Summary of Benefits and Coverage: What this Plan Covers & What You Pay For Covered Services
Highmark Blue Shield: my Direct Blue EPO Silver 3500

Coverage Period: 01/01/2024 - 12/31/2024
Coverage for: Individual/Family   **Plan** Type: EPO

⚠️ **The Summary of Benefits and Coverage (SBC) document will help you choose a health plan. The SBC shows you how you and the plan would share the cost for covered health care services. NOTE: Information about the cost of this plan (called the premium) will be provided separately.** **This is only a summary.** For more information about your coverage, or to get a copy of the complete terms of coverage, www.highmarkblueshield.com or call 1-800-544-6679. For general definitions of common terms, such as allowed amount, balance billing, coinsurance, copayment, deductible, provider, or other underlined terms see the Glossary. You can view the Glossary at www.HealthCare.gov/sbc-glossary/ or call 1-800-544-6679 to request a copy.

Important Questions	Answers	Why This Matters:
What is the overall deductible?	$3,500 individual/$7,000 family network.	Generally, you must pay all of the costs from providers up to the deductible amount before this plan begins to pay. If you have other family members on the plan, each family member must meet their own individual deductible until the total amount of deductible expenses paid by all family members meets the overall family deductible.
Are there services covered before you meet your deductible?	Yes. Office visits, preventive care services, standard diagnostic services, urgent care, rehabilitation services, habilitation services, outpatient mental health, outpatient substance abuse, pediatric vision services, pediatric dental exam, and prescription drug expenses are covered before you meet your deductible. Copayments and coinsurance amounts don't count toward the network deductible.	This plan covers some items and services even if you haven't yet met the deductible amount. But a copayment or coinsurance may apply. For example, this plan covers certain preventive services without cost-sharing and before you meet your deductible. See a list of covered preventive services at https://www.healthcare.gov/coverage/preventive-care-benefits/.
Are there other deductibles for specific services?	No.	You don't have to meet deductibles for specific services.
What is the out-of-pocket limit for this plan?	$9,350 individual/$18,700 family network.	The out-of-pocket limit is the most you could pay in a year for covered services. If you have other family members in this plan, they have to meet their own out-of-pocket limits until the overall family out-of-pocket limit has been met.
What is not included in the out–of–pocket limit?	Premiums, balance-billed charges, and health care this plan doesn't cover.	Even though you pay these expenses, they don't count toward the out-of-pocket limit.

A copy of your agreement can be found at https://shop.highmark.com/sales/#!/sbc-agreements.

Will you pay less if you use a **network provider**?	Yes. See https://www.highmarkblueshield.com/find-a-doctor/ or call 1-800-544-6679 for a list of **network providers**.	This **plan** uses a **provider network**. You will pay less if you use a **provider** in the **plan's network**. You will pay the most if you use an **out-of-network provider**, and you might receive a bill from a **provider** for the difference between the **provider's** charge and what your **plan** pays (**balance billing**). Be aware your **network provider** might use an **out-of-network provider** for some services (such as lab work). Check with your **provider** before you get services.
Do I need a **referral** to see a **specialist**?	No.	You can see the **specialist** you choose without a **referral**.

⚠️ All **copayment** and **coinsurance** costs shown in this chart are after your overall **deductible** has been met, if a **deductible** applies.

Common Medical Event	Services You May Need	What You Will Pay		Limitations, Exceptions, & Other Important Information
		Network Provider (You will pay the least)	**Out-of-Network Provider** (You will pay the most)	
If you visit a health care provider's office or clinic	Primary care visit to treat an injury or illness	$45 **copay**/visit **Deductible** does not apply.	Not covered	You may have to pay for services that aren't **preventive**. Ask your **provider** if the services needed are **preventive**. Then check what your **plan** will pay for. Please refer to your **preventive** schedule for additional information.
	Specialist visit	$45 **copay**/visit **Deductible** does not apply.	Not covered	
	Preventive care/screening/Immunization	No charge **Deductible** does not apply.	Not covered	
If you have a test	Diagnostic test (x-ray, blood work)	$75 **copay**/visit **Deductible** does not apply.	Not covered	Copayments, if any, do not apply to diagnostic services prescribed for the treatment of mental illness or substance abuse. Precertification may be required.
	Imaging (CT/PET scans, MRIs)	30% **coinsurance**	Not covered	
If you need drugs to treat your illness or condition More information about **prescription drug coverage** is available at	Tier 1	No charge per prescription (retail) No charge per prescription (mail order) **Deductible** does not apply.	Not covered	Up to 31/60/90-day supply retail pharmacy. Up to 90-day supply maintenance **prescription drugs** through mail order. This **plan** uses an Essential **Formulary**.

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		Network Provider (You will pay the least)	Out-of-Network Provider (You will pay the most)	
https://www.highmarkblueshield.com/find-a-doctor/#/drug	Tier 2	$30/$60/$90 copay per prescription (retail) $60 copay per prescription (mail order) Deductible does not apply.	Not covered	
	Tier 3	$150/$300/$450 copay per prescription (retail) $300 copay per prescription (mail order) Deductible does not apply.	Not covered	
	Tier 4	50% coinsurance $250/$500/$750 min $1,000/$2,000/$3,000 max per prescription (retail) 50% coinsurance $500 min/$2,000 max per prescription (mail order) Deductible does not apply.	Not covered	
If you have outpatient surgery	Facility fee (e.g., ambulatory surgery center)	$300 copay/visit	Not covered	Precertification may be required.
	Physician/surgeon fees	$300 copay/visit	Not covered	Precertification may be required.
If you need immediate medical attention	Emergency room care	30% coinsurance	30% coinsurance	Out-of-network: Subject to network deductible.
	Emergency medical transportation	30% coinsurance	30% coinsurance	Out-of-network: Subject to network deductible.

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	Urgent care	$90 copay/visit Deductible does not apply.	$90 copay/visit Deductible does not apply.	The copayment, if any, does not apply to urgent care services prescribed for the treatment of mental illness or substance abuse.
If you have a hospital stay	Facility fee (e.g., hospital room)	30% coinsurance	Not covered	Precertification may be required.
	Physician/surgeon fees	30% coinsurance	Not covered	Precertification may be required.
If you have mental health, behavioral health, or substance abuse services	Outpatient services	$45 copay/visit Deductible does not apply.	Not covered	Precertification may be required.
	Inpatient services	30% coinsurance	Not covered	Precertification may be required.
If you are pregnant	Office visits	30% coinsurance	Not covered	Cost sharing does not apply for preventive services. Depending on the type of services, a copayment, coinsurance, or deductible may apply. Maternity care may include tests and services described elsewhere in the SBC (i.e. ultrasound.)

Network: The first visit to determine pregnancy is covered at no charge. Please refer to the Women's Health Preventive Schedule for additional information. Precertification may be required. |
	Childbirth/delivery professional services	30% coinsurance	Not covered	
	Childbirth/delivery facility services	30% coinsurance	Not covered	
If you need help recovering or have other special health	Home health care	30% coinsurance	Not covered	Network: 60 visits per benefit period, aggregate with visiting nurse. Precertification may be required.

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needs	Rehabilitation services	$45 copay/visit Deductible does not apply.	Not covered	Network: 30 combined physical medicine and occupational therapy visits and 30 speech therapy visits per benefit period. Limit does not apply to services for the treatment of a mental health or substance use disorder diagnosis. Precertification may be required.
	Habilitation services	$45 copay/visit Deductible does not apply.	Not covered	Network: 30 combined physical medicine and occupational therapy visits and 30 speech therapy visits per benefit period. Limit does not apply to services for the treatment of a mental health or substance use disorder diagnosis. Precertification may be required.
	Skilled nursing care	30% coinsurance	Not covered	Network: 120 days per benefit period. Precertification may be required.
	Durable medical equipment	30% coinsurance	Not covered	Precertification may be required.
	Hospice services	30% coinsurance	Not covered	Network: Respite care limit of 7 days every six months. Precertification may be required.
If your child needs dental or eye care	Children's eye exam	No charge Deductible does not apply.	Not covered	Network: One eye exam per 12 month period up to age 19.
	Children's glasses	No charge Deductible does not apply.	Not covered	Network: One pair frames/lenses every 12 months.
	Children's dental check-up	No charge Deductible does not apply.	Not covered	Network: One exam every 6 months.

Excluded Services & Other Covered Services:

Services Your Plan Generally Does NOT Cover (Check your policy or plan document for more information and a list of any other excluded services.)

- Abortion, except where a pregnancy is the result of rape or incest, or for a pregnancy which, as certified by a physician, places the life of the woman in danger unless an abortion is performed.

- Acupuncture

- Bariatric surgery

- Cosmetic surgery

- Dental care (Adult)

- Hearing aids

- Long-term care

- Non-emergency care when traveling outside the U.S.

- Private-duty nursing

- Routine eye care (Adult)

- Routine foot care

- Weight loss programs

Other Covered Services (Limitations may apply to these services. This isn't a complete list. Please see your plan document.)

- Chiropractic care

- Infertility treatment

Your Rights to Continue Coverage: There are agencies that can help if you want to continue your coverage after it ends. The contact information for those agencies is: U.S. Department of Labor, Employee Benefits Security Administration at 1-866-444-3272 or at https://www.dol.gov/agencies/ebsa/about-ebsa/ask-a-question/ask-ebsa, or the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services at 1-877-267-2323 x61565 or www.cciio.cms.gov. Other options to continue coverage are available to you too, including buying individual insurance coverage through the Health Insurance Marketplace. For more information about the Marketplace, visit http://www.HealthCare.gov or call 1-800-318-2596.

Your Grievance and Appeals Rights: There are agencies that can help if you have a complaint against your plan for a denial of a claim. This complaint is called a grievance or appeal. For more information about your rights, look at the explanation of benefits you will receive for that medical claim. Your plan documents also provide complete information to submit a claim appeal or a grievance for any reason to your plan. For more information about your rights, this notice, or assistance, contact:
- Highmark, Inc. at 1-800-544-6679.
- Additionally, a consumer assistance program can help you file your appeal. Contact the Pennsylvania Department of Consumer Services at 1-877-881-6388.

Does this plan provide Minimum Essential Coverage? Yes
Minimum Essential Coverage generally includes plans, health insurance available through the Marketplace or other individual market policies, Medicare, Medicaid, CHIP, TRICARE, and certain other coverage. If you are eligible for certain types of Minimum Essential Coverage, you may not be eligible for the premium tax credit.

Does this plan meet the Minimum Value Standards? Yes
If your plan doesn't meet the Minimum Value Standards, you may be eligible for a premium tax credit to help you pay for a plan through the Marketplace.

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About these Coverage Examples:

> **This is not a cost estimator.** Treatments shown are just examples of how this <u>plan</u> might cover medical care. Your actual costs will be different depending on the actual care you receive, the prices your <u>providers</u> charge, and many other factors. Focus on the <u>cost sharing</u> amounts (<u>deductibles</u>, <u>copayments</u> and <u>coinsurance</u>) and <u>excluded services</u> under the <u>plan</u>. Use this information to compare the portion of costs you might pay under different health <u>plans</u>. Please note these coverage examples are based on self-only coverage.

Peg is Having a Baby		**Managing Joe's type 2 Diabetes**		**Mia's Simple Fracture**	
(9 months of in-<u>network</u> pre-natal care and a hospital delivery)		(a year of routine in-<u>network</u> care of a well-controlled condition)		(in-<u>network</u> emergency room visit and follow up care)	
■The <u>plan's</u> overall <u>deductible</u>	$3,500	■The <u>plan's</u> overall <u>deductible</u>	$3,500	■The <u>plan's</u> overall <u>deductible</u>	$3,500
■<u>Specialist</u> <u>copayment</u>	$45	■<u>Specialist</u> <u>copayment</u>	$45	■<u>Specialist</u> <u>copayment</u>	$45
■Hospital (facility) <u>coinsurance</u>	30%	■Hospital (facility) <u>coinsurance</u>	30%	■Hospital (facility) <u>coinsurance</u>	30%
■Other <u>coinsurance</u>	30%	■Other <u>coinsurance</u>	30%	■Other <u>coinsurance</u>	30%

This EXAMPLE event includes services like:

Peg is Having a Baby:
<u>Specialist</u> office visits (*prenatal care*)
Childbirth/Delivery Professional Services
Childbirth/Delivery Facility Services
<u>Diagnostic tests</u> (*ultrasounds and blood work*)
<u>Specialist</u> visit (*anesthesia*)

Managing Joe's type 2 Diabetes:
Primary care physician office visits (*including disease education*)
<u>Diagnostic tests</u> (*blood work*)
<u>Prescription drugs</u>
<u>Durable medical equipment</u> (*glucose meter*)

Mia's Simple Fracture:
<u>Emergency room care</u> (*including medical supplies*)
<u>Diagnostic test</u> (*x-ray*)
<u>Durable medical equipment</u> (*crutches*)
<u>Rehabilitation services</u> (*physical therapy*)

Total Example Cost	$12,700	Total Example Cost	$5,600	Total Example Cost	$2,800

In this example, Peg would pay: / **In this example, Joe would pay:** / **In this example, Mia would pay:**

Cost Sharing		*Cost Sharing*		*Cost Sharing*	
Deductibles	$3,500	Deductibles	$800	Deductibles	$2,000
Copayments	$700	Copayments	$900	Copayments	$400
Coinsurance	$2,300	Coinsurance	$0	Coinsurance	$0
What isn't covered		*What isn't covered*		*What isn't covered*	
Limits or exclusions	$60	Limits or exclusions	$20	Limits or exclusions	$0
The total Peg would pay is	**$6,560**	**The total Joe would pay is**	**$1,720**	**The total Mia would pay is**	**$2,400**

The <u>plan</u> would be responsible for the other costs of these EXAMPLE covered services.

To find more information about Highmark's benefits and operating procedures, such as accessing the drug formulary or using network providers, please go to DiscoverHighmark.com; or for a paper copy, call 1-855-873-4106.

Discrimination is Against the Law

The Plan complies with applicable Federal civil rights laws and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex, including sex stereotypes and gender identity. The Plan does not exclude people or treat them differently because of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex assigned at birth, gender identity or recorded gender. Furthermore, the Plan will not deny or limit coverage to any health service based on the fact that an individual's sex assigned at birth, gender identity, or recorded gender is different from the one to which such health service is ordinarily available. The Plan will not deny or limit coverage for a specific health service related to gender transition if such denial or limitation results in discriminating against a transgender individual. The Plan:

• Provides free aids and services to people with disabilities to communicate effectively with us, such as:

  – Qualified sign language interpreters

  – Written information in other formats (large print, audio, accessible electronic formats, other formats)

• Provides free language services to people whose primary language is not English, such as:

  – Qualified interpreters

  – Information written in other languages

If you need these services, contact the Civil Rights Coordinator.

If you believe that the Plan has failed to provide these services or discriminated in another way on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex, including sex stereotypes and gender identity, you can file a grievance with: Civil Rights Coordinator, P.O. Box 22492, Pittsburgh, PA 15222, Phone: 1-866-286-8295, TTY: 711, Fax: 412-544-2475, email: CivilRightsCoordinator@highmarkhealth.org. You can file a grievance in person or by mail, fax, or email. If you need help filing a grievance, the Civil Rights Coordinator is available to help you. You can also file a civil rights complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights electronically through the Office for Civil Rights Complaint Portal, available at https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf, or by mail or phone at:

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
200 Independence Avenue, SW
Room 509F, HHH Building
Washington, D.C. 20201
1-800-368-1019, 800-537-7697 (TDD)

Complaint forms are available at http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html.
If you speak English, language assistance services, free of charge, are available to you. Call 1-800-876-7639.

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