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having issued a
Group Master Contract

To

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hereby certifies that

- The persons and their eligible family members (if any) whose names are on file at the office of the Plan Administrator as being eligible for coverage have had the required application for coverage accepted and subscription charge received by Anthem. These persons are covered under and subject to all the exceptions, limitations, and provisions of said Group Master Contract for the benefits described herein;
- Benefits will be paid in accordance with the provisions and limitations of the Group Master Contract; and
- Anthem has delivered to the Plan Administrator the Group Master Contract covering certain persons and their eligible family members (if any) as Members of this Group program.

The Group Master Contract (which includes this Certificate Booklet, and any riders and amendments) form the entire legal agreement (Contract) under which Covered Services are available. All rights which may exist, arise from and are governed by the Group Master Contract and this Certificate Booklet does not constitute a waiver of any of the terms.

The coverage described under this Certificate will be effective and will continue in effect in accordance with the terms, provisions and conditions of the Group Master Contract issued to your Group. This Certificate of Coverage overrides and replaces all contracts and/or certificates which may have been previously issued to you by Anthem.



**Jeffrey P. Fusile,
President**

Si necesita ayuda en español para entender este documento, puede solicitarla sin costo adicional, llamando al número de servicio al cliente.

If you need Spanish-language assistance to understand this document, you may request it at no additional cost by calling Member Services at the number on the back of your Identification Card.

Federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act Notices

Choice of Primary Care Physician

We generally allow the designation of a Primary Care Physician (PCP). You have the right to designate any PCP who participates in our network and who is available to accept you or your family members. For information on how to select a PCP, and for a list of PCPs, contact the telephone number on the back of your Identification Card or refer to our website, www.anthem.com. For children, you may designate a pediatrician as the PCP.

Access to Obstetrical and Gynecological (ObGyn) Care

You do not need prior authorization from us or from any other person (including a PCP) in order to obtain access to obstetrical or gynecological care from a health care professional in our 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 or following a pre-approved treatment plan. For a list of participating health care professionals who specialize in obstetrics or gynecology, contact the telephone number on the back of your Identification Card or refer to our website, www.anthem.com.

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Additional Federal Notices

Statement of Rights under the Newborns' and Mother's Health Protection Act

Group health plans and health insurance issuers generally may not, under Federal law, 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 cesarean section. However, Federal law generally does not prohibit the mother's or newborn's attending Provider, after consulting with the mother, from discharging the mother or her newborn earlier than 48 hours (or 96 hours as applicable). In any case, plans and issuers may not, under Federal law, require that a provider obtain authorization from the Plan or the insurance issuer for prescribing a length of stay not in excess of 48 hours (or 96 hours).

Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act

The Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act provides for parity in the application of aggregate treatment limitations (day or visit limits) on mental health and substance abuse benefits with dollar limits or day/visit limits on medical/surgical benefits. In general, group health plans offering mental health and substance abuse benefits cannot set day/visit limits on mental health or substance abuse benefits that are lower than any such day or visit limits for medical and surgical benefits. A plan that does not impose day or visit limits on medical and surgical benefits may not impose such day or visit limits on mental health and substance abuse benefits offered under the Plan. Also, the Plan may not impose Deductibles, Copayment, Coinsurance, and out of pocket expenses on mental health and substance abuse benefits that are more restrictive than Deductibles, Copayment, Coinsurance, and out of pocket expenses applicable to other medical and surgical benefits. Medical Necessity criteria are available upon request.

Coverage for a Child Due to a Qualified Medical Support Order ("QMCSO")

If you or your spouse are required, due to a QMCSO, to provide coverage for your child(ren), you may ask the Group to provide you, without charge, a written statement outlining the procedures for getting coverage for such child(ren).

Statement of Rights Under the Women's Cancer Rights Act of 1998

If you have had or are going to have a mastectomy, you may be entitled to certain benefits under the Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998 (WHCRA). For individuals receiving mastectomy-related benefits, coverage will be provided in a manner determined in consultation with the attending Physician and the patient, for:

- 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;
- Prostheses; and
- Treatment of physical complications of the mastectomy, including lymphedema.

These benefits will be provided subject to the same Deductibles and Coinsurance applicable to other medical and surgical benefits provided under this Plan. (See the "Schedule of Benefits" for details.) If you would like more information on WHCRA benefits, call us at the number on the back of your Identification Card.

Special Enrollment Notice

If you are declining enrollment for yourself or your Dependents (including your spouse) because of other health insurance coverage, you may in the future be able to enroll yourself or your Dependents in this Plan if you or your Dependents lose eligibility for that other coverage (or if the employer stops contributing towards your or your Dependents' other coverage). However, you must request enrollment within 60 days after your or your Dependents' other coverage ends (or after the employer stops contributing toward the other coverage).

In addition, if you have a new Dependent as a result of marriage, birth, adoption, or placement for adoption, you may be able to enroll yourself and Your Dependents. However, you must request enrollment within 60 days after the marriage, birth, adoption, or placement for adoption.

Eligible Subscribers and Dependents may also enroll under two additional circumstances:

- The Subscriber's or Dependent's Medicaid or Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) coverage is terminated as a result of loss of eligibility; or
- The Subscriber or Dependent becomes eligible for a subsidy (state premium assistance program).

The Subscriber or Dependent must request Special Enrollment within 60 days of the loss of Medicaid/CHIP or of the eligibility determination.

To request special enrollment or obtain more information, call us at the Member Services telephone number on your Identification Card, or contact the Group.

Statement of ERISA Rights

Please note: This section applies to employer sponsored plans **other than** Church employer Groups and government Groups. If you have questions about whether this plan is governed by ERISA, please contact the Plan Administrator (the Group).

The Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) entitles you, as a Member of the Group under this Contract, to:

- Examine, without charge, at the Plan Administrator's office and at other specified locations such as worksites and union halls, all plan documents, including insurance contracts, collective bargaining agreements and copies of all documents filed by this plan with the U.S. Department of Labor, such as detailed annual reports and plan descriptions;
- Obtain copies of all plan documents and other plan information upon written request to the Plan Administrator. The Plan Administrator may make a reasonable charge for these copies; and
- Receive a summary of the plan's annual financial report. The Plan Administrator is required by law to furnish each participant with a copy of this summary financial report.

In addition to creating rights for you and other Employees, ERISA imposes duties on the people responsible for the operation of your Employee benefit plan. The people who operate your plan are called plan fiduciaries. They must handle your plan prudently and in the best interest of you and other plan participants and beneficiaries. No one, including your employer, your union, or any other person, may fire you or otherwise discriminate against you in any way to prevent you from obtaining a welfare benefit or exercising your right under ERISA. If your claim for welfare benefits is denied, in whole or in part, you must receive a written explanation of the reason for the denial. You have the right to have your claims reviewed and reconsidered.

Under ERISA, there are steps you can take to enforce the above rights. For instance, if you request materials from the Plan Administrator and do not receive them within 30 days, you may file suit in a federal court. In such case, the court may require the Plan Administrator to provide you the materials and pay you up to \$110 a day until you receive the materials, unless the materials are not sent because of reasons beyond the control of the Plan Administrator. If your claim for benefits is denied or ignored, in whole or in part, you may file suit in a state or federal court. If plan fiduciaries misuse the plan's money or if you are discriminated against for asserting your rights, you may seek assistance from the U.S. Department of Labor, or may file suit in a federal court. The court will decide who should pay court costs and legal fees. It may order you to pay these expenses, for example, if it finds your claim is frivolous. If you have any questions about your plan, you should contact the Plan Administrator. If you have any questions about this statement or about your rights under ERISA, you should contact the nearest office of the Employee Benefits Security Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, listed in your telephone directory or the Division of Technical Assistance and Inquiries, Employee Benefits Security Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20210.

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Notices Required by State Law

Victim of Family Violence

The laws of the State of Georgia prohibit insurers from unfairly discriminating against any person based upon his or her status as a victim of family violence.

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Introduction

Welcome to Anthem!

We are pleased that you have become a Member of our health insurance Plan. We want to ensure that our services are easy to use. We've designed this Booklet to give a clear description of your benefits, as well as our rules and procedures.

The Booklet explains many of the rights and duties between you and us. It also describes how to get health care, what services are covered, and what part of the costs you will need to pay. Many parts of this Booklet are related. Therefore, reading just one or two sections may not give you a full understanding of your coverage. You should read the whole Booklet to know the terms of your coverage.

Your Group has agreed to be subject to the terms and conditions of Anthem's Provider agreements which may include pre-service review and utilization management requirements, coordination of benefits, timely filing limits, and other requirements to administer the benefits under this Plan.

This Booklet replaces any Booklet issued to you in the past. The coverage described is based upon the terms of the Group Contract issued to your Group, and the Plan that your Group chose for you. The Group Contract, this Booklet, and any endorsements, amendments or riders attached, form the entire legal contract under which Covered Services are available.

Many words used in the Booklet have special meanings (e.g., Group, Covered Services, and Medical Necessity). These words are capitalized and are defined in the "Definitions" section. See these definitions for the best understanding of what is being stated. Throughout this Booklet you will also see references to "we", "us", "our", "you", and "your". The words "we", "us", and "our" mean Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield Blue Cross and Blue Shield Healthcare Plan of Georgia, Inc.. The words "you" and "your" mean the Member, Subscriber and each covered Dependent.

If you have any questions about your Plan, please be sure to call Member Services at the number on the back of your Identification Card. Also be sure to check our website, www.anthem.com for details on how to find a Provider, get answers to questions, and access valuable health and wellness tips. Thank you again for enrolling in the Plan!

How to Get Language Assistance

Anthem is committed to communicating with our Members about their health Plan, no matter what their language is. Anthem employs a language line interpretation service for use by all of our Member Services call centers. Simply call the Member Services phone number on the back of your Identification Card and a representative will be able to help you. Translation of written materials about your benefits can also be asked for by contacting Member Services. TTY/TDD services also are available by dialing 711. A special operator will get in touch with us to help with your needs.

Identity Protection Services

Identity protection services are available with our Anthem health plans. To learn more about these services, please visit www.anthem.com/resources.

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Schedule of Benefits POS

In this section you will find an outline of the benefits included in your Plan and a summary of any Deductibles, Coinsurance, and Copayments that you must pay. Also listed are any Benefit Period Maximums or limits that apply. Please read the "What's Covered" and Prescription Drugs section(s) for more details on the Plan's Covered Services. Read the "What's Not Covered" section for details on Excluded Services.

All Covered Services are subject to the conditions, Exclusions, limitations, and terms of this Booklet including any endorsements, amendments, or riders.

To get the highest benefits at the lowest out-of-pocket cost, you must get Covered Services from an In-Network Provider. Benefits for Covered Services are based on the Maximum Allowed Amount, which is the most the Plan will allow for a Covered Service. When you use an Out-of-Network Provider you may have to pay the difference between the Out-of-Network Provider's billed charge and the Maximum Allowed Amount in addition to any Coinsurance, Copayments, Deductibles, and non-covered charges. This amount can be substantial. Please read the "Claims Payment" section for more details.

Deductibles, Coinsurance, and Benefit Period Maximums are calculated based upon the Maximum Allowed Amount, not the Provider's billed charges.

Benefit Period	Calendar Year
Dependent Age Limit	To the end of the month in which the child attains age 26. Please see the "Eligibility and Enrollment – Adding Members" section for further details.

Deductible	In-Network	Out-of-Network
Per Member	\$2,500	\$7,500
Per Family All other eligible Members combined	\$7,500	\$15,000
No more than one individual Deductible per Member		
<p>Note: The Family Deductible is an aggregate Deductible. This means any combination of amounts paid by family Members toward Covered Services can be used to satisfy the Family Deductible.</p> <p>The In-Network and Out-of-Network Deductibles are separate and cannot be combined.</p> <p>When the Deductible applies, you must pay it before benefits begin. See the sections below to find out when the Deductible applies.</p> <p>The Deductible applies to all Covered Services unless otherwise indicated. Copayments and Coinsurance are separate from and do not apply to the Deductible.</p> <p>Any amounts applied to the Deductible for costs you pay during the last three months of the Benefit Period will also apply to the next Benefit Period's Deductible.</p>		

Coinsurance	In-Network	Out-of-Network
Plan Pays (unless otherwise noted)	70%	50%
Member Pays (unless otherwise noted)	30%	50%
<p>Reminder: Your Coinsurance will be based on the Maximum Allowed Amount. If you use an Out-of-Network Provider, you may have to pay Coinsurance plus the difference between the Out-of-Network Provider's billed charge and the Maximum Allowed Amount.</p> <p>Note: The Coinsurance listed above may not apply to all benefits, and some benefits may have a different Coinsurance. Please see the rest of this Schedule for details.</p>		

Out-of-Pocket Limit	In-Network	Out-of-Network
Per Member	\$7,900	\$23,700
Per Family All other eligible Members combined covering two or more individuals	\$15,800	\$47,400
<p>No more than one individual Out-of-Pocket per Member</p> <p>The Out-of-Pocket Limit includes the current Benefit Period Deductibles and any Coinsurance and Copayments you pay during a Benefit Period unless otherwise indicated.</p> <p>The Out-of-Pocket Limit does not include amounts you pay for the following benefits:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Out-of-Network Copayments • Charges over the Maximum Allowed Amount, • Penalties for not getting required pre-authorization/Precertification of services, • Amounts you pay for non-Covered Services, • Non-Emergency use of the emergency room. <p>Once the Out-of- Pocket Limit is satisfied, you will not have to pay any additional Deductibles, or Coinsurance, or Copayments for the rest of the Benefit Period, except for the services listed above.</p> <p>The In-Network and Out-of-Network Out-of-Pocket Limits are separate and do not apply toward each other.</p> <p>The Out-of-Pocket Limit does not include any fourth quarter Deductible amounts carried over from the previous Benefit Period.</p>		

Important Notice about Your Cost Shares

In certain cases, if we pay a Provider amounts that are your responsibility, such as Deductibles, Copayments or Coinsurance, we may collect such amounts directly from you. You agree that we have the right to collect such amounts from you.

The tables below outline the Plan's Covered Services and the cost share(s) you must pay. In many spots you will see the statement, "Benefits are based on the setting in which Covered Services are received". In these cases you should determine where you will receive the service (i.e., in a Doctor's office, at an outpatient Hospital facility, etc.) and look up that location to find out which cost share will apply. For example, you might get physical therapy in a Doctor's office, an outpatient Hospital facility, or during an Inpatient Hospital stay. For services in the office, look up "Office Visits". For services in the outpatient department of a Hospital, look up "Outpatient Facility Services". For services during an Inpatient stay, look up "Inpatient Services".

Benefits	In-Network	Out-of-Network
Allergy Services	Benefits are based on the setting in which Covered Services are received.	
Ambulance Services (Air and Water) Out-of-Network Providers may also bill you for any charges that exceed the Plan's Maximum Allowed Amount. Important Note: Air ambulance services for non-Emergency Hospital to Hospital transfers must be approved through precertification. Please see "Getting Approval for Benefits" for details. Benefits for non-Emergency ambulance services will be limited to \$50,000 per occurrence if an Out-of-Network Provider is used.	30% Coinsurance after Deductible	
Ambulance Services (Ground) Out-of-Network Providers may also bill you for any charges that exceed the Plan's Maximum Allowed Amount. Important Note: All scheduled ground ambulance services for non-Emergency transfers, except transfers from one acute Facility to another, must be approved through precertification. Please see "Getting Approval for Benefits" for details. Benefits for non-Emergency ambulance services will be limited to \$50,000 per occurrence if an Out-of-Network Provider is used.	30% Coinsurance after Deductible	
Autism Services <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="203 1627 755 1690">• Applied Behavior Analysis for Members through age twenty. <li data-bbox="203 1711 722 1753">• All other Covered Services for autism 	Benefits are based on the setting in which Covered Services are received.	Benefits are based on the setting in which Covered Services are received.

Benefits	In-Network	Out-of-Network
Behavioral Health Services	See "Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services".	
Cardiac Rehabilitation	Benefits are based on the setting in which Covered Services are received. Also see "Therapy Services".	
Chemotherapy	Benefits are based on the setting in which Covered Services are received.	
Chiropractic Services / Manipulation Therapy	Benefits are based on the setting in which Covered Services are received. Also see "Therapy Services".	
Clinical Trials / Cancer Clinical Trial Programs for Children	Benefits are based on the setting in which Covered Services are received.	
Dental Services All Members / All Ages	Benefits are based on the setting in which Covered Services are received.	
Diabetes Education	Benefits are based on the setting in which Covered Services are received.	
Diabetes Equipment and Supplies Screenings for gestational diabetes are covered under "Preventive Care."	Benefits are based on the setting in which Covered Services are received.	
Diagnostic Services	Benefits are based on the setting in which Covered Services are received.	
Dialysis / Hemodialysis	Benefits are based on the setting in which Covered Services are received	
Durable Medical Equipment (DME) and Medical Devices, Orthotics, Prosthetics, Medical and Surgical Supplies (Received from a Supplier)	30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
The cost-shares listed above only apply when you get the equipment or supplies from a third-party supplier. If you receive the equipment or supplies as part of an office or outpatient visit, or during a Hospital stay, benefits will be based on the setting in which the covered equipment or supplies are received.		

Benefits	In-Network	Out-of-Network
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adult Hearing Aids 	30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
Adult Hearing Aids Benefit Maximum	\$3,000 maximum per Benefit Period one per 48 months per ear	
Note: Coverage is excluded for hearing aids to correct degenerative hearing loss.		
Emergency Room Services		
Emergency Room		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Emergency Room Facility Charge 	\$350 Copayment per visit plus 30% Coinsurance no Deductible. Copayment waived if admitted.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Emergency Room Doctor Charge 	30% Coinsurance no Deductible	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Other Facility Charges (including diagnostic x-ray and lab services, medical supplies) 	30% Coinsurance no Deductible	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advanced Diagnostic Imaging (including MRIs, CAT scans) 	30% Coinsurance no Deductible	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Non-emergency use of Emergency Room Services 	Not Covered	
Out-of-Network Providers may also bill you for any charges over the Plan's Maximum Allowed Amount.		
Habilitative Services	Benefits are based on the setting in which Covered Services are received.	
Hearing Aids for Members 18 years of age and under	30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
Hearing Aid Benefit Maximum	Limited to \$3,000 per hearing aid per hearing impaired ear every 48 months In- and Out-of-Network combined	
Home Care		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Home Care Visits 	30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Home Dialysis / Hemodialysis 	30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Home Infusion Therapy 	30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Specialty Prescription Drugs 	30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible

Benefits	In-Network	Out-of-Network
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Other Home Care Services / Supplies <p>Home Care Benefit Maximum</p>	<p>30% Coinsurance after Deductible</p> <p>100 visits per Benefit Period In- and Out-of-Network combined</p> <p>The limit does not apply to Home Infusion Therapy or Home Dialysis / Hemodialysis.</p>	<p>50% Coinsurance after Deductible</p>
Home Infusion Therapy		See "Home Care".
<p>Hospice Care</p> <p>Out-of-Network Providers may also bill you for any charges over the Plan's Maximum Allowed Amount.</p>	<p>30% Coinsurance after Deductible</p>	<p>50% Coinsurance after Deductible</p>
<p>Human Organ and Tissue Transplant (Bone Marrow / Stem Cell) Services</p> <p>Please see the separate summary later in this section.</p>		
Infertility Services		See "Maternity and Reproductive Health Services".
<p>Inpatient Facility Services</p> <p>Facility Room & Board Charge:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hospital / Acute Care Facility Skilled Nursing Facility <p>Skilled Nursing Facility / Rehabilitation Services (Includes Services in an Outpatient Day Rehabilitation Program) Benefit Maximum</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Other Facility Services / Supplies (including diagnostic lab/x-ray, medical supplies, therapies, anesthesia) <p>Hospital Transfers: If you are transferred between Facilities, only one Copayment will apply. You will not have to pay separate Copayments per Facility.</p> <p>Hospital Readmissions: If you are readmitted to the Hospital within 72 hours of your discharge for the same medical diagnosis, you will not have to pay an additional Copayment upon readmission.</p> <p>Doctor Services for:</p>		

Benefits	In-Network	Out-of-Network
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General Medical Care / Evaluation and Management (E&M) Surgery 	30% Coinsurance after Deductible 30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible 50% Coinsurance after Deductible
Maternity and Reproductive Health Services		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maternity Services (Global fee for the ObGyn's prenatal, postnatal, and delivery services) <p>If you change Doctors during your pregnancy, the prenatal and postnatal fees will be billed separately.</p>	30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Primary Care Physician / Provider (PCP) OB/GYN Physician / Provider 	\$30 Copayment per visit no Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Specialty Care Physician / Provider (SCP) OB/GYN Specialist Physician / Provider 	\$60 Copayment per visit no Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inpatient Facility Services <p>Note: Inpatient Delivery Services are included in the Physician's "Global fee"</p>	\$500 Copayment per admission plus 30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
<p>Newborn / Maternity Stays: If the newborn needs services other than routine nursery care or stays in the Hospital after the mother is discharged (sent home), benefits for the newborn will be treated as a separate admission.</p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Infertility Limited to diagnostic services and treatment 	Benefits are based on the setting in which Covered Services are received.	
Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inpatient Facility Services 	\$500 Copayment per admission plus 30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residential Treatment Center Services 	\$500 Copayment per admission plus 30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inpatient Provider Services (e.g., Doctor and other professional Providers) 	30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Outpatient Facility Services 	30% Coinsurance no Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible

Benefits	In-Network	Out-of-Network
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outpatient Provider Services in an Outpatient Facility (e.g., Doctor and other professional Providers) • Partial Hospitalization Program / Intensive Outpatient Program Services – Facility Services • Partial Hospitalization Program / Intensive Outpatient Program Services – Provider Services (e.g., Doctor and other professional Providers) • Office Visits (Including Online Visits and Intensive In-Home Behavioral Health Programs when available in your area) 	<p>30% Coinsurance no Deductible</p> <p>30% Coinsurance after Deductible</p> <p>30% Coinsurance after Deductible</p> <p>\$30 Copayment per visit no Deductible</p>	<p>50% Coinsurance after Deductible</p> <p>50% Coinsurance after Deductible</p> <p>50% Coinsurance after Deductible</p> <p>50% Coinsurance after Deductible</p>
<p>Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services will be covered as required by law. Please see “Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act” in the “Additional Federal Notices” section for details.</p>		
<p>Occupational Therapy</p>	<p>Benefits are based on the setting in which Covered Services are received. Also see “Therapy Services”.</p>	
<p>Office Visits and Physician Services</p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Primary Care Physician / Provider (PCP) • Specialty Care Physician / Provider (SCP) • Retail Health Clinic Visit • Online Visit • Counseling (including family planning) • Nutritional Counseling <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Nutritional Counseling for Diabetes, Mental Health Diagnoses, and Eating Disorders – Benefit Maximum ○ Nutritional Counseling for Obesity / Morbid Obesity Visit Maximum per Benefit Period 	<p>\$30 Copayment per visit no Deductible</p> <p>\$60 Copayment per visit no Deductible</p> <p>\$30 Copayment per visit no Deductible</p> <p>No Copayment, Deductible, or Coinsurance for the first 12 visits, then \$30 Copayment per visit no Deductible</p> <p>See PCP / SCP Copayment</p> <p>See PCP / SCP Copayment</p>	<p>50% Coinsurance after Deductible</p> <p>50% Coinsurance after Deductible</p> <p>50% Coinsurance after Deductible</p> <p>50% Coinsurance after Deductible</p> <p>50% Coinsurance after Deductible</p> <p>50% Coinsurance after Deductible</p> <p>50% Coinsurance after Deductible</p> <p>Unlimited</p> <p>4 visits per Benefit Period</p>

Benefits	In-Network	Out-of-Network
• Allergy Testing	See PCP / SCP Copayment	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
• Allergy Shots / Injections (other than allergy Serum)	See PCP / SCP Copayment	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
• Preferred Diagnostic Labs (i.e., reference labs)	No Copayment, Deductible, or Coinsurance	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
• Other Diagnostic Lab (non-preventive)	No Copayment, Deductible, or Coinsurance	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
• Diagnostic X-ray (non-preventive)	\$30 Copayment per visit no Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
• Other Diagnostic Tests (non-preventive; including hearing and EKG)	See PCP / SCP Copayment	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
• Advanced Diagnostic Imaging (including MRIs, CAT scans)	30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
• Office Surgery	30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
Therapy Services:		
• Chiropractic Services/Manipulation Therapy	\$60 Copayment per visit no Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
• Physical, Speech, & Occupational Therapy	\$60 Copayment per visit no Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
• Respiratory Therapy	30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
• Pulmonary Therapy	30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
• Cardiac Rehabilitation	30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
• Dialysis / Hemodialysis	30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
• Radiation / Chemotherapy / Non-Preventive Infusion & Injection	30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
• Prescription Drugs Administered in the Office (includes allergy Serum)	30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
Orthotics	See “Durable Medical Equipment (DME) and Medical Devices, Orthotics, Prosthetics, Medical and Surgical Supplies”.	

Benefits	In-Network	Out-of-Network
Outpatient Facility Services		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Facility Surgery Charge 	\$500 Copayment per visit plus 30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Other Facility Surgery Charges (including diagnostic x-ray and lab services, medical supplies) 	30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Doctor Surgery Charges 	30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Other Doctor Charges (including Anesthesiologist, Pathologist, Radiologist, Surgical Assistant) 	30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Other Facility Charges (for procedure rooms or other ancillary services) 	30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diagnostic Lab 	30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diagnostic X-ray 	30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diagnostic Tests: Hearing, EKG, etc. (Non-Preventive) 	30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advanced Diagnostic Imaging (including MRIs, CAT scans) 	\$500 Copayment per visit plus 30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
Therapy Services:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chiropractic Services /Manipulation Therapy 	30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Physical, Speech, & Occupational Therapy 	30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pulmonary Therapy 	30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Respiratory Therapy 	30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cardiac Rehabilitation 	30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Radiation / Chemotherapy / Non-Preventive Infusion & Injection 	30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible

Benefits	In-Network	Out-of-Network
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dialysis / Hemodialysis <p>See "Therapy Services" for details on Benefit Maximums.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prescription Drugs Administered in an Outpatient Facility 	<p>30% Coinsurance after Deductible</p> <p>30% Coinsurance after Deductible</p>	<p>50% Coinsurance after Deductible</p> <p>50% Coinsurance after Deductible</p>
Outpatient Freestanding Facility		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Facility Surgery Charge / Ambulatory Surgery Center 	<p>\$150 Copayment per visit plus 30% Coinsurance no Deductible</p>	<p>50% Coinsurance after Deductible</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Other Facility Surgery Charges/ Ambulatory Surgical Center (including diagnostic x-ray and lab services, medical supplies) 	<p>30% Coinsurance no Deductible</p>	<p>50% Coinsurance after Deductible</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Doctor Charges in Ambulatory Surgical Center / Freestanding Radiology Center (including Anesthesiologist, Pathologist, Radiologist, Surgery, Surgical Assistant) 	<p>30% Coinsurance no Deductible</p>	<p>50% Coinsurance after Deductible</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diagnostic X-ray / Freestanding Radiology Center 	<p>30% Coinsurance no Deductible</p>	<p>50% Coinsurance after Deductible</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advanced Diagnostic Imaging (including MRIs, CAT scans) / Freestanding Radiology Center 	<p>30% Coinsurance no Deductible</p>	<p>50% Coinsurance after Deductible</p>
Physical Therapy	Benefits are based on the setting in which Covered Services are received. Also see "Therapy Services".	
Preventive Care	No Copayment, Deductible or Coinsurance	50% Coinsurance after Deductible
No In-Network or Out-of-Network Deductible for preventive care services through age 5.		
Prosthetics	See "Prosthetics" under "Durable Medical Equipment (DME), and Medical Devices, Orthotics, Prosthetics, Medical and Surgical Supplies"	
Pulmonary Therapy	Benefits are based on the setting in which Covered Services are received. Also see "Therapy Services".	
Radiation Therapy	Benefits are based on the setting in which Covered Services are received.	

Benefits	In-Network	Out-of-Network						
Rehabilitation Services	Benefits are based on the setting in which Covered Services are received. Also see "Therapy Services".							
Respiratory Therapy	Benefits are based on the setting in which Covered Services are received. Also see "Therapy Services".							
Skilled Nursing Facility	See "Inpatient Services"							
Speech Therapy	Benefits are based on the setting in which Covered Services are received. Also see "Therapy Services".							
Surgery	Benefits are based on the setting in which Covered Services are received.							
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Temporomandibular and Craniomandibular Joint Treatment	Benefits are based on the setting in which Covered Services are received.							
Therapy Services Benefit Maximum(s): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Physical & Occupational Therapy (Habilitative) Speech Therapy Chiropractic Care / Manipulation Therapy Cardiac Rehabilitation Pulmonary Rehabilitation Respiratory Therapy 	Benefits are based on the setting in which Covered Services are received. Benefit Maximum(s) are for In- and Out-of-Network visits combined, and for office and outpatient visits combined. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 20 visits per Benefit Period 20 visits per Benefit Period 20 visits per Benefit Period Unlimited Unlimited Unlimited 							

Benefits	In-Network	Out-of-Network
Human Organ and Tissue Transplant (Bone Marrow / Stem Cell) Services		
<p>Please call our Transplant Department as soon as you think you may need a transplant to talk about your benefit options. You must do this <i>before</i> you have an evaluation and/or work-up for a transplant. To get the most benefits under your Plan, you must get certain human organ and tissue transplant services from an In-Network Transplant Provider. Even if a Hospital is an In-Network Provider for other services, it may not be an In-Network Transplant Provider for certain transplant services. Please call us to find out which Hospitals are In-Network Transplant Providers. (When calling Member Services, ask for the Transplant Case Manager for further details.)</p>		
<p>The requirements described below do not apply to the following:</p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cornea transplants, which are covered as any other surgery; and • Any Covered Services related to a Covered Transplant Procedure that you get before or after the Transplant Benefit Period. Please note that the initial evaluation, any added tests to determine your eligibility as a candidate for a transplant by your Provider, and the collection and storage of bone marrow/stem cells is included in the Covered Transplant Procedure benefit regardless of the date of service. 		
<p>Benefits for Covered Services that are not part of the Human Organ and Tissue Transplant benefit will be based on the setting in which Covered Services are received. Please see the “What’s Covered” section for additional details.</p>		
<p>Transplant Benefit Period</p>	<p>In-Network Transplant Provider</p> <p>Starts one day before a Covered Transplant Procedure and lasts for the applicable case rate / global time period. The number of days will vary depending on the type of transplant received and the In-Network Transplant Provider agreement. Call the Case Manager for specific In-Network Transplant Provider information for services received at or coordinated by an In-Network Transplant Provider Facility.</p>	<p>Out-of-Network Transplant Provider</p> <p>Starts one day before a Covered Transplant Procedure and continues to the date of discharge at an Out-of- Network Transplant Provider Facility.</p>

Benefits	In-Network	Out-of-Network
<p data-bbox="203 243 732 300">Covered Transplant Procedure during the Transplant Benefit Period</p> <p data-bbox="203 365 513 392">Precertification required</p>	<p data-bbox="857 243 1143 300">In-Network Transplant Provider Facility</p> <p data-bbox="873 365 1127 485">During the Transplant Benefit Period, 30% Coinsurance after Deductible</p> <p data-bbox="846 550 1149 821">Before and after the Transplant Benefit Period, Covered Services will be covered as Inpatient Services, Outpatient Services, Home Visits, or Office Visits depending where the service is performed.</p>	<p data-bbox="1182 243 1528 300">Out-of-Network Transplant Provider Facility</p> <p data-bbox="1182 365 1528 680">During the Transplant Benefit Period, You will pay 50% Coinsurance after Deductible. During the Transplant Benefit Period, Covered Transplant Procedure charges at an Out-of-Network Transplant Provider Facility will NOT apply to your Out-of-Pocket Limit.</p> <p data-bbox="1182 716 1511 995">If the Provider is also an In-Network Provider for this Plan (for services other than Covered Transplant Procedures), then you will not have to pay for Covered Transplant Procedure charges over the Maximum Allowed Amount.</p> <p data-bbox="1182 1031 1523 1220">If the Provider is an Out-of-Network Provider for this Plan, you will have to pay for Covered Transplant Procedure charges over the Maximum Allowed Amount.</p> <p data-bbox="1182 1255 1484 1528">Prior to and after the Transplant Benefit Period, Covered Services will be covered as Inpatient Services, Outpatient Services, Home Visits, or Office Visits depending where the service is performed.</p>
<p data-bbox="203 1535 732 1591">Covered Transplant Procedure during the Transplant Benefit Period</p>	<p data-bbox="857 1535 1143 1654">In-Network Transplant Provider Professional and Ancillary (non-Hospital) Providers</p> <p data-bbox="862 1682 1133 1745">30% Coinsurance after Deductible</p>	<p data-bbox="1182 1535 1528 1654">Out-of-Network Transplant Provider Professional and Ancillary (non-Hospital) Providers</p> <p data-bbox="1214 1682 1490 1745">50% Coinsurance after Deductible</p>

Benefits	In-Network	Out-of-Network
Transportation and Lodging	30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible These charges will NOT apply to your Out-of-Pocket Limit.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transportation and Lodging Limit 	Covered, as approved by us, up to \$10,000 per transplant In- and Out-of-Network combined	
Unrelated donor searches from an authorized, licensed registry for bone marrow/stem cell transplants for a Covered Transplant Procedure	30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible These charges will NOT apply to your Out-of-Pocket Limit.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Donor Search Limit 	Covered, as approved by us, up to \$30,000 per transplant In- and Out-of-Network combined	
Live Donor Health Services	30% Coinsurance after Deductible	50% Coinsurance after Deductible These charges will NOT apply to your Out-of-Pocket Limit.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Donor Health Service Limit 	Medically Necessary charges for getting an organ from a live donor are covered up to our Maximum Allowed Amount, including complications from the donor procedure for up to six weeks from the date of procurement.	

Prescription Drug Retail Pharmacy and Home Delivery (Mail Order) Benefits	In-Network	Out-of-Network
<p>Each Prescription Drug will be subject to a cost share (e.g., Copayment / Coinsurance) as described below. If your Prescription Order includes more than one Prescription Drug, a separate cost share will apply to each covered drug. You will be required to pay the lesser of your scheduled cost share or the Maximum Allowed Amount.</p>		
<p>Day Supply Limitations – Prescription Drugs will be subject to various day supply and quantity limits. Certain Prescription Drugs may have a lower day-supply limit than the amount shown below due to other Plan requirements such as Prior Authorization, quantity limits, and/or age limits and utilization guidelines. No day supply or quantity limits apply to prescriptions for inhalants to treat asthma.</p>		
Retail Pharmacy (In-Network and Out-of-Network)	<p>30 days Note: A 90-day supply is available at Maintenance Pharmacies.</p>	30 days
Home Delivery (Mail Order) Pharmacy	<p>When you get a 90-day supply at a Maintenance Pharmacy, three (3) Retail Pharmacy Copayments (one for each 30-day period) will apply. When you get a 30-day supply, one Copayment per Prescription Order will apply.</p>	90 days
Specialty Pharmacy	30 days*	30 days*
Retail Pharmacy Copayments / Coinsurance:		
Tier 1 Prescription Drugs	\$15 Copayment per Prescription Drug no Deductible	
Tier 2 Prescription Drugs	\$35 Copayment per Prescription Drug no Deductible	
Tier 3 Prescription Drugs	\$60 Copayment per Prescription Drug no Deductible	
Tier 4 Prescription Drugs	25% Coinsurance to a maximum of \$350 per Prescription Drug no Deductible	
Home Delivery Pharmacy Copayments / Coinsurance:		
Tier 1 Prescription Drugs	\$15 Copayment per Prescription Drug no Deductible	
Tier 2 Prescription Drugs	\$70 Copayment per Prescription Drug no Deductible	
Tier 3 Prescription Drugs	\$180 Copayment per Prescription Drug no Deductible	
Tier 4 Prescription Drugs	25% Coinsurance to a maximum of \$350 per Prescription Drug no Deductible	

Prescription Drug Retail Pharmacy and Home Delivery (Mail Order) Benefits	In-Network	Out-of-Network
<p>Specialty Drug: Please note that certain Specialty Drugs are only available from a Specialty Pharmacy and you will not be able to get them at a Retail Pharmacy or through the Home Delivery (Mail Order) Pharmacy. Please see “Specialty Pharmacy” in the section “Prescription Drug Benefit at a Retail or Home Delivery (Mail Order) Pharmacy” for further details. When you get Specialty Drugs from a Specialty Pharmacy, you will have to pay the same Copayments / Coinsurance you pay for a 30-day supply at a Retail Pharmacy.</p>		
<p>Notes: Prescription Drugs will always be dispensed as ordered by your Doctor.</p>		
<p>Note: The Copayment and/or Coinsurance for oral chemotherapy Prescription Drugs for the treatment of cancer are covered as required by law.</p>		

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Wellness Health Rewards/Incentive Program(s)

Your Plan may include the added benefit of incentive programs. Subscriber and the Subscriber's covered Spouse age 18 and older can participate in the programs. These programs are designed to encourage you to take an active role in improving your health and wellness. Some examples of support may include physical activity, nutrition, life skills such as stress management, tobacco cessation, exercise, financial, emotional, spiritual or alternative health. A listing of tools and program options can be found on our website at www.anthem.com or by mobile app. Information is also available by calling Member Services at the number on the back of your Identification Card.

Participation in the incentive programs allow you to earn incentives as you achieve milestones. The activities to reach milestones may be redeemed for health and wellness-related rewards. There can be a wide variety of ways to earn rewards. Some examples may include rewards for being healthy, for improving your health or increasing a positive behavior, or for participation, connection of fitness devices or apps. The opportunities are designed to support awareness and participation. Programs may be modified at any time.

How to Participate

You can register online at the link described above or offline by calling Member Services.

You can begin participation by completing the Health Assessment. You also may be eligible to earn a health reward, upon completion of the health assessment. Once you have completed the Health Assessment, you will receive a Health Assessment Summary that will recommend lifestyle improvement programs or you may choose your own health goals. There are a variety of wellness activities that may be available online such as, cardiovascular fitness activities, resistance training activities, daily food intake, daily logging of weight, stress management and tobacco use cessation progress.

Health Assessment Reward: The Health Assessment must be completed for you to be eligible for a health reward, which is rewarded only 1 time per benefit year. Reward dollars are deposited onto a reloadable Health Rewards Card* redeemable wherever major credit cards are accepted; or a selection of gift cards; or money deposited into their health account. If you have previously received a Health Rewards card, your reward will be electronically loaded onto it.

To be eligible to participate, Subscriber and the Subscriber's covered Spouse age 18 and older can participate under the Plan.

You may have to satisfy certain eligibility criteria before you can participate in some of these programs.

- **Care Management Programs**
 - Disease Management for Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), Asthma, Coronary Artery Disease (CAD), Diabetes, Heart Failure (HF),
 - ESRD (end stage renal disease)
 - Case Management
 - Care/Lifestyle Management
 - Future Moms with Live Health Online Lactation Counseling
 - 24/7 Nurseline
 - Gaps in care notifications

- **Online, mobile app Wellness Tools and Resources**

Wellness tools and resources focus on well-being improvement that can focus on physical, social and emotional behaviors that impact total well-being.

Program elements may include:

- Health assessment and action plan
- Personalized home page based on the Participant's well-being plan and behavior change science
- Targeted wellness tools, trackers and resources based on member's personalized plan and health goals
- Reminders, as well as, reminders for healthy activities
- Health coaching, digital, web enabled, online, or telephonic coaching
- Mobile phone / device Tablet and Computer enabled Applications

Future Moms. The Future Moms is a maternity management program which provides individualized support to expectant moms to help them achieve healthier pregnancies and deliveries. The program provides education and support for high-risk and non-high-risk expectant mothers.

- **Participation.** Expectant moms can sign up and you can enroll by calling into the program's toll free number and a registered nurse will help you get started.
- **Rewards.** There are three (3) milestones to be eligible for rewards: the completion of the initial assessment; the completion of the interim assessment and the completion of a post-delivery assessment. Reward dollars are deposited onto a reloadable Health Rewards Card redeemable wherever major credit cards are accepted; or a selection of gift cards; or money deposited into their health account. If you have previously received a Health Rewards card, your reward will be electronically loaded onto it.

How Your Plan Works

Introduction

If you have any questions about this Certificate, please call the member service number located on the back of your Identification (ID) Card.

Your Plan is a POS plan. The Plan has two sets of benefits: In-Network and Out-of-Network. If you choose an In-Network Provider, you will pay less in out-of-pocket costs, such as Copayments, Deductibles, and Coinsurance. If you use an Out-of-Network Provider, you will have to pay more in out-of-pocket costs.

In-Network Services

A Member has access to primary and specialty care directly from any In-Network Physician. A Primary Care Physician / Provider (PCP) Referral is not needed.

When you use an In-Network Provider or get care as part of an Authorized Service, Covered Services will be covered at the In-Network level. Regardless of Medical Necessity, benefits will be denied for care that is not a Covered Service. We have final authority to decide the Medical Necessity of the service.

In-Network Providers include Primary Care Physicians / Providers (PCPs), Specialists (Specialty Care Physicians / Providers - SCs), other professional Providers, Hospitals, and other Facilities who contract with us to care for you. Referrals are never needed to visit an In-Network Specialist, including behavioral health Providers.

To see a Doctor, call their office:

- Tell them you are an Anthem Member,
- Have your Member Identification Card handy. The Doctor's office may ask you for your group or Member ID number.
- Tell them the reason for your visit.

When you go to the office, be sure to bring your Member Identification Card with you.

For services from In-Network Providers:

1. You will not be required to file any claims. In-Network Providers will file claims for Covered Services for you. (You will still need to pay any Coinsurance, Copayments, and/or Deductibles that apply.) You may be billed by your In-Network Provider(s) for any non-Covered Services you get or when you have not followed the terms of this Booklet.
2. Precertification will be done by the In-Network Provider. (See the "Getting Approval for Benefits" section for further details.)

Please refer to the "Claims Payment" section for additional information on Authorized Services.

After Hours Care

If you need care after normal business hours, your Doctor may have several options for you. You should call your Doctor's office for instructions if you need care in the evenings, on weekends, or during a holiday and cannot wait until the office reopens. If you have an Emergency, call 911 or go to the nearest Emergency Room.

Out-of-Network Services

When you do not use an In-Network Provider or get care as part of an Authorized Service, Covered Services are covered at the Out-of-Network level, unless otherwise indicated in this Booklet. Please note that your Out-of-Network benefits are limited to Emergency and urgent health care services when you travel outside the Service Area.

For services from an Out-of-Network Provider:

1. The Out-of-Network Provider can charge you the difference between their bill and the Plan's Maximum Allowed Amount plus any Deductible and/or Coinsurance/Copayments;
2. You may have higher cost sharing amounts (i.e., Deductibles, Coinsurance, and/or Copayments);
3. You will have to pay for services that are not Medically Necessary;
4. You will have to pay for non-Covered Services;
5. You may have to file claims; and
6. You must make sure any necessary Precertification is done. (Please see "Getting Approval for Benefits" for more details.)

How to Find a Provider in the Network

There are three ways you can find out if a Provider or Facility is in the network for this Plan. You can also find out where they are located and details about their license or training.

- See your Plan's directory of In-Network Providers at www.anthem.com, which lists the Doctors, Providers, and Facilities that participate in this Plan's network.
- Call Member Services to ask for a list of Doctors and Providers that participate in this Plan's network, based on specialty and geographic area.
- Check with your Doctor or Provider.

Please note that not all In-Network Providers offer all services. For example, some Hospital-based labs are not part of our Reference Lab Network. In those cases you will have to go to a lab in our Reference Lab Network to get In-Network benefits. Please call Member Services before you get services for more information.

If you need details about a Provider's license or training, or help choosing a Doctor who is right for you, call the Member Services number on the back of your Member Identification Card. TTY/TDD services also are available by dialing 711. A special operator will get in touch with us to help with your needs.

Please note that we have several networks, and that a Provider that is In-Network for one plan may not be In-Network for another. Be sure to check your Identification Card or call Member Services to find out which network this Plan uses.

Your Cost-Shares

Your Plan may involve Copayments, Deductibles, and/or Coinsurance, which are charges that you must pay when receiving Covered Services. Your Plan may also have an Out-of-Pocket Limit, which limits the cost-shares you must pay. Please read the "Schedule of Benefits" for details on your cost-shares. Also read the "Definitions" section for a better understanding of each type of cost share.

Crediting Prior Plan Coverage

If you were covered by the Group's prior carrier / plan immediately before the Group signs up with us, with no break in coverage, then you will get credit for any accrued Deductible and, if applicable and approved by us, Out of Pocket amounts under that other plan. This does not apply to people who were not covered by the prior carrier or plan on the day before the Group's coverage with us began, or to people who join the Group later.

If your Group moves from one of our plans to another, (for example, changes its coverage from HMO to PPO), and you were covered by the other product immediately before enrolling in this product with no break in coverage, then you may get credit for any accrued Deductible and Out of Pocket amounts, if applicable and approved by us. Any maximums, when applicable, will be carried over and charged against the maximums under this Plan.

If your Group offers more than one of our products, and you change from one product to another with no break in coverage, you will get credit for any accrued Deductible and, if applicable, Out of Pocket amounts and any maximums will be carried over and charged against maximums under this Plan.

If your Group offers coverage through other products or carriers in addition to ours, and you change products or carriers to enroll in this product with no break in coverage, you will get credit for any accrued Deductible, Out of Pocket, and any maximums under this Plan.

This section does not apply to you if you:

- Your Group Moves to this Plan at the beginning of a Benefit Period;
- You change from one of our individual policies to a group plan;
- You change employers; or
- You are a new Member of the Group who joins the Group after the Group's initial enrollment with us.

The BlueCard Program

Like all Blue Cross & Blue Shield plans throughout the country, we participate in a program called "BlueCard" which provides services to you when you are outside our Service Area. For more details on this program, please see "Inter-Plan Arrangements" in the "Claims Payment" section.

Identification Card

We will give an Identification Card to each Member enrolled in the Plan. When you get care, you must show your Identification Card. Only a Member who has paid the Premiums for this Plan has the right to services or benefits under this Booklet. If anyone gets services or benefits to which they are not entitled to under the terms of this Booklet, he/she must pay for the actual cost of the services.

Consumer Choice Option

(Please note the following applies only if you purchased the Consumer Choice Option at enrollment)

The Consumer Choice Option allows you to nominate an Out-of-Network Provider (limited to a Physician, dentist, podiatrist, pharmacist, optometrist, psychologist, clinical social worker, advance practice nurse, registered optician, licensed professional counselor, physical therapist, licensed marriage and family therapist, chiropractor, qualified athletic trainer (per OCGA 43-5-8), occupational therapist, speech language pathologist, audiologist, dietician, Physician's assistant or Hospital) for specified Covered Services. Such nominated Providers must be approved in writing by Anthem and are subject to the normal rules and conditions which apply to a contracted In-Network Provider. These terms include reimbursement (who we pay and how much), utilization management protocols (Precertification procedures and our internal procedures enabling us to pay for Covered Services), Prescription Drug Formulary compliance (making sure we pay for drugs on our approved list), referral to In-Network or Out-of-Network Providers, and other internal procedures which Anthem normally follows. All Out-of-Network Providers must be nominated, agree to participate and be approved.

Please remember that, while you may obtain benefits at In-Network levels from an approved, nominated Provider, these Providers have not gone through Anthem's rigorous credentialing process, and they are not subject to Anthem's quality assurance standards.

The nominated Provider is not an In-Network Provider (Preferred Provider) and has not been credentialed by Anthem. The Member alone is responsible for the selection of the nominated Provider and Anthem has not undertaken any credentialing or quality assurance measures regarding such nominated Provider. Anthem will not undertake to conduct routine quality assurance measures which are used for In-Network Providers (Preferred Providers). The Member should understand that any and all Physicians, Hospitals and any others who are not In-Network Providers (Preferred Providers) must be nominated by the Member (patient) and approved by Anthem prior to any services being performed by the Provider in order for the services to become eligible for Reimbursement at In-Network benefit levels.

For additional information, please contact your Plan Administrator.

Provider Nomination

Under the Consumer Choice Option, you may nominate any Hospital or provider listed above licensed to practice in the state of Georgia to render specified Covered Services. However, you do **not** have free unrestricted access to non-nominated providers or to providers who have been nominated by you but not yet approved by Anthem.

The nomination process includes several steps:

- You may obtain copies of the nomination form by calling 1-800-441-2273.
- Complete and sign the first section of the nomination form and give to your provider.
- The provider signs the second part of the form, indicating they may be interested in acting as your provider, subject to Anthem's terms and conditions. The provider requests authorization for specific procedures (or ongoing medical treatment). The provider submits the form to Anthem.
- Anthem verifies the licensure of the provider and notifies the provider of the applicable fee schedule or potential reimbursement.
- The provider, after receiving the notice of the potential reimbursement, signs and returns the form to Anthem.
- Anthem notifies you and your provider if and when the fully completed form has been received and approved.

A decision will be made by Anthem within 3 days of the receipt of the fully completed nomination form. Please note that approval is made only for the requested procedures. Additional procedures must be requested and approved by Anthem.

It is important to remember that only after all these steps and all other Contract requirements have been followed are Covered Services paid when provided by a Non-Network Provider (Non-Preferred Provider).

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Getting Approval for Benefits

Your Plan includes the process of Utilization Review to decide when services are Medically Necessary or Experimental/Investigational as those terms are defined in this Booklet. Utilization Review aids the delivery of cost-effective health care by reviewing the use of treatments and, when proper, level of care and/or the setting or place of service that they are performed.

Reviewing Where Services Are Provided

A service must be Medically Necessary to be a Covered Service. When level of care, setting or place of service is reviewed, services that can be safely given to you in a lower level of care or lower cost setting / place of care, will not be Medically Necessary if they are given in a higher level of care, or higher cost setting / place of care. This means that a request for a service may be denied because it is not Medically Necessary for the service to be provided where it is being requested. When this happens the service can be requested again in another place and will be reviewed again for Medical Necessity. At times a different Provider or Facility may need to be used in order for the service to be considered Medically Necessary. Examples include, but are not limited to:

- A service may be denied on an inpatient basis at a Hospital but may be approvable if provided on an outpatient basis at a Hospital.
- A service may be denied on an outpatient basis at a Hospital but may be approvable at a free standing imaging center, infusion center, Ambulatory Surgery Center, or in a Physician's office.
- A service may be denied at a Skilled Nursing Facility but may be approvable in a home setting.

Utilization Review criteria will be based on many sources including medical policy and clinical guidelines. Anthem may decide that a treatment that was asked for is not Medically Necessary if a clinically equivalent treatment that is more cost effective is available and appropriate. "Clinically equivalent" means treatments that for most Members, will give you similar results for a disease or condition.

If you have any questions about the Utilization Review process, the medical policies, or clinical guidelines, you may call the Member Services phone number on the back of your Identification Card.

Coverage for or payment of the service or treatment reviewed is not guaranteed even if we decide your services are Medically Necessary. For benefits to be covered, on the date you get service:

1. You must be eligible for benefits;
2. Premium must be paid for the time period that services are given;
3. The service or supply must be a Covered Service under your Plan;
4. The service cannot be subject to an Exclusion under your Plan; and
5. You must not have exceeded any applicable limits under your Plan.

Types of Reviews

- **Pre-service Review** – A review of a service, treatment or admission for a benefit coverage determination which is done before the service or treatment begins or admission date.
- **Precertification** – A required Pre-service Review for a benefit coverage determination for a service or treatment. Certain services require Precertification in order for you to get benefits. The benefit coverage review will include a review to decide whether the service meets the definition of Medical Necessity or is Experimental / Investigational as those terms are defined in this Booklet.

Inpatient Precertification determinations are available by phone through Anthem's Precertification staff 24 hours a day, seven days a week for urgent/non-elective care that must be performed within 24 hours after the Precertification request, without which a significant threat to the patient's health or well-being will be posed.

Non-urgent/elective Precertifications can be requested during normal business hours (7:30 a.m. –7:00 p.m. eastern time).

Precertification is a guarantee of payment as described in this section (and Anthem will pay up to the reimbursement level of this Contract when the Covered Services are performed within the time limits assigned by Precertification) except for the following situations:

- The Member is no longer covered under this Contract at the time the services are received;
- The benefits under this Contract have been exhausted (examples of this include day limits or maximum amounts);
- No benefits will be paid in cases of fraud.

Precertification approvals apply only to services which have been approved in the Precertification process and only as described in the approval. Such approval does not apply to any other services. Payment or authorization of such a service does not require payment of claims at a later date regardless of whether such later claims have the same, similar or related diagnoses.

- **Continued Stay / Concurrent Review** – A Utilization Review of a service, treatment or admission for a benefit coverage determination which must be done during an ongoing stay in a facility or course of treatment.

Both Pre-Service and Continued Stay / Concurrent Reviews may be considered urgent when, in the view of the treating Provider or any Doctor with knowledge of your medical condition, without such care or treatment, your life or health or your ability to regain maximum function could be seriously threatened or you could be subjected to severe pain that cannot be adequately managed without such care or treatment. Urgent reviews are conducted under a shorter timeframe than standard reviews.

- **Post Service Review** – A review of a service, treatment or admission for a benefit coverage that is conducted after the service has been provided. Post-service reviews are performed when a service, treatment or admission did not need a Precertification, or when a needed Precertification was not obtained. Post-service reviews are done for a service, treatment or admission in which we have a related clinical coverage guideline and are typically initiated by us.

Who is Responsible for Precertification?

Typically, In-Network Providers know which services need Precertification and will get any Precertification when needed. Your Primary Care Physician and other In-Network Providers have been given detailed information about these procedures and are responsible for meeting these requirements. You will be held harmless if all network guidelines are followed and you receive services from an In-Network Provider. This means you will not be responsible for any bill in excess of the related cost-sharing that applies or bills for non-Covered Services. Generally, the ordering Provider, Facility or attending Doctor ("requesting Provider") will get in touch with us to ask for a Precertification. However, you may request a Precertification or you may choose an authorized representative to act on your behalf for a specific request. The authorized representative can be anyone who is 18 years of age or older. The table below outlines who is responsible for Precertification and under what circumstances.

If you receive Out-of-Network services you will be responsible for ensuring that any necessary Precertification is obtained. If the services are determined to be not Medically Necessary, all charges for those services will be denied. Out-of-Network Providers are under no obligation to hold you harmless for those charges, so you may be responsible for the full amount of those charges.

Provider Network Status	Responsibility to Get Precertification	Comments
In Network	Provider	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Provider must get Precertification when required
Out of Network/ Non-Participating	Member	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member must get Precertification when required. (Call Member Services.) Member may be financially responsible for charges/costs related to the service and/or setting in whole or in part if the service and or setting is found to not be Medically Necessary.
Blue Card Provider	Member (Except for Inpatient Admissions)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member must get Precertification when required. (Call Member Services.) Member may be financially responsible for charges/costs related to the service and/or setting in whole or in part if the service and or setting is found to not be Medically Necessary. Blue Card Providers must obtain precertification for all Inpatient Admissions.
<p>NOTE: For an Emergency Care admission, precertification is not required. However, you, your authorized representative or Doctor must tell us within 48 hours of the admission or as soon as possible within a reasonable period of time.</p>		

How Decisions are Made

We use our clinical coverage guidelines, such as medical policy, clinical guidelines, and other applicable policies to help make our Medical Necessity decisions. This includes decisions about Prescription Drugs as detailed in the section “Prescription Drugs Administered by a Medical Provider”. Medical policies and clinical guidelines reflect the standards of practice and medical interventions identified as proper medical practice. We reserve the right to review and update these clinical coverage guidelines from time to time.

You are entitled to ask for and get, free of charge, reasonable access to any records concerning your request. To ask for this information, call the Precertification phone number on the back of your Identification Card.

If you are not satisfied with our decision under this section of your benefits, please refer to the “Grievance and External Review Procedures” section to see what rights may be available to you.

Decision and Notice Requirements

We will review requests for benefits according to the timeframes listed below. The timeframes and requirements listed are based on state and federal laws. Where state laws are stricter than federal laws, we will follow state laws. If you live in and/or get services in a state other than the state where your Contract was issued other state-specific requirements may apply. You may call the phone number on the back of your Identification Card for more details.

Type of Review	Timeframe Requirement for Decision and Notification
Urgent Pre-service Review	72 hours from the receipt of request
Non-Urgent Pre-service Review	15 calendar days from the receipt of the request
Urgent Continued Stay / Concurrent Review when request is received more than 24 hours before the end of the previous authorization	24 hours from the receipt of the request
Urgent Continued Stay / Concurrent Review when request is received less than 24 hours before the end of the previous authorization or no previous authorization exists	72 hours from the receipt of the request
Non-urgent Continued Stay / Concurrent Review for ongoing outpatient treatment	15 calendar days from the receipt of the request
Post-Service Review	30 calendar days from the receipt of the request

If more information is needed to make our decision, we will tell the requesting Provider of the specific information needed to finish the review. If we do not get the specific information we need by the required timeframe, we will make a decision based upon the information we have.

We will notify you and your Provider of our decision as required by state and federal law. Notice may be given by one or more of the following methods: verbal, written, and/or electronic.

Important Information

Anthem may, from time to time, waive, enhance, change or end certain medical management processes (including utilization management, case management, and disease management) and/or offer an alternate benefit if in our sole discretion, such change furthers the provision of cost effective, value based and/or quality services.

We may also select certain qualifying Providers to take part in a program or a Provider arrangement that exempts them from certain procedural or medical management processes that would otherwise apply. We may also exempt your claim from medical review if certain conditions apply.

Just because Anthem exempts a process, Provider or claim from the standards which otherwise would apply, it does not mean that Anthem will do so in the future, or will do so in the future for any other Provider, claim or Member. Anthem may stop or change any such exemption with or without advance notice.

You may find out whether a Provider is taking part in certain programs or a Provider arrangement by checking your online Provider directory online Precertification list or by contacting Member Services at the number on the back of your ID card.

We also may identify certain Providers to review for potential fraud, waste, abuse or other inappropriate activity if the claims data suggests there may be inappropriate billing practices. If a Provider is selected under this program, then we may use one or more clinical utilization management guidelines in the review of claims submitted by this Provider, even if those guidelines are not used for all Providers delivering services to this Plan's Members.

Health Plan Individual Case Management

Our health plan individual case management programs (Case Management) help coordinate services for Members with health care needs due to serious, complex, and/or chronic health conditions. Our programs coordinate benefits and educate Members who agree to take part in the Case Management Program to help meet their health-related needs.

Our Case Management programs are confidential and voluntary and are made available at no extra cost to you. These programs are provided by, or on behalf of and at the request of, your health plan case management staff. These Case Management programs are separate from any Covered Services you are receiving.

If you meet program criteria and agree to take part, we will help you meet your identified health care needs. This is reached through contact and team work with you and/or your chosen authorized representative, treating Doctor(s), and other Providers.

In addition, we may assist in coordinating care with existing community-based programs and services to meet your needs. This may include giving you information about external agencies and community-based programs and services.

In certain cases of severe or chronic illness or injury, we may provide benefits for alternate care that is not listed as a Covered Service. We may also extend Covered Services beyond the Benefit Maximums of this Plan. We will make our decision case-by-case, if in our discretion the alternate or extended benefit is in the best interest of you and Anthem and you or your authorized representative agree to the alternate or extended benefit in writing. A decision to provide extended benefits or approve alternate care in one case does not obligate us to provide the same benefits again to you or to any other Member. We reserve the right, at any time, to alter or stop providing extended benefits or approving alternate care. In such case, we will notify you or your authorized representative in writing.

What's Covered

This section describes the Covered Services available under your Plan. Your Covered Services are subject to all the terms and conditions listed in this Booklet, including, but not limited to, Benefit Maximums, Deductibles, Copayments, Coinsurance, Exclusions and Medical Necessity requirements. Please read the "Schedule of Benefits" section for details on the amounts you must pay for Covered Services and for details on any Benefit Maximums. Also be sure to read the "How Your Plan Works" section for more information on your Plan's rules. Read the "What's Not Covered" section for important details on Excluded Services.

Your benefits are described below. Benefits are listed alphabetically to make them easy to find. Please note that several sections may apply to your claims. For example, if you have a surgery, benefits for your Hospital stay will be described under "Inpatient Hospital Care" and benefits for your Doctor's services will be described under "Inpatient Professional Service". As a result, you should read all the sections that might apply to your claims.

You should also know that many of the Covered Services can be received in several settings, including a Doctor's office, an Urgent Care Facility, an Outpatient Facility, or an Inpatient Facility. Benefits will often vary depending on where you choose to get Covered Services, and this can result in a change in the amount you will need to pay. Please see the "Schedule of Benefits" section for more details on how benefits vary in each setting.

Allergy Services

Your Plan includes benefits for Medically Necessary allergy testing and treatment, including allergy serum and allergy shots.

Ambulance Services

Medically Necessary ambulance services are a Covered Service when:

- You are transported by a state licensed vehicle that is designed, equipped, and used only to transport the sick and injured and staffed by Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT), paramedics, or other certified medical professionals. This includes ground, water, fixed wing, and rotary wing air transportation.

And one or more of the following criteria are met:

- For ground ambulance, you are taken:
 - From your home, the scene of accident or medical Emergency to a Hospital;
 - Between Hospitals, including when we require you to move from an Out-of-Network Hospital to an In-Network Hospital
 - Between a Hospital and Skilled Nursing Facility or other approved Facility.
- For air or water ambulance, you are taken:
 - From the scene of an accident or medical Emergency to a Hospital;
 - Between Hospitals, including when we require you to move from an Out-of-Network Hospital to an In-Network Hospital
 - Between a Hospital and an approved Facility.

Ambulance services are subject to Medical Necessity reviews by us. Emergency ground ambulance services do not require precertification and are allowed regardless of whether the Provider is an In-Network or Out-of-Network Provider.

Non-Emergency ambulance services are subject to Medical Necessity reviews by us. When using an air ambulance for non-Emergency transportation, we reserve the right to select the air ambulance Provider. If you do not use the air ambulance Provider we select, no benefits will be available. Please note that an Out-of-Network Provider may bill you for any charges that exceed the Plan's Maximum Allowed Amount. Please see the "Schedule of Benefits" for the maximum benefit.

You must be taken to the nearest Facility that can give care for your condition. In certain cases we may approve benefits for transportation to a Facility that is not the nearest Facility.

Benefits also include Medically Necessary treatment of a sickness or injury by medical professionals from an ambulance service, even if you are not taken to a Facility.

Ambulance services are not covered when another type of transportation can be used without endangering your health. Ambulance services for your convenience or the convenience of your family or Doctor are not a Covered Service.

Other non-covered ambulance services include, but are not limited to, trips to:

- a) A Doctor's office or clinic;
- b) A morgue or funeral home.

Important Notes on Air Ambulance Benefits

Benefits are only available for air ambulance when it is not appropriate to use a ground or water ambulance. For example, if using a ground ambulance would endanger your health and your medical condition requires a more rapid transport to a Facility than the ground ambulance can provide, the Plan will cover the air ambulance. Air ambulance will also be covered if you are in an area that a ground or water ambulance cannot reach.

Air ambulance will not be covered if you are taken to a Hospital that is not an acute care Hospital (such as a Skilled Nursing Facility or a rehabilitation facility), or if you are taken to a Physician's office or your home.

Hospital to Hospital Transport

If you are moving from one Hospital to another, air ambulance will only be covered if using a ground ambulance would endanger your health and if the Hospital that first treats cannot give you the medical services you need. Certain specialized services are not available at all Hospitals. For example, burn care, cardiac care, trauma care, and critical care are only available at certain Hospitals. To be covered, you must be taken to the closest Hospital that can treat you. **Coverage is not available for air ambulance transfers simply because you, your family, or your Provider prefers a specific Hospital or Physician.**

Autism Services

Your Plan includes coverage for the treatment of neurological deficit disorders, including autism. Your plan also covers certain treatments associated with autism spectrum disorder (ASD) for dependents through age twenty. Coverage for ASD includes but is not limited to the following:

- Habilitative or rehabilitative services including Applied Behavior Analysis or counseling services necessary to develop, maintain, and restore the functioning of an individual to the extent possible. To be eligible for coverage, Applied Behavioral Analysis shall be provided by a person professionally certified by a national board of behavior analysts or performed under the supervision of a person professionally certified by a national board of behavior analysts. Coverage is subject to the annual benefit limitation for Applied Behavior Analysis shown in the Schedule of Benefits.
- Counseling services provided by a licensed psychiatrist, licensed psychologist, professional counselor, or clinical social worker.
- Therapy services provided by a licensed or certified speech therapist, speech-language pathologist, occupational therapist, physical therapist, or marriage and family therapist.
- Prescription Drugs.

Behavioral Health Services

See “Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services” later in this section.

Cardiac Rehabilitation

Please see “Therapy Services” later in this section.

Chemotherapy

Please see “Therapy Services” later in this section.

Chiropractic Services

Benefits are available for chiropractic treatments provided by a Doctor of Chiropractic medicine when rendered within the scope of the chiropractic license. Covered Services include diagnostic testing, manipulations, and treatment.

Benefits do not include the following:

1. Maintenance therapy, which is treatment given when no additional progress is apparent or expected to occur. Maintenance therapy includes treatment that preserves your present level of functioning and prevents loss of that functioning, but which does not result in any additional improvement.
2. Nutritional or dietary supplements, including vitamins.
3. Cervical pillows.
4. Spinal decompression devices. This includes, but is not limited to, Vertebral Axial Decompression (Vax-D) and DRX9000.

Clinical Trials

Benefits include coverage for services, such as routine patient care costs, given to you as a participant in an approved clinical trial if the services are Covered Services under this Plan. An “approved clinical trial” means a phase I, phase II, phase III, or phase IV clinical trial that studies the prevention, detection, or treatment of cancer or other life-threatening conditions. The term life-threatening condition means any disease or condition from which death is likely unless the disease or condition is treated.

Benefits are limited to the following trials:

1. Federally funded trials approved or funded by one of the following:
 - a. The National Institutes of Health.
 - b. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.
 - c. The Agency for Health Care Research and Quality.
 - d. The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.
 - e. Cooperative group or center of any of the entities described in (a) through (d) or the Department of Defense or the Department of Veterans Affairs.
 - f. A qualified non-governmental research entity identified in the guidelines issued by the National Institutes of Health for center support grants.
 - g. Any of the following in i-iii below if the study or investigation has been reviewed and approved through a system of peer review that the Secretary of Health and Human Services determines 1) to be comparable to the system of peer review of studies and investigations used by the National Institutes of Health, and 2) assures unbiased review of the highest scientific standards by qualified individuals who have no interest in the outcome of the review.
 - i. The Department of Veterans Affairs.
 - ii. The Department of Defense.
 - iii. The Department of Energy.
2. Studies or investigations done as part of an investigational new drug application reviewed by the Food and Drug Administration;
3. Studies or investigations done for drug trials which are exempt from the investigational new drug application.

Your Plan may require you to use an In-Network Provider to maximize your benefits.

Routine patient care costs include items, services, and drugs provided to you in connection with an approved clinical trial that would otherwise be covered by this Plan.

All requests for clinical trials services, including services that are not part of approved clinical trials will be reviewed according to our Clinical Coverage Guidelines, related policies and procedures.

Your Plan is not required to provide benefits for the following services. We reserve our right to exclude any of the following services

- i. The Investigational item, device, or service; or
- ii. Items and services that are given only to satisfy data collection and analysis needs and that are not used in the direct clinical management of the patient; or
- iii. A service that is clearly inconsistent with widely accepted and established standards of care for a particular diagnosis;
- iv. Any item or service that is paid for, or should have been paid for, by the sponsor of the trial.

Cancer Clinical Trial Programs for Children

Covered Services include routine patient care costs incurred in connection with the provision of goods, services, and benefits to Members who are dependent children in connection with approved clinical trial programs for the treatment of children's cancer. Routine patient care costs mean those Medically Necessary costs as provided in Georgia law (OCGA 33-24-59.1).

Dental Services (All Members / All Ages)

Preparing the Mouth for Medical Treatments

Your Plan includes coverage for dental services to prepare the mouth for medical services and treatments such as radiation therapy to treat cancer and prepare for transplants. Covered Services include:

- Evaluation
- Dental x-rays
- Extractions, including surgical extractions
- Anesthesia

Treatment of Accidental Injury

Benefits are also available for dental work needed to treat injuries to the jaw, sound natural teeth, mouth or face as a result of an accident. An injury that results from chewing or biting is not considered an injury under this Plan, unless the chewing or biting results from a medical or mental conditions.

Treatment must begin within 12 months of the injury, or as soon after that as possible to be a Covered Service under this Plan.

Other Dental Services

Hospital or Facility charges and anesthesia needed for dental care are covered if the Member meets any of the following conditions:

- The Member is under the age of 7;
- The Member has a chronic disability that is attributable to a mental and/ or physical impairment which results in substantial functional limitation in an area of the Member's major life activity, and the disability is likely to continue indefinitely; or
- The Member has a medical condition that requires hospitalization or general anesthesia for dental care.

Diabetes Equipment, Education, and Supplies

Benefits are provided for medical supplies, services, and equipment used in the treatment of diabetes, including diabetes self-management education programs.

Diabetes self-management training is covered for an individual with insulin dependent diabetes, non-insulin dependent diabetes, or elevated blood glucose levels induced by pregnancy or another medical condition when:

- Medically Necessary;
- Ordered in writing by a Physician or a podiatrist; and
- Provided by a health care professional who is licensed, registered, or certified under state law.

For the purposes of this provision, a "health care professional" means the Physician or podiatrist ordering the training or a Provider who has obtained certification in diabetes education by the American Diabetes Association.

For information on equipment and supplies, please refer to the "Medical Supplies, Durable Medical Equipment, and Appliances" provision in this section. For information on Prescription Drug coverage, please refer to the "Prescription Drugs" section in this Booklet.

Diagnostic Services

Your Plan includes benefits for tests or procedures to find or check a condition when specific symptoms exist. Tests must be ordered by a Provider and include diagnostic services ordered before a surgery or Hospital admission. Benefits include the following services:

Diagnostic Laboratory and Pathology Services

- Laboratory and pathology tests, such as blood tests.
- Genetic tests, when allowed by us.

Diagnostic Imaging Services and Electronic Diagnostic Tests

- X-rays / regular imaging services
- Ultrasound
- Electrocardiograms (EKG)
- Electroencephalography (EEG)
- Echocardiograms
- Hearing and vision tests for a medical condition or injury (not for screenings or preventive care)
- Tests ordered before a surgery or admission.

Advanced Imaging Services

Benefits are also available for advanced imaging services, which include but are not limited to:

- CT scan
- CTA scan
- Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)
- Magnetic Resonance Angiography (MRA)
- Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopy (MRS)
- Nuclear Cardiology
- PET scans
- PET/CT Fusion scans
- QTC Bone Densitometry
- Diagnostic CT Colonography

The list of advanced imaging services may change as medical technologies change.

Dialysis / Hemodialysis

See "Therapy Services" later in this section.

Durable Medical Equipment and Medical Devices, Orthotics, Prosthetics, and Medical and Surgical Supplies

Durable Medical Equipment and Medical Devices

Your Plan includes benefits for durable medical equipment and medical devices when the equipment meets the following criteria:

- Is meant for repeated use and is not disposable;
- Is used for a medical purpose and is of no further use when medical need ends;
- Is meant for use outside a medical Facility;
- Is only for use of the patient;
- Is made to serve a medical use;
- Is ordered by a Provider.

Benefits include purchase-only equipment and devices (e.g., crutches and customized equipment), purchase or rent-to-purchase equipment and devices (e.g., Hospital beds and wheelchairs), and continuous rental equipment and devices (e.g., oxygen concentrator, ventilator, and negative pressure wound therapy devices). Continuous rental equipment must be approved by us. We may limit the amount of coverage for ongoing rental of equipment. We may not cover more in rental costs than the cost of simply purchasing the equipment).

Benefits include repair and replacement costs as well as supplies and equipment needed for the use of the equipment or device, for example, a battery for a powered wheelchair.

Oxygen and equipment for its administration are also Covered Services. Benefits are also available for cochlear implants.

Benefits include hearing aids as stated in the "Schedule of Benefits".

Hearing Aids

Benefits are provided for the following Medically Necessary hearing aids and related services for children 18 year of age and under:

- The initial hearing aid evaluation, fitting, dispensing and programming;
- Servicing, repairs, follow-up maintenance and adjustments;
- Ear molds and ear mold impressions;
- Auditory training; and
- Probe microphone measurements to ensure appropriate gain and output.

Coverage provides for the replacement of one hearing aid per hearing impaired ear every 48 months.

Benefits are limited. Please see the "Schedule of Benefits" to see any Deductible, Coinsurance, Copayment or other benefit limitations that may apply.

Orthotics

Benefits are available for certain types of orthotics (braces, boots, splints). Covered Services include the initial purchase, fitting, and repair of a custom made rigid or semi-rigid supportive device used to support, align, prevent, or correct deformities or to improve the function of movable parts of the body, or which limits or stops motion of a weak or diseased body part.

Prosthetics

Your Plan also includes benefits for prosthetics, which are artificial substitutes for body parts for functional or therapeutic purposes, when they are Medically Necessary for activities of daily living.

Benefits include the purchase, fitting, adjustments, repairs and replacements. Covered Services may include, but are not limited to:

- Artificial limbs and accessories;
- One pair of glasses or contact lenses used after surgical removal of the lens(es) of the eyes);
- Breast prosthesis (whether internal or external) after a mastectomy, as required by the Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act.
- Colostomy and other ostomy (surgical construction of an artificial opening) supplies directly related to ostomy care.
- Restoration prosthesis (composite facial prosthesis).
- Wigs needed after cancer treatment limited to the maximum shown in the "Schedule of Benefits".

Medical and Surgical Supplies

Your Plan includes coverage for medical and surgical supplies that serve only a medical purpose, are used once, and are purchased (not rented). Covered supplies include syringes, needles, surgical dressings, splints, and other similar items that serve only a medical purpose. Covered supplies include syringes, needles, surgical dressings and other supplies for the treatment of diabetes. Covered Services do not include items often stocked in the home for general use like Band-Aids, thermometers, and petroleum jelly.

Blood and Blood Products

Your Plan also includes coverage for the administration and blood products unless they are received from a community source, such as a blood donated through a blood bank.

Emergency Care Services

Emergency Services

Benefits are available in a Hospital Emergency Room for services and supplies to treat the onset of symptoms for an Emergency, which is defined below. Services provided for conditions that do not meet the definition of Emergency will not be covered.

Emergency (Emergency Medical Condition)

"Emergency," or "Emergency Medical Condition" means a medical or behavioral health condition of recent onset and sufficient severity, including but not limited to, severe pain, that would lead a prudent layperson, possessing an average knowledge of medicine and health, to believe that his or her condition, sickness, or injury is of such a nature that not getting immediate medical care could result in: (a) placing the patient's health or the health of another person in serious danger or, for a pregnant woman, placing the woman's health or the health of her unborn child in serious danger; (b) serious impairment to bodily functions; or (c) serious dysfunction of any bodily organ or part. Such conditions include but are not limited to, chest pain, stroke, poisoning, serious breathing problems, unconsciousness, severe burns or cuts, uncontrolled bleeding, or seizures and such other acute conditions as may be determined to be Emergencies by us.

Emergency Care

“Emergency Care” means a medical or behavioral health exam done in the Emergency Department of a Hospital, and includes services routinely available in the Emergency Department to evaluate an Emergency Condition. It includes any further medical or behavioral health exams and treatment required to stabilize the patient.

Medically Necessary services will be covered whether you get care from an In-Network or Out-of-Network Provider. Emergency Care you get from an Out-of-Network Provider will be covered as an In-Network service, but you may have to pay the difference between the Out-of-Network Provider’s charge and the Maximum Allowed Amount, as well as any applicable Coinsurance, Copayment or Deductible.

The Maximum Allowed Amount for Emergency Care from an Out-of-Network Provider will be the greatest of the following:

1. The amount negotiated with In-Network Providers for the Emergency service;
2. The amount for the Emergency service calculated using the same method we generally use to determine payments for Out-of-Network services but substituting the In-Network cost-sharing for the Out-of-Network cost-sharing provisions; or
3. The amount that would be paid under Medicare for the Emergency service.

If you are admitted to the Hospital from the Emergency Room, be sure that you or your Doctor calls us as soon as possible. We will review your care to decide if a Hospital stay is needed and how many days you should stay. See “Getting Approval for Benefits” for more details. If you or your Doctor do not call us, you may have to pay for services that are determined to be not Medically Necessary.

Treatment you get after your condition has stabilized is not Emergency Care. If you continue to get care from an Out-of-Network Provider, Covered Services will be covered at the Out-of-Network level unless we agree to cover them as an Authorized Service.

Habilitative Services

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

Home Care Services

Benefits are available for Covered Services performed by a Home Health Care Agency or other Provider in your home. To be eligible for benefits, you must essentially be confined to the home, as an alternative to a Hospital stay, and be physically unable to get needed medical services on an outpatient basis. Services must be prescribed by a Doctor and the services must be so inherently complex that they can be safely and effectively performed only by qualified, technical, or professional health staff.

Covered Services include but are not limited to:

- Intermittent skilled nursing services by an R.N. or L.P.N.
- Medical / social services
- Diagnostic services
- Nutritional guidance
- Training of the patient and/or family/caregiver
- Home health aide services. You must be receiving skilled nursing or therapy. Services must be given by appropriately trained staff working for the home health care Provider. Other organizations may give

services only when approved by us, and their duties must be assigned and supervised by a professional nurse on the staff of the home health care Provider or other Provider as approved by us.

- Therapy Services (except for Manipulation Therapy which will not be covered when given in the home)
- Medical supplies
- Durable medical equipment

When available in your area benefits are also available for Intensive In-home Behavioral Health Services. These do not require confinement to the home. These services are described in the “Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services” section below.

Home Infusion Therapy

See “Therapy Services” later in this section.

Hospice Care

You are eligible for hospice care if your Doctor and the Hospice medical director certify that you are terminally ill and likely have less than twelve (12) months to live. You may access hospice care while participating in a clinical trial or continuing disease modifying therapy, as ordered by your treating Provider. Disease modifying therapy treats the underlying terminal illness.

The services and supplies listed below are Covered Services when given by a Hospice for the palliative care of pain and other symptoms that are part of a terminal disease. Palliative care means care that controls pain and relieves symptoms, but is not meant to cure a terminal illness. Covered Services include:

1. Care from an interdisciplinary team care with the development and maintenance of an appropriate plan of care.
2. Short-term Inpatient Hospital care when needed in periods of crisis or as respite care.
3. Skilled nursing services, home health aide services, and homemaker services given by or under the supervision of a registered nurse.
4. Social services and counseling services from a licensed social worker.
5. Nutritional support, such as intravenous feeding and feeding tubes
6. Physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, and respiratory therapy given by a licensed therapist.
7. Pharmaceuticals, medical equipment, and supplies needed for the palliative care of your condition, including oxygen and related respiratory therapy supplies.
8. Bereavement (grief) services, including a review of the needs of the bereaved family and the development of a care plan to meet those needs, both before and after the Member’s death. Bereavement services are available to surviving members of the immediate family for one year after the Member’s death. Immediate family means your spouse, children, stepchildren, parents, brothers and sisters.

Your Doctor must agree to care by the Hospice and must be consulted in the development of the treatment plan. The Hospice must keep a written care plan on file and give it to us upon request.

Benefits for services beyond those listed above that are given for disease modification or palliation, such as but not limited to chemotherapy and radiation therapy, are available to a Member in Hospice. These services are covered under other parts of this Plan.

Human Organ and Tissue Transplant (Bone Marrow / Stem Cell) Services

Your Plan includes coverage for Medically Necessary human organ and tissue transplants. Certain transplants (e.g., cornea and kidney) are covered like any other surgery, under the regular inpatient and outpatient benefits described elsewhere in this Booklet.

This section describes benefits for certain Covered Transplant Procedures that you get during the Transplant Benefit Period. Any Covered Services related to a Covered Transplant Procedure, received before or after the Transplant Benefit Period, are covered under the regular Inpatient and outpatient benefits described elsewhere in this Booklet.

In this section, you will see some key terms, which are defined below:

Covered Transplant Procedure

As decided by us, any Medically Necessary human organ, tissue, and stem cell / bone marrow transplants and infusions including necessary acquisition procedures, mobilization, collection and storage. It also, includes Medically Necessary myeloablative or reduced intensity preparative chemotherapy, radiation therapy, or a combination of these therapies.

In-Network Transplant Provider

A Provider that we have chosen as a Center of Excellence and/or a Provider selected to take part as an In-Network Transplant Provider by the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association. The Provider has entered into a Transplant Provider Agreement to give Covered Transplant Procedures to you and take care of certain administrative duties for the transplant network. A Provider may be an In-Network Transplant Provider for:

- Certain Covered Transplant Procedures; or
- All Covered Transplant Procedures.

Out-of-Network Transplant Provider

Any Provider that has **NOT** been chosen as a Center of Excellence by us or has not been selected to take part as an In-Network Transplant Provider by the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association.

Transplant Benefit Period

At an In-Network Transplant Provider Facility, the Transplant Benefit Period starts one day before a Covered Transplant Procedure and lasts for the applicable case rate / global time period. The number of days will vary depending on the type of transplant received and the In-Network Transplant Provider agreement. Call the Case Manager for specific In-Network Transplant Provider details for services received at or coordinated by an In-Network Transplant Provider Facility.

At an Out-of-Network Transplant Provider Facility, the Transplant Benefit Period starts one day before a Covered Transplant Procedure and lasts until the date of discharge.

Prior Approval and Precertification

To maximize your benefits, you should call our Transplant Department as soon as you think you may need a transplant to talk about your benefit options. You must do this before you have an evaluation and/or work-up for a transplant. We will help you maximize your benefits by giving you coverage information, including details on what is covered and if any clinical coverage guidelines, medical policies, In-Network Transplant Provider rules, or Exclusions apply. Call the Member Services phone number on the back of your Identification Card and ask for the transplant coordinator. Even if we give a prior approval for the Covered Transplant Procedure, you or your Provider must call our Transplant Department for Precertification prior to the transplant whether this is performed in an Inpatient or Outpatient setting.

Precertification is required before we will cover benefits for a transplant. Your Doctor must certify, and we must agree, that the transplant is Medically Necessary. Your Doctor should send a written request for Precertification to us as soon as possible to start this process. Not getting Precertification will result in a denial of benefits.

Please note that there are cases where your Provider asks for approval for HLA testing, donor searches and/or a collection and storage of stem cells prior to the final decision as to what transplant procedure will be needed. In these cases, the HLA testing and donor search charges are covered as routine diagnostic testing. The collection and storage request will be reviewed for Medical Necessity and may be approved. However, such an approval for HLA testing, donor search and/or collection and storage is NOT an approval for the later transplant. A separate Medical Necessity decision will be needed for the transplant.

Transportation and Lodging

We will cover the cost of reasonable and necessary travel costs when you get prior approval and need to travel more than 75 miles from your permanent home to reach the Facility where the Covered Transplant Procedure will be performed. Our help with travel costs includes transportation to and from the Facility, and lodging for the patient and one companion. Travel costs for the donor are generally not covered, unless we make an exception and approve them in advance of the procedure. If the Member receiving care is a minor, then reasonable and necessary costs for transportation and lodging may be allowed for two companions. You must send itemized receipts for transportation and lodging costs in a form satisfactory to us when claims are filed. Call us for complete information.

For lodging and ground transportation benefits, we will cover costs up to the current limits set forth in the Internal Revenue Code.

Non-Covered Services for transportation and lodging include, but are not limited to:

1. Child care,
2. Mileage within the medical transplant Facility city,
3. Rental cars, buses, taxis, or shuttle service, except as specifically approved by us,
4. Frequent Flyer miles,
5. Coupons, Vouchers, or Travel tickets,
6. Prepayments or deposits,
7. Services for a condition that is not directly related, or a direct result, of the transplant,
8. Phone calls,
9. Laundry,
10. Postage,
11. Entertainment,
12. Travel costs for donor companion/caregiver,

13. Return visits for the donor for a treatment of an illness found during the evaluation.
14. Meals.

Infertility Services

Please see “Maternity and Reproductive Health Services” later in this section.

Inpatient Services

Inpatient Hospital Care

Covered Services include acute care in a Hospital setting.

Benefits for room, board, and nursing services include:

- A room with two or more beds.
- A private room. The most the Plan will cover for a private room is the Hospital’s average semi-private room rate unless it is Medically Necessary that you use a private room for isolation and no isolation facilities are available.
- A room in a special care unit approved by us. The unit must have facilities, equipment, and supportive services for intensive care or critically ill patients.
- Routine nursery care for newborns during the mother’s normal Hospital stay.
- Meals, special diets.
- General nursing services.

Benefits for ancillary services include:

- Operating, childbirth, and treatment rooms and equipment.
- Prescribed Drugs.
- Anesthesia, anesthesia supplies and services given by the Hospital or other Provider.
- Medical and surgical dressings and supplies, casts, and splints.
- Diagnostic services.
- Therapy services, including infusion therapy services.

Inpatient Professional Services

Covered Services include:

1. Medical care visits.
2. Intensive medical care when your condition requires it.
3. Treatment for a health problem by a Doctor who is not your surgeon while you are in the Hospital for surgery. Benefits include treatment by two or more Doctors during one Hospital stay when the nature or severity of your health problem calls for the skill of separate Doctors.
4. A personal bedside exam by a Doctor when asked for by your Doctor. Benefits are not available for staff consultations required by the Hospital, consultations asked for by the patient, routine consultations, phone consultations, or EKG transmittals by phone.
5. Surgery and general anesthesia.
6. Newborn exam. A Doctor other than the one who delivered the child must do the exam.
7. Professional charges to interpret diagnostic tests such as imaging, pathology reports, and cardiology.

Maternity and Reproductive Health Services

Maternity Services

Covered Services include services needed during a normal or complicated pregnancy and for services needed for a miscarriage. Covered maternity services include:

- Professional and Facility services for childbirth in a Facility or the home including the services of an appropriately licensed nurse midwife;
- Routine nursery care for the newborn during the mother's normal Hospital stay, including circumcision of a covered male Dependent;
- Prenatal, postnatal, and postpartum services; and
- Fetal screenings, which are genetic or chromosomal test of the fetus, as allowed by us.

If you are pregnant on your Effective Date and in the first trimester of the pregnancy, you must change to an In-Network Provider to have Covered Services covered at the In-Network level. If you are pregnant on your Effective Date and in your second or third trimester of pregnancy (13 weeks or later) as of the Effective Date, benefits for obstetrical care will be available at the In-Network level even if an Out-of-Network Provider is used if you fill out a Continuation of Care Request Form and send it to us. Covered Services will include the obstetrical care given by that Provider through the end of the pregnancy and the immediate post-partum period.

Important Note About Maternity Admissions: Under federal law, we may not limit benefits for any Hospital length of stay for childbirth for the mother or newborn to less than 48 hours after vaginal birth, or less than 96 hours after a cesarean section (C-section). However, federal law as a rule does not stop the mother's or newborn's attending Provider, after consulting with the mother, from discharging the mother or her newborn earlier than 48 hours, or 96 hours, as applicable. In any case, as provided by federal law, we may not require a Provider to get authorization from us before prescribing a length of stay which is not more than 48 hours for a vaginal birth or 96 hours after a C-section.

Contraceptive Benefits

Benefits include prescription oral contraceptive drugs, injectable contraceptive drugs and patches. Benefits also include contraceptive devices such as diaphragms, intra uterine devices (IUDs), and implants. Certain contraceptives are covered under the "Preventive Care" benefit. Please see that section for further details.

Sterilization Services

Benefits include sterilization services and services to reverse a non-elective sterilization that resulted from an illness or injury and services to reverse an elective or non-elective sterilization. Reversals of elective sterilizations are not covered. Sterilizations for women are covered under the "Preventive Care" benefit.

Abortion Services

Benefits include services for a therapeutic abortion, which is an abortion recommended by a Provider, performed to save the life or health of the mother, or as a result of incest or rape. The Plan will also cover elective abortions.

Infertility Services

Important Note: Although this Plan offers limited coverage of certain diagnostic infertility services, it does not cover all forms of infertility treatment. Benefits do not include assisted reproductive technologies (ART) or the diagnostic tests and Prescription Drugs to support it. Examples of ART include artificial insemination, in-vitro fertilization, zygote intrafallopian transfer (ZIFT), or gamete intrafallopian transfer (GIFT).

Covered Services include only diagnostic tests to find the cause of infertility, such as diagnostic laparoscopy, endometrial biopsy, and semen analysis. Benefits also include services to treat the underlying medical conditions that cause infertility (e.g., sexually transmitted diseases, endometriosis, obstructed fallopian tubes, and hormone deficiency). Fertility treatments such as artificial insemination and in-vitro fertilization are not a Covered Service.

Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services

Covered Services include the following:

- **Inpatient Services** in a Hospital or any Facility that we must cover per state law. Inpatient benefits include psychotherapy, psychological testing, electroconvulsive therapy, and detoxification.
- **Residential Treatment** in a licensed Residential Treatment Center that offers individualized and intensive treatment and includes:
 - Observation and assessment by a physician weekly or more often,
 - Rehabilitation, therapy, and education
- **Outpatient Services** including office visits, therapy and treatment, Partial Hospitalization/Day Treatment Programs, Intensive Outpatient Programs and (when available in your area) Intensive In-Home Behavioral Health Services.
- **Online Visits** when available in your area. Covered Services include a medical visit with the Doctor using the internet by a webcam, chat or voice. Online visits do not include reporting normal lab or other test results, requesting office visits, getting answers to billing, insurance coverage or payment questions, asking for referrals to doctors outside the online care panel, benefit precertification, or Doctor to Doctor discussions.

Examples of Providers whom you can receive Covered Services include:

- Psychiatrist,
- Psychologist,
- Neuropsychologist,
- Licensed clinical social worker (L.C.S.W.),
- Mental health clinical nurse specialist,
- Licensed marriage and family therapist (L.M.F.T.),
- Licensed professional counselor (L.P.C) or
- Any agency licensed by the state to give these services, when we have to cover them by law.

Nutritional Counseling

Covered Services include nutritional counseling visits as indicated in the Schedule of Benefits.

Occupational Therapy

Please see “Therapy Services” later in this section.

Office Visits and Doctor Services

Covered Services include:

Office Visits for medical care (including second surgical opinion) to examine, diagnose, and treat an illness or injury.

Home Visits for medical care to examine, diagnose, and treat an illness or injury. Please note that Doctor visits in the home are different than the “Home Care Services” benefit described earlier in this Booklet.

Retail Health Clinic Care for limited basic health care services to Members on a “walk-in” basis. These clinics are normally found in major pharmacies or retail stores. Health care services are typically given by Physician’s Assistants or nurse practitioners. Services are limited to routine care and the treatment of common illnesses for adults and children.

Walk-In Doctor’s Office for services limited to routine care and the treatment of common illnesses for adults and children. You do not have to be an existing patient or have an appointment to use a walk-in Doctor’s office.

Urgent Care as described in “Urgent Care Services” later in this section.

Online Visits when available in your area. Covered Services include a medical visit with the Doctor using the internet by a webcam, chat or voice. Online visits do not include reporting normal lab or other test results, requesting office visits, getting answers to billing, insurance coverage or payment questions, asking for referrals to Doctors outside the online care panel, benefit precertification, or Doctor to Doctor discussions. For Mental Health and Substance Abuse Online Visits, see the “Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services” section.

Prescription Drugs Administered in the Office.

Orthotics

See “Durable Medical Equipment (DME) and Medical Devices, Orthotics, Prosthetics, Medical and Surgical Supplies” earlier in this section.

Outpatient Facility Services

Your Plan includes Covered Services in an:

- Outpatient Hospital,
- Freestanding Ambulatory Surgical Facility,
- Mental Health / Substance Abuse Facility, or
- Other Facilities approved by us.

Benefits include Facility and related (ancillary) charges, when proper, such as:

- Surgical rooms and equipment,
- Prescription Drugs including Specialty Drugs,
- Anesthesia and anesthesia supplies and services given by the Hospital or other Facility,
- Medical and surgical dressings and supplies, casts, and splints,
- Diagnostic services,
- Therapy services.

Physical Therapy

Please see “Therapy Services” later in this section.

Preventive Care

Preventive care includes screenings and other services for adults and children. All recommended preventive services will be covered as required by the Affordable Care Act (ACA) and applicable state law. This means many preventive care services are covered with no Deductible, Copayments or Coinsurance when you use an In-Network Provider.

Certain benefits for Members who have current symptoms or a diagnosed health problem may be covered under the “Diagnostic Services” benefit instead of this benefit, if the coverage does not fall within the state or ACA-recommended preventive services.

Covered Services fall under the following broad groups:

1. Services with an “A” or “B” rating from the United States Preventive Services Task Force. Examples include screenings for:
 - a. Breast cancer,
 - b. Cervical cancer,
 - c. Colorectal cancer,
 - d. High blood pressure,
 - e. Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus,
 - f. Cholesterol,
 - g. Child and adult obesity.
2. Immunizations for children, adolescents, and adults recommended by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention;
3. Preventive care and screenings for infants, children and adolescents as listed in the guidelines supported by the Health Resources and Services Administration;
4. Preventive care and screening for women as listed in the guidelines supported by the Health Resources and Services Administration, including:
 - a. Women’s contraceptives, sterilization treatments, and counseling. This includes Generic and single-source Brand Drugs as well as injectable contraceptives and patches. Contraceptive devices such as diaphragms, intra uterine devices (IUDs), and implants are also covered. Multi-source Brand Drugs will be covered as a Preventive Care benefit when Medically Necessary according to your attending Provider, otherwise they will be covered under the “Prescription Drug Benefit at a Retail or Home Delivery (Mail Order) Pharmacy”.
 - b. Breastfeeding support, supplies, and counseling. Benefits for breast pumps are limited to one pump per pregnancy.
 - c. Gestational diabetes screening.

5. Preventive care services for tobacco cessation for members age 18 and older as recommended by the United States Preventive Services Task Force including:
 - a) Counseling
 - b) Prescription Drugs
 - c) Nicotine replacement therapy products when prescribed by a Provider, including over the counter (OTC) nicotine gum, lozenges and patches.
6. Prescription Drugs and OTC items identified as an A or B recommendation by the United States Preventive Services Task Force when prescribed by a Provider including:
 - a) Aspirin
 - b) Folic acid supplement
 - c) Vitamin D supplement
 - d) Bowel preparations

Please note that certain age and gender and quantity limitations apply.

You may call Member Services at the number on your Identification Card for more details about these services or view the federal government's web sites, <https://www.healthcare.gov/what-are-my-preventive-care-benefits>, <http://www.ahrq.gov>, and <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/acip/index.html>.

Covered Services also include the following services required by state and federal law:

- Lead poisoning screening for children.
- Routine mammograms.
- Appropriate and necessary childhood immunizations that meet the standards approved by the U.S. public health service for such biological products against at least all of the following:
 - Diphtheria,
 - Pertussis,
 - Tetanus,
 - Polio,
 - Measles,
 - Mumps,
 - Rubella,
 - Hemophilus influenza b (Hib),
 - Hepatitis B,
 - Varicella.

(Additional immunizations will be covered per federal law, as indicated earlier in this section.)

- Routine colorectal cancer examination and related laboratory tests.
- Chlamydia screening.
- Ovarian surveillance testing.
- Pap smear.
- Prostate screening.

Other Covered Services include:

- Routine vision screening.
- Routine hearing screening.

Prosthetics

See “Durable Medical Equipment (DME) and Medical Devices , Orthotics, Prosthetics, Medical and Surgical Supplies” earlier in this section.

Pulmonary Therapy

Please see “Therapy Services” later in this section.

Radiation Therapy

Please see “Therapy Services” later in this section.

Rehabilitation Services

Benefits include services in a Hospital, free-standing Facility, Skilled Nursing Facility, or in an outpatient day rehabilitation program.

Covered Services involve a coordinated team approach and several types of treatment, including skilled nursing care, physical, occupational, and speech therapy, and services of a social worker or psychologist.

To be Covered Services, rehabilitation services must involve goals you can reach in a reasonable period of time. Benefits will end when treatment is no longer Medically Necessary and you stop progressing toward those goals.

Please see “Therapy Services” in this section for further details.

Respiratory Therapy

Please see “Therapy Services” later in this section.

Skilled Nursing Facility

When you require Inpatient skilled nursing and related services for convalescent and rehabilitative care, Covered Services are available if the Facility is licensed or certified under state law as a Skilled Nursing Facility. Custodial Care is not a Covered Service.

Smoking Cessation

Please see the “Preventive Care” section in this Booklet.

Speech Therapy

Please see “Therapy Services” later in this section.

Surgery

Your Plan covers surgical services on an Inpatient or outpatient basis, including office surgeries. Covered Services include:

- 1) Accepted operative and cutting procedures;
- 2) Other invasive procedures, such as angiogram, arteriogram, amniocentesis, tap or puncture of brain or spine;
- 3) Endoscopic exams, such as arthroscopy, bronchoscopy, colonoscopy, laparoscopy;
- 4) Treatment of fractures and dislocations;
- 5) Anesthesia and surgical support when Medically Necessary;
- 6) Medically Necessary pre-operative and post-operative care.

Oral Surgery

Important Note: Although this Plan provides coverage for certain oral surgeries, many types of oral surgery procedures are not covered by this medical Plan.

Benefits are also limited to certain oral surgeries including:

- Treatment of medically diagnosed cleft lip, cleft palate, or ectodermal dysplasia;
- Orthognathic surgery for a physical abnormality that prevents normal function of the upper and/or lower jaw and is Medically Necessary to attain functional capacity of the affected part.
- Oral / surgical correction of accidental injuries as indicated in the “Dental Services (All Members / All Ages)” section.
- Treatment of non-dental lesions, such as removal of tumors and biopsies.
- Incision and drainage of infection of soft tissue not including odontogenic cysts or abscesses.

Reconstructive Surgery

Benefits include reconstructive surgery performed to correct significant deformities caused by congenital or developmental abnormalities, illness, injury, or an earlier treatment in order to create a more normal appearance. Benefits include surgery performed to restore symmetry after a mastectomy. Reconstructive services needed as a result of an earlier treatment are covered only if the first treatment would have been a Covered Service under this Plan.

Note: This section does not apply to orthognathic surgery. See the “Oral Surgery” section above for that benefit.

Mastectomy Notice

A Member who is getting benefits for a mastectomy or for follow-up care for a mastectomy and who chooses breast reconstruction, will also get coverage for:

- Reconstruction of the breast on which the mastectomy has been performed;
- Surgery and reconstruction of the other breast to give a symmetrical appearance; and
- Prostheses and treatment of physical problems of all stages of mastectomy, including lymphedemas.

Members will have to pay the same Deductible, Coinsurance, and/or Copayments that normally apply to surgeries in this Plan.

Telemedicine

Your coverage also includes telemedicine services provided by a duly licensed Doctor or healthcare Provider by means of audio, video, or data communications (to include secured electronic mail).

The use of standard phone, facsimile transmissions, unsecured electronic mail, or a combination thereof does not constitute telemedicine service and is not a covered benefit.

The use of telemedicine may substitute for a face-to-face “hands on” encounter for consultation.

To be eligible for payment, interactive audio and video telecommunications must be used, permitting real-time communications between the distant Doctor or Provider and the Member / patient. As a condition of payment, the patient (Member) must be present and participating.

Temporomandibular Joint (TMJ) and Craniomandibular Joint Services

Benefits are available to treat temporomandibular and craniomandibular disorders. The temporomandibular joint connects the lower jaw to the temporal bone at the side of the head and the craniomandibular joint involves the head and neck muscles.

Covered Services include removable appliances for TMJ repositioning and related surgery, medical care, and diagnostic services. Covered Services do not include fixed or removable appliances which involve movement or repositioning of the teeth, repair of teeth (fillings), or prosthetics (crowns, bridges, dentures).

Therapy Services

Physical Medicine Therapy Services

Your Plan includes coverage for the therapy services described below. To be a Covered Service, the therapy must improve your level of function within a reasonable period of time. Covered Services include:

- **Physical therapy** – The treatment by physical means to ease pain, restore health, and to avoid disability after an illness, injury, or loss of an arm or leg. It includes hydrotherapy, heat, physical agents, bio-mechanical and neuro-physiological principles and devices. It does not include massage therapy services at spas or health clubs.
- **Speech therapy and speech-language pathology (SLP) services** – Services to identify, assess, and treat speech, language, and swallowing disorders in children and adults. Therapy will develop or treat communication or swallowing skills to correct a speech impairment.
- **Occupational therapy** – Treatment to restore a physically disabled person's ability to do activities of daily living, such as walking, eating, drinking, dressing, using the toilet, moving from a wheelchair to bed, and bathing. It also includes therapy for tasks needed for the person's job. Occupational therapy does not include recreational or vocational therapies, such as hobbies, arts and crafts.
- **Chiropractic / Osteopathic / Manipulation therapy** – Includes therapy to treat problems of the bones, joints, and the back. The two therapies are similar, but chiropractic therapy focuses on the joints of the spine and the nervous system, while osteopathic therapy also focuses on the joints and surrounding muscles, tendons and ligaments.

Other Therapy Services

Benefits are also available for:

- **Cardiac Rehabilitation** – Medical evaluation, training, supervised exercise, and psychosocial support to care for you after a cardiac event (heart problem). Benefits do not include home programs, on-going conditioning, or maintenance care.
- **Chemotherapy** – Treatment of an illness by chemical or biological antineoplastic agents. See the section “Prescription Drugs Administered by a Medical Provider” for more details.
- **Dialysis / Hemodialysis** – Services for acute renal failure and chronic (end-stage) renal disease, including hemodialysis, home intermittent peritoneal dialysis (IPD), home continuous cycling peritoneal dialysis (CCPD), and home continuous ambulatory peritoneal dialysis (CAPD). Covered Services include dialysis / hemodialysis treatments in an outpatient dialysis / hemodialysis Facility. Covered Services also include home dialysis / hemodialysis and training for you and the person who will help you with home self-dialysis.
- **Infusion Therapy**– Nursing, durable medical equipment and Prescription Drug services that are delivered and administered to you through an I.V. in your home. Also includes: Total Parenteral Nutrition (TPN), enteral nutrition therapy, antibiotic therapy, pain care and chemotherapy. May include injections (intra-muscular, subcutaneous, continuous subcutaneous). See the section “Prescription Drugs Administered by a Medical Provider” for more details.
- **Pulmonary Rehabilitation** – Includes outpatient short-term respiratory care to restore your health after an illness or injury.
- **Radiation Therapy** – Treatment of an illness by x-ray, radium, or radioactive isotopes. Covered Services include treatment (teletherapy, brachytherapy and intraoperative radiation, photon or high energy particle sources), materials and supplies needed, and treatment planning.
- **Respiratory Therapy** – Includes the use of dry or moist gases in the lungs, nonpressurized inhalation treatment; intermittent positive pressure breathing treatment, air or oxygen, with or without nebulized medication, continuous positive pressure ventilation (CPAP); continuous negative pressure ventilation (CNP); chest percussion; therapeutic use of medical gases or Prescription Drugs in the form of aerosols, and equipment such as resuscitators, oxygen tents, and incentive spirometers; broncho-pulmonary drainage and breathing exercises.

Transplant Services

See “Human Organ and Tissue Transplant” earlier in this section.

Urgent Care Services

Often an urgent rather than an Emergency health problem exists. An urgent health problem is an unexpected illness or injury that calls for care that cannot wait until a regularly scheduled office visit. Urgent health problems are not life threatening and do not call for the use of an Emergency Room. Urgent health problems include earache, sore throat, and fever (not above 104 degrees).

Benefits for urgent care include:

- X-ray services;
- Care for broken bones;
- Tests such as flu, urinalysis, pregnancy test, rapid strep;
- Lab services;
- Stitches for simple cuts; and
- Draining an abscess.

Vision Services (All Members / All Ages)

Benefits include medical and surgical treatment of injuries and illnesses of the eye. Certain vision screenings required by Federal law are covered under the "Preventive Care" benefit.

Benefits do not include glasses and contact lenses except as listed in the "Prosthetics" benefit.

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Prescription Drugs Administered by a Medical Provider

Your Plan covers Prescription Drugs, including Specialty Drugs that must be administered to you as part of a Doctor's visit, home care visit, or at an outpatient Facility when they are Covered Services. This may include drugs for infusion therapy, chemotherapy, blood products, certain injectables and any drug that must be administered by a Provider. This section applies when a Provider orders the drug and a medical provider administers it to you in a medical setting. Benefits for drugs that you inject or get through your Pharmacy benefits (i.e., self-administered drugs) are not covered under this section. Benefits for those drugs are described in the "Prescription Drug Benefit at a Retail or Home Delivery (Mail Order) Pharmacy" section.

Benefits for other Prescription Drugs that you get from a Retail or Mail Order Pharmacy are described in the "Prescription Drug Benefit at a Retail or Home Delivery (Mail Order) Pharmacy" section.

Important Details About Prescription Drug Coverage

Your Plan includes certain features to determine when Prescription Drugs should be covered, which are described below. As part of these features, your prescribing Doctor may be asked to give more details before we can decide if the drug is eligible for coverage. In order to determine if the Prescription Drug is eligible for coverage, we have established criteria.

The criteria, which are called drug edits, may include requirements regarding one or more of the following:

- Quantity, dose, and frequency of administration,
- Specific clinical criteria including, but not limited to, requirements regarding age, test result requirements, and/or presence of a specific condition or disease,
- Specific Provider qualifications including, but not limited to, REMS certification (Risk, Evaluation and Mitigation Strategies),
- Step therapy requiring one drug, drug regimen, or treatment be used prior to use of another drug, drug regimen, or treatment for safety and/or cost-effectiveness when clinically similar results may be anticipated,
- Use of a Prescription Drug List (a formulary developed by us) which is a list of FDA-approved Drugs that have been reviewed and recommended for use based on their quality and cost effectiveness.

Covered Prescription Drugs

To be a Covered Service, Prescription Drugs must be approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and, under federal law, require a Prescription. Prescription Drugs must be prescribed by a licensed Provider and Controlled Substances must be prescribed by a licensed Provider with an active DEA license.

Compound drugs are a Covered Service when a commercially available dosage form of a Medically Necessary medication is not available, all the ingredients of the compound drug are FDA approved as designated in the FDA's Orange Book: *Approved Drug Products with Therapeutic Equivalence Evaluations*, require a prescription to dispense, and are not essentially the same as an FDA approved product from a drug manufacturer. Non-FDA approved, non-proprietary, multisource ingredients that are vehicles essential for compound administration may be covered.

Precertification

Precertification may be required for certain Prescription Drugs to help make sure proper use and guidelines for Prescription Drug coverage are followed. We will give the results of our decision to both you and your Provider.

For a list of Prescription Drugs that need precertification, please call the phone number on the back of your Identification Card. The list will be reviewed and updated from time to time. Including a Prescription Drug or related item on the list does not guarantee coverage under your Plan. Your Provider may check with us to verify Prescription Drug coverage, to find out which drugs are covered under this section and if any drug edits apply.

Please refer to the section “Getting Approval for Benefits” for more details.

If precertification is denied you have the right to file a Grievance as outlined in the “Grievance and External Review Procedures” section of this Booklet.

Designated Pharmacy Provider

Anthem in its sole discretion, may establish one or more Designated Pharmacy Provider programs which provide specific pharmacy services (including shipment of Prescription Drugs) to Members. An In-Network Provider is not necessarily a Designated Pharmacy Provider. To be a Designated Pharmacy Provider, the In-Network Provider must have signed a Designated Pharmacy Provider Agreement with us. You or your Provider can contact Member Services to learn which Pharmacy or Pharmacies are part of a Designated Pharmacy Provider program.

For Prescription Drugs that are shipped to you or your Provider and administered in your Provider’s office, you and your Provider are required to order from a Designated Pharmacy Provider. A Patient Care coordinator will work with you and your Provider to obtain Precertification and to assist shipment to your Provider’s office.

We may also require you to use a Designated Pharmacy Provider to obtain Prescription Drugs for treatment of certain clinical conditions such as Hemophilia. We reserve our right to modify the list of Prescription Drugs as well as the setting and/or level of care in which the care is provided to you. Anthem may, from time to time, change with or without advance notice, the Designated Pharmacy Provider for a Drug, if in our discretion, such change can help provide cost effective, value based and/or quality services.

If you are required to use a Designated Pharmacy Provider and you choose not to obtain your Prescription Drug from a Designated Pharmacy Provider, you will not have coverage for that Prescription Drug.

You can get the list of the Prescription Drugs covered under this section by calling Member Services at the phone number on the back of your Identification Card or check our website at www.anthem.com.

Therapeutic Substitution

Therapeutic substitution is an optional program that tells you and your Doctors about alternatives to certain prescribed Drugs. We may contact you and your Doctor to make you aware of these choices. Only you and your Doctor can determine if the therapeutic substitute is right for you. For questions or issues about therapeutic drug substitutes, call Member Services at the phone number on the back of your Identification Card.

Prescription Drug Benefit at a Retail or Home Delivery (Mail Order) Pharmacy

Your Plan also includes benefits for Prescription Drugs you get at a Retail or Mail Order Pharmacy as outlined in the “Schedule of Benefits”. We use a Pharmacy Benefits Manager (PBM) to manage these benefits. The PBM has a network of Retail Pharmacies, a Home Delivery (Mail Order) Pharmacy, and a Specialty Pharmacy. The PBM works to make sure Prescription Drugs are used properly. This includes checking that Prescription Drugs are based on recognized and appropriate doses and checking for drug interactions or pregnancy concerns.

Please note: Benefits for Prescription Drugs, including Specialty Drugs, which are administered to you by a medical Provider in a medical setting (e.g., doctor’s office visit, home care visit, or outpatient Facility) are covered under the “Prescription Drugs Administered by a Medical Provider” benefit. Please read that section for important details.

Prescription Drug Benefits

Prescription Drug benefits may require prior authorization to determine if your Drugs should be covered. Your In-Network Pharmacist will be told if Prior Authorization is required and if any additional details are needed for us to decide benefits.

Prior Authorization

Prescribing Providers must obtain prior authorization in order for you to get benefits for certain Drugs. At times, your Provider will initiate a prior authorization on your behalf before your Pharmacy fills your Prescription. At other times, the Pharmacy may make you or your Provider aware that a prior authorization or other information is needed. In order to determine if the Prescription drug is eligible for coverage, we have established criteria.

The criteria, which are called drug edits, may include requirements regarding one or more of the following:

- Quantity, dose, and frequency of administration,
- Specific clinical criteria including, but not limited to, requirements regarding age, test result requirements, and/or presence of a specific condition or disease,
- Specific Provider qualifications including, but not limited to, REMS certification (Risk, Evaluation and Mitigation Strategies),
- Step therapy requiring one drug, drug regimen, or treatment be used prior to use of another drug, drug regimen, or treatment for safety and/or cost-effectiveness when clinically similar results may be anticipated.
- Use of a Prescription Drug List (as described below).

You or your Provider can get the list of the Drugs that require prior authorization by calling Member Services at the phone number on the back of your Identification Card or check our website at www.anthem.com. The list will be reviewed and updated from time to time. Including a Prescription Drug or related item on the list does not guarantee coverage under your Plan. Your Provider may check with us to verify Prescription Drug coverage, to find out which drugs are covered under this section and if any drug edits apply.

Anthem may, from time to time, waive, enhance, change or end certain prior authorization and/or offer alternate benefits, if in our sole discretion, such change furthers the provision of cost effective, value based and/or quality services.

If prior authorization is denied you have the right to file a Grievance as outlined in the “Grievance and External Review Procedures” section of this Booklet.

Covered Prescription Drugs

To be a Covered Service, Prescription Drugs must be approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and, under federal law, require a Prescription. Prescription Drugs must be prescribed by a licensed Provider and you must get them from a licensed Pharmacy. Controlled Substances must be prescribed by a licensed Provider with an active DEA license.

Benefits are available for the following:

- Prescription Legend Drugs from either a Retail Pharmacy or the PBM's Home Delivery Pharmacy;
- Specialty Drugs;
- Self-administered drugs. These are Drugs that do not need administration or monitoring by a Provider in an office or Facility. Injectables and infused Drugs that need Provider administration and/or supervision are covered under the “Prescription Drugs Administered by a Medical Provider” benefit;
- Self-injectable insulin and supplies and equipment used to administration insulin;
- Self-administered contraceptives, including oral contraceptive drugs, self-injectable contraceptive drugs, contraceptive rings, and contraceptive patches; Certain contraceptives are covered under the “Preventive Care” benefits. Please see that section for further details.
- Special food products or supplements when prescribed by a Doctor if we agree they are Medically Necessary.
- Flu Shots (including administration). These will be covered under the “Preventive Care” benefit.
- Immunizations (including administration) required by the “Preventive Care” benefit.
- Prescription Drugs that help you stop smoking or reduce your dependence on tobacco products. These Drugs will be covered under the “Preventive Care” benefit.
- FDA approved smoking cessation products including over the counter nicotine replacement products when obtained with a Prescription for a Member age 18 or older. These products will be covered under the “Preventive Care” benefit.
- Compound drugs when a commercially available dosage form of a Medically Necessary medication is not available, all the ingredients of the compound drug are FDA approved as designated in the FDA's Orange Book: *Approved Drug Products with Therapeutic Equivalence Evaluations*, require a prescription to dispense, and are not essentially the same as an FDA approved product from a drug manufacturer. Non-FDA approved, non-proprietary, multisource ingredients that are vehicles essential for compound administration may be covered.

Off-Label Drugs

When prescribed to a Member with a life-threatening or chronic and disabling condition or disease, benefits are provided for the following:

- Off-label Drugs
- Medically Necessary services associated with the administration of such a drug.

An off-label drug is a drug prescribed for a use that is different from the use for which it was originally approved for marketing by the federal Food and Drug Administration.

Where You Can Get Prescription Drugs

In-Network Pharmacy

You can visit one of the local Retail Pharmacies in our network. Give the Pharmacy the prescription from your Doctor and your Identification Card and they will file your claim for you. You will need to pay any Copayment, Coinsurance, and/or Deductible that applies when you get the drug. If you do not have your Identification Card, the Pharmacy will charge you the full retail price of the Prescription Drug and will not be able to file the claim for you. You will need to ask the Pharmacy for a detailed receipt and send it to us with a written request for payment.

Important Note: If we determine that you may be using Prescription Drugs in a harmful or abusive manner, or with harmful frequency, your selection of In-Network Pharmacies may be limited. If this happens, we may require you to select a single In-Network Pharmacy that will provide and coordinate all future pharmacy services. Benefits will only be paid if you use the single In-Network Pharmacy. We will contact you if we determine that use of a single In-Network Pharmacy is needed and give you options as to which In-Network Pharmacy you may use. If you do not select one of the In-Network Pharmacies we offer within 31 days, we will select a single In-Network Pharmacy for you. If you disagree with our decision, you may ask us to reconsider it as outlined in the “Grievance and Appeals Process” section of this Booklet.

In addition, if we determine that you may be using Controlled Substance Prescription Drugs in a harmful or abusive manner, or with harmful frequency, your selection of In-Network Providers for Controlled Substance Prescriptions may be limited. If this happens, we may require you to select a single In-Network Provider that will provide and coordinate all Controlled Substance Prescriptions. Benefits for Controlled Substance Prescriptions will only be paid if you use the single In-Network Provider. We will contact you if we determine that use of a single In-Network Provider is needed and give you options as to which In-Network Provider you may use. If you do not select one of the In-Network Providers we offer within 31 days, we will select a single In-Network Provider for you. If you disagree with our decision, you may ask us to reconsider it as outlined in the “Grievance and External Review Procedures” section of this Booklet.

Maintenance Pharmacy

You may also obtain a 90-day supply of Maintenance Medications from a Maintenance Pharmacy. A Maintenance Medication is a Drug you take on a regular basis to treat or control a chronic illness such as heart disease, high blood pressure, epilepsy, or diabetes. If you are not sure the Prescription Drug you are taking is a Maintenance Medication or need to determine if your Pharmacy is a Maintenance Pharmacy, please call Member Services at the number on the back of your Identification Card or check our website at www.anthem.com for more details.

Specialty Pharmacy

We keep a list of Specialty Drugs that may be covered based upon clinical findings from the Pharmacy and Therapeutics (P&T) Process, and where appropriate, certain clinical economic reasons. This list will change from time to time. We may require you or your doctor to order certain Specialty Drugs from the PBM's Specialty Pharmacy.

When you use the PBM's Specialty Pharmacy, its patient care coordinator will work with you and your Doctor to get prior authorization and to ship your Specialty Drugs to your home or your preferred address. Your patient care coordinator will also tell you when it is time to refill your prescription.

You can get the list of covered Specialty Drugs by calling Member Services at the phone number on the back of your Identification Card or check our website at www.anthem.com.

Home Delivery Pharmacy

The PBM also has a Home Delivery Pharmacy which lets you get certain drugs by mail if you take them on a regular basis. You will need to contact the PBM to sign up when you first use the service. You can mail written prescriptions from your Doctor or have your Doctor send the prescription to the Home Delivery Pharmacy. Your Doctor may also call the Home Delivery Pharmacy. You will need to send in any Copayments, Deductible, or Coinsurance amounts that apply when you ask for a prescription or refill.

Home Delivery Choice for Maintenance Drugs – If you are taking a Maintenance Medication, you may get the first 30 day supply and up to one additional 30 day refill of the same Maintenance Medication at your local Retail Pharmacy. You must then contact the Home Delivery Pharmacy and tell them if you would like to keep getting your Maintenance Medications from your local Retail Pharmacy or if you would like to use the Home Delivery Pharmacy. You will have to pay the full retail cost of any Maintenance Medication you get without registering your choice each year through the Home Delivery Pharmacy. You can tell us your choice by phone at 888-772-5188 or by visiting our website at www.anthem.com.

A Maintenance Medication is a drug you take on a regular basis to treat or control a chronic illness such as heart disease, high blood pressure, epilepsy, or diabetes. If you are not sure if the Prescription Drug you are taking is a Maintenance Medication, please call Member Services at the number on the back of your Identification Card or check our website at www.anthem.com for more details.

Please be aware that you can get Prescription Drugs from any local Pharmacy that agrees to accept the same payment terms as the PBM's Home Delivery Pharmacy.

Out-of-Network Pharmacy

You may also use a Pharmacy that is not in our network. You will be charged the full retail price of the Prescription Drug and you will have to submit your claim for the Prescription Drug to us. (Out-of-Network Pharmacies won't file the claim for you.) You can obtain a claims form from us or the PBM. You must fill in the top section of the form and ask the Out-of-Network Pharmacy to fill in the bottom section. If the bottom section of this form cannot be completed by the pharmacist, you must attach itemized detailed receipt to the claim form. The receipt must show:

- Name and address of the Out-of-Network Pharmacy;
- Patient's name;
- Prescription number;
- Date the prescription was filled;
- Name of the Prescription Drug;
- Cost of the Prescription Drug;
- Quantity (amount) of each covered Prescription Drug or refill dispensed.

You must pay the amount shown in the "Schedule of Benefits". This is based on the Maximum Allowed Amount as determined by our normal or average contracted rate with network pharmacies on or near the date of service.

What You Pay for Prescription Drugs

Tiers

Your share of the cost for Prescription Drugs may vary based on the tier the drug is in as outlined in the "Schedule of Benefits".

- Tier 1 Drugs have the lowest Coinsurance or Copayment. This tier contains low cost and preferred drugs that may be Generic, single source Brand Drugs, or multi-source Brand Drugs, Biosimilars, Interchangeable Biologic Products.

- Tier 2 Drugs have a higher Coinsurance or Copayment than those in Tier 1. This tier may contain preferred drugs that may be Generic, single source, Brand Drugs, Biosimilars, Interchangeable Biologic Products, or multi-source Brand Drugs.
- Tier 3 Drugs have a higher Coinsurance or Copayment than those in Tier 2. This tier may contain higher cost preferred and non-preferred drugs that may be Generic, single-source Brand Drugs, Biosimilars, Interchangeable Biologic Products, or multi-source Brand Drugs.
- Tier 4 Drugs will have a higher Coinsurance or Copayment than those in Tier 3. This tier may contain higher cost, preferred, and non-preferred Drugs that may be Generic, single source Brand Drugs, Biosimilars, Interchangeable Biologic Products or multi-source Brand Drugs.

We assign drugs to tiers based on clinical findings from the Pharmacy and Therapeutics (P&T) Process. We retain the right, at our discretion, to decide coverage for doses and administration (i.e., oral, injection, topical, or inhaled). We may cover one form of administration instead of another, or put other forms of administration in a different tier.

Essential Prescription Drug List

We also have a Prescription Drug List, (a Formulary), which is a list of FDA-approved Drugs that have been reviewed and recommended for use based on their quality and cost effectiveness. Except as outline below, benefits may not be covered for certain Drugs if they are not on the Essential Prescription Drug List.

The Essential Drug List (Formulary) is developed by us based upon clinical findings, and where proper, the cost of the Drug relative to other Drugs in its therapeutic class or used to treat the same or similar condition. It is also based on the availability of over the counter medicines, Generic Drugs, the use of one Drug over another by our Members, and where proper, certain clinical economic reasons.

We retain the right, at our discretion, to decide coverage for doses and administration methods (i.e., oral, injection, topical, or inhaled) and may cover one form of administration instead of another as Medically Necessary.

You may request a copy of the covered Prescription Drug list by calling the Member Services telephone number on the back of your Identification Card or visiting our website at www.anthem.com. The covered Prescription Drug list is subject to periodic review and amendment. Inclusion of a Drug or related item on the covered Prescription Drug list is not a guarantee of coverage.

Exception Request for a Drug not on the Prescription Drug List

If you or your Doctor believes you need a Prescription Drug that is not on the Prescription Drug List, please have your Doctor or pharmacist get in touch with us. We will cover the other Prescription Drug only if we agree that it is Medically Necessary and appropriate over the other drugs that are on the List. We will make a coverage decision within 72 hours of receiving your request. If we approve the coverage of the drug, coverage of the drug will be provided for the duration of your prescription, including refills. If we deny coverage of the drug, you have the right to request an external review by an Independent Review Organization (IRO). The IRO will make a coverage decision within 72 hours of receiving your request. If the IRO approves the coverage of the drug, coverage of the drug will be provided for the duration of your prescription, including refills.

You or your Doctor may also submit a request for a Prescription Drug that is not on the Prescription Drug List based on exigent circumstances. Exigent circumstances exist if you are suffering from a health condition that may seriously jeopardize your life, health, or ability to regain maximum function, or if you are undergoing a current course of treatment using a drug not covered by the Plan. We will make a coverage decision within 24 hours of receiving your request. If we approve the coverage of the drug, coverage of the drug will be provided for the duration of the exigency. If we deny coverage of the drug, you have the right to request an external review by an IRO. The IRO will make a coverage decision within 24 hours of receiving your request. If the IRO approves the coverage of the drug, coverage of the drug will be provided for the duration of the exigency.

Coverage of a drug approved as a result of your request or your Doctor's request for an exception will only be provided if you are a Member enrolled under the Plan.

Additional Information about the Prescription Drug Formulary

You may request a copy of the covered Prescription Drug list (Formulary) by calling the Member Services telephone number on the back of your Identification Card or by visiting our website at www.anthem.com. The covered Prescription Drug list is subject to periodic review and amendment. Inclusion of a drug or related item on the covered Prescription Drug list is not a guarantee of coverage.

We may only modify the Formulary for the following reasons:

- Additions of new drugs, including Generic Drugs, as they become available.
- Removal of drugs from the marketplace based on either FDA guidance or the manufacturer's decision.
- Re-classification of drugs from "formulary preferred" to "formulary non-preferred" or vice versa. All drug reclassifications are overseen by an independent Physician review committee. Changes can occur:
 - Based on new clinical studies indicating additional or new evidence that can either benefit the patient's outcome or that identifies potential harm to the patient.
 - When multiple Similar Drugs are available, such as other drugs within a specific drug class (for example anti-inflammatory drugs, anti-depressants or corticosteroid asthma inhalers);
 - When a Brand Name Drug loses its patent and Generic Drugs become available; or
 - When Brand Name Drugs become available over the counter.
 - Re-classification of drugs to non-formulary status when Therapeutic / Clinically Equivalent Drugs are available including over the counter drugs.

Similar Drugs mean drugs within the same drug class or type, such as insomnia drugs, oral contraceptives, seizure drugs, etc.

Therapeutic / Clinically Equivalent Drugs are drugs that, for the majority of Members, can be expected to produce similar therapeutic outcomes for a disease or condition. Therapeutic / Clinically Equivalent determinations are based on industry standards and reviewed by such organizations as The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), a division of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

You will be notified in writing of drugs changing to non-formulary status at least 30 days prior to the effective date of the change if you have had a prescription for the drug within the previous 12 months of coverage under this Plan. Drugs considered for non-formulary status are only those with Therapeutic / Clinically Equivalent alternatives.

You may request a non-formulary drug using the prior authorization process described later in this section. If your request is denied, you may file an appeal. For information regarding the prior authorization or the appeals process, please call the Member Services number on your Identification Card. Georgia law allows you to obtain, without penalty and in a timely fashion, specific drugs not included in the formulary when:

- You have been taking the non-formulary Prescription Drug prior to its exclusion from the formulary and we determine, after consulting with the prescribing Physician, that the formulary's Therapeutic / Clinically Equivalent Drug is or has been ineffective in the treatment of your disease or condition; or
- The prescribing Physician determines that the formulary's Therapeutic / Clinically Equivalent Drug causes, or is reasonably expected to cause, adverse or harmful reactions.

Additional Features of Your Prescription Drug Pharmacy Benefit

Step Therapy

Step therapy is a process in which you may need to use one type of drug before we will cover another. We check certain Prescription Drugs to make sure that proper prescribing guidelines are followed. These guidelines help you get high quality and cost effective Prescription Drugs. If a Doctor decides that a certain drug is needed, the prior authorization will apply.

Day Supply and Refill Limits

Certain day supply limits apply to Prescription Drugs as listed in the "Schedule of Benefits". In most cases, you must use a certain amount of your prescription before it can be refilled. In some cases we may let you get an early refill. For example, we may let you refill your prescription early if it is decided that you need a larger dose. We will work with the Pharmacy to decide when this should happen.

If you are going on vacation and you need more than the day supply allowed, you should ask your pharmacist to call our PBM and ask for an override for one early refill. If you need more than one extra refill, please call Member Services at the number on the back of your Identification Card.

Important Note: Prescriptions for inhalants prescribed to enable breathing in patients with asthma or other life-threatening bronchial ailments are not restricted by day supply limits and will be filled as ordered or prescribed by the treating Doctor.

Half-Tablet Program

The Half-Tablet Program lets you pay a reduced Copayment on selected "once daily dosage" drugs on our approved list. The program lets you get a 30-day supply (15 tablets) of the higher strength drug when the Doctor tells you to take a "½ tablet daily". The Half-Tablet Program is strictly voluntary and you should talk to your Doctor about the choice when it is available. To get a list of the drugs in the program call the number on the back of your Identification Card.

Split Fill Dispensing Program

The split fill dispensing program is designed to prevent and/or minimize wasted Prescription Drugs if your Prescription Drugs or dose changes between fills, by allowing only a portion of your prescription to be filled at the Specialty Pharmacy. This program also saves you out of pocket expenses. The Prescription Drugs that are included under this program have been identified as requiring more frequent follow up to monitor response to treatment and potential reactions or side-effects. You can access the list of these Prescription Drugs by calling the toll-free number on your member ID card or log on to the website at www.anthem.com.

Drug Cost Share Assistance Programs

If you participate in certain drug cost share assistance programs offered by drug manufacturers or other third parties to reduce the cost share (Copayment, Coinsurance) you pay for certain Specialty Drugs, the reduced amount you pay may be the amount we apply to your Deductible and/or Out-of-Pocket Limit when the Prescription Drug is provided by an In-Network Provider. Your eligibility to participate in such programs is dependent on the programs' applicable terms and conditions, which may be subject to change from time to time. We may discontinue applying such reduced amounts to your cost share at any given time upon appropriate advance notice.

Special Programs

Except when prohibited by federal regulations (such as HSA rules), from time to time we may offer programs to support the use of more cost-effective or clinically effective Prescription Drugs including Generic Drugs, Home Delivery Drugs, over-the-counter drugs or preferred products. Such programs may reduce or waive Copayments or Coinsurance for a limited time.

Therapeutic Substitution

Therapeutic substitution is an optional program that tells you and your Doctors about alternatives to certain prescribed drugs. We may contact you and your Doctor to make you aware of these choices. Only you and your Doctor can determine if the therapeutic substitute is right for you. We have a therapeutic drug substitutes list, which we review and update from time to time. For questions or issues about therapeutic drug substitutes, call Member Services at the phone number on the back of your Identification Card.

What's Not Covered

In this section you will find a review of items that are not covered by your Plan. Excluded items will not be covered even if the service, supply, or equipment is Medically Necessary. This section is only meant to be an aid to point out certain items that may be misunderstood as Covered Services. This section is not meant to be a complete list of all the items that are excluded by your Plan.

We will have the right to make the final decision about whether services or supplies are Medically Necessary and if they will be covered by your Plan.

1. **Acts of War, Disasters, or Nuclear Accidents** In the event of a major disaster, epidemic, war, or other event beyond our control, we will make a good faith effort to give you Covered Services. We will not be responsible for any delay or failure to give services due to lack of available Facilities or staff.

Benefits will not be given for any illness or injury that is a result of war, service in the armed forces, a nuclear explosion, nuclear accident, release of nuclear energy, a riot, or civil disobedience. This exclusion does not apply to acts of terrorism.

2. **Administrative Charges**
 - a. Charges for the completion of claim forms,
 - b. Charges to get medical records or reports,
 - c. Membership, administrative, or access fees charged by Doctors or other Providers. Examples include, but are not limited to, fees for educational brochures or calling you to give you test results.
3. **Alternative / Complementary Medicine** Services or supplies for alternative or complementary medicine. This includes, but is not limited to:
 - a. Acupuncture,
 - b. Holistic medicine,
 - c. Homeopathic medicine,
 - d. Hypnosis,
 - e. Aroma therapy,
 - f. Massage and massage therapy,
 - g. Reiki therapy,
 - h. Herbal, vitamin or dietary products or therapies,
 - i. Naturopathy,
 - j. Thermography,
 - k. Orthomolecular therapy,
 - l. Contact reflex analysis,
 - m. Bioenergetic synchronization technique (BEST),
 - n. Iridology-study of the iris,
 - o. Auditory integration therapy (AIT),
 - p. Colonic irrigation,
 - q. Magnetic innervation therapy,
 - r. Electromagnetic therapy,
 - s. Neurofeedback / Biofeedback.

4. **Applied Behavioral Treatment** (including, but not limited to Applied Behavior Analysis and Intensive Behavior Interventions) for all indications except as described under Autism Services in the “What’s Covered” section unless otherwise required by law.
5. **Before Effective Date or After Termination Date** Charges for care you get before your Effective Date or after your coverage ends, except as written in this Plan.
6. **Certain Providers** Services you get from Providers that are not licensed by law to provide Covered Services as defined in this Booklet. Examples include, but are not limited to, masseurs or masseuses (massage therapists), physical therapist technicians.
7. **Charges Over the Maximum Allowed Amount** Charges over the Maximum Allowed Amount for Covered Services.
8. **Charges Not Supported by Medical Records** Charges for services not described in your medical records.
9. **Clinically Equivalent Alternatives** Certain Prescription Drugs may not be covered if you could use a clinically equivalent drug, unless required by law. “Clinically equivalent” means drugs that for most Members, will give you similar results for a disease or condition. If you have questions about whether a certain drug is covered and which drugs fall into this group, please call the number on the back of your Identification Card, or visit our website at www.anthem.com.

If you or your Doctor believes you need to use a different Prescription Drug, please have your Doctor or pharmacist get in touch with us. We will cover the other Prescription Drug only if we agree that it is Medically Necessary and appropriate over the clinically equivalent drug. We will review benefits for the Prescription Drug from time to time to make sure the drug is still Medically Necessary.

10. **Complications of / or Services Related to Non-Covered Services** Services, supplies, or treatment related to or, for problems directly related to a service that is not covered by this Plan. Directly related means that the care took place as a direct result of the non-Covered Service and would not have taken place without the non-Covered Service. This Exclusion does not apply to problems resulting from pregnancy.
11. **Compound Drugs** Compound Drugs unless all of the ingredients are FDA-approved as designated in the FDA’s Orange Book: *Approved Drug Products with Therapeutic Equivalence Evaluations*, require a prescription to dispense, and the compound medication is not essentially the same as an FDA-approved product from a drug manufacturer. Exceptions to non-FDA approved compound ingredients may include multi-source, non-proprietary vehicles and/or pharmaceutical adjuvants.
12. **Contraceptives** Non-prescription contraceptive devices unless required by law.
13. **Cosmetic Services** Treatments, services, Prescription Drugs, equipment, or supplies given for cosmetic services. Cosmetic services are meant to preserve, change, or improve how you look or are given for social reasons. No benefits are available for surgery or treatments to change the texture or look of your skin or to change the size, shape or look of facial or body features (such as your nose, eyes, ears, cheeks, chin, chest or breasts).

This Exclusion does not apply to reconstructive surgery for breast symmetry after a mastectomy, surgery to correct birth defects and birth abnormalities, or surgery to restore function of any body area that has been altered by illness or trauma.
14. **Court Ordered Testing** Court ordered testing or care unless Medically Necessary.
15. **Crime** Treatment of injury or illness that results from a crime you committed, or tried to commit. This Exclusion does not apply if your involvement in the crime was solely the result of a medical or mental condition, or where you were the victim of a crime, including domestic violence.
16. **Custodial Care** Custodial Care, convalescent care or rest cures. This Exclusion does not apply to Hospice services.

17. **Delivery Charges** Charges for delivery of Prescription Drugs.
18. **Dental Treatment** Excluded dental treatment includes but is not limited to preventive care and fluoride treatments; dental x-rays, supplies, appliances and all associated costs; and diagnosis and treatment for the teeth, jaw or gums such as:
- Removing, restoring, or replacing teeth;
 - Medical care or surgery for dental problems (unless listed as a Covered Service in this Booklet);
 - Services to help dental clinical outcomes.
- Dental treatment for injuries that are a result of biting or chewing is also excluded, unless the chewing or biting results from a medical or mental condition.
- This exclusion does not apply to services that we must cover by law.
19. **Drugs Contrary to Approved Medical and Professional Standards** Drugs given to you or prescribed in a way that is against approved medical and professional standards of practice.
20. **Drugs Over Quantity or Age Limits** Drugs which are over any quantity or age limits set by the Plan, or by us. Quantity limits do not apply to prescriptions for inhalants to treat asthma.
21. **Drugs Prescribed by Providers Lacking Qualifications/Registrations/Certifications** Prescription Drugs prescribed by a Provider that does not have the necessary qualifications, registrations, and/or certifications, as determined by Anthem.
22. **Drugs That Do Not Need a Prescription** Drugs that do not need a prescription by federal law (including Drugs that need a prescription by state law, but not by federal law), except for injectable insulin.
23. **Educational Services** Services or supplies for teaching, vocational, or self training purposes, including Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA), except as listed in this Booklet.
24. **Emergency Room Services for non-Emergency Care** Services provided in an emergency room for conditions that do not meet the definition of Emergency. This includes but is not limited to suture removal in an emergency room. For non-emergency care please use the closest In-network Urgent Care Center or your Primary Care Physician.
25. **Experimental or Investigational Services** Services or supplies that we find are Experimental / Investigational. This also applies to services related to Experimental / Investigational services, whether you get them before, during, or after you get the Experimental / Investigational service or supply.
- The fact that a service or supply is the only available treatment for a condition will not make it eligible for coverage if we deem it to be Experimental / Investigative.
26. **Eyeglasses and Contact Lenses** Eyeglasses and contact lenses to correct your eyesight unless otherwise indicated as Covered Services in this Booklet. This Exclusion does not apply to lenses needed after a covered eye surgery.
27. **Eye Exercises** Orthoptics and vision therapy.
28. **Eye Surgery** Eye surgery to fix errors of refraction, such as near-sightedness. This includes, but is not limited to, LASIK, radial keratotomy or keratomileusis, and excimer laser refractive keratectomy.
29. **Family Members** Services prescribed, ordered, referred by or given by a member of your immediate family, including your spouse, child, brother, sister, parent, in-law, or self.
30. **Foot Care** Routine foot care unless Medically Necessary. This Exclusion applies to cutting or removing corns and calluses; trimming nails; cleaning and preventive foot care, including but not limited to:

- a. Cleaning and soaking the feet.
 - b. Applying skin creams to care for skin tone.
 - c. Other services that are given when there is not an illness, injury or symptom involving the foot.
31. **Foot Orthotics** Foot orthotics, orthopedic shoes or footwear or support items unless used for a systemic illness affecting the lower limbs, such as severe diabetes.
32. **Foot Surgery** Surgical treatment of flat feet; subluxation of the foot; weak, strained, unstable feet; tarsalgia; metatarsalgia; hyperkeratoses.
33. **Free Care** Services you would not have to pay for if you didn't have this Plan. This includes, but is not limited to government programs, services during a jail or prison sentence, services you get from Workers Compensation, and services from free clinics.
- If Worker's Compensation benefits are not available to you, this Exclusion does not apply. This Exclusion will apply if you get the benefits in whole or in part. This Exclusion also applies whether or not you claim the benefits or compensation, and whether or not you get payments from any third party.
34. **Gene Therapy** Gene therapy as well as any Drugs, procedures, health care services related to it that introduce or is related to the introduction of genetic material into a person intended to replace or correct faulty or missing genetic material.
35. **Health Club Memberships and Fitness Services** Health club memberships, workout equipment, charges from a physical fitness or personal trainer, or any other charges for activities, equipment, or facilities used for physical fitness, even if ordered by a Doctor. This Exclusion also applies to health spas.
36. **Home Care**
- a. Services given by registered nurses and other health workers who are not employees of or working under an approved arrangement with a home health care Provider.
 - b. Private duty nursing.
 - c. Food, housing, homemaker services and home delivered meals.
37. **Infertility Treatment** Testing or treatment related to infertility except for diagnostic services and procedures to correct an underlying medical condition. Infertility procedures not specified in this Booklet. Reversals of elective sterilizations are not covered.
38. **Lost or Stolen Drugs** Refills of lost or stolen Drugs.
39. **Maintenance Therapy** Rehabilitative treatment given when no further gains are clear or likely to occur. Maintenance therapy includes care that helps you keep your current level of function and prevents loss of that function, but does not result in any change for the better. This Exclusion does not apply to "Habilitative Services" as described in the "What's Covered" section.

40. **Medical Equipment Devices and Supplies**

- a. Replacement or repair of purchased or rental equipment because of misuse, abuse, or loss/theft.
 - b. Surgical supports, corsets, or articles of clothing unless needed to recover from surgery or injury.
 - c. Non-Medically Necessary enhancements to standard equipment and devices.
 - d. Supplies, equipment and appliances that include comfort, luxury, or convenience items or features that exceed what is Medically Necessary in your situation. Reimbursement will be based on the Maximum Allowable Amount for a standard item that is a Covered Service, serves the same purpose, and is Medically Necessary. Any expense that exceeds the Maximum Allowable Amount for the standard item which is a Covered Service is your responsibility.
41. **Medicare** Services for which benefits are payable under Medicare Parts A and/or B, or would have been payable if you had applied for Parts A and/or B, except, as listed in this Booklet or as required by federal law, as described in the section titled "Medicare" in the "General Provisions" section. If you do not enroll in Medicare Part B, we will calculate benefits as if you had enrolled. You should sign up for Medicare Part B as soon as possible to avoid large out of pocket costs. If you are covered under an active group policy this may not apply to you.
42. **Missed or Cancelled Appointments** Charges for missed or cancelled appointments.
43. **Non-approved Drugs** Drugs not approved by the FDA.
44. **Non-Medically Necessary Services** Services we conclude are not Medically Necessary. This includes services that do not meet our medical policy, clinical coverage, or benefit policy guidelines.
45. **Nutritional or Dietary Supplements** Nutritional and/or dietary supplements, except as described in this Booklet or that we must cover by law. This Exclusion includes, but is not limited to, nutritional formulas and dietary supplements that you can buy over the counter and those you can get without a written prescription or from a licensed pharmacist.
46. **Office Services** Office Services except those listed as Covered Services in this Booklet unless required by law.
47. **Oral Surgery** Extraction of teeth, surgery for impacted teeth and other oral surgeries to treat the teeth or bones and gums directly supporting the teeth, except as listed in this Booklet.
48. **Outpatient Services** Outpatient Services except those listed as Covered Services in this Booklet unless required by law.
49. **Outpatient Therapy or Rehabilitation** - Services for outpatient therapy or rehabilitation unless listed as a Covered Service in this Booklet.
50. **Personal Care and Convenience**
- a. Items for personal comfort, convenience, protective, or cleanliness such as air conditioners, humidifiers, water purifiers, sports helmets, raised toilet seats, and shower chairs;
 - b. First aid supplies and other items kept in the home for general use (bandages, cotton-tipped applicators, thermometers, petroleum jelly, tape, non-sterile gloves, heating pads);
 - c. Home workout or therapy equipment, including treadmills and home gyms;
 - d. Pools, whirlpools, spas, or hydrotherapy equipment;
 - e. Hypo-allergenic pillows, mattresses, or waterbeds; or

- f. Residential, auto, or place of business structural changes (ramps, lifts, elevator chairs, escalators, elevators, stair glides, emergency alert equipment, handrails).
51. **Private Duty Nursing** Private Duty Nursing Services.
52. **Prosthetics** Prosthetics for sports or cosmetic purposes.
53. **Residential Accommodations** Residential Accommodations to treat medical or behavioral health conditions, except when provided in a Hospital, Hospice, Skilled Nursing Facility or Residential Treatment Center. This Exclusion includes procedures, equipment, service, supplies or charges for the following:
- a. Domiciliary care provided in a residential institution, treatment center, halfway house, or school because a Member's own home arrangements are not available or are unsuitable, and consisting chiefly of room and board, even if therapy is included.
 - b. Care provided or billed by a hotel, health resort, convalescent home, rest home, nursing home or other extended care facility home for the aged, infirmary, school infirmary, institution providing education in special environments, supervised living or halfway house, or any similar facility or institution.
 - c. Services or care provided or billed by a school, Custodial Care center for the developmentally disabled, or outward bound programs, even if psychotherapy is included.
 - d. Wilderness camps.
54. **Routine Physicals and Immunizations** Physical exams and immunizations required for travel, enrollment in any insurance program, as a condition of employment, for licensing, sports programs, or for other purposes, which are not required by law under the "Preventive Care" benefit.
55. **Sanctioned or Excluded Providers** Any service, Drug, Drug regimen, treatment, or supply, furnished, ordered, or prescribed by a Provider identified as an excluded individual or entity on the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Office of Inspector General List of Excluded Individuals/Entities (OIG List), the General Services Administration System for Award Management (GSA List), State Medicaid exclusion lists or other exclusion/sanctioned lists as published by Federal or State regulatory agencies. This exclusion does not apply to Emergency Care.
56. **Services Received Outside of the United States** Services rendered by Providers located outside of the United States, unless the services are for Emergency Care, Urgent Care and Emergency Ambulance.
57. **Sexual Dysfunction** Services or supplies for male or female sexual problems.
58. **Stand-By Charges** Stand-by charges of a Doctor or other Provider.
59. **Sterilization** Services to reverse an elective sterilization
60. **Surrogate Mother Services** Services or supplies for a person not covered under this Plan for a surrogate pregnancy (including, but not limited to, the bearing of a child by another woman for an infertile couple).
61. **Travel Costs** Mileage, lodging, meals, and other Member-related travel costs except as described in this Plan.
62. **Vein Treatment** Treatment of varicose veins or telangiectatic dermal veins (spider veins) by any method (including sclerotherapy or other surgeries) for cosmetic purposes.
63. **Vision Services** Vision services not described as Covered Services in this Booklet.
64. **Waived Cost-shares Out-of-Network** For any service for which you are responsible under the terms of this Plan to pay a Copayment, Coinsurance or Deductible, and the Copayment, Coinsurance or Deductible is waived by an Out-of-Network Provider.

65. **Weight Loss Programs** Programs, whether or not under medical supervision, unless listed as covered in this Booklet.

This Exclusion includes, but is not limited to, commercial weight loss programs (Weight Watchers, Jenny Craig, LA Weight Loss) and fasting programs.

66. **Weight Loss Surgery** Bariatric surgery. This includes but is not limited to Roux-en-Y (RNY), laparoscopic gastric bypass surgery or other gastric bypass surgery (surgeries to lower stomach capacity and divert partially digested food from the duodenum to the jejunum, the section of the small intestine extending from the duodenum), or gastroplasty, (surgeries that reduce stomach size), or gastric banding procedures.

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What's Not Covered Under Your Prescription Drug Retail or Home Delivery (Mail Order) Pharmacy Benefit

In addition to the above Exclusions, certain items are not covered under the Prescription Drug Retail or Home Delivery (Mail Order) Pharmacy benefit:

1. **Administration Charges** Charges for the administration of any drug except for covered immunizations as approved by us or the PBM.
2. **Charges Not Supported by Medical Records** Charges for pharmacy services not related to conditions, diagnoses, and/or recommended medications described in your medical records.
3. **Clinically-Equivalent Alternatives** Certain Prescription Drugs may not be covered if you could use a clinically equivalent Prescription Drug, unless required by law. "Clinically equivalent" means Prescription Drugs that for most Members, will give you similar results for a disease or condition. If you have questions about whether a certain Prescription Drug is covered and which Prescription Drugs fall into this group, please call the number on the back of your Identification Card, or visit our website at www.anthem.com. If you or your Doctor believes you need to use a different Prescription Drug, please have your Doctor or pharmacist get in touch with us. We will cover the other Prescription Drug only if we agree that it is Medically Necessary and appropriate over the clinically equivalent Prescription Drug. We will review benefits for the Prescription Drug from time to time to make sure the Prescription Drug is still Medically Necessary
4. **Compound Drugs** Compound drugs unless all of the ingredients are FDA-approved as designated in the FDA's Orange Book: *Approved Drug Products with Therapeutic Equivalence Evaluations*, require a prescription to dispense, and the compound medication is not essentially the same as an FDA-approved product from a drug manufacturer. Exceptions to non-FDA approved compound ingredients may include multi-source, non-proprietary vehicles and/or pharmaceutical adjuvants.
5. **Contrary to Approved Medical and Professional Standards** Drugs given to you or prescribed in a way that is against approved medical and professional standards of practice.
6. **Delivery Charges** Charges for delivery of Prescription Drugs.
7. **Drugs Given at the Provider's Office / Facility** Drugs you take at the time and place where you are given them or where the Prescription Order is issued. This includes samples given by a Doctor. This Exclusion does not apply to Prescription Drugs used with a diagnostic service, Prescription Drugs given during chemotherapy in the office as described in the "Prescription Drugs Administered by a Medical Provider" section, or Prescription Drugs covered under the "Medical and Surgical Supplies" benefit – they are Covered Services.
8. **Drugs Not on the Prescription Drug List (a Formulary)** You can get a copy of the list by calling us or visiting our website at www.anthem.com. If you or your Doctor believes you need a certain Prescription Drug not on the list, please refer to "Prescription Drug List" in the section "Prescription Drug Benefit at a Retail or Home Delivery (Mail Order) Pharmacy" for details on requesting an exception.
9. **Drugs Over Quantity or Age Limits** Drugs which are over any quantity or age limits set by the Plan or us. Quantity limits do not apply to prescriptions for inhalants to treat asthma.
10. **Drugs Over the Quantity Prescribed or Refills After One Year** Prescription Drugs in amounts over the quantity prescribed, or for any refill given more than one year after the date of the original Prescription Order.
11. **Drugs Prescribed by Providers Lacking Qualifications/Registrations/Certifications** Prescription Drugs prescribed by a Provider that does not have the necessary qualifications, registrations, and/or certifications, as determined by Anthem.

12. **Drugs That Do Not Need a Prescription** Drugs that do not need a prescription by federal law (including drugs that need a prescription by state law, but not by federal law), except for injectable insulin.
13. **Family Members** Services prescribed, ordered, referred by or given by a member or your immediate family, including your spouse, child, brother, sister, parent, in-law, or self.
14. **Gene Therapy** Gene therapy as well as any drugs, procedures, health care services related to it that introduce or is related to the introduction of genetic material into a person intended to replace or correct faulty or missing genetic material.
15. **Infertility Drugs** Drugs used in assisted reproductive technology procedures to achieve conception (e.g., IVF, ZIFT, GIFT.)
16. **Items Covered as Durable Medical Equipment (DME)** Therapeutic DME, devices and supplies except peak flow meters, spacers, and blood glucose monitors, and contraceptive devices. Items not covered under the "Prescription Drug Benefit at a Retail or Home Delivery (Mail Order) Pharmacy" benefit may be covered under the "Durable Medical Equipment and Medical Devices, Orthotic, Prosthetics, and Medical and Surgical Supplies" benefit. Please see that section for details.
17. **Items Covered Under the "Allergy Services" Benefit** Allergy desensitization products or allergy serum. While not covered under the "Prescription Drug Benefit at a Home Delivery (Mail Order) Pharmacy" benefit, these items may be covered under the "Allergy Services" benefit. Please see that section for details.
18. **Mail Order Providers other than the PBM's Home Delivery Mail Order Provider** Prescription Drugs dispensed by any Mail Order Provider other than the PBM's Home Delivery Mail Order Provider, unless we must cover them by law.
19. **Lost or Stolen Drugs** Refills of lost or stolen drugs.
20. **Non-approved Drugs** Drugs not approved by the FDA.
21. **Non-formulary Drugs** Non-formulary drugs except as described in this "Prescription Drugs Benefit at a Home Delivery (Mail Order) Pharmacy" section.
22. **Non-Medically Necessary Services** Services we conclude are not Medically Necessary. This includes services that do not meet our medical policy, clinical coverage, or benefit policy guidelines.
23. **Nutritional or Dietary Supplements** Nutritional and/or dietary supplements, except as described in this Booklet or that we must cover by law. This Exclusion includes, but is not limited to nutritional formulas and dietary supplements that you can buy over the counter and those you can get without a written Prescription or from a licensed pharmacist.
24. **Onychomycosis Drugs** Drugs for Onychomycosis (toenail fungus) except when we allow it to treat Members who are immunocompromised or diabetic.
25. **Over the Counter Items** Drugs, devices and products, or Prescription Legend Drugs with over the counter equivalents and any drugs, devices or products that are therapeutically comparable to an over the counter drug, device, or product may not be covered even written as a Prescription. This includes Prescription Legend Drugs when any version or strength becomes available over the counter. This Exclusion does not apply to over the counter products we must cover as a "Preventive Care" benefit under federal law with a prescription.
26. **Sanctioned or Excluded Providers** Any Drug, Drug regimen, treatment, or supply that is furnished, ordered or prescribed by a Provider identified as an excluded individual or entity on the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Office of Inspector General List of Excluded Individuals/Entities (OIG List), the General Services Administration System for Award Management (GSA List), State Medicaid exclusion lists or other exclusion/sanctioned lists as published by Federal or State regulatory agencies.
27. **Sex Change Drugs** Drugs for sex change surgery.

28. **Sexual Dysfunction Drugs** Drugs to treat sexual or erectile problems .
29. **Syringes** Hypodermic syringes except when given for use with insulin and other covered self-injectable drugs and medicine.
30. **Weight Loss Drugs** Any drug mainly used for weight loss.

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Claims Payment

This section describes how we reimburse claims and what information is needed when you submit a claim. When you receive care from an In-Network Provider, you do not need to file a claim because the In-Network Provider will do this for you. If you receive care from an Out-of-Network Provider, you will need to make sure a claim is filed. Many Out-of-Network Hospitals, Doctors and other Providers will still submit your claim for you, although they are not required to do so. If you file the claim, use a claim form as described later in this section.

In order to assist you in understanding the Maximum Allowed Amount language as described below, please refer to the definition of In-Network Provider and Out-of-Network Provider contained in the Definitions section of this booklet.

Maximum Allowed Amount

General

This section describes how we determine the amount of reimbursement for Covered Services. Reimbursement for services rendered by In-Network and Out-of-network Providers is based on this/your Plan's Maximum Allowed Amount for the Covered Service that you receive. Please see "Inter-Plan Arrangements" later in this section for additional information.

The Maximum Allowed Amount for this Plan is the maximum amount of reimbursement we will allow for services and supplies:

- That meet our definition of Covered Services, to the extent such services and supplies are covered under your Plan and are not excluded;
- That are Medically Necessary; and
- That are provided in accordance with all applicable preauthorization, utilization management or other requirements set forth in your plan.

You will be required to pay a portion of the Maximum Allowed Amount to the extent you have not met your Deductible or have a Copayment or Coinsurance. In addition, when you receive Covered Services from an Out-of-network Provider, you will be responsible for paying any difference between the Maximum Allowed Amount and the Provider's actual charges. This amount can be significant.

When you receive Covered Services from an eligible Provider, we will, to the extent applicable, apply claim processing rules to the claim submitted for those Covered Services. These rules evaluate the claim information and, among other things, determine the accuracy and appropriateness of the procedure and diagnosis codes included in the claim. Applying these rules may affect our determination of the Maximum Allowed Amount. Our application of these rules does not mean that the Covered Services you received were not Medically Necessary. It means we have determined that the claim was submitted inconsistent with procedure coding rules and/or reimbursement policies. For example, your Provider may have submitted the claim using several procedure codes when there is a single procedure code that includes all of the procedures that were performed. When this occurs, the Maximum Allowed Amount will be based on the single procedure code rather than a separate Maximum Allowed Amount for each billed code.

Likewise, when multiple procedures are performed on the same day by the same Doctor or other healthcare professional, we may reduce the Maximum Allowed Amounts for those secondary and subsequent procedures because reimbursement at 100% of the Maximum Allowed Amount for those procedures would represent duplicative payment for components of the primary procedure that may be considered incidental or inclusive.

Provider Network Status

The Maximum Allowed Amount may vary depending upon whether the Provider is an In-Network or an Out-of-network Provider.

An In-Network Provider is a Provider who is in the managed network for this specific Plan or in a special Center of Excellence/or other closely managed specialty network. For Covered Services performed by an In-Network Provider, the Maximum Allowed Amount for this/your Plan is the rate the Provider has agreed with us to accept as reimbursement for the Covered Services. Because In-Network Providers have agreed to accept the Maximum Allowed Amount as payment in full for those Covered Services, they should not send you a bill or collect for amounts above the Maximum Allowed Amount. However, you may receive a bill or be asked to pay all or a portion of the Maximum Allowed Amount to the extent you have not met your Deductible or have a Copayment or Coinsurance. Please call Member Services for help in finding an In-Network Provider or visit www.anthem.com.

Providers who have not signed any contract with us and are not in any of our networks are Out-of-network Providers, subject to Blue Cross Blue Shield Association rules governing claims filed by certain ancillary providers.

For Covered Services you receive from an Out-of-network Provider, the Maximum Allowed Amount for this Plan will be one of the following as determined by us:

1. An amount based on our Out-of-network fee schedule/rate, which we have established in our discretion, and which we reserve the right to modify from time to time, after considering one or more of the following: reimbursement amounts accepted by like/similar providers contracted with Anthem, reimbursement amounts paid by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for the same services or supplies, and other industry cost, reimbursement and utilization data; or
2. An amount based on reimbursement or cost information from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services ("CMS"). When basing the Maximum Allowed Amount upon the level or method of reimbursement used by CMS, Anthem will update such information, which is unadjusted for geographic locality, no less than annually; or
3. An amount based on information provided by a third party vendor, which may reflect one or more of the following factors: (1) the complexity or severity of treatment; (2) level of skill and experience required for the treatment; or (3) comparable Providers' fees and costs to deliver care; or
4. An amount negotiated by us or a third party vendor which has been agreed to by the Provider. This may include rates for services coordinated through case management; or
5. An amount equal to the total charges billed by the Provider, but only if such charges are less than the Maximum Allowed Amount calculated by using one of the methods described above.

Important Note: Effective January 1, 2019, we will no longer have "Non-preferred" providers because the network supporting the indemnity product will no longer be available. The following paragraph will no longer apply:

Providers who are not contracted for this product, but are contracted for our indemnity product are considered Non-Preferred. For this/your plan, the Maximum Allowed Amount for services from these Providers will be one of the five methods shown above unless the contract between us and that Provider specifies a different amount. In this case Non-Preferred Providers may not send you a bill and collect for the amount of the Non-Preferred Provider's charge that exceeds our Maximum Allowed Amount for Covered Services.

For Covered Services rendered outside Anthem's Service Area by Out-of-Network Providers, claims may be priced using the local Blue Cross Blue Shield plan's non-participating provider fee schedule / rate or the pricing arrangements required by applicable state or federal law. In certain situations, the Maximum Allowed Amount for out of area claims may be based on billed charges, the pricing we would use if the healthcare services had been obtained within the Anthem Service Area, or a special negotiated price.

Unlike In-Network Providers, Out-of-Network Providers may send you a bill and collect for the amount of the Provider's charge that exceeds our Maximum Allowed Amount. You are responsible for paying the difference between the Maximum Allowed Amount and the amount the Provider charges. This amount can be significant. Choosing an In-Network provider will likely result in lower out of pocket costs to you. Please call Member Services for help in finding an In-Network Provider or visit our website at www.Anthem.com.

Member Services is also available to assist you in determining this/your Plan's Maximum Allowed Amount for a particular service from an Out-of-Network Provider. In order for us to assist you, you will need to obtain from your Provider the specific procedure code(s) and diagnosis code(s) for the services the Provider will render. You will also need to know the Provider's charges to calculate your out of pocket responsibility. Although Member Services can assist you with this pre-service information, the final Maximum Allowed Amount for your claim will be based on the actual claim submitted by the Provider.

For Prescription Drugs, the Maximum Allowed Amount is the amount determined by us using Prescription Drug cost information provided by the Pharmacy Benefits Manager.

Member Cost Share

For certain Covered Services and depending on your plan design, you may be required to pay a part of the Maximum Allowed Amount as your cost share amount (for example, Deductible, Copayment, and/or Coinsurance).

Your cost share amount and Out-of-Pocket Limits may vary depending on whether you received services from an In-Network or Out-of-network Provider. Specifically, you may be required to pay higher cost sharing amounts or may have limits on your benefits when using Out-of-Network or Non-Preferred Providers. Please see the "Schedule of Benefits" section in this Booklet for your cost share responsibilities and limitations, or call Member Services to learn how this Booklet's benefits or cost share amounts may vary by the type of Provider you use.

We will not provide any reimbursement for non-covered services. You may be responsible for the total amount billed by your Provider for non-covered services, regardless of whether such services are performed by an In-Network or Out-of-Network Provider. Non-covered services include services specifically excluded from coverage by the terms of your policy/plan and services received after benefits have been exhausted. Benefits may be exhausted by exceeding, for example, your Lifetime Maximum, benefit caps or day/visit limits.

In some instances you may only be asked to pay the lower In-Network cost sharing amount when you use an Out-of-Network Provider. For example, if you go to an In-Network Hospital or Provider Facility and receive Covered Services from an Out-of-Network Provider such as a radiologist, anesthesiologist or pathologist who is employed by or contracted with an In-Network Hospital or Facility, you will pay the In-Network cost share amounts for those Covered Services. However, you also may be liable for the difference between the Maximum Allowed Amount and the Out-of-Network Provider's charge.

We and/or our designated pharmacy benefits manager may receive discounts, rebates, or other funds from drug manufacturers, wholesalers, distributors, and/or similar vendors, which may be related to certain Prescription Drug purchases under this Booklet and which positively impact the cost effectiveness of Covered Services. These amounts are retained by us. These amounts will not be applied to your Deductible, if any, or taken into account in determining your Copayment or Coinsurance.

The following are examples for illustrative purposes only; the amounts shown may be different than this Booklet's cost share amounts; see your "Schedule of Benefits" for your applicable amounts.

Example: Your plan has a Coinsurance cost share of 20% for In-Network services, and 30% Out-of-Network after the in or out of network Deductible has been met.

You undergo a surgical procedure in an In-Network Hospital. The Hospital has contracted with an Out-of-Network anesthesiologist to perform the anesthesiology services for the surgery. You have no control over the anesthesiologist used.

- The Out-of-Network anesthesiologist's charge for the service is \$1200. The Maximum Allowed Amount for the anesthesiology service is \$950; your Coinsurance responsibility is 20% of \$950, or \$190 and the remaining allowance from us is 80% of \$950, or \$760. You may receive a bill from the anesthesiologist for the difference between \$1200 and \$950. Provided the deductible has been met, your total out of pocket responsibility would be \$190 (20% coinsurance responsibility) plus an additional \$250, for a total of \$440.
- You choose an In-Network surgeon. The charge was \$2500. The Maximum Allowed Amount for the surgery is \$1500; your Coinsurance responsibility when an In-Network surgeon is used is 20% of \$1500, or \$300. We allow 80% of \$1500, or \$1200. The In-Network surgeon accepts the total of \$1500 as reimbursement for the surgery regardless of the charges. Your total out of pocket responsibility would be \$300.
- You choose an Out-of-Network surgeon. The Out-of-Network surgeon's charge for the service is \$2500. The Maximum Allowed Amount for the surgery service is \$1500; your Coinsurance responsibility for the Out-of-Network surgeon is 30% of \$1500, or \$450 after the Out-of-Network Deductible has been met. We allow the remaining 70% of \$1500, or \$1050. In addition, the Out-of-Network surgeon could bill you the difference between \$2500 and \$1500, so your total out of pocket charge would be \$450 plus an additional \$1000, for a total of \$1450.

Authorized Services

In some circumstances, such as where there is no In-Network Provider available for the Covered Service, we may authorize the In-Network cost share amounts (Deductible, Copayment, and/or Coinsurance) to apply to a claim for a Covered Service you receive from an Out-of-Network Provider. In such circumstance, you must contact us in advance of obtaining the Covered Service. We also may authorize the In-Network cost share amounts to apply to a claim for Covered Services if you receive Emergency services from an Out-of-Network Provider and are not able to contact us until after the Covered Service is rendered. If we authorize an In-Network cost share amount to apply to a Covered Service received from an, Out-of-Network Provider, you also may still be liable for the difference between the Maximum Allowed Amount and the Out-of-Network Provider's charge. Please contact Member Services for Authorized Services information or to request authorization.

The following are examples for illustrative purposes only; the amounts shown may be different than this Booklet's cost share amounts; see your "Schedule of Benefits" for your applicable amounts.

Example:

You require the services of a specialty Provider; but there is no In-Network Provider for that specialty available to you. You contact us in advance of receiving any Covered Services, and we authorize you to go to an available Out-of-Network Provider for that Covered Service and we agree that the In-Network cost share will apply.

Your plan has a \$45 Copayment for Out-of-Network Providers and a \$25 Copayment for In-Network Providers for the Covered Service. The Out-of-Network Provider's charge for this service is \$500. The Maximum Allowed Amount is \$200.

Because we have authorized the In-Network cost share amount to apply in this situation, you will be responsible for the In-Network Copayment of \$25 and we will be responsible for the remaining \$175 of the \$200 Maximum Allowed Amount.

Because the Out-of-Network Provider's charge for this service is \$500, you may receive a bill from the Out-of-Network Provider for the difference between the \$500 charge and the Maximum Allowed Amount of \$200. Combined with your In-Network Copayment of \$25, your total out of pocket expense would be \$325.

Claims Review

Anthem has processes to review claims before and after payment to detect fraud, waste, abuse and other inappropriate activity. Members seeking services from Out-of-Network Providers could be balanced billed by the Out-of-Network Provider for those services that are determined to be not payable as a result of these review processes. A claim may also be determined to be not payable due to a Provider's failure to submit medical records with the claims that are under review in these processes.

Notice of Claim & Proof of Loss

After you get Covered Services, we must receive written notice of your claim within 90 days in order for benefits to be paid. The claim must have the information we need to determine benefits. If the claim does not include enough information, we will ask for more details and it must be sent to us within the timeframes listed below or no benefits will be covered, unless required by law.

In certain cases, you may have some extra time to file a claim. If we did not get your claim within 90 days, but it is sent in as soon as reasonably possible and within one year after the 90-day period ends (i.e., within 15 months), you may still be able to get benefits. **However, any claims, or additional information on claims, sent in more than 15 months after you get Covered Services will be denied.**

Your claim will be processed and any payment of claims will be made as soon as possible following receipt of the claim. Any benefits payable for Covered Services will be paid within 15 working days for electronic claims or 30 calendar days for paper claims unless more time is required because of incomplete or missing information. In this case, you will be notified within 15 working days for electronic claims or 30 calendar days for paper claims of the reason for the delay and will receive a list of all information needed to continue processing your claim. After this data is received, we have 15 working days to complete claims processing for electronic claims or 30 calendar days for paper claims. Any portion of your claim that does not require additional information will be processed according to the timeframes outlined above. Anthem shall pay interest at the rate of 12% per year to you or the assigned Provider if it does not meet these requirements.

Claim Forms

Claim forms will usually be available from most Providers. If forms are not available, either send a written request for a claims form to us, or contact Member Services and ask for a claims form to be sent to you. If you do not receive the claims form, written notice of services rendered may be submitted to us without the claim form. The same information that would be given on the claim form must be included in the written notice of claim. This includes:

- Name of patient.
- Patient's relationship with the Subscriber.
- Identification number.
- Date, type, and place of service.
- Your signature and the Provider's signature.

Member's Cooperation

You will be expected to complete and submit to us all such authorizations, consents, releases, assignments and other documents that may be needed in order to obtain or assure reimbursement under Medicare, Workers' Compensation or any other governmental program. If you fail to cooperate (including if you fail to enroll under Part B of the Medicare program where Medicare is the responsible payer), you will be responsible for any charge for services.

Payment of Benefits

We will make benefit payments directly to In-Network Providers for Covered Services. If you use an Out-of-Network Provider, however, we may make benefit payments to you or the Out-of-Network Provider, at our discretion. Payments may also be made to, and notice regarding the receipt and/or adjudication of claims sent to, an Alternate Recipient (any child of a Subscriber who is recognized, under a Qualified Medical Child Support Order (QMSCO), as having a right to enrollment under the Group's Contract), or that person's custodial parent or designated representative. Any benefit payments made by us will discharge our obligation for Covered Services. You cannot assign your right to benefits to anyone, except as required by a Qualified Medical Child Support Order as defined by ERISA or any applicable state law.

Once a Provider performs a Covered Service, we will not honor a request for us to withhold payment of the claims submitted.

Inter-Plan Arrangements

Out-of-Area Services

Overview

We have a variety of relationships with other Blue Cross and/or Blue Shield Licensees. Generally, these relationships are called "Inter-Plan Arrangements." These Inter-Plan Arrangements work based on rules and procedures issued by the Blue Cross Blue Shield Association ("Association"). Whenever you access healthcare services outside the geographic area we serve (the "Anthem Service Area"), the claim for those services may be processed through one of these Inter-Plan Arrangements. The Inter-Plan Arrangements are described below.

When you receive care outside of the Anthem Service Area, you will receive it from one of two kinds of Providers. Most Providers (“participating providers”) contract with the local Blue Cross and/or Blue Shield Plan in that geographic area (“Host Blue”). Some Providers (“nonparticipating providers”) don’t contract with the Host Blue. We explain below how we pay both kinds of Providers.

Inter-Plan Arrangements Eligibility – Claim Types

Most claim types are eligible to be processed through Inter-Plan Arrangements, as described above. Examples of claims that are not included are Prescription Drugs that you obtain from a Pharmacy and most dental or vision benefits.

A. BlueCard® Program

Under the BlueCard® Program, when you receive Covered Services within the geographic area served by a Host Blue, we will still fulfill our contractual obligations. But, the Host Blue is responsible for: (a) contracting with its Providers; and (b) handling its interactions with those Providers.

When you receive Covered Services outside the Anthem Service Area and the claim is processed through the BlueCard Program, the amount you pay is calculated based on the lower of:

- The billed charges for Covered Services; or
- The negotiated price that the Host Blue makes available to us.

Often, this “negotiated price” will be a simple discount that reflects an actual price that the Host Blue pays to the Provider. Sometimes, it is an estimated price that takes into account special arrangements with that Provider. Sometimes, such an arrangement may be an average price, based on a discount that results in expected average savings for services provided by similar types of Providers. Estimated and average pricing arrangements may also involve types of settlements, incentive payments and/or other credits or charges.

Estimated pricing and average pricing also take into account adjustments to correct for over- or underestimation of past pricing of claims, as noted above. However, such adjustments will not affect the price we used for your claim because they will not be applied after a claim has already been paid.

B. Special Cases: Value-Based Programs

BlueCard® Program

If you receive Covered Services under a Value-Based Program inside a Host Blue’s Service Area, you will not be responsible for paying any of the Provider Incentives, risk-sharing, and/or Care Coordinator Fees that are a part of such an arrangement, except when a Host Blue passes these fees to Anthem through average pricing or fee schedule adjustments. Additional information is available upon request.

C. Inter-Plan Programs: Federal/State Taxes/Surcharges/Fees

Federal or state laws or regulations may require a surcharge, tax or other fee. If applicable, we will include any such surcharge, tax or other fee as part of the claim charge passed on to you.

D. Nonparticipating Providers Outside Our Service Area

1. Allowed Amounts and Member Liability Calculation

When Covered Services are provided outside of Anthem's Service Area by non-participating providers, we may determine benefits and make payment based on pricing from either the Host Blue or the pricing arrangements required by applicable state or federal law. In these situations, the amount you pay for such services as Deductible, Copayment or Coinsurance will be based on that allowed amount. Also, you may be responsible for the difference between the amount that the non-participating provider bills and the payment we will make for the Covered Services as set forth in this paragraph. Federal or state law, as applicable, will govern payments for out-of-network Emergency services.

2. Exceptions

In certain situations, we may use other pricing methods, such as billed charges or the pricing we would use if the healthcare services had been obtained within the Anthem Service Area, or a special negotiated price to determine the amount we will pay for services provided by nonparticipating providers. In these situations, you may be liable for the difference between the amount that the nonparticipating provider bills and the payment we make for the Covered Services as set forth in this paragraph.

E. Blue Cross Blue Shield Global Core[®] Program

If you plan to travel outside the United States, call Member Services to find out your Blue Cross Blue Shield Global Core benefits. Benefits for services received outside of the United States may be different from services received in the United States.

When you are traveling abroad and need medical care, you can call the Blue Cross Blue Shield Global Core Service Center any time. They are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The toll free number is 800-810-2583. Or you can call them collect at 804-673-1177.

Keep in mind, if you need Emergency medical care, go to the nearest hospital. There is no need to call before you receive care.

Please refer to the "Getting Approval for Benefits" section in this Booklet for further information.

How Claims are Paid with Blue Cross Blue Shield Global Core

In most cases, when you arrange inpatient hospital care with Blue Cross Blue Shield Global Core, claims will be filed for you. The only amounts that you may need to pay up front are any Copayment, Coinsurance or Deductible amounts that may apply.

You will typically need to pay for the following services up front:

- Doctors services;
- Inpatient hospital care not arranged through Blue Cross Blue Shield Global Core; and
- Outpatient services.

You will need to file a claim form for any payments made up front.

When you need Blue Cross Blue Shield Global Core claim forms you can get international claims forms in the following ways:

- Call the Blue Cross Blue Shield Global Core Service Center at the numbers above; or
- Online at www.bcbsglobalcore.com.

You will find the address for mailing the claim on the form.

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Coordination of Benefits When Members Are Insured Under More Than One Plan

If you, your spouse, or your Dependents have duplicate coverage under another Anthem program, any other group medical or dental expense coverage, or any local, state or governmental program (except school accident insurance coverage and Medicaid), then benefits payable under this Contract will be coordinated with the benefits payable under the other program. Anthem's liability in coordinating will not be more than 100% of the Allowable Expense or the contracted amount.

Allowable Expense means any necessary, reasonable and customary expense at least a portion of which is covered under at least one of the programs covering the person for whom the claim is made. The claim determination period is the calendar year.

Please note that several terms specific to this section are listed below. Some of these terms have different meanings in other parts of the Booklet, e.g., Plan. For this provision only, we refer to your plan as "This Plan" and any other insurance plan as "Plan." In the rest of the Booklet, Plan has the meaning listed in the "Definitions" section.

Claim Determination Period means a Calendar Year. However, it does not include any part of a year during which you have no coverage under This Plan or any part of a year before the date this COB provision or a similar provision takes effect.

Plan means any of the following that provides benefits or services for, or because of, medical or dental care or treatment:

- Group insurance or group-type coverage, whether insured or uninsured, that includes continuous twenty-four (24) hour coverage. This includes prepayment, group practice, or individual practice coverage. It also includes coverage other than school accident-type coverage.
- Coverage under a governmental Plan or coverage that is required or provided by law. This does not include a state Plan under Medicaid (Title XIX, Grants to States for Medical Assistance Programs, of the United States Social Security Act as amended from time to time). It also does not include any Plan whose benefits, by law, are excess to those of any private insurance program or other non-governmental program.
- "No-fault" and group or group-type "fault" automobile insurance policies or contracts.

Each contract or other arrangement for coverage under 1 or 2 above is a separate Plan. If an arrangement has two parts and these rules apply only to one of the two, each of the parts is a separate Plan.

Primary Plan/Secondary Plan means the "Order of Benefit Determination Rules" section states whether This Plan is a Primary Plan or Secondary Plan in relationship to another Plan covering you. When This Plan is a Secondary Plan, its benefits are determined after those of the other Plan and may be reduced because of the other Plan's benefits.

When This Plan is a Primary Plan, its benefits are determined before those of the other Plan and without considering the other Plan's benefits.

When there are more than two Plans covering you, This Plan may be a Primary Plan in relationship to one or more other Plans and may be a Secondary Plan in relationship to a different Plan or Plans.

This Plan means the part of this Plan that provides benefits for health care expenses.

Order of Benefit Determination Rules

When you have duplicate coverage, claims will be paid as follows:

- Pediatric Dental Coordination of Benefits (COB)

These pediatric dental COB provisions are applicable to only the pediatric dental benefits found in the part titled What's Covered in the section Dental Services. If pediatric dental Essential Health Benefits are included as part of the medical plan, the medical plan will be primary coverage and any standalone dental plan will be secondary. If the member has two medical plans, each offering pediatric dental Essential Health Benefit coverage for spouse and family, the Order of Benefits Determinations rules below apply.
- Automobile Insurance

Medical benefits available through automobile insurance coverage will be determined before that of any other program if the automobile coverage has either no order of benefit determination rules or it has rules which differ from those permitted under applicable Georgia Insurance Regulations.
- Non-Dependent/Dependent

The benefits of the program which covers the person as an employee (other than as a Dependent) are determined before those of the program which covers the person as a Dependent.
- Dependent Child/Parents Not Separated or Divorced

Except as stated below, when this program and another program cover the same child as a Dependent of different persons, called "parents":

 - The benefits of the program of the parent whose birthday falls earlier in a year are determined before those of the program of the parent whose birthday falls later in that year.
 - If both parents have the same birthday, the benefits of the program which covered the parent longer are determined before those of the program which covered the other parent for a shorter period of time.

However, if the other program does not have the rule described above, but instead has a rule based on the gender of the parent, and if, as a result, the programs do not agree on the order of benefits, the rule in the other program will determine the order of benefits.
- Dependent Child/Parents Separated or Divorced

If two or more programs cover a person as a Dependent child of divorced or separated parents, benefits for the child are determined in this order:

 - first, the program of the parent with custody of the child;
 - then, the program of the spouse of the parent with custody of the child; and
 - finally, the program of the parent not having custody of the child.

However, if the specific terms of a court decree state that one of the parents is responsible for the child's health care expenses, and the company obligated to pay or provide the benefits of the program of that parent has actual knowledge of those terms, the benefits of that program are determined first. This paragraph does not apply with respect to any claim determination period or program year during which any benefits are actually paid or provided before the company has that actual knowledge.
- Joint Custody

If the specific terms of a court decree state that the parents shall have joint custody, without stating that one of the parents is responsible for the health care expenses of the child, the programs covering the child shall follow the order of benefit determination rules outlined above for "Dependent Child/Parents not Separated or Divorced."

- Active/Inactive Employee
The benefits of a program that covers a person as an employee who is neither laid off nor retired (or as that employee's Dependent) are determined before those of a program that covers that person as a laid-off or retired employee (or as that employee's Dependent). If the other program does not have this rule, and if, as a result, the programs do not agree on the order of benefits, this rule is ignored.
- Longer/Shorter Length of Coverage
If none of the above rules determine the order of benefits, the benefits of the program which covered an employee or Member longer are determined before those of the program that covered that person for the shorter time.

Effect on the Benefits of This Plan

This section applies when, in accordance with the Order of Benefit Determination Rules, this program is a secondary program to one or more other programs. In that event the benefits of this program may be reduced under this section. Such other program or programs are referred to as "the other programs" below.

Reduction in this program's benefits

The benefits of this program will be reduced when the sum of:

- the benefits that would be payable for the Allowable Expenses under this program in the absence of this provision; and
- the benefits that would be payable for the Allowable Expenses under the other programs, in the absence of provisions with a purpose like that of this provision, whether or not claim is made, exceed those Allowable Expenses in a claim determination period. In that case, the benefits of this program will be reduced so that they and the benefits payable under the other programs do not total more than those Allowable Expenses.

When the benefits of this program are reduced as described above, each benefit is reduced in proportion. It is then charged against any applicable benefit limit of this program.

Right to Receive and Release Needed Information

Certain facts are needed to apply these rules. We have the right to decide which facts we need. We may get needed facts from or give them to any other organization or person as necessary to coordinate benefits. We need not tell, or get the consent of, any person to do this. Each person claiming benefits under this program must give us any facts needed to pay the claim.

Facility of Payment

A payment made under another program may include an amount which should have been paid under this program. If it does, we may pay that amount to the organization which made that payment. That amount will then be treated as though it were a benefit paid under this program. We will not have to pay that amount again.

Right of Reimbursement

If the amount of the payment made by us is more than it should have paid under this provision, we may recover the excess from one or more of:

- the persons we have paid or for whom we have paid,
- insurance companies, or
- other organizations.

Right of Recovery

- If you or your Covered Dependents have a claim for damages or a right to reimbursement from a third party or parties for any condition, illness or Injury for which benefits are paid under this program, we shall have a right of recovery. Our right of recovery shall be limited to the amount of any benefits paid for covered medical expenses under this program, but shall not include non-medical items. Money received for future medical care or pain and suffering may not be recovered. Our right of recovery shall include compromise settlements. You or your attorney must inform us of any legal action or settlement discussion, ten days prior to settlement or trial. We will then notify you of the amount we seek, and the amount of your legal expenses we will pay.
- Whenever payment has been made in error, we will have the right to recover such payment from you or, if applicable, the Provider. In the event we recover a payment made in error from the Provider, except in cases of fraud, we will only recover such payment from the Provider during the 24 months after the date we made the payment on a claim submitted by the Provider. We reserve the right to deduct or offset any amounts paid in error from any pending or future claim. The cost share amount shown in your Explanation of Benefits is the final determination and you will not receive notice of an adjusted cost share amount as a result of such recovery activity.
- We have oversight responsibility for compliance with Provider and vendor and subcontractor contracts. We may enter into a settlement or compromise regarding enforcement of these contracts and may retain any recoveries made from a Provider, vendor, or subcontractor resulting from these audits if the return of the overpayment is not feasible.
- We have established recovery policies to determine which recoveries are to be pursued, when to incur costs and expenses and settle or compromise recovery amounts. We will not pursue recoveries for overpayments if the cost of collection exceeds the overpayment amount. We may not provide you with notice of overpayments made by us or you if the recovery method makes providing such notice administratively burdensome.

Member Rights and Responsibilities

As a Member you have rights and responsibilities when receiving health care. As your health care partner, we want to make sure your rights are respected while providing your health benefits. That means giving you access to our network health care providers and the information you need to make the best decisions for your health. As a Member, you should also take an active role in your care.

These are your rights and responsibilities:

You have the right to:

- Speak freely and privately with your health care Providers about all health care options and treatment needed for your condition, no matter what the cost or whether it is covered under your Plan.
- Work with your Doctors to make choices about your health care.
- Be treated with respect and dignity.
- Expect us to keep your personal health information private by following our privacy policies, and state and Federal laws. .
- Get the information you need to help make sure you get the most from your health Plan, and share your feedback. This includes information on:
 - Our company and services.
 - Our network of health care providers.
 - Your rights and responsibilities.
 - The rules of your health Plan.
 - The way your health plan works.
- Make a complaint or file an appeal about:
 - Your health Plan and any care you get,
 - Any Covered Service or benefit decision that your health Plan makes.
- Say no to care, for any condition, sickness or disease, without having an effect on any care you may get in the future. This includes asking your Doctor to tell you how that may affect your health now and in the future.
- Get the most up-to-date information from a health care Provider about the cause of your illness, your treatment and what may result from it. You can ask for help if you do not understand this information.

You have the responsibility to:

- Read all information about your health benefits and ask for help if you have questions.
- Follow all health Plan rules and policies.
- Choose an In-Network Primary Care Physician, also called a PCP, if your health Plan requires it.
- Treat all Doctors, health care Providers and staff with respect.
- Keep all scheduled appointments. Call your health care Provider's office if you may be late or need to cancel.
- Understand your health problems as well as you can and work with your health care Providers to make a treatment plan that you all agree on.
- Inform your health care Providers if you don't understand any type of care you're getting or what they want you to do as part of your care plan.
- Follow the health care plan that you have agreed on with your Doctors or health care Providers.

- Give us, your Doctors and other health care Providers the information needed to help you get the best possible care and all the benefits you are eligible for under your health Plan. This may include information about other health insurance benefits you have along with your coverage with us.
- Inform Member Services if you have any changes to your name, address or family members covered under your plan.

If you would like more information, have comments, or would like to contact us, please go to www.anthem.com and select Customer Support > Contact Us. Or call the Member Services number on your ID card.

We want to provide high quality benefits and customer service to our Members. Benefits and coverage for services given under the Plan are governed by the Booklet and not by this Member Rights and Responsibilities statement.

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Grievance and External Review Procedures

The Grievance and Appeals Process

We want your experience with us to be as positive as possible. There may be times, however, when you have a complaint, problem, or question about your Plan or a service you have received. In those cases, please contact Member Services by calling the number on the back of your ID card. We will try to resolve your complaint informally by talking to your Provider or reviewing your claim. If you are not satisfied with the resolution of your complaint, you have the right to file a Grievance / Appeal, which is defined as follows:

Grievance

A written complaint regarding the services or benefits you receive from us. The complaint may involve your dissatisfaction with our administration or claim practices, disenrollment proceedings, a determination of a diagnosis or level of service or denial of a claim that you think should be paid by us.

You, or someone on your behalf, may file the Grievance. The Grievance must:

1. Be in writing; and
2. Provide pertinent information such as your Subscriber identification number, patient's name, date, and place of service, and reason for requesting the review. If the Grievance is not claim related, please include a description of the problem and the resolution you are looking for.

The Grievance should be sent to the following address:

For medical and Prescription Drug or Pharmacy Issues:

Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield
Attn: Grievance and Appeals Department
P.O. Box 105568
Atlanta, GA 30348-5568

It will be helpful if you identify your letter as a Grievance. We will acknowledge the Grievance within five (5) business days of receiving it. We will examine all relevant facts including any materials or records that you submit. You may appear in person before the Grievance committee to:

- Present written or oral information; and
- Question the persons responsible for making the decision that resulted in the Grievance.

We will notify you of the time and place of the committee meeting at least seven (7) calendar days before the meeting.

After review, we will provide a written decision, including reasons, within thirty (30) calendar days of receiving the Grievance. If special circumstances require a longer review period, we will provide our written decision within sixty (60) calendar days of receiving the Grievance. If we need the extra days, we will notify you of the reason why, and when a decision may be expected.

Voluntary Second Level Appeal

You may ask for a voluntary second level appeal. Your request must be in writing to the address above. A panel that includes people who haven't participated in any of the previous decisions or a subordinate (in a lower position) of the original decision-maker will review the request.

External Review

You may ask for an external review if our decision was based on medical judgment. External review means a review of our decision by an Independent Review Organization (IRO). An IRO is an independent third party. Your request must be in writing to the address above.

External review is free. You have four months from the date you receive a denial letter from us to ask for an external review. Please include the following with your request:

- Your name, address and phone number;
- Details about why you don't agree with the decision; and
- Any additional information you may have.

Don't worry if you don't know if our decision was based on medical judgment. If you choose to ask for an external review, we'll let you know if you qualify. If you don't, we'll let you know why.

You don't have to ask for a voluntary second level appeal prior to asking for an external review. However, you won't be able to ask for a voluntary second level appeal after an external review.

Call Member Services at the phone number on your ID card if you have any questions about external review.

Prescription Drug List Exceptions

Please refer to the "Prescription Drug List" section in "Prescription Drug Benefit at a Retail or Home Delivery (Mail Order) Pharmacy" for the process to submit an exception request for drugs not on the Prescription Drug List.

Eligibility and Enrollment – Adding Members

In this section you will find information on who is eligible for coverage under this Plan and when Members can be added to your coverage. Eligibility requirements are described in general terms below. For more specific information, please see your Human Resources or Benefits Department.

Who is Eligible for Coverage

The Subscriber

To be eligible to enroll as a Subscriber, the individual must:

- Be an employee, member, or retiree of the Group, and;
- Be entitled to participate in the benefit Plan arranged by the Group;
- Have satisfied any probationary or waiting period established by the Group and (for non-retirees) and perform the duties of your principal occupation for the Group.

Dependents

To be eligible to enroll as a Dependent, you must be listed on the enrollment form completed by the Subscriber, meet all Dependent eligibility criteria established by the Group, and be one of the following:

- The Subscriber's spouse. For information on spousal eligibility please contact the Group. If spouses are not eligible under this Plan, any references to spouses in the "Eligibility and Enrollment – Adding Members" and "Termination and Continuation of Coverage" sections of this Booklet do not apply.
- The Subscriber's Domestic Partner, if Domestic Partner coverage is allowed under the Group's Plan. Please contact the Group to determine if Domestic Partners are eligible under this Plan. Domestic Partner, or Domestic Partnership means a person of the same or opposite sex who has signed the Domestic Partner Affidavit certifying that he or she is the Subscriber's sole Domestic Partner and has been for 12 months or more; he or she is mentally competent; he or she is not related to the Subscriber by blood closer than permitted by state law for marriage; he or she is not married to anyone else; and he or she is financially interdependent with the Subscriber.

For purposes of this Plan, a Domestic Partner shall be treated the same as a spouse, and a Domestic Partner's child, adopted child, or child for whom a Domestic Partner has legal guardianship shall be treated the same as any other child.

Any federal or state law that applies to a Member who is a spouse or child under this Plan shall also apply to a Domestic Partner or a Domestic Partner's child who is a Member under this Plan. This includes but is not limited to, COBRA, FMLA, and COB. A Domestic Partner's or a Domestic Partner's child's coverage ends on the date of dissolution of the Domestic Partnership.

To apply for coverage as Domestic Partners, both the Subscriber and the Domestic Partner must complete and sign the Affidavit of Domestic Partnership in addition to the Enrollment Application, and must meet all criteria stated in the Affidavit. Signatures must be witnessed and notarized by a notary public. We reserve the right to make the ultimate decision in determining eligibility of the Domestic Partner.

- The Subscriber's or the Subscriber's spouse's children, including natural children, stepchildren, newborn and legally adopted children and children who the Group has determined are covered under a Qualified Medical Child Support Order as defined by ERISA or any applicable state law.
- Children for whom the Subscriber or the Subscriber's spouse is a legal guardian or as otherwise required by law.

All enrolled eligible children will continue to be covered until the age limit listed in the Schedule of Benefits. Coverage may be continued past the age limit in the following circumstances:

- Your Dependent children through the end of the month in which they attain age 26, legally adopted children from the date you assume legal responsibility, children for whom you assume legal guardianship and stepchildren. Also included are your children (or children of your spouse or Domestic Partner) for whom you have legal responsibility resulting from a valid court decree.
- Children who are mentally or physically handicapped and totally dependent on you for support, regardless of age, with the exception of incapacitated children age 26 or older. To be eligible for coverage as an incapacitated Dependent, the Dependent must have been covered under this Contract or prior creditable coverage prior to reaching age 26. Certification of the handicap is required within 31 days of attainment of age 26. A certification form is available from your employer or from Anthem and may be required periodically but not more frequently than annually after the two year period following the child's attainment of the limiting age.

We may require you to give proof of continued eligibility for any enrolled child. Your failure to give this information could result in termination of a child's coverage.

To obtain coverage for children, we may require you to give us a copy of any legal documents awarding guardianship of such child(ren) to you.

When You Can Enroll

Initial Enrollment

The Group will offer an initial enrollment period to new Subscribers and their Dependents when the Subscriber is first eligible for coverage. Coverage will be effective based on the waiting period chosen by the Group, and will not exceed 90 days.

If you did not enroll yourself and/or your Dependents during the initial enrollment period you will only be able to enroll during an Open Enrollment period or during a Special Enrollment period as described below.

Open Enrollment

Open Enrollment refers to a period of time, usually 60 days, during which eligible Subscribers and Dependents can apply for or change coverage. Open Enrollment occurs only once per year. The Group will notify you when Open Enrollment is available.

Special Enrollment Periods

If a Subscriber or Dependent does not apply for coverage when they were first eligible, they may be able to join the Plan prior to Open Enrollment if they qualify for Special Enrollment. Except as noted otherwise below, the Subscriber or Dependent must request Special Enrollment within 60 days of a qualifying event.

Special Enrollment is available for eligible individuals who:

- Lost eligibility under a prior health plan for reasons other than non-payment of premium or due to fraud or intentional misrepresentation of a material fact.
- Exhausted COBRA benefits or stopped receiving group contributions toward the cost of the prior health plan.
- Lost employer contributions towards the cost of the other coverage;
- Are now eligible for coverage due to marriage, birth, adoption, or placement for adoption.

Important Notes about Special Enrollment:

- Members who enroll during Special Enrollment are **not** considered Late Enrollees.

- Individuals must request coverage within 60 days of a qualifying event (i.e., marriage, exhaustion of COBRA, etc.).

Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program Special Enrollment

Eligible Subscribers and Dependents may also enroll under two additional circumstances:

- The Subscriber's or Dependent's Medicaid or Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) coverage is terminated as a result of loss of eligibility; or
- The Subscriber or Dependent becomes eligible for a subsidy (state premium assistance program)

The Subscriber or Dependent must request Special Enrollment within 60 days of the above events.

Late Enrollees

If the Subscriber does not enroll themselves and/or their Dependents when first eligible or during a Special Enrollment period, they will not be eligible to enroll until the next Open Enrollment Period.

Members Covered Under the Group's Prior Plan

Members who were previously enrolled under another plan offered by the Group that is being replaced by this Plan are eligible for coverage on the Effective Date of this coverage.

Enrolling Dependent Children

Newborn Children

Newborn children are covered automatically for 31 days from the moment of birth. You must notify us of the birth within 60 days or the newborn's coverage will terminate. If you have Family Coverage, no additional premium is required.

You should submit an application / change form to the Group to add the newborn to your Plan to make sure we have accurate records and are able to cover your claims.

Adopted Children

A child will be considered adopted from the earlier of: (1) the moment of placement in your home; or (2) the date of an entry of an order granting custody of the child to you. The child will continue to be considered adopted unless the child is removed from your home prior to issuance of a legal decree of adoption.

Your Dependent's Effective Date will be the date of the adoption or placement for adoption if you send us the completed application / change form within 60 days of the event. If, however, additional Premium is required for the adopted Dependent, your Dependent's Effective Date will be the date of the adoption or placement for adoption, only if you notify us of the adoption and pay any required additional Premium within 60 days of the adoption.

Adding a Child due to Award of Legal Custody or Guardianship

If you or your spouse is awarded legal custody or guardianship for a child, an application must be submitted within 60 days of the date legal custody or guardianship is awarded by the court. Coverage will be effective on the date the court granted legal custody or guardianship.

Qualified Medical Child Support Order

If you are required by a qualified medical child support order or court order, as defined by ERISA and/or applicable state or federal law, to enroll your child in this Plan, we will permit the child to enroll at any time

without regard to any Open Enrollment limits and will provide the benefits of this Plan in accordance to the applicable requirements of such order. However, a child's coverage will not extend beyond any Dependent Age Limit listed in the "Schedule of Benefits".

Updating Coverage and/or Removing Dependents

You are required to notify the Group of any changes that affect your eligibility or the eligibility of your Dependents for this Plan. When any of the following occurs, contact the Group and complete the appropriate forms:

- Changes in address;
- Marriage or divorce;
- Death of an enrolled family member (a different type of coverage may be necessary);
- Enrollment in another health plan or in Medicare;
- Eligibility for Medicare;
- Dependent child reaching the Dependent Age Limit (see "Termination and Continuation of Coverage");
- Enrolled Dependent child either becomes totally or permanently disabled, or is no longer disabled.

Failure to notify us of individuals no longer eligible for services will not obligate us to cover such services, even if Premium is received for those individuals. All notifications must be in writing and on approved forms.

Nondiscrimination

No person who is eligible to enroll will be refused enrollment based on health status, health care needs, genetic information, previous medical information, disability, sexual orientation or identity, gender, or age.

Statements and Forms

All Members must complete and submit applications or other forms or statements that we may reasonably request.

Any rights to benefits under this Plan are subject to the condition that all such information is true, correct, and complete. Any material misrepresentation by you may result in termination of coverage as provided in the "Termination and Continuation of Coverage" section. We will not use a statement made by you to void your coverage after that coverage has been in effect for two years. This does not apply, however, to fraudulent misstatements.

Termination and Continuation of Coverage

Termination

Except as otherwise provided, your coverage may terminate in the following situations:

- When the Contract between the Group and us terminates. If your coverage is through an association, your coverage will terminate when the Contract between the association and us terminates, or when your Group leaves the association. It will be the Group's responsibility to notify you of the termination of coverage.
- If the Group fails to pay Premiums in accordance with the terms of this Contract.
- If the Group performs an act or practice that constitutes fraud or intentional misrepresentation of material fact in applying for or procuring coverage.
- If the Group has fallen below our minimum employer contribution or Group participation rules. We will submit a written notice to the Group and provide the Group 60 days to comply with these rules.
- If we terminate, cancel or non-renew all coverage under a particular policy form, provided that:
 - We provide at least 180 days notice of the termination of the policy form to all Members;
 - We offer the Group all other small group (employer) or large group (employer) policies, depending on the size of the Group, currently being offered or renewed by us for which you are otherwise eligible; and
 - We act uniformly without regard to the claims experience or any health status related factor of the individuals insured or eligible to be insured.
- If you choose to terminate your coverage.
- If you or your Dependents cease to meet the eligibility requirements of the Plan, subject to any applicable continuation requirements. If you cease to be eligible, the Group and/or you must notify us immediately. The Group and/or you shall be responsible for payment for any services incurred by you after you cease to meet eligibility requirements.
- If you elect coverage under another carrier's health benefit plan, which is offered by the Group as an option instead of this Plan, subject to the consent of the Group. The Group agrees to immediately notify us that you have elected coverage elsewhere.
- If you perform an act, practice, or omission that constitutes fraud or make an intentional misrepresentation of material fact, as prohibited by the terms of your Plan, your coverage and the coverage of your Dependents can be retroactively terminated or rescinded. A rescission of coverage means that the coverage may be legally voided back to the start of your coverage under the Plan, just as if you never had coverage under the Plan. You will be provided with a 30 calendar day advance notice with appeal rights before your coverage is retroactively terminated or rescinded. You are responsible for paying us for the cost of previously received services based on the Maximum Allowable Amount for such services, less any Copayments made or Premium paid for such services.
- If you fail to pay or fail to make satisfactory arrangements to pay your portion of the Premium, we may terminate your coverage and may also terminate the coverage of your Dependents. Should you or any family members be receiving covered care in the Hospital at the time your membership terminates for reasons other than your employer's cancellation of this Contract, or failure to pay the required subscription charges, benefits for Hospital Inpatient care will be provided only to the extent available for that Hospital stay.
- If you permit the use of your or any other Member's Plan Identification Card by any other person; use another person's Identification Card; or use an invalid Identification Card to obtain services, your coverage will terminate immediately upon our written notice to the Group. Anyone involved in the misuse of a Plan Identification Card will be liable to and must reimburse us for the Maximum Allowed Amount for services received through such misuse.

You will be notified in writing of the date your coverage ends by either us or the Group.

Continuation of Coverage Under Federal Law (COBRA)

The following applies if you are covered by a Group that is subject to the requirements of the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA) of 1985, as amended.

COBRA continuation coverage can become available to you when you would otherwise lose coverage under your Group's health Plan. It can also become available to other Members of your family, who are covered under the Group's health Plan, when they would otherwise lose their health coverage. For additional information about your rights and duties under federal law, you should contact the Group.

Please note: Continuation of Coverage Under Federal Law (COBRA) applies to employer sponsored plans **other than** Church employer Groups. If you have questions, please contact the Plan Administrator. Members of Church employer Groups **are** eligible for continuation of coverage provisions provided under state law as outlined in this section.

Qualifying events for Continuation Coverage under Federal Law (COBRA)

COBRA continuation coverage is available when your coverage would otherwise end because of certain "qualifying events." After a qualifying event, COBRA continuation coverage must be offered to each person who is a "qualified beneficiary." You, your spouse and your Dependent children could become qualified beneficiaries if you were covered on the day before the qualifying event and your coverage would be lost because of the qualifying event. Qualified beneficiaries who elect COBRA must pay for this COBRA continuation coverage.

This benefit entitles each Member of your family who is enrolled in the Plan to elect continuation independently. Each qualified beneficiary has the right to make independent benefit elections at the time of annual enrollment. Covered Subscribers may elect COBRA continuation coverage on behalf of their spouses, and parents or legal guardians may elect COBRA continuation coverage on behalf of their children. A child born to, or placed for adoption with, a covered Subscriber during the period of continuation coverage is also eligible for election of continuation coverage.

Initial Qualifying Event	Length of Availability of Coverage
<p><u>For Subscribers:</u></p> <p>Voluntary or Involuntary Termination (other than gross misconduct) or Loss of Coverage Under an Employer's Health Plan Due to Reduction In Hours Worked</p>	18 months
<p><u>For Dependents:</u></p> <p>A Covered Subscriber's Voluntary or Involuntary Termination (other than gross misconduct) or Loss of Coverage Under an Employer's Health Plan Due to Reduction In Hours Worked</p> <p>Covered Subscriber's Entitlement to Medicare</p> <p>Divorce or Legal Separation</p> <p>Death of a Covered Subscriber</p>	<p>18 months</p> <p>36 months</p> <p>36 months</p> <p>36 months</p>

Initial Qualifying Event	Length of Availability of Coverage
<u>For Dependent Children:</u> Loss of Dependent Child Status	 36 months

COBRA coverage will end before the end of the maximum continuation period listed above if you become entitled to Medicare benefits. In that case a qualified beneficiary – other than the Medicare beneficiary – is entitled to continuation coverage for no more than a total of 36 months. (For example, if you become entitled to Medicare prior to termination of employment or reduction in hours, COBRA continuation coverage for your spouse and children can last up to 36 months after the date of Medicare entitlement.)

If Your Group Offers Retirement Coverage

If you are a retiree under this Plan, filing a proceeding in bankruptcy under Title 11 of the United States Code may be a qualifying event. If a proceeding in bankruptcy is filed with respect to your Group, and that bankruptcy results in the loss of coverage, you will become a qualified beneficiary with respect to the bankruptcy. Your Dependents will also become qualified beneficiaries if bankruptcy results in the loss of their coverage under this Plan. If COBRA coverage becomes available to a retiree and his or her covered family members as a result of a bankruptcy filing, the retiree may continue coverage for life and his or her Dependents may also continue coverage for a maximum of up to 36 months following the date of the retiree’s death.

Second qualifying event

If your family has another qualifying event (such as a legal separation, divorce, etc.) during the initial 18 months of COBRA continuation coverage, your Dependents can receive up to 18 additional months of COBRA continuation coverage, for a maximum of 36 months from the original qualifying event. Such additional coverage is only available if the second qualifying event would have caused your Dependents to lose coverage under the Plan had the first qualifying event not occurred.

Notification Requirements

The Group will offer COBRA continuation coverage to qualified beneficiaries only after the Group has been notified that a qualifying event has occurred. When the qualifying event is the end of employment or reduction of hours of employment, death of the Subscriber, commencement of a proceeding in bankruptcy with respect to the employer, or the Subscriber’s becoming entitled to Medicare benefits (under Part A, Part B, or both), the Group will notify the COBRA Administrator (e.g., Human Resources or their external vendor) of the qualifying event.

You Must Give Notice of Some Qualifying Events

For other qualifying events (e.g., divorce or legal separation of the Subscriber and spouse or a Dependent child’s losing eligibility for coverage as a Dependent child), you must notify the Group within 60 days after the qualifying event occurs.

Electing COBRA Continuation Coverage

To continue your coverage, you or an eligible family Member must make an election within 60 days of the date your coverage would otherwise end, or the date the company’s benefit Plan Administrator notifies you or your family Member of this right, whichever is later. You must pay the total Premium appropriate for the type of benefit coverage you choose to continue. If the Premium rate changes for active associates, your monthly Premium will also change. The Premium you must pay cannot be more than 102% of the Premium charged for employees with similar coverage, and it must be paid to the company’s benefit Plan

Administrator within 30 days of the date due, except that the initial Premium payment must be made before 45 days after the initial election for continuation coverage, or your continuation rights will be forfeited.

Disability extension of 18-month period of continuation coverage

For Subscribers who are determined, at the time of the qualifying event, to be disabled under Title II (OASDI) or Title XVI (SSI) of the Social Security Act, and Subscribers who become disabled during the first 60 days of COBRA continuation coverage, coverage may continue from 18 to 29 months. These Subscribers' Dependents are also eligible for the 18- to 29-month disability extension. (This also applies if any covered family Member is found to be disabled.) This would only apply if the qualified beneficiary gives notice of disability status within 60 days of the disabling determination. In these cases, the Employer can charge 150% of Premium for months 19 through 29. This would allow health coverage to be provided in the period between the end of 18 months and the time that Medicare begins coverage for the disabled at 29 months. (If a qualified beneficiary is determined by the Social Security Administration to no longer be disabled, such qualified beneficiary must notify the Plan Administrator of that fact in writing within 30 days after the Social Security Administration's determination.)

Trade Adjustment Act Eligible Individual

If you don't initially elect COBRA coverage and later become eligible for trade adjustment assistance under the U.S. Trade Act of 1974 due to the same event which caused you to be eligible initially for COBRA coverage under this Plan, you will be entitled to another 60-day period in which to elect COBRA coverage. This second 60-day period will commence on the first day of the month on which you become eligible for trade adjustment assistance. COBRA coverage elected during this second election period will be effective on the first day of the election period.

Other Coverage Options Besides COBRA Continuation Coverage

Instead of enrolling in COBRA continuation coverage, there may be other coverage options for you and your family through the Health Insurance Marketplace, Medicaid, or other group health plan coverage options (such as a spouse's plan) through what is called a "special enrollment" period. Some of these options may cost less than COBRA continuation coverage. You can learn more about many of these options at www.healthcare.gov.

When COBRA Coverage Ends

COBRA benefits are available without proof of insurability and coverage will end on the earliest of the following:

- A covered individual reaches the end of the maximum coverage period;
- A covered individual fails to pay a required Premium on time;
- A covered individual becomes covered under any other group health plan after electing COBRA;
- A covered individual becomes entitled to Medicare after electing COBRA; or
- The Group terminates all of its group welfare benefit plans.

If You Have Questions

Questions concerning your Group's health Plan and your COBRA continuation coverage rights should be addressed to the Group. For more information about your rights under ERISA, including COBRA, the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), and other laws affecting group health plans, contact the nearest Regional or District Office of the U.S. Department of Labor's Employee Benefits Security Administration (EBSA) in your area or visit the EBSA website at www.dol.gov/ebsa. (Addresses and phone numbers of Regional and District EBSA Offices are available through EBSA's website.)

Continuation of Coverage Under State Law

Any employee insured in Georgia under a company welfare benefit plan whose employment is terminated other than for cause, may be entitled to certain continuation benefits. If you have been continuously enrolled for at least six months under this Contract, or this and its immediately preceding health insurance contract, you may elect to continue Group health coverage for yourself and your enrolled family members for the rest of the month of termination and three additional months by paying the appropriate Premium.

This benefit entitles each member of your family who is enrolled in the company's employee welfare benefit plan to elect continuation, independently.

Cost

These continuation benefits are available without proof of insurability at the same Premium rate charged for similarly insured employees or their dependents. To elect this benefit you must notify the Group's Plan Administrator within 30 days of the date your coverage would otherwise cease that you wish to continue your coverage and you must pay the required monthly Premiums in advance.

This continuation benefit is not available if:

- your employment is terminated for cause; or
- your health plan enrollment was terminated for your failure to pay a Premium or Premium contribution; or
- your health plan enrollment is terminated and replaced without interruption by another group contract; or
- health insurance is terminated for the entire class of employees to which you belong; or
- the Group terminates health insurance for all employees.

Termination of Benefits

Continuation coverage terminates if you do not pay the required Premium on time or you enroll for other group insurance or Medicare.

Continuation of Coverage Age 60 and Over

An employee (and eligible Dependents), insured in Georgia under a company welfare benefit plan, who has exhausted the continuation benefits listed above, is eligible for additional continuation rights if that employee was age 60 or older and covered for continuation benefits under the regular continuation provision.

There are certain requirements, which must be met:

- You must have been covered under a group plan which covers 20 or more employees; and
- You must have been continuously enrolled for at least six months under this Contract.

This continuation benefit is not available if:

- Your employment is terminated voluntarily for other than health reasons;
- the health plan enrollment was terminated because you failed to pay a Premium or Premium contribution;
- the health plan enrollment is terminated and replaced without interruption by another group contract;
- health insurance is terminated for the entire class of employees to which you belong;
- the Group terminated health insurance for all employees;
- Your employment was terminated due to reasons which would cause a forfeiture of unemployment compensation (Chapter 8 of Title 34 "Employment Security Law").

The following eligibility requirements apply:

- You must have been 60 years of age or older on the date coverage began under the continuation provision;
- Your Dependents are eligible for coverage if you meet the above requirements;
- Your spouse and any Covered Dependent children whose coverage would otherwise terminate because of divorce, legal separation, or your death may continue if the surviving spouse is 60 years of age or older at the time of divorce, legal separation or death.

The monthly charge (Premium) for this continuation coverage will not be greater than 120% of the amount you would be charged as a normal Group Member. You must pay the first Premium for this continuation of coverage under this provision on the regular due date following the expiration of the period of coverage provided under COBRA or state continuation.

Your continuation rights terminate on the earliest of the following:

- the date you fail to pay any required Premium when due;
- the date the Group Contract is terminated; (If the Group Contract is replaced, coverage will continue under the new Group plan.)
- the date you become insured under any other Group health plan;
- the date you or your divorced or surviving spouse becomes eligible for Medicare.

Extension of Benefits in Case of Total Disability

If the Group Contract is terminated for non-payment of subscription charges, or if the Group terminates the Contract for any reason, or if the Contract is terminated by us (with 60 days written notice), then in such event the coverage of a totally disabled Subscriber will be as follows:

- Contract benefits for the care and treatment of the specific illness, disease or condition that caused the total disability will be extended up to twelve (12) months from the date of termination of the Group Contract.

NOTE: We consider total disability a condition resulting from disease or Injury where:

- the Member is not able to perform the major duties of his or her occupation and is not able to work for wages or profit; or
- the Member's Dependent is not able to engage in most of the normal activities of a person of the same age and sex.

Extended Benefits

If a Member's coverage ends and he or she is totally disabled and, under a Doctor's care Anthem extends major medical benefits for that Member under this Contract as explained below. This is done at no cost to the Member.

Anthem only extends benefits for Covered Services due to the disabling condition. The Covered Services must be incurred before the extension ends. What Anthem pays is based on all the terms of this Contract.

Anthem does not pay for charges due to other conditions. Anthem does not pay for charges incurred by other Covered Dependents.

The extension ends on the earliest of: (a) the date the total disability ends or (b) one year from the date the Member's coverage under this Contract ends. It also ends if the Member has reached the payment limit for his or her disabling condition.

NOTE: Anthem considers total disability a condition resulting from disease or Injury where:

- The Member is not able to perform the major duties of his or her occupation and is not able to work for wages or profit; or
- The Member's Dependent is not able to engage in most of the normal activities of a person of the same age and sex.

Continuation of Coverage Due To Military Service

Under the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act of 1994 (USERRA), the Subscriber or his / her Dependents may have a right to continue health care coverage under the Plan if the Subscriber must take a leave of absence from work due to military leave.

Employers must provide a cumulative total of five years and in certain instances more than five years, of military leave.

"Military service" means performance of duty on a voluntary or involuntary basis and includes active duty, active duty for training, initial active duty for training, inactive duty training, and full-time National Guard duty.

During a military leave covered by USERRA, the law requires employers to continue to provide coverage under this Plan for its Members. The coverage provided must be identical to the coverage provided to similarly situated, active employees and Dependents. This means that if the coverage for similarly situated, active employees and Dependents is modified, coverage for you (the individual on military leave) will be modified.

You may elect to continue to cover yourself and your eligible Dependents by notifying your employer in advance and submitting payment of any required contribution for health coverage. This may include the amount the employer normally pays on your behalf. If your military service is for a period of time less than 31 days, you may not be required to pay more than the active Member contribution, if any, for continuation of health coverage. For military leaves of 31 days or more, you may be required to pay up to 102% of the full cost of coverage, i.e., the employee and employer share.

The amount of time you continue coverage due to USERRA will reduce the amount of time you will be eligible to continue coverage under COBRA.

Maximum Period of Coverage During a Military Leave

Continued coverage under USERRA will end on the earlier of the following events:

1. The date you fail to return to work with the Group following completion of your military leave. Subscribers must return to work within:
 - a) The first full business day after completing military service, for leaves of 30 days or less. A reasonable amount of travel time will be allowed for returning from such military service;
 - b) 14 days after completing military service for leaves of 31 to 180 days;
 - c) 90 days after completing military service for leaves of more than 180 days.
2. 24 months from the date your leave began.

Reinstatement of Coverage Following a Military Leave

Regardless of whether you continue coverage during your military leave, if you return to work your health coverage and that of your eligible Dependents will be reinstated under this Plan if you return within:

- The first full business day of completing your military service, for leaves of 30 days or less. A reasonable amount of travel time will be allowed for returning from such military service;
- 14 days of completing your military service for leaves of 31 to 180 days; or
- 90 days of completing your military service for leaves of more than 180 days.

If, due to an illness or injury caused or aggravated by your military service, you cannot return to work within the time frames stated above, you may take up to:

- Two years; or
- As soon as reasonably possible if, for reasons beyond your control you cannot return within two years because you are recovering from such illness or injury.

If your coverage under the Plan is reinstated, all terms and conditions of the Plan will apply to the extent that they would have applied if you had not taken military leave and your coverage had been continuous. Any Probationary Periods will apply only to the extent that they applied before.

Please note that, regardless of the continuation and/or reinstatement provisions listed above, this Plan will not provide coverage for any illness or injury caused or aggravated by your military service, as indicated in the "What's Not Covered" section.

Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993

A Subscriber who takes a leave of absence under the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 (the Act) will still be eligible for this Plan during their leave. We will not consider the Subscriber and his or her Dependents ineligible because the Subscriber is not at work.

If the Subscriber ends their coverage during the leave, the Subscriber and any Dependents who were covered immediately before the leave may be added back to the Plan when the Subscriber returns to work without medical underwriting. To be added back to the Plan, the Group may have to give us evidence that the Family and medical Leave Act applied to the Subscriber. We may require a copy of the health care Provider statement allowed by the Act.

General Provisions

Verification of Benefits

Verification of Benefits is available for Members or authorized healthcare Providers on behalf of Members. You may call Member Services with a benefits inquiry or Verification of Benefits during normal business hours (7:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. eastern time). Please remember that a benefits inquiry or Verification of Benefits is NOT a Verification of Coverage of a specific medical procedure.

- Verification of Benefits is NOT a guarantee of payment.
- If the verified service requires Precertification, please call the Member Services number listed on your Identification Card.

Assignment

The Group cannot legally transfer this Booklet, without obtaining written permission from us. Members cannot legally transfer the coverage. Benefits available under this Booklet are not assignable by any Member without obtaining written permission from us, unless in a way described in this Booklet.

Care Coordination

We pay In-Network Providers in various ways to provide Covered Services to you. For example, sometimes we may pay In-Network Providers a separate amount for each Covered Service they provide. We may also pay them one amount for all Covered Services related to treatment of a medical condition. Other times, we may pay a periodic, fixed pre-determined amount to cover the costs of Covered Services. In addition, we may pay In-Network Providers financial incentives or other amounts to help improve quality of care and/or promote the delivery of health care services in a cost-efficient manner, or compensate In-Network Providers for coordination of Member care. In some instances, In-Network Providers may be required to make payment to us because they did not meet certain standards. You do not share in any payments made by In-Network Providers to us under these programs.

Clerical Error

A clerical error will never disturb or affect your coverage, as long as your coverage is valid under the rules of the Plan. This rule applies to any clerical error, regardless of whether it was the fault of the Group or us.

Confidentiality and Release of Information

We will use reasonable efforts, and take the same care to preserve the confidentiality of your medical information. We may use data collected in the course of providing services hereunder for statistical evaluation and research. If such data is ever released to a third party, it shall be released only in aggregate statistical form without identifying you. Medical information may be released only with your written consent or as required by law. It must be signed, dated and must specify the nature of the information and to which persons and organizations it may be disclosed. You may access your own medical records.

We may release your medical information to professional peer review organizations and to the Group for purposes of reporting claims experience or conducting an audit of our operations, provided the information disclosed is reasonably necessary for the Group to conduct the review or audit.

A statement describing our policies and procedures for preserving the confidentiality of medical records is available and will be furnished to you upon request.

Conformity with Law

Any term of the Plan which is in conflict with the laws of the state in which the Group Contract is issued, or with federal law, will hereby be automatically amended to conform with the minimum requirements of such laws.

Continuity of Care

If an In-Network Provider who has provided Covered Services to you terminates his or her agreement with us, please call the Member Services number listed on your Identification Card. We have procedures in place that will allow you to continue to see that Provider for a limited time. We can also assist you in selecting another In-Network Provider to provide your care.

If your In-Network Provider leaves our network because we have terminated their contract without cause, and you are in active treatment, you may be able to continue seeing that Provider for a limited period of time and still get In-Network benefits. "Active treatment" includes:

- 1) An ongoing course of treatment for a life-threatening condition;
- 2) An ongoing course of treatment for a serious acute condition, (e.g., chemotherapy, radiation therapy and post-operative visits);
- 3) The second or third trimester of pregnancy and through the postpartum period; or
- 4) An ongoing course of treatment for a health condition for which the Physician or health care Provider attests that discontinuing care by the current Physician or Provider would worsen your condition or interfere with anticipated outcomes.

An "ongoing course of treatment" includes treatments for mental health and substance use disorders.

In these cases, you may be able to continue seeing that Provider until treatment is complete, or for 90 days, whichever is shorter. If you wish to continue seeing the same Provider, you or your Doctor should contact Member Services for details. Any decision by us regarding a request for Continuity of Care is subject to the appeals process.

Contract with Anthem

The Group, on behalf of itself and its participants, hereby expressly acknowledges its understanding that this Plan constitutes a Contract solely between the Group and us, Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield and that we are an independent corporation licensed to use the Blue Cross and Blue Shield names and marks in the state of Georgia. The Blue Cross Blue Shield marks are registered by the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association, an association of independently licensed Blue Cross and Blue Shield plans, with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in Washington, D.C. and in other countries. Further, we are not contracting as the agent of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association or any other Blue Cross and/or Blue Shield plan or licensee. The Group, on behalf of itself and its participants, further acknowledges and agrees that it has not entered into this Contract based upon representations by any person other than Anthem and that no person, entity, or organization other than Anthem shall be held accountable or liable to the Group for any of Anthem's obligations to the Group created under the Contract. This paragraph shall not create any

additional obligations whatsoever on our part other than those obligations created under other provisions of this agreement.

Entire Contract

Note: The laws of the state in which the Group Contract is issued will apply unless otherwise stated herein.

This Booklet, the Group Contract, the Group application, any riders, endorsements or attachments, and the individual applications of the Subscriber and Dependents constitute the entire Contract between the Group and us and as of the Effective Date, supersede all other agreements. Any and all statements made to us by the Group and any and all statements made to the Group by us are representations and not warranties. No such statement, unless it is contained in a written application for coverage under this Booklet, shall be used in defense to a claim under this Booklet.

Form or Content of Booklet

No agent or employee of ours is authorized to change the form or content of this Booklet. Changes can only be made through a written authorization, signed by an officer of Anthem.

Government Programs

The benefits under this Plan shall not duplicate any benefits that you are entitled to, or eligible for, under any other governmental program. This does not apply if any particular laws require us to be the primary payer. If we have duplicated such benefits, all money paid by such programs to you for services you have or are receiving, shall be returned by or on your behalf to us.

Medical Policy and Technology Assessment

Anthem reviews and evaluates new technology according to its technology evaluation criteria developed by its medical directors. Technology assessment criteria are used to determine the Experimental / Investigational status or Medical Necessity of new technology. Guidance and external validation of Anthem's medical policy is provided by the Medical Policy and Technology Assessment Committee (MPTAC) which consists of approximately 20 Doctors from various medical specialties including Anthem's medical directors, Doctors in academic medicine and Doctors in private practice.

Conclusions made are incorporated into medical policy used to establish decision protocols for particular diseases or treatments and applied to Medical Necessity criteria used to determine whether a procedure, service, supply or equipment is covered.

Medicare

Any benefits covered under both this Plan and Medicare will be covered according to Medicare Secondary Payer legislation, regulations, and Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services guidelines, subject to federal court decisions. Federal law controls whenever there is a conflict among state law, Booklet terms, and federal law.

Except when federal law requires us to be the primary payer, the benefits under this Plan for Members age 65 and older, or Members otherwise eligible for Medicare, do not duplicate any benefit for which Members are entitled under Medicare, including Part B. Where Medicare is the responsible payer, all sums payable by Medicare for services provided to you shall be reimbursed by or on your behalf to us, to the extent we have made payment for such services. For the purposes of the calculation of benefits, if you have not enrolled in Medicare Part B, we will calculate benefits as if you had enrolled. **You should enroll in**

Medicare Part B as soon as possible to avoid potential liability. If you are covered under an active group policy this may not apply to you.

Modifications

This Booklet allows the Group to make Plan coverage available to eligible Members. However, this Booklet shall be subject to amendment, modification, and termination in accordance with any of its terms, the Group Contract, or by mutual agreement between the Group and us without the permission or involvement of any Member. Changes will not be effective until the date specified in the written notice we provide to the Group about the change. By electing medical and Hospital coverage under the Plan or accepting Plan benefits, all Members who are legally capable of entering into a contract, and the legal representatives of all Members that are incapable of entering into a contract, agree to all terms, conditions, and provisions in this Booklet.

Not Liable for Provider Acts or Omissions

We are not responsible for the actual care you receive from any person. This Booklet does not give anyone any claim, right, or cause of action against Anthem based on the actions of a Provider of health care, services, or supplies.

Payment Innovation Programs

We pay In-Network Providers through various types of contractual arrangements. Some of these arrangements – Payment Innovation Programs (Program(s)) – may include financial incentives to help improve quality of care and promote the delivery of health care services in a cost-efficient manner.

These Programs may vary in methodology and subject area of focus and may be modified by us from time to time, but they will be generally designed to tie a certain portion of an In-Network Provider's total compensation to pre-defined quality, cost, efficiency or service standards or metrics. In some instances, In-Network Providers may be required to make payment to us under the Program as a consequence of failing to meet these pre-defined standards.

The Programs are not intended to affect your access to health care. The Program payments are not made as payment for specific Covered Services provided to you, but instead, are based on the In-Network Provider's achievement of these pre-defined standards. You are not responsible for any Copayment or Coinsurance amounts related to payments made by us or to us under the Program(s), and you do not share in any payments made by Network Providers to us under the Program(s).

Policies and Procedures

We are able to introduce new policies, procedures, rules and interpretations, as long as they are reasonable. Such changes are introduced to make the Plan more orderly and efficient. Members must follow and accept any new policies, procedures, rules, and interpretations.

Under the terms of the Group Contract, we have the authority, in our sole discretion, to introduce or terminate from time to time, pilot or test programs for disease management, care management, or wellness initiatives which may result in the payment of benefits not otherwise specified in this Booklet. We reserve the right to discontinue a pilot or test program at any time.

Program Incentives

We may offer incentives from time to time, at our discretion, in order to introduce you to covered programs and services available under this Plan. The purpose of these incentives include, but is not limited to, making you aware of cost effective benefit options or services, helping you achieve your best health, and encouraging you to update member-related information. These incentives may be offered in various forms such as retailer coupons, gift cards, health related merchandise, and discounts on fees or Member cost shares. Acceptance of these incentives is voluntary as long as Anthem offers the incentives program. We may discontinue an incentive for a particular covered program or service at any time. If you have any questions about whether receipt of an incentive or retailer coupon results in taxable income to you, we recommend that you consult your tax advisor.

Relationship of Parties (Group-Member-Anthem)

The Group is responsible for passing information to you. For example, if we give notice to the Group, it is the Group's responsibility to pass that information to you. The Group is also responsible for passing eligibility data to us in a timely manner. If the Group does not give us timely enrollment and termination information, we are not responsible for the payment of Covered Services for Members.

Relationship of Parties (Anthem and In-Network Providers)

The relationship between Anthem and In-Network Providers is an independent contractor relationship. In-Network Providers are not agents or employees of ours, nor is Anthem, or any employee of Anthem, an employee or agent of In-Network Providers.

Your health care Provider is solely responsible for all decisions regarding your care and treatment, regardless of whether such care and treatment is a Covered Service under this Plan. We shall not be responsible for any claim or demand on account of damages arising out of, or in any manner connected with, any injuries suffered by you while receiving care from any In-Network Provider or in any In-Network Provider's Facilities.

Your In-Network Provider's agreement for providing Covered Services may include financial incentives or risk sharing relationships related to the provision of services or referrals to other Providers, including In-Network Providers, Out-of-Network Providers, and disease management programs. If you have questions regarding such incentives or risk sharing relationships, please contact your Provider or us.

Reservation of Discretionary Authority

This section only applies when the interpretation of this Booklet is governed by the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA), 29 U.S.C. 1001 et seq.

We, or anyone acting on our behalf, shall determine the administration of benefits and eligibility for participation in such a manner that has a rational relationship to the terms set forth herein. However, we, or anyone acting on our behalf, have complete discretion to determine the administration of your benefits. Our determination shall be final and conclusive and may include, without limitation, determination of whether the services, care, treatment, or supplies are Medically Necessary, Experimental / Investigational, whether surgery is cosmetic, and whether charges are consistent with the Maximum Allowable Amount. Our decision shall not be overturned unless determined to be arbitrary and capricious. However, a Member may utilize all applicable complaint and appeals procedures.

We, or anyone acting on our behalf, shall have all the powers necessary or appropriate to enable us to carry out the duties in connection with the operation and administration of the Plan. This includes, without limitation, the power to construe the Contract, to determine all questions arising under the Booklet and to make, establish and amend the rules, regulations, and procedures with regard to the interpretation and administration of the provisions of this Plan. However, these powers shall be exercised in such a manner that has reasonable relationship to the provisions of the Contract, the Booklet, Provider agreements, and applicable state or federal laws. A specific limitation or exclusion will override more general benefit language.

Right of Recovery and Adjustment

Whenever payment has been made in error, we will have the right to recover such payment from you or, if applicable, the Provider or otherwise make appropriate adjustment to claims. In most instances such recovery or adjustment activity shall be limited to the calendar year in which the error is discovered.

We have oversight responsibility for compliance with Provider and vendor contracts. We may enter into a settlement or compromise regarding enforcement of these contracts and may retain any recoveries made from a Provider or vendor resulting from these audits if the return of the overpayment is not feasible. Additionally, we have established recovery and adjustment policies to determine which recoveries and adjustments are to be pursued, when to incur costs and expenses and settle or compromise recovery or adjustment amounts. We will not pursue recoveries for overpayments or adjustments for underpayments if the cost of the activity exceeds the overpayment or underpayment amount.

Unauthorized Use of Identification Card

If you permit your Identification Card to be used by someone else or if you use the card before coverage is in effect or after coverage has ended, you will be liable for payment of any expenses incurred resulting from the unauthorized use. Fraudulent misuse could also result in termination of the coverage.

Value-Added Programs

We may offer health or fitness related programs to our Members, through which you may access discounted rates from certain vendors for products and services available to the general public. Products and services available under this program are not Covered Services under your Plan but are in addition to Plan benefits. As such, program features are not guaranteed under your health Plan Contract and could be discontinued at any time. We do not endorse any vendor, product or service associated with this program. Program vendors are solely responsible for the products and services you receive.

Voluntary Clinical Quality Programs

We may offer additional opportunities to assist you in obtaining certain covered preventive or other care (e.g., well child check-ups or certain laboratory screening tests) within a specific timeframe. These opportunities are called voluntary clinical quality programs. They are designed to encourage you to get certain care when you need it and are separate from Covered Services under your Plan. These programs are not guaranteed and could be discontinued at any time. We will give you the choice and if you choose to participate in one of these programs, and obtain the recommended care within the program's timeframe, you may receive incentives such as gift cards or retailer coupons, which we encourage you to use for health and wellness related activities or items. Under other clinical quality programs, you may receive a home test kit that allows you to collect the specimen for certain covered laboratory tests at home and mail it to the laboratory for processing. You may also be offered a home visit appointment to collect such specimens and complete biometric screenings. You may need to pay any cost shares that normally apply to such covered laboratory tests (e.g., those applicable to the laboratory processing fee) but will not need to pay

for the home test kit or the home visit. (If you have questions about whether receipt of a gift card or retailer coupon results in taxable income to you, we recommend that you consult your tax advisor.)

Value of Covered Services

For purposes of subrogation, reimbursement of excess benefits, or reimbursement under any Worker's Compensation or Employer Liability Law, the value of Covered Services shall be the amount we paid for the Covered Services.

Voluntary Wellness Incentive Programs

We may offer health or fitness related program options for purchase by your Group to help you achieve your best health. These programs are not Covered Services under your Plan, but are separate components, which are not guaranteed under this Plan and could be discontinued at any time. If your Group has selected one of these options to make available to all employees, you may receive incentives such as gift cards by participating in or completing such voluntary wellness promotion programs as health assessments, weight management or tobacco cessation coaching. Under other options a Group may select, you may receive such incentives by achieving specified standards based on health factors under wellness programs that comply with applicable law. If you think you might be unable to meet the standard, you might qualify for an opportunity to earn the same reward by different means. You may contact us at the Member Services number on your ID card and we will work with you (and, if you wish, your Doctor) to find a wellness program with the same reward that is right for you in light of your health status. (If you receive a gift card as a wellness reward and use it for purposes other than for qualified medical expenses, this may result in taxable income to you. For additional guidance, please consult your tax advisor.)

Waiver

No agent or other person, except an authorized officer of Anthem, is able to disregard any conditions or restrictions contained in this Booklet, to extend the amount of time for making a payment to us, or to bind us by making any promise or representation or by giving or receiving any information.

Worker's Compensation

The benefits under this Plan are not designed to duplicate benefits that you are eligible for under Worker's Compensation Law. All money paid or owed by Worker's Compensation for services provided to you shall be paid back by, or on your behalf to us if we have made payment for the services received. It is understood that coverage under this Plan does not replace or affect any Worker's Compensation coverage requirements.

Acts Beyond Reasonable Control (Force Majeure)

Should the performance of any act required by this coverage be prevented or delayed by reason of any act of God, strike, lock-out, labor troubles, restrictive government laws or regulations, or any other cause beyond a party's control, the time for the performance of the act will be extended for a period equivalent to the period of delay, and non-performance of the act during the period of delay will be excused. In such an event, however, all parties shall use reasonable efforts to perform their respective obligations.

Definitions

If a word or phrase in this Booklet has a special meaning, such as Medical Necessity or Experimental / Investigational, it will start with a capital letter, and be defined below. If you have questions on any of these definitions, please call Member Services at the number on the back of your Identification Card.

Accidental Injury

An unexpected Injury for which you need Covered Services while enrolled in this Plan. It does not include injuries that you get benefits for under any Workers' Compensation, Employer's liability or similar law.

Ambulatory Surgical Facility

A Facility, with a staff of Doctors, that:

1. Is licensed where required;
2. Has permanent facilities and equipment to perform surgical procedures on an Outpatient basis;
3. Gives treatment by or under the supervision of Doctors and nursing services when the patient is in the Facility;
4. Does not have Inpatient accommodations; and
5. Is not, other than incidentally, used as an office or clinic for the private practice of a Doctor or other professional Provider.

Applied Behavior Analysis

The design, implementation, and evaluation of environmental modifications, using behavioral stimuli and consequences to produce socially significant improvement in human behavior, including the use of direct observation, measurement, and functional analysis of the relationship between environment and behavior.

Authorized Service(s)

A Covered Service you get from an Out-of-Network Provider that we have agreed to cover at the In-Network level. You will have to pay any In-Network Deductible, Coinsurance, and/or Copayment(s) that apply, and may also have to pay the difference between the Maximum Allowed Amount and the Out-of-Network Provider's charge. Please see "Claims Payment" for more details.

Benefit Period

The length of time that we will cover benefits for Covered Services. For Calendar Year plans, the Benefit Period starts on January 1st and ends on December 31st. For Plan Year plans, the Benefit Period begins on your Group's effective or renewal date and lasts for 12 months. (See your Group for details.) The "Schedule of Benefits" shows if your Plan's Benefit Period is a Calendar Year or a Plan Year. If your coverage ends before the end of the year, then your Benefit Period also ends.

Benefit Period Maximum

The maximum amount that we will pay for specific Covered Services during a Benefit Period.

Biosimilar/Biosimilars

A type of biological product that is licensed (approved) by FDA because it is highly similar to an already FDA-approved biological product, known as the biological reference product (reference product), and has been shown to have no clinically meaningful differences from the reference product.

Booklet

This document (also called as the Certificate of Coverage), describes the terms of your benefits. It is part of the Group Contract with your Employer, and is also subject to the terms of the Group Contract.

Brand Name Drug

Prescription Drugs that we classify as Brand Drugs or that our PBM has classified as Brand Name Drugs through use of an independent proprietary industry database.

Centers of Excellence (COE) Network

A network of health care facilities, which have been selected to give specific services to our Members based on their experience, outcomes, efficiency, and effectiveness. An In-Network Provider under this Plan is not necessarily a COE. To be a COE, the Provider must have a Center of Excellence Agreement with us.

Coinsurance

Your share of the cost for Covered Services, which is a percent of the Maximum Allowed Amount. You normally pay Coinsurance after you meet your Deductible. For example, if your Plan lists 20% Coinsurance on office visits, and the Maximum Allowed Amount is \$100, your Coinsurance would be \$20 after you meet the Deductible. The Plan would then cover the rest of the Maximum Allowed Amount. See the "Schedule of Benefits" for details. Your Coinsurance will not be reduced by any refunds, rebates, or any other form of negotiated post-payment adjustments.

Complications of Pregnancy

Complications of Pregnancy result from conditions requiring Hospital confinement when the pregnancy is not terminated. The diagnoses of the complications are distinct from pregnancy but adversely affected or caused by pregnancy.

Such conditions include acute nephritis, nephrosis, cardiac decompensation, missed or threatened abortion, preeclampsia, intrauterine fetal growth retardation and similar medical and surgical conditions of comparable severity. An ectopic pregnancy which is terminated is also considered a Complication of Pregnancy.

Complications of Pregnancy shall not include false labor, caesarean section, occasional spotting, Doctor prescribed rest during the period of pregnancy, morning sickness, hyperemesis gravidarum and similar conditions associated with the management of a difficult pregnancy which are not diagnosed distinctly as Complications of Pregnancy.

Controlled Substances

Drugs and other substances that are considered controlled substances under the Controlled Substances Act (CSA) which are divided into five schedules.

Copayment

A fixed amount you pay toward a Covered Service. You normally have to pay the Copayment when you get health care. The amount can vary by the type of Covered Service you get. For example, you may have to pay a \$15 Copayment for an office visit, but a \$150 Copayment for Emergency Room Services. See the "Schedule of Benefits" for details. Your Copayment will be the lesser of the amount shown in the "Schedule of Benefits" or the Maximum Allowed Amount.

Covered Services

Health care services, supplies, or treatment described in this Booklet that are given to you by a Provider. To be a Covered Service the service, supply or treatment must be:

- Medically Necessary or specifically included as a benefit under this Booklet.
- Within the scope of the Provider's license.
- Given while you are covered under the Plan.
- Not Experimental / Investigative, excluded, or limited by this Booklet, or by any amendment or rider to this Booklet.
- Approved by us before you get the service if prior authorization is needed.

A charge for a Covered Service will only apply on the date the service, supply, or treatment was given to you.

The date for applying Deductible and other cost shares for an Inpatient stay is the date you enter the Facility except as described in the "Termination and Continuation of Coverage" section.

Covered Services do not include services or supplies not described in the Provider records.

Covered Transplant Procedure

Please see the "What's Covered" section for details.

Custodial Care

Any type of care, including room and board, that (a) does not require the skills of professional or technical workers; (b) is not given to you or supervised by such workers or does not meet the rules for post-Hospital Skilled Nursing Facility care; (c) is given when you have already reached the greatest level of physical or mental health and are not likely to improve further.

Custodial Care includes any type of care meant to help you with activities of daily living that does not require the skill of trained medical or paramedical workers. Examples of Custodial Care include:

1. Help in walking, getting in and out of bed, bathing, dressing, eating, or using the toilet,
2. Changing dressings of non-infected wounds, after surgery or chronic conditions,
3. Preparing meals and/or special diets,
4. Feeding by utensil, tube, or gastrostomy,
5. Common skin and nail care,
6. Supervising medicine that you can take yourself,
7. Catheter care, general colostomy or ileostomy care,
8. Routine services which we decide can be safely done by you or a non-medical person without the help of trained medical and paramedical workers,
9. Residential care and adult day care,
10. Protective and supportive care, including education,
11. Rest and convalescent care.

Care can be Custodial even if it is recommended by a professional or performed in a Facility, such as in a Hospital or Skilled Nursing Facility, or at home.

Deductible

The amount you must pay for Covered Services before benefits begin under this Plan. For example, if your Deductible is \$1,000, your Plan won't cover anything until you meet the \$1,000 Deductible. The Deductible may not apply to all Covered Services. Please see the "Schedule of Benefits" for details.

Dependent

A Member of the Subscriber's family who meets the rules listed in the "Eligibility and Enrollment – Adding Members" section and who has enrolled in the Plan.

Designated Pharmacy Provider

An In-Network Pharmacy that has executed a Designated Pharmacy Provider Agreement with us or an In-Network Provider that is designated to provide Prescription Drugs, including Specialty Drugs, to treat certain conditions.

Doctor

See the definition of "Physician."

Domestic Partner

Domestic Partner means your Domestic Partner who meets all the requirements on a Declaration of Domestic Partnership Form. You and your Domestic Partner must submit an accurate and completed Declaration of Partnership Form, and meet all the requirements listed on this form. Continued eligibility of your Domestic Partner depends upon the continuing accuracy of this form. Domestic Partner eligibility ends on the date a Domestic Partner no longer meets all the requirements listed on this form. Please see the "Eligibility and Enrollment – Adding Members" section.

Effective Date

The date your coverage begins under this Plan.

Emergency (Emergency Medical Condition)

Please see the "What's Covered" section.

Emergency Care

Please see the "What's Covered" section.

Enrollment Date

The first day you are covered under the Plan or, if the Group imposes a waiting period, the first day of your waiting period.

Excluded Services (Exclusion)

Health care services your Plan doesn't cover.

Experimental or Investigational

Services which are considered Experimental or Investigational include services which (1) have not been approved by the Federal Food and Drug Administration or (2) for which medical and scientific evidence does not demonstrate that the expected benefits of the proposed treatment would be greater than the benefits of any available standard treatment and that adverse risks of the proposed treatment will not be substantially increased over those standard treatments. Such determination must result from prudent professional practices and be supported by at least two documents of medical and scientific evidence. Medical and scientific evidence means:

- Peer-reviewed scientific studies published in or accepted for publication by medical journals that meet nationally recognized requirements for scientific manuscripts and that submit most of their published articles for review by experts who are not part of the editorial staff;

- Peer-reviewed literature, biomedical compendia, and other medical literature that meet the criteria of the National Institutes of Health's National Library of Medicine for indexing in Index Medicus, Excerpta Medica (EMBASE), Medline, and MEDLARS data base or Health Services Technology Assessment Research (HSTAR);
- Medical journals recognized by the United States Secretary of Health and Human Services, under Section 18961 (t)(2) of the Social Security Act;
- The following standard reference compendia: the American Hospital Formulary Service-Drug Information, the American Medical Association Drug Evaluation, the American Dental Association Accepted Dental Therapeutics, and the United States Pharmacopoeia-Drug Information;
- Findings, studies, or research conducted by or under the auspices of federal government agencies and nationally recognized federal research institutes including the Federal Agency for Health Care Policy and Research, National Institutes of Health, National Cancer Institute, National Academy of Sciences, Health Care Financing Administration, and any national board recognized by the National Institutes of Health for the purpose of evaluating the medical value of health services; or
- It meets the following five technology assessment criteria:
 - The technology must have final approval from the appropriate government regulatory bodies.
 - The scientific evidence must permit conclusions concerning the effect of the technology of health outcomes.
 - The technology must improve the net health outcome.
 - The technology must be as beneficial as any established alternative.
 - The technology must be beneficial in practice.

Facility

A facility including but not limited to, a Hospital, freestanding Ambulatory Surgical Facility, Chemical Dependency Treatment Facility, Residential Treatment Center, Skilled Nursing Facility, Home Health Care Agency or mental health facility, as defined in this Booklet. The Facility must be licensed, accredited, registered or approved by the Joint Commission or the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF), as applicable or meet specific rules set by us.

Formulary

Documents setting forth certain rules relating to the coverage of Prescription Drugs and prescription vision products by us that may include but not be limited to (1) a listing of preferred and non-preferred prescription medications and vision products that are covered and/or prioritized in order of preference by us, and are dispensed to you through pharmacies or vision care suppliers that are In-Network Providers, and (2) pre-certification rules. This list is subject to periodic review and modification by us, at our sole discretion. Charges for medications or vision products may not be Covered Services, in whole or in part, if you select a medication or vision product not included in the Formulary.

Generic Drugs

Prescription Drugs that we classify as Generic Drugs or that our PBM has classified as Generic Drugs through use of an independent proprietary industry database. Generic Drugs have the same active ingredients, must meet the same FDA rules for safety, purity and potency, and must be dispensed in the same dosage form (tablet, capsule, cream) as the Brand Name Drug.

Grievance

Please see the "Grievance and External Review Procedures" section.

Group

The employer or other organization (e.g., association), which has a Group Contract with us, Anthem for this Plan.

Group Contract (or Contract)

The Contract between us, Anthem, and the Group (also known as the Group Master Contract). It includes this Booklet, your application, any application or change form, your Identification Card, any endorsements, riders or amendments, and any legal terms added by us to the original Contract.

The Group Master Contract is kept on file by the Group. If a conflict emerges between the Group Master Contract and this Booklet, the Group Master Contract controls.

Home Health Care Agency

A Facility, licensed in the state in which it is located, that:

- 1) Gives skilled nursing and other services on a visiting basis in your home; and
- 2) Supervises the delivery of such services under a plan prescribed and approved in writing by the attending Doctor.

Hospice

A Provider that gives care to terminally ill patients and their families, either directly or on a consulting basis with the patient's Doctor. It must be licensed by the appropriate agency.

Hospital

A Provider licensed and operated as required by law which has:

1. Room, board and nursing care;
2. A staff with one or more Doctors on hand at all times;
3. 24 hour nursing service;
4. All the facilities on site are needed to diagnose, care, and treat an illness or injury; and
5. Is fully accredited by the Joint Commission.

The term Hospital does not include a Provider, or that part of a Provider, used mainly for:

1. Nursing care
2. Rest care
3. Convalescent care
4. Care of the aged
5. Custodial Care
6. Educational care
7. Subacute care

Identification Card

The card we give to you that shows your Member identification, Group numbers, and the type of plan you have.

In-Network Provider

A Provider that has a contract, either directly or indirectly, with us, or another organization, to give Covered Services to Members through negotiated payment arrangements. A Provider that is In-Network for one plan may not be In-Network for another. Please see "How to Find a Provider in the Network" in the section "How Your Plan Works" for more information on how to find an In-Network Provider for this Plan.

In-Network Transplant Provider

Please see the "What's Covered" section for details.

Inpatient

A Member who is treated as a registered bed patient in a Hospital and for whom a room and board charge is made.

Intensive In-Home Behavioral Health Program

A range of therapy services provided in the home to address symptoms and behaviors that, as the result of a mental disorder or substance use disorder, put the Members and others at risk of harm.

Intensive Outpatient Program

Structured, multidisciplinary behavioral health treatment that provides a combination of individual, group and family therapy in a program that operates no less than 3 hours per day, 3 days per week.

Interchangeable Biologic Product

A type of biological product that is licensed (approved) by FDA because it is highly similar to an already FDA-approved biological product, known as the biological reference product (reference product), and has been shown to have no clinically meaningful differences from the reference product. In addition to meeting the biosimilarity standard, it is expected to produce the same clinical result as the reference product in any given patient.

Late Enrollees

Subscribers or Dependents who enroll in the Plan after the initial enrollment period. A person will not be considered a Late Enrollee if he or she enrolls during a Special Enrollment period. Please see the “Eligibility and Enrollment – Adding Members” section for further details.

Maintenance Medications

Please refer to the “Prescription Drug at a Retail or Home Delivery (Mail Order) Pharmacy” section for details.

Maintenance Pharmacy

An In-Network Retail Pharmacy that is contracted with our PBM to dispense a 90 day supply of Maintenance Medication.

Maximum Allowed Amount

The maximum payment that we will allow for Covered Services. For more information, see the “Claims Payment” section.

Medical Necessity (Medically Necessary)

Anthem reserves the right to determine whether a service or supply is Medically Necessary. The fact that a Doctor has prescribed, ordered, recommended or approved a service or supply does not, in itself, make it Medically Necessary. Anthem considers a service Medically Necessary if it is:

- appropriate and consistent with the diagnosis and the omission of which could adversely affect or fail to improve the patient’s condition;
- compatible with the standards of acceptable medical practice in the United States;
- not provided solely for your convenience or the convenience of the Doctor, health care provider or Hospital;
- not primarily Custodial Care;

- provided in a safe and appropriate setting given the nature of the diagnosis and the severity of the symptoms. For example, a Hospital stay is necessary when treatment cannot be safely provided on an outpatient basis; and
- cost-effective compared to alternative interventions, including no intervention. Cost effective does not always mean lowest cost. It does mean that as to the diagnosis or treatment of the Member's illness, injury or disease, the service is: (1) not more costly than an alternative service or sequence of services that is medically appropriate, or (2) the service is performed in the least costly setting that is medically appropriate.

Member

People, including the Subscriber and his or her Dependents, who have met the eligibility rules, applied for coverage, and enrolled in the Plan. Members are called "you" and "your" in this Booklet.

Mental Health and Substance Abuse

A condition that is listed in the current edition of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM) as a mental health or substance abuse condition.

Non-Preferred Provider

A Hospital, Freestanding Ambulatory Facility (Surgical Center), Doctor, Skilled Nursing Facility, Hospice, Home Health Care Agency, other medical practitioner or Provider of medical services or supplies, that does not have a Preferred Provider Organization (PPO) Contract with Anthem but is contracted for our indemnity network.

Out-of-Network benefits apply when Covered Services are rendered by a Non-Preferred Provider. Please see the "Important Note" in the Claims Payment section of this Booklet concerning Non-Preferred Providers effective January 1, 2019.

Open Enrollment

A period of time in which eligible people or their dependents can enroll without penalty after the initial enrollment. See the "Eligibility and Enrollment – Adding Members" section for more details.

Out-of-Network Provider

A Provider that does not have an agreement or contract with us, or our subcontractor(s), to give services our Members.

You will often get a lower level of benefits when you use Out-of-Network Providers.

Out-of-Pocket Limit

The most you pay in Copayments, Deductibles, and Coinsurance during a Benefit Period for Covered Services. The Out-of-Pocket limit does not include your Premium, amounts over the Maximum Allowed Amount, or charges for health care that your Plan doesn't cover. Please see the "Schedule of Benefits" for details.

Partial Hospitalization Program

Structured, multidisciplinary behavioral health treatment that offers nursing care and active individual, group and family treatment in a program that operates no less than 6 hours per day, 5 days per week.

Pharmacy

A place licensed by state law where you can get Prescription Drugs and other medicines from a licensed pharmacist when you have a prescription from your Doctor.

Pharmacy and Therapeutics (P&T) Process

A process to make clinically based recommendations that will help you access quality, low cost medicines within your Plan. The process includes health care professionals such as nurses, pharmacists, and Doctors. The committees of the National Pharmacy and Therapeutics Process meet regularly to talk about and find the clinical and financial value of medicines for our Members. This process first evaluates the clinical evidence of each product under review. The clinical review is then combined with an in-depth review of the market dynamics, Member impact and financial value to make choices for the formulary. Our programs may include, but are not limited to, Prescription Drug utilization programs, prior authorization criteria, therapeutic conversion programs, cross-branded initiatives, and Prescription Drug profiling initiatives.

Pharmacy Benefits Manager (PBM)

A Pharmacy benefits management company that manages Pharmacy benefits on Anthem's behalf. Anthem's PBM has a nationwide network of Retail Pharmacies, a Home Delivery Pharmacy, and clinical services that include Prescription Drug List management.

The management and other services the PBM provides include, but are not limited to: managing a network of Retail Pharmacies and operating a mail service Pharmacy. Anthem's PBM, in consultation with Anthem, also provides services to promote and assist Members in the appropriate use of Pharmacy benefits, such as review for possible excessive use, proper dosage, drug interactions or drug/pregnancy concerns.

Physician (Doctor)

Includes the following when licensed by law:

- Doctor of Medicine (M.D.) legally entitled to practice medicine and perform surgery,
- Doctor of Osteopathy (D.O.) legally licensed to perform the duties of a D.O.,
- Doctor of Chiropractic (D.C.), legally licensed to perform the duties of a chiropractor;
- Doctor of Podiatric Medicine (D.P.M.) legally entitled to practice podiatry, and
- Doctor of Dental Medicine (D.D.M.), Doctor of Dental Surgery (D.D.S.), legally entitled to provide dental services.

Optometrists, Clinical Psychologists (PhD), and surgical chiropodists are also Providers when legally licensed and giving Covered Services within the scope of their licenses.

Plan

The benefit plan your Group has purchased, which is described in this Booklet.

Plan Administrator

The person named by your employer to manage the program and answer questions about program details.

Precertification

Please see the section “Getting Approval for Benefits” for details.

Predetermination

Please see the section “Getting Approval for Benefits” for details.

Premium

The amount that you and/or the Group must pay to be covered by this Plan. This may be based on your age and will depend on the Group's Contract with us.

Prescription Drug (Drug) (Also referred to as Legend Drug)

A medicine that is approved by the Food & Drug Administration to treat illness or injury. Under the Federal Food, Drug & Cosmetic Act, such substances must bear a message on its original packing label that says, “Caution: Federal law prohibits dispensing without a prescription.” This includes the following:

- 1) Compounded (combination) medications, when all of the ingredients are FDA-approved, as designated in the FDA's Orange Book: *Approved Drug Products with Therapeutic Equivalence Evaluations*, require a prescription to dispense, and are not essentially the same as an FDA-approved product from a drug manufacturer.
- 2) Insulin, diabetic supplies, and syringes.

Prescription Order

A written request by a Provider, as permitted by law, for a Prescription Drug or medication, and each authorized refill.

Primary Care Physician (“PCP”)

A Physician who gives or directs health care services for you. The Physician may work in family practice, general practice, internal medicine, pediatrics, geriatrics or any other practice allowed by the Plan.

Primary Care Provider

A Physician, nurse practitioner, clinical nurse specialist, physician assistant, or any other Provider licensed by law and allowed under the Plan, who gives, directs, or helps you get a range of health care services.

Prior Authorization

Please see the “Getting Approval for Benefits”, “Prescription Drug Benefit at a Retail or Home Delivery (Mail Order) Pharmacy”, and “Prescription Drugs Administered by a Medical Provider” sections for details.

Provider

A professional or Facility licensed by law that gives health care services within the scope of that license and is approved by us. This includes any Provider that state law says we must cover when they give you services that state law says we must cover. Providers that deliver Covered Services are described throughout this Booklets. If you have a question about a Provider not described in this Booklet please call the number on the back of your Identification Card.

Recovery

Please see the “Right of Recovery” section for details.

Referral

Please see the “How Your Plan Works” section for details

Residential Treatment Center / Facility:

A Provider licensed and operated as required by law, which includes:

1. Room, board and skilled nursing care (either an RN or LVN/LPN) available on-site at least eight hours daily with 24 hour availability;
2. A staff with one or more Doctors available at all times.
3. Residential treatment takes place in a structured facility-based setting.
4. The resources and programming to adequately diagnose, care and treat a psychiatric and/or substance use disorder.
5. Facilities are designated residential, subacute, or intermediate care and may occur in care systems that provide multiple levels of care.
6. Is fully accredited by The Joint Commission (TJC), the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF), the National Integrated Accreditation for Healthcare Organizations (NIAHO), or the Council on Accreditation (COA)

The term Residential Treatment Center/Facility does not include a Provider, or that part of a Provider, used mainly for:

1. Nursing care
2. Rest care
3. Convalescent care
4. Care of the aged
5. Custodial Care
6. Educational care

Retail Health Clinic

A Facility that gives limited basic health care services to Members on a “walk-in” basis. These clinics are often found in major pharmacies or retail stores. Medical services are typically given by Physician Assistants and nurse practitioners.

Service Area

The geographical area where you can get Covered Services from an In-Network Provider.

Skilled Nursing Facility

A Facility operated alone or with a Hospital that cares for you after a Hospital stay when you have a condition that needs more care than can get at home. It must be licensed by the appropriate agency and accredited by the Joint Commission or the Bureau of Hospitals of the American Osteopathic Association, or otherwise approved by us. A Skilled Nursing Facility gives the following:

1. Inpatient care and treatment for people who are recovering from an illness or injury;
2. Care supervised by a Doctor;
3. 24 hour per day nursing care supervised by a full-time registered nurse.

A Skilled Nursing Facility is not a place mainly for care of the aged, Custodial Care or domiciliary care, treatment of alcohol or drug dependency; or a place for rest, educational, or similar services.

Special Enrollment

A period of time in which eligible people or their dependents can enroll after the initial enrollment, typically due to an event such as marriage, birth, adoption, etc. See the “Eligibility and Enrollment – Adding Members” section for more details.

Specialist (Specialty Care Physician / Provider or SCP)

A Specialist is a Doctor who focuses on a specific area of medicine or group of patients to diagnose, manage, prevent, or treat certain types of symptoms and conditions. A non-Physician Specialist is a Provider who has added training in a specific area of health care.

Specialty Drugs

Drugs that typically need close supervision and checking of their effect on the patient by a medical professional. These drugs often need special handling, such as temperature-controlled packaging and overnight delivery, and are often not available at retail pharmacies. They may be administered in many forms including, but not limited to, injectable, infused, oral and inhaled.

Subscriber

An employee or member of the Group who is eligible for and has enrolled in the Plan.

Telemedicine Medical Service

A health care medical service initiated by a Doctor or provided by a health care professional, the diagnosis, treatment or consultation by a Doctor, or the transfer of medical data that requires the use of advanced communications technology, other than by phone or fax including:

- Compressed digital interactive video, audio, or data transmission.
- Clinical data transmission using computer imaging by way of still-image capture; and,
- Other technology that facilitates access to healthcare services or medical specialty expertise.

Neither a telephone conversation nor an electronic mail message between a healthcare practitioner and a patient is telemedicine.

Total Disability (or Totally Disabled)

A condition resulting from illness or injury in which, as certified by a Doctor:

- You, the Subscriber, are not able to perform any occupation or business for which you are reasonably suited by your education, training, or experience. This also means that you are not, in fact, engaged in any occupation or business for wage or profit; and
- The Dependent is unable to perform his or her normal activities of daily living.

Transplant Benefit Period

Please see the “What’s Covered” section for details.

Transplant Providers

Network Transplant Provider - A Provider that has been designated as a “Center of Excellence” for Transplants by us and/or a Provider selected to participate as a Network Transplant Provider by the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association. Such Provider has entered into a transplant provider agreement to render Covered Transplant Procedures and certain administrative functions to you for the transplant network. A Provider may be a Network Transplant Provider with respect to:

- certain Covered Transplant Procedures; or
- all Covered Transplant Procedures.

Out-of-Network Transplant Provider - Any Provider that has NOT been designated as a “Center of Excellence” for Transplants by us nor has not been selected to participate as a Network Transplant Provider by the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association.

Blue Distinction Center (BDC) Facility: Blue Distinction facilities have met or exceeded national quality standards for care delivery (quality only).

Blue Distinction Center+ (BDC+) Facility: Blue Distinction+ facilities have met or exceeded national quality standards for care delivery AND have demonstrated that they operate more efficiently (quality and cost).

Designated Transplant Provider: A provider who has achieved designation as a Blue Distinction Center+ or Blue Distinction Center for Transplant Procedures.

In-Network Transplant Provider: Hospitals participating in our network but are NOT designated as either Blue Distinction Center+ or Blue Distinction Center).

Out-of-Network Transplant Provider: Any Provider that does not hold a contractual agreement with us to provide Transplant services.

Urgent Care Center

A licensed health care Facility that is separate from a Hospital and whose main purpose is giving immediate, short-term medical care, without an appointment, for urgent care.

Utilization Review

Evaluation of the necessity, quality, effectiveness, or efficiency of medical or behavioral health services, Prescription Drugs (as set forth in the section Prescription Drugs Administered by a Medical Provider), procedures, and/or facilities.

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Get help in your language

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Separate from our language assistance program, we make documents available in alternate formats for members with visual impairments. If you need a copy of this document in an alternate format, please call the customer service telephone number on the back of your ID card.

Spanish

Tiene el derecho de obtener esta información y ayuda en su idioma en forma gratuita. Llame al número de Servicios para Miembros que figura en su tarjeta de identificación para obtener ayuda. (TTY/TDD: 711)

Amharic

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Arabic

يحق لك الحصول على هذه المعلومات والمساعدة بلغتك مجانًا. اتصل برقم خدمات الأعضاء الموجود على بطاقة التعريف الخاصة بك للمساعدة (TTY/TDD:711)

Chinese

您有權使用您的語言免費獲得該資訊和協助。請撥打您的 ID 卡上的成員服務號碼尋求協助。(TTY/TDD: 711)

Farsi

شما این حق را دارید که این اطلاعات و کمکها را به صورت رایگان به زبان خودتان دریافت کنید. برای دریافت کمک به شماره مرکز خدمات اعضاء که بر روی کارت شناساییتان درج شده است، تماس بگیرید. (TTY/TDD: 711)

French

Vous avez le droit d'accéder gratuitement à ces informations et à une aide dans votre langue. Pour cela, veuillez appeler le numéro des Services destinés aux membres qui figure sur votre carte d'identification. (TTY/TDD: 711)

German

Sie haben das Recht, diese Informationen und Unterstützung kostenlos in Ihrer Sprache zu erhalten. Rufen Sie die auf Ihrer ID-Karte angegebene Servicenummer für Mitglieder an, um Hilfe anzufordern. (TTY/TDD: 711)

Gujarati

તમે તમારી ભાષામાં મહત્તમાં આ માહિતી અને મદદ મેળવવાનો અધિકાર ધરાવો છો. મદદ માટે તમારા આઈડી કાર્ડ પરના મેમ્બર સર્વિસ નંબર પર કોલ કરો. (TTY/TDD: 711)

Haitian

Ou gen dwa pou resevwa enfòmasyon sa a ak asistans nan lang ou pou gratis. Rele nimewo Manm Sèvis la ki sou kat idantifikasyon ou a pou jwenn èd. (TTY/TDD: 711)

Hindi

आपके पास यह जानकारी और मदद अपनी भाषा में मुफ्त में प्राप्त करने का अधिकार है। मदद के लिए अपने ID कार्ड पर सदस्य सेवाएँ नंबर पर कॉल करें। (TTY/TDD: 711)

Japanese

この情報と支援を希望する言語で無料で受けることができます。支援を受けるには、IDカードに記載されているメンバーサービス番号に電話してください。(TTY/TDD: 711)

Korean

귀하에게는 무료로 이 정보를 얻고 귀하의 언어로 도움을 받을 권리가 있습니다. 도움을 얻으려면 귀하의 ID 카드에 있는 회원 서비스 번호로 전화하십시오. (TTY/TDD: 711)

Portuguese-Europe

Tem o direito de receber gratuitamente estas informações e ajuda no seu idioma. Ligue para o número dos Serviços para Membros indicado no seu cartão de identificação para obter ajuda. (TTY/TDD: 711)

Russian

Вы имеете право получить данную информацию и помощь на вашем языке бесплатно. Для получения помощи звоните в отдел обслуживания участников по номеру, указанному на вашей идентификационной карте. (TTY/TDD: 711)

Vietnamese

Quý vị có quyền nhận miễn phí thông tin này và sự trợ giúp bằng ngôn ngữ của quý vị. Hãy gọi cho số Dịch Vụ Thành Viên trên thẻ ID của quý vị để được giúp đỡ. (TTY/TDD: 711)

It's important we treat you fairly

That's why we follow federal civil rights laws in our health programs and activities. We don't discriminate, exclude people, or treat them differently on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability. For people with disabilities, we offer free aids and services. For people whose primary language isn't English, we offer free language assistance services through interpreters and other written languages. Interested in these services? Call the Member Services number on your ID card for help (TTY/TDD: 711). If you think we failed to offer these services or discriminated based on race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex, you can file a complaint, also known as a grievance. You can file a complaint with our Compliance Coordinator in writing to Compliance Coordinator, P.O. Box 27401, Mail Drop VA2002-N160, Richmond, VA 23279. Or you can file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights at 200 Independence Avenue, SW; Room 509F, HHH Building; Washington, D.C. 20201 or by calling 1-800-368-1019 (TDD: 1- 800-537-7697) or online at <https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf>. Complaint forms are available at <http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html>.