the conversion coverage may be provided by a state sponsored risk pool.

### **Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act**

A Participant who is absent from employment for more than 30 days by reason of service in the Uniformed Services may elect to continue Plan coverage for the Participant and the Participant's Dependents in accordance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act of 1994, as amended (USERRA).

The terms "Uniformed Services" or "Military Service" mean the Armed Forces, the Army National Guard and the Air National Guard when engaged in active duty for training, inactive duty training, or full-time National Guard duty, the commissioned corps of the Public Health Service, and any other category of persons designated by the President in time of war or national emergency.

If qualified to continue coverage pursuant to the USERRA, Participants may elect to continue coverage under the Plan by notifying the Plan Administrator in advance, and providing payment of any required contribution for the health coverage. This may include the amount the Plan Administrator normally pays on a Participant's behalf. If a Participant's Military Service is for a period of time less than 31 days, the Participant may not be required to pay more than the regular contribution amount, if any, for continuation of health coverage.

A Participant may continue Plan coverage under USERRA for up to the lesser of:

- the 24 month period beginning on the date of the Participant's absence from work; or
- the day after the date on which the Participant fails to apply for, or return to, a position of employment.

Regardless of whether a Participant continues health coverage, if the Participant returns to a position of employment, the Participant's health coverage and that of the Participant's eligible Dependents will be reinstated under the Plan. No exclusions or waiting period may be imposed on a Participant or the Participant's eligible Dependents in connection with this reinstatement, unless a Sickness or Injury is determined by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to have been incurred in, or aggravated during, the performance of military service.

You should call the Plan Administrator if you have questions about your rights to continue health coverage under USERRA.

## SECTION 13 - OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

### What this section includes:

- Court-ordered Benefits for Dependent children;
- Your relationship with UnitedHealthcare and City of Columbia, Missouri;
- Relationships with providers;
- Interpretation of Benefits;
- Information and records;
- Incentives to providers and you;
- The future of the Plan; and
- How to access the official Plan documents.

### Qualified Medical Child Support Orders (QMCSOs)

A qualified medical child support order (QMCSO) is a judgment, decree or order issued by a court or appropriate state agency that requires a child to be covered for medical benefits. Generally, a QMCSO is issued as part of a paternity, divorce, or other child support settlement.

If the Plan receives a medical child support order for your child that instructs the Plan to cover the child, the Plan Administrator will review it to determine if it meets the requirements for a QMCSO. If it determines that it does, your child will be enrolled in the Plan as your Dependent, and the Plan will be required to pay Benefits as directed by the order.

You may obtain, without charge, a copy of the procedures governing QMCSOs from the Plan Administrator.

**Note:** A National Medical Support Notice will be recognized as a QMCSO if it meets the requirements of a QMCSO.

### Your Relationship with UnitedHealthcare and City of Columbia, Missouri

In order to make choices about your health care coverage and treatment, City of Columbia, Missouri believes that it is important for you to understand how UnitedHealthcare interacts with the Plan Sponsor's benefit Plan and how it may affect you. UnitedHealthcare helps administer the Plan Sponsor's benefit plan in which you are enrolled. UnitedHealthcare does not provide medical services or make treatment decisions. This means:

- UnitedHealthcare communicates to you decisions about whether the Plan will cover or pay for the health care that you may receive (the Plan pays for Covered Health Services, which are more fully described in this SPD); and
- the Plan may not pay for all treatments you or your Physician may believe are necessary. If the Plan does not pay, you will be responsible for the cost.

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

### **Relationship with Providers**

The relationships between City of Columbia, Missouri, UnitedHealthcare and Network providers are solely contractual relationships between independent contractors. Network providers are not City of Columbia, Missouri's agents or employees, nor are they agents or employees of UnitedHealthcare. City of Columbia, Missouri and any of its employees are not agents or employees of Network providers, nor are UnitedHealthcare and any of its employees agents or employees of Network providers.

City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare do not provide health care services or supplies, nor do they practice medicine. Instead, City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare arrange for health care providers to participate in a Network and pay Benefits. Network providers are independent practitioners who run their own offices and facilities. UnitedHealthcare's credentialing process confirms public information about the providers' licenses and other credentials, but does not assure the quality of the services provided. They are not City of Columbia, Missouri's employees nor are they employees of UnitedHealthcare. City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare do not have any other relationship with Network providers such as principal-agent or joint venture. City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare are not liable for any act or omission of any provider.

UnitedHealthcare is not considered to be an employer of the Plan Administrator for any purpose with respect to the administration or provision of benefits under this Plan.

City of Columbia, Missouri is solely responsible for:

- enrollment and classification changes (including classification changes resulting in your enrollment or the termination of your coverage);
- The timely payment of the service fee to UnitedHealthcare.
- The funding of Benefits on a timely basis.
- Notifying you of the termination or modifications to the Plan.

## Your Relationship with Providers

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

- are responsible for choosing your own provider;
- are responsible for paying, directly to your provider, any amount identified as a member responsibility, including Copayments, Coinsurance, any deductible and any amount that exceeds Eligible Expenses;
- are responsible for paying, directly to your provider, the cost of any non-Covered Health Service;
- must decide if any provider treating you is right for you (this includes Network providers you choose and providers to whom you have been referred); and
- must decide with your provider what care you should receive.

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

The relationship between you and City of Columbia, Missouri is that of employer and employee, Dependent or other classification as defined in this SPD.

## Interpretation of Benefits

City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare have the sole and exclusive discretion to:

- interpret Benefits under the Plan;
- interpret the other terms, conditions, limitations and exclusions of the Plan, including this SPD and any Summary of Material Modifications and/or Amendments; and
- make factual determinations related to the Plan and its Benefits.

City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare may delegate this discretionary authority to other persons or entities that provide services in regard to the administration of the Plan.

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

## Information and Records

City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare may use your individually identifiable health information to administer the Plan and pay claims, to identify procedures, products, or services that you may find valuable, and as otherwise permitted or required by law. City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare may request additional information from you to decide your claim for Benefits. City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare will keep

this information confidential. City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare may also use your de-identified data for commercial purposes, including research, as permitted by law.

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

City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare have the right to release any and all records concerning health care services which are necessary to implement and administer the terms of the Plan, for appropriate medical review or quality assessment, or as City of Columbia, Missouri is required to do by law or regulation. During and after the term of the Plan, City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare and its related entities may use and transfer the information gathered under the Plan in a de-identified format for commercial purposes, including research and analytic purposes.

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

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

In some cases, City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare will designate other persons or entities to request records or information from or related to you, and to release those records as necessary. UnitedHealthcare's designees have the same rights to this information as does the Plan Administrator.

### **Incentives to Providers**

Network providers may be provided financial incentives by UnitedHealthcare to promote the delivery of health care in a cost efficient and effective manner. These financial incentives are not intended to affect your access to health care.

Examples of financial incentives for Network providers are:

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

If you have any questions regarding financial incentives you may contact the telephone number on your ID card. You can ask whether your Network provider is paid by any financial incentive, including those listed above; however, the specific terms of the contract, including rates of payment, are confidential and cannot be disclosed. In addition, you may choose to discuss these financial incentives with your Network provider.

### **Incentives to You**

Sometimes you may be offered coupons or other incentives to encourage you to participate in various wellness programs or certain disease management programs. The decision about whether or not to participate is yours alone but City of Columbia, Missouri recommends that you discuss participating in such programs with your Physician. These incentives are not Benefits and do not alter or affect your Benefits. You may call the number on the back of your ID card if you have any questions.

### **Rebates and Other Payments**

City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare may receive rebates for certain drugs that are administered to you in a Physician's office, or at a Hospital or Alternate Facility. This includes rebates for those drugs that are administered to you before you meet your Annual Deductible. City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare do not pass these rebates on to you, nor are they applied to your Annual Deductible or taken into account in determining your Copays or Coinsurance.

### **Workers' Compensation Not Affected**

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

### **Future of the Plan**

Although the Company expects to continue the Plan indefinitely, it reserves the right to discontinue, alter or modify the Plan in whole or in part, at any time and for any reason, at its sole determination.

The Company's decision to terminate or amend a Plan may be due to changes in federal or state laws governing employee benefits, the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code or Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), or any other reason. A plan change may transfer plan assets and debts to another plan or split a plan into two or more parts. If the Company does change or terminate a plan, it may decide to set up a different plan providing similar or different benefits.

If this Plan is terminated, Covered Persons will not have the right to any other Benefits from the Plan, other than for those claims incurred prior to the date of termination, or as otherwise provided under the Plan. In addition, if the Plan is amended, Covered Persons may be subject to altered coverage and Benefits.

The amount and form of any final benefit you receive will depend on any Plan document or contract provisions affecting the Plan and Company decisions. After all Benefits have been

paid and other requirements of the law have been met, certain remaining Plan assets will be turned over to the Company and others as may be required by any applicable law.

## Plan Document

This Summary Plan Description (SPD) represents an overview of your Benefits. In the event there is a discrepancy between the SPD and the official plan document, the plan document will govern. A copy of the plan document is available for your inspection during regular business hours in the office of the Plan Administrator. You (or your personal representative) may obtain a copy of this document by written request to the Plan Administrator, for a nominal charge.

## Review and Determine Benefits in Accordance with UnitedHealthcare Reimbursement Policies

UnitedHealthcare develops its reimbursement policy guidelines, in its sole discretion, in accordance with one or more of the following methodologies:

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

Following evaluation and validation of certain provider billings (e.g., error, abuse and fraud reviews), UnitedHealthcare's reimbursement policies are applied to provider billings. UnitedHealthcare shares its reimbursement policies with Physicians and other providers in UnitedHealthcare's Network through UnitedHealthcare's provider website. Network Physicians and providers may not bill you for the difference between their contract rate (as may be modified by UnitedHealthcare's reimbursement policies) and the billed charge. However, non-Network providers are not subject to this prohibition, and may bill you for any amounts the Plan does not pay, including amounts that are denied because one of UnitedHealthcare's reimbursement policies does not reimburse (in whole or in part) for the service billed. You may obtain copies of UnitedHealthcare's reimbursement policies for yourself or to share with your non-Network Physician or provider by going to [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or by calling the telephone number on your ID card.

## SECTION 14 - GLOSSARY

**What this section includes:**

- Definitions of terms used throughout this SPD.

Many of the terms used throughout this SPD may be unfamiliar to you or have a specific meaning with regard to the way the Plan is administered and how Benefits are paid. This section defines terms used throughout this SPD, but it does not describe the Benefits provided by the Plan.

**Addendum** – any attached written description of additional or revised provisions to the Plan. The benefits and exclusions of this SPD and any amendments thereto shall apply to the Addendum except that in the case of any conflict between the Addendum and SPD and/or Amendments to the SPD, the Addendum shall be controlling.

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

- surgical services;
- Emergency Health Services; or
- rehabilitative, laboratory, diagnostic or therapeutic services.

An Alternate Facility may also provide Mental Health or Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services on an outpatient basis or inpatient basis (for example a Residential Treatment Facility).

**Amendment** – any attached written description of additional or alternative provisions to the Plan. Amendments are effective only when distributed by the Plan Sponsor or the Plan Administrator. Amendments are subject to all conditions, limitations and exclusions of the Plan, except for those that the amendment is specifically changing.

**Annual Deductible (or Deductible)** – the amount you must pay for Covered Health Services in a calendar year before the Plan will begin paying Benefits in that calendar year. The Deductible is shown in the first table in Section 5, *Plan Highlights*.

**Autism Spectrum Disorder** - a condition marked by enduring problems communicating and interacting with others, along with restricted and repetitive behavior, interests or activities.

**Benefits** – Plan payments for Covered Health Services, subject to the terms and conditions of the Plan and any Addendums and/or Amendments.

**Body Mass Index (BMI)** – a calculation used in obesity risk assessment which uses a person's weight and height to approximate body fat.

**BMI** – see Body Mass Index (BMI).



**Cancer Resource Services (CRS)** – a program administered by UnitedHealthcare or its affiliates made available to you by City of Columbia, Missouri. The CRS program provides:

- specialized consulting services, on a limited basis, to Participants and enrolled Dependents with cancer;
- access to cancer centers with expertise in treating the most rare or complex cancers; and
- education to help patients understand their cancer and make informed decisions about their care and course of treatment.

**Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup>** – programs provided by UnitedHealthcare that focus on prevention, education, and closing the gaps in care designed to encourage an efficient system of care for you and your covered Dependents.

**Claims Administrator** – UnitedHealthcare (also known as United HealthCare Services, Inc.) and its affiliates, who provide certain claim administration services for the Plan.

**Clinical Trial** – a scientific study designed to identify new health services that improve health outcomes. In a Clinical Trial, two or more treatments are compared to each other and the patient is not allowed to choose which treatment will be received.

**COBRA** – see Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 (COBRA).

**Coinsurance** – the percentage of Eligible Expenses you are required to pay for certain Covered Health Services as described in Section 3, *How the Plan Works*.

**Company** – City of Columbia, Missouri.

**Complications of Pregnancy** – a condition suffered by a Dependent child that requires medical treatment before or after Pregnancy ends.

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

**Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 (COBRA)** – a federal law that requires employers to offer continued health insurance coverage to certain employees and their dependents whose group health insurance has been terminated.

**Copayment (or Copay)** – the set dollar amount you are required to pay for certain Covered Health Services as described in Section 3, *How the Plan Works*.

**Cosmetic Procedures** – procedures or services that change or improve appearance without significantly improving physiological function, as determined by the Claims Administrator. Reshaping a nose with a prominent bump is a good example of a Cosmetic Procedure because appearance would be improved, but there would be no improvement in function like breathing.

**Cost-Effective** – the least expensive equipment that performs the necessary function. This term applies to Durable Medical Equipment and prosthetic devices.

**Covered Health Services** - those health services, including services, supplies or Pharmaceutical Products, which the Claims Administrator determines to be:

- Medically Necessary.
- Described as a Covered Health Service in this SPD under Section 5, *Plan Highlights* and Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details* and Section 15, *Outpatient Prescription Drugs*.
- Provided to a Covered Person who meets the Plan's eligibility requirements, as described under *Eligibility* in Section 2, *Introduction*.
- Not otherwise excluded in this SPD under Section 8, *Exclusions and Limitations* or Section 15, *Outpatient Prescription Drugs*.

**Covered Person** – either the Participant or an enrolled Dependent only while enrolled and eligible for Benefits under the Plan. References to "you" and "your" throughout this SPD are references to a Covered Person.

**CRS** – see Cancer Resource Services (CRS).

**Custodial Care** – services that do not require special skills or training and that:

- provide assistance in activities of daily living (including but not limited to feeding, dressing, bathing, ostomy care, incontinence care, checking of routine vital signs, transferring and ambulating);
- are provided for the primary purpose of meeting the personal needs of the patient or maintaining a level of function (even if the specific services are considered to be skilled services), as opposed to improving that function to an extent that might allow for a more independent existence; or
- do not require continued administration by trained medical personnel in order to be delivered safely and effectively.

**Deductible** – see Annual Deductible.

**Dependent** – an individual who meets the eligibility requirements specified in the Plan, as described under *Eligibility* in Section 2, *Introduction*. A Dependent does not include anyone who is also enrolled as a Participant. No one can be a Dependent of more than one Participant.

**Designated Provider** - a provider and/or facility that:

- Has entered into an agreement with UnitedHealthcare, or with an organization contracting on UnitedHealthcare's behalf, to provide Covered Health Services for the treatment of specific diseases or conditions; or
- UnitedHealthcare has identified through UnitedHealthcare's designation programs as a Designated Provider. Such designation may apply to specific treatments, conditions and/or procedures.

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

You can find out if your provider is a Designated Provider by contacting UnitedHealthcare at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or the telephone number on your ID card.

**Designated Virtual Network Provider** - a provider or facility that has entered into an agreement with UnitedHealthcare, or with an organization contracting on UnitedHealthcare's behalf, to deliver Covered Health Services via interactive audio and video modalities.

**DME** – see Durable Medical Equipment (DME).

**Domestic Partner** – an individual of the same or opposite sex with whom you have established a domestic partnership as described below.

A domestic partnership is a relationship between a Participant and one other person of the same or opposite sex. Both persons must:

- not be so closely related that marriage would otherwise be prohibited;
- not be legally married to, or the Domestic Partner of, another person under either statutory or common law;
- be at least 18 years old;
- live together and share the common necessities of life;
- be mentally competent to enter into a contract; and
- be financially interdependent and have furnished documents to support at least two of the following conditions of such financial interdependence:
  - they have a single dedicated relationship of at least 6 months duration;
  - they have joint ownership of a residence; or
  - they have at least two of the following:
    - ◆ a joint ownership of an automobile;
    - ◆ a joint checking, bank or investment account;
    - ◆ a joint credit account;
    - ◆ a lease for a residence identifying both partners as tenants; or
    - ◆ a will and/or life insurance policies which designate the other as primary beneficiary.

The Participant and Domestic Partner must jointly sign an affidavit of domestic partnership provided by Human Resources upon your request.

**Domiciliary Care** – living arrangements designed to meet the needs of people who cannot live independently but do not require Skilled Nursing Facility services.

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

- used to serve a medical purpose with respect to treatment of a Sickness, Injury or their symptoms;
- not disposable;
- not of use to a person in the absence of a Sickness, Injury or their symptoms;
- durable enough to withstand repeated use;
- not implantable within the body; and
- appropriate for use, and primarily used, within the home.

**Eligible Expenses** – for Covered Health Services, incurred while the Plan is in effect, Eligible Expenses are determined by UnitedHealthcare as stated below and as detailed in Section 3, *How the Plan Works*.

Eligible Expenses are determined solely in accordance with UnitedHealthcare’s reimbursement policy guidelines. UnitedHealthcare develops the reimbursement policy guidelines, in UnitedHealthcare’s discretion, following evaluation and validation of all provider billings in accordance with one or more of the following methodologies:

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

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

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

**Emergency Health Services** – with respect to an Emergency, both of the following:

- A medical screening examination (as required under section 1867 of the *Social Security Act*, 42 U.S.C. 1395dd) that is within the capability of the emergency department of a Hospital, including ancillary services routinely available to the emergency department to evaluate such Emergency.

- Such further medical examination and treatment, to the extent they are within the capabilities of the staff and facilities available at the Hospital, as are required under section 1867 of the *Social Security Act* (42 U.S.C. 1395dd(e)(3)).

**Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA)** – the federal legislation that regulates retirement and employee welfare benefit programs maintained by employers and unions.

**Employer** – City of Columbia, Missouri.

**EOB** – see Explanation of Benefits (EOB).

**Experimental or Investigational Services** – medical, surgical, diagnostic, psychiatric, mental health, substance-related and addictive disorders or other health care services, technologies, supplies, treatments, procedures, drug therapies, medications or devices that, at the time the Claims Administrator and City of Columbia, Missouri make a determination regarding coverage in a particular case, are determined to be any of the following:

- Not approved by the *U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)* to be lawfully marketed for the proposed use and not identified in the *American Hospital Formulary Service* or the *United States Pharmacopoeia Dispensing Information* as appropriate for the proposed use.
- Subject to review and approval by any institutional review board for the proposed use (Devices which are *FDA* approved under the *Humanitarian Use Device* exemption are not considered to be Experimental or Investigational.)
- The subject of an ongoing Clinical Trial that meets the definition of a Phase I, II or III Clinical Trial set forth in the *FDA* regulations, regardless of whether the trial is actually subject to *FDA* oversight.

Exceptions:

- Clinical Trials for which Benefits are available as described under *Clinical Trials* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.
- If you are not a participant in a qualifying Clinical Trial as described under Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*, and have a Sickness or condition that is likely to cause death within one year of the request for treatment, the Claims Administrator and City of Columbia, Missouri may, at their discretion, consider an otherwise Experimental or Investigational Service to be a Covered Health Service for that Sickness or condition. Prior to such consideration, the Claims Administrator and City of Columbia, Missouri must determine that, although unproven, the service has significant potential as an effective treatment for that Sickness or condition.

**Explanation of Benefits (EOB)** – a statement provided by UnitedHealthcare to you, your Physician, or another health care professional that explains:

- the Benefits provided (if any);
- the allowable reimbursement amounts;

- Deductibles;
- Coinsurance;
- any other reductions taken;
- the net amount paid by the Plan; and
- the reason(s) why the service or supply was not covered by the Plan.

**Gender Dysphoria** - A disorder characterized by the following diagnostic criteria classified in the current edition of the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association*:

- Diagnostic criteria for adults and adolescents:
  - A marked incongruence between one's experienced/expressed gender and assigned gender, of at least six months' duration, as manifested by at least two of the following:
    - ◆ A marked incongruence between one's experienced/expressed gender and primary and/or secondary sex characteristics (or in young adolescents, the anticipated secondary sex characteristics).
    - ◆ A strong desire to be rid of one's primary and/or secondary sex characteristics because of a marked incongruence with one's experienced/expressed gender or in young adolescents, a desire to prevent the development of the anticipated secondary sex characteristics).
    - ◆ A strong desire for the primary and/or secondary sex characteristics of the other gender.
    - ◆ A strong desire to be of the other gender (or some alternative gender different from one's assigned gender).
    - ◆ A strong desire to be treated as the other gender (or some alternative gender different from one's assigned gender).
    - ◆ A strong conviction that one has the typical feelings and reactions of the other gender (or some alternative gender different from one's assigned gender).
  - The condition is associated with clinically significant distress or impairment in social, occupational or other important areas of functioning.
- Diagnostic criteria for children:
  - A marked incongruence between one's experienced/expressed gender and assigned gender, of at least six months' duration, as manifested by at least six of the following (one of which must be criterion as shown in the first bullet below):
    - ◆ A strong desire to be of the other gender or an insistence that one is the other gender (or some alternative gender different from one's assigned gender).
    - ◆ In boys (assigned gender), a strong preference for cross-dressing or simulating female attire; or in girls (assigned gender), a strong preference for wearing only

typical masculine clothing and a strong resistance to the wearing of typical feminine clothing.

- ◆ A strong preference for cross-gender roles in make-believe play or fantasy play.
  - ◆ A strong preference for the toys, games or activities stereotypically used or engaged in by the other gender.
  - ◆ A strong preference for playmates of the other gender.
  - ◆ In boys (assigned gender), a strong rejection of typically masculine toys, games and activities and a strong avoidance of rough-and-tumble play; or in girls (assigned gender), a strong rejection of typically feminine toys, games and activities.
  - ◆ A strong dislike of ones' sexual anatomy.
  - ◆ A strong desire for the primary and/or secondary sex characteristics that match one's experienced gender.
- The condition is associated with clinically significant distress or impairment in social, school or other important areas of functioning.

**Health Statement(s)** – a single, integrated statement that summarizes EOB information by providing detailed content on account balances and claim activity.

**Home Health Agency** – a program or organization authorized by law to provide health care services in the home.

**Hospital** – an institution, operated as required by law, which is:

- primarily engaged in providing health services, on an inpatient basis, for the acute care and treatment of sick or injured individuals. Care is provided through medical, mental health, substance use disorders, diagnostic and surgical facilities, by or under the supervision of a staff of Physicians; and
- has 24 hour nursing services.

A Hospital is not primarily a place for rest, Custodial Care or care of the aged and is not a Skilled Nursing Facility, convalescent home or similar institution.

**Injury** – bodily damage other than Sickness, including all related conditions and recurrent symptoms.

**Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility** – a long term acute rehabilitation center, a Hospital (or a special unit of a Hospital designated as an Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility) that provides rehabilitation services (including physical therapy, occupational therapy and/or speech therapy) on an inpatient basis, as authorized by law.

**Inpatient Stay** – an uninterrupted confinement, following formal admission to a Hospital, Skilled Nursing Facility or Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility.

**Intensive Behavioral Therapy (IBT)** - outpatient behavioral/educational services that aim to reinforce adaptive behaviors, reduce maladaptive behaviors and improve the mastery of functional age appropriate skills in people with Autism Spectrum Disorders. Examples include *Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA)*, *The Denver Model*, and *Relationship Development Intervention (RDI)*.

**Intensive Outpatient Treatment** - a structured outpatient mental health or substance-related and addictive disorders treatment program that may be free-standing or Hospital-based and provides services for at least three hours per day, two or more days per week.

**Intermittent Care** – skilled nursing care that is provided or needed either:

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

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

**Kidney Resource Services (KRS)** – a program administered by UnitedHealthcare or its affiliates made available to you by City of Columbia, Missouri. The KRS program provides:

- specialized consulting services to Participants and enrolled Dependents with ESRD or chronic kidney disease;
- access to dialysis centers with expertise in treating kidney disease; and
- guidance for the patient on the prescribed plan of care.

**Medicaid** – a federal program administered and operated individually by participating state and territorial governments that provides medical benefits to eligible low-income people needing health care. The federal and state governments share the program's costs.

**Medically Necessary** - health care services provided for the purpose of preventing, evaluating, diagnosing or treating a Sickness, Injury, Mental Illness, substance-related and addictive disorders, condition, disease or its symptoms, that are all of the following as determined by the Claims Administrator or its designee, within the Claims Administrator's sole discretion. The services must be:

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



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

If no credible scientific evidence is available, then standards that are based on Physician specialty society recommendations or professional standards of care may be considered. The Claims Administrator reserves the right to consult expert opinion in determining whether health care services are Medically Necessary. The decision to apply Physician specialty society recommendations, the choice of expert and the determination of when to use any such expert opinion, shall be within the Claims Administrator's sole discretion.

The Claims Administrator develops and maintains clinical policies that describe the *Generally Accepted Standards of Medical Practice* scientific evidence, prevailing medical standards and clinical guidelines supporting its determinations regarding specific services. These clinical policies (as developed by the Claims Administrator and revised from time to time), are available to Covered Persons on [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or by calling the number on your ID card, and to Physicians and other health care professionals on [www.UnitedHealthcareOnline.com](http://www.UnitedHealthcareOnline.com).

**Medicare** – Parts A, B, C and D of the insurance program established by Title XVIII, United States Social Security Act, as amended by 42 U.S.C. Sections 1394, et seq. and as later amended.

**Mental Health Services** – Covered Health Services for the diagnosis and treatment of Mental Illnesses. The fact that a condition is listed in the current *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association* does not mean that treatment for the condition is a Covered Health Service.

**Mental Health/Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services Administrator** – the organization or individual designated by City of Columbia, Missouri who provides or arranges Mental Health and Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services under the Plan.

**Mental Illness** – mental health or psychiatric diagnostic categories listed in the current *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association*, unless they are listed in Section 8, *Exclusions and Limitations*.

**Network** – when used to describe a provider of health care services, this means a provider that has a participation agreement in effect (either directly or indirectly) with the Claims Administrator or with its affiliate to participate in the Network; however, this does not include those providers who have agreed to discount their charges for Covered Health Services by way of their participation in the Shared Savings Program. The Claims Administrator's affiliates are those entities affiliated with the Claims Administrator through common ownership or control with the Claims Administrator or with the Claims Administrator's ultimate corporate parent, including direct and indirect subsidiaries.

A provider may enter into an agreement to provide only certain Covered Health Services, but not all Covered Health Services, or to be a Network provider for only some products. In this case, the provider will be a Network provider for the Covered Health Services and products included in the participation agreement, and a non-Network provider for other Covered Health Services and products. The participation status of providers will change from time to time.

**Network Benefits** - description of how Benefits are paid for Covered Health Services provided by Network providers. Refer to Section 5, *Plan Highlights* for details about how Network Benefits apply.

**Non-Network Benefits** - description of how Benefits are paid for Covered Health Services provided by non-Network providers. Refer to Section 5, *Plan Highlights* for details about how Non-Network Benefits apply.

**Open Enrollment** – the period of time, determined by City of Columbia, Missouri, during which eligible Participants may enroll themselves and their Dependents under the Plan. City of Columbia, Missouri determines the period of time that is the Open Enrollment period.

**Out-of-Pocket Maximum** – the maximum amount you pay every calendar year. Refer to Section 5, *Plan Highlights* for the Out-of-Pocket Maximum amount. See Section 3, *How the Plan Works* for a description of how the Out-of-Pocket Maximum works.

**Partial Hospitalization/Day Treatment** – a structured ambulatory program that may be a free-standing or Hospital-based program and that provides services for at least 20 hours per week.

**Participant** – a full-time Participant of the Employer who meets the eligibility requirements specified in the Plan, as described under *Eligibility* in Section 2, *Introduction*. A Participant must live and/or work in the United States.

**Physician** – any Doctor of Medicine or Doctor of Osteopathy who is properly licensed and qualified by law.

Please note: Any podiatrist, dentist, psychologist, chiropractor, optometrist or other provider who acts within the scope of his or her license will be considered on the same basis as a Physician. The fact that a provider is described as a Physician does not mean that Benefits for services from that provider are available to you under the Plan.

**Plan** – The City of Columbia, Missouri Medical Plan.

**Plan Administrator** – City of Columbia, Missouri or its designee.

**Plan Sponsor** – City of Columbia, Missouri.

**Pregnancy** – includes prenatal care, postnatal care, childbirth, and any complications associated with the above.

**Primary Physician** – a Physician who has a majority of his or her practice in general pediatrics, internal medicine, obstetrics/gynecology, family practice or general medicine.

**Private Duty Nursing** – nursing care that is provided to a patient on a one-to-one basis by licensed nurses in an inpatient or a home setting when any of the following are true:

- no skilled services are identified;
- skilled nursing resources are available in the facility;
- the skilled care can be provided by a Home Health Agency on a per visit basis for a specific purpose; or
- the service is provided to a Covered Person by an independent nurse who is hired directly by the Covered Person or his/her family. This includes nursing services provided on an inpatient or a home-care basis, whether the service is skilled or non-skilled independent nursing.

**Reconstructive Procedure** – a procedure performed to address a physical impairment where the expected outcome is restored or improved function. The primary purpose of a Reconstructive Procedure is either to treat a medical condition or to improve or restore physiologic function. Reconstructive Procedures include surgery or other procedures which are associated with an Injury, Sickness or Congenital Anomaly. The primary result of the procedure is not changed or improved physical appearance. The fact that a person may suffer psychologically as a result of the impairment does not classify surgery or any other procedure done to relieve the impairment as a Reconstructive Procedure.

**Residential Treatment** – treatment in a facility which provides Mental Health Services or Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services treatment. The facility meets all of the following requirements:

- It is established and operated in accordance with applicable state law for Residential Treatment programs.
- It provides a program of treatment under the active participation and direction of a Physician and approved by the Mental Health/Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Administrator.
- It has or maintains a written, specific and detailed treatment program requiring full-time residence and full-time participation by the patient.
- It provides at least the following basic services in a 24-hour per day, structured milieu:
  - Room and board.
  - Evaluation and diagnosis.
  - Counseling.
  - Referral and orientation to specialized community resources.

A Residential Treatment facility that qualifies as a Hospital is considered a Hospital.

**Retired Employee** – an Employee who retires while covered under the Plan.

**Semi-private Room** - a room with two or more beds. When an Inpatient Stay in a Semi-private Room is a Covered Health Service, the difference in cost between a Semi-private Room and a private room is a benefit only when a private room is necessary in terms of generally accepted medical practice, or when a Semi-private Room is not available.

**Shared Savings Program** - a program in which UnitedHealthcare may obtain a discount to a non-Network provider's billed charges. This discount is usually based on a schedule previously agreed to by the non-Network provider. When this happens, you may experience lower out-of-pocket amounts. Plan coinsurance and deductibles would still apply to the reduced charge. Sometimes Plan provisions or administrative practices conflict with the scheduled rate, and a different rate is determined by UnitedHealthcare. In this case the non-Network provider may bill you for the difference between the billed amount and the rate determined by UnitedHealthcare. If this happens you should call the number on your ID Card. Shared Savings Program providers are not Network providers and are not credentialed by UnitedHealthcare.

**Sickness** - physical illness, disease or Pregnancy. The term Sickness as used in this SPD includes Mental Illness, or substance-related and addictive disorders, regardless of the cause or origin of the Mental Illness, or substance-related and addictive disorder.

**Skilled Care** – skilled nursing, teaching, and rehabilitation services when:

- they are delivered or supervised by licensed technical or professional medical personnel in order to obtain the specified medical outcome and provide for the safety of the patient;
- a Physician orders them;
- they are not delivered for the purpose of assisting with activities of daily living, including dressing, feeding, bathing or transferring from a bed to a chair;
- they require clinical training in order to be delivered safely and effectively; and
- they are not Custodial Care, as defined in this section.

**Skilled Nursing Facility** – a nursing facility that is licensed and operated as required by law. A Skilled Nursing Facility that is part of a Hospital is considered a Skilled Nursing Facility for purposes of the Plan.

**Specialist Physician** - a Physician who has a majority of his or her practice in areas other than general pediatrics, internal medicine, obstetrics/gynecology, family practice or general medicine.

**Spinal Treatment** – detection or correction (by manual or mechanical means) of subluxation(s) in the body to remove nerve interference or its effects. The interference must be the result of, or related to, distortion, misalignment or subluxation of, or in, the vertebral column.

**Spouse** – an individual to whom you are legally married or a Domestic Partner as defined in this section.

**Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services** - Covered Health Services for the diagnosis and treatment of alcoholism and substance-related and addictive disorders that are listed in the current *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association*, unless those services are specifically excluded. The fact that a disorder is listed in the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association* does not mean that treatment of the disorder is a Covered Health Service.

**Total Disability** – a Participant's inability to perform all substantial job duties because of physical or mental impairment, or a Dependent's or retired person's inability to perform the normal activities of a person of like age and gender.

**Transitional Living** - Mental Health Services/Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services that are provided through facilities, group homes and supervised apartments that provide 24-hour supervision that are either:

- Sober living arrangements such as drug-free housing, alcohol/drug halfway houses. These are transitional, supervised living arrangements that provide stable and safe housing, an alcohol/drug-free environment and support for recovery. A sober living arrangement may be utilized as an adjunct to ambulatory treatment when treatment doesn't offer the intensity and structure needed to assist the Covered Person with recovery.
- Supervised living arrangements which are residences such as facilities, group homes and supervised apartments that provide members with stable and safe housing and the opportunity to learn how to manage their activities of daily living. Supervised living arrangements may be utilized as an adjunct to treatment when treatment doesn't offer the intensity and structure needed to assist the Covered Person with recovery.

**UnitedHealth Premium Program<sup>SM</sup>** – a program that identifies Network Physicians or facilities that have been designated as a UnitedHealth Premium Program<sup>SM</sup> Physician or facility for certain medical conditions.

To be designated as a UnitedHealth Premium<sup>SM</sup> provider, Physicians and facilities must meet program criteria. The fact that a Physician or facility is a Network Physician or facility does not mean that it is a UnitedHealth Premium Program<sup>SM</sup> Physician or facility.

**Unproven Services** – health services, including medications that are determined not to be effective for treatment of the medical condition and/or not to have a beneficial effect on health outcomes due to insufficient and inadequate clinical evidence from well-conducted randomized controlled trials or cohort studies in the prevailing published peer-reviewed medical literature:

- Well-conducted randomized controlled trials are two or more treatments compared to each other, with the patient not being allowed to choose which treatment is received.
- Well-conducted cohort studies from more than one institution are studies in which patients who receive study treatment are compared to a group of patients who receive standard therapy. The comparison group must be nearly identical to the study treatment group.

UnitedHealthcare has a process by which it compiles and reviews clinical evidence with respect to certain health services. From time to time, UnitedHealthcare issues medical and drug policies that describe the clinical evidence available with respect to specific health care services. These medical and drug policies are subject to change without prior notice. You can view these policies at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com).

Please note:

- If you have a life threatening Sickness or condition (one that is likely to cause death within one year of the request for treatment), UnitedHealthcare and City of Columbia, Missouri may, at their discretion, consider an otherwise Unproven Service to be a Covered Health Service for that Sickness or condition. Prior to such a consideration, UnitedHealthcare and City of Columbia, Missouri must first establish that there is sufficient evidence to conclude that, albeit unproven, the service has significant potential as an effective treatment for that Sickness or condition.

The decision about whether such a service can be deemed a Covered Health Service is solely at UnitedHealthcare and City of Columbia, Missouri's discretion. Other apparently similar promising but unproven services may not qualify.

**Urgent Care** – care that requires prompt attention to avoid adverse consequences, but does not pose an immediate threat to a person's life. Urgent care is usually delivered in a walk-in setting and without an appointment. Urgent care facilities are a location, distinct from a hospital emergency department, an office or a clinic. The purpose is to diagnose and treat illness or injury for unscheduled, ambulatory patients seeking immediate medical attention.

**Urgent Care Center** – a facility that provides Covered Health Services that are required to prevent serious deterioration of your health, and that are required as a result of an unforeseen Sickness, Injury, or the onset of acute or severe symptoms.

## SECTION 15 - PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

**What this section includes:**

- Benefits available for Prescription Drugs;
- How to utilize the retail and mail order service for obtaining Prescription Drugs;
- Any benefit limitations and exclusions that exist for Prescription Drugs; and
- Definitions of terms used throughout this section related to the Prescription Drug Plan.

### Prescription Drug Coverage Highlights

The table below provides an overview of the Plan's Prescription Drug coverage. It includes Copay amounts that apply when you have a prescription filled at a Pharmacy. For detailed descriptions of your Benefits, refer to *Retail* and *Mail Order* in this section.

Covered Health Services <sup>1,2</sup>	Percentage of Prescription Drug Charge Payable by the Plan:	Percentage of Out-of-Network Reimbursement Rate Payable by the Plan:
	Network	Non-Network
<b>Retail</b> - up to a 31-day supply	100% after you pay a:	
■ tier-1	\$10 Copay	\$10 Copay
■ tier-2	\$35 Copay	\$35 Copay
■ tier-3	\$75 Copay	\$75 Copay
■ tier-4	\$150 Copay	\$150 Copay
<b>Retail</b> - up to a 90-day supply	100% after you pay a:	
■ tier-1	\$25 Copay	Not Covered
■ tier-2	\$87.50 Copay	Not Covered
■ tier-3	\$187.50 Copay	Not Covered
■ tier-4	\$375 Copay	Not Covered

Covered Health Services <sup>1,2</sup>	Percentage of Prescription Drug Charge Payable by the Plan:	Percentage of Out-of-Network Reimbursement Rate Payable by the Plan:
	Network	Non-Network
<b>Specialty Prescription Drugs</b> - up to 31-day supply		
■ tier-1	\$10 Copay	Not Covered
■ tier-2	\$35 Copay	Not Covered
■ tier-3	\$75 Copay	Not Covered
■ tier-4	\$150 Copay	Not Covered
<b>Mail order</b> - up to a 90-day supply		
■ tier-1	\$25 Copay	Not Covered
■ tier-2	\$87.50 Copay	Not Covered
■ tier-3	\$187.50 Copay	Not Covered
■ tier-4	\$375 Copay	Not Covered

<sup>1</sup>You, your Physician or your pharmacist must obtain prior authorization from UnitedHealthcare to receive full Benefits for certain Prescription Drugs. Otherwise, you may pay more out-of-pocket. See *Prior Authorization Requirements* in this section for details.

<sup>2</sup>You are not responsible for paying a Copayment and/or Coinsurance for Preventive Care Medications.

**Note:** The Coordination of Benefits provision described in Section 10, *Coordination of Benefits (COB)* does not apply to covered Prescription Drugs as described in this section. Prescription Drug Benefits will not be coordinated with those of any other health coverage plan.



## Identification Card (ID Card) – Network Pharmacy

You must either show your ID card at the time you obtain your Prescription Drug at a Network Pharmacy or you must provide the Network Pharmacy with identifying information that can be verified by the Claims Administrator during regular business hours.

If you don't show your ID card or provide verifiable information at a Network Pharmacy, you will be required to pay the Usual and Customary Charge for the Prescription Drug at the pharmacy.

You may seek reimbursement from the Plan as described in Section 9, *Claims Procedures*, under the heading, *How to File a Claim*. When you submit a claim on this basis, you may pay more because you failed to verify your eligibility when the Prescription Drug was dispensed. The amount you are reimbursed will be based on the Prescription Drug Charge, less the required Copayment and/or Coinsurance, and any deductible that applies.

Submit your claim to:

Optum Rx  
P.O. Box 29077  
Hot Springs, AR 71903

## Benefit Levels

Benefits are available for outpatient Prescription Drugs that are considered Covered Health Services.

The Plan pays Benefits at different levels for tier-1, tier-2, tier-3 and tier-4 Prescription Drugs. All Prescription Drugs covered by the Plan are categorized into these four tiers on the Prescription Drug List (PDL). The tier status of a Prescription Drug can change periodically, generally quarterly but no more than six times per calendar year, based on the Prescription Drug List Management Committee's periodic tiering decisions. When that occurs, you may pay more or less for a Prescription Drug, depending on its tier assignment. Since the PDL may change periodically, you can visit [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or call UnitedHealthcare at the toll-free number on your ID card for the most current information.

Each tier is assigned a Copay, which is the amount you pay when you visit the pharmacy or order your medications through mail order. Your Copay will also depend on whether or not you visit the pharmacy or use the mail order service - see the table shown at the beginning of this section for further details. Here's how the tier system works:

- Tier-1 is your lowest Copay option. For the lowest out-of-pocket expense, you should consider tier-1 drugs if you and your Physician decide they are appropriate for your treatment.
- Tier-2 is your middle Copay option. Consider a tier-2 drug if no tier-1 drug is available to treat your condition.
- Tier-3 and Tier-4 are your highest Copay options. The drugs in tier-3 and tier-4 are usually more costly. Sometimes there are alternatives available in tier-1 or tier-2.

For Prescription Drugs at a retail Network Pharmacy, you are responsible for paying the lower of:

- the applicable Copay;
- the Network Pharmacy's Usual and Customary Charge for the Prescription Drug; or
- the Prescription Drug Charge that UnitedHealthcare agreed to pay the Network Pharmacy.

For Prescription Drugs from a mail order Network Pharmacy, you are responsible for paying the lower of:

- the applicable Copay; or
- the Prescription Drug Charge for that particular Prescription Drug.

## Retail

The Plan has a Network of participating retail pharmacies, which includes many large drug store chains. You can obtain information about Network Pharmacies by contacting UnitedHealthcare at the toll-free number on your ID card or by logging onto [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com).

To obtain your prescription from a retail pharmacy, simply present your ID card and pay the Copay. The Plan pays Benefits for certain covered Prescription Drugs:

- as written by a Physician;
- up to a consecutive 31-day or 90-day supply, unless adjusted based on the drug manufacturer's packaging size or based on supply limits;
- when a Prescription Drug is packaged or designed to deliver in a manner that provides more than a consecutive 31-day or 90-day supply, the Copay that applies will reflect the number of days dispensed; and
- a one-cycle supply of an oral contraceptive. You may obtain up to three cycles at one time if you pay a Copay for each cycle supplied.

**Note:** Pharmacy Benefits apply only if your prescription is for a Covered Health Service, and not for Experimental or Investigational, or Unproven Services. Otherwise, you are responsible for paying 100% of the cost.

## Mail Order

The mail order service may allow you to purchase up to a 90-day supply of a covered maintenance drug through the mail. Maintenance drugs help in the treatment of chronic illnesses, such as heart conditions, allergies, high blood pressure, and arthritis.

To use the mail order service, all you need to do is complete a patient profile and enclose your prescription order or refill. Your medication, plus instructions for obtaining refills, will arrive by mail about 14 days after your order is received. If you need a patient profile form,

or if you have any questions, you can reach UnitedHealthcare at the toll-free number on your ID card.

The Plan pays mail order Benefits for certain covered Prescription Drugs:

- as written by a Physician; and
- up to a consecutive 90-day supply, unless adjusted based on the drug manufacturer's packaging size or based on supply limits.

You may be required to fill an initial Prescription Drug order and obtain one refill through a retail pharmacy prior to using a mail order Network Pharmacy.

**Note:** To maximize your benefit, ask your Physician to write your prescription order or refill for a 90-day supply, with refills when appropriate. You will be charged a mail order Copay for any prescription order or refill if you use the mail order service, regardless of the number of days' supply that is written on the order or refill. Be sure your Physician writes your mail order or refill for a 90-day supply, not a 30-day supply with three refills.

### Benefits for Preventive Care Medications

Benefits under the Prescription Drug Plan include those for Preventive Care Medications as defined under *Glossary – Prescription Drugs*. You may determine whether a drug is a Preventive Care Medication through the internet at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or by calling UnitedHealthcare at the toll-free telephone number on your ID card.

### Designated Pharmacy

If you require certain Prescription Drugs, UnitedHealthcare may direct you to a Designated Pharmacy with whom it has an arrangement to provide those Prescription Drugs.

### *Specialty Prescription Drugs*

If you are directed to a Designated Pharmacy and you choose not to obtain your Specialty Prescription Drugs from a Designated Pharmacy, no Benefits will be paid and you will be responsible for paying all charges.

Please see the Prescription Drug Glossary in this section for definitions of Specialty Prescription Drug and Designated Pharmacy.

### **Want to lower your out-of-pocket Prescription Drug costs?**

Consider tier-1 Prescription Drugs, if you and your Physician decide they are appropriate.

### Assigning Prescription Drugs to the PDL

UnitedHealthcare's Prescription Drug List (PDL) Management Committee makes the final approval of Prescription Drug placement in tiers. In its evaluation of each Prescription Drug, the PDL Management Committee takes into account a number of factors including, but not limited to, clinical and economic factors. Clinical factors may include:

- evaluations of the place in therapy;

- relative safety and efficacy; and
- whether supply limits or prior authorization requirements should apply.

Economic factors may include:

- the acquisition cost of the Prescription Drug; and
- available rebates and assessments on the cost effectiveness of the Prescription Drug.

Some Prescription Drugs are most cost effective for specific indications as compared to others, therefore, a Prescription Drug may be listed on multiple tiers according to the indication for which the Prescription Drug was prescribed.

When considering a Prescription Drug for tier placement, the PDL Management Committee reviews clinical and economic factors regarding Covered Persons as a general population. Whether a particular Prescription Drug is appropriate for an individual Covered Person is a determination that is made by the Covered Person and the prescribing Physician.

The PDL Management Committee may periodically change the placement of a Prescription Drug among the tiers. These changes will not occur more than six times per calendar year and may occur without prior notice to you.

Prescription Drug, Prescription Drug List (PDL), and Prescription Drug List (PDL) Management Committee are defined at the end of this section.

**Prescription Drug List (PDL)**

The Prescription Drug List (PDL) is a tool that helps guide you and your Physician in choosing the medications that allow the most effective and affordable use of your Prescription Drug benefit.

**Prior Authorization Requirements**

Before certain Prescription Drugs are dispensed to you, it is the responsibility of your Physician, your pharmacist or you to obtain prior authorization from UnitedHealthcare. UnitedHealthcare will determine if the Prescription Drug, in accordance with UnitedHealthcare approved guidelines, is both:

- a Covered Health Service as defined by the Plan; and
- not Experimental or Investigational or Unproven, as defined in Section 14, *Glossary*.

The Plan may also require you to obtain prior authorization from UnitedHealthcare so UnitedHealthcare can determine whether the Prescription Drug, in accordance with its approved guidelines, was prescribed by a Specialist Physician.

### ***Network Pharmacy Prior Authorization***

When Prescription Drugs are dispensed at a Network Pharmacy, the prescribing provider, the pharmacist, or you are responsible for obtaining prior authorization from UnitedHealthcare.

### ***Non-Network Pharmacy Prior Authorization***

When Prescription Drugs are dispensed at a non-Network Pharmacy, you or your Physician are responsible for obtaining prior authorization from UnitedHealthcare as required.

If you do not obtain prior authorization before the Prescription Drug is dispensed, you may pay more for that Prescription Drug order or refill. You will be required to pay for the Prescription Drug at the time of purchase. The contracted pharmacy reimbursement rates (the Prescription Drug Charge) will not be available to you at a non-Network Pharmacy. If you do not obtain prior authorization before you purchase the Prescription Drug, you can request reimbursement after you receive the Prescription Drug - see Section 9, *Claims Procedures*, for information on how to file a claim.

When you submit a claim on this basis, you may pay more because you did not obtain prior authorization from UnitedHealthcare before the Prescription Drug was dispensed. The amount you are reimbursed will be based on the Prescription Drug Charge (for Prescription Drugs from a Network Pharmacy) or the Out-of-Network Reimbursement Rate (for Prescription Drugs from a non-Network Pharmacy), less the required Copayment and/or Coinsurance and any Deductible that applies.

To determine if a Prescription Drug requires prior authorization, either visit **www.myuhc.com** or call the toll-free number on your ID card. The Prescription Drugs requiring prior authorization are subject to UnitedHealthcare's periodic review and modification.

Benefits may not be available for the Prescription Drug after the Claims Administrator reviews the documentation provided and determines that the Prescription Drug is not a Covered Health Service or it is an Experimental or Investigational or Unproven Service.

UnitedHealthcare may also require prior authorization for certain programs which may have specific requirements for participation and/or activation of an enhanced level of Benefits associated with such programs. You may access information on available programs and any applicable prior authorization, participation or activation requirements associated with such programs through the Internet at **www.myuhc.com** or by calling the toll-free number on your ID card.

### **Prescription Drug Benefit Claims**

For Prescription Drug claims procedures, please refer to Section 9, *Claims Procedures*.

### **Limitation on Selection of Pharmacies**

If the Claims Administrator determines that you may be using Prescription Drugs in a harmful or abusive manner, or with harmful frequency, your selection of Network Pharmacies may be limited. If this happens, you may be required to select a single Network

Pharmacy that will provide and coordinate all future pharmacy services. Benefits will be paid only if you use the designated single Network Pharmacy. If you don't make a selection within 31 days of the date the Plan Administrator notifies you, the Claims Administrator will select a single Network Pharmacy for you.

### **Supply Limits**

Some Prescription Drugs are subject to supply limits that may restrict the amount dispensed per prescription order or refill. To determine if a Prescription Drug has been assigned a maximum quantity level for dispensing, either visit [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or call the toll-free number on your ID card. Whether or not a Prescription Drug has a supply limit is subject to UnitedHealthcare's periodic review and modification.

**Note:** Some products are subject to additional supply limits based on criteria that the Plan Administrator and the Claims Administrator have developed, subject to periodic review and modification. The limit may restrict the amount dispensed per prescription order or refill and/or the amount dispensed per month's supply.

### **If a Brand-name Drug Becomes Available as a Generic**

If a Brand-name Prescription Drug becomes available as a Generic drug, the tier placement of the Brand-name Drug may change. As a result, your Copay may change. You will pay the Copay applicable for the tier to which the Prescription Drug is assigned.

### **Special Programs**

City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare may have certain programs in which you may receive an enhanced or reduced benefit based on your actions such as adherence/compliance to medication or treatment regimens and/or participation in health management programs. You may access information on these programs through the Internet at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or by calling the number on the back of your ID card.

### **Prescription Drugs Prescribed by a Specialist Physician**

You may receive an enhanced or reduced benefit, or no benefit, based on whether the Prescription Drug was prescribed by a specialist physician. You may access information on which Prescription Drugs are subject to benefit enhancement, reduction or no benefit through the Internet at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or by calling the telephone number on your ID card.

### **Rebates and Other Discounts**

UnitedHealthcare and City of Columbia, Missouri may, at times, receive rebates for certain drugs on the PDL. UnitedHealthcare does not pass these rebates and other discounts on to you nor does UnitedHealthcare take them into account when determining your Copays.

The Claims Administrator and a number of its affiliated entities, conduct business with various pharmaceutical manufacturers separate and apart from this Prescription Drug section. Such business may include, but is not limited to, data collection, consulting, educational grants and research. Amounts received from pharmaceutical manufacturers

pursuant to such arrangements are not related to this Prescription Drug section. The Claims Administrator is not required to pass on to you, and does not pass on to you, such amounts.

### Coupons, Incentives and Other Communications

At various times, UnitedHealthcare may send mailings or provide other communications to you, your Physician or your pharmacy that communicate a variety of messages, including information about Prescription Drugs. These communications may include offers that enable you, at your discretion, to purchase the described product at a discount. In some instances, non-UnitedHealthcare entities may support and/or provide content for these communications and offers. Only you and your Physician can determine whether a change in your Prescription and/or non-prescription Drug regimen is appropriate for your medical condition.

UnitedHealthcare may not permit certain coupons or offers from pharmaceutical manufacturers to reduce your Copayment and/or Coinsurance. You may access information on which coupons or offers are not permitted through the Internet at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or by calling the number on your ID card.

### Exclusions - What the Prescription Drug Plan Will Not Cover

Exclusions from coverage listed in Section 8, *Exclusions and Limitations* apply also to this section. In addition, the exclusions listed below apply.

When an exclusion applies to only certain Prescription Drugs, you can access [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) through the Internet or by calling the telephone number on your ID card for information on which Prescription Drugs are excluded.

Medications that are:

1. for any condition, Injury, Sickness or mental illness arising out of, or in the course of, employment for which benefits are available under any workers' compensation law or other similar laws, whether or not a claim for such benefits is made or payment or benefits are received;
2. any Prescription Drug for which payment or benefits are provided or available from the local, state or federal government (for example Medicare) whether or not payment or benefits are received, except as otherwise provided by law;
3. Pharmaceutical products for which Benefits are provided in the medical (not in Section 15, *Prescription Drugs*) portion of the Plan;

This exclusion does not apply to Depo Provera and other injectable drugs used for contraception.

4. available over-the-counter that do not require a prescription order or refill by federal or state law before being dispensed, unless the Plan Administrator has designated over-the-counter medication as eligible for coverage as if it were a Prescription Drug and it is obtained with a prescription order or refill from a Physician. Prescription Drugs that are available in over-the-counter form or comprised of components that are available in

over-the-counter form or equivalent. Certain Prescription Drugs that the Plan Administrator has determined are Therapeutically Equivalent to an over-the-counter drug. Such determinations may be made up to six times during a calendar year, and the Plan Administrator may decide at any time to reinstate Benefits for a Prescription Drug that was previously excluded under this provision;

5. Compounded drugs that contain certain bulk chemicals. (Compounded drugs that contain at least one ingredient that requires a Prescription Order or Refill are assigned to Tier-3.) Compounded drugs that are available as a similar commercially available Prescription Drug;
6. dispensed outside of the United States, except in an Emergency;
7. Durable Medical Equipment (prescribed and non-prescribed outpatient supplies, other than the diabetic supplies and inhaler spacers specifically stated as covered);
8. certain Prescription Drugs for smoking cessation;
9. growth hormone for children with familial short stature based upon heredity and not caused by a diagnosed medical condition;
10. the amount dispensed (days' supply or quantity limit) which exceeds the supply limit;
11. the amount dispensed (days' supply or quantity limit) which is less than the minimum supply limit;
12. certain Prescription Drugs that have not been prescribed by a specialist physician;
13. certain new drugs and/or new dosages, until they are reviewed and assigned to a tier by the PDL Management Committee;
14. prescribed, dispensed or intended for use during an Inpatient Stay;
15. prescribed for appetite suppression, and other weight loss products;
16. prescribed to treat infertility;
17. Prescription Drugs, including new Prescription Drugs or new dosage forms, that UnitedHealthcare and City of Columbia, Missouri determines do not meet the definition of a Covered Health Service;
18. A Prescription Drug that contains (an) active ingredient(s) available in and Therapeutically Equivalent to another covered Prescription Drug. Such determinations may be made up to six times during a calendar year, and UnitedHealthcare may decide at any time to reinstate Benefits for a Prescription Drug that was previously excluded under this provision;
19. A Prescription Drug that contains (an) active ingredient(s) which is (are) a modified version of and Therapeutically Equivalent to another covered Prescription Drug. Such



determinations may be made up to six times during a calendar year, and UnitedHealthcare may decide at any time to reinstate Benefits for a Prescription Drug that was previously excluded under this provision;

20. Certain Prescription Drugs for which there are Therapeutically Equivalent alternatives available, unless otherwise required by law or approved by UnitedHealthcare. Such determinations may be made up to six times during a calendar year, and UnitedHealthcare may decide at any time to reinstate Benefits for a Prescription Drug that was previously excluded under this provision;
21. typically administered by a qualified provider or licensed health professional in an outpatient setting. This exclusion does not apply to Depo Provera and other injectable drugs used for contraception;
22. unit dose packaging of Prescription Drugs;
23. used for conditions and/or at dosages determined to be Experimental or Investigational, or Unproven, unless UnitedHealthcare and City of Columbia, Missouri have agreed to cover an Experimental or Investigational or Unproven treatment, as defined in Section 14, *Glossary*;
24. used for cosmetic purposes;
25. Prescription Drug as a replacement for a previously dispensed Prescription Drug that was lost, stolen, broken or destroyed;
26. vitamins, except for the following which require a prescription:
  - prenatal vitamins;
  - vitamins with fluoride; and
  - single entity vitamins;
27. any product for which the primary use is a source of nutrition, nutritional supplements, or dietary management of disease, and prescription medical food products even when used for the treatment of Sickness or Injury;
28. dental products, including but not limited to prescription fluoride topicals;
29. A Prescription Drug with an approved biosimilar or a biosimilar and Therapeutically Equivalent to another covered Prescription Drug. For the purpose of this exclusion a "biosimilar" is a biological Prescription Drug approved based on showing that it is highly similar to a reference product (a biological Prescription Drug) and has no clinically meaningful differences in terms of safety and effectiveness from the reference product. Such determinations may be made up to six times during a calendar year, and UnitedHealthcare may decide at any time to reinstate Benefits for a Prescription Drug that was previously excluded under this provision; and
30. Health services and supplies that do not meet the definition of a Covered Health Service as defined in this Section 15, *Prescription Drugs*, under *Glossary – Prescription Drugs*. Covered

Health Services are those health services including services, supplies, Prescription Drugs, which UnitedHealthcare determines to be all of the following:

- Medically Necessary as defined in this Section 15, *Prescription Drugs*, under *Glossary – Prescription Drugs*.
- Described as a Covered Health Service in this SPD under the Schedule of Benefits Prescription Drug Coverage Highlights in this Section 15, *Prescription Drugs*.
- Not otherwise excluded in this SPD.

## Glossary - Prescription Drugs

In addition to the definitions in Section 14, *Glossary*, the following definitions apply in this Section 15, *Prescription Drugs*.

**Brand-name** - a Prescription Drug that is either:

- manufactured and marketed under a trademark or name by a specific drug manufacturer; or
- identified by UnitedHealthcare as a Brand-name Drug based on available data resources including, but not limited to, Medi-Span, that classify drugs as either Brand-name or Generic based on a number of factors.

You should know that all products identified as "brand name" by the manufacturer, pharmacy, or your Physician may not be classified as Brand-name by the Claims Administrator.

**Covered Health Services** – those health services, including services, supplies or pharmaceutical products, which the Claims Administrator determines to be:

- Medically Necessary.
- Described as a Covered Health Service under the *Schedule of Benefits* in this Section 15, *Prescription Drugs*.
- Provided to a Covered Person who meets the Plan's eligibility requirements, as described in this SPD under *Eligibility* in Section 2, *Introduction*.
- Not otherwise excluded in this Section 15, *Prescription Drugs* or under Section 8, *Exclusions and Limitations* of this SPD.

**Designated Pharmacy** – a pharmacy that has entered into an agreement with UnitedHealthcare or with an organization contracting on its behalf, to provide specific Prescription Drugs including, but not limited to, Specialty Prescription Drugs. The fact that a pharmacy is a Network Pharmacy does not mean that it is a Designated Pharmacy.

**Generic** - a Prescription Drug that is either:

- chemically equivalent to a Brand-name drug; or
- identified by UnitedHealthcare as a Generic Drug based on available data resources, including, but not limited to, Medi-Span, that classify drugs as either Brand-name or Generic based on a number of factors.

You should know that all products identified as a "generic" by the manufacturer, pharmacy or your Physician may not be classified as a Generic by the Claims Administrator.

**Medically Necessary** – health care services provided for the purpose of preventing, evaluating, diagnosing or treating a Sickness, Injury, Mental Illness, substance-related and addictive disorder, condition, disease or its symptoms, that are all of the following as

determined by the Claims Administrator or its designee, within the Claims Administrator's sole discretion. The services must be:

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

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

If no credible scientific evidence is available, then standards that are based on Physician specialty society recommendations or professional standards of care may be considered. The Claims Administrator reserves the right to consult expert opinion in determining whether health care services are Medically Necessary. The decision to apply Physician specialty society recommendations, the choice of expert and the determination of when to use any such expert opinion, shall be within the Claims Administrator's sole discretion.

The Claims Administrator develops and maintains clinical policies that describe the *Generally Accepted Standards of Medical Practice* scientific evidence, prevailing medical standards and clinical guidelines supporting its determinations regarding specific services. These clinical policies (as developed by the Claims Administrator and revised from time to time), are available to Covered Persons on [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or by calling the number on your ID card, and to Physicians and other health care professionals on [www.UnitedHealthcareOnline.com](http://www.UnitedHealthcareOnline.com).

**Network Pharmacy** - a retail or mail order pharmacy that has:

- entered into an agreement with the Claims Administrator to dispense Prescription Drugs to Covered Persons;
- agreed to accept specified reimbursement rates for Prescription Drugs; and
- been designated by the Claims Administrator as a Network Pharmacy.

**Out-of-Network Reimbursement Rate** – the amount the Plan will pay to reimburse you for a Prescription Drug Product that is dispensed at a non-Network Pharmacy. The Out-of-Network Reimbursement Rate for a particular Prescription Drug Product dispensed at a non-Network Pharmacy includes a dispensing fee and any applicable sales tax.

**PDL** - see Prescription Drug List (PDL).

**PDL Management Committee** - see Prescription Drug List (PDL) Management Committee.

**Prescription Drug** - a medication, or product that has been approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and that can, under federal or state law, be dispensed only pursuant to a Prescription Order or Refill. A Prescription Drug includes a medication that, due to its characteristics, is appropriate for self-administration or administration by a non-skilled caregiver. For purposes of Benefits under this Plan, this definition includes:

- Inhalers (with spacers).
- Insulin.
- The following diabetic supplies:
  - Standard insulin syringes with needles.
  - Blood-testing strips - glucose.
  - Urine-testing strips - glucose.
  - Ketone-testing strips and tablets.
  - Lancets and lancet devices.
  - Glucose meters. This does not include continuous glucose monitors. Benefits for continuous glucose monitors are provided as described in your SPD.

**Prescription Drug Charge** – the rate the Plan has agreed to pay UnitedHealthcare on behalf of its Network Pharmacies, including the applicable dispensing fee and any applicable sales tax, for a Prescription Drug dispensed at a Network Pharmacy.

**Prescription Drug List (PDL)** - a list that categorizes into tiers medications, products or devices that have been approved by the *U.S. Food and Drug Administration*. This list is subject to periodic review and modification (generally quarterly, but no more than six times per calendar year). You may determine to which tier a particular Prescription Drug has been assigned by contacting UnitedHealthcare at the toll-free number on your ID card or by logging onto **www.myuhc.com**.

**Prescription Drug List (PDL) Management Committee** - the committee that UnitedHealthcare designates for, among other responsibilities, classifying Prescription Drugs into specific tiers.

**Preventive Care Medications** - the medications that are obtained at a Network Pharmacy and that are payable at 100% of the Prescription Drug Charge (without application of any Copayment, Coinsurance, Annual Deductible, Annual Prescription Drug Deductible or Specialty Prescription Drug Annual Deductible) as required by applicable law under any of the following:

- evidence-based items or services that have in effect a rating of "A" or "B" in the current recommendations of the United States Preventive Services Task Force;

- immunizations that have in effect a recommendation from the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention;
- with respect to infants, children and adolescents, evidence-informed preventive care and screenings provided for in the comprehensive guidelines supported by the Health Resources and Services Administration; or
- with respect to women, such additional preventive care and screenings as provided for in comprehensive guidelines supported by the Health Resources and Services Administration.

You may determine whether a drug is a Preventive Care Medication through the internet at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or by calling UnitedHealthcare at the toll-free telephone number on your ID card.

**Specialty Prescription Drug** - Prescription Drug that is generally high cost, self-injectable, oral or inhaled biotechnology drug used to treat patients with certain illnesses. For more information, visit [myuhc.com](http://myuhc.com) or call UnitedHealthcare at the toll-free number on your ID card.

**Therapeutically Equivalent** – when Prescription Drugs have essentially the same efficacy and adverse effect profile.

**Usual and Customary Charge** – the usual fee that a pharmacy charges individuals for a Prescription Drug without reference to reimbursement to the pharmacy by third parties. The Usual and Customary Charge includes a dispensing fee and any applicable sales tax.

## SECTION 16 - IMPORTANT ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION: ERISA

**What this section includes:**

- Plan administrative information.

This section includes information on the administration of the medical Plan. While you may not need this information for your day-to-day participation, it is information you may find important.

### *Additional Plan Description*

**Claims Administrator:** The company which provides certain administrative services for the Plan Benefits described in this Summary Plan Description.

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The Claims Administrator shall not be deemed or construed as an employer for any purpose with respect to the administration or provision of benefits under the Plan Sponsor's Plan. The Claims Administrator shall not be responsible for fulfilling any duties or obligations of an employer with respect to the Plan Sponsor's Plan.

**Type of Administration of the Plan:** The Plan Sponsor provides certain administrative services in connection with its Plan. The Plan Sponsor may, from time to time in its sole discretion, contract with outside parties to arrange for the provision of other administrative services including arrangement of access to a Network Provider; claims processing services, including coordination of benefits and subrogation; utilization management and complaint resolution assistance. This external administrator is referred to as the Claims Administrator. For Benefits as described in this Summary Plan Description, the Plan Sponsor also has selected a provider network established by United HealthCare Insurance Company. The named fiduciary of Plan is City of Columbia, Missouri, the Plan Sponsor.

The Plan Sponsor retains all fiduciary responsibilities with respect to the Plan except to the extent the Plan Sponsor has delegated or allocated to other persons or entities one or more fiduciary responsibility with respect to the Plan.

## ATTACHMENT I - HEALTH CARE REFORM NOTICES

### Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act ("PPACA")

#### *Patient Protection Notices*

The Claims Administrator generally allows the designation of a primary care provider. You have the right to designate any primary care provider who participates in the Claims Administrator's network and who is available to accept you or your family members. For information on how to select a primary care provider, and for a list of the participating primary care providers, contact the Claims Administrator at the number on the back of your ID card.

For children, you may designate a pediatrician as the primary care provider.

You do not need prior authorization from the Claims Administrator or from any other person (including a primary care provider) in order to obtain access to obstetrical or gynecological care from a health care professional in the Claims Administrator's network who specializes in obstetrics or gynecology. The health care professional, however, may be required to comply with certain procedures, including obtaining prior authorization for certain services, following a pre-approved treatment plan, or procedures for making referrals. For a list of participating health care professionals who specialize in obstetrics or gynecology, contact the Claims Administrator at the number on the back of your ID card.



## **ATTACHMENT II – LEGAL NOTICES**

### **Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998**

As required by the Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998, we provide Benefits under the Plan for mastectomy, including reconstruction and surgery to achieve symmetry between the breasts, prostheses, and complications resulting from a mastectomy (including lymphedema).

If you are receiving Benefits in connection with a mastectomy, Benefits are also provided for the following Covered Health Services, as you determine appropriate with your attending Physician:

- All stages of reconstruction of the breast on which the mastectomy was performed;
- Surgery and reconstruction of the other breast to produce a symmetrical appearance; and
- Prostheses and treatment of physical complications of the mastectomy, including lymphedema.

The amount you must pay for such Covered Health Services (including Copayments and any Annual Deductible) are the same as are required for any other Covered Health Service. Limitations on Benefits are the same as for any other Covered Health Service.

### **Statement of Rights under the Newborns' and Mothers' Health Protection Act**

Under Federal law, group health Plans and health insurance issuers offering group health insurance coverage generally may not restrict Benefits for any Hospital length of stay in connection with childbirth for the mother or newborn child to less than 48 hours following a vaginal delivery, or less than 96 hours following a delivery by cesarean section. However, the Plan or issuer may pay for a shorter stay if the attending provider (e.g., your physician, nurse midwife, or physician assistant), after consultation with the mother, discharges the mother or newborn earlier.

Also, under Federal law, plans and issuers may not set the level of Benefits or out-of-pocket costs so that any later portion of the 48-hour (or 96-hour) stay is treated in a manner less favorable to the mother or newborn than any earlier portion of the stay.

In addition, a plan or issuer may not, under Federal law, require that a physician or other health care provider obtain authorization for prescribing a length of stay of up to 48 hours (or 96 hours). However, to use certain providers or facilities, or to reduce your out-of-pocket costs, you may be required to obtain precertification. For information on precertification, contact your issuer.

## ATTACHMENT III – NONDISCRIMINATION AND ACCESSIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

When the Plan uses the words "Claims Administrator" in this Attachment, it is a reference to United HealthCare Services, Inc., on behalf of itself and its affiliated companies.

The Claims Administrator on behalf of itself and its affiliated companies complies with applicable Federal civil rights laws and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex. UnitedHealthcare does not exclude people or treat them differently because of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex.

The Claims Administrator provides free aids and services to people with disabilities to communicate effectively with us, such as:

- Qualified sign language interpreters
- Written information in other formats (large print, audio, accessible electronic formats, other formats)
- Provides free language services to people whose primary language is not English, such as: Qualified interpreters
- Information written in other languages

If you need these services, please call the toll-free member number on your health plan ID card, TTY 711 or the Plan Sponsor.

If you believe that the Claims Administrator has failed to provide these services or discriminated in another way on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex, you can file a grievance in writing by mail or email with the Civil Rights Coordinator identified below. A grievance must be sent within 60 calendar days of the date that you become aware of the discriminatory action and contain the name and address of the person filing it along with the problem and the requested remedy.

A written decision will be sent to you within 30 calendar days. If you disagree with the decision, you may file an appeal within 15 calendar days of receiving the decision.

<b>Claims Administrator Civil Rights Coordinator</b>
<b>United HealthCare Services, Inc. Civil Rights Coordinator</b> UnitedHealthcare Civil Rights Grievance P.O. Box 30608 Salt Lake City, UT 84130 The toll-free member phone number listed on your health plan ID card, TTY 711 UHC_Civil_Rights@UHC.com

If you need help filing a grievance, the Civil Rights Coordinator identified above is available to help you.

You can also file a complaint directly with the U.S. Dept. of Health and Human services online, by phone or mail:

Online <https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf>

Complaint forms are available at <http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html>

Phone: Toll-free 1-800-368-1019, 800-537-7697 (TDD)

Mail: U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, 200 Independence Avenue, SW Room 509F, HHH Building, Washington, D.C. 20201

**ATTACHMENT IV – GETTING HELP IN OTHER LANGUAGES OR FORMATS**

You have the right to get help and information in your language at no cost. To request an interpreter, call the toll-free member phone number listed on your health plan ID card, press 0. TTY 711.

This letter is also available in other formats like large print. To request the document in another format, please call the toll-free member phone number listed on your health plan ID card, press 0. TTY 711, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Language	Translated Taglines
1. Albanian	Ju keni të drejtë të merrni ndihmë dhe informacion falas në gjuhën tuaj. Për të kërkuar një përkthyes, telefononi në numrin që gjendet në kartën e planit tuaj shëndetësor, shtypni 0. TTY 711.
2. Amharic	ያለ ምንም ክፍያ በቋንቋዎ እርዳታና መረጃ የማግኘት መብት አላችሁ። አስተርጓሚ እንዲቀርብልዎ ከራሉ፣ በጤና ፕላን መታወቂያዎት ላይ ባለው በተጻ መስመር ስልክ ቁጥር ይደውሉና 0ን ይጫኑ። TTY 711
3. Arabic	لك الحق في الحصول على المساعدة والمعلومات بلغتك دون تحمل أي تكلفة. لطلب مترجم فوري، اتصل برقم الهاتف المجاني الخاص بالأعضاء المدرج ببطاقة مُعرّف العضوية الخاصة بخطتك الصحية، واضغط على 0. الهاتف النصي (TTY) 711
4. Armenian	Թարգմանիչ պահանջելու համար, զանգահարե՛ք Ձեր ստորոջապահական ծրագրի ինքնություն (ID) տոմսի վրա նշված անվճար Անդամների հեռախոսահամարով, սեղմե՛ք 0: TTY 711
5. Bantu-Kirundi	Urafise uburenganzira bwo kuronka ubufasha n’amakuru mu rurimi rwawe ku buntu. Kugira usabe umusemuzi, hamagara inomero ya telephone y’ubuntu yagenewe abanywanyi iri ku rutonde ku karangamuntu k’umugambi wawe w’ubuzima, fyonda 0. TTY 711
6. Bisayan-Visayan (Cebuano)	Aduna kay katungod nga mangayo og tabang ug impormasyon sa imong lengguwahe nga walay bayad. Aron mohangyo og tighubad, tawag sa toll-free nga numero sa telepono sa miyembro nga nakalista sa imong ID kard sa plano sa panglawas, pindota ang 0. TTY 711
7. Bengali-Bangala	অনুবাদের অনুরোধ থাকলে, আপনার স্বাস্থ্য পরিকল্পনার আই ডি কার্ড এ তালিকাভুক্ত ও কর দিতে হবে না এমন টেলিফোন নম্বরে ফোন করুন। (০) শূণ্য চাপুন। TTY 711
8. Burmese	ကုန်ကျစရိတ်ပေးရန်မလိုဘဲ မိမိဘာသာစကားဖြင့် အကူအညီနှင့် သတင်းအချက်အလက်များ ကိုရယူနိုင်ခြင်း သည်သင်၏အခွင့်အရေးဖြစ်သည်။ စကားပြန်တစ်ဦးတောင်းဆိုရန်သင်၏ကျန်းမာရေးအစီအစဉ် လက်မှတ်ပေါ်ရှိအသင်းဝင်များအတွက်အခမဲ့ရန်လိုင်းသို့ခေါ်ဆိုပြီး 0 ကိုနှိပ်ပါ။ TTY 711

Language	Translated Taglines
9. Cambodian-Mon-Khmer	អ្នកមានសិទ្ធិទទួលជំនួយ និងព័ត៌មាន ជាភាសារបស់អ្នក ដោយមិនគិតថ្លៃ។ ដើម្បីស្នើសុំអ្នកបកប្រែ សូមទូរស័ព្ទទៅលេខឥតគិតថ្លៃសំរាប់សមាជិក ដែលមានកំណើតក្នុងប្រទេស ID គំរោងសុខភាពរបស់អ្នក រួចហើយចុច 0។ TTY 711
10. Cherokee	Θ D4᠘ ᠆P ᠠCZ᠖᠕ ᠠ4᠙᠔᠕ ᠠA᠑W ᠠ᠖ ᠠ᠖P ᠠ᠗ ᠆R ᠠᠠᠠᠠ ᠠC᠙᠔᠕ ᠠ᠖ᠠ᠙᠔᠕ᠠᠠ, ᠙᠖᠐᠙᠔᠕ 0. TTY 711
11. Chinese	您有權利免費以您的母語得到幫助和訊息。洽詢一位翻譯員，請撥打您健保計劃會員卡上的免付費會員電話號碼，再按0。聽力語言殘障服務專線 711
12. Choctaw	Chim anumpa ya, apela micha nana aiimma yvt nan aivlli keyu h᠒ ish isha hinla kvt chim aiivlhpesa. Tosholi ya asilhha ch᠒ hokmvt ch᠒ achukm᠗ka holisso kallo iskitini ya tvli aianumpuli holhtena ya ibai achvffa yvt peh pila h᠒ ish ᠒paya cha 0 ombetipa. TTY 711
13. Cushite-Oromo	Kaffaltii male afaan keessaniin odeeffannoofi deeggarsa argachuuf mirga ni qabdu. Turjumaana gaafachuufis sarara bilbilaa kan bilisaa waraqaa eenyummaa karooraa fayyaa keerratti tarreefame bilbiluun, 0 tuqi. TTY 711
14. Dutch	U heeft het recht om hulp en informatie in uw taal te krijgen zonder kosten. Om een tolk aan te vragen, bel ons gratis nummer die u op uw ziekteverzekeringskaart treft, druk op 0. TTY 711
15. French	Vous avez le droit d'obtenir gratuitement de l'aide et des renseignements dans votre langue. Pour demander à parler à un interprète, appelez le numéro de téléphone sans frais figurant sur votre carte d'affilié du régime de soins de santé et appuyez sur la touche 0. ATS 711.
16. French Creole-Haitian Creole	Ou gen dwa pou jwenn èd ak enfòmasyon nan lang natifnatal ou gratis. Pou mande yon entèprèt, rele nimewo gratis manm lan ki endike sou kat ID plan sante ou, peze 0. TTY 711
17. German	Sie haben das Recht, kostenlose Hilfe und Informationen in Ihrer Sprache zu erhalten. Um einen Dolmetscher anzufordern, rufen Sie die gebührenfreie Nummer auf Ihrer Krankenversicherungskarte an und drücken Sie die 0. TTY 711
18. Greek	Έχετε το δικαίωμα να λάβετε βοήθεια και πληροφορίες στη γλώσσα σας χωρίς χρέωση. Για να ζητήσετε διερμηνέα, καλέστε το δωρεάν αριθμό τηλεφώνου που βρίσκεται στην κάρτα μέλους ασφάλισης, πατήστε 0. TTY 711

Language	Translated Taglines
19. Gujarati	તમને વિના મૂલ્યે મદદ અને તમારી ભાષામાં માહિતી મેળવવાનો અધિકાર છે. દુભાષિયા માટે વિનંતી કરવા, તમારા હેલ્થ પ્લાન ID કાર્ડ પરની સૂચીમાં આપેલ ટોલ-ફ્રી મેમ્બર ફોન નંબર ઉપર કોલ કરો, ૦ ૬૫૫૧૦. TTY 711
20. Hawaiian	He pono ke kōkua ‘ana aku iā ‘oe ma ka maopopo ‘ana o kēia ‘ike ma loko o kāu ‘ōlelo pono‘ī me ka uku ‘ole ‘ana. E kama‘ilio ‘oe me kekahi kanaka unuhi, e kāhea i ka helu kelepona kāki ‘ole ma kou kāleka olakino, a e kaomi i ka helu 0. TTY 711.
21. Hindi	आप के पास अपनी भाषा में सहायता एवं जानकारी निःशुल्क प्राप्त करने का अधिकार है। दुभाषिए के लिए अनुरोध करने के लिए, अपने हैल्थ प्लान ID कार्ड पर सूचीबद्ध टोल-फ्री नंबर पर फ़ोन करें, 0 दबाएं। TTY 711
22. Hmong	Koj muaj cai tau kev pab thiab tau cov ntaub ntawv sau ua koj hom lus pub dawb. Yog xav tau ib tug neeg txhais, hu tus xov tooj rau tswv cuab hu dawb uas sau muaj nyob ntawm koj daim yuaj them nqi kho mob, nias 0. TTY 711.
23. Ibo	Inwere ikike inweta enyemaka nakwa imuta asusu gi n'efu n'akwughị ugwo. Maka ikpoturu onye nsughari okwu, kpoo akara ekwentị nke di n'akwukwo njirimara gi nke emere maka ahụike gi, pia 0. TTY 711.
24. Ilocano	Adda karbengam nga makaala ti tulong ken impormasyon iti pagsasaom nga libre. Tapno agdawat iti maysa nga agipatarus, tumawag iti toll-free nga numero ti telepono nga para kadagiti kameng nga nakalista ayan ti ID card mo para ti plano ti salun-at, ipindut ti 0. TTY 711
25. Indonesian	Anda berhak untuk mendapatkan bantuan dan informasi dalam bahasa Anda tanpa dikenakan biaya. Untuk meminta bantuan penerjemah, hubungi nomor telepon anggota, bebas pulsa, yang tercantum pada kartu ID rencana kesehatan Anda, tekan 0. TTY 711
26. Italian	Hai il diritto di ottenere aiuto e informazioni nella tua lingua gratuitamente. Per richiedere un interprete, chiama il numero telefonico verde indicato sulla tua tessera identificativa del piano sanitario e premi lo 0. Dispositivi per non udenti/TTY: 711

Language	Translated Taglines
27. Japanese	ご希望の言語でサポートを受けたり、情報を入力したりすることができます。料金はかかりません。通訳をご希望の場合は、医療プランのIDカードに記載されているメンバー用のフリーダイヤルまでお電話の上、0を押してください。TTY専用番号は711です。
28. Karen	နအိၣ်ဒီးတၢ်ခွဲတၢ်ဖၢၣ်လၢနကးန့ၣ်တၢ်ဖၢၣ်တၢ်မၤစၢၤဒီးတၢ်ဂၢၢ်တၢ်ဂၢၢ်လၢနကးန့ၣ်ဒၣ်န့ၣ်လၢတၢ်လိၣ်ဟ့ၣ်အပူၤတၢ်န့ၣ်လိၣ်လၢတၢ်ကယုၣ်ပုၤကတၢၢ်ဂၢၢ်ထံတၢ်အဂီၢ်ဂၢၢ်တၢ်လိၣ်တၢ်အဂီၢ်လၢကရၢဖိအတၢ်လိၣ်ဟ့ၣ်အပူၤလၢအအိၣ်လၢနတၢ်အိၣ်ဆူၣ်အိၣ်ဆူၣ်တၢ်ရဲၣ်တၢ်ဂၢၢ်အကးအလိၣ်ဒီးဆိၣ်လိၣ်န့ၣ်ဂံၢ် 0 တက့ၢ်.TTY 711
29. Korean	귀하는 도움과 정보를 귀하의 언어로 비용 부담없이 얻을 수 있는 권리가 있습니다. 통역사를 요청하기 위해서는 귀하의 플랜 ID카드에 기재된 무료 회원 전화번호로 전화하여 0번을 누르십시오. TTY 711
30. Kru- Bassa	Ni gwe kunde I bat mahola ni mawin u hop nan nipehmes be to dolla. Yu kwel ni Kobol mahop seblana, soho ni sebel numba I ni tehe mu I ticket I docta I nan, bep 0. TTY 711
31. Kurdish-Sorani	مافه‌ی ئه‌وه‌ت هه‌یه که بێهه‌رامبه‌ر، یارمه‌تی و زانیاری پێویست به‌ زمانێ خۆت وهرگریت. بۆ داواکردنی وهرگیرتیکی زارمکی، په‌یوه‌ندی بکه به‌ ژماره‌ ته‌له‌فۆنی نوسه‌راو له‌ناو ئای دی کارتی پیناسه‌یی پلانی ته‌ندروستی خۆت و پاشان 0 داگره‌ .TTY 711
32. Laotian	ທ່ານມີສິດທີ່ຈະໄດ້ຮັບການຊ່ວຍເຫຼືອແລະຂໍ້ມູນຂ່າວສານທີ່ເປັນພາສາຂອງທ່ານບໍ່ມີຄ່າໃຊ້ຈ່າຍ. ເພື່ອຂໍຮ້ອງນາຍພາສາ, ໂທພຣິຫາຫມາຍເລກໂທລະສັບສໍາລັບສະມາຊິກທີ່ໄດ້ລະບຸໄວ້ໃນບັດສະມາຊິກຂອງທ່ານ, ກົດເລກ 0. TTY 711
33. Marathi	आपल्याला आपल्या भाषेत विनामूल्य मदत आणि माहिती मिळण्याचा अधिकार आहे. दूभाषकास विनंती करण्यासाठी आपल्या आरोग्य योजना ओळखपत्रावरील सूचीबद्ध केलेल्या सदस्यास विनामूल्य फोन नंबरवर संपर्क करण्यासाठी दाबा 0. TTY 711
34. Marshallese	Eor aṃ maroñ ñan bok jipañ im mejeje ilo kajin eo aṃ ilo ejjeļok wōṇāān. Ñan kajjitōk ñan juon ri-ukok, kūriļok nōṃba eo eṃōj an jeje ilo kaat in ID in karōk in ājmour eo aṃ, jiped 0. TTY 711
35. Micronesian-Pohnpeian	Komw ahneki manaman unsek komwi en alehdi sawas oh mengihtik ni pein omwi tungoal lokaia ni soh isepe. Pwen peki sawas en soun kawehweh, eker delepwohn nempe ong towehkan me soh isepe me ntingihdi ni pein omwi doaropwe me pid koasoandi en kehl, padik 0. TTY 711.

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36. Navajo	T'áá jíík'eh doo bááh 'alínígóó bee baa hane'ígíí t'áá ni nizaád bee níká'e'eyeego bee ná'ahoot'i'. 'Ata' halne'i ła yíníkeedgo, ninaaltsos nit[ 'iz7 'ats'77s bee baa'ahay1 bee n44hazin7g77 bik11' b44sh bee hane'7 t'11 j77k'eh bee hane'7 bik1'7g77 bich'8' hodílnih dóó 0 bíł 'adidíłchíł. TTY 711
37. Nepali	तपाईंले आफ्नो भाषामा निःशुल्क सहयोग र जानकारी प्राप्त गर्ने अधिकार तपाईंसँग छ। अनुवादक प्राप्त गरीपाउँ भनी अनुरोध गर्न, तपाईंको स्वास्थ्य योजना परिचय कार्डमा सूचीकृत टोल-फ्री सदस्य फोन नम्बरमा सम्पर्क गर्नुहोस्, 0 थिचुहोस्। TTY 711
38. Nilotic-Dinka	Yín nōŋ lōŋ bē yi kuōny nē wēřēyic de thōŋ du ābac ke cin wēu tāāue ke piny. Ācān bā ran yē kōc ger thok thiēc, ke yin cōl nāmba yene yup abac de ran tōŋ ye kōc wāār thok tō nē ID kat duōn de pānakim yic, thāny 0 yic. TTY 711.
39. Norwegian	<b>Du har rett til å få gratis hjelp og informasjon på ditt eget språk. For å be om en tolk, ring gratisnummeret for medlemmer som er oppført på helsekortet ditt og trykk 0. TTY 711</b>
40. Pennsylvania Dutch	Du hoscht die Recht fer Hilf unn Information in deine Schprooch griege, fer nix. Wann du en Iwwersetzer hawwe willscht, kansch du die frei Telefon Nummer uff dei Gesundheit Blann ID Kaarde yuuse, dricke 0. <b>TTY 711</b>
41. Persian-Farsi	شما حق دارید که کمک و اطلاعات به زبان خود را به طور رایگان دریافت نمایید. برای درخواست مترجم شفاهی با شماره تلفن رایگان قید شده در کارت شناسایی برنامه بهداشتی خود تماس حاصل نموده و 0 را فشار دهید. <b>TTY 711</b>
42. Punjabi	ਤੁਹਾਡੇ ਕੋਲ ਆਪਣੀ ਭਾਸ਼ਾ ਵਿੱਚ ਸਹਾਇਤਾ ਅਤੇ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਮੁਫਤ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤ ਕਰਨ ਦਾ ਅਧਿਕਾਰ ਹੈ। ਦੁਭਾਸ਼ੀਏ ਲਈ ਤੁਹਾਡੇ ਹੈਲਥ ਪਲਾਨ ਆਈਡੀ ਦਿੱਤੇ ਗਏ ਟਾਲ ਫ੍ਰੀ ਮੈਂਬਰ ਫੋਨ ਨੰਬਰ ਟੀਟੀਵਾਈ 711 ਤੇ ਕਾਲ ਕਰੋ, 0 ਦੱਬੋ।
43. Polish	Masz prawo do uzyskania bezpłatnej informacji i pomocy we własnym języku. Po usługi tłumacza zadzwoń pod bezpłatny numer umieszczony na karcie identyfikacyjnej planu medycznego i wciśnij 0. <b>TTY 711</b>
44. Portuguese	<b>Você tem o direito de obter ajuda e informação em seu idioma e sem custos. Para solicitar um intérprete, ligue para o número de telefone gratuito que consta no cartão de ID do seu plano de saúde, pressione 0. TTY 711</b>
45. Romanian	Aveți dreptul de a obține gratuit ajutor și informații în limba dumneavoastră. Pentru a cere un interpret, sunați la numărul de telefon gratuit care se găsește pe cardul dumneavoastră de sănătate, apăsați pe tasta 0. <b>TTY 711</b>





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55. Thai	คุณมีสิทธิที่จะได้รับความช่วยเหลือและข้อมูลในภาษาของคุณได้โดยไม่มีค่าใช้จ่าย หากต้องการขอล่ามแปลภาษา โปรดโทรศัพท์ถึงหมายเลขโทรฟรีที่อยู่บนบัตรประจำตัวสำหรับแผนสุขภาพของคุณ แล้วกด 0 สำหรับผู้ที่มีความบกพร่องทางการได้ยินหรือการพูด โปรดโทรฯถึงหมายเลข 711
56. Tongan-Fakatonga	‘Oku ke ma’u ‘a e totonu ke ma’u ‘a e tokoni mo e ‘u fakamatala ‘i ho’o lea fakafonua ta’etotongi. Ke kole ha tokotaha fakatonulea, ta ki he fika telefoni ta’etotongi ma’ae kau memipa ‘a ee ‘oku lisi ‘I ho’o kaati ID ki ho’o palani ki he mo’uilelei, Lomi’I ‘a e 0. TTY 711
57. Trukese (Chuukese)	Mi wor omw pwung om kopwe nounou ika amasou noum ekkewe aninis ika toropwen aninis nge epwe awewetiw non kapasen fonuom, ese kamo. Ika ka mwochen tungoren aninisin chiakku, kori ewe member nampa, ese pwan kamo, mi pachanong won an noum health plan katen ID, iwe tiki "0". Ren TTY, kori 711.
58. Turkish	Kendi dilinizde ücretsiz olarak yardım ve bilgi alma hakkınız bulunmaktadır. Bir tercüman istemek için sağlık planı kimlik kartınızın üzerinde yer alan ücretsiz telefon numarasını arayınız, sonra 0'a basınız. TTY (yazılı iletişim) için 711
59. Ukrainian	У Вас є право отримати безкоштовну допомогу та інформацію на Вашій рідній мові. Щоб подати запит про надання послуг перекладача, зателефонуйте на безкоштовний номер телефону учасника, вказаний на вашій ідентифікаційній карті плану медичного страхування, натисніть 0. TTY 711
60. Urdu	آپ کو اپنی زبان میں مفت مدد اور معلومات حاصل کرنے کا حق ہے۔ کسی ترجمان سے بات کرنے کے لئے، ٹول فری ممبر فون نمبر پر کال کریں جو آپ کے ہیلتھ پلان آئی ڈی کارڈ پر درج ہے، 0 دبائیں۔ TTY 711
61. Vietnamese	Quý vị có quyền được giúp đỡ và cấp thông tin bằng ngôn ngữ của quý vị miễn phí. Để yêu cầu được thông dịch viên giúp đỡ, vui lòng gọi số điện thoại miễn phí dành cho hội viên được nêu trên thẻ ID chương trình bảo hiểm y tế của quý vị, bấm số 0. TTY 711
62. Yiddish	איר האט די רעכט צו באקומען הילף און אינפארמאציע אין אייער שפראך פריי פון אפצאל. צו פארלאנגען א דאלמעטשער, רופט דעם טאל פרייע מעמבער טעלעפאן נומער וואס שטייט אויף אייער העלט פלאן ID קארטל, דרוקט 0. TTY 711
63. Yoruba	O ní ẹtọ lati rí iranwọ àti ifitónilétí gbà ní èdè rẹ láìsanwọ. Látí bá ògbufọ kan sọrọ, pè sọrí nọmbà ẹrọ ibánisọrọ láìsanwọ ibodè ti a tò sọrí kádi idánimọ ti ètò ilera rẹ, tẹ '0'. TTY 711

## ADDENDUM - UNITEDHEALTH ALLIES

### Introduction

This Addendum to the Summary Plan Description provides discounts for select non-Covered Health Services from Physicians and health care professionals.

When the words "you" and "your" are used the Plan is referring to people who are Covered Persons as the term is defined in the Summary Plan Description (SPD). See Section 14, *Glossary* in the SPD.

***Important:***

UnitedHealth Allies is not a health insurance plan. You are responsible for the full cost of any services purchased, minus the applicable discount. Always use your health insurance plan for Covered Health Services described in the Summary Plan Description (see Section 5, *Plan Highlights*) when a benefit is available.

### What is UnitedHealth Allies?

UnitedHealth Allies is a health value program that offers savings on certain products and services that are not Covered Health Services under your health plan.

Because this is not a health insurance plan, you are not required to receive a referral or submit any claim forms.

Discounts through UnitedHealth Allies are available to you and your Dependents as defined in the Summary Plan Description in Section 14, *Glossary*.

### Selecting a Discounted Product or Service

A list of available discounted products or services can be viewed online at [www.Unitedhealthallies.com](http://www.Unitedhealthallies.com) or by calling the number on the back of your ID card.

After selecting a health care professional and product or service, reserve the preferred rate and print the rate confirmation letter. If you have reserved a product or service with a customer service representative, the rate confirmation letter will be faxed or mailed to you.

***Important:***

You must present the rate confirmation at the time of receiving the product or service in order to receive the discount.

### Visiting Your Selected Health Care Professional

After reserving a preferred rate, make an appointment directly with the health care professional. Your appointment must be within ninety (90) days of the date on your rate confirmation letter.

Present the rate confirmation and your ID card at the time you receive the service. You will be required to pay the preferred rate directly to the health care professional at the time the service is received.

**Additional UnitedHealth Allies Information**

Additional information on the UnitedHealth Allies program can be obtained online at **[www.Unitedhealthallies.com](http://www.Unitedhealthallies.com)** or by calling the toll-free phone number on the back of your ID card.

## ADDENDUM - PARENTSTEPS®

### Introduction

This Addendum to the Summary Plan Description illustrates the benefits you may be eligible for under the ParentSteps program.

When the words "you" and "your" are used the Plan is referring to people who are Covered Persons as the term is defined in the Summary Plan Description (SPD). See Section 14, *Glossary* in the SPD.

***Important:***

ParentSteps is not a health insurance plan. You are responsible for the full cost of any services purchased. ParentSteps will collect the provider payment from you online via the ParentSteps website and forward the payment to the provider on your behalf. Always use your health insurance plan for Covered Health Services (described in the Summary Plan Description Section 5, *Plan Highlights*) when a benefit is available.

### What is ParentSteps?

ParentSteps is a discount program that offers savings on certain medications and services for the treatment of infertility that are not Covered Health Services under your health plan.

This program also offers:

- guidance to help you make informed decisions on where to receive care;
- education and support resources through experienced infertility nurses;
- access to providers contracted with UnitedHealthcare that offer discounts for infertility medical services; and
- discounts on select medications when filled through a designated pharmacy partner.

Because this is not a health insurance plan, you are not required to receive a referral or submit any claim forms.

Discounts through this program are available to you and your Dependents. Dependents are defined in the Summary Plan Description in Section 14, *Glossary*.

### Registering for ParentSteps

Prior to obtaining discounts on infertility medical treatment or speaking with an infertility nurse you need to register for the program online at [www.myoptumhealthparentsteps.com](http://www.myoptumhealthparentsteps.com) or by calling ParentSteps toll-free at 1-877-801-3507.

### Selecting a Contracted Provider

After registering for the program you can view ParentSteps facilities and clinics online based on location, compare IVF cycle outcome data for each participating provider and see the

specific rates negotiated by ParentSteps with each provider for select types of infertility treatment in order to make an informed decision.

### **Visiting Your Selected Health Care Professional**

Once you have selected a provider, you will be asked to choose that clinic for a consultation. You should then call and make an appointment with that clinic and mention you are a ParentSteps member. ParentSteps will validate your choice and send a validation email to you and the clinic.

### **Obtaining a Discount**

If you and your provider choose a treatment in which ParentSteps discounts apply, the provider will enter in your proposed course of treatment. ParentSteps will alert you, via email, that treatment has been assigned. Once you log in to the ParentSteps website, you will see your treatment plan with a cost breakdown for your review.

After reviewing the treatment plan and determining it is correct you can pay for the treatment online. Once this payment has been made successfully ParentSteps will notify your provider with a statement saying that treatments may begin.

### **Speaking with a Nurse**

Once you have successfully registered for the ParentSteps program you may receive additional educational and support resources through an experienced infertility nurse. You may even work with a single nurse throughout your treatment if you choose.

For questions about diagnosis, treatment options, your plan of care or general support, please contact a ParentSteps nurse via phone (toll-free) by calling 1-866-774-4626.

ParentSteps nurses are available from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Central Time; Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

### **Additional ParentSteps Information**

Additional information on the ParentSteps program can be obtained online at [www.myoptumhealthparentsteps.com](http://www.myoptumhealthparentsteps.com) or by calling 1-877-801-3507 (toll-free).



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## SECTION 1 - WELCOME

### Quick Reference Box

- Member services, claim inquiries, Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> and Mental Health/Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Administrator: (866) 844-4864;
- Claims submittal address: UnitedHealthcare - Claims, P.O. Box 30555, Salt Lake City, Utah 84130-0555; and
- Online assistance: [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com).

City of Columbia, Missouri is pleased to provide you with this Summary Plan Description (SPD), which describes the health Benefits available to you and your covered family members. It includes summaries of:

- who is eligible;
- services that are covered, called Covered Health Services;
- services that are not covered, called Exclusions;
- how Benefits are paid; and
- your rights and responsibilities under the Plan.

### IMPORTANT

The healthcare service, supply or Pharmaceutical Product is only a Covered Health Service if it is Medically Necessary. (See definitions of Medically Necessary and Covered Health Service in Section 14, *Glossary*.) The fact that a Physician or other provider has performed or prescribed a procedure or treatment, or the fact that it may be the only available treatment for a Sickness, Injury, Mental Illness, substance-related and addictive disorders, disease or its symptoms does not mean that the procedure or treatment is a Covered Health Service under the Plan.

City of Columbia, Missouri intends to continue this Plan, but reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to modify, change, revise, amend or terminate the Plan at any time, for any reason, and without prior notice. This SPD is not to be construed as a contract of or for employment. If there should be an inconsistency between the contents of this summary and the contents of the Plan, your rights shall be determined under the Plan and not under this summary.

UnitedHealthcare is a private healthcare claims administrator. UnitedHealthcare's goal is to give you the tools you need to make wise healthcare decisions. UnitedHealthcare also helps your employer to administer claims. Although UnitedHealthcare will assist you in many ways, it does not guarantee any Benefits. City of Columbia, Missouri is solely responsible for paying Benefits described in this SPD.

Please read this SPD thoroughly to learn how the Plan works. If you have questions contact your local Human Resources department or call the number on the back of your ID card.

**How To Use This SPD**

- Read the entire SPD, and share it with your family. Then keep it in a safe place for future reference.
- Many of the sections of this SPD are related to other sections. You may not have all the information you need by reading just one section.
- You can find copies of your SPD and any future amendments or request printed copies by contacting Human Resources.
- Capitalized words in the SPD have special meanings and are defined in Section 14, *Glossary*.
- If eligible for coverage, the words "you" and "your" refer to Covered Persons as defined in Section 14, *Glossary*.
- City of Columbia, Missouri is also referred to as Company.
- If there is a conflict between this SPD and any benefit summaries (other than Summaries of Material Modifications) provided to you, this SPD will control.



## SECTION 2 - INTRODUCTION

**What this section includes:**

- Who's eligible for coverage under the Plan;
- The factors that impact your cost for coverage;
- Instructions and timeframes for enrolling yourself and your eligible Dependents;
- When coverage begins; and
- When you can make coverage changes under the Plan.

### Eligibility

You are eligible to enroll in the Plan if you are a regular full time employee of the Plan Sponsor, a permanent part-time employee, a non-Medicare eligible retiree, a Spouse of a Medicare eligible retiree under 65 and covered under The Company sponsored Medicare Plan, and a surviving Spouse.

Your eligible Dependents may also participate in the Plan. An eligible Dependent is considered to be:

- your Spouse, as defined in Section 14, *Glossary*;
- your or your Spouse's child who is under age 26, including a natural child, stepchild, a legally adopted child, a child placed for adoption or a child for whom you or your Spouse are the legal guardian; or
- an unmarried child age 26 or over who is or becomes disabled and dependent upon you.

To be eligible for coverage under the Plan, a Dependent must reside within the United States.

**Note:** Your Dependents may not enroll in the Plan unless you are also enrolled. In addition, if you and your Spouse are both covered under the Plan, you may each be enrolled as a Participant or be covered as a Dependent of the other person, but not both. In addition, if you and your Spouse are both covered under the Plan, only one parent may enroll your child as a Dependent.

A Dependent also includes a child for whom health care coverage is required through a Qualified Medical Child Support Order or other court or administrative order, as described in Section 13, *Other Important Information*.

### Cost of Coverage

You and City of Columbia, Missouri share in the cost of the Plan. Your contribution amount depends on the Plan you select and the family members you choose to enroll.

Your contributions are deducted from your paychecks on a before-tax basis. Before-tax dollars come out of your pay before federal income and Social Security taxes are withheld

and in most states, before state and local taxes are withheld. This gives your contributions a special tax advantage and lowers the actual cost to you.

**Note:** The Internal Revenue Service generally does not consider Domestic Partners and their children eligible Dependents. Therefore, the value of City of Columbia, Missouri's cost in covering a Domestic Partner may be imputed to the Participant as income. In addition, the share of the Participant's contribution that covers a Domestic Partner and their children may be paid using after-tax payroll deductions.

Your contributions are subject to review and City of Columbia, Missouri reserves the right to change your contribution amount from time to time.

You can obtain current contribution rates by calling Human Resources.

## How to Enroll

To enroll, call Human Resources within 31 days from your date of hire for medical Plan coverage. If you do not enroll within 31 days, you will need to wait until the next annual Open Enrollment to make your benefit elections.

Each year during annual Open Enrollment, you have the opportunity to review and change your medical election. Any changes you make during Open Enrollment will become effective the following January 1.

### **Important**

If you wish to change your benefit elections following your marriage, birth, adoption of a child, placement for adoption of a child or other family status change, you must contact Human Resources within 31 days of the event. Otherwise, you will need to wait until the next annual Open Enrollment to change your elections.

## When Coverage Begins

Once Human Resources receives your properly completed enrollment, coverage will begin on the first day of the month following your date of hire. Coverage for your Dependents will start on the date your coverage begins, provided you have enrolled them in a timely manner.

Coverage for a Spouse or Dependent stepchild that you acquire via marriage becomes effective the first of the month following the date Human Resources receives notice of your marriage, provided you notify Human Resources within 31 days of your marriage. Coverage for Dependent children acquired through birth, adoption, or placement for adoption is effective the date of the family status change, provided you notify Human Resources within 31 days of the birth, adoption, or placement.

### ***If You Are Hospitalized When Your Coverage Begins***

If you are an inpatient in a Hospital, Skilled Nursing Facility or Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility on the day your coverage begins, the Plan will pay Benefits for Covered Health Services related to that Inpatient Stay as long as you receive Covered Health Services in accordance with the terms of the Plan.

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

## Changing Your Coverage

You may make coverage changes during the year only if you experience a change in family status. The change in coverage must be consistent with the change in status (e.g., you cover your Spouse following your marriage, your child following an adoption, etc.). The following are considered family status changes for purposes of the Plan:

- your marriage, divorce, legal separation or annulment;
- registering a Domestic Partner;
- the birth, adoption, placement for adoption or legal guardianship of a child;
- a change in your Spouse's employment or involuntary loss of health coverage (other than coverage under the Medicare or Medicaid programs) under another employer's plan;
- loss of coverage due to the exhaustion of another employer's COBRA benefits, provided you were paying for premiums on a timely basis;
- the death of a Dependent;
- your Dependent child no longer qualifying as an eligible Dependent;
- a change in your or your Spouse's position or work schedule that impacts eligibility for health coverage;
- contributions were no longer paid by the employer (This is true even if you or your eligible Dependent continues to receive coverage under the prior plan and to pay the amounts previously paid by the employer);
- you or your eligible Dependent who were enrolled in an HMO no longer live or work in that HMO's service area and no other benefit option is available to you or your eligible Dependent;
- benefits are no longer offered by the Plan to a class of individuals that include you or your eligible Dependent;
- termination of your or your Dependent's Medicaid or Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) coverage as a result of loss of eligibility (you must contact Human Resources within 60 days of termination);
- you or your Dependent become eligible for a premium assistance subsidy under Medicaid or CHIP (you must contact Human Resources within 60 days of determination of subsidy eligibility);
- a strike or lockout involving you or your Spouse; or
- a court or administrative order.

Unless otherwise noted above, if you wish to change your elections, you must contact Human Resources within 31 days of the change in family status. Otherwise, you will need to wait until the next annual Open Enrollment.

While some of these changes in status are similar to qualifying events under COBRA, you, or your eligible Dependent, do not need to elect COBRA continuation coverage to take advantage of the special enrollment rights listed above. These will also be available to you or your eligible Dependent if COBRA is elected.

**Note:** Any child under age 26 who is placed with you for adoption will be eligible for coverage on the date the child is placed with you, even if the legal adoption is not yet final. If you do not legally adopt the child, all medical Plan coverage for the child will end when the placement ends. No provision will be made for continuing coverage (such as COBRA coverage) for the child.

***Change in Family Status - Example***

Jane is married and has two children who qualify as Dependents. At annual Open Enrollment, she elects not to participate in City of Columbia, Missouri's medical plan, because her husband, Tom, has family coverage under his employer's medical plan. In June, Tom loses his job as part of a downsizing. As a result, Tom loses his eligibility for medical coverage. Due to this family status change, Jane can elect family medical coverage under City of Columbia, Missouri's medical plan outside of annual Open Enrollment.

## SECTION 3 - HOW THE PLAN WORKS

**What this section includes:**

- Network and Non-Network Benefits;
- Eligible Expenses;
- Annual Deductible;
- Coinsurance; and
- Out-of-Pocket Maximum.

### Network and Non-Network Benefits

As a participant in this Plan, you have the freedom to choose the Physician or health care professional you prefer each time you need to receive Covered Health Services. The choices you make affect the amounts you pay, as well as the level of Benefits you receive and any benefit limitations that may apply.

You are eligible for the Network level of Benefits under this Plan when you receive Covered Health Services from Physicians and other health care professionals who have contracted with UnitedHealthcare to provide those services.

You can choose to receive Network Benefits or Non-Network Benefits.

**Network Benefits** apply to Covered Health Services that are provided by a Network Physician or other Network provider. Emergency Health Services are always paid as Network Benefits. For facility charges, these are Benefits for Covered Health Services that are billed by a Network facility and provided under the direction of either a Network or non-Network Physician or other provider. Network Benefits include Physician services provided in a Network facility by a Network or a non-Network radiologist, anesthesiologist, pathologist and Emergency room Physician.

**Non-Network Benefits** apply to Covered Health Services that are provided by a non-Network Physician or other non-Network provider, or Covered Health Services that are provided at a non-Network facility.

Depending on the geographic area and the service you receive, you may have access through UnitedHealthcare's Shared Savings Program to non-Network providers who have agreed to discounts negotiated from their charges on certain claims for Covered Health Services. Refer to the definition of Shared Savings Program in Section 14, *Glossary*, of the SPD for details about how the Shared Savings Program applies.

Generally, when you receive Covered Health Services from a Network provider, you pay less than you would if you receive the same care from a non-Network provider. Therefore, in most instances, your out-of-pocket expenses will be less if you use a Network provider.

If you choose to seek care outside the Network, the Plan generally pays Benefits at a lower level. You are required to pay the amount that exceeds the Eligible Expense. The amount in

excess of the Eligible Expense could be significant, and this amount does not apply to the Out-of-Pocket Maximum. You may want to ask the non-Network provider about their billed charges before you receive care.

### ***Health Services from Non-Network Providers Paid as Network Benefits***

If specific Covered Health Services are not available from a Network provider, you may be eligible to receive Network Benefits from a non-Network provider. In this situation, your Network Physician will notify Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup>, and they will work with you and your Network Physician to coordinate care through a non-Network provider.

When you receive Covered Health Services through a Network Physician, the Plan will pay Network Benefits for those Covered Health Services, even if one or more of those Covered Health Services is received from a non-Network provider.

#### **Looking for a Network Provider?**

In addition to other helpful information, [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com), UnitedHealthcare's consumer website, contains a directory of health care professionals and facilities in UnitedHealthcare's Network. While Network status may change from time to time, [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) has the most current source of Network information. Use [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) to search for Physicians available in your Plan.

### ***Network Providers***

UnitedHealthcare or its affiliates arrange for health care providers to participate in a Network. At your request, UnitedHealthcare will send you a directory of Network providers free of charge. Keep in mind, a provider's Network status may change. To verify a provider's status or request a provider directory, you can call UnitedHealthcare at the toll-free number on your ID card or log onto [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com).

Network providers are independent practitioners and are not employees of City of Columbia, Missouri or UnitedHealthcare.

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

### ***Possible Limitations on Provider Use***

If UnitedHealthcare determines that you are using health care services in a harmful or abusive manner, you may be required to select a Network Physician to coordinate all of your future Covered Health Services. If you don't make a selection within 31 days of the date you are notified, UnitedHealthcare will select a Network Physician for you. In the event that you do not use the Network Physician to coordinate all of your care, any Covered Health Services you receive will be paid at the non-Network level.

## **Eligible Expenses**

City of Columbia, Missouri has delegated to UnitedHealthcare the initial discretion and authority to decide whether a treatment or supply is a Covered Health Service and how the Eligible Expenses will be determined and otherwise covered under the Plan.

Eligible Expenses are the amount UnitedHealthcare determines that UnitedHealthcare will pay for Benefits. For Network Benefits, you are not responsible for any difference between Eligible Expenses and the amount the provider bills. For Network Benefits for Covered Health Services provided by a non-Network provider (other than Emergency Health Services or services otherwise arranged by UnitedHealthcare), you will be responsible to the non-Network Physician or provider for any amount billed that is greater than the amount UnitedHealthcare determines to be an Eligible Expense as described below.

For Non-Network Benefits, you are responsible for paying, directly to the non-Network provider, any difference between the amount the provider bills you and the amount UnitedHealthcare will pay for Eligible Expenses. Eligible Expenses are determined solely in accordance with UnitedHealthcare's reimbursement policy guidelines, as described in the SPD.

**For Network Benefits**, Eligible Expenses are based on the following:

- When Covered Health Services are received from a Network provider, Eligible Expenses are UnitedHealthcare's contracted fee(s) with that provider.
- When Covered Health Services are received from a non-Network provider as a result of an Emergency or as arranged by UnitedHealthcare, Eligible Expenses are an amount negotiated by UnitedHealthcare or an amount permitted by law. Please contact UnitedHealthcare if you are billed for amounts in excess of your applicable Coinsurance, Copayment or any deductible. The Plan will not pay excessive charges or amounts you are not legally obligated to pay.

**For Non-Network Benefits**, Eligible Expenses are based on either of the following:

- When Covered Health Services are received from a non-Network provider, Eligible Expenses are determined, based on:
  - Negotiated rates agreed to by the non-Network provider and either UnitedHealthcare or one of UnitedHealthcare's vendors, affiliates or subcontractors, at UnitedHealthcare's discretion.
  - If rates have not been negotiated, then one of the following amounts:
    - ◆ For Covered Health Services other than pharmaceutical products, Eligible Expenses are determined based on available data resources of competitive fees in that geographic area.
    - ◆ For Mental Health Services and Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services the Eligible Expense will be reduced by 25% for Covered Health Services provided by a psychologist and by 35% for Covered Health Services provided by a masters level counselor.
    - ◆ When Covered Health Services are pharmaceutical products, Eligible Expenses are determined based on 110% of the published rates allowed by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for Medicare for the same or similar service within the geographic market.

When a rate is not published by *CMS* for the service, UnitedHealthcare uses a gap methodology established by *OptumInsight* and/or a third party vendor that

uses a relative value scale. The relative value scale is usually based on the difficulty, time, work, risk and resources of the service. If the relative value scale currently in use becomes no longer available, UnitedHealthcare will use a comparable scale(s). UnitedHealthcare and *OptumInsight* are related companies through common ownership by *UnitedHealth Group*. Refer to UnitedHealthcare's website at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) for information regarding the vendor that provides the applicable gap fill relative value scale information.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** Non-Network providers may bill you for any difference between the provider's billed charges and the Eligible Expense described here.

**Don't Forget Your ID Card**

Remember to show your UnitedHealthcare ID card every time you receive health care services from a provider. If you do not show your ID card, a provider has no way of knowing that you are enrolled under the Plan.

### Annual Deductible

The Annual Deductible is the amount of Eligible Expenses you must pay each calendar year for Covered Health Services before you are eligible to begin receiving Benefits. There are separate Network and non-Network Annual Deductibles for this Plan. The amounts you pay toward your Annual Deductible accumulate over the course of the calendar year.

The Annual Deductible applies to all Covered Health Services under the Plan, including Covered Health Services provided in Section 15, *Prescription Drugs*.

Amounts paid toward the Annual Deductible for Covered Health Services that are subject to a visit or day limit will also be calculated against that maximum benefit limit. As a result, the limited benefit will be reduced by the number of days or visits you used toward meeting the Annual Deductible.

### Coinsurance

Coinsurance is the percentage of Eligible Expenses that you are responsible for paying. Coinsurance is a fixed percentage that applies to certain Covered Health Services after you meet the Annual Deductible.

**Coinsurance – Example**

Let's assume that you receive Plan Benefits for outpatient surgery from a Network provider. Since the Plan pays 80% after you meet the Annual Deductible, you are responsible for paying the other 20%. This 20% is your Coinsurance.

### Out-of-Pocket Maximum

The annual Out-of-Pocket Maximum is the most you pay each calendar year for Covered Health Services. There are separate Network and non-Network Out-of-Pocket Maximums for this Plan. If your eligible out-of-pocket expenses in a calendar year exceed the annual maximum, the Plan pays 100% of Eligible Expenses for Covered Health Services through the end of the calendar year.



The Out-of-Pocket Maximum applies to all Covered Health Services under the Plan, including Covered Health Services provided in Section 15, *Prescription Drugs*.

The following table identifies what does and does not apply toward your Network and non-Network Out-of-Pocket Maximums:

<b>Plan Features</b>	<b>Applies to the Network Out-of-Pocket Maximum?</b>	<b>Applies to the Non-Network Out-of-Pocket Maximum?</b>
Payments toward the Annual Deductible	Yes	Yes
Coinsurance Payments	Yes	Yes
Charges for non-Covered Health Services	No	No
The amounts of any reductions in Benefits you incur by not obtaining prior authorization as required	No	No
Charges that exceed Eligible Expenses	No	No

## SECTION 4 - CARE COORDINATION<sup>SM</sup> AND PRIOR AUTHORIZATION

### What this section includes:

- An overview of the Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> program; and
- Covered Health Services which require prior authorization.

### Care Management

When you seek prior authorization as required, the Claims Administrator will work with you to implement the care management process and to provide you with information about additional services that are available to you, such as disease management programs, health education, and patient advocacy.

UnitedHealthcare provides a program called Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> designed to encourage personalized, efficient care for you and your covered Dependents.

Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> nurses center their efforts on prevention, education, and closing any gaps in your care. The goal of the program is to ensure you receive the most appropriate and cost-effective services available.

Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> nurses will provide a variety of different services to help you and your covered family members receive appropriate medical care. Program components are subject to change without notice. When the Claims Administrator is called as required, they will work with you to implement the Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> process and to provide you with information about additional services that are available to you, such as disease management programs, health education, and patient advocacy. As of the publication of this SPD, the Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> program includes:

- **Admission counseling** - Nurse Advocates are available to help you prepare for a successful surgical admission and recovery. Call the number on the back of your ID card for support.
- **Inpatient care management** - If you are hospitalized, a Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> nurse will work with your Physician to make sure you are getting the care you need and that your Physician's treatment plan is being carried out effectively.
- **Readmission Management** - This program serves as a bridge between the Hospital and your home if you are at high risk of being readmitted. After leaving the Hospital, if you have a certain chronic or complex condition, you may receive a phone call from a Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> nurse to confirm that medications, needed equipment, or follow-up services are in place. The Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> nurse will also share important health care information, reiterate and reinforce discharge instructions, and support a safe transition home.
- **Risk Management** - Designed for participants with certain chronic or complex conditions, this program addresses such health care needs as access to medical specialists, medication information, and coordination of equipment and supplies. Participants may receive a phone call from a Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> nurse to discuss and

share important health care information related to the participant's specific chronic or complex condition.

If you do not receive a call from a Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> nurse but feel you could benefit from any of these programs, please call the toll-free number on your ID card.

## Prior Authorization

UnitedHealthcare requires prior authorization for certain Covered Health Services. In general, your Network Primary Physician and other Network providers are responsible for obtaining prior authorization before they provide these services to you. There are some Benefits, however, for which you are responsible for obtaining prior authorization. For detailed information on the Covered Health Services that require prior authorization, please refer to Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.

It is recommended that you confirm with the Claims Administrator that all Covered Health Services listed below have been prior authorized as required. Before receiving these services from a Network provider, you may want to contact the Claims Administrator to verify that the Hospital, Physician and other providers are Network providers and that they have obtained the required prior authorization. Network facilities and Network providers cannot bill you for services they fail to prior authorize as required. You can contact the Claims Administrator by calling the number on the back of your ID card.

When you choose to receive certain Covered Health Services from non-Network providers, you are responsible for obtaining prior authorization before you receive these services. Note that your obligation to obtain prior authorization is also applicable when a non-Network provider intends to admit you to a Network facility or refers you to other Network providers.

**To obtain prior authorization, call the number on the back of your ID card.** This call starts the utilization review process. Once you have obtained the authorization, please review it carefully so that you understand what services have been authorized and what providers are authorized to deliver the services that are subject to the authorization.

The utilization review process is a set of formal techniques designed to monitor the use of, or evaluate the clinical necessity, appropriateness, efficacy, or efficiency of, health care services, procedures or settings. Such techniques may include ambulatory review, prospective review, second opinion, certification, concurrent review, case management, discharge planning, retrospective review or similar programs.

**Contacting UnitedHealthcare or Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> is easy.**  
Simply call the number on your ID card.

Network providers are generally responsible for obtaining prior authorization from the Claims Administrator before they provide certain services to you. However, there are some Network Benefits for which you are responsible for obtaining prior authorization from the Claims Administrator.

When you choose to receive certain Covered Health Services from non-Network providers, you are responsible for obtaining prior authorization from the Claims Administrator before you receive these services. In many cases, your Non-Network Benefits will be reduced if the Claims Administrator has not provided prior authorization.

Services for which you are required to obtain prior authorization are identified in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*, within each Covered Health Service Benefit description. Please note that prior authorization timelines apply. Refer to the applicable Benefit description to determine how far in advance you must obtain prior authorization.

### **Special Note Regarding Medicare**

If you are enrolled in Medicare on a primary basis (Medicare pays before the Plan pays Benefits) the prior authorization requirements do not apply to you. Since Medicare is the primary payer, the Plan will pay as secondary payer as described in Section 10, *Coordination of Benefits (COB)*. You are not required to obtain authorization before receiving Covered Health Services.

**SECTION 5 - PLAN HIGHLIGHTS**

The table below provides an overview of the Plan's Annual Deductible and Out-of-Pocket Maximum.

Plan Features	Network	Non-Network
<p><b>Annual Deductible</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Individual</li> <li>■ Family (not to exceed the individual Annual Deductible amount per Covered Person)</li> </ul>	<p>\$2,700</p> <p>\$5,400</p>	<p>\$5,000</p> <p>\$10,000</p>
<p><b>Annual Out-of-Pocket Maximum</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Individual</li> <li>■ Family (not to exceed the individual Annual Out-of-Pocket Maximum amount per Covered Person)</li> </ul>	<p>\$5,000</p> <p>\$10,000</p>	<p>\$10,000</p> <p>\$20,000</p>
<p><b>Lifetime Maximum Benefit<sup>1</sup></b>                      There is no dollar limit to the amount the Plan will pay for essential Benefits during the entire period you are enrolled in this Plan.</p>	<p>Unlimited</p>	

<sup>1</sup>Generally the following are considered to be essential benefits under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act:  
 Ambulatory patient services; emergency services, hospitalization; maternity and newborn care, mental health and Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services (including behavioral health treatment); prescription drugs; rehabilitative and habilitative services and devices; laboratory services; preventive and wellness services and chronic disease management; and pediatric services, including oral and vision care.

This table provides an overview of the Plan's coverage levels. For detailed descriptions of your Benefits, refer to Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.

Covered Health Services <sup>1</sup>	Percentage of Eligible Expenses Payable by the Plan:	
	Network	Non-Network
<b>Ambulance Services - Emergency Only</b>	<i>Ground Transportation</i> 80% after you meet the Annual Deductible  <i>Air Transportation</i> 80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	<i>Ground Transportation</i> 80% after you meet the Annual Deductible  <i>Air Transportation</i> 80% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Cancer Resource Services (CRS)<sup>2</sup></b> ■ Hospital - Inpatient Stay	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	Not Covered
<b>Clinical Trials</b>	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits for Clinical Trials will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.	
<b>Congenital Heart Disease (CHD) Surgeries</b> ■ Hospital - Inpatient Stay	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Dental Services - Accident Only</b>	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Durable Medical Equipment (DME)</b>	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Emergency Health Services</b>	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible

Covered Health Services <sup>1</sup>	Percentage of Eligible Expenses Payable by the Plan:	
	Network	Non-Network
<b>Eye Examinations</b>	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Gender Dysphoria</b>	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section and in Section 15, <i>Outpatient Prescription Drugs</i> .	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section and in Section 15, <i>Outpatient Prescription Drugs</i> .
<b>Hearing Aids</b> See Section 6, <i>Additional Coverage Details</i> , for limits	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Home Health Care</b> Up to 50 visits per calendar year	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Hospice Care</b> Up to 360 days per lifetime	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Hospital - Inpatient Stay</b>	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Injections received in a Physician's Office</b>	Allergy injections: 80% per injection  Immunizations: 100% per injection	60% per injection after you meet the Annual Deductible

Covered Health Services <sup>1</sup>	Percentage of Eligible Expenses Payable by the Plan:	
	Network	Non-Network
<b>Kidney Resource Services (KRS)</b> (These Benefits are for Covered Health Services provided through KRS only)	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	Not Covered
<b>Maternity Services</b>	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.	
<b>Mental Health Services</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Inpatient.</li> </ul>	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Outpatient.</li> </ul>	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Neurobiological Disorders - Autism Spectrum Disorder Services</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Inpatient.</li> </ul>	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Outpatient.</li> </ul>	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Obesity</b>	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.	
<b>Ostomy Supplies</b>	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible



Covered Health Services <sup>1</sup>	Percentage of Eligible Expenses Payable by the Plan:	
	Network	Non-Network
<b>Outpatient Surgery, Diagnostic and Therapeutic Services</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Outpatient Surgery</li> <li>■ Outpatient Diagnostic Services                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Lab and radiology/X-ray</li> <li>- Mammography testing</li> </ul> </li> <li>■ Outpatient Diagnostic/Therapeutic Services - CT Scans, PET Scans, MRI and Nuclear Medicine</li> <li>■ Outpatient Therapeutic Treatments</li> </ul>	<p>80% after you meet the Annual Deductible</p> <p>80% after you meet the Annual Deductible</p> <p>80% after you meet the Annual Deductible</p> <p>80% after you meet the Annual Deductible</p> <p>80% after you meet the Annual Deductible</p>	<p>60% after you meet the Annual Deductible</p> <p>60% after you meet the Annual Deductible</p> <p>60% after you meet the Annual Deductible</p> <p>60% after you meet the Annual Deductible</p> <p>60% after you meet the Annual Deductible</p>
<b>Physician's Office Services - Sickness and Injury</b>	<p>80% after you meet the Annual Deductible</p>	<p>60% after you meet the Annual Deductible</p>
<b>Preventive Care Services</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Immunizations</li> <li>■ Physician Office Services</li> <li>■ Outpatient Diagnostic Services</li> <li>■ Breast Pumps</li> </ul>	<p>100%</p> <p>100%</p> <p>100%</p> <p>100%</p>	<p>Not Covered</p> <p>Not Covered</p> <p>Not Covered</p> <p>Not Covered</p>
<b>Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services</b>	<p>80% after you meet the Annual Deductible</p>	<p>60% after you meet the Annual Deductible</p>

Covered Health Services <sup>1</sup>	Percentage of Eligible Expenses Payable by the Plan:	
	Network	Non-Network
<b>Prosthetic Devices</b>	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Reconstructive Procedures</b>	Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, Benefits will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.	
<b>Rehabilitation Services - Outpatient</b>  See Section 6, <i>Additional Coverage Details</i> , for visit limits	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Second Surgical Opinion</b>	Same as Physician's Office Services - Sickness and Injury	Same as Physician's Office Services - Sickness and Injury
<b>Skilled Nursing Facility/Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility Services</b>  Up to 365 days per calendar year	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Spinal Treatment</b>	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services</b>		
■ Inpatient.	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
■ Outpatient.	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Transplantation Services</b>	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible

Covered Health Services <sup>1</sup>	Percentage of Eligible Expenses Payable by the Plan:	
	Network	Non-Network
<b>Urgent Care Center Services</b>	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	60% after you meet the Annual Deductible
<b>Virtual Visits</b> Network Benefits are available only when services are delivered through a Designated Virtual Network Provider. You can find a Designated Virtual Network Provider by going to <b>www.myuhc.com</b> or by calling the telephone number on your ID card.	80% after you meet the Annual Deductible	Non-Network Benefits are not available.

<sup>1</sup>You must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator, as described in Section 4, *Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> and Prior Authorization* to receive full Benefits before receiving certain Covered Health Services from a non-Network provider. In general, if you visit a Network provider, that provider is responsible for obtaining prior authorization from the Claims Administrator before you receive certain Covered Health Services. See Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details* for further information.

<sup>2</sup>These Benefits are for Covered Health Services provided through CRS by a Designated Provider. For oncology services not provided through CRS, the Plan pays Benefits as described under *Physician's Office Services - Sickness and Injury, Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services, Hospital - Inpatient Stay, Surgery - Outpatient, Scopic Procedures - Outpatient Diagnostic and Therapeutic Lab, X-Ray and Diagnostics – Outpatient, and Lab, X-Ray and Major Diagnostics – CT, PET, MRI, MRA and Nuclear Medicine – Outpatient.*

## SECTION 6 - ADDITIONAL COVERAGE DETAILS

### What this section includes:

- Covered Health Services for which the Plan pays Benefits; and
- Covered Health Services that require you to obtain prior authorization before you receive them, and any reduction in Benefits that may apply if you do not call to notify the Claims Administrator to obtain prior authorization.

This section supplements the second table in Section 5, *Plan Highlights*.

While the table provides you with Benefit limitations along with Coinsurance and Annual Deductible information for each Covered Health Service, this section includes descriptions of the Benefits. These descriptions include any additional limitations that may apply, as well as Covered Health Services for which you must obtain prior authorization as required. The Covered Health Services in this section appear in the same order as they do in the table for easy reference. Services that are not covered are described in Section 8, *Exclusions and Limitations*.

### Ambulance Services - Emergency only

Emergency ambulance transportation by a licensed ambulance service to the nearest Hospital where Emergency health services can be performed.

### Cancer Resource Services (CRS)

United Healthcare will arrange for access to certain of its Network providers participating in the Cancer Resource Services Program for the provision of oncology services. You may be referred to Cancer Resource Services by United Healthcare, or you may self refer to Cancer Resource Services by calling 866-936-6002. In order to receive the highest level of Benefits, you must contact Cancer Resource Services prior to obtaining Covered Health Services. The oncology services include Covered Health Services and Supplies rendered for the treatment of a condition that has a primary or suspected diagnosis relating to cancer.

In order to receive Benefits under this program, Cancer Resource Services must provide the proper notification to the Network provider performing the services. This is true even if you self refer to a Network provider participating in the program.

When these services are not performed in a Cancer Resource Services facility, Benefits will be paid the described in Section 5, *Plan Highlights* under the headings *Physician's Office Services – Sickness and Injury*, *Professional Fees for Surgical and Medical Services*, *Hospital-Inpatient Stay*, *Outpatient Surgery*, *Diagnostic and Therapeutic Services* listed in this section.

Cancer Clinical Trials and related treatment and services are considered a Covered Health Service when such treatment and services are recommended and provided by a Physician in a cancer center. The cancer center must be a participating center in the Cancer Resource Services Program at the time the treatment or service is given.

To receive Benefits under the CRS program, you must contact CRS prior to obtaining Covered Health Services. The Plan will only pay Benefits under the CRS program if CRS provides the proper notification to the Designated Provider performing the services (even if you self refer to a provider in that Network).

## Clinical Trials

Benefits are available for routine patient care costs incurred during participation in a qualifying clinical trial for the treatment of:

- cancer or other life-threatening disease or condition. For purposes of this benefit, a life-threatening disease or condition is one from which the likelihood of death is probable unless the course of the disease or condition is interrupted;
- cardiovascular disease (cardiac/stroke) which is not life threatening, for which, as UnitedHealthcare determines, a clinical trial meets the qualifying clinical trial criteria stated below;
- surgical musculoskeletal disorders of the spine, hip and knees, which are not life threatening, for which, as UnitedHealthcare determines, a clinical trial meets the qualifying clinical trial criteria stated below; and
- other diseases or disorders which are not life threatening for which, as UnitedHealthcare determines, a clinical trial meets the qualifying clinical trial criteria stated below.

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

Benefits are available only when the Covered Person is clinically eligible for participation in the qualifying clinical trial as defined by the researcher.

- Routine patient care costs for qualifying clinical trials include:
- Covered Health Services for which Benefits are typically provided absent a clinical trial;
- Covered Health Services required solely for the provision of the investigational item or service, the clinically appropriate monitoring of the effects of the item or service, or the prevention of complications; and
- Covered Health Services needed for reasonable and necessary care arising from the provision of an Investigational item or service.

Routine costs for clinical trials do not include:

- the Experimental or Investigational Service or item. The only exceptions to this are:
  - certain Category B devices;
  - certain promising interventions for patients with terminal illnesses; and
  - other items and services that meet specified criteria in accordance with our medical and drug policies;

- items and services provided solely to satisfy data collection and analysis needs and that are not used in the direct clinical management of the patient;
- a service that is clearly inconsistent with widely accepted and established standards of care for a particular diagnosis; and
- items and services provided by the research sponsors free of charge for any person enrolled in the trial.

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

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

- Federally funded trials. The study or investigation is approved or funded (which may include funding through in-kind contributions) by one or more of the following:
  - National Institutes of Health (NIH). (Includes National Cancer Institute (NCI));
  - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC);
  - Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ);
  - Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS);
  - a cooperative group or center of any of the entities described above or the Department of Defense (DOD) or the Veterans Administration (VA);
  - a qualified non-governmental research entity identified in the guidelines issued by the National Institutes of Health for center support grants; or
  - The Department of Veterans Affairs, the Department of Defense or the Department of Energy as long as the study or investigation has been reviewed and approved through a system of peer review that is determined by the Secretary of Health and Human Services to meet both of the following criteria:
    - ◆ comparable to the system of peer review of studies and investigations used by the *National Institutes of Health*; and
    - ◆ ensures unbiased review of the highest scientific standards by qualified individuals who have no interest in the outcome of the review.
- the study or investigation is conducted under an investigational new drug application reviewed by the *U.S. Food and Drug Administration*;
- the study or investigation is a drug trial that is exempt from having such an investigational new drug application;
- the clinical trial must have a written protocol that describes a scientifically sound study and have been approved by all relevant institutional review boards (*IRBs*) before

participants are enrolled in the trial. UnitedHealthcare may, at any time, request documentation about the trial; or

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

#### **Prior Authorization Requirement**

You must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator as soon as the possibility of participation in a Clinical Trial arises. If you fail to obtain prior authorization as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

### **Congenital Heart Disease (CHD) Surgeries**

The Plan pays Benefits for Congenital Heart Disease (CHD) services ordered by a Physician and received at a CHD Resource Services program. Benefits include the facility charge and the charge for supplies and equipment. Benefits are available for the following CHD services:

- outpatient diagnostic testing;
- evaluation;
- surgical interventions;
- interventional cardiac catheterizations (insertion of a tubular device in the heart);
- fetal echocardiograms (examination, measurement and diagnosis of the heart using ultrasound technology); and
- approved fetal interventions.

CHD services other than those listed above are excluded from coverage, unless determined by United Resource Networks or Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> to be proven procedures for the involved diagnoses. Contact United Resource Networks at (888) 936-7246 or Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup> at the toll-free number on your ID card for information about CHD services.

If you receive Congenital Heart Disease services from a facility that is not a Designated Provider, the Plan pays Benefits as described under:

- *Physician's Office Services - Sickness and Injury;*
- *Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services;*
- *Scopic Procedures - Outpatient Diagnostic and Therapeutic;*
- *Therapeutic Treatments - Outpatient;*
- *Hospital - Inpatient Stay; and*
- *Surgery - Outpatient.*

**Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Covered Health Services required to be received by a Designated Provider, you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator as soon as the possibility of a CHD surgery arises. If you do not obtain prior authorization and if, as a result, the CHD surgeries are not received by a Designated Provider, Network Benefits will not be paid. Non-Network Benefits will apply.

For Non-Network Benefits, if you fail to obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

**Dental Services - Accident Only**

Dental services when all of the following are true:

- treatment is necessary because of accidental damage;
- dental services are received from a Doctor of Dental Surgery, "D.D.S." or Doctor of Medical Dentistry, "D.M.D.";
- the dental damage is severe enough that initial contact with a Physician or dentist occurred within 72 hours of the accident.

Benefits are available only for treatment of a sound, natural tooth. The Physician or dentist must certify that the injured tooth was:

- a virgin or unrestored tooth; or
- a tooth that has no decay, no filling on more than two surfaces, no gum disease associated with bone loss, no root canal therapy, is not a dental implant and functions normally in chewing and speech.

Dental services for final treatment to repair the damage must be both of the following:

- Started within three months of the accident, or if not a Covered Person at the time of the accident, within the first three months of coverage under the Plan.
- Completed within 12 months of the accident, or if not a Covered Person at the time of the accident, within the first 12 months of coverage under the Plan.

Please note that dental damage that occurs as a result of normal activities of daily living or extraordinary use of the teeth is not considered an "accident". Benefits are not available for repairs to teeth that are injured as a result of such activities.

**Durable Medical Equipment (DME)**

The Plan pays for Durable Medical Equipment (DME) that meets each of the following:

- ordered or provided by a Physician for outpatient use;
- used for medical purposes;



- not consumable or disposable; and
- not of use to a person in the absence of a disease or disability.

If more than one piece of DME can meet your functional needs, Benefits are available only for the most Cost-Effective piece of equipment.

Examples of DME include but are not limited to:

- equipment to assist mobility, such as a standard wheelchair;
- a standard Hospital-type bed;
- oxygen concentrator units and the rental of equipment to administer oxygen;
- delivery pumps for tube feedings;
- braces, including necessary adjustments to shoes to accommodate braces. Braces that stabilize an Injured body part and braces to treat curvature of the spine are considered Durable Medical Equipment and are a Covered Health Service. Braces that straighten or change the shape of a body part are orthotic devices, and are excluded from coverage. Dental braces are also excluded from coverage.
- mechanical equipment necessary for the treatment of chronic or acute respiratory failure (except that air-conditioners, humidifiers, dehumidifiers, air purifiers and filters, and personal comfort items are excluded from coverage).

UnitedHealthcare provides Benefits only for a single purchase (including repair/replacement) of a type of Durable Medical Equipment once every three calendar years.

**Prior Authorization Requirements**

For Non-Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator before obtaining any Durable Medical Equipment that exceeds \$1,000 in cost (either retail purchase cost or cumulative retail rental cost of a single item). If you fail to obtain prior authorization as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

**Emergency Health Services - Outpatient**

The Plan pays for services that are required to stabilize or initiate treatment in an Emergency. Emergency health services must be received on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility.

Network Benefits will be paid for an Emergency admission to a non-Network Hospital as long as the Claims Administrator is notified within two business days of the admission or on the same day of admission if reasonably possible after you are admitted to a non-Network Hospital. If you continue your stay in a non-Network Hospital after the date your Physician determines that it is medically appropriate to transfer you to a Network Hospital, Non-Network Benefits will apply.

Benefits under this section are not available for services to treat a condition that does not meet the definition of an Emergency.

## Eye Examinations

The Plan pays Benefits for eye examinations received from a health care provider in the provider's office.

Benefits include services for illness or Injury only.

Please note that Benefits are not available for charges connected to the purchase or fitting of eyeglasses or contact lenses.

## Gender Dysphoria

Benefits for the treatment of Gender Dysphoria limited to the following services:

- Psychotherapy for Gender Dysphoria and associated co-morbid psychiatric diagnoses are provided as described under *Mental Health Services* in this section.
- Cross-sex hormone therapy:
  - Cross-sex hormone therapy administered by a medical provider.
  - Cross-sex hormone therapy dispensed from a pharmacy is provided as described under Section 15, *Prescription Drugs*.
- Puberty suppressing medication injected or implanted by a medical provider in a clinical setting.
- Laboratory testing to monitor the safety of continuous cross-sex hormone therapy.
- Surgery for the treatment for Gender Dysphoria, including the surgeries listed below:
  - Male to Female:
    - Clitoroplasty (creation of clitoris)
    - Labiaplasty (creation of labia)
    - Orchiectomy (removal of testicles)
    - Penectomy (removal of penis)
    - Urethroplasty (reconstruction of female urethra)
    - Vaginoplasty (creation of vagina)
  - Female to Male:
    - Bilateral mastectomy or breast reduction
    - Hysterectomy (removal of uterus)
    - Metoidioplasty (creation of penis, using clitoris)
    - Penile prosthesis

- Phalloplasty (creation of penis)
- Salpingo-oophorectomy (removal of fallopian tubes and ovaries)
- Scrotoplasty (creation of scrotum)
- Testicular prosthesis
- Urethroplasty (reconstruction of male urethra)
- Vaginectomy (removal of vagina)
- Vulvectomy (removal of vulva)

**Genital Surgery and Bilateral Mastectomy or Breast Reduction Surgery Documentation Requirements:**

The Covered Person must provide documentation of the following for breast surgery:

- A written psychological assessment from at least one qualified behavioral health provider experienced in treating Gender Dysphoria. The assessment must document that the Covered Person meets all of the following criteria:
  - Persistent, well-documented Gender Dysphoria.
  - Capacity to make a fully informed decision and to consent for treatment.
  - Must be 18 years or older.
  - If significant medical or mental health concerns are present, they must be reasonably well controlled.

The Covered Person must provide documentation of the following for genital surgery:

- A written psychological assessment from at least two qualified behavioral health providers experienced in treating Gender Dysphoria, who have independently assessed the Covered Person. The assessment must document that the Covered Person meets all of the following criteria.
  - Persistent, well-documented Gender Dysphoria.
  - Capacity to make a fully informed decision and to consent for treatment.
  - Must 18 years or older.
  - If significant medical or mental health concerns are present, they must be reasonably well controlled.
  - Complete at least 12 months of successful continuous full-time real-life experience in the desired gender.
  - Complete 12 months of continuous cross-sex hormone therapy appropriate for the desired gender (unless medically contraindicated).
- The treatment plan is based on identifiable external sources including the *World Professional Association for Transgender Health (WPATH)* standards, and/or evidence-based professional society guidance.

**Prior Authorization Requirement for Surgical Treatment**

You must obtain prior authorization as soon as the possibility of surgery arises.

If you fail to obtain prior authorization as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

**Prior Authorization Requirement for Non-Surgical Treatment**

Depending upon where the Covered Health Service is provided, any applicable prior authorization requirements will be the same as those stated under each Covered Health Service category in this section.

**Hearing Aids**

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

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

Benefits do not include bone anchored hearing aids. Bone anchored hearing aids are a Covered Health Service for which Benefits are available under the applicable medical/surgical Covered Health Services categories in this section only for Covered Persons who have either of the following:

- Craniofacial anomalies whose abnormal or absent ear canals preclude the use of a wearable hearing aid.
- Hearing loss of sufficient severity that it would not be adequately remedied by a wearable hearing aid.

Any combination of Network Benefits and Non-Network Benefits is limited to \$1,000 per calendar year. Benefits are limited to a single purchase (including repair/replacement) per hearing impaired ear every three calendar years.

**Home Health Care**

Covered Health Services are services received from a Home Health Agency that are both of the following:

- ordered by a Physician; and
- provided by or supervised by a registered nurse in your home.

Benefits are available only when the Home Health Agency services are provided on a part-time, intermittent schedule and when skilled home health care is required.

Skilled home health care is skilled nursing, skilled teaching, and skilled rehabilitation services when all of the following are true:

- it must be delivered or supervised by licensed technical or professional medical personnel in order to obtain the specified medical outcome, and provide for the safety of the patient;
- it is ordered by a Physician;
- it is not delivered for the purpose of assisting with activities of daily living, including but not limited to dressing, feeding, bathing or transferring from a bed to a chair;
- it requires clinical training in order to be delivered safely and effectively; and
- it is not Custodial Care.

Any combination of Network Benefits and Non-Network Benefits is limited to 50 visits per calendar year. One visit equals four hours of Skilled Care services.

#### **Prior Authorization Requirements**

For Non-Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator five business days before receiving services or as soon as is reasonably possible. If you fail to obtain prior authorization as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

## **Hospice Care**

The Plan pays Benefits for hospice care that is recommended by a Physician. Hospice care is an integrated program that provides comfort and support services for the terminally ill. Hospice care includes physical, psychological, social, respite and spiritual care for the terminally ill person, and short-term grief counseling for immediate family members. Benefits are available only when hospice care is received from a licensed hospice agency, which can include a Hospital.

Any combination of Network Benefits and Non-Network Benefits is limited to 360 days per Covered Person during the entire period you are covered under the Plan.

#### **Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits, you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator five business days before admission for an Inpatient Stay in a hospice facility or as soon as reasonably possible. If you fail to obtain prior authorization as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

## **Hospital - Inpatient Stay**

Hospital Benefits are available for:

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

Benefits for other Hospital-based Physician services are described in this section under *Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services*.

Benefits for Emergency admissions and admissions of less than 24 hours are described under *Emergency Health Services and Surgery - Outpatient, Scopic Procedures - Diagnostic and Therapeutics*, and *Therapeutic Treatments - Outpatient*, respectively.

#### **Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits for:

- A scheduled admission, you must obtain prior authorization five business days before admission.
- A non-scheduled admission (including Emergency admissions) you must provide notification as soon as is reasonably possible.

If authorization is not obtained as required, or notification is not provided, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

### **Injections received in a Physician's Office**

The Plan pays for Benefits for injections received in a Physician's office when no other health service is received, for example allergy immunotherapy.

### **Kidney Resource Services (KRS)**

UnitedHealthcare will arrange for access to certain of its Network Providers participating in the Kidney Resource Services Program for End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) and chronic kidney disease. You may be referred to KRS by UnitedHealthcare, or you may self refer to KRS by calling 888-936-7246 and select the KRS prompt. In order to receive the highest level of Benefits, you must contact KRS prior to obtaining Covered Health Services. The services include Covered Health Services and supplies rendered for the treatment and/or diagnosis relating to ESRD or chronic kidney disease.

In order to receive Benefits under this program, KRS must provide the proper notification to the Network provider performing the services. This is true even if you self refer to a Network provider participating in the program. Notification is required:

- prior to vascular access placement for dialysis; and
- prior to any ESRD services.

When these services are not performed in a KRS facility, Benefits will be paid the same as Physician's Office Services, Professional Fees, Hospital-Inpatient Stay, Outpatient Diagnostic and Therapeutic Services listed in this section.

To receive Benefits under the KRS program, you must contact KRS prior to obtaining Covered Health Services. The Plan will only pay Benefits under the KRS program if KRS provides the proper notification to the Designated Provider performing the services (even if you self refer to a provider in that Network).

## Maternity Services

### *Employee and Dependent Spouse Only*

Benefits for Pregnancy will be paid at the same level as Benefits for any other condition, Sickness or Injury. This includes all maternity-related medical services for prenatal care, postnatal care, delivery, and any related complications.

There is a special prenatal program to help during Pregnancy. It is completely voluntary and there is no extra cost for participating in the program. To sign up, you should notify the Claims Administrator during the first trimester, but no later than one month prior to the anticipated childbirth.

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

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

These are federally mandated requirements under the Newborns' and Mothers' Health Protection Act of 1996 which apply to this Plan. The Hospital or other provider is not required to get authorization for the time periods stated above. Authorizations are required for longer lengths of stay. If the mother agrees, the attending Physician may discharge the mother and/or the newborn child earlier than these minimum timeframes.

### *For Dependent Children Only*

Pregnancy Benefits for Dependent children are limited to Covered Health Services for Complications of Pregnancy. For a complete definition of Complications of Pregnancy, see Section 14, *Glossary*.

Benefits are payable for Covered Health Services for the treatment of Complications of Pregnancy given to a Dependent child while covered under this Plan.

Benefits for Complications of Pregnancy are paid in the same way as benefits are paid for Sickness.

Benefits for Complications of Pregnancy which result in the delivery of a child are payable for at least:

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

These are federally mandated requirements under the Newborns' and Mothers' Health Protection Act of 1996 which apply to this Plan. The Hospital or other provider is not required to get authorization for the time periods stated above. Authorizations are required for longer lengths of stay. If the mother agrees, the attending Physician may discharge the mother and/or the newborn child earlier than these minimum timeframes.

The following are not considered Complications of Pregnancy:

- false labor;
- occasional spotting;
- rest prescribed by a Physician;
- morning sickness; and
- other conditions that may be connected with a difficult pregnancy but are not a classifiably distinct complication.

**Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator as soon as reasonably possible if the Inpatient Stay for the mother and/or the newborn will be more than 48 hours for the mother and newborn child following a normal vaginal delivery, or more than 96 hours for the mother and newborn child following a cesarean section delivery. If you fail to obtain prior authorization as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

It is important that you notify us regarding your Pregnancy. Your notification will open the opportunity to become enrolled in prenatal programs that are designed to achieve the best outcomes for you and your baby.

**Mental Health Services**

Mental Health Services include those received on an inpatient or outpatient basis in a Hospital and an Alternate Facility or in a provider's office. All services must be provided by or under the direction of a properly qualified behavioral health provider.

Benefits include the following levels of care:

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

Services include the following:

- Diagnostic evaluations, assessment and treatment planning.
- Treatment and/or procedures.
- Medication management and other associated treatments.
- Individual, family and group therapy.
- Provider-based case management services.



- Crisis intervention.

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

You are encouraged to contact the Mental Health/Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Administrator for referrals to providers and coordination of care.

#### **Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits for:

- A scheduled admission for Mental Health Services (including Partial Hospitalization/Day Treatment and admission for services at a Residential Treatment facility) you must obtain authorization from the Claims Administrator five business days before admission.
- A non-scheduled admission (including Emergency admissions) you must provide notification as soon as is reasonably possible.

In addition, for Non-Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator before the following services are received. Services requiring prior authorization: Partial Hospitalization/Day Treatment; Intensive Outpatient Treatment programs; outpatient electro-convulsive treatment; psychological testing; transcranial magnetic stimulation; extended outpatient treatment visits beyond 45-50 minutes in duration, with or without medication management.

If you fail to obtain prior authorization from or provide notification to the Claims Administrator as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

### **Neurobiological Disorders - Autism Spectrum Disorder Services**

The Plan pays Benefits for behavioral services for Autism Spectrum Disorder including Intensive Behavioral Therapies such as Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) that are the following:

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

These Benefits describe only the behavioral component of treatment for Autism Spectrum Disorder. Medical treatment of Autism Spectrum Disorder is a Covered Health Service for which Benefits are available as described under the applicable medical Covered Health Services categories as described in this section.

Benefits include the following levels of care:

- Inpatient treatment.

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

Services include the following:

- Diagnostic evaluations, assessment and treatment planning.
- Treatment and/or procedures.
- Medication management and other associated treatments.
- Individual, family and group therapy.
- Provider-based case management services.
- Crisis intervention.

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

You are encouraged to contact the Mental Health/Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Administrator for referrals to providers and coordination of care.

**Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits for:

- A scheduled admission for Neurobiological Disorders – Autism Spectrum Disorder Services (including Partial Hospitalization/Day Treatment and an admission for services at a Residential Treatment facility) you must obtain authorization from the Claims Administrator five business days before admission.
- A non-scheduled admission (including Emergency admissions) you must provide notification as soon as is reasonably possible.

In addition, for Non-Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator before the following services are received. Services requiring prior authorization: Partial Hospitalization/Day Treatment; Intensive Outpatient Treatment programs; outpatient electro-convulsive treatment; psychological testing; transcranial magnetic stimulation; extended outpatient treatment visits beyond 45-50 minutes in duration, with or without medication management; Intensive Behavioral Therapy, including *Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA)*.

If you fail to obtain prior authorization from or provide notification to the Claims Administrator as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

## Obesity

The Plan pays for Benefits for hospital, physician, and diagnostic fees associated with morbid obesity if:

- The Participant has a Body Mass Index equal to or greater than 35 and said index has been met for the three years prior to the date of surgery;
- The Participant has at least one co-morbidity that is a direct complication of obesity and that has been previously unsuccessfully treated (this requirement is waived for individuals with a Body Mass Index greater than 40);
- The Participant has, within the 24 months prior to surgery, previously completed one physician supervised weight loss attempt, for a duration no less than six months, that included behavioral therapy, diet changes, and alteration of physical activity when indicated and has been unsuccessful in this effort;
- No previous bariatric surgery for weight reduction.

Benefits are available for obesity surgery services that meet the definition of a Covered Health Service, as defined in Section 14, *Glossary* and are not Experimental or Investigational or Unproven Services.

### **Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator as soon as the possibility of obesity surgery arises.

If you fail to obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

It is important that you provide notification regarding your intention to have surgery.

Your notification will open the opportunity to become enrolled in programs that are designed to achieve the best outcomes for you.

## Ostomy Supplies

Benefits for ostomy supplies are limited to:

- pouches, face plates and belts;
- irrigation sleeves, bags and catheters; and
- skin barriers.

Benefits are not available for gauze, adhesive, adhesive remover, deodorant, pouch covers, or other items not listed above.

## Outpatient Surgery, Diagnostic and Therapeutic Services

### *Outpatient Surgery*

The Plan pays for Covered Health Services for surgery and related services received on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility.

Benefits under this section include only the facility charge and the charge for required Hospital-based professional services, supplies and equipment. Benefits for the surgeon fees related to outpatient surgery are described under *Professional Fees for Surgical and Medical Services*.

When these services are performed in a Physician's office, Benefits are described under *Physician's Office Services* below.

#### **Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits for blepharoplasty, uvulopalatopharyngoplasty, vein procedures, cardiac catheterization, pacemaker insertion, implantable cardioverter defibrillators, sleep apnea surgeries and cochlear implants you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator five business days before scheduled services are received or for non-scheduled services, within one business day or as soon as is reasonably possible. If you fail to obtain prior authorization as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

### *Outpatient Diagnostic Services*

The Plan pays for Covered Health Services received on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility including:

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

Benefits under this section include the facility charge, and the charge for required services, supplies and equipment, and all related professional fees.

When these services are performed in a Physician's office, Benefits are described under *Physician's Office Services* below.

This section does not include Benefits for CT scans, PET scans, MRIs, or nuclear medicine, which are described immediately below.

#### **Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits for sleep studies, stress echocardiography and transthoracic echocardiogram, you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator five business days before scheduled services are received. If you fail to obtain prior authorization as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

***Outpatient Diagnostic/Therapeutic Services - CT Scans, PET Scans, MRI and Nuclear Medicine***

The Plan pays for Covered Health Services for CT scans, PET scans, MRI, and nuclear medicine received on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility.

Benefits under this section include the facility charge, and the charge for required services, supplies and equipment, and all related professional fees.

***Outpatient Therapeutic Treatments***

The Plan pays for Covered Health Services for therapeutic treatments received on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility, including dialysis, intravenous chemotherapy or other intravenous infusion therapy, and other treatments not listed above.

Benefits under this section include the facility charge, and the charge for required services, supplies and equipment, and all related professional fees.

When these services are performed in a Physician's office, Benefits are described under *Physician's Office Services* below.

**Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits for the following outpatient therapeutic services you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator five business days before scheduled services are received or, for non-scheduled services, within one business day or as soon as is reasonably possible. Services that require prior authorization: dialysis, IV infusion, radiation oncology, intensity modulated radiation therapy and MR-guided focused ultrasound.

If you fail to obtain prior authorization, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

**Physician's Office Services - Sickness and Injury**

Benefits are paid by the Plan for Covered Health Services received in a Physician's office for the evaluation and treatment of a Sickness or Injury. Benefits are provided under this section regardless of whether the Physician's office is free-standing, located in a clinic or located in a Hospital. Benefits under this section include allergy injections and hearing exams in case of Injury or Sickness.

Benefits for preventive services are described under *Preventive Care Services* in this section.

**Please Note**

Your Physician does not have a copy of your SPD, and is not responsible for knowing or communicating your Benefits.

## Preventive Care Services

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

- evidence-based items or services that have in effect a rating of "A" or "B" in the current recommendations of the United States Preventive Services Task Force;
- immunizations that have in effect a recommendation from the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention;
- with respect to infants, children and adolescents, evidence-informed preventive care and screenings provided for in the comprehensive guidelines supported by the Health Resources and Services Administration; and
- with respect to women, such additional preventive care and screenings as provided for in comprehensive guidelines supported by the Health Resources and Services Administration.

Preventive care Benefits defined under the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) requirement include the cost of renting one breast pump per Pregnancy in conjunction with childbirth. Benefits for breast pumps also include the cost of purchasing one breast pump per Pregnancy in conjunction with childbirth. These Benefits are described under Section 5, *Plan Highlights*, under *Covered Health Services*.

Benefits are only available if breast pumps are obtained from a DME provider.

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

- Which pump is the most cost effective;
- Whether the pump should be purchased or rented;
- Duration of a rental;
- Timing of an acquisition.

For questions about your preventive care Benefits under this Plan call the number on the back of your ID card.

## Professional Fees for Surgical and Medical Services

The Plan pays for professional fees for surgical procedures and other medical care received in a Hospital, Skilled Nursing Facility, Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility or Alternate Facility or Physician house calls.

When these services are performed in a Physician's office, Benefits are described under *Physician's Office Services* above.

## Prosthetic Devices

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

- Artificial arms, legs, feet and hands.
- Artificial eyes, ears and noses.
- Breast prosthesis as required by the Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998. Benefits include mastectomy bras and lymphedema stockings for the arm.

If more than one prosthetic device can meet your functional needs, Benefits are available only for the most cost-effective prosthetic device.

The prosthetic device must be ordered or provided by, or under the direction of a Physician. Except for items required by the Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998, Benefits for prosthetic devices are limited to a single purchase of each type of prosthetic device every three calendar years.

**Note:** Prosthetic devices are different from DME - see *Durable Medical Equipment (DME)* in this section.

### **Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits, you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator before obtaining prosthetic devices that exceeds \$1,000 in cost per device. If you fail to obtain prior authorization as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

## Reconstructive Procedures

Reconstructive Procedures are services performed when a physical impairment exists and the primary purpose of the procedure is to improve or restore physiologic function. Reconstructive procedures include surgery or other procedures which are associated with an Injury, Sickness or Congenital Anomaly. The fact that physical appearance may change or improve as a result of a reconstructive procedure does not classify such surgery as a Cosmetic Procedure when a physical impairment exists, and the surgery restores or improves function.

Cosmetic Procedures are excluded from coverage. Procedures that correct an anatomical Congenital Anomaly without improving or restoring physiologic function are considered Cosmetic Procedures. The fact that a Covered Person may suffer psychological consequences or socially avoidant behavior as a result of an Injury, Sickness or Congenital Anomaly does not classify surgery or other procedures done to relieve such consequences or behavior as a reconstructive procedure.

Please note that Benefits for reconstructive procedures include breast reconstruction following a mastectomy and reconstruction of the non-affected breast to achieve symmetry.

Other services mandated by the Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998, including breast prostheses and treatment of complications, are provided in the same manner and at the same level as those for any Covered Health Service. You can contact UnitedHealthcare at the number on your ID card for more information about Benefits for mastectomy-related services.

**Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits for:

- Scheduled Reconstructive Procedures, you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator five business days before a scheduled Reconstructive Procedure is performed.
- Non-scheduled Reconstructive Procedures, you must provide notification within one business day or as soon as is reasonably possible.

If authorization is not obtained from the Claims Administrator as required, or notification is not provided, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

**Rehabilitation Services - Outpatient Therapy**

The Plan provides short-term outpatient rehabilitation services for:

- Physical therapy.
- Occupational therapy.
- Speech therapy.
- Pulmonary rehabilitation therapy.
- Cardiac rehabilitation therapy.

For all rehabilitation services, a licensed therapy provider, under the direction of a Physician (when required by state law), must perform the services. Benefits under this section include rehabilitation services provided in a Physician's office or on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility. Rehabilitative services provided in a Covered Person's home by a Home Health Agency are provided as described under Home Health Care. Rehabilitative services provided in a Covered Person's home other than by a Home Health Agency are provided as described under this section.

Benefits can be denied or shortened for Covered Persons who are not progressing in goal-directed rehabilitation services or if rehabilitation goals have previously been met.

***Habilitative Services***

For the purpose of this Benefit, "habilitative services" means Covered Health Services that help a person keep, learn or improve skills and functioning for daily living. Habilitative services are skilled when all of the following are true:

- The services are part of a prescribed plan of treatment or maintenance program that is provided to maintain a Covered Person's current condition or to prevent or slow further decline.



- It is ordered by a Physician and provided and administered by a licensed provider.
- It is not delivered for the purpose of assisting with activities of daily living, including dressing, feeding, bathing or transferring from a bed to a chair.
- It requires clinical training in order to be delivered safely and effectively.
- It is not Custodial Care.

The Claims Administrator will determine if Benefits are available by reviewing both the skilled nature of the service and the need for Physician-directed medical management. Therapies provided for the purpose of general well-being or conditioning in the absence of a disabling condition are not considered habilitative services. A service will not be determined to be "skilled" simply because there is not an available caregiver.

Benefits are provided for habilitative services provided for Covered Persons with a disabling condition when both of the following conditions are met:

- The treatment is administered by a licensed speech-language pathologist, licensed audiologist, licensed occupational therapist, licensed physical therapist or Physician.
- The initial or continued treatment must be proven and not Experimental or Investigational.

Benefits for habilitative services do not apply to those services that are solely educational in nature or otherwise paid under state or federal law for purely educational services. Custodial Care, respite care, day care, therapeutic recreation, vocational training and Residential Treatment are not habilitative services. A service that does not help the Covered Person to meet functional goals in a treatment plan within a prescribed time frame is not a habilitative service.

The Plan may require that a treatment plan be provided, request medical records, clinical notes, or other necessary data to allow the Plan to substantiate that initial or continued medical treatment is needed. When the treating provider anticipates that continued treatment is or will be required to permit the Covered Person to achieve demonstrable progress, the Plan may request a treatment plan consisting of diagnosis, proposed treatment by type, frequency, anticipated duration of treatment, the anticipated goals of treatment, and how frequently the treatment plan will be updated.

Benefits for Durable Medical Equipment and prosthetic devices, when used as a component of habilitative services, are described under *Durable Medical Equipment* and *Prosthetic Devices* in this section.

Other than as described under Habilitative Services above, please note that the Plan will pay Benefits for speech therapy for the treatment of disorders of speech, language, voice, communication and auditory processing only when the disorder results from Injury, stroke, cancer, Congenital Anomaly, or Autism Spectrum Disorder.

Benefits are limited to:

- 20 visits per calendar year for pulmonary rehabilitation therapy; and
- 36 visits per calendar year for cardiac rehabilitation therapy.

These visit limits apply to Network Benefits and Non-Network Benefits combined.

### **Second Surgical Opinion**

This is not a required service to obtain Benefits.

### **Skilled Nursing Facility/Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility Services**

The Plan pays for Covered Health Services for an Inpatient Stay in a Skilled Nursing Facility or Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility. Benefits are available for:

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

Any combination of Network Benefits and Non-Network Benefits is limited to 365 days per calendar year.

Please note that Benefits are available only for the care and treatment of an Injury or Sickness that would have otherwise required an Inpatient Stay in a Hospital.

#### **Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Non-Network Benefits for:

- A scheduled admission, you must obtain prior authorization five business days before admission.
- A non-scheduled admission (or admissions resulting from an Emergency) you must provide notification as soon as is reasonably possible.

If authorization is not obtained as required, or notification is not provided, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

### **Spinal Treatment**

Benefits for Spinal Treatment when provided by a Spinal Treatment provider in the provider's office.

Benefits include diagnosis and related services and are limited to one visit and treatment per day.

Coverage is limited to charges incurred.

Spinal Treatment consists of spinal adjustment for acute or chronic subluxation and includes charges for x-rays and other services authorized or recommended by a chiropractor operating within the scope of his license.

Maintenance and preventive care are not covered.

No benefits for Spinal Treatment will be paid under any other section of the Plan.

### **Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services**

Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services include those received on an inpatient or outpatient basis in a Hospital, an Alternate Facility, or in a provider's office. All services must be provided by or under the direction of a properly qualified behavioral health provider.

Benefits include the following levels of care:

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

Services include the following:

- Diagnostic evaluations, assessment and treatment planning.
- Treatment and/or procedures.
- Medication management and other associated treatments.
- Individual, family and group therapy.
- Provider-based case management services.
- Crisis intervention.
- Transitional Living services.

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

You are encouraged to contact the Mental Health/Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Administrator for referrals to providers and coordination of care.

**Prior Authorization Requirement**

Please remember for Non-Network Benefits for:

- A scheduled admission for Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services (including Partial Hospitalization/Day Treatment and an admission for services at a Residential Treatment facility) you must obtain authorization from the Claims Administrator five business days before admission.
- A non-scheduled admission (including Emergency admissions) you must provide notification as soon as is reasonably possible.

In addition, for Non-Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator before the following services are received. Services requiring prior authorization: Partial Hospitalization/Day Treatment; Intensive Outpatient Treatment programs; outpatient electro-convulsive treatment; psychological testing; transcranial magnetic stimulation; extended outpatient treatment visits beyond 45-50 minutes in duration, with or without medication management.

If you fail to obtain prior authorization from or provide notification to the Claims Administrator as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

**Transplantation Services**

Covered Health Services for organ and tissue transplants when ordered by a Physician. For Network Benefits, transplantation services must be received by a Designated Provider. Transplantation services provided by a non-Designated Provider will be covered as Non-Network Benefits. Benefits are available when the transplant meets the definition of a Covered Health Service, and is not an Experimental, Investigational or Unproven Service:

Notification is required for all transplant services.

The Copayment and Annual Deductible will not apply to Network Benefits when a transplant listed below is received by a Designated Provider. The services described under *Transportation and Lodging* below are Covered Health Services **ONLY** in connection with a transplant received by a Designated Provider.

Examples of transplants for which Benefits are available include but are not limited to:

- bone marrow transplants (either from you or from a compatible donor) and peripheral stem cell transplants, with or without high dose chemotherapy. Not all bone marrow transplants meet the definition of a Covered Health Service. The search for bone marrow/stem cell from a donor who is not biologically related to the patient is a Covered Health Service only for a transplant received by a Designated Provider.
- heart transplants;
- heart/lung transplants;
- lung transplants;
- kidney transplants;

- kidney/pancreas transplants;
- liver transplants;
- liver/small bowel transplants;
- pancreas transplants; and
- small bowel transplants.

Benefits for cornea transplants that are provided by a Network Physician at a Network Hospital are paid as if the transplant was received by a Designated Provider. Cornea transplants are not required to be performed received by a Designated Provider in order for you to receive Network Benefits. Donor costs that are directly related to organ removal are Covered Health Services for which Benefits are payable through the organ recipient's coverage under the Plan.

Organ or tissue transplants or multiple organ transplants other than those listed above are excluded from coverage, unless determined by the Claims Administrator to be a proven procedure for the involved diagnoses.

Under the Plan there are specific guidelines regarding Benefits for transplant services. Contact the Claims Administrator at the telephone number on your ID card for information about these guidelines.

**Prior Authorization Requirement**

For Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator as soon as the possibility of a transplant arises (and before the time a pre-transplantation evaluation is performed at a transplant center). If you don't obtain prior authorization and if, as a result, the services are not performed by a Designated Provider, Network Benefits will not be paid. Non-Network Benefits will apply.

For Non-Network Benefits you must obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator as soon as the possibility of a transplant arises (and before the time a pre-transplantation evaluation is performed at a transplant center).

For non-Network Benefits, if you don't obtain prior authorization from the Claims Administrator, as required, Benefits will be reduced to 50% of Eligible Expenses.

**Urgent Care Center Services**

The Plan pays for Covered Health Services received at an Urgent Care Center. When services to treat urgent health care needs are provided in a Physician's office, Benefits are available as described under *Physician's Office Services* earlier in this section.

**Virtual Visits**

Virtual visits for Covered Health Services that include the diagnosis and treatment of low acuity medical conditions for Covered Persons, through the use of interactive audio and video telecommunication and transmissions, and audio-visual communication technology.

Virtual visits provide communication of medical information in real-time between the patient and a distant Physician or health care specialist, through use of interactive audio and video communications equipment outside of a medical facility (for example, from home or from work).

Benefits are available only when services are delivered through a Designated Virtual Network Provider. You can find a Designated Virtual Network Provider by going to [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or by calling the telephone number on your ID card.

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

Benefits under this section do not include email, fax and standard telephone calls, or for telehealth/telemedicine visits that occur within medical facilities (*CMS* defined originating facilities).

## SECTION 7 - CLINICAL PROGRAMS AND RESOURCES

### **What this section includes:**

Health and well-being resources available to you, including:

- Consumer Solutions and Self-Service Tools;
- Disease and Condition Management Services; and
- Wellness Programs.

City of Columbia, Missouri believes in giving you the tools you need to be an educated health care consumer. To that end, City of Columbia, Missouri has made available several convenient educational and support services, accessible by phone and the Internet, which can help you to:

- take care of yourself and your family members;
- manage a chronic health condition; and
- navigate the complexities of the health care system.

### ***NOTE:***

Information obtained through the services identified in this section is based on current medical literature and on Physician review. It is not intended to replace the advice of a doctor. The information is intended to help you make better health care decisions and take a greater responsibility for your own health. UnitedHealthcare and City of Columbia, Missouri are not responsible for the results of your decisions from the use of the information, including, but not limited to, your choosing to seek or not to seek professional medical care, or your choosing or not choosing specific treatment based on the text.

## Consumer Solutions and Self-Service Tools

### ***Health Survey***

You and your Spouse are invited to learn more about your health and wellness at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) and are encouraged to participate in the online health survey. The health survey is an interactive questionnaire designed to help you identify your healthy habits as well as potential health risks.

Your health survey is kept confidential. Completing the survey will not impact your Benefits or eligibility for Benefits in any way.

To find the health survey, log in to [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com). After logging in, access your personalized *Health & Wellness* page. If you need any assistance with the online survey, please call the number on the back of your ID card.

### ***Health Improvement Plan***

You can start a Health Improvement Plan at any time. This plan is created just for you and includes information and interactive tools, plus online health coaching recommendations based on your profile.

Online coaching is available for:

- nutrition;
- exercise;
- weight management;
- stress;
- smoking cessation;
- diabetes; and
- heart health.

To help keep you on track with your Health Improvement Plan and online coaching, you'll also receive personalized messages and reminders – City of Columbia, Missouri's way of helping you meet your health and wellness goals.

### ***NurseLine<sup>SM</sup>***

NurseLine<sup>SM</sup> is a toll-free telephone service that puts you in immediate contact with an experienced registered nurse any time, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Nurses can provide health information for routine or urgent health concerns. When you call, a registered nurse may refer you to any additional resources that City of Columbia, Missouri has available to help you improve your health and well-being or manage a chronic condition. Call any time when you want to learn more about:

- a recent diagnosis;
- a minor Sickness or Injury;
- men's, women's, and children's wellness;
- how to take Prescription Drugs safely;
- self-care tips and treatment options;
- healthy living habits; or
- any other health related topic.

NurseLine<sup>SM</sup> gives you another convenient way to access health information. By calling the same toll-free number, you can listen to one of the Health Information Library's over 1,100 recorded messages, with over half in Spanish.

NurseLine<sup>SM</sup> is available to you at no cost. To use this convenient service, simply call the toll-free number on the back of your ID card.

**Note:** If you have a medical emergency, call 911 instead of calling NurseLine<sup>SM</sup>.

**Your child is running a fever and it's 1:00 AM. What do you do?**

Call NurseLine<sup>SM</sup> toll-free, any time, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. You can count on NurseLine<sup>SM</sup> to help answer your health questions.



With NurseLine<sup>SM</sup>, you also have access to nurses online. To use this service, log onto [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) and click "Live Nurse Chat" in the top menu bar. You'll instantly be connected with a registered nurse who can answer your general health questions any time, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. You can also request an e-mailed transcript of the conversation to use as a reference.

**Note:** If you have a medical emergency, call 911 instead of logging onto [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com).

### ***Reminder Programs***

To help you stay healthy, UnitedHealthcare may send you and your covered Dependents reminders to schedule recommended screening exams. Examples of reminders include:

- mammograms for women between the ages of 40 and 68;
- pediatric and adolescent immunizations;
- cervical cancer screenings for women between the ages of 20 and 64;
- comprehensive screenings for individuals with diabetes; and
- influenza/pneumonia immunizations for enrollees age 65 and older.

There is no need to enroll in this program. You will receive a reminder automatically if you have not had a recommended screening exam.

### ***UnitedHealth Premium<sup>SM</sup> Program***

UnitedHealthcare designates Network Physicians and facilities as UnitedHealth Premium<sup>SM</sup> Program Physicians or facilities for certain medical conditions. Physicians and facilities are evaluated on two levels - quality and efficiency of care. The UnitedHealth Premium<sup>SM</sup> Program was designed to:

- help you make informed decisions on where to receive care;
- provide you with decision support resources; and
- give you access to Physicians and facilities across areas of medicine that have met UnitedHealthcare's quality and efficiency criteria.

For details on the UnitedHealth Premium<sup>SM</sup> Program including how to locate a UnitedHealth Premium<sup>SM</sup> Physician or facility, log onto [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or call the toll-free number on your ID card.

### ***www.myuhc.com***

UnitedHealthcare's member website, [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com), provides information at your fingertips anywhere and anytime you have access to the Internet. [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) opens the door to a wealth of health information and convenient self-service tools to meet your needs.

With [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) you can:

- receive personalized messages that are posted to your own website;

- research a health condition and treatment options to get ready for a discussion with your Physician;
- search for Network providers available in your Plan through the online provider directory;
- access all of the content and wellness topics from NurseLine including Live Nurse Chat 24 hours a day, seven days a week;
- complete a health risk assessment to identify health habits you can improve, learn about healthy lifestyle techniques and access health improvement resources;
- use the treatment cost estimator to obtain an estimate of the costs of various procedures in your area; and
- use the Hospital comparison tool to compare Hospitals in your area on various patient safety and quality measures.

#### **Registering on [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com)**

If you have not already registered as a **[www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com)** subscriber, simply go to **[www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com)** and click on "Register Now." Have your UnitedHealthcare ID card handy. The enrollment process is quick and easy.

Visit **[www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com)** and:

- make real-time inquiries into the status and history of your claims;
- view eligibility and Plan Benefit information, including Annual Deductibles;
- view and print all of your Explanation of Benefits (EOBs) online; and
- order a new or replacement ID card or, print a temporary ID card.

#### **Want to learn more about a condition or treatment?**

Log on to **[www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com)** and research health topics that are of interest to you. Learn about a specific condition, what the symptoms are, how it is diagnosed, how common it is, and what to ask your Physician.

## **Disease and Condition Management Services**

### ***Diabetes Prevention Program***

The Diabetes Prevention Program (DPP) is available for Covered Persons living with pre-diabetes and offers a 16 session lifestyle intervention that addresses diet, activity and behavior modification. The goal of this program is to slow and/or prevent the development of Type 2 diabetes through lifestyle management and weight loss and is available at local YMCAs.

Participation is completely voluntary and without extra charge. There are no Copays, Coinsurance or Deductibles that need to be met when services are received as part of the DPP program. If you think you may be eligible to participate or would like additional information regarding the programs, please call the number on your ID card.

***HealthNotes<sup>SM</sup>***

UnitedHealthcare provides a service called HealthNotes to help educate members and make suggestions regarding your medical care. HealthNotes provides you and your Physician with suggestions regarding preventive care, testing or medications, potential interactions with medications you have been prescribed, and certain treatments. In addition, your HealthNotes report may include health tips and other wellness information.

UnitedHealthcare makes these suggestions through a software program that provides retrospective, claims-based identification of medical care. Through this process patients are identified whose care may benefit from suggestions using the established standards of evidence based medicine as described in Section 14, *Glossary* under the definition of Covered Health Services.

If your Physician identifies any concerns after reviewing his or her HealthNotes report, he or she may contact you if he or she believes it to be appropriate. In addition, you may use the information in your report to engage your Physician in discussions regarding your health and the identified suggestions. Any decisions regarding your care, though, are always between you and your Physician.

If you have questions or would like additional information about this service, please call the number on the back of your ID card.

**Wellness Programs*****Healthy Pregnancy Program***

If you are pregnant and enrolled in the medical Plan, you can get valuable educational information and advice by calling the toll-free number on your ID card. This program offers:

- pregnancy consultation to identify special needs;
- written and on-line educational materials and resources;
- 24-hour toll-free access to experienced maternity nurses;
- a phone call from a care coordinator during your Pregnancy, to see how things are going; and
- a phone call from a care coordinator approximately four weeks postpartum to give you information on infant care, feeding, nutrition, immunizations and more.

Participation is completely voluntary and without extra charge. To take full advantage of the program, you are encouraged to enroll within the first 12 weeks of Pregnancy. You can enroll any time, up to your 34th week. To enroll, call the toll-free number on the back of your ID card.

As a program participant, you can call any time, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, with any questions or concerns you might have.

## SECTION 8 - EXCLUSIONS AND LIMITATIONS: WHAT THE MEDICAL PLAN WILL NOT COVER

**What this section includes:**

- Services, supplies and treatments that are not Covered Health Services, except as may be specifically provided for in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.

The Plan does not pay Benefits for any of the following services, treatments or supplies even if they are recommended or prescribed by a provider or are the only available treatment for your condition.

When Benefits are limited within any of the Covered Health Services categories described in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*, those limits are stated in the corresponding Covered Health Service category in Section 5, *Plan Highlights*. Limits may also apply to some Covered Health Services that fall under more than one Covered Health Service category. When this occurs, those limits are also stated in Section 5, *Plan Highlights*. Please review all limits carefully, as the Plan will not pay Benefits for any of the services, treatments, items or supplies that exceed these benefit limits.

**Please note that in listing services or examples, when the SPD says "this includes," or "including but not limited to", it is not UnitedHealthcare's intent to limit the description to that specific list. When the Plan does intend to limit a list of services or examples, the SPD specifically states that the list "is limited to."**

### Alternative Treatments

1. acupressure and acupuncture;
2. aromatherapy;
3. hypnotism;
4. massage therapy;
5. rolfing;
6. other forms of alternative treatment as defined by the Office of Alternative Medicine of the National Institutes of Health.

### Comfort or Convenience

1. television;
2. telephone;
3. beauty/barber service;
4. guest service;

5. supplies, equipment and similar incidental services and supplies for personal comfort. Examples include:
  - air conditioners;
  - air purifiers and filter;
  - batteries and battery chargers;
  - dehumidifiers;
  - humidifiers.
  - devices and computers to assist in communication and speech.

## Dental

1. dental care, except as described in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details* under the heading *Dental Services - Accident only*.
2. preventive care, diagnosis, treatment of or related to the teeth, jawbones or gums. Examples include all of the following:
  - extraction, restoration and replacement of teeth;
  - medical or surgical treatments of dental conditions;
  - services to improve dental clinical outcomes.

This exclusion does not apply to preventive care for which Benefits are provided under the *United States Preventive Services Task Force* requirement or the *Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)* requirement. This exclusion also does not apply to accident-related dental services for which Benefits are provided as described under *Dental Services - Accident Only* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.
3. dental implants.
4. dental braces.
5. dental X-rays, supplies and appliances and all associated expenses, including hospitalizations and anesthesia. The only exceptions to this are for any of the following:
  - transplant preparation;
  - initiation of immunosuppressives;
  - the direct treatment of acute traumatic Injury, cancer or cleft palate.

This exclusion does not apply to dental care (oral examination, X-rays, extractions and non-surgical elimination of oral infection) required for the direct treatment of a medical condition for which Benefits are available under the Plan, as identified in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.

6. treatment of congenitally missing, malpositioned or super numerary teeth, even if part of a Congenital Anomaly.

## Drugs

1. prescription drugs for outpatient use that are filled by a prescription order or refill;
2. self-injectable medications;

3. non-injectable medications given in a Physician's office except as required in an Emergency;
4. over the counter drugs and treatments.

### **Experimental or Investigational Services or Unproven Services**

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

### **Foot Care**

1. routine foot care, except when needed for severe systemic disease or preventive foot care for Covered Persons with diabetes. Routine foot care services that are not covered include:
  - cutting or removal of corns and calluses;
  - nail trimming or cutting; and
  - debriding (removal of dead skin or underlying tissue);
2. hygienic and preventive maintenance foot care. Examples include the following:
  - cleaning and soaking the feet;
  - applying skin creams in order to maintain skin tone;
  - other services that are performed when there is not a localized illness, Injury or symptom involving the foot;
3. treatment of flat feet;
4. treatment of subluxation of the foot;
5. shoe orthotics.

### **Gender Dysphoria**

Cosmetic Procedures, including the following:

- Abdominoplasty.
- Blepharoplasty.
- Breast enlargement, including augmentation mammoplasty and breast implants.
- Body contouring, such as lipoplasty.
- Brow lift.
- Calf implants.
- Cheek, chin, and nose implants.
- Injection of fillers or neurotoxins.
- Face lift, forehead lift, or neck tightening.
- Facial bone remodeling for facial feminizations.

- Hair removal.
- Hair transplantation.
- Lip augmentation.
- Lip reduction.
- Liposuction.
- Mastopexy.
- Pectoral implants for chest masculinization.
- Rhinoplasty.
- Skin resurfacing.
- Thyroid cartilage reduction; reduction thyroid chondroplasty; trachea shave (removal or reduction of the Adam's Apple).
- Voice modification surgery.
- Voice lessons and voice therapy.

### Medical Supplies and Appliances

1. devices used specifically as safety items or to affect performance in sports-related activities;
2. prescribed or non-prescribed medical supplies and disposable supplies. Examples include:
  - elastic stockings;
  - ace bandages;
  - gauze and dressings;
  - syringes;
  - diabetic test strips;
3. orthotic appliances that straighten or re-shape a body part, except as described under *Durable Medical Equipment (DME)* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.

Examples of excluded orthotic appliances and devices include but are not limited to, foot orthotics or any orthotic braces available over-the-counter.

4. cranial banding;
5. tubings and masks are not covered except when used with Durable Medical Equipment as described in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details* under the heading *Durable Medical Equipment*.

## Mental Health, Neurobiological Disorders - Autism Spectrum Disorder and Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services

In addition to all other exclusions listed in this Section 8, *Exclusions and Limitations*, the exclusions listed directly below apply to services described under *Mental Health Services*, *Neurobiological Disorders - Autism Spectrum Disorder Services* and/or *Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.

1. Services performed in connection with conditions not classified in the current edition of the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association*.
2. Outside of an initial assessment, services as treatments for a primary diagnosis of conditions and problems that may be a focus of clinical attention, but are specifically noted not to be mental disorders within the current edition of the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association*.
3. Outside of initial assessment, services as treatments for the primary diagnoses of learning disabilities, conduct and impulse control disorders, pyromania, kleptomania, gambling disorder and paraphilic disorder.
4. Educational/behavioral services that are focused on primarily building skills and capabilities in communication, social interaction and learning.
5. Tuition for or services that are school-based for children and adolescents required to be provided by, or paid for by, the school under the *Individuals with Disabilities Education Act*.
6. Outside of initial assessment, unspecified disorders for which the provider is not obligated to provide clinical rationale as defined in the current edition of the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association*.

## Nutrition

1. megavitamin and nutrition based therapy;
2. Individual and group nutritional counseling, including non-specific disease nutritional education such as general good eating habits, calorie control or dietary preferences. This exclusion does not apply to preventive care for which Benefits are provided under the *United States Preventive Services Task Force* requirement. This exclusion also does not apply to nutritional counseling services that are billed as *Preventive Care Services* or to nutritional education services that are provided as part of treatment for a disease by appropriately licensed or registered health care professionals when both of the following are true:
  - nutritional education is required for a disease in which patient self-management is an important component of treatment; and
  - there exists a knowledge deficit regarding the disease which requires the intervention of a trained health professional;



2. enteral feedings and other nutritional and electrolyte formulas, including infant formula and donor breast milk, even if they are the only source of nutrition and even if they are specifically created to treat inborn errors of metabolism such as phenylketonuria (PKU). Infant formula available over the counter is always excluded;
3. health education classes unless offered by UnitedHealthcare or its affiliates, including but not limited to asthma, smoking cessation, and weight control classes.

## Physical Appearance

1. Cosmetic Procedures. See the definition in Section 14, *Glossary*. Examples include:
  - pharmacological regimens, nutritional procedures or treatments;
  - scar or tattoo removal or revision procedures (such as salabrasion, chemosurgery and other such skin abrasion procedures);
  - skin abrasion procedures performed as a treatment for acne;
2. replacement of an existing breast implant if the earlier breast implant was performed as a Cosmetic Procedure. **Note:** Replacement of an existing breast implant is considered reconstructive if the initial breast implant followed mastectomy. See *Reconstructive Procedures* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*;
3. physical conditioning programs such as athletic training, body-building, exercise, fitness, flexibility and diversion or general motivation;
4. weight loss programs whether or not they are under medical supervision. Weight loss programs for medical reasons are also excluded;
5. wigs regardless of the reason for the hair loss.

## Providers

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

This exclusion does not apply to mammography testing.

## Reproduction

1. health services and associated expenses for infertility treatments;
2. surrogate parenting;
3. the reversal of voluntary sterilization;
4. maternity services, including delivery, for Dependent children, except those that have Complications of Pregnancy as defined in Section 14, *Glossary*.

## Services Provided under Another Plan

1. health services for which other coverage is required by federal, state or local law to be purchased or provided through other arrangements. This includes, but is not limited to, coverage required by workers' compensation, no-fault auto insurance, or similar legislation.

If coverage under workers' compensation or similar legislation is optional for you because you could elect it, or could have it elected for you, Benefits will not be paid for any Injury, Sickness or Mental Illness that would have been covered under workers' compensation or similar legislation had that coverage been elected.

2. health services for treatment of military service-related disabilities, when you are legally entitled to other coverage and facilities are reasonably available to you;
3. health services while on active military duty.

## Transplants

1. health services for organ, multiple organ and tissue transplants, except as described in *Transplantation Services* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details* unless UnitedHealthcare determines the transplant to be appropriate according to UnitedHealthcare's transplant guidelines;
2. health services connected with the removal of an organ or tissue from you for purposes of a transplant to another person. (Donor costs for removal are payable for a transplant through the organ recipient's Benefits under the Plan.);
3. health services for transplants involving mechanical or animal organs;
4. any solid organ transplant that is performed as a treatment for cancer.

## Travel

1. health services provided in a foreign country, unless required as Emergency Health Services;
2. travel or transportation expenses, even though prescribed by a Physician. Some travel expenses related to covered transplantation services may be reimbursed at our discretion.

## Vision and Hearing

1. purchase cost of eye glasses or contact lenses;
2. fitting charge for eye glasses or contact lenses;
3. eye exercise or vision therapy;
4. Surgery that is intended to allow you to see better without glasses or other vision correction including radial keratotomy, laser, and other refractive eye surgery;
5. Routine vision examinations, including refractive examinations;
6. Bone anchored hearing aids except when either of the following applies:
  - For Covered Persons with craniofacial anomalies whose abnormal or absent ear canals preclude the use of a wearable hearing aid.
  - For Covered Persons with hearing loss of sufficient severity that it would not be adequately remedied by a wearable hearing aid.

## All Other Exclusions

1. health services and supplies that do not meet the definition of a Covered Health Service
  - see the definition in Section 14, *Glossary*;

Covered Health Services are those health services including services, supplies or Prescription Drugs, which the Claims Administrator determines to be all of the following:

- Medically Necessary;
- described as a Covered Health Service in this Summary Plan Description; and
- not otherwise excluded in this Summary Plan Description under this Section 8, *Exclusions and Limitations*.

This exclusion does not apply to breast pumps for which Benefits are provided under the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) requirement.

2. physical, psychiatric or psychological exams, testing, vaccinations, immunizations or treatments that are otherwise covered under the Plan when;
  - required solely for purposes of career, education, sports or camp, travel, employment, insurance, marriage or adoption;
  - related to judicial or administrative proceedings or orders;
  - conducted for purposes of medical research; This exclusion does not apply to Covered Health Services provided during a clinical trial for which Benefits are provided as described under *Clinical Trials* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*;
  - required to obtain or maintain a license of any type;
3. health services received as a result of war or any act of war, whether declared or undeclared or caused during service in the armed forces of any country;

4. health services received after the date your coverage under the Plan ends, including health services for medical conditions arising before the date your coverage under the Plan ends;
5. health services for which you have no legal responsibility to pay, or for which a charge would not ordinarily be made in the absence of coverage under the Plan;
6. in the event that a non-Network provider waives the Annual Deductible for a particular health service, no Benefits are provided for the health service for which the Annual Deductible is waived;
7. charges in excess of Eligible Expenses or in excess of any specified limitation;
8. services for the evaluation and treatment of temporomandibular joint syndrome (TMJ), whether the services are considered to be medical or dental in nature;
9. upper and lower jawbone surgery except as required for direct treatment of acute traumatic Injury or cancer. Orthognathic surgery, jaw alignment and treatment for the temporomandibular joint, except as a treatment of obstructive sleep apnea;
10. Surgical treatment of obesity excluding severe morbid obesity: (with a BMI equal to or greater than 35) and the said index has been met for three years prior to the date of the scheduled surgery.
11. Non-surgical treatment of obesity including dietary supplements or supplies used in conjunction with weight loss.
12. growth hormone therapy;
13. Custodial Care;
14. domiciliary care;
15. private duty nursing;
16. respite care;
17. rest cures;
18. psychosurgery;
19. treatment of benign gynecomastia (abnormal breast enlargement in males);
20. medical and surgical treatment of excessive sweating (hyperhidrosis);
21. panniculectomy, abdominoplasty, thighplasty, brachioplasty, mastopexy, and breast reduction. This exclusion does not apply to breast reconstruction following a mastectomy as described under *Reconstructive Procedures* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*;

22. medical and surgical treatment for snoring, except when provided as a part of treatment for documented obstructive sleep apnea;
23. oral appliances for snoring;
24. speech therapy except as required for treatment of a speech impediment or speech dysfunction that results from Injury, stroke, or a Congenital Anomaly;
25. any charges for missed appointments, room or facility reservations, completion of claim forms or record processing;
26. any charge for services, supplies or equipment advertised by the provider as free;
27. any charges prohibited by federal anti-kickback or self-referral statutes.

## SECTION 9 - CLAIMS PROCEDURES

**What this section includes:**

- How Network and non-Network claims work; and
- What to do if your claim is denied, in whole or in part.

### Network Benefits

In general, if you receive Covered Health Services from a Network provider, UnitedHealthcare will pay the Physician or facility directly. If a Network provider bills you for any Covered Health Service other than your Coinsurance, please contact the provider or call UnitedHealthcare at the phone number on your ID card for assistance.

Keep in mind, you are responsible for meeting the Annual Deductible and paying any Coinsurance owed to a Network provider at the time of service, or when you receive a bill from the provider.

### Non-Network Benefits

If you receive a bill for Covered Health Services from a non-Network provider, you (or the provider if they prefer) must send the bill to UnitedHealthcare for processing. To make sure the claim is processed promptly and accurately, a completed claim form must be attached and mailed to UnitedHealthcare at the address on the back of your ID card.

### Prescription Drug Benefit Claims

If you wish to receive reimbursement for a prescription, you may submit a post-service claim as described in this section if:

- you are asked to pay the full cost of the Prescription Drug when you fill it and you believe that the Plan should have paid for it; or
- you pay a Coinsurance and you believe that the amount of the Coinsurance was incorrect.

If a pharmacy (retail or mail order) fails to fill a prescription that you have presented and you believe that it is a Covered Health Service, you may submit a pre-service request for Benefits as described in this section.

### If Your Provider Does Not File Your Claim

You can obtain a claim form by visiting [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com), calling the number on your ID card or contacting Human Resources. If you do not have a claim form, simply attach a brief letter of explanation to the bill, and verify that the bill contains the information listed below. If any of these items are missing from the bill, you can include them in your letter:

- Your name and address.
- The patient's name, age and relationship to the Participant.

- The number as shown on your ID card.
- The name, address and tax identification number of the provider of the service(s).
- A diagnosis from the Physician.
- The date of service.
- An itemized bill from the provider that includes:
  - The Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) codes.
  - A description of, and the charge for, each service.
  - The date the Sickness or Injury began.
  - A statement indicating either that you are, or you are not, enrolled for coverage under any other health insurance plan or program. If you are enrolled for other coverage you must include the name and address of the other carrier(s).

Failure to provide all the information listed above may delay any reimbursement that may be due you.

For medical claims, the above information should be filed with UnitedHealthcare at the address on your ID card. When filing a claim for outpatient Prescription Drug Benefits, submit your claim to the pharmacy benefit manager claims address noted on your ID card.

After UnitedHealthcare has processed your claim, you will receive payment for Benefits that the Plan allows. It is your responsibility to pay the non-Network provider the charges you incurred, including any difference between what you were billed and what the Plan paid.

### ***Payment of Benefits***

You may not assign your Benefits under the Plan or any cause of action related to your Benefits under the Plan to a non-Network provider without UnitedHealthcare's consent. When you assign your Benefits under the Plan to a non-Network provider with UnitedHealthcare's consent, and the non-Network provider submits a claim for payment, you and the non-Network provider represent and warrant that the Covered Health Services were actually provided and were medically appropriate.

When UnitedHealthcare has not consented to an assignment, UnitedHealthcare will send the reimbursement directly to you (the Participant) for you to reimburse the non-Network provider upon receipt of their bill. However, UnitedHealthcare reserves the right, in its discretion, to pay the non-Network provider directly for services rendered to you. When exercising its discretion with respect to payment, UnitedHealthcare may consider whether you have requested that payment of your Benefits be made directly to the non-Network provider. Under no circumstances will UnitedHealthcare pay Benefits to anyone other than you or, in its discretion, your Provider. Direct payment to a non-Network provider shall not be deemed to constitute consent by UnitedHealthcare to an assignment or to waive the consent requirement. When UnitedHealthcare in its discretion directs payment to a non-Network provider, you remain the sole beneficiary of the payment, and the non-Network provider does not thereby become a beneficiary. Accordingly, legally required notices concerning your Benefits will be directed to you, although UnitedHealthcare may in its discretion send information concerning the Benefits to the non-Network provider as well. If payment to a non-Network provider is made, the Plan reserves the right to offset Benefits to

be paid to the provider by any amounts that the provider owes the Plan (including amounts owed as a result of the assignment of other plans' overpayment recovery rights to the Plan), pursuant to *Refund of Overpayments* in Section 10, *Coordination of Benefits*.

### ***Form of Payment of Benefits***

Payment of Benefits under the Plan shall be in cash or cash equivalents, or in the form of other consideration that UnitedHealthcare in its discretion determines to be adequate. Where Benefits are payable directly to a provider, such adequate consideration includes the forgiveness in whole or in part of amounts the provider owes to other plans for which UnitedHealthcare makes payments, where the Plan has taken an assignment of the other plans' recovery rights for value.

### **Health Statements**

Each month in which UnitedHealthcare processes at least one claim for you or a covered Dependent, you will receive a Health Statement in the mail. Health Statements make it easy for you to manage your family's medical costs by providing claims information in easy-to-understand terms.

If you would rather track claims for yourself and your covered Dependents online, you may do so at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com). You may also elect to discontinue receipt of paper Health Statements by making the appropriate selection on this site.

### **Explanation of Benefits (EOB)**

You may request that UnitedHealthcare send you a paper copy of an Explanation of Benefits (EOB) after processing the claim. The EOB will let you know if there is any portion of the claim you need to pay. If any claims are denied in whole or in part, the EOB will include the reason for the denial or partial payment. If you would like paper copies of the EOBs, you may call the toll-free number on your ID card to request them. You can also view and print all of your EOBs online at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com). See Section 14, *Glossary* for the definition of Explanation of Benefits.

#### **Important - Timely Filing of Non-Network Claims**

All claim forms for non-Network services must be submitted within 12 months after the date of service. Otherwise, the Plan will not pay any Benefits for that Eligible Expense, or Benefits will be reduced, as determined by City of Columbia, Missouri. This 12-month requirement does not apply if you are legally incapacitated. If your claim relates to an Inpatient Stay, the date of service is the date your Inpatient Stay ends.

### **Claim Denials and Appeals**

#### ***If Your Claim is Denied***

If a claim for Benefits is denied in part or in whole, you may call UnitedHealthcare at the number on your ID card before requesting a formal appeal. If UnitedHealthcare cannot resolve the issue to your satisfaction over the phone, you have the right to file a formal appeal as described below.



***How to Appeal a Denied Claim***

If you wish to appeal a denied pre-service request for Benefits, post-service claim or a rescission of coverage as described below, you or your authorized representative must submit your appeal in writing within 180 days of receiving the adverse benefit determination. You do not need to submit Urgent Care appeals in writing. This communication should include:

- the patient's name and ID number as shown on the ID card;
- the provider's name;
- the date of medical service;
- the reason you disagree with the denial; and
- any documentation or other written information to support your request.

You or your authorized representative may send a written request for an appeal to:

UnitedHealthcare - Appeals  
P.O. Box 30432  
Salt Lake City, UT 84130-0432

For Urgent Care requests for Benefits that have been denied, you or your provider can call UnitedHealthcare at the toll-free number on your ID card to request an appeal.

**Types of claims**

The timing of the claims appeal process is based on the type of claim you are appealing. If you wish to appeal a claim, it helps to understand whether it is an:

- urgent care request for Benefits;
- pre-service request for Benefits;
- post-service claim; or
- concurrent claim.

***Review of an Appeal***

UnitedHealthcare will conduct a full and fair review of your appeal. The appeal may be reviewed by:

- an appropriate individual(s) who did not make the initial benefit determination; and
- a health care professional with appropriate expertise who was not consulted during the initial benefit determination process.

Once the review is complete, if UnitedHealthcare upholds the denial, you will receive a written explanation of the reasons and facts relating to the denial.

***Filing a Second Appeal***

Your Plan offers two levels of appeal. If you are not satisfied with the first level appeal decision, you have the right to request a second level appeal from City of Columbia, Missouri within 60 days from receipt of the first level appeal determination.

**Note:** Upon written request and free of charge, any Covered Persons may examine documents relevant to their claim and/or appeals and submit opinions and comments. City of Columbia, Missouri will review all claims in accordance with the rules established by the U.S. Department of Labor.

**Federal External Review Program**

If, after exhausting your internal appeals, you are not satisfied with the determination made by City of Columbia, Missouri, or if City of Columbia, Missouri fails to respond to your appeal in accordance with applicable regulations regarding timing, you may be entitled to request an external review of City of Columbia, Missouri's determination. The process is available at no charge to you.

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

- clinical reasons;
- the exclusions for Experimental or Investigational Services or Unproven Services;
- rescission of coverage (coverage that was cancelled or discontinued retroactively); or
- as otherwise required by applicable law.

You or your representative may request a standard external review by sending a written request to the address set out in the determination letter. You or your representative may request an expedited external review, in urgent situations as detailed below, by calling the toll-free number on your ID card or by sending a written request to the address set out in the determination letter. A request must be made within four months after the date you received City of Columbia, Missouri's decision.

An external review request should include all of the following:

- a specific request for an external review;
- the Covered Person's name, address, and insurance ID number;
- your designated representative's name and address, when applicable;
- the service that was denied; and
- any new, relevant information that was not provided during the internal appeal.

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

- a standard external review; and
- an expedited external review.

***Standard External Review***

A standard external review is comprised of all of the following:

- a preliminary review by UnitedHealthcare of the request;
- a referral of the request by UnitedHealthcare to the IRO; and
- a decision by the IRO.

Within the applicable timeframe after receipt of the request, UnitedHealthcare will complete a preliminary review to determine whether the individual for whom the request was submitted meets all of the following:

- is or was covered under the Plan at the time the health care service or procedure that is at issue in the request was provided;
- has exhausted the applicable internal appeals process; and
- has provided all the information and forms required so that UnitedHealthcare may process the request.

After UnitedHealthcare completes the preliminary review, UnitedHealthcare will issue a notification in writing to you. If the request is eligible for external review, UnitedHealthcare will assign an IRO to conduct such review. UnitedHealthcare will assign requests by either rotating claims assignments among the IROs or by using a random selection process.

The IRO will notify you in writing of the request's eligibility and acceptance for external review. You may submit in writing to the IRO within ten business days following the date of receipt of the notice additional information that the IRO will consider when conducting the external review. The IRO is not required to, but may, accept and consider additional information submitted by you after ten business days.

UnitedHealthcare will provide to the assigned IRO the documents and information considered in making City of Columbia, Missouri's determination. The documents include:

- all relevant medical records;
- all other documents relied upon by City of Columbia, Missouri; and
- all other information or evidence that you or your Physician submitted. If there is any information or evidence you or your Physician wish to submit that was not previously provided, you may include this information with your external review request and UnitedHealthcare will include it with the documents forwarded to the IRO.

In reaching a decision, the IRO will review the claim anew and not be bound by any decisions or conclusions reached by City of Columbia, Missouri. The IRO will provide

written notice of its determination (the “Final External Review Decision”) within 45 days after it receives the request for the external review (unless they request additional time and you agree). The IRO will deliver the notice of Final External Review Decision to you and UnitedHealthcare, and it will include the clinical basis for the determination.

Upon receipt of a Final External Review Decision reversing City of Columbia, Missouri determination, the Plan will immediately provide coverage or payment for the benefit claim at issue in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Plan, and any applicable law regarding plan remedies. If the Final External Review Decision is that payment or referral will not be made, the Plan will not be obligated to provide Benefits for the health care service or procedure.

### ***Expedited External Review***

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

You may make a written or verbal request for an expedited external review if you receive either of the following:

- an adverse benefit determination of a claim or appeal if the adverse benefit determination involves a medical condition for which the time frame for completion of an expedited internal appeal would seriously jeopardize the life or health of the individual or would jeopardize the individual's ability to regain maximum function and you have filed a request for an expedited internal appeal; or
- a final appeal decision, if the determination involves a medical condition where the timeframe for completion of a standard external review would seriously jeopardize the life or health of the individual or would jeopardize the individual's ability to regain maximum function, or if the final appeal decision concerns an admission, availability of care, continued stay, or health care service, procedure or product for which the individual received emergency services, but has not been discharged from a facility.

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

- is or was covered under the Plan at the time the health care service or procedure that is at issue in the request was provided.
- has provided all the information and forms required so that UnitedHealthcare may process the request.

After UnitedHealthcare completes the review, UnitedHealthcare will immediately send a notice in writing to you. Upon a determination that a request is eligible for expedited external review, UnitedHealthcare will assign an IRO in the same manner UnitedHealthcare utilizes to assign standard external reviews to IROs. UnitedHealthcare will provide all necessary documents and information considered in making the adverse benefit determination or final adverse benefit determination to the assigned IRO electronically or by

telephone or facsimile or any other available expeditious method. The IRO, to the extent the information or documents are available and the IRO considers them appropriate, must consider the same type of information and documents considered in a standard external review.

In reaching a decision, the IRO will review the claim anew and not be bound by any decisions or conclusions reached by City of Columbia, Missouri. The IRO will provide notice of the final external review decision for an expedited external review as expeditiously as the claimant's medical condition or circumstances require, but in no event more than 72 hours after the IRO receives the request. If the initial notice is not in writing, within 48 hours after the date of providing the initial notice, the assigned IRO will provide written confirmation of the decision to you and to UnitedHealthcare.

You may contact UnitedHealthcare at the toll-free number on your ID card for more information regarding external review rights, or if making a verbal request for an expedited external review.

***Timing of Appeals Determinations***

Separate schedules apply to the timing of claims appeals, depending on the type of claim. There are three types of claims:

- Urgent Care request for Benefits - a request for Benefits provided in connection with Urgent Care services, as defined in Section 14, *Glossary*;
- Pre-Service request for Benefits - a request for Benefits which the Plan must approve or in which you must notify UnitedHealthcare before non-Urgent Care is provided; and
- Post-Service - a claim for reimbursement of the cost of non-Urgent Care that has already been provided.

The tables below describe the time frames which you and UnitedHealthcare are required to follow.

<b>Urgent Care Request for Benefits*</b>	
<b>Type of Request for Benefits or Appeal</b>	<b>Timing</b>
If your request for Benefits is incomplete, UnitedHealthcare must notify you within:	<b>24 hours</b>
You must then provide completed request for Benefits to UnitedHealthcare within:	<b>48 hours</b> after receiving notice of additional information required
UnitedHealthcare must notify you of the benefit determination within:	<b>72 hours</b>
If UnitedHealthcare denies your request for Benefits, you must appeal an adverse benefit determination no later than:	<b>180 days</b> after receiving the adverse

<b>Urgent Care Request for Benefits*</b>	
<b>Type of Request for Benefits or Appeal</b>	<b>Timing</b>
	benefit determination
UnitedHealthcare must notify you of the appeal decision within:	<b>72 hours</b> after receiving the appeal

\*You do not need to submit Urgent Care appeals in writing. You should call UnitedHealthcare as soon as possible to appeal an Urgent Care request for Benefits.

<b>Pre-Service Request for Benefits*</b>	
<b>Type of Request for Benefits or Appeal</b>	<b>Timing</b>
If your request for Benefits is filed improperly, UnitedHealthcare must notify you within:	<b>5 days</b>
If your request for Benefits is incomplete, UnitedHealthcare must notify you within:	<b>15 days</b>
You must then provide completed request for Benefits information to UnitedHealthcare within:	<b>45 days</b>
UnitedHealthcare must notify you of the benefit determination:	
■ if the initial request for Benefits is complete, within:	<b>15 days</b>
■ after receiving the completed request for Benefits (if the initial request for Benefits is incomplete), within:	<b>15 days</b>
You must appeal an adverse benefit determination no later than:	<b>180 days</b> after receiving the adverse benefit determination
UnitedHealthcare must notify you of the first level appeal decision within:	<b>15 days</b> after receiving the first level appeal
You must appeal the first level appeal (file a second level appeal) within:	<b>60 days</b> after receiving the first level appeal decision
City of Columbia, Missouri must notify you of the second level appeal decision within:	<b>15 days</b> after receiving the second level appeal

\*UnitedHealthcare may require a one-time extension for the initial claim determination, of no more than 15 days, only if more time is needed due to circumstances beyond control of the Plan.

<b>Post-Service Claims</b>	
<b>Type of Claim or Appeal</b>	<b>Timing</b>
If your claim is incomplete, UnitedHealthcare must notify you within:	<b>30 days</b>
You must then provide completed claim information to UnitedHealthcare within:	<b>45 days</b>
UnitedHealthcare must notify you of the benefit determination:	
■ if the initial claim is complete, within:	<b>30 days</b>
■ after receiving the completed claim (if the initial claim is incomplete), within:	<b>30 days</b>
You must appeal an adverse benefit determination no later than:	<b>180 days</b> after receiving the adverse benefit determination
UnitedHealthcare must notify you of the first level appeal decision within:	<b>30 days</b> after receiving the first level appeal
You must appeal the first level appeal (file a second level appeal) within:	<b>60 days</b> after receiving the first level appeal decision
City of Columbia, Missouri must notify you of the second level appeal decision within:	<b>30 days</b> after receiving the second level appeal

***Concurrent Care Claims***

If an on-going course of treatment was previously approved for a specific period of time or number of treatments, and your request to extend the treatment is an Urgent Care request for Benefits as defined above, your request will be decided within 24 hours, provided your request is made at least 24 hours prior to the end of the approved treatment.

UnitedHealthcare will make a determination on your request for the extended treatment within 24 hours from receipt of your request.

If your request for extended treatment is not made at least 24 hours prior to the end of the approved treatment, the request will be treated as an Urgent Care request for Benefits and decided according to the timeframes described above. If an on-going course of treatment was previously approved for a specific period of time or number of treatments, and you request to extend treatment in a non-urgent circumstance, your request will be considered a new request and decided according to post-service or pre-service timeframes, whichever applies.

## **Limitation of Action**

You cannot bring any legal action against City of Columbia, Missouri or the Claims Administrator to recover reimbursement until 90 days after you have properly submitted a request for reimbursement as described in this section and all required reviews of your claim have been completed. If you want to bring a legal action against City of Columbia, Missouri or the Claims Administrator, you must do so within three years from the expiration of the time period in which a request for reimbursement must be submitted or you lose any rights to bring such an action against City of Columbia, Missouri or the Claims Administrator.

You cannot bring any legal action against City of Columbia, Missouri or the Claims Administrator for any other reason unless you first complete all the steps in the appeal process described in this section. After completing that process, if you want to bring a legal action against City of Columbia, Missouri or the Claims Administrator you must do so within three years of the date you are notified of the final decision on your appeal or you lose any rights to bring such an action against City of Columbia, Missouri or the Claims Administrator.



## SECTION 10 - COORDINATION OF BENEFITS (COB)

### What this section includes:

- How your Benefits under this Plan coordinate with other medical plans;
- How coverage is affected if you become eligible for Medicare; and
- Procedures in the event the Plan overpays Benefits.

Coordination of Benefits (COB) applies to you if you are covered by more than one health benefits plan, including any one of the following:

- another employer sponsored health benefits plan;
- a medical component of a group long-term care plan, such as skilled nursing care;
- no-fault or traditional "fault" type medical payment benefits or personal injury protection benefits under an auto insurance policy;
- medical payment benefits under any premises liability or other types of liability coverage; or
- Medicare or other governmental health benefit.

If coverage is provided under two or more plans, COB determines which plan is primary and which plan is secondary. The plan considered primary pays its benefits first, without regard to the possibility that another plan may cover some expenses. Any remaining expenses may be paid under the other plan, which is considered secondary. The secondary plan may determine its benefits based on the benefits paid by the primary plan. How much this Plan will reimburse you, if anything, will also depend in part on the allowable expense. The term, "allowable expense," is further explained below.

### Don't forget to update your Dependents' Medical Coverage Information

Avoid delays on your Dependent claims by updating your Dependent's medical coverage information. Just log on to [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or call the toll-free number on your ID card to update your COB information. You will need the name of your Dependent's other medical coverage, along with the policy number.

## Determining Which Plan is Primary

### *Order of Benefit Determination Rules*

If you are covered by two or more plans, the benefit payment follows the rules below in this order:

- this Plan will always be secondary to medical payment coverage or personal injury protection coverage under any auto liability or no-fault insurance policy;
- when you have coverage under two or more medical plans and only one has COB provisions, the plan without COB provisions will pay benefits first;

- a plan that covers a person as an employee pays benefits before a plan that covers the person as a dependent;
- if you are receiving COBRA continuation coverage under another employer plan, this Plan will pay Benefits first;
- your dependent children will receive primary coverage from the parent whose birth date occurs first in a calendar year. If both parents have the same birth date, the plan that pays benefits first is the one that has been in effect the longest. This birthday rule applies only if:
  - the parents are married or living together whether or not they have ever been married and not legally separated; or
  - a court decree awards joint custody without specifying that one party has the responsibility to provide health care coverage;
- if two or more plans cover a dependent child of divorced or separated parents and if there is no court decree stating that one parent is responsible for health care, the child will be covered under the plan of:
  - the parent with custody of the child; then
  - the Spouse of the parent with custody of the child; then
  - the parent not having custody of the child; then
  - the Spouse of the parent not having custody of the child;
- plans for active employees pay before plans covering laid-off or retired employees;
- the plan that has covered the individual claimant the longest will pay first; and
- finally, if none of the above rules determines which plan is primary or secondary, the allowable expenses shall be shared equally between the plans meeting the definition of Plan. In addition, this Plan will not pay more than it would have paid had it been the primary Plan.

The following examples illustrate how the Plan determines which plan pays first and which plan pays second.

#### **Determining Primary and Secondary Plan – Examples**

1) Let's say you and your Spouse both have family medical coverage through your respective employers. You are unwell and go to see a Physician. Since you're covered as a Participant under this Plan, and as a Dependent under your Spouse's plan, this Plan will pay Benefits for the Physician's office visit first.

2) Again, let's say you and your Spouse both have family medical coverage through your respective employers. You take your Dependent child to see a Physician. This Plan will look at your birthday and your Spouse's birthday to determine which plan pays first. If you were born on June 11 and your Spouse was born on May 30, your Spouse's plan will pay first.

## When This Plan is Secondary

If this Plan is secondary, it determines the amount it will pay for a Covered Health Service by following the steps below.

- the Plan determines the amount it would have paid based on the allowable expense.
- the Plan pays the entire difference between the allowable expense and the amount paid by the primary plan – as long as this amount is not more than the Plan would have paid had it been the only plan involved.

You will be responsible for any Copay, Coinsurance or Deductible payments as part of the COB payment. The maximum combined payment you may receive from all plans cannot exceed 100% of the allowable expense.

### *Determining the Allowable Expense If This Plan is Secondary*

**What is an allowable expense?**

For purposes of COB, an allowable expense is a health care expense that is covered at least in part by one of the health benefit plans covering you.

When the provider is a Network provider for both the primary plan and this Plan, the allowable expense is the primary plan's network rate. When the provider is a network provider for the primary plan and a non-Network provider for this Plan, the allowable expense is the primary plan's network rate. When the provider is a non-Network provider for the primary plan and a Network provider for this Plan, the allowable expense is the reasonable and customary charges allowed by the primary plan. When the provider is a non-Network provider for both the primary plan and this Plan, the allowable expense is the greater of the two Plans' reasonable and customary charges. If this plan is secondary to Medicare, please also refer to the discussion in the section below, titled *Determining the Allowable Expense When This Plan is Secondary to Medicare*.

## When a Covered Person Qualifies for Medicare

### *Determining Which Plan is Primary*

As permitted by law, this Plan will pay Benefits second to Medicare when you become eligible for Medicare, even if you don't elect it. There are, however, Medicare-eligible individuals for whom the Plan pays Benefits first and Medicare pays benefits second:

- employees with active current employment status age 65 or older and their Spouses age 65 or older (however, Domestic Partners are excluded as provided by Medicare); and
- individuals with end-stage renal disease, for a limited period of time.

***Determining the Allowable Expense When This Plan is Secondary to Medicare***

If this Plan is secondary to Medicare, the Medicare approved amount is the allowable expense, as long as the provider accepts reimbursement directly from Medicare. If the provider accepts reimbursement directly from Medicare, the Medicare approved amount is the charge that Medicare has determined that it will recognize and which it reports on an "explanation of Medicare benefits" issued by Medicare (the "EOMB") for a given service. Medicare typically reimburses such providers a percentage of its approved charge – often 80%.

If the provider does not accept assignment of your Medicare benefits, the Medicare limiting charge (the most a provider can charge you if they don't accept Medicare – typically 115% of the Medicare approved amount) will be the allowable expense. Medicare payments, combined with Plan Benefits, will not exceed 100% of the allowable expense.

If you are eligible for, but not enrolled in, Medicare, and this Plan is secondary to Medicare, or if you have enrolled in Medicare but choose to obtain services from a provider that does not participate in the Medicare program, (as opposed to a provider who does not accept assignment of Medicare benefits), Benefits will be paid on a secondary basis under this Plan and will be determined as if you timely enrolled in Medicare and obtained services from a Medicare participating provider.

When calculating the Plan's Benefits in these situations, and when Medicare does not issue an EOMB, for administrative convenience UnitedHealthcare will treat the provider's billed charges for covered services as the allowable expense for both the Plan and Medicare, rather than the Medicare approved amount or Medicare limiting charge.

**Medicare Crossover Program**

The Plan offers a Medicare Cross-over program for Medicare Part A and Part B and Durable Medical Equipment (DME) claims. Under this program, you no longer have to file a separate claim with the Plan to receive secondary benefits for these expenses. Your Dependent will also have this automated crossover, as long as he or she is eligible for Medicare and this Plan is your only secondary medical coverage.

Once the Medicare Part A and Part B and DME carriers have reimbursed your health care provider, the Medicare carrier will electronically submit the necessary information to the Claims Administrator to process the balance of your claim under the provisions of this Plan.

You can verify that the automated cross-over took place when your copy of the explanation of Medicare benefits (EOMB) states your claim has been forwarded to your secondary carrier.

This cross-over process does not apply to expenses that Medicare does not cover. You must go on to file claims for these expenses.

For information about enrollment or if you have questions about the program, call the telephone number listed on the back of your ID card.

## Right to Receive and Release Needed Information

Certain facts about health care coverage and services are needed to apply these COB rules and to determine benefits payable under this Plan and other plans. UnitedHealthcare may get the facts needed from, or give them to, other organizations or persons for the purpose of applying these rules and determining benefits payable under this Plan and other plans covering the person claiming benefits.

UnitedHealthcare does not need to tell, or get the consent of, any person to do this. Each person claiming benefits under this Plan must give UnitedHealthcare any facts needed to apply those rules and determine benefits payable. If you do not provide UnitedHealthcare the information needed to apply these rules and determine the Benefits payable, your claim for Benefits will be denied.

## Overpayment and Underpayment of Benefits

If you are covered under more than one medical plan, there is a possibility that the other plan will pay a benefit that the Plan should have paid. If this occurs, the Plan may pay the other plan the amount owed.

If the Plan pays you more than it owes under this COB provision, you should pay the excess back promptly. Otherwise, the Company may recover the amount in the form of salary, wages, or benefits payable under any Company-sponsored benefit plans, including this Plan. The Company also reserves the right to recover any overpayment by legal action or offset payments on future Eligible Expenses.

If the Plan overpays a health care provider, UnitedHealthcare reserves the right to recover the excess amount from the provider pursuant to *Refund of Overpayments*, below.

### ***Refund of Overpayments***

If the Plan pays for Benefits for expenses incurred on account of a Covered Person, that Covered Person, or any other person or organization that was paid, must make a refund to the Plan if:

- the Plan's obligation to pay Benefits was contingent on the expenses incurred being legally owed and paid by the Covered Person, but all or some of the expenses were not paid by the Covered Person or did not legally have to be paid by the Covered Person.
- all or some of the payment the Plan made exceeded the Benefits under the Plan; or
- all or some of the payment was made in error.

The amount that must be refunded equals the amount the Plan paid in excess of the amount that should have been paid under the Plan. If the refund is due from another person or organization, the Covered Person agrees to help the Plan get the refund when requested.

If the refund is due from the Covered Person and the Covered Person does not promptly refund the full amount owed, the Plan may recover the overpayment by reallocating the overpaid amount to pay, in whole or in part, future Benefits for the Covered Person that are

payable under the Plan. If the refund is due from a person or organization other than the Covered Person, the Plan may recover the overpayment by reallocating the overpaid amount to pay, in whole or in part, (i) future Benefits that are payable in connection with services provided to other Covered Persons under the Plan; or (ii) future benefits that are payable in connection with services provided to persons under other plans for which UnitedHealthcare makes payments, pursuant to a transaction in which the Plan's overpayment recovery rights are assigned to such other plans in exchange for such plans' remittance of the amount of the reallocated payment. The reallocated payment amount will equal the amount of the required refund or, if less than the full amount of the required refund, will be deducted from the amount of refund owed to the Plan. The Plan may have other rights in addition to the right to reallocate overpaid amounts and other enumerated rights, including the right to commence a legal action.

## SECTION 11 - SUBROGATION AND REIMBURSEMENT

The Plan has a right to subrogation and reimbursement. References to “you” or “your” in this *Subrogation and Reimbursement* section shall include you, your estate and your heirs and beneficiaries unless otherwise stated.

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

### ***Subrogation – Example***

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

The right to reimbursement means that if it is alleged that any third party caused or is responsible for a Sickness or Injury for which you receive a settlement, judgment, or other recovery from any third party, you must use those proceeds to fully return to the Plan 100% of any Benefits you receive for that Sickness or Injury. The right of reimbursement shall apply to any Benefits received at any time until the rights are extinguished, resolved or waived in writing.

### ***Reimbursement – Example***

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

The following persons and entities are considered third parties:

- A person or entity alleged to have caused you to suffer a Sickness, Injury or damages, or who is legally responsible for the Sickness, Injury or damages.
- Any insurer or other indemnifier of any person or entity alleged to have caused or who caused the Sickness, Injury or damages.
- The Plan Sponsor in a workers’ compensation case or other matter alleging liability.
- Any person or entity who is or may be obligated to provide Benefits or payments to you, including Benefits or payments for underinsured or uninsured motorist protection, no-fault or traditional auto insurance, medical payment coverage (auto, homeowners or otherwise), workers' compensation coverage, other insurance carriers or third party administrators.

- Any person or entity against whom you may have any claim for professional and/or legal malpractice arising out of or connected to a Sickness or Injury you allege or could have alleged were the responsibility of any third party.
- Any person or entity that is liable for payment to you on any equitable or legal liability theory.

You agree as follows:

- You will cooperate with the Plan in protecting its legal and equitable rights to subrogation and reimbursement in a timely manner, including, but not limited to:
  - Notifying the Plan, in writing, of any potential legal claim(s) you may have against any third party for acts which caused Benefits to be paid or become payable.
  - Providing any relevant information requested by the Plan.
  - Signing and/or delivering such documents as the Plan or its agents reasonably request to secure the subrogation and reimbursement claim.
  - Responding to requests for information about any accident or injuries.
  - Making court appearances.
  - Obtaining the Plan's consent or its agents' consent before releasing any party from liability or payment of medical expenses.
  - Complying with the terms of this section.

Your failure to cooperate with the Plan is considered a breach of contract. As such, the Plan has the right to terminate your Benefits, deny future Benefits, take legal action against you, and/or set off from any future Benefits the value of Benefits the Plan has paid relating to any Sickness or Injury alleged to have been caused or caused by any third party to the extent not recovered by the Plan due to you or your representative not cooperating with the Plan. If the Plan incurs attorneys' fees and costs in order to collect third party settlement funds held by you or your representative, the Plan has the right to recover those fees and costs from you. You will also be required to pay interest on any amounts you hold which should have been returned to the Plan.

- The Plan has a first priority right to receive payment on any claim against any third party before you receive payment from that third party. Further, the Plan's first priority right to payment is superior to any and all claims, debts or liens asserted by any medical providers, including but not limited to hospitals or emergency treatment facilities, that assert a right to payment from funds payable from or recovered from an allegedly responsible third party and/or insurance carrier.
- The Plan's subrogation and reimbursement rights apply to full and partial settlements, judgments, or other recoveries paid or payable to you or your representative, your estate, your heirs and beneficiaries, no matter how those proceeds are captioned or characterized. Payments include, but are not limited to, economic, non-economic, pecuniary, consortium and punitive damages. The Plan is not required to help you to pursue your claim for damages or personal injuries and no amount of associated costs, including attorneys' fees, shall be deducted from the Plan's recovery without the Plan's express written consent. No so-called "Fund Doctrine" or "Common Fund Doctrine" or "Attorney's Fund Doctrine" shall defeat this right.



- Regardless of whether you have been fully compensated or made whole, the Plan may collect from you the proceeds of any full or partial recovery that you or your legal representative obtain, whether in the form of a settlement (either before or after any determination of liability) or judgment, no matter how those proceeds are captioned or characterized. Proceeds from which the Plan may collect include, but are not limited to, economic, non-economic, and punitive damages. No "collateral source" rule, any "Made-Whole Doctrine" or "Make-Whole Doctrine," claim of unjust enrichment, nor any other equitable limitation shall limit the Plan's subrogation and reimbursement rights.
- Benefits paid by the Plan may also be considered to be Benefits advanced.
- If you receive any payment from any party as a result of Sickness or Injury, and the Plan alleges some or all of those funds are due and owed to the Plan, you and/or your representative shall hold those funds in trust, either in a separate bank account in your name or in your representative's trust account.
- By participating in and accepting Benefits from the Plan, you agree that (i) any amounts recovered by you from any third party shall constitute Plan assets to the extent of the amount of Plan Benefits provided on behalf of the Covered Person, (ii) you and your representative shall be fiduciaries of the Plan (within the meaning of ERISA) with respect to such amounts, and (iii) you shall be liable for and agree to pay any costs and fees (including reasonable attorney fees) incurred by the Plan to enforce its reimbursement rights.
- The Plan's rights to recovery will not be reduced due to your own negligence.
- By participating in and accepting Benefits from the Plan, you agree to assign to the Plan any Benefits, claims or rights of recovery you have under any automobile policy - including no-fault Benefits, PIP Benefits and/or medical payment Benefits - other coverage or against any third party, to the full extent of the Benefits the Plan has paid for the Sickness or Injury. By agreeing to provide this assignment in exchange for participating in and accepting Benefits, you acknowledge and recognize the Plan's right to assert, pursue and recover on any such claim, whether or not you choose to pursue the claim, and you agree to this assignment voluntarily.
- The Plan may, at its option, take necessary and appropriate action to preserve its rights under these provisions, including but not limited to, providing or exchanging medical payment information with an insurer, the insurer's legal representative or other third party; filing an ERISA reimbursement lawsuit to recover the full amount of medical Benefits you receive for the Sickness or Injury out of any settlement, judgment or other recovery from any third party considered responsible and filing suit in your name or your estate's name, which does not obligate the Plan in any way to pay you part of any recovery the Plan might obtain. Any ERISA reimbursement lawsuit stemming from a refusal to refund Benefits as required under the terms of the Plan is governed by a six-year statute of limitations.
- You may not accept any settlement that does not fully reimburse the Plan, without its written approval.
- The Plan has the authority and discretion to resolve all disputes regarding the interpretation of the language stated herein.

- In the case of your death, giving rise to any wrongful death or survival claim, the provisions of this section apply to your estate, the personal representative of your estate, and your heirs or beneficiaries. In the case of your death the Plan's right of reimbursement and right of subrogation shall apply if a claim can be brought on behalf of you or your estate that can include a claim for past medical expenses or damages. The obligation to reimburse the Plan is not extinguished by a release of claims or settlement agreement of any kind.
- No allocation of damages, settlement funds or any other recovery, by you, your estate, the personal representative of your estate, your heirs, your beneficiaries or any other person or party, shall be valid if it does not reimburse the Plan for 100% of its interest unless the Plan provides written consent to the allocation.
- The provisions of this section apply to the parents, guardian, or other representative of a Dependent child who incurs a Sickness or Injury caused by any third party. If a parent or guardian may bring a claim for damages arising out of a minor's Sickness or Injury, the terms of this subrogation and reimbursement clause shall apply to that claim.
- If any third party causes or is alleged to have caused you to suffer a Sickness or Injury while you are covered under this Plan, the provisions of this section continue to apply, even after you are no longer covered.
- In the event that you do not abide by the terms of the Plan pertaining to reimbursement, the Plan may terminate Benefits to you, your dependents or the participant, deny future Benefits, take legal action against you, and/or set off from any future Benefits the value of Benefits the Plan has paid relating to any Sickness or Injury alleged to have been caused or caused by any third party to the extent not recovered by the Plan due to your failure to abide by the terms of the Plan. If the Plan incurs attorneys' fees and costs in order to collect third party settlement funds held by you or your representative, the Plan has the right to recover those fees and costs from you. You will also be required to pay interest on any amounts you hold which should have been returned to the Plan.
- The Plan and all Administrators administering the terms and conditions of the Plan's subrogation and reimbursement rights have such powers and duties as are necessary to discharge its duties and functions, including the exercise of its discretionary authority to (1) construe and enforce the terms of the Plan's subrogation and reimbursement rights and (2) make determinations with respect to the subrogation amounts and reimbursements owed to the Plan.

## Right of Recovery

The Plan also has the right to recover Benefits it has paid on you or your Dependent's behalf that were:

- Made in error.
- Due to a mistake in fact.
- Advanced during the time period of meeting the calendar year Deductible.
- Advanced during the time period of meeting the Out-of-Pocket Maximum for the calendar year.

- Benefits paid because you or your Dependent misrepresented facts are also subject to recovery.
- If the Plan provides a Benefit for you or your Dependent that exceeds the amount that should have been paid, the Plan will:
  - Require that the overpayment be returned when requested.
  - Reduce a future Benefit payment for you or your Dependent by the amount of the overpayment.

If the Plan provides an advancement of Benefits to you or your Dependent during the time period of meeting the Deductible and/or meeting the Out-of-Pocket Maximum for the calendar year, the Plan will send you or your Dependent a monthly statement identifying the amount you owe with payment instructions. The Plan has the right to recover Benefits it has advanced by:

- Submitting a reminder letter to you or a covered Dependent that details any outstanding balance owed to the Plan.
- Conducting courtesy calls to you or a covered Dependent to discuss any outstanding balance owed to the Plan.

## SECTION 12 - WHEN COVERAGE ENDS

### What this section includes:

- Circumstances that cause coverage to end;
- Extended coverage;
- Conversion from a group policy to an individual policy; and
- How to continue coverage after it ends.

Your entitlement to Benefits automatically ends on the date that coverage ends, even if you are hospitalized or are otherwise receiving medical treatment on that date. Please note that this does not affect coverage that is extended under *Extended Coverage for Total Disability* below.

When your coverage ends, City of Columbia, Missouri will still pay claims for Covered Health Services that you received before your coverage ended. However, once your coverage ends, Benefits are not provided for health services that you receive after coverage ended, even if the underlying medical condition occurred before your coverage ended. Please note that this does not affect coverage that is extended under *Extended Coverage for Total Disability* below.

Your coverage under the Plan will end on the earliest of:

- the last day of the month your employment with the Company ends;
- the date the Plan ends;
- the last day of the month you stop making the required contributions;
- the last day of the month you are no longer eligible;
- the last day of the month UnitedHealthcare receives written notice from City of Columbia, Missouri to end your coverage, or the date requested in the notice, if later; or
- the last day of the month you retire or are pensioned under the Plan, unless specific coverage is available for retired or pensioned persons and you are eligible for that coverage.

Coverage for your eligible Dependents will end on the earliest of:

- the date your coverage ends;
- the last day of the month you stop making the required contributions;
- the last day of the month UnitedHealthcare receives written notice from City of Columbia, Missouri to end your coverage, or the date requested in the notice, if later; or
- the last day of the month your Dependents no longer qualify as Dependents under this Plan.

***Other Events Ending Your Coverage***

The Plan will provide at least thirty days' prior written notice to you that your coverage will end on the date identified in the notice if you commit an act, practice, or omission that constituted fraud, or an intentional misrepresentation of a material fact including, but not limited to, knowingly providing incorrect information relating to another person's eligibility or status as a Dependent. You may appeal this decision during the 30-day notice period. The notice will contain information on how to pursue your appeal.

**Note:** If UnitedHealthcare finds that you have performed an act, practice, or omission that constitutes fraud, or have made an intentional misrepresentation of material fact City of Columbia, Missouri has the right to demand that you pay back all Benefits City of Columbia, Missouri paid to you, or paid in your name, during the time you were incorrectly covered under the Plan.

**Coverage for a Disabled Child**

If an unmarried enrolled Dependent child with a mental or physical disability reaches an age when coverage would otherwise end, the Plan will continue to cover the child, as long as:

- the child is unable to be self-supporting due to a mental or physical handicap or disability;
- the child depends mainly on you for support;
- you provide to City of Columbia, Missouri proof of the child's incapacity and dependency within 31 days of the date coverage would have otherwise ended because the child reached a certain age; and
- you provide proof, upon City of Columbia, Missouri's request, that the child continues to meet these conditions.

The proof might include medical examinations at City of Columbia, Missouri's expense. However, you will not be asked for this information more than once a year. If you do not supply such proof within 31 days, the Plan will no longer pay Benefits for that child.

Coverage will continue, as long as the enrolled Dependent is incapacitated and dependent upon you, unless coverage is otherwise terminated in accordance with the terms of the Plan.

**Extended Coverage for Total Disability**

If a Covered Person has a Total Disability on the date their coverage under the Plan ends, their Benefits will not end automatically. The Plan will temporarily extend coverage, only for treatment of the condition causing the Total Disability. Benefits will be paid until the earlier of:

- the Total Disability ends; or
- twenty nine months from the date coverage would have ended.

## Continuing Coverage Through COBRA

If you lose your Plan coverage, you may have the right to extend it under the Consolidated Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 (COBRA), as defined in Section 14, *Glossary*.

Continuation coverage under COBRA is available only to Plans that are subject to the terms of COBRA. You can contact your Plan Administrator to determine if City of Columbia, Missouri is subject to the provisions of COBRA.

### *Continuation Coverage under Federal Law (COBRA)*

Much of the language in this section comes from the federal law that governs continuation coverage. You should call your Plan Administrator if you have questions about your right to continue coverage.

In order to be eligible for continuation coverage under federal law, you must meet the definition of a "Qualified Beneficiary". A Qualified Beneficiary is any of the following persons who were covered under the Plan on the day before a qualifying event:

- a Participant;
- a Participant's enrolled Dependent, including with respect to the Participant's children, a child born to or placed for adoption with the Participant during a period of continuation coverage under federal law; or
- a Participant's former Spouse.

### *Qualifying Events for Continuation Coverage under COBRA*

The following table outlines situations in which you may elect to continue coverage under COBRA for yourself and your Dependents, and the maximum length of time you can receive continued coverage. These situations are considered qualifying events.

If Coverage Ends Because of the Following Qualifying Events:	You May Elect COBRA:		
	For Yourself	For Your Spouse	For Your Child(ren)
Your work hours are reduced	18 months	18 months	18 months
Your employment terminates for any reason (other than gross misconduct)	18 months	18 months	18 months
You or your family member become eligible for Social Security disability benefits at any time within the first 60 days of losing coverage <sup>1</sup>	29 months	29 months	29 months
You die	N/A	36 months	36 months

If Coverage Ends Because of the Following Qualifying Events:	You May Elect COBRA:		
	For Yourself	For Your Spouse	For Your Child(ren)
You divorce (or legally separate)	N/A	36 months	36 months
Your child is no longer an eligible family member (e.g., reaches the maximum age limit)	N/A	N/A	36 months
You become entitled to Medicare	N/A	See table below	See table below
City of Columbia, Missouri files for bankruptcy under Title 11, United States Code. <sup>2</sup>	36 months	36 months <sup>3</sup>	36 months <sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Subject to the following conditions: (i) notice of the disability must be provided within the latest of 60 days after a). the determination of the disability, b). the date of the qualifying event, c). the date the Qualified Beneficiary would lose coverage under the Plan, and in no event later than the end of the first 18 months; (ii) the Qualified Beneficiary must agree to pay any increase in the required premium for the additional 11 months over the original 18 months; and (iii) if the Qualified Beneficiary entitled to the 11 months of coverage has non-disabled family members who are also Qualified Beneficiaries, then those non-disabled Qualified Beneficiaries are also entitled to the additional 11 months of continuation coverage. Notice of any final determination that the Qualified Beneficiary is no longer disabled must be provided within 30 days of such determination. Thereafter, continuation coverage may be terminated on the first day of the month that begins more than 30 days after the date of that determination.

<sup>2</sup>This is a qualifying event for any Retired Participant and his or her enrolled Dependents if there is a substantial elimination of coverage within one year before or after the date the bankruptcy was filed.

<sup>3</sup>From the date of the Participant's death if the Participant dies during the continuation coverage.

***How Your Medicare Eligibility Affects Dependent COBRA Coverage***

The table below outlines how your Dependents' COBRA coverage is impacted if you become entitled to Medicare.

If Dependent Coverage Ends When:	You May Elect COBRA Dependent Coverage For Up To:
You become entitled to Medicare and don't experience any additional qualifying events	18 months
You become entitled to Medicare, after which you experience a second qualifying event* before the initial 18-month period expires	36 months

If Dependent Coverage Ends When:	You May Elect COBRA Dependent Coverage For Up To:
You experience a qualifying event*, after which you become entitled to Medicare before the initial 18-month period expires; and, if absent this initial qualifying event, your Medicare entitlement would have resulted in loss of Dependent coverage under the Plan	36 months

\* Your work hours are reduced or your employment is terminated for reasons other than gross misconduct.

***Getting Started***

You will be notified by mail if you become eligible for COBRA coverage as a result of a reduction in work hours or termination of employment. The notification will give you instructions for electing COBRA coverage, and advise you of the monthly cost. Your monthly cost is the full cost, including both Participant and Employer costs, plus a 2% administrative fee or other cost as permitted by law.

You will have up to 60 days from the date you receive notification or 60 days from the date your coverage ends to elect COBRA coverage, whichever is later. You will then have an additional 45 days to pay the cost of your COBRA coverage, retroactive to the date your Plan coverage ended.

During the 60-day election period, the Plan will, only in response to a request from a provider, inform that provider of your right to elect COBRA coverage, retroactive to the date your COBRA eligibility began.

While you are a participant in the medical Plan under COBRA, you have the right to change your coverage election:

- during Open Enrollment; and
- following a change in family status, as described under *Changing Your Coverage* in Section 2, *Introduction*.

***Notification Requirements***

If your covered Dependents lose coverage due to divorce, legal separation, or loss of Dependent status, you or your Dependents must notify the Plan Administrator within 60 days of the latest of:

- the date of the divorce, legal separation or an enrolled Dependent's loss of eligibility as an enrolled Dependent;
- the date your enrolled Dependent would lose coverage under the Plan; or
- the date on which you or your enrolled Dependent are informed of your obligation to provide notice and the procedures for providing such notice.



You or your Dependents must also notify the Plan Administrator when a qualifying event occurs that will extend continuation coverage.

If you or your Dependents fail to notify the Plan Administrator of these events within the 60 day period, the Plan Administrator is not obligated to provide continued coverage to the affected Qualified Beneficiary. If you are continuing coverage under federal law, you must notify the Plan Administrator within 60 days of the birth or adoption of a child.

Once you have notified the Plan Administrator, you will then be notified by mail of your election rights under COBRA.

***Notification Requirements for Disability Determination***

If you extend your COBRA coverage beyond 18 months because you are eligible for disability benefits from Social Security, you must provide Human Resources with notice of the Social Security Administration's determination within 60 days after you receive that determination, and before the end of your initial 18-month continuation period.

The notice requirements will be satisfied by providing written notice to the Plan Administrator at the address stated in Section 16, *Important Administrative Information: ERISA*. The contents of the notice must be such that the Plan Administrator is able to determine the covered Employee and qualified beneficiary(ies), the qualifying event or disability, and the date on which the qualifying event occurred.

***Trade Act of 2002***

The Trade Act of 2002 amended COBRA to provide for a special second 60-day COBRA election period for certain Participants who have experienced a termination or reduction of hours and who lose group health plan coverage as a result. The special second COBRA election period is available only to a very limited group of individuals: generally, those who are receiving trade adjustment assistance (TAA) or 'alternative trade adjustment assistance' under a federal law called the Trade Act of 1974. These Participants are entitled to a second opportunity to elect COBRA coverage for themselves and certain family members (if they did not already elect COBRA coverage), but only within a limited period of 60 days from the first day of the month when an individual begins receiving TAA (or would be eligible to receive TAA but for the requirement that unemployment benefits be exhausted) and only during the six months immediately after their group health plan coverage ended.

If a Participant qualifies or may qualify for assistance under the Trade Act of 1974, he or she should contact the Plan Administrator for additional information. The Participant must contact the Plan Administrator promptly after qualifying for assistance under the Trade Act of 1974 or the Participant will lose his or her special COBRA rights. COBRA coverage elected during the special second election period is not retroactive to the date that Plan coverage was lost, but begins on the first day of the special second election period.

## When COBRA Ends

COBRA coverage will end, before the maximum continuation period, on the earliest of the following dates:

- the date, after electing continuation coverage, that coverage is first obtained under any other group health plan;
- the date, after electing continuation coverage, that you or your covered Dependent first becomes entitled to Medicare;
- the date coverage ends for failure to make the first required premium payment (premium is not paid within 45 days);
- the date coverage ends for failure to make any other monthly premium payment (premium is not paid within 30 days of its due date);
- the date the entire Plan ends; or
- the date coverage would otherwise terminate under the Plan as described in the beginning of this section.

**Note:** If you selected continuation coverage under a prior plan which was then replaced by coverage under this Plan, continuation coverage will end as scheduled under the prior plan or in accordance with the terminating events listed in this section, whichever is earlier.

## Conversion from a Group Plan to an Individual Plan

If your coverage terminates for one of the reasons described below, you may apply for conversion coverage, without furnishing evidence of insurability, if:

- you are no longer eligible as a Participant or enrolled Dependent; or
- continuation coverage ends.

This right to conversion coverage is contingent upon the exhaustion of COBRA continuation coverage.

In addition, you may not be eligible for conversion coverage if you are:

- age 65 or older;
- covered under or eligible for coverage under Medicare (title XVIII as amended); or
- covered under or eligible for any group, individual, prepayment, government, or other plan or program which would result in overinsurance if conversion coverage was issued.

You must submit your first application and payment to UnitedHealthcare or its designated insurance company within 31 days after coverage ends under this Plan. UnitedHealthcare or its designated insurance company will issue conversion coverage according to the terms and conditions in effect at the time you apply. Conversion coverage may be substantially different from coverage provided under this Plan. Even though you may be eligible for conversion coverage, UnitedHealthcare does not offer conversion products in certain states.

When a conversion product is not available, the conversion coverage may be provided by a state sponsored risk pool.

### **Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act**

A Participant who is absent from employment for more than 30 days by reason of service in the Uniformed Services may elect to continue Plan coverage for the Participant and the Participant's Dependents in accordance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act of 1994, as amended (USERRA).

The terms "Uniformed Services" or "Military Service" mean the Armed Forces, the Army National Guard and the Air National Guard when engaged in active duty for training, inactive duty training, or full-time National Guard duty, the commissioned corps of the Public Health Service, and any other category of persons designated by the President in time of war or national emergency.

If qualified to continue coverage pursuant to the USERRA, Participants may elect to continue coverage under the Plan by notifying the Plan Administrator in advance, and providing payment of any required contribution for the health coverage. This may include the amount the Plan Administrator normally pays on a Participant's behalf. If a Participant's Military Service is for a period of time less than 31 days, the Participant may not be required to pay more than the regular contribution amount, if any, for continuation of health coverage.

A Participant may continue Plan coverage under USERRA for up to the lesser of:

- the 24 month period beginning on the date of the Participant's absence from work; or
- the day after the date on which the Participant fails to apply for, or return to, a position of employment.

Regardless of whether a Participant continues health coverage, if the Participant returns to a position of employment, the Participant's health coverage and that of the Participant's eligible Dependents will be reinstated under the Plan. No exclusions or waiting period may be imposed on a Participant or the Participant's eligible Dependents in connection with this reinstatement, unless a Sickness or Injury is determined by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to have been incurred in, or aggravated during, the performance of military service.

You should call the Plan Administrator if you have questions about your rights to continue health coverage under USERRA.

## SECTION 13 - OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

### What this section includes:

- Court-ordered Benefits for Dependent children;
- Your relationship with UnitedHealthcare and City of Columbia, Missouri;
- Relationships with providers;
- Interpretation of Benefits;
- Information and records;
- Incentives to providers and you;
- The future of the Plan; and
- How to access the official Plan documents.

### Qualified Medical Child Support Orders (QMCSOs)

A qualified medical child support order (QMCSO) is a judgment, decree or order issued by a court or appropriate state agency that requires a child to be covered for medical benefits. Generally, a QMCSO is issued as part of a paternity, divorce, or other child support settlement.

If the Plan receives a medical child support order for your child that instructs the Plan to cover the child, the Plan Administrator will review it to determine if it meets the requirements for a QMCSO. If it determines that it does, your child will be enrolled in the Plan as your Dependent, and the Plan will be required to pay Benefits as directed by the order.

You may obtain, without charge, a copy of the procedures governing QMCSOs from the Plan Administrator.

**Note:** A National Medical Support Notice will be recognized as a QMCSO if it meets the requirements of a QMCSO.

### Your Relationship with UnitedHealthcare and City of Columbia, Missouri

In order to make choices about your health care coverage and treatment, City of Columbia, Missouri believes that it is important for you to understand how UnitedHealthcare interacts with the Plan Sponsor's benefit Plan and how it may affect you. UnitedHealthcare helps administer the Plan Sponsor's benefit plan in which you are enrolled. UnitedHealthcare does not provide medical services or make treatment decisions. This means:

- UnitedHealthcare communicates to you decisions about whether the Plan will cover or pay for the health care that you may receive (the Plan pays for Covered Health Services, which are more fully described in this SPD); and
- the Plan may not pay for all treatments you or your Physician may believe are necessary. If the Plan does not pay, you will be responsible for the cost.

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

### **Relationship with Providers**

The relationships between City of Columbia, Missouri, UnitedHealthcare and Network providers are solely contractual relationships between independent contractors. Network providers are not City of Columbia, Missouri's agents or employees, nor are they agents or employees of UnitedHealthcare. City of Columbia, Missouri and any of its employees are not agents or employees of Network providers, nor are UnitedHealthcare and any of its employees agents or employees of Network providers.

City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare do not provide health care services or supplies, nor do they practice medicine. Instead, City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare arrange for health care providers to participate in a Network and pay Benefits. Network providers are independent practitioners who run their own offices and facilities. UnitedHealthcare's credentialing process confirms public information about the providers' licenses and other credentials, but does not assure the quality of the services provided. They are not City of Columbia, Missouri's employees nor are they employees of UnitedHealthcare. City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare do not have any other relationship with Network providers such as principal-agent or joint venture. City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare are not liable for any act or omission of any provider.

UnitedHealthcare is not considered to be an employer of the Plan Administrator for any purpose with respect to the administration or provision of benefits under this Plan.

City of Columbia, Missouri is solely responsible for:

- enrollment and classification changes (including classification changes resulting in your enrollment or the termination of your coverage);
- The timely payment of the service fee to UnitedHealthcare.
- The funding of Benefits on a timely basis.
- notifying you of the termination or modifications to the Plan.

## Your Relationship with Providers

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

- are responsible for choosing your own provider;
- are responsible for paying, directly to your provider, any amount identified as a member responsibility, including Copayments, Coinsurance, any deductible and any amount that exceeds Eligible Expenses;
- are responsible for paying, directly to your provider, the cost of any non-Covered Health Service;
- must decide if any provider treating you is right for you (this includes Network providers you choose and providers to whom you have been referred); and
- must decide with your provider what care you should receive.

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

The relationship between you and City of Columbia, Missouri is that of employer and employee, Dependent or other classification as defined in this SPD.

## Interpretation of Benefits

City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare have the sole and exclusive discretion to:

- interpret Benefits under the Plan;
- interpret the other terms, conditions, limitations and exclusions of the Plan, including this SPD and any Summary of Material Modifications and/or Amendments; and
- make factual determinations related to the Plan and its Benefits.

City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare may delegate this discretionary authority to other persons or entities that provide services in regard to the administration of the Plan.

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

## Information and Records

City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare may use your individually identifiable health information to administer the Plan and pay claims, to identify procedures, products, or services that you may find valuable, and as otherwise permitted or required by law. City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare may request additional information from you to decide your claim for Benefits. City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare will keep

this information confidential. City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare may also use your de-identified data for commercial purposes, including research, as permitted by law.

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

City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare have the right to release any and all records concerning health care services which are necessary to implement and administer the terms of the Plan, for appropriate medical review or quality assessment, or as City of Columbia, Missouri is required to do by law or regulation. During and after the term of the Plan, City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare and its related entities may use and transfer the information gathered under the Plan in a de-identified format for commercial purposes, including research and analytic purposes.

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

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

In some cases, City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare will designate other persons or entities to request records or information from or related to you, and to release those records as necessary. UnitedHealthcare's designees have the same rights to this information as does the Plan Administrator.

### **Incentives to Providers**

Network providers may be provided financial incentives by UnitedHealthcare to promote the delivery of health care in a cost efficient and effective manner. These financial incentives are not intended to affect your access to health care.

Examples of financial incentives for Network providers are:

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

If you have any questions regarding financial incentives you may contact the telephone number on your ID card. You can ask whether your Network provider is paid by any financial incentive, including those listed above; however, the specific terms of the contract, including rates of payment, are confidential and cannot be disclosed. In addition, you may choose to discuss these financial incentives with your Network provider.

### **Incentives to You**

Sometimes you may be offered coupons or other incentives to encourage you to participate in various wellness programs or certain disease management programs. The decision about whether or not to participate is yours alone but City of Columbia, Missouri recommends that you discuss participating in such programs with your Physician. These incentives are not Benefits and do not alter or affect your Benefits. You may call the number on the back of your ID card if you have any questions.

### **Rebates and Other Payments**

City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare may receive rebates for certain drugs that are administered to you in a Physician's office, or at a Hospital or Alternate Facility. This includes rebates for those drugs that are administered to you before you meet your Annual Deductible. City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare do not pass these rebates on to you, nor are they applied to your Annual Deductible or taken into account in determining your Coinsurance.

### **Workers' Compensation Not Affected**

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

### **Future of the Plan**

Although the Company expects to continue the Plan indefinitely, it reserves the right to discontinue, alter or modify the Plan in whole or in part, at any time and for any reason, at its sole determination.

The Company's decision to terminate or amend a Plan may be due to changes in federal or state laws governing employee benefits, the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code or Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), or any other reason. A plan change may transfer plan assets and debts to another plan or split a plan into two or more parts. If the Company does change or terminate a plan, it may decide to set up a different plan providing similar or different benefits.

If this Plan is terminated, Covered Persons will not have the right to any other Benefits from the Plan, other than for those claims incurred prior to the date of termination, or as otherwise provided under the Plan. In addition, if the Plan is amended, Covered Persons may be subject to altered coverage and Benefits.

The amount and form of any final benefit you receive will depend on any Plan document or contract provisions affecting the Plan and Company decisions. After all Benefits have been



paid and other requirements of the law have been met, certain remaining Plan assets will be turned over to the Company and others as may be required by any applicable law.

## Plan Document

This Summary Plan Description (SPD) represents an overview of your Benefits. In the event there is a discrepancy between the SPD and the official plan document, the plan document will govern. A copy of the plan document is available for your inspection during regular business hours in the office of the Plan Administrator. You (or your personal representative) may obtain a copy of this document by written request to the Plan Administrator, for a nominal charge.

## Review and Determine Benefits in Accordance with UnitedHealthcare Reimbursement Policies

UnitedHealthcare develops its reimbursement policy guidelines, in its sole discretion, in accordance with one or more of the following methodologies:

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

Following evaluation and validation of certain provider billings (e.g., error, abuse and fraud reviews), UnitedHealthcare's reimbursement policies are applied to provider billings. UnitedHealthcare shares its reimbursement policies with Physicians and other providers in UnitedHealthcare's Network through UnitedHealthcare's provider website. Network Physicians and providers may not bill you for the difference between their contract rate (as may be modified by UnitedHealthcare's reimbursement policies) and the billed charge. However, non-Network providers are not subject to this prohibition, and may bill you for any amounts the Plan does not pay, including amounts that are denied because one of UnitedHealthcare's reimbursement policies does not reimburse (in whole or in part) for the service billed. You may obtain copies of UnitedHealthcare's reimbursement policies for yourself or to share with your non-Network Physician or provider by going to [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or by calling the telephone number on your ID card.

## SECTION 14 - GLOSSARY

### What this section includes:

- Definitions of terms used throughout this SPD.

Many of the terms used throughout this SPD may be unfamiliar to you or have a specific meaning with regard to the way the Plan is administered and how Benefits are paid. This section defines terms used throughout this SPD, but it does not describe the Benefits provided by the Plan.

**Addendum** – any attached written description of additional or revised provisions to the Plan. The benefits and exclusions of this SPD and any amendments thereto shall apply to the Addendum except that in the case of any conflict between the Addendum and SPD and/or Amendments to the SPD, the Addendum shall be controlling.

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

- surgical services;
- Emergency Health Services; or
- rehabilitative, laboratory, diagnostic or therapeutic services.

An Alternate Facility may also provide Mental Health or Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services on an outpatient basis or inpatient basis (for example a Residential Treatment Facility).

**Amendment** – any attached written description of additional or alternative provisions to the Plan. Amendments are effective only when distributed by the Plan Sponsor or the Plan Administrator. Amendments are subject to all conditions, limitations and exclusions of the Plan, except for those that the amendment is specifically changing.

**Annual Deductible (or Deductible)** – the amount you must pay for Covered Health Services in a calendar year before the Plan will begin paying Benefits in that calendar year. The Deductible is shown in the first table in Section 5, *Plan Highlights*. The Deductible applies to all Covered Health Services under the Plan, including Covered Health Services provided in Section 15, *Prescription Drugs*.

**Autism Spectrum Disorder** - a condition marked by enduring problems communicating and interacting with others, along with restricted and repetitive behavior, interests or activities.

**Benefits** – Plan payments for Covered Health Services, subject to the terms and conditions of the Plan and any Addendums and/or Amendments.

**Body Mass Index (BMI)** – a calculation used in obesity risk assessment which uses a person's weight and height to approximate body fat.

**BMI** – see Body Mass Index (BMI).

**Cancer Resource Services (CRS)** – a program administered by UnitedHealthcare or its affiliates made available to you by City of Columbia, Missouri. The CRS program provides:

- specialized consulting services, on a limited basis, to Participants and enrolled Dependents with cancer;
- access to cancer centers with expertise in treating the most rare or complex cancers; and
- education to help patients understand their cancer and make informed decisions about their care and course of treatment.

**Care Coordination<sup>SM</sup>** – programs provided by UnitedHealthcare that focus on prevention, education, and closing the gaps in care designed to encourage an efficient system of care for you and your covered Dependents.

**Claims Administrator** – UnitedHealthcare (also known as United HealthCare Services, Inc.) and its affiliates, who provide certain claim administration services for the Plan.

**Clinical Trial** – a scientific study designed to identify new health services that improve health outcomes. In a Clinical Trial, two or more treatments are compared to each other and the patient is not allowed to choose which treatment will be received.

**COBRA** – see Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 (COBRA).

**Coinsurance** – the percentage of Eligible Expenses you are required to pay for certain Covered Health Services as described in Section 3, *How the Plan Works*.

**Company** – City of Columbia, Missouri.

**Complications of Pregnancy** – a condition suffered by a Dependent child that requires medical treatment before or after Pregnancy ends.

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

**Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 (COBRA)** – a federal law that requires employers to offer continued health insurance coverage to certain employees and their dependents whose group health insurance has been terminated.

**Cosmetic Procedures** – procedures or services that change or improve appearance without significantly improving physiological function, as determined by the Claims Administrator. Reshaping a nose with a prominent bump is a good example of a Cosmetic Procedure because appearance would be improved, but there would be no improvement in function like breathing.

**Cost-Effective** – the least expensive equipment that performs the necessary function. This term applies to Durable Medical Equipment and prosthetic devices.

**Covered Health Services** - those health services, including services, supplies or Pharmaceutical Products, which the Claims Administrator determines to be:

- Medically Necessary.
- Described as a Covered Health Service in this SPD under Section 5, *Plan Highlights* and Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details* and Section 15, *Outpatient Prescription Drugs*.
- Provided to a Covered Person who meets the Plan's eligibility requirements, as described under *Eligibility* in Section 2, *Introduction*.
- Not otherwise excluded in this SPD under Section 8, *Exclusions and Limitations* or Section 15, *Outpatient Prescription Drugs*.

**Covered Person** – either the Participant or an enrolled Dependent only while enrolled and eligible for Benefits under the Plan. References to "you" and "your" throughout this SPD are references to a Covered Person.

**CRS** – see Cancer Resource Services (CRS).

**Custodial Care** – services that do not require special skills or training and that:

- provide assistance in activities of daily living (including but not limited to feeding, dressing, bathing, ostomy care, incontinence care, checking of routine vital signs, transferring and ambulating);
- are provided for the primary purpose of meeting the personal needs of the patient or maintaining a level of function (even if the specific services are considered to be skilled services), as opposed to improving that function to an extent that might allow for a more independent existence; or
- do not require continued administration by trained medical personnel in order to be delivered safely and effectively.

**Deductible** – see Annual Deductible.

**Dependent** – an individual who meets the eligibility requirements specified in the Plan, as described under *Eligibility* in Section 2, *Introduction*. A Dependent does not include anyone who is also enrolled as a Participant. No one can be a Dependent of more than one Participant.

**Designated Provider** - a provider and/or facility that:

- Has entered into an agreement with UnitedHealthcare, or with an organization contracting on UnitedHealthcare's behalf, to provide Covered Health Services for the treatment of specific diseases or conditions; or
- UnitedHealthcare has identified through UnitedHealthcare's designation programs as a Designated Provider. Such designation may apply to specific treatments, conditions and/or procedures.

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

You can find out if your provider is a Designated Provider by contacting UnitedHealthcare at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or the telephone number on your ID card.

**Designated Virtual Network Provider** - a provider or facility that has entered into an agreement with UnitedHealthcare, or with an organization contracting on UnitedHealthcare's behalf, to deliver Covered Health Services via interactive audio and video modalities.

**DME** – see Durable Medical Equipment (DME).

**Domestic Partner** – an individual of the same or opposite sex with whom you have established a domestic partnership as described below.

A domestic partnership is a relationship between a Participant and one other person of the same or opposite sex. Both persons must:

- not be so closely related that marriage would otherwise be prohibited;
- not be legally married to, or the Domestic Partner of, another person under either statutory or common law;
- be at least 18 years old;
- live together and share the common necessities of life;
- be mentally competent to enter into a contract; and
- be financially interdependent and have furnished documents to support at least two of the following conditions of such financial interdependence:
  - they have a single dedicated relationship of at least 6 months duration;
  - they have joint ownership of a residence; or
  - they have at least two of the following:
    - ◆ a joint ownership of an automobile;
    - ◆ a joint checking, bank or investment account;
    - ◆ a joint credit account;
    - ◆ a lease for a residence identifying both partners as tenants; or
    - ◆ a will and/or life insurance policies which designate the other as primary beneficiary.

The Participant and Domestic Partner must jointly sign an affidavit of domestic partnership provided by Human Resources upon your request.

**Domiciliary Care** – living arrangements designed to meet the needs of people who cannot live independently but do not require Skilled Nursing Facility services.

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

- used to serve a medical purpose with respect to treatment of a Sickness, Injury or their symptoms;
- not disposable;
- not of use to a person in the absence of a Sickness, Injury or their symptoms;
- durable enough to withstand repeated use;
- not implantable within the body; and
- appropriate for use, and primarily used, within the home.

**Eligible Expenses** – for Covered Health Services, incurred while the Plan is in effect, Eligible Expenses are determined by UnitedHealthcare as stated below and as detailed in Section 3, *How the Plan Works*.

Eligible Expenses are determined solely in accordance with UnitedHealthcare’s reimbursement policy guidelines. UnitedHealthcare develops the reimbursement policy guidelines, in UnitedHealthcare’s discretion, following evaluation and validation of all provider billings in accordance with one or more of the following methodologies:

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

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

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

**Emergency Health Services** – with respect to an Emergency, both of the following:

- A medical screening examination (as required under section 1867 of the *Social Security Act*, 42 U.S.C. 1395dd) that is within the capability of the emergency department of a Hospital, including ancillary services routinely available to the emergency department to evaluate such Emergency.

- Such further medical examination and treatment, to the extent they are within the capabilities of the staff and facilities available at the Hospital, as are required under section 1867 of the *Social Security Act* (42 U.S.C. 1395dd(e)(3)).

**Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA)** – the federal legislation that regulates retirement and employee welfare benefit programs maintained by employers and unions.

**Employer** – City of Columbia, Missouri.

**EOB** – see Explanation of Benefits (EOB).

**Experimental or Investigational Services** – medical, surgical, diagnostic, psychiatric, mental health, substance-related and addictive disorders or other health care services, technologies, supplies, treatments, procedures, drug therapies, medications or devices that, at the time the Claims Administrator and City of Columbia, Missouri make a determination regarding coverage in a particular case, are determined to be any of the following:

- Not approved by the *U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)* to be lawfully marketed for the proposed use and not identified in the *American Hospital Formulary Service* or the *United States Pharmacopoeia Dispensing Information* as appropriate for the proposed use.
- Subject to review and approval by any institutional review board for the proposed use (Devices which are *FDA* approved under the *Humanitarian Use Device* exemption are not considered to be Experimental or Investigational.)
- The subject of an ongoing Clinical Trial that meets the definition of a Phase I, II or III Clinical Trial set forth in the *FDA* regulations, regardless of whether the trial is actually subject to *FDA* oversight.

Exceptions:

- Clinical Trials for which Benefits are available as described under *Clinical Trials* in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.
- If you are not a participant in a qualifying Clinical Trial as described under Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*, and have a Sickness or condition that is likely to cause death within one year of the request for treatment, the Claims Administrator and City of Columbia, Missouri may, at their discretion, consider an otherwise Experimental or Investigational Service to be a Covered Health Service for that Sickness or condition. Prior to such consideration, the Claims Administrator and City of Columbia, Missouri must determine that, although unproven, the service has significant potential as an effective treatment for that Sickness or condition.

**Explanation of Benefits (EOB)** – a statement provided by UnitedHealthcare to you, your Physician, or another health care professional that explains:

- the Benefits provided (if any);
- the allowable reimbursement amounts;

- Deductibles;
- Coinsurance;
- any other reductions taken;
- the net amount paid by the Plan; and
- the reason(s) why the service or supply was not covered by the Plan.

**Gender Dysphoria** - A disorder characterized by the following diagnostic criteria classified in the current edition of the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association*:

- Diagnostic criteria for adults and adolescents:
  - A marked incongruence between one's experienced/expressed gender and assigned gender, of at least six months' duration, as manifested by at least two of the following:
    - ◆ A marked incongruence between one's experienced/expressed gender and primary and/or secondary sex characteristics (or in young adolescents, the anticipated secondary sex characteristics).
    - ◆ A strong desire to be rid of one's primary and/or secondary sex characteristics because of a marked incongruence with one's experienced/expressed gender or in young adolescents, a desire to prevent the development of the anticipated secondary sex characteristics).
    - ◆ A strong desire for the primary and/or secondary sex characteristics of the other gender.
    - ◆ A strong desire to be of the other gender (or some alternative gender different from one's assigned gender).
    - ◆ A strong desire to be treated as the other gender (or some alternative gender different from one's assigned gender).
    - ◆ A strong conviction that one has the typical feelings and reactions of the other gender (or some alternative gender different from one's assigned gender).
  - The condition is associated with clinically significant distress or impairment in social, occupational or other important areas of functioning.
- Diagnostic criteria for children:
  - A marked incongruence between one's experienced/expressed gender and assigned gender, of at least six months' duration, as manifested by at least six of the following (one of which must be criterion as shown in the first bullet below):
    - ◆ A strong desire to be of the other gender or an insistence that one is the other gender (or some alternative gender different from one's assigned gender).
    - ◆ In boys (assigned gender), a strong preference for cross-dressing or simulating female attire; or in girls (assigned gender), a strong preference for wearing only



typical masculine clothing and a strong resistance to the wearing of typical feminine clothing.

- ◆ A strong preference for cross-gender roles in make-believe play or fantasy play.
  - ◆ A strong preference for the toys, games or activities stereotypically used or engaged in by the other gender.
  - ◆ A strong preference for playmates of the other gender.
  - ◆ In boys (assigned gender), a strong rejection of typically masculine toys, games and activities and a strong avoidance of rough-and-tumble play; or in girls (assigned gender), a strong rejection of typically feminine toys, games and activities.
  - ◆ A strong dislike of ones' sexual anatomy.
  - ◆ A strong desire for the primary and/or secondary sex characteristics that match one's experienced gender.
- The condition is associated with clinically significant distress or impairment in social, school or other important areas of functioning.

**Health Statement(s)** – a single, integrated statement that summarizes EOB information by providing detailed content on account balances and claim activity.

**Home Health Agency** – a program or organization authorized by law to provide health care services in the home.

**Hospital** – an institution, operated as required by law, which is:

- primarily engaged in providing health services, on an inpatient basis, for the acute care and treatment of sick or injured individuals. Care is provided through medical, mental health, substance use disorders, diagnostic and surgical facilities, by or under the supervision of a staff of Physicians; and
- has 24 hour nursing services.

A Hospital is not primarily a place for rest, Custodial Care or care of the aged and is not a Skilled Nursing Facility, convalescent home or similar institution.

**Injury** – bodily damage other than Sickness, including all related conditions and recurrent symptoms.

**Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility** – a long term acute rehabilitation center, a Hospital (or a special unit of a Hospital designated as an Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility) that provides rehabilitation services (including physical therapy, occupational therapy and/or speech therapy) on an inpatient basis, as authorized by law.

**Inpatient Stay** – an uninterrupted confinement, following formal admission to a Hospital, Skilled Nursing Facility or Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility.

**Intensive Behavioral Therapy (IBT)** - outpatient behavioral/educational services that aim to reinforce adaptive behaviors, reduce maladaptive behaviors and improve the mastery of functional age appropriate skills in people with Autism Spectrum Disorders. Examples include *Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA)*, *The Denver Model*, and *Relationship Development Intervention (RDI)*.

**Intensive Outpatient Treatment** - a structured outpatient mental health or substance-related and addictive disorders treatment program that may be free-standing or Hospital-based and provides services for at least three hours per day, two or more days per week.

**Intermittent Care** – skilled nursing care that is provided or needed either:

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

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

**Kidney Resource Services (KRS)** – a program administered by UnitedHealthcare or its affiliates made available to you by City of Columbia, Missouri. The KRS program provides:

- specialized consulting services to Participants and enrolled Dependents with ESRD or chronic kidney disease;
- access to dialysis centers with expertise in treating kidney disease; and
- guidance for the patient on the prescribed plan of care.

**Medicaid** – a federal program administered and operated individually by participating state and territorial governments that provides medical benefits to eligible low-income people needing health care. The federal and state governments share the program's costs.

**Medically Necessary** - health care services provided for the purpose of preventing, evaluating, diagnosing or treating a Sickness, Injury, Mental Illness, substance-related and addictive disorders, condition, disease or its symptoms, that are all of the following as determined by the Claims Administrator or its designee, within the Claims Administrator's sole discretion. The services must be:

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

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

If no credible scientific evidence is available, then standards that are based on Physician specialty society recommendations or professional standards of care may be considered. The Claims Administrator reserves the right to consult expert opinion in determining whether health care services are Medically Necessary. The decision to apply Physician specialty society recommendations, the choice of expert and the determination of when to use any such expert opinion, shall be within the Claims Administrator's sole discretion.

The Claims Administrator develops and maintains clinical policies that describe the *Generally Accepted Standards of Medical Practice* scientific evidence, prevailing medical standards and clinical guidelines supporting its determinations regarding specific services. These clinical policies (as developed by the Claims Administrator and revised from time to time), are available to Covered Persons on [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or by calling the number on your ID card, and to Physicians and other health care professionals on [www.UnitedHealthcareOnline.com](http://www.UnitedHealthcareOnline.com).

**Medicare** – Parts A, B, C and D of the insurance program established by Title XVIII, United States Social Security Act, as amended by 42 U.S.C. Sections 1394, et seq. and as later amended.

**Mental Health Services** – Covered Health Services for the diagnosis and treatment of Mental Illnesses. The fact that a condition is listed in the current *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association* does not mean that treatment for the condition is a Covered Health Service.

**Mental Health/Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services Administrator** – the organization or individual designated by City of Columbia, Missouri who provides or arranges Mental Health and Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services under the Plan.

**Mental Illness** – mental health or psychiatric diagnostic categories listed in the current *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association*, unless they are listed in Section 8, *Exclusions and Limitations*.

**Network** – when used to describe a provider of health care services, this means a provider that has a participation agreement in effect (either directly or indirectly) with the Claims Administrator or with its affiliate to participate in the Network; however, this does not include those providers who have agreed to discount their charges for Covered Health Services by way of their participation in the Shared Savings Program. The Claims Administrator's affiliates are those entities affiliated with the Claims Administrator through common ownership or control with the Claims Administrator or with the Claims Administrator's ultimate corporate parent, including direct and indirect subsidiaries.

A provider may enter into an agreement to provide only certain Covered Health Services, but not all Covered Health Services, or to be a Network provider for only some products. In this case, the provider will be a Network provider for the Covered Health Services and products included in the participation agreement, and a non-Network provider for other Covered Health Services and products. The participation status of providers will change from time to time.

**Network Benefits** - description of how Benefits are paid for Covered Health Services provided by Network providers. Refer to Section 5, *Plan Highlights* for details about how Network Benefits apply.

**Non-Network Benefits** - description of how Benefits are paid for Covered Health Services provided by non-Network providers. Refer to Section 5, *Plan Highlights* for details about how Non-Network Benefits apply.

**Open Enrollment** – the period of time, determined by City of Columbia, Missouri, during which eligible Participants may enroll themselves and their Dependents under the Plan. City of Columbia, Missouri determines the period of time that is the Open Enrollment period.

**Out-of-Pocket Maximum** – the maximum amount you pay every calendar year. Refer to Section 5, *Plan Highlights* for the Out-of-Pocket Maximum amount. See Section 3, *How the Plan Works* for a description of how the Out-of-Pocket Maximum works.

**Partial Hospitalization/Day Treatment** – a structured ambulatory program that may be a free-standing or Hospital-based program and that provides services for at least 20 hours per week.

**Participant** – a full-time Participant of the Employer who meets the eligibility requirements specified in the Plan, as described under *Eligibility* in Section 2, *Introduction*. A Participant must live and/or work in the United States.

**Physician** – any Doctor of Medicine or Doctor of Osteopathy who is properly licensed and qualified by law.

Please note: Any podiatrist, dentist, psychologist, chiropractor, optometrist or other provider who acts within the scope of his or her license will be considered on the same basis as a Physician. The fact that a provider is described as a Physician does not mean that Benefits for services from that provider are available to you under the Plan.

**Plan** – The City of Columbia, Missouri Medical Plan.

**Plan Administrator** – City of Columbia, Missouri or its designee.

**Plan Sponsor** – City of Columbia, Missouri.

**Pregnancy** – includes prenatal care, postnatal care, childbirth, and any complications associated with the above.

**Private Duty Nursing** – nursing care that is provided to a patient on a one-to-one basis by licensed nurses in an inpatient or a home setting when any of the following are true:

- no skilled services are identified;
- skilled nursing resources are available in the facility;
- the skilled care can be provided by a Home Health Agency on a per visit basis for a specific purpose; or
- the service is provided to a Covered Person by an independent nurse who is hired directly by the Covered Person or his/her family. This includes nursing services provided on an inpatient or a home-care basis, whether the service is skilled or non-skilled independent nursing.

**Reconstructive Procedure** – a procedure performed to address a physical impairment where the expected outcome is restored or improved function. The primary purpose of a Reconstructive Procedure is either to treat a medical condition or to improve or restore physiologic function. Reconstructive Procedures include surgery or other procedures which are associated with an Injury, Sickness or Congenital Anomaly. The primary result of the procedure is not changed or improved physical appearance. The fact that a person may suffer psychologically as a result of the impairment does not classify surgery or any other procedure done to relieve the impairment as a Reconstructive Procedure.

**Residential Treatment** – treatment in a facility which provides Mental Health Services or Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services treatment. The facility meets all of the following requirements:

- It is established and operated in accordance with applicable state law for Residential Treatment programs.
- It provides a program of treatment under the active participation and direction of a Physician and approved by the Mental Health/Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Administrator.
- It has or maintains a written, specific and detailed treatment program requiring full-time residence and full-time participation by the patient.
- It provides at least the following basic services in a 24-hour per day, structured milieu:
  - Room and board.
  - Evaluation and diagnosis.
  - Counseling.
  - Referral and orientation to specialized community resources.

A Residential Treatment facility that qualifies as a Hospital is considered a Hospital.

**Retired Employee** – an Employee who retires while covered under the Plan.

**Semi-private Room** - a room with two or more beds. When an Inpatient Stay in a Semi-private Room is a Covered Health Service, the difference in cost between a Semi-private

Room and a private room is a benefit only when a private room is necessary in terms of generally accepted medical practice, or when a Semi-private Room is not available.

**Shared Savings Program** - a program in which UnitedHealthcare may obtain a discount to a non-Network provider's billed charges. This discount is usually based on a schedule previously agreed to by the non-Network provider. When this happens, you may experience lower out-of-pocket amounts. Plan coinsurance and deductibles would still apply to the reduced charge. Sometimes Plan provisions or administrative practices conflict with the scheduled rate, and a different rate is determined by UnitedHealthcare. In this case the non-Network provider may bill you for the difference between the billed amount and the rate determined by UnitedHealthcare. If this happens you should call the number on your ID Card. Shared Savings Program providers are not Network providers and are not credentialed by UnitedHealthcare.

**Sickness** - physical illness, disease or Pregnancy. The term Sickness as used in this SPD includes Mental Illness, or substance-related and addictive disorders, regardless of the cause or origin of the Mental Illness, or substance-related and addictive disorder.

**Skilled Care** – skilled nursing, teaching, and rehabilitation services when:

- they are delivered or supervised by licensed technical or professional medical personnel in order to obtain the specified medical outcome and provide for the safety of the patient;
- a Physician orders them;
- they are not delivered for the purpose of assisting with activities of daily living, including dressing, feeding, bathing or transferring from a bed to a chair;
- they require clinical training in order to be delivered safely and effectively; and
- they are not Custodial Care, as defined in this section.

**Skilled Nursing Facility** – a nursing facility that is licensed and operated as required by law. A Skilled Nursing Facility that is part of a Hospital is considered a Skilled Nursing Facility for purposes of the Plan.

**Specialist Physician** - a Physician who has a majority of his or her practice in areas other than general pediatrics, internal medicine, obstetrics/gynecology, family practice or general medicine.

**Spinal Treatment** – detection or correction (by manual or mechanical means) of subluxation(s) in the body to remove nerve interference or its effects. The interference must be the result of, or related to, distortion, misalignment or subluxation of, or in, the vertebral column.

**Spouse** – an individual to whom you are legally married or a Domestic Partner as defined in this section.

**Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services** - Covered Health Services for the diagnosis and treatment of alcoholism and substance-related and addictive disorders that are listed in the current *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association*, unless those services are specifically excluded. The fact that a disorder is listed in the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association* does not mean that treatment of the disorder is a Covered Health Service.

**Total Disability** – a Participant's inability to perform all substantial job duties because of physical or mental impairment, or a Dependent's or retired person's inability to perform the normal activities of a person of like age and gender.

**Transitional Living** - Mental Health Services/Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Services that are provided through facilities, group homes and supervised apartments that provide 24-hour supervision that are either:

- Sober living arrangements such as drug-free housing, alcohol/drug halfway houses. These are transitional, supervised living arrangements that provide stable and safe housing, an alcohol/drug-free environment and support for recovery. A sober living arrangement may be utilized as an adjunct to ambulatory treatment when treatment doesn't offer the intensity and structure needed to assist the Covered Person with recovery.
- Supervised living arrangements which are residences such as facilities, group homes and supervised apartments that provide members with stable and safe housing and the opportunity to learn how to manage their activities of daily living. Supervised living arrangements may be utilized as an adjunct to treatment when treatment doesn't offer the intensity and structure needed to assist the Covered Person with recovery.

**UnitedHealth Premium Program<sup>SM</sup>** – a program that identifies Network Physicians or facilities that have been designated as a UnitedHealth Premium Program<sup>SM</sup> Physician or facility for certain medical conditions.

To be designated as a UnitedHealth Premium<sup>SM</sup> provider, Physicians and facilities must meet program criteria. The fact that a Physician or facility is a Network Physician or facility does not mean that it is a UnitedHealth Premium Program<sup>SM</sup> Physician or facility.

**Unproven Services** – health services, including medications that are determined not to be effective for treatment of the medical condition and/or not to have a beneficial effect on health outcomes due to insufficient and inadequate clinical evidence from well-conducted randomized controlled trials or cohort studies in the prevailing published peer-reviewed medical literature:

- Well-conducted randomized controlled trials are two or more treatments compared to each other, with the patient not being allowed to choose which treatment is received.
- Well-conducted cohort studies from more than one institution are studies in which patients who receive study treatment are compared to a group of patients who receive standard therapy. The comparison group must be nearly identical to the study treatment group.

UnitedHealthcare has a process by which it compiles and reviews clinical evidence with respect to certain health services. From time to time, UnitedHealthcare issues medical and drug policies that describe the clinical evidence available with respect to specific health care services. These medical and drug policies are subject to change without prior notice. You can view these policies at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com).

Please note:

- If you have a life threatening Sickness or condition (one that is likely to cause death within one year of the request for treatment), UnitedHealthcare and City of Columbia, Missouri may, at their discretion, consider an otherwise Unproven Service to be a Covered Health Service for that Sickness or condition. Prior to such a consideration, UnitedHealthcare and City of Columbia, Missouri must first establish that there is sufficient evidence to conclude that, albeit unproven, the service has significant potential as an effective treatment for that Sickness or condition.

The decision about whether such a service can be deemed a Covered Health Service is solely at UnitedHealthcare and City of Columbia, Missouri's discretion. Other apparently similar promising but unproven services may not qualify.

**Urgent Care** – care that requires prompt attention to avoid adverse consequences, but does not pose an immediate threat to a person's life. Urgent care is usually delivered in a walk-in setting and without an appointment. Urgent care facilities are a location, distinct from a hospital emergency department, an office or a clinic. The purpose is to diagnose and treat illness or injury for unscheduled, ambulatory patients seeking immediate medical attention.

**Urgent Care Center** – a facility that provides Covered Health Services that are required to prevent serious deterioration of your health, and that are required as a result of an unforeseen Sickness, Injury, or the onset of acute or severe symptoms.



## SECTION 15 - PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

**What this section includes:**

- Benefits available for Prescription Drugs;
- How to utilize the retail and mail order service for obtaining Prescription Drugs;
- Any benefit limitations and exclusions that exist for Prescription Drugs; and
- Definitions of terms used throughout this section related to the Prescription Drug Plan.

### Prescription Drug Coverage Highlights

The table below provides an overview of the Plan's Prescription Drug coverage. It includes Coinsurance amounts that apply when you have a prescription filled at a Network or non-Network Pharmacy. For detailed descriptions of your Benefits, refer to *Retail* and *Mail Order* in this section.

**Note:** The Annual Deductible applies to all Covered Health Services under the Plan, including Covered Health Services provided in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*. The Out-of-Pocket Maximum applies to all Covered Health Services under the Plan, including Covered Health Services provided in Section 6, *Additional Coverage Details*.

Covered Health Services <sup>1,2</sup>	Percentage of Prescription Drug Charge Payable by the Plan:	Percentage of Out-of-Network Reimbursement Rate Payable by the Plan:
	Network	Non-Network
<b>Retail</b> - up to a 31-day supply		
■ tier-1	80%	80%
■ tier-2	80%	80%
■ tier-3	80%	80%
■ tier-4	80%	80%

Covered Health Services <sup>1,2</sup>	Percentage of Prescription Drug Charge Payable by the Plan:	Percentage of Out-of-Network Reimbursement Rate Payable by the Plan:
	Network	Non-Network
<b>Retail</b> - up to a 90-day supply		
■ tier-1	80%	80%
■ tier-2	80%	80%
■ tier-3	80%	80%
■ tier-4	80%	80%
<b>Specialty Prescription Drugs</b> - up to 31-day supply		
■ tier-1	80%	80%
■ tier-2	80%	80%
■ tier-3	80%	80%
■ tier-4	80%	80%
<b>Mail order</b> - up to a 90-day supply		
■ tier-1	80%	Not Covered
■ tier-2	80%	Not Covered
■ tier-3	80%	Not Covered
■ tier-4	80%	Not Covered

<sup>1</sup>You, your Physician or your pharmacist must obtain prior authorization from UnitedHealthcare to receive full Benefits for certain Prescription Drugs. Otherwise, you may pay more out-of-pocket. See *Prior Authorization Requirements* in this section for details.

<sup>2</sup>You are not responsible for paying a Copayment and/or Coinsurance for Preventive Care Medications.

**Note:** The Coordination of Benefits provision described in Section 10, *Coordination of Benefits (COB)* does not apply to covered Prescription Drugs as described in this section. Prescription Drug Benefits will not be coordinated with those of any other health coverage plan.

### Identification Card (ID Card) – Network Pharmacy

You must either show your ID card at the time you obtain your Prescription Drug at a Network Pharmacy or you must provide the Network Pharmacy with identifying information that can be verified by the Claims Administrator during regular business hours.

If you don't show your ID card or provide verifiable information at a Network Pharmacy, you will be required to pay the Usual and Customary Charge for the Prescription Drug at the pharmacy.

You may seek reimbursement from the Plan as described in Section 9, *Claims Procedures*, under the heading, *How to File a Claim*. When you submit a claim on this basis, you may pay more because you failed to verify your eligibility when the Prescription Drug was dispensed. The amount you are reimbursed will be based on the Prescription Drug Charge, less the required Copayment and/or Coinsurance, and any deductible that applies.

Submit your claim to:

Optum Rx  
P.O. Box 29077  
Hot Springs, AR 71903

### Benefit Levels

Benefits are available for outpatient Prescription Drugs that are considered Covered Health Services.

The Plan pays Benefits at the same level for tier-1, tier-2 tier-3 and tier-4 Prescription Drugs. All Prescription Drugs covered by the Plan are categorized into these four tiers on the Prescription Drug List (PDL). The tier status of a Prescription Drug can change periodically, generally quarterly but no more than six times per calendar year, based on the Prescription Drug List Management Committee's periodic tiering decisions. When that occurs, you may pay more or less for a Prescription Drug, depending on its tier assignment. Since the PDL may change periodically, you can visit [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or call UnitedHealthcare at the toll-free number on your ID card for the most current information.

Each tier is assigned a Coinsurance, which is the amount you pay when you visit the pharmacy or order your medications through mail order. Your Coinsurance will also depend on whether or not you visit the pharmacy or use the mail order service - see the table shown at the beginning of this section for further details. Here's how the tier system works:

- For the lowest out-of-pocket expense, you should consider tier-1 drugs if you and your Physician decide they are appropriate for your treatment.
- Consider a tier-2 drug if no tier-1 drug is available to treat your condition.
- The drugs in tier-3 and tier-4 are usually more costly. Sometimes there are alternatives available in tier-1 or tier-2.

Coinsurance for a Prescription Drug at a Network Pharmacy is a percentage of the Prescription Drug Charge. Coinsurance for a Prescription Drug at a non-Network Pharmacy is a percentage of the Predominant Reimbursement Rate.

For Prescription Drugs at a retail Network Pharmacy, you are responsible for paying the lower of:

- the applicable Coinsurance;
- the Network Pharmacy's Usual and Customary Charge for the Prescription Drug; or
- the Prescription Drug Charge that UnitedHealthcare agreed to pay the Network Pharmacy.

For Prescription Drugs from a mail order Network Pharmacy, you are responsible for paying the lower of:

- the applicable Coinsurance; or
- the Prescription Drug Charge for that particular Prescription Drug.

## Retail

The Plan has a Network of participating retail pharmacies, which includes many large drug store chains. You can obtain information about Network Pharmacies by contacting UnitedHealthcare at the toll-free number on your ID card or by logging onto **[www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com)**.

To obtain your prescription from a retail pharmacy, simply present your ID card and pay the Coinsurance. The Plan pays Benefits for certain covered Prescription Drugs:

- as written by a Physician;
- up to a consecutive 90-day supply, unless adjusted based on the drug manufacturer's packaging size or based on supply limits;
- when a Prescription Drug is packaged or designed to deliver in a manner that provides more than a consecutive 90-day supply, the Coinsurance that applies will reflect the number of days dispensed; and

- a one-cycle supply of an oral contraceptive. You may obtain up to three cycles at one time if you pay the Coinsurance for each cycle supplied.

**Note:** Pharmacy Benefits apply only if your prescription is for a Covered Health Service, and not for Experimental or Investigational, or Unproven Services. Otherwise, you are responsible for paying 100% of the cost.

## Mail Order

The mail order service may allow you to purchase up to a 90-day supply of a covered maintenance drug through the mail. Maintenance drugs help in the treatment of chronic illnesses, such as heart conditions, allergies, high blood pressure, and arthritis.

To use the mail order service, all you need to do is complete a patient profile and enclose your prescription order or refill. Your medication, plus instructions for obtaining refills, will arrive by mail about 14 days after your order is received. If you need a patient profile form, or if you have any questions, you can reach UnitedHealthcare at the toll-free number on your ID card.

The Plan pays mail order Benefits for certain covered Prescription Drugs:

- as written by a Physician; and
- up to a consecutive 90-day supply, unless adjusted based on the drug manufacturer's packaging size or based on supply limits.

You may be required to fill an initial Prescription Drug order and obtain one refill through a retail pharmacy prior to using a mail order Network Pharmacy.

**Note:** To maximize your benefit, ask your Physician to write your prescription order or refill for a 90-day supply, with refills when appropriate. You will be charged the mail order Coinsurance for any prescription order or refill if you use the mail order service, regardless of the number of days' supply that is written on the order or refill. Be sure your Physician writes your mail order or refill for a 90-day supply, not a 30-day supply with three refills.

## Benefits for Preventive Care Medications

Benefits under the Prescription Drug Plan include those for Preventive Care Medications as defined under *Glossary – Prescription Drugs*. You may determine whether a drug is a Preventive Care Medication through the internet at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or by calling UnitedHealthcare at the toll-free telephone number on your ID card.

## Designated Pharmacy

If you require certain Prescription Drugs, UnitedHealthcare may direct you to a Designated Pharmacy with whom it has an arrangement to provide those Prescription Drugs.

### *Specialty Prescription Drugs*

If you are directed to a Designated Pharmacy and you choose not to obtain your Specialty Prescription Drugs from a Designated Pharmacy, no Benefits will be paid and you will be responsible for paying all charges.

Please see the Prescription Drug Glossary in this section for definitions of Specialty Prescription Drug and Designated Pharmacy.

**Want to lower your out-of-pocket Prescription Drug costs?**

Consider tier-1 Prescription Drugs, if you and your Physician decide they are appropriate.

### Assigning Prescription Drugs to the PDL

UnitedHealthcare's Prescription Drug List (PDL) Management Committee makes the final approval of Prescription Drug placement in tiers. In its evaluation of each Prescription Drug, the PDL Management Committee takes into account a number of factors including, but not limited to, clinical and economic factors. Clinical factors may include:

- evaluations of the place in therapy;
- relative safety and efficacy; and
- whether supply limits or prior authorization requirements should apply.

Economic factors may include:

- the acquisition cost of the Prescription Drug; and
- available rebates and assessments on the cost effectiveness of the Prescription Drug.

Some Prescription Drugs are most cost effective for specific indications as compared to others, therefore, a Prescription Drug may be listed on multiple tiers according to the indication for which the Prescription Drug was prescribed.

When considering a Prescription Drug for tier placement, the PDL Management Committee reviews clinical and economic factors regarding Covered Persons as a general population. Whether a particular Prescription Drug is appropriate for an individual Covered Person is a determination that is made by the Covered Person and the prescribing Physician.

The PDL Management Committee may periodically change the placement of a Prescription Drug among the tiers. These changes will not occur more than six times per calendar year and may occur without prior notice to you.

Prescription Drug, Prescription Drug List (PDL), and Prescription Drug List (PDL) Management Committee are defined at the end of this section.

**Prescription Drug List (PDL)**

The Prescription Drug List (PDL) is a tool that helps guide you and your Physician in choosing the medications that allow the most effective and affordable use of your Prescription Drug benefit.

### Prior Authorization Requirements

Before certain Prescription Drugs are dispensed to you, it is the responsibility of your Physician, your pharmacist or you to obtain prior authorization from UnitedHealthcare.

UnitedHealthcare will determine if the Prescription Drug, in accordance with UnitedHealthcare approved guidelines, is both:

- a Covered Health Service as defined by the Plan; and
- not Experimental or Investigational or Unproven, as defined in Section 14, *Glossary*.

The Plan may also require you to obtain prior authorization from UnitedHealthcare so UnitedHealthcare can determine whether the Prescription Drug, in accordance with its approved guidelines, was prescribed by a Specialist Physician.

#### ***Network Pharmacy Prior Authorization***

When Prescription Drugs are dispensed at a Network Pharmacy, the prescribing provider, the pharmacist, or you are responsible for obtaining prior authorization from UnitedHealthcare.

#### ***Non-Network Pharmacy Prior Authorization***

When Prescription Drugs are dispensed at a non-Network Pharmacy, you or your Physician are responsible for obtaining prior authorization from UnitedHealthcare as required.

If you do not obtain prior authorization before the Prescription Drug is dispensed, you may pay more for that Prescription Drug order or refill. You will be required to pay for the Prescription Drug at the time of purchase. The contracted pharmacy reimbursement rates (the Prescription Drug Charge) will not be available to you at a non-Network Pharmacy. If you do not obtain prior authorization before you purchase the Prescription Drug, you can request reimbursement after you receive the Prescription Drug - see Section 9, *Claims Procedures*, for information on how to file a claim.

When you submit a claim on this basis, you may pay more because you did not obtain prior authorization from UnitedHealthcare before the Prescription Drug was dispensed. The amount you are reimbursed will be based on the Prescription Drug Charge (for Prescription Drugs from a Network Pharmacy) or the Out-of-Network Reimbursement Rate (for Prescription Drugs from a non-Network Pharmacy), less the required Copayment and/or Coinsurance and any Deductible that applies.

To determine if a Prescription Drug requires prior authorization, either visit **[www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com)** or call the toll-free number on your ID card. The Prescription Drugs requiring prior authorization are subject to UnitedHealthcare's periodic review and modification.

Benefits may not be available for the Prescription Drug after the Claims Administrator reviews the documentation provided and determines that the Prescription Drug is not a Covered Health Service or it is an Experimental or Investigational or Unproven Service.

UnitedHealthcare may also require prior authorization for certain programs which may have specific requirements for participation and/or activation of an enhanced level of Benefits associated with such programs. You may access information on available programs and any applicable prior authorization, participation or activation requirements associated with such

programs through the Internet at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or by calling the toll-free number on your ID card.

## Prescription Drug Benefit Claims

For Prescription Drug claims procedures, please refer to Section 9, *Claims Procedures*.

## Limitation on Selection of Pharmacies

If the Claims Administrator determines that you may be using Prescription Drugs in a harmful or abusive manner, or with harmful frequency, your selection of Network Pharmacies may be limited. If this happens, you may be required to select a single Network Pharmacy that will provide and coordinate all future pharmacy services. Benefits will be paid only if you use the designated single Network Pharmacy. If you don't make a selection within 31 days of the date the Plan Administrator notifies you, the Claims Administrator will select a single Network Pharmacy for you.

## Supply Limits

Some Prescription Drugs are subject to supply limits that may restrict the amount dispensed per prescription order or refill. To determine if a Prescription Drug has been assigned a maximum quantity level for dispensing, either visit [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or call the toll-free number on your ID card. Whether or not a Prescription Drug has a supply limit is subject to UnitedHealthcare's periodic review and modification.

**Note:** Some products are subject to additional supply limits based on criteria that the Plan Administrator and the Claims Administrator have developed, subject to periodic review and modification. The limit may restrict the amount dispensed per prescription order or refill and/or the amount dispensed per month's supply.

## If a Brand-name Drug Becomes Available as a Generic

If a Brand-name Prescription Drug becomes available as a Generic drug, the tier placement of the Brand-name Drug may change. As a result, your Coinsurance may change. You will pay the Coinsurance applicable for the tier to which the Prescription Drug is assigned.

## Special Programs

City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare may have certain programs in which you may receive an enhanced or reduced benefit based on your actions such as adherence/compliance to medication or treatment regimens and/or participation in health management programs. You may access information on these programs through the Internet at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or by calling the number on the back of your ID card.

## Prescription Drugs Prescribed by a Specialist Physician

You may receive an enhanced or reduced benefit, or no benefit, based on whether the Prescription Drug was prescribed by a specialist physician. You may access information on which Prescription Drugs are subject to benefit enhancement, reduction or no benefit through the Internet at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or by calling the telephone number on your ID card.



## Rebates and Other Discounts

UnitedHealthcare and City of Columbia, Missouri may, at times, receive rebates for certain drugs on the PDL. UnitedHealthcare does not pass these rebates and other discounts on to you nor does UnitedHealthcare take them into account when determining your Coinsurance.

The Claims Administrator and a number of its affiliated entities, conduct business with various pharmaceutical manufacturers separate and apart from this Prescription Drug section. Such business may include, but is not limited to, data collection, consulting, educational grants and research. Amounts received from pharmaceutical manufacturers pursuant to such arrangements are not related to this Prescription Drug section. The Claims Administrator is not required to pass on to you, and does not pass on to you, such amounts.

## Coupons, Incentives and Other Communications

At various times, UnitedHealthcare may send mailings or provide other communications to you, your Physician or your pharmacy that communicate a variety of messages, including information about Prescription Drugs. These communications may include offers that enable you, at your discretion, to purchase the described product at a discount. In some instances, non-UnitedHealthcare entities may support and/or provide content for these communications and offers. Only you and your Physician can determine whether a change in your Prescription and/or non-prescription Drug regimen is appropriate for your medical condition.

UnitedHealthcare may not permit certain coupons or offers from pharmaceutical manufacturers to reduce your Copayment and/or Coinsurance. You may access information on which coupons or offers are not permitted through the Internet at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or by calling the number on your ID card.

## Exclusions - What the Prescription Drug Plan Will Not Cover

Exclusions from coverage listed in Section 8, *Exclusions and Limitations* apply also to this section. In addition, the exclusions listed below apply.

When an exclusion applies to only certain Prescription Drugs, you can access [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) through the Internet or by calling the telephone number on your ID card for information on which Prescription Drugs are excluded.

Medications that are:

1. for any condition, Injury, Sickness or mental illness arising out of, or in the course of, employment for which benefits are available under any workers' compensation law or other similar laws, whether or not a claim for such benefits is made or payment or benefits are received;
2. any Prescription Drug for which payment or benefits are provided or available from the local, state or federal government (for example Medicare) whether or not payment or benefits are received, except as otherwise provided by law;

3. Pharmaceutical products for which Benefits are provided in the medical (not in Section 15, *Prescription Drugs*) portion of the Plan;

This exclusion does not apply to Depo Provera and other injectable drugs used for contraception.

4. available over-the-counter that do not require a prescription order or refill by federal or state law before being dispensed, unless the Plan Administrator has designated over-the-counter medication as eligible for coverage as if it were a Prescription Drug and it is obtained with a prescription order or refill from a Physician. Prescription Drugs that are available in over-the-counter form or comprised of components that are available in over-the-counter form or equivalent. Certain Prescription Drugs that the Plan Administrator has determined are Therapeutically Equivalent to an over-the-counter drug. Such determinations may be made up to six times during a calendar year, and the Plan Administrator may decide at any time to reinstate Benefits for a Prescription Drug that was previously excluded under this provision;
5. Compounded drugs that contain certain bulk chemicals. (Compounded drugs that contain at least one ingredient that requires a Prescription Order or Refill are assigned to Tier-3.) Compounded drugs that are available as a similar commercially available Prescription Drug;
6. dispensed outside of the United States, except in an Emergency;
7. Durable Medical Equipment (prescribed and non-prescribed outpatient supplies, other than the diabetic supplies and inhaler spacers specifically stated as covered);
8. certain Prescription Drugs for smoking cessation;
9. growth hormone for children with familial short stature based upon heredity and not caused by a diagnosed medical condition;
10. the amount dispensed (days' supply or quantity limit) which exceeds the supply limit;
11. the amount dispensed (days' supply or quantity limit) which is less than the minimum supply limit;
12. certain Prescription Drugs that have not been prescribed by a specialist physician;
13. certain new drugs and/or new dosages, until they are reviewed and assigned to a tier by the PDL Management Committee;
14. prescribed, dispensed or intended for use during an Inpatient Stay;
15. prescribed for appetite suppression, and other weight loss products;
16. prescribed to treat infertility;

17. Prescription Drugs, including new Prescription Drugs or new dosage forms, that UnitedHealthcare and City of Columbia, Missouri determines do not meet the definition of a Covered Health Service;
18. A Prescription Drug that contains (an) active ingredient(s) available in and Therapeutically Equivalent to another covered Prescription Drug. Such determinations may be made up to six times during a calendar year, and UnitedHealthcare may decide at any time to reinstate Benefits for a Prescription Drug that was previously excluded under this provision;
19. A Prescription Drug that contains (an) active ingredient(s) which is (are) a modified version of and Therapeutically Equivalent to another covered Prescription Drug. Such determinations may be made up to six times during a calendar year, and UnitedHealthcare may decide at any time to reinstate Benefits for a Prescription Drug that was previously excluded under this provision;
20. Certain Prescription Drugs for which there are Therapeutically Equivalent alternatives available, unless otherwise required by law or approved by UnitedHealthcare. Such determinations may be made up to six times during a calendar year, and UnitedHealthcare may decide at any time to reinstate Benefits for a Prescription Drug that was previously excluded under this provision;
21. typically administered by a qualified provider or licensed health professional in an outpatient setting. This exclusion does not apply to Depo Provera and other injectable drugs used for contraception;
22. unit dose packaging of Prescription Drugs;
23. used for conditions and/or at dosages determined to be Experimental or Investigational, or Unproven, unless UnitedHealthcare and City of Columbia, Missouri have agreed to cover an Experimental or Investigational or Unproven treatment, as defined in Section 14, *Glossary*;
24. used for cosmetic purposes;
25. Prescription Drug as a replacement for a previously dispensed Prescription Drug that was lost, stolen, broken or destroyed;
26. vitamins, except for the following which require a prescription:
  - prenatal vitamins;
  - vitamins with fluoride; and
  - single entity vitamins;
27. any product for which the primary use is a source of nutrition, nutritional supplements, or dietary management of disease, and prescription medical food products even when used for the treatment of Sickness or Injury;
28. dental products, including but not limited to prescription fluoride topicals;

29. A Prescription Drug with an approved biosimilar or a biosimilar and Therapeutically Equivalent to another covered Prescription Drug. For the purpose of this exclusion a "biosimilar" is a biological Prescription Drug approved based on showing that it is highly similar to a reference product (a biological Prescription Drug) and has no clinically meaningful differences in terms of safety and effectiveness from the reference product. Such determinations may be made up to six times during a calendar year, and UnitedHealthcare may decide at any time to reinstate Benefits for a Prescription Drug that was previously excluded under this provision; and
30. Health services and supplies that do not meet the definition of a Covered Health Service as defined in this Section 15, *Prescription Drugs*, under *Glossary – Prescription Drugs*. Covered Health Services are those health services including services, supplies, Prescription Drugs, which UnitedHealthcare determines to be all of the following:
- Medically Necessary as defined in this Section 15, *Prescription Drugs*, under *Glossary – Prescription Drugs*.
  - Described as a Covered Health Service in this SPD under the Schedule of Benefits Prescription Drug Coverage Highlights in this Section 15, *Prescription Drugs*.
  - Not otherwise excluded in this SPD.

## Glossary - Prescription Drugs

In addition to the definitions in Section 14, *Glossary*, the following definitions apply in this Section 15, *Prescription Drugs*.

**Brand-name** - a Prescription Drug that is either:

- manufactured and marketed under a trademark or name by a specific drug manufacturer; or
- identified by UnitedHealthcare as a Brand-name Drug based on available data resources including, but not limited to, Medi-Span, that classify drugs as either Brand-name or Generic based on a number of factors.

You should know that all products identified as "brand name" by the manufacturer, pharmacy, or your Physician may not be classified as Brand-name by the Claims Administrator.

**Covered Health Services** – those health services, including services, supplies or pharmaceutical products, which the Claims Administrator determines to be:

- Medically Necessary.
- Described as a Covered Health Service under the *Schedule of Benefits* in this Section 15, *Prescription Drugs*.
- Provided to a Covered Person who meets the Plan's eligibility requirements, as described in this SPD under *Eligibility* in Section 2, *Introduction*.
- Not otherwise excluded in this Section 15, *Prescription Drugs* or under Section 8, *Exclusions and Limitations* of this SPD.

**Designated Pharmacy** – a pharmacy that has entered into an agreement with UnitedHealthcare or with an organization contracting on its behalf, to provide specific Prescription Drugs including, but not limited to, Specialty Prescription Drugs. The fact that a pharmacy is a Network Pharmacy does not mean that it is a Designated Pharmacy.

**Generic** - a Prescription Drug that is either:

- chemically equivalent to a Brand-name drug; or
- identified by UnitedHealthcare as a Generic Drug based on available data resources, including, but not limited to, Medi-Span, that classify drugs as either Brand-name or Generic based on a number of factors.

You should know that all products identified as a "generic" by the manufacturer, pharmacy or your Physician may not be classified as a Generic by the Claims Administrator.

**Medically Necessary** – health care services provided for the purpose of preventing, evaluating, diagnosing or treating a Sickness, Injury, Mental Illness, substance-related and addictive disorder, condition, disease or its symptoms, that are all of the following as

determined by the Claims Administrator or its designee, within the Claims Administrator's sole discretion. The services must be:

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

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

If no credible scientific evidence is available, then standards that are based on Physician specialty society recommendations or professional standards of care may be considered. The Claims Administrator reserves the right to consult expert opinion in determining whether health care services are Medically Necessary. The decision to apply Physician specialty society recommendations, the choice of expert and the determination of when to use any such expert opinion, shall be within the Claims Administrator's sole discretion.

The Claims Administrator develops and maintains clinical policies that describe the *Generally Accepted Standards of Medical Practice* scientific evidence, prevailing medical standards and clinical guidelines supporting its determinations regarding specific services. These clinical policies (as developed by the Claims Administrator and revised from time to time), are available to Covered Persons on [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or by calling the number on your ID card, and to Physicians and other health care professionals on [www.UnitedHealthcareOnline.com](http://www.UnitedHealthcareOnline.com).

**Network Pharmacy** - a retail or mail order pharmacy that has:

- entered into an agreement with the Claims Administrator to dispense Prescription Drugs to Covered Persons;
- agreed to accept specified reimbursement rates for Prescription Drugs; and
- been designated by the Claims Administrator as a Network Pharmacy.

**Out-of-Network Reimbursement Rate** – the amount the Plan will pay to reimburse you for a Prescription Drug Product that is dispensed at a non-Network Pharmacy. The Out-of-Network Reimbursement Rate for a particular Prescription Drug Product dispensed at a non-Network Pharmacy includes a dispensing fee and any applicable sales tax.

**PDL** - see Prescription Drug List (PDL).

**PDL Management Committee** - see Prescription Drug List (PDL) Management Committee.

**Prescription Drug** - a medication, or product that has been approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and that can, under federal or state law, be dispensed only pursuant to a Prescription Order or Refill. A Prescription Drug includes a medication that, due to its characteristics, is appropriate for self-administration or administration by a non-skilled caregiver. For purposes of Benefits under this Plan, this definition includes:

- Inhalers (with spacers).
- Insulin.
- The following diabetic supplies:
  - Standard insulin syringes with needles.
  - Blood-testing strips - glucose.
  - Urine-testing strips - glucose.
  - Ketone-testing strips and tablets.
  - Lancets and lancet devices.
  - Glucose meters. This does not include continuous glucose monitors. Benefits for continuous glucose monitors are provided as described in your SPD.

**Prescription Drug Charge** – the rate the Plan has agreed to pay UnitedHealthcare on behalf of its Network Pharmacies, including the applicable dispensing fee and any applicable sales tax, for a Prescription Drug dispensed at a Network Pharmacy.

**Prescription Drug List (PDL)** - a list that categorizes into tiers medications, products or devices that have been approved by the *U.S. Food and Drug Administration*. This list is subject to periodic review and modification (generally quarterly, but no more than six times per calendar year). You may determine to which tier a particular Prescription Drug has been assigned by contacting UnitedHealthcare at the toll-free number on your ID card or by logging onto [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com).

**Prescription Drug List (PDL) Management Committee** - the committee that UnitedHealthcare designates for, among other responsibilities, classifying Prescription Drugs into specific tiers.

**Preventive Care Medications** - the medications that are obtained at a Network Pharmacy and that are payable at 100% of the Prescription Drug Charge (without application of any Copayment, Coinsurance, Annual Deductible, Annual Prescription Drug Deductible or Specialty Prescription Drug Annual Deductible) as required by applicable law under any of the following:

- evidence-based items or services that have in effect a rating of "A" or "B" in the current recommendations of the United States Preventive Services Task Force;

- immunizations that have in effect a recommendation from the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention;
- with respect to infants, children and adolescents, evidence-informed preventive care and screenings provided for in the comprehensive guidelines supported by the Health Resources and Services Administration; or
- with respect to women, such additional preventive care and screenings as provided for in comprehensive guidelines supported by the Health Resources and Services Administration.

You may determine whether a drug is a Preventive Care Medication through the internet at [www.myuhc.com](http://www.myuhc.com) or by calling UnitedHealthcare at the toll-free telephone number on your ID card.

**Specialty Prescription Drug** - Prescription Drug that is generally high cost, self-injectable, oral or inhaled biotechnology drug used to treat patients with certain illnesses. For more information, visit [myuhc.com](http://myuhc.com) or call UnitedHealthcare at the toll-free number on your ID card.

**Therapeutically Equivalent** – when Prescription Drugs have essentially the same efficacy and adverse effect profile.

**Usual and Customary Charge** – the usual fee that a pharmacy charges individuals for a Prescription Drug without reference to reimbursement to the pharmacy by third parties. The Usual and Customary Charge includes a dispensing fee and any applicable sales tax.



## SECTION 16 - IMPORTANT ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION: ERISA

**What this section includes:**

- Plan administrative information.

This section includes information on the administration of the medical Plan. While you may not need this information for your day-to-day participation, it is information you may find important.

### *Additional Plan Description*

**Claims Administrator:** The company which provides certain administrative services for the Plan Benefits described in this Summary Plan Description.

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9900 Bren Road East  
Minnetonka, MN 55343

The Claims Administrator shall not be deemed or construed as an employer for any purpose with respect to the administration or provision of benefits under the Plan Sponsor's Plan. The Claims Administrator shall not be responsible for fulfilling any duties or obligations of an employer with respect to the Plan Sponsor's Plan.

**Type of Administration of the Plan:** The Plan Sponsor provides certain administrative services in connection with its Plan. The Plan Sponsor may, from time to time in its sole discretion, contract with outside parties to arrange for the provision of other administrative services including arrangement of access to a Network Provider; claims processing services, including coordination of benefits and subrogation; utilization management and complaint resolution assistance. This external administrator is referred to as the Claims Administrator. For Benefits as described in this Summary Plan Description, the Plan Sponsor also has selected a provider network established by United HealthCare Insurance Company. The named fiduciary of Plan is City of Columbia, Missouri, the Plan Sponsor.

The Plan Sponsor retains all fiduciary responsibilities with respect to the Plan except to the extent the Plan Sponsor has delegated or allocated to other persons or entities one or more fiduciary responsibility with respect to the Plan.

## ATTACHMENT I - HEALTH CARE REFORM NOTICES

### Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act ("PPACA")

#### *Patient Protection Notices*

The Claims Administrator generally allows the designation of a primary care provider. You have the right to designate any primary care provider who participates in the Claims Administrator's network and who is available to accept you or your family members. For information on how to select a primary care provider, and for a list of the participating primary care providers, contact the Claims Administrator at the number on the back of your ID card.

For children, you may designate a pediatrician as the primary care provider.

You do not need prior authorization from the Claims Administrator or from any other person (including a primary care provider) in order to obtain access to obstetrical or gynecological care from a health care professional in the Claims Administrator's network who specializes in obstetrics or gynecology. The health care professional, however, may be required to comply with certain procedures, including obtaining prior authorization for certain services, following a pre-approved treatment plan, or procedures for making referrals. For a list of participating health care professionals who specialize in obstetrics or gynecology, contact the Claims Administrator at the number on the back of your ID card.

## **ATTACHMENT II – LEGAL NOTICES**

### **Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998**

As required by the Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998, we provide Benefits under the Plan for mastectomy, including reconstruction and surgery to achieve symmetry between the breasts, prostheses, and complications resulting from a mastectomy (including lymphedema).

If you are receiving Benefits in connection with a mastectomy, Benefits are also provided for the following Covered Health Services, as you determine appropriate with your attending Physician:

- All stages of reconstruction of the breast on which the mastectomy was performed;
- Surgery and reconstruction of the other breast to produce a symmetrical appearance; and
- Prostheses and treatment of physical complications of the mastectomy, including lymphedema.

The amount you must pay for such Covered Health Services (including Copayments and any Annual Deductible) are the same as are required for any other Covered Health Service. Limitations on Benefits are the same as for any other Covered Health Service.

### **Statement of Rights under the Newborns' and Mothers' Health Protection Act**

Under Federal law, group health Plans and health insurance issuers offering group health insurance coverage generally may not restrict Benefits for any Hospital length of stay in connection with childbirth for the mother or newborn child to less than 48 hours following a vaginal delivery, or less than 96 hours following a delivery by cesarean section. However, the Plan or issuer may pay for a shorter stay if the attending provider (e.g., your physician, nurse midwife, or physician assistant), after consultation with the mother, discharges the mother or newborn earlier.

Also, under Federal law, plans and issuers may not set the level of Benefits or out-of-pocket costs so that any later portion of the 48-hour (or 96-hour) stay is treated in a manner less favorable to the mother or newborn than any earlier portion of the stay.

In addition, a plan or issuer may not, under Federal law, require that a physician or other health care provider obtain authorization for prescribing a length of stay of up to 48 hours (or 96 hours). However, to use certain providers or facilities, or to reduce your out-of-pocket costs, you may be required to obtain precertification. For information on precertification, contact your issuer.

## ATTACHMENT III - HEALTH SAVINGS ACCOUNT

### What this attachment includes:

- About Health Savings Accounts;
- Who is eligible and how to enroll;
- Contributions;
- Additional medical expense coverage available with your Health Savings Account;
- Using the HSA for Non-Qualified Expenses; and
- Rolling over funds in your HSA.

### Introduction

This attachment to the Summary Plan Description (SPD) describes some key features of the Health Savings Account (HSA) that you could establish to complement the , which is a high deductible medical plan. In particular, and except as otherwise indicated, this attachment will address the Health Savings Account, and not the high deductible health plan that is associated with the "HSA".

City of Columbia, Missouri has entered into an agreement with United HealthCare Services, Inc., Minnetonka, MN, ("UnitedHealthcare") under which UnitedHealthcare will provide certain administrative services to the Plan.

UnitedHealthcare does not insure the benefits described in this attachment. Further, note that it is the Plan's intention to comply with Department of Labor guidance set forth in Field Assistance Bulletin No. 2004-1, which specifies that an HSA is not an ERISA plan if certain requirements are satisfied.

The HSA described in this section is not an arrangement that is established and maintained by City of Columbia, Missouri. Rather, the HSA is established and maintained by the HSA trustee. However, for administrative convenience, a description of the HSA is provided in this section.

### About Health Savings Accounts

You gain choice and control over your health care decisions and expenditures when you establish your HSA to complement the high deductible medical plan described in the SPD.

An HSA is an account funded by you, your employer, or any other person on your behalf. The HSA can help you to cover, on a tax free basis, medical plan expenses that require you to pay out-of-pocket, such as Deductibles, Copayments or Coinsurance. It may even be used to pay for, among other things, certain medical expenses not covered under the medical plan design. Amounts may be distributed from the HSA to pay non-medical expenses, however, these amounts are subject to income tax and may be subject to 20 percent penalty.

You have three tools you can use to meet your health care needs:

- a high deductible medical plan which is discussed in your Summary Plan Description;
- an HSA you establish; and
- health information, tools and support.

Benefits available under your medical plan are described in your medical plan Summary Plan Description (SPD).

**What is an HSA?**

An HSA is a tax-advantaged account Participants can use to pay for qualified health expenses they or their eligible dependents incur, while covered under a high deductible medical plan. HSA contributions:

- accumulate over time with interest or investment earnings;
- are portable after employment; and
- can be used to pay for qualified health expenses tax-free or for non-health expenses on a taxable basis.

**Who Is Eligible And How To Enroll**

Eligibility to participate in the Health Savings Account is described in the SPD for your high deductible medical plan. You must be covered under a high deductible medical plan in order to participate in the HSA. In addition, you:

- must not be covered by any high deductible medical plan considered non-qualified by the IRS. (This does not include coverage under an ancillary plan such as vision or dental, or any other permitted insurance as defined by the IRS.)
- must not participate in a full health care Flexible Spending Account (FSA);
- must not be entitled to Benefits under Medicare (i.e., enrolled in Medicare); and
- must not be claimed as a dependent on another person's tax return.

**Contributions**

Contributions to your HSA can be made by you, by your employer or by any other individual. All funds placed into your HSA are owned and controlled by you, subject to any reasonable administrative restrictions imposed by the trustee.

Contributions can be made to your HSA beginning on the first day of the month you are enrolled in the Health Savings Account until the earlier of (i) the date on which you file taxes for that year; or (ii) the date on which the contributions reach the contribution maximum.

Note that if coverage under a qualified high deductible health plan terminates, no further contributions may be made to the HSA.

The contribution maximum is the single and family limits set by federal regulations. Individuals between the ages of 55 and Medicare entitlement age may contribute additional funds monthly to their HSA up to the maximum allowed by federal regulations. The maximum limits set by federal regulations may be found on the IRS website at [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov).

If you enroll in your HSA within the year (not on January 1) you will still be allowed to contribute the maximum amount set by federal regulations. However, you must remain enrolled in a high deductible health plan and HSA until the end of the 12th month from your initial enrollment or you will be subject to tax implications and an additional tax of 10%.

*Note:* Amounts that exceed the contribution maximum are not tax-deductible and will be subject to an excise tax unless withdrawn as an "excess contribution" prior to April 15th of the following year.

### **Reimbursable Expenses**

The funds in your HSA will be available to help you pay your or your eligible dependents' out-of-pocket costs under the medical plan, including Annual Deductibles, Copayments and Coinsurance. You may also use your HSA funds to pay for medical care that is not covered under the medical plan design but is considered a deductible medical expense for federal income tax purposes under Section 213(d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time. Such expenses are "qualified health expenses". Please see the description of *Additional Medical Expense Coverage Available With Your Health Savings Account* below, for additional information. HSA funds used for such purposes are not subject to income or excise taxes.

"Qualified health expenses" only include the medical expenses of you and your eligible dependents, meaning your spouse and any other family members whom you are allowed to file as dependents on your federal tax return, as defined in Section 152 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time.

HSA funds may also be used to pay for non-qualified health expenses but will generally be subject to income tax and a 20% additional tax unless an exception applies (i.e., your death, your disability, or your attainment of age 65).

### **Additional Medical Expense Coverage Available with Your Health Savings Account**

A complete description of, and a definitive and current list of what constitutes eligible medical expenses, is available in IRS Publication 502 which is available from any regional IRS office or IRS website.

If you receive any additional medical services and you have funds in your HSA, you may use the funds in your HSA to pay for the medical expenses. If you choose not to use your HSA funds to pay for any Section 213(d) expenses that are not Covered Health Services, you will still be required to pay the provider for services.

The monies paid for these additional medical expenses will not count toward your Annual Deductible or Out-of-Pocket Maximum.

## Using the HSA for Non-Qualified Expenses

You have the option of using funds in your HSA to pay for non-qualified health expenses. A non-qualified health expense is generally one which is not a deductible medical expense under Section 213(d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. Any funds used from your HSA to pay for non-qualified expenses will be subject to income tax and a 20% additional tax unless an exception applies (i.e., your death, your disability, or your attainment of age 65).

In general, you may not use your HSA to pay for other health insurance without incurring a tax. You may use your HSA to pay for COBRA premiums and Medicare premiums.

## Rollover Feature

If you do not use all of the funds in your HSA during the calendar year, the balance remaining in your HSA will roll-over. If your employment terminates for any reason, the funds in your HSA will continue to be owned and controlled by you, whether or not you elect COBRA coverage for the accompanying high deductible health plan, as described in your medical plan SPD.

If you choose to transfer the HSA funds from one account to another eligible account, you must do so within 60 days from the date that HSA funds are distributed to you to avoid paying taxes on the funds. If you elect COBRA, the HSA funds will be available to assist you in paying your out-of-pocket costs under the medical plan and COBRA premiums while COBRA coverage is in effect.

### **Important**

Be sure to keep your receipts and medical records. If these records verify that you paid qualified health expenses using your HSA, you can deduct these expenses from your taxable income when filing your tax return. However, if you cannot demonstrate that you used your HSA to pay qualified health expenses, you may need to report the distribution as taxable income on your tax return. City of Columbia, Missouri and UnitedHealthcare will not verify that distributions from your HSA are for qualified health expenses. Consult your tax advisor to determine how your HSA affects your unique tax situation.

The IRS may request receipts during a tax audit. City of Columbia, Missouri and the Claims Administrator are not responsible or liable for the misuse by Participants of HSA funds by, or for the use by Participants of HSA funds for non-qualified health expenses.

## Additional Information About the HSA

It is important for you to know the amount in your HSA account prior to withdrawing funds. You should not withdraw funds that will exceed the available balance.

Upon request from a health care professional, UnitedHealthcare and/or the financial institution holding your HSA funds may provide the health care professional with information regarding the balance in your HSA. At no time will UnitedHealthcare provide the actual dollar amount in your HSA, but they may confirm that there are funds sufficient to cover an obligation owed by you to that health care professional. If you do not want this

information disclosed, you must notify the Claims Administrator and the financial institution in writing.

You can obtain additional information on your HSA online at [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov). You may also contact your tax advisor. Please note that additional rules may apply to a Dependent's intent to opening an HSA.



## ATTACHMENT IV – NONDISCRIMINATION AND ACCESSIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

When the Plan uses the words "Claims Administrator" in this Attachment, it is a reference to United HealthCare Services, Inc., on behalf of itself and its affiliated companies.

The Claims Administrator on behalf of itself and its affiliated companies complies with applicable Federal civil rights laws and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex. UnitedHealthcare does not exclude people or treat them differently because of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex.

The Claims Administrator provides free aids and services to people with disabilities to communicate effectively with us, such as:

- Qualified sign language interpreters
- Written information in other formats (large print, audio, accessible electronic formats, other formats)
- Provides free language services to people whose primary language is not English, such as: Qualified interpreters
- Information written in other languages

If you need these services, please call the toll-free member number on your health plan ID card, TTY 711 or the Plan Sponsor.

If you believe that the Claims Administrator has failed to provide these services or discriminated in another way on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex, you can file a grievance in writing by mail or email with the Civil Rights Coordinator identified below. A grievance must be sent within 60 calendar days of the date that you become aware of the discriminatory action and contain the name and address of the person filing it along with the problem and the requested remedy.

A written decision will be sent to you within 30 calendar days. If you disagree with the decision, you may file an appeal within 15 calendar days of receiving the decision.

<b>Claims Administrator Civil Rights Coordinator</b>
<b>United HealthCare Services, Inc. Civil Rights Coordinator</b> UnitedHealthcare Civil Rights Grievance P.O. Box 30608 Salt Lake City, UT 84130 The toll-free member phone number listed on your health plan ID card, TTY 711 UHC_Civil_Rights@UHC.com

If you need help filing a grievance, the Civil Rights Coordinator identified above is available to help you.

You can also file a complaint directly with the U.S. Dept. of Health and Human services online, by phone or mail:

Online <https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf>

Complaint forms are available at <http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html>

Phone: Toll-free 1-800-368-1019, 800-537-7697 (TDD)

Mail: U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, 200 Independence Avenue, SW Room 509F, HHH Building, Washington, D.C. 20201

**ATTACHMENT V – GETTING HELP IN OTHER LANGUAGES OR FORMATS**

You have the right to get help and information in your language at no cost. To request an interpreter, call the toll-free member phone number listed on your health plan ID card, press 0. TTY 711.

This letter is also available in other formats like large print. To request the document in another format, please call the toll-free member phone number listed on your health plan ID card, press 0. TTY 711, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Language	Translated Taglines
1. Albanian	Ju keni të drejtë të merrni ndihmë dhe informacion falas në gjuhën tuaj. Për të kërkuar një përkthyes, telefononi në numrin që gjendet në kartën e planit tuaj shëndetësor, shtypni 0. TTY 711.
2. Amharic	ያለ ምንም ክፍያ በቋንቋዎ እርዳታና መረጃ የማግኘት መብት አላችሁ። አስተርጓሚ እንዲቀርብልዎ ከራሉ በጤና ፕላን መታወቂያዎት ላይ ባለው በተጻ መስመር ስልክ ቁጥር ይደውሉና 0ን ይጫኑ። TTY 711
3. Arabic	لك الحق في الحصول على المساعدة والمعلومات بلغتك دون تحمل أي تكلفة. لطلب مترجم فوري، اتصل برقم الهاتف المجاني الخاص بالأعضاء المدرج ببطاقة مُعرّف العضوية الخاصة بخطتك الصحية، واضغط على 0. الهاتف النصي (TTY) 711
4. Armenian	Թարգմանիչ պահանջելու համար, զանգահարե՛ք Ձեր ստորոջապահական ծրագրի ինքնություն (ID) տոմսի վրա նշված անվճար Անդամների հեռախոսահամարով, սեղմե՛ք 0: TTY 711
5. Bantu-Kirundi	Urafise uburenganzira bwo kuronka ubufasha n’amakuru mu rurimi rwawe ku buntu. Kugira usabe umusemuzi, hamagara inomero ya telephone y’ubuntu yagenewe abanywanyi iri ku rutonde ku karangamuntu k’umugambi wawe w’ubuzima, fyonda 0. TTY 711
6. Bisayan-Visayan (Cebuano)	Aduna kay katungod nga mangayo og tabang ug impormasyon sa imong lengguwahe nga walay bayad. Aron mohangyo og tighubad, tawag sa toll-free nga numero sa telepono sa miyembro nga nakalista sa imong ID kard sa plano sa panglawas, pindota ang 0. TTY 711
7. Bengali-Bangala	অনুবাদের অনুরোধ থাকলে, আপনার স্বাস্থ্য পরিকল্পনার আই ডি কার্ড এ তালিকাভুক্ত ও কর দিতে হবে না এমন টেলিফোন নম্বরে ফোন করুন। (০) শূণ্য চাপুন। TTY 711
8. Burmese	ကုန်ကျစရိတ်ပေးရန်မလိုဘဲ မိမိဘာသာစကားဖြင့် အကူအညီနှင့် သတင်းအချက်အလက်များ ကိုရယူနိုင်ခြင်း သည်သင်၏အခွင့်အရေးဖြစ်သည်။ စကားပြန်တစ်ဦးတောင်းဆိုရန်သင်၏ကျန်းမာရေးအစီအစဉ် လက်မှတ်ပေါ်ရှိအသင်းဝင်များအတွက်အခမဲ့ရန်လိုင်းသို့ခေါ်ဆိုပြီး 0 ကိုနှိပ်ပါ။ TTY 711



Language	Translated Taglines
19. Gujarati	તમને વિના મૂલ્યે મદદ અને તમારી ભાષામાં માહિતી મેળવવાનો અધિકાર છે. દુભાષિયા માટે વિનંતી કરવા, તમારા હેલ્થ પ્લાન ID કાર્ડ પરની સૂચીમાં આપેલ ટોલ-ફ્રી મેમ્બર ફોન નંબર ઉપર કોલ કરો, ૦ દબાવો. TTY 711
20. Hawaiian	He pono ke kōkua ‘ana aku iā ‘oe ma ka maopopo ‘ana o kēia ‘ike ma loko o kāu ‘ōlelo pono‘ī me ka uku ‘ole ‘ana. E kama‘ilio ‘oe me kekahi kanaka unuhi, e kāhea i ka helu kelepona kāki ‘ole ma kou kāleka olakino, a e kaomi i ka helu 0. TTY 711.
21. Hindi	आप के पास अपनी भाषा में सहायता एवं जानकारी निःशुल्क प्राप्त करने का अधिकार है। दुभाषिए के लिए अनुरोध करने के लिए, अपने हैल्थ प्लान ID कार्ड पर सूचीबद्ध टोल-फ्री नंबर पर फ़ोन करें, 0 दबाएं। TTY 711
22. Hmong	Koj muaj cai tau kev pab thiab tau cov ntaub ntawv sau ua koj hom lus pub dawb. Yog xav tau ib tug neeg txhais, hu tus xov tooj rau tswv cuab hu dawb uas sau muaj nyob ntawm koj daim yuaj them nqi kho mob, nias 0. TTY 711.
23. Ibo	Inwere ikike inweta enyemaka nakwa imuta asusụ gi n’efu n’akwughị ugwo. Maka ikpoturu onye nsughari okwu, kpoo akara ekwentị nke di n’akwukwo njirimara gi nke emere maka ahụike gi, pịa 0. TTY 711.
24. Ilocano	Adda karbengam nga makaala ti tulong ken impormasyon iti pagsasaom nga libre. Tapno agdawat iti maysa nga agipatarus, tumawag iti toll-free nga numero ti telepono nga para kadagiti kameng nga nakalista ayan ti ID card mo para ti plano ti salun-at, ipindut ti 0. TTY 711
25. Indonesian	Anda berhak untuk mendapatkan bantuan dan informasi dalam bahasa Anda tanpa dikenakan biaya. Untuk meminta bantuan penerjemah, hubungi nomor telepon anggota, bebas pulsa, yang tercantum pada kartu ID rencana kesehatan Anda, tekan 0. TTY 711
26. Italian	Hai il diritto di ottenere aiuto e informazioni nella tua lingua gratuitamente. Per richiedere un interprete, chiama il numero telefonico verde indicato sulla tua tessera identificativa del piano sanitario e premi lo 0. Dispositivi per non udenti/TTY: 711

Language	Translated Taglines
27. Japanese	ご希望の言語でサポートを受けたり、情報を入力したりすることができます。料金はかかりません。通訳をご希望の場合は、医療プランのIDカードに記載されているメンバー用のフリーダイヤルまでお電話の上、0を押してください。TTY専用番号は711です。
28. Karen	နအိၣ်ဒီးတၢ်ခွဲတၢ်ဖၢၣ်လၢနကးန့ၣ်တၢ်ဖၢၣ်တၢ်မၤစၢၤဒီးတၢ်ဂၢၢ်တၢ်က့ၢ်လၢနက့ၢ်ဒၣ်န့ၣ်လၢတၢ်လိၣ်ဟ့ၣ်အပူၤတၢ်န့ၣ်လိၣ်.လၢတၢ်ကယုၣ်ပုၤကတၢၢ်က့ၢ်ထံတၢ်တၢ်အဂီၢ်ကိးတၢ်လိၣ်တၢ်အက့ၢ်လၢကရၢဖိအတၢ်လိၣ်ဟ့ၣ်အပူၤလၢအအိၣ်လၢနတၢ်အိၣ်ဆူၣ်အိၣ်ဆူၣ်တၢ်ရဲၣ်တၢ်က့ၢ်အကးအလိၣ်ဒီးဆိၣ်လိၣ်န့ၢ်ဂံၢ် 0 တက့ၢ်.TTY 711
29. Korean	귀하는 도움과 정보를 귀하의 언어로 비용 부담없이 얻을 수 있는 권리가 있습니다. 통역사를 요청하기 위해서는 귀하의 플랜 ID카드에 기재된 무료 회원 전화번호로 전화하여 0번을 누르십시오. TTY 711
30. Kru- Bassa	Ni gwe kunde I bat mahola ni mawin u hop nan nipehmes be to dolla. Yu kwel ni Kobol mahop seblana, soho ni sebel numba I ni tehe mu I ticket I docta I nan, bep 0. TTY 711
31. Kurdish-Sorani	مافه‌ی ئه‌وه‌ت هه‌یه‌ که بێبه‌رامبه‌ر، یارمه‌تی و زانیاری پێویست به‌ زمانێی خۆت وهرگریت. بۆ داواکردنی وهرگیرتیکی زارمکی، په‌یوه‌ندی بکه‌ به‌ ژماره‌ تله‌فۆنی نوسراو له‌ناو ئای دی کارتی پیناسایی پلانی ته‌ندروستی خۆت و پاشان 0 داگره‌ .TTY 711
32. Laotian	ທ່ານມີສິດທີ່ຈະໄດ້ຮັບການຊ່ວຍເຫຼືອແລະຂໍ້ມູນຂ່າວສານທີ່ເປັນພາສາຂອງທ່ານບໍ່ມີຄ່າໃຊ້ຈ່າຍ. ເພື່ອຂໍຮ້ອງນາຍພາສາ, ໂທພຣິຫາຫມາຍເລກໂທລະສັບສໍາລັບສະມາຊິກທີ່ໄດ້ລະບຸໄວ້ໃນບັດສະມາຊິກຂອງທ່ານ, ກົດເລກ 0. TTY 711
33. Marathi	आपल्याला आपल्या भाषेत विनामूल्य मदत आणि माहिती मिळण्याचा अधिकार आहे. दूभाषकास विनंती करण्यासाठी आपल्या आरोग्य योजना ओळखपत्रावरील सूचीबद्ध केलेल्या सदस्यास विनामूल्य फोन नंबरवर संपर्क करण्यासाठी दाबा 0. TTY 711
34. Marshallese	Eor aṃ maroñ ñan bok jipañ im mejeje ilo kajin eo aṃ ilo ejje!ok wōṇāān. Ñan kajjitōk ñan juon ri-ukok, kūṛ!ok nōṃba eo eṃōj an jeje ilo kaat in ID in karōk in ājmour eo aṃ, jiped 0. TTY 711
35. Micronesian-Pohnpeian	Komw ahneki manaman unsek komwi en alehdi sawas oh mengihtik ni pein omwi tungoal lokaia ni soh isepe. Pwen peki sawas en soun kawehweh, eker delepwohn nempe ong towehkan me soh isepe me ntingihdi ni pein omwi doaropwe me pid koasoandi en kehl, padik 0. TTY 711.

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36. Navajo	T'áá jíík'eh doo bááh 'alínígóó bee baa hane'ígíí t'áá ni nizaád bee níká'e'eyeego bee ná'ahoot'i'. 'Ata' halne'i ła yíníkeedgo, ninaaltsos nit[ 'iz7 'ats'77s bee baa' ahay1 bee n44hazin7g77 bik11' b44sh bee hane'7 t'11 j77k'eh bee hane'7 bik1'7g77 bich'8' hodílnih dóó 0 bíł 'adidíłchíł. TTY 711
37. Nepali	तपाईंले आफ्नो भाषामा निःशुल्क सहयोग र जानकारी प्राप्त गर्ने अधिकार तपाईंसँग छ। अनुवादक प्राप्त गरीपाउँ भनी अनुरोध गर्न, तपाईंको स्वास्थ्य योजना परिचय कार्डमा सूचीकृत टोल-फ्री सदस्य फोन नम्बरमा सम्पर्क गर्नुहोस्, 0 थिचुनुहोस्। TTY 711
38. Nilotic-Dinka	Yín nōŋ lōŋ bē yi kuōny nē wēřēyic de thōŋ du ābac ke cin wēu tāāue ke piny. Ācān bā ran yē kōc ger thok thiēc, ke yín cōl nāmba yene yup abac de ran tōŋ ye kōc wāār thok tō nē ID kat duōn de pānakim yic, thāny 0 yic. TTY 711.
39. Norwegian	<b>Du har rett til å få gratis hjelp og informasjon på ditt eget språk. For å be om en tolk, ring gratisnummeret for medlemmer som er oppført på helsekortet ditt og trykk 0. TTY 711</b>
40. Pennsylvania Dutch	Du hoscht die Recht fer Hilf unn Information in deine Schprooch griege, fer nix. Wann du en Iwwersetzer hawwe willscht, kansch du die frei Telefon Nummer uff dei Gesundheit Blann ID Kaarde yuuse, dricke 0. <b>TTY 711</b>
41. Persian-Farsi	شما حق دارید که کمک و اطلاعات به زبان خود را به طور رایگان دریافت نمایید. برای درخواست مترجم شفاهی با شماره تلفن رایگان قید شده در کارت شناسایی برنامه بهداشتی خود تماس حاصل نموده و 0 را فشار دهید. <b>TTY 711</b>
42. Punjabi	ਤੁਹਾਡੇ ਕੋਲ ਆਪਣੀ ਭਾਸ਼ਾ ਵਿੱਚ ਸਹਾਇਤਾ ਅਤੇ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਮੁਫਤ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤ ਕਰਨ ਦਾ ਅਧਿਕਾਰ ਹੈ। ਦੁਭਾਸ਼ੀਏ ਲਈ ਤੁਹਾਡੇ ਹੈਲਥ ਪਲਾਨ ਆਈਡੀ ਦਿੱਤੇ ਗਏ ਟਾਲ ਫ੍ਰੀ ਮੈਂਬਰ ਫੋਨ ਨੰਬਰ ਟੀਟੀਵਾਈ 711 ਤੇ ਕਾਲ ਕਰੋ, 0 ਦੱਬੋ।
43. Polish	Masz prawo do uzyskania bezpłatnej informacji i pomocy we własnym języku. Po usługi tłumacza zadzwoń pod bezpłatny numer umieszczony na karcie identyfikacyjnej planu medycznego i wciśnij 0. <b>TTY 711</b>
44. Portuguese	<b>Você tem o direito de obter ajuda e informação em seu idioma e sem custos. Para solicitar um intérprete, ligue para o número de telefone gratuito que consta no cartão de ID do seu plano de saúde, pressione 0. TTY 711</b>
45. Romanian	Aveți dreptul de a obține gratuit ajutor și informații în limba dumneavoastră. Pentru a cere un interpret, sunați la numărul de telefon gratuit care se găsește pe cardul dumneavoastră de sănătate, apăsați pe tasta 0. <b>TTY 711</b>





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55. Thai	<p>คุณมีสิทธิที่จะได้รับความช่วยเหลือและข้อมูลในภาษาของคุณได้โดยไม่มีค่าใช้จ่าย หากต้องการขอล่ามแปลภาษา โปรดโทรศัพท์ถึงหมายเลขโทรฟรีที่อยู่บนบัตรประจำตัวสำหรับแผนสุขภาพของคุณ แล้วกด 0 สำหรับผู้ที่มีความบกพร่องทางการได้ยินหรือการพูด โปรดโทรฯถึงหมายเลข 711</p>
56. Tongan- Fakatonga	<p>‘Oku ke ma’u ‘a e totonu ke ma’u ‘a e tokoni mo e ‘u fakamatala ‘i ho’o lea fakafonua ta’etotongi. Ke kole ha tokotaha fakatonulea, ta ki he fika telefoni ta’etotongi ma’ae kau memipa ‘a ee ‘oku lisi ‘I ho’o kaati ID ki ho’o palani ki he mo’uilelei, Lomi’I ‘a e 0. TTY 711</p>
57. Trukese (Chuukese)	<p>Mi wor omw pwung om kopwe nounou ika amasou noum ekkewe aninis ika toropwen aninis nge epwe awewetiw non kapasen fonuom, ese kamo. Ika ka mwochen tungoren aninisin chiakku, kori ewe member nampa, ese pwan kamo, mi pachanong won an noum health plan katen ID, iwe tiki "0". Ren TTY, kori 711.</p>
58. Turkish	<p>Kendi dilinizde ücretsiz olarak yardım ve bilgi alma hakkınız bulunmaktadır. Bir tercüman istemek için sağlık planı kimlik kartınızın üzerinde yer alan ücretsiz telefon numarasını arayınız, sonra 0'a basınız. TTY (yazılı iletişim) için 711</p>
59. Ukrainian	<p>У Вас є право отримати безкоштовну допомогу та інформацію на Вашій рідній мові. Щоб подати запит про надання послуг перекладача, зателефонуйте на безкоштовний номер телефону учасника, вказаний на вашій ідентифікаційній карті плану медичного страхування, натисніть 0. TTY 711</p>
60. Urdu	<p>آپ کو اپنی زبان میں مفت مدد اور معلومات حاصل کرنے کا حق ہے۔ کسی ترجمان سے بات کرنے کے لئے، ٹول فری ممبر فون نمبر پر کال کریں جو آپ کے ہیلتھ پلان آئی ڈی کارڈ پر درج ہے، 0 دبائیں۔ TTY 711</p>
61. Vietnamese	<p>Quý vị có quyền được giúp đỡ và cấp thông tin bằng ngôn ngữ của quý vị miễn phí. Để yêu cầu được thông dịch viên giúp đỡ, vui lòng gọi số điện thoại miễn phí dành cho hội viên được nêu trên thẻ ID chương trình bảo hiểm y tế của quý vị, bấm số 0. TTY 711</p>
62. Yiddish	<p>איר האט די רעכט צו באקומען הילף און אינפארמאציע אין אייער שפראך פריי פון אפצאל. צו פארלאנגען א דאלמעטשער, רופט דעם טאל פרייע מעמבער טעלעפאן נומער וואס שטייט אויף אייער העלט פלאן ID קארטל, דרוקט 0. TTY 711</p>
63. Yoruba	<p>O ní ẹtọ lati rí iranwọ àti ifitónilétí gbà ní èdè rẹ láìsanwọ. Látí bá ògbufọ kan sọrọ, pè sọrí nọmbà ẹrọ ibánisọrọ láìsanwọ ibodè ti a tò sọrí kádi idánimọ ti ètò ilera rẹ, tẹ '0'. TTY 711</p>

## ADDENDUM - UNITEDHEALTH ALLIES

### Introduction

This Addendum to the Summary Plan Description provides discounts for select non-Covered Health Services from Physicians and health care professionals.

When the words "you" and "your" are used the Plan is referring to people who are Covered Persons as the term is defined in the Summary Plan Description (SPD). See Section 14, *Glossary* in the SPD.

***Important:***

UnitedHealth Allies is not a health insurance plan. You are responsible for the full cost of any services purchased, minus the applicable discount. Always use your health insurance plan for Covered Health Services described in the Summary Plan Description (see Section 5, *Plan Highlights*) when a benefit is available.

### What is UnitedHealth Allies?

UnitedHealth Allies is a health value program that offers savings on certain products and services that are not Covered Health Services under your health plan.

Because this is not a health insurance plan, you are not required to receive a referral or submit any claim forms.

Discounts through UnitedHealth Allies are available to you and your Dependents as defined in the Summary Plan Description in Section 14, *Glossary*.

### Selecting a Discounted Product or Service

A list of available discounted products or services can be viewed online at [www.Unitedhealthallies.com](http://www.Unitedhealthallies.com) or by calling the number on the back of your ID card.

After selecting a health care professional and product or service, reserve the preferred rate and print the rate confirmation letter. If you have reserved a product or service with a customer service representative, the rate confirmation letter will be faxed or mailed to you.

***Important:***

You must present the rate confirmation at the time of receiving the product or service in order to receive the discount.

### Visiting Your Selected Health Care Professional

After reserving a preferred rate, make an appointment directly with the health care professional. Your appointment must be within ninety (90) days of the date on your rate confirmation letter.

Present the rate confirmation and your ID card at the time you receive the service. You will be required to pay the preferred rate directly to the health care professional at the time the service is received.

### **Additional UnitedHealth Allies Information**

Additional information on the UnitedHealth Allies program can be obtained online at **[www.Unitedhealthallies.com](http://www.Unitedhealthallies.com)** or by calling the toll-free phone number on the back of your ID card.

## ADDENDUM - PARENTSTEPS®

### Introduction

This Addendum to the Summary Plan Description illustrates the benefits you may be eligible for under the ParentSteps program.

When the words "you" and "your" are used the Plan is referring to people who are Covered Persons as the term is defined in the Summary Plan Description (SPD). See Section 14, *Glossary* in the SPD.

***Important:***

ParentSteps is not a health insurance plan. You are responsible for the full cost of any services purchased. ParentSteps will collect the provider payment from you online via the ParentSteps website and forward the payment to the provider on your behalf. Always use your health insurance plan for Covered Health Services (described in the Summary Plan Description Section 5, *Plan Highlights*) when a benefit is available.

### What is ParentSteps?

ParentSteps is a discount program that offers savings on certain medications and services for the treatment of infertility that are not Covered Health Services under your health plan.

This program also offers:

- guidance to help you make informed decisions on where to receive care;
- education and support resources through experienced infertility nurses;
- access to providers contracted with UnitedHealthcare that offer discounts for infertility medical services; and
- discounts on select medications when filled through a designated pharmacy partner.

Because this is not a health insurance plan, you are not required to receive a referral or submit any claim forms.

Discounts through this program are available to you and your Dependents. Dependents are defined in the Summary Plan Description in Section 14, *Glossary*.

### Registering for ParentSteps

Prior to obtaining discounts on infertility medical treatment or speaking with an infertility nurse you need to register for the program online at [www.myoptumhealthparentsteps.com](http://www.myoptumhealthparentsteps.com) or by calling ParentSteps toll-free at 1-877-801-3507.

### Selecting a Contracted Provider

After registering for the program you can view ParentSteps facilities and clinics online based on location, compare IVF cycle outcome data for each participating provider and see the

specific rates negotiated by ParentSteps with each provider for select types of infertility treatment in order to make an informed decision.

### **Visiting Your Selected Health Care Professional**

Once you have selected a provider, you will be asked to choose that clinic for a consultation. You should then call and make an appointment with that clinic and mention you are a ParentSteps member. ParentSteps will validate your choice and send a validation email to you and the clinic.

### **Obtaining a Discount**

If you and your provider choose a treatment in which ParentSteps discounts apply, the provider will enter in your proposed course of treatment. ParentSteps will alert you, via email, that treatment has been assigned. Once you log in to the ParentSteps website, you will see your treatment plan with a cost breakdown for your review.

After reviewing the treatment plan and determining it is correct you can pay for the treatment online. Once this payment has been made successfully ParentSteps will notify your provider with a statement saying that treatments may begin.

### **Speaking with a Nurse**

Once you have successfully registered for the ParentSteps program you may receive additional educational and support resources through an experienced infertility nurse. You may even work with a single nurse throughout your treatment if you choose.

For questions about diagnosis, treatment options, your plan of care or general support, please contact a ParentSteps nurse via phone (toll-free) by calling 1-866-774-4626.

ParentSteps nurses are available from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Central Time; Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

### **Additional ParentSteps Information**

Additional information on the ParentSteps program can be obtained online at [www.myoptumhealthparentsteps.com](http://www.myoptumhealthparentsteps.com) or by calling 1-877-801-3507 (toll-free).

