# **CERTIFICATE OF COVERAGE**

# Anthem Maine Bronze POS 6350



This Certificate is Guaranteed Renewable subject 24-A M.R.S.A. § 2850-B.

#### **RIGHT TO EXAMINE**

This Certificate replaces any previous Certificates issued by Us.

Services provided during an Inpatient stay that started during an existing Certificate will continue to be covered by the terms of that Certificate until You are discharged or reach any of the Certificate's limits or maximums, whichever occurs first.

If this Certificate of Coverage is provided to You as a new Member, and if You decide not to accept this Certificate, return it to Our home office (Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield; 2 Gannett Drive; South Portland, ME 04106-6911) within 10 days after its delivery date. Please include a written request to cancel it. We will then refund any Subscription Charges less any claims paid under this Certificate.

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# **Welcome to Anthem!**

We are pleased that You have become a Member of Our health Plan, where it's Our mission to improve the health of the people We serve. We've designed this Certificate to give a clear description of Your benefits, as well as Our rules and procedures.

This Certificate 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 Certificate are related. Therefore, reading just one or two sections may not give You a full understanding of Your coverage. You should read the whole Certificate to know the terms of Your coverage.

This Certificate, the application, and any amendments or riders attached shall constitute the entire Certificate under which Covered Services and supplies are provided by Us.

Many words used in the Certificate have special meanings (e.g., 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 Certificate 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 (Anthem). The words "you" and "your" mean the Member, Subscriber and each covered Dependent.

Should You have a complaint, problem or question about Your health Plan or any services received, a Member Services representative will assist You. Contact Member Services by calling the number on the back of Your Member Identification Card. Also be sure to check Our website, <a href="https://www.anthem.com">www.anthem.com</a> 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!

Kathleen S. Kiefer

Corporate Secretary

### **How to obtain Language Assistance**

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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. Teletypewriter/Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TTY/TDD) services are also available by dialing 711. A special operator will get in touch with Us to help with Your needs.

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 the Member Services number.)

#### **Identity Protection Services**

Identity protection services are available with our Anthem health Plans. To learn more about these services, please visit <a href="https://www.anthem.com/resources">www.anthem.com/resources</a>.

#### **Contact Us**

Member Services is available to explain policies and procedures, and answer questions regarding the availability of benefits.

For information and assistance, a Member may call or write Anthem.

The telephone number for Member Services is printed on the Member's Identification Card.

#### Visit Us on-line

www.anthem.com

#### **Home Office Address**

Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield 2 Gannett Drive South Portland, ME 04106-6911

#### Hours of operation

Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. EST

### **Conformity with Law**

If federal laws or the relevant laws of the State of Maine change, the provisions of this Certificate will automatically change to comply with those laws as of their Effective Dates. Any provision that does not conform with applicable federal laws or the relevant laws of the State of Maine will not be rendered invalid, but will be construed and applied as if it were in full compliance.

# **Acknowledgement of Understanding**

The Member hereby expressly acknowledges their understanding that this Certificate constitutes a contract solely between Member and Anthem Health Plans of Maine, Inc, which is an independent corporation operating under a license from the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association, an association of independent Blue Cross and Blue Shield Plans, (the "Association") permitting Anthem to use the Blue Cross and/or Blue Shield Service Mark in the State of Maine, and that Anthem is not contracting as the agent of the Association. The Member further acknowledges and agrees that it has not entered into this policy 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 Member for any of Anthem's obligations to the Member created under this policy. This paragraph shall not create any additional obligations whatsoever on the part of Anthem other than those obligations created under other provisions of this agreement.

# **Delivery of Documents**

We will provide an Identification Card and Certificate for each Subscriber.

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# SCHEDULE OF COST SHARES AND BENEFITS

This chart is an overview of Your benefits for Covered Services, which are listed in detail in the "What is Covered" section. A list of services that are not covered can be found in the "What is Not Covered (Exclusions)" section.

#### What will I pay?

Reimbursement for Covered Services is based on the Maximum Allowed Amount, which is the most Your Certificate will allow for a Covered Service.

The Deductible applies to all Covered Services with a Copayment and/or Coinsurance, including 0% Coinsurance, except for:

- Network Preventive Care Services required by law
- Pediatric Vision Services
- Services, listed in the chart below, that specifically indicate that the Deductible does not apply

For a detailed explanation of how Your Deductible and Out-of-Pocket Limit are calculated, see the "Claims Payments" section. When You receive Covered Services from a Non-Network Provider, You may also be responsible for paying any difference between the Maximum Allowed Amount and the Provider's actual charges.

#### **Plan Features**

Deductible	Network Member Pays	Non-Network Member Pays
Individual	\$6,350	\$19,050
Family	\$12,700	\$38,100

The individual Deductible applies to each covered family Member. No one person can contribute more than their individual Deductible amount.

Once two or more covered family Members' Deductibles combine to equal the family Deductible amount, the Deductible will be satisfied for the family for that Calendar Year.

Coinsurance	Network Member Pays	Non-Network Member Pays
Coinsurance Percentage (unless otherwise specified)	50% Coinsurance	70% Coinsurance
Out-of-Pocket Limit	Network Member Pays	Non-Network Member Pays
Individual	\$7,350	\$22,050
Family	\$14,700	\$44,100
Includes Deductible, Copayments and Coinsurance		

The individual Out-of-Pocket Limit applies to each covered family Member. Once two or more covered family Members' Out-of-Pocket Limits combine to equal the family Out-of-Pocket Limit amount, the Out-

of-Pocket Limit will be satisfied for the family for that Calendar Year. No one person can contribute more than their individual Out-of-Pocket Limit.

**IMPORTANT:** You are responsible for confirming that the Provider You are seeing or have been referred to see is a Network Provider for this Plan. It is important to understand that Anthem has many contracting Providers who may not be part of the network of Providers that applies to this Plan.

Anthem can help You find a Network Provider specific to Your Plan by calling the number on the back of Your Identification Card.

# **Medical Services**

Medical Services	Network Member Pays	Non-Network Member Pays
Ambulance Services		
Emergency transportation to a	\$0 Copayment	\$0 Copayment
Hospital	50% Coinsurance	50% Coinsurance
Non-Emergency	\$0 Copayment	\$0 Copayment
Benefits for non-Emergency ambulance services will be limited to \$50,000 per occurrence if a Non-Network Provider is used.	50% Coinsurance	70% Coinsurance
Applied Behavior Analysis	\$0 Copayment	\$0 Copayment
	50% Coinsurance	70% Coinsurance
Autism Services	\$0 Copayment	\$0 Copayment
	50% Coinsurance	70% Coinsurance
Blood Transfusions	\$0 Copayment	\$0 Copayment
	50% Coinsurance	70% Coinsurance
Clinical Trials	\$0 Copayment	\$0 Copayment
	50% Coinsurance	70% Coinsurance
Dental Services	\$0 Copayment	\$0 Copayment
(only when related to accidental injury or for certain Members requiring general anesthesia)	50% Coinsurance	70% Coinsurance
Diabetic Services	\$0 Copayment	\$0 Copayment
	50% Coinsurance	70% Coinsurance
Diagnostic Services: Outpatient		
Includes freestanding imaging centers and independent laboratories		

Medical Services	Network Member Pays	Non-Network Member Pays
Diagnostic Laboratory and	\$0 Copayment	\$0 Copayment
Pathology Services	50% Coinsurance	70% Coinsurance
Diagnostic Imaging Services	\$0 Copayment	\$0 Copayment
and Electronic Diagnostic Tests	50% Coinsurance	70% Coinsurance
Advanced Imaging Services	\$0 Copayment	\$0 Copayment
	50% Coinsurance	70% Coinsurance
Doctor Office Visits		
Primary Care Physician (PCP)	Deductible does not apply;	\$0 Copayment
Office Visits. Retail Health Clinic	\$40 Copayment	70% Coinsurance
	0% Coinsurance	
	Copayment applies to PCP office visit charge only. Office services included in all doctor visits are subject to Deductible and Coinsurance.	
Specialty Care Provider	\$0 Copayment	\$0 Copayment
	50% Coinsurance	70% Coinsurance
Other Office Visit Services	\$0 Copayment	\$0 Copayment
(Includes allergy testing and injections, application/removal of cast, non-routine obstetrical and gynecological services, non-routine foot care, and nutritional counseling)	50% Coinsurance	70% Coinsurance
Durable Medical Equipment,	\$0 Copayment	\$0 Copayment
Orthotics, and Prosthetics	50% Coinsurance	70% Coinsurance
(medical supplies and equipment)		
Prosthetics for limb replacement	\$0 Copayment	\$0 Copayment
(Deductible does not apply)	20% Coinsurance	20% Coinsurance
Early Intervention Services	\$0 Copayment	\$0 Copayment
For Members ages birth to 36 months with an identified developmental disability or delay.	50% Coinsurance	70% Coinsurance
Emergency Room Visits	\$250 Copayment per	\$250 Copayment per
(Copayment waived if admitted)	Emergency Room Visit	Emergency Room Visit
(Additional Cost-Share(s) determined based on type of service)	50% Coinsurance	50% Coinsurance

Medical Services	Network	Non-Network
	Member Pays	Member Pays
Hearing Aid	\$0 Copayment	\$0 Copayment
One hearing aid per Member up to age 18 for each hearing impaired ear every 36 months.	50% Coinsurance	70% Coinsurance
Home Health Care	\$0 Copayment	\$0 Copayment
	50% Coinsurance	70% Coinsurance
Hospice Care	\$0 Copayment	\$0 Copayment
(Includes hospice respite care)	50% Coinsurance	70% Coinsurance
Hospital Services		
Includes: application/removal of cast, maternity and newborn care, and Mental Health and Substance Abuse		
Inpatient Facility	\$0 Copayment	\$0 Copayment
	50% Coinsurance	70% Coinsurance
Outpatient Facility	\$0 Copayment	\$0 Copayment
	50% Coinsurance	70% Coinsurance
Inpatient and Outpatient	\$0 Copayment	\$0 Copayment
Professional Services	50% Coinsurance	70% Coinsurance
Infant Formula	\$0 Copayment	\$0 Copayment
	50% Coinsurance	70% Coinsurance
Medical Food for Inborn Error of	\$0 Copayment	\$0 Copayment
Metabolism	50% Coinsurance	70% Coinsurance
Parenteral and Enteral Therapy	\$0 Copayment	\$0 Copayment
	50% Coinsurance	70% Coinsurance
Preventive Care	\$0 Copayment	\$0 Copayment
Includes: prostate cancer screening, colorectal screening, mammogram screening, routine gynecological exam, pap test, contraceptives, and tobacco cessation.	0% Coinsurance	70% Coinsurance
Network services required by law are not subject to Deductible.		

Medical Services	Network Member Pays	Non-Network Member Pays
Skilled Nursing Care	\$0 Copayment	\$0 Copayment
Up to 150 days per Member per Calendar Year. Network and Non-Network combined.	50% Coinsurance	70% Coinsurance
Surgery		
Includes: anesthesia services, breast reduction surgery, symptomatic varicose vein surgery, reconstructive surgeries and morbid obesity surgery.		
Ambulatory Surgical Center	\$0 Copayment	\$0 Copayment
	50% Coinsurance	70% Coinsurance
Therapy Services: Outpatient	\$0 Copayment	\$0 Copayment
Includes: chemotherapy, dialysis training, infusion therapy, inhalation therapy, pulmonary therapy and radiation therapy.	50% Coinsurance	70% Coinsurance
Outpatient Habilitative and Rehabilitative therapy services (limits on physical, occupational and speech therapy services listed below are not combined but separate based on determination of Habilitative Service or Rehabilitative Service)		
Physical and Occupational Therapy: up to 20 combined visits per Member per Calendar Year. Network and Non-Network combined.		
Speech Therapy: up to 20 visits per Member per Calendar Year. Network and Non-Network combined.		
Manipulative Therapy/Chiropractic (Physical manipulations/adjustments) up to 40 visits per Member per Calendar Year. Network and Non-Network combined.		
Cardiac Rehabilitation: up to 36 visits per cardiac episode per Member per Calendar Year. Network and Non-Network combined.		
Telemedicine	\$0 Copayment	\$0 Copayment
	50% Coinsurance	70% Coinsurance
Transplant: Human Organ & Bone Marrow/Stem Cell/Cord Blood	Cost-Share(s) determined based on type of service &	Cost-Share(s) determined based on type of service &

Network only - transplant transportation and lodging – \$10,000 maximum benefit limit per transplant	where services are rendered.	where services are rendered.
Unrelated donor search – \$30,000 maximum benefit limit per transplant		
Human Leukocyte Antigen Testing Limited to one test per lifetime per Member to a maximum of \$150. Any charges incurred in excess of \$150 will be the responsibility of the Member.	(Deductible does not apply) \$0 Copayment 0% Coinsurance	(Deductible does not apply) \$0 Copayment 0% Coinsurance
Urgent Care (Additional Cost-Share(s) determined based on type of service)	\$0 Copayment per Urgent Care visit 50% Coinsurance	\$0 Copayment per Urgent Care visit 50% Coinsurance

# **Prescription Drugs**

Your Plan has two levels of coverage. To get the lowest out-of-pocket cost, You must get Covered Services from a Level 1 Network Pharmacy. If You get Covered Services from any other Network Pharmacy, benefits will be covered at Level 2 and You may pay more in Deductible, Copayments, and Coinsurance.

Level 1 Network Pharmacies. When You go to Level 1 Network Pharmacies, (also referred to as Core Pharmacies), You pay a lower Copayment / Coinsurance on Covered Services than when You go to other Network Providers.

Level 2 Network Pharmacies. When You go to Level 2 Network Pharmacies, (also referred to as Wrap Pharmacies), You pay a higher Copayment / Coinsurance on Covered Services than when You go to a Level 1 Network Pharmacy.

Retail Pharmacy Prescription Drugs	Network Member Pays		Non-Network Member Pays
	Level 1 Pharmacy	Level 2 Pharmacy	
Tier 1	\$0 Copayment	\$0 Copayment	\$0 Copayment
(30 day supply per prescription)	50% Coinsurance	50% Coinsurance	70% Coinsurance
Tier 2	\$0 Copayment	\$0 Copayment	\$0 Copayment
(30 day supply per prescription)	50% Coinsurance	50% Coinsurance	70% Coinsurance
Tier 3	\$0 Copayment	\$0 Copayment	\$0 Copayment
(30 day supply per prescription)	50% Coinsurance	50% Coinsurance	70% Coinsurance
Tier 4	\$0 Copayment	\$0 Copayment	\$0 Copayment
(30 day supply per prescription)	50% Coinsurance	50% Coinsurance	70% Coinsurance

**Notes:** Specialty Drugs must be purchased from Anthem's specialty preferred Provider.

Coverage is limited to those Drugs listed on Our Prescription Drug list (Formulary).

Home Delivery (Mail Order) Pharmacy Prescription Drugs	Network Member Pays	Non-Network Member Pays
Tier 1	\$0 Copayment	Not Covered
(90 day supply)	50% Coinsurance	
Tier 2	\$0 Copayment	Not Covered
(90 day supply)	50% Coinsurance	
Tier 3	\$0 Copayment	Not Covered
(90 day supply)	50% Coinsurance	

Home Delivery (Mail Order) Pharmacy Prescription Drugs	Network Member Pays	Non-Network Member Pays
Tier 4 (30 day supply)	\$0 Copayment 50% Coinsurance	Not Covered

Notes: Specialty Drugs must be purchased from Anthem's specialty preferred Provider and are limited to a 30-day supply.

Coverage is limited to those Drugs listed on Our Prescription Drug list (Formulary).

# **Pediatric Dental Services**

The following pediatric dental services are covered for Members until the end of the month in which they turn 19.

Covered Dental Services, unless otherwise stated below, are subject to the same Calendar Year Deductible and Out-of-Pocket Limit as medical and amounts can be found on the first page of this Schedule of Cost Shares and Benefits.

Please see Pediatric Dental Care in the "What is Covered" section for more information on pediatric dental services.

Pediatric Dental Care	Network Member Pays	Non-Network Member Pays
Diagnostic and Preventive Services	0% Coinsurance	30% Coinsurance
Basic Restorative Services	40% Coinsurance	50% Coinsurance
Oral Surgery Services	50% Coinsurance	50% Coinsurance
Endodontic Services	50% Coinsurance	50% Coinsurance
Periodontal Services	50% Coinsurance	50% Coinsurance
Major Restorative Services	50% Coinsurance	50% Coinsurance
Prosthodontic Services	50% Coinsurance	50% Coinsurance
Dentally Necessary Orthodontic Care Services	50% Coinsurance	50% Coinsurance

# **Pediatric Vision Services**

The following vision care services are covered for Members until the end of the month in which they turn 19. To get the Network benefit You must use a Blue View Vision Provider. Visit Our website or call Us at the number on Your ID card if You need help finding a Blue View Vision Provider.

Please see Pediatric Vision Care in the "What is Covered" section for a more information on pediatric vision services.

Covered vision services are **not** subject to the Calendar Year Deductible.

Covered Vision Services	Network Member Pays	Non-Network Reimbursement
Routine Eye Exam	\$0 Copayment	Up To \$30
Covered once per Calendar Year per Member.		
Standard Plastic Lenses		
One set of lenses covered per Calendar	Year per Member.	
Single Vision	\$0 Copayment	Up To \$25
Bifocal	\$0 Copayment	Up To \$40
Trifocal	\$0 Copayment	Up To \$55
Progressive	\$0 Copayment	Up To \$40
Lenticular	\$0 Copayment	Up To \$70
Additional Lens Options		
Covered lenses include factory scratch photochromic at no additional cost when		
photochromic at no additional cost when	n received from Network Providers.	
Frames (formulary) One frame covered per Calendar Year per Member.	n received from Network Providers.	
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Photochromic at no additional cost when  Frames (formulary)  One frame covered per Calendar Year per Member.  Contact Lenses (formulary)  Elective or non-elective contact lenses a	\$0 Copayment  are covered once per Calendar Yea	Up To \$45 ar per Member.

Covered Vision Services	Network Member Pays	Non-Network Reimbursement		
Low Vision				
Low vision benefits are only available when received from Blue View Vision Providers.				
Comprehensive Low Vision Exam	\$0 Copayment	Not Covered		
Covered once per Calendar Year per Member.				
Optical/non-optical aids and supplemental testing. Limited to one occurrence of either optical/non-optical aids or supplemental testing per Calendar Year per Member.	\$0 Copayment	Not Covered		

# **HOW YOUR COVERAGE WORKS**

#### 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 Network Providers at <u>www.anthem.com</u>, 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.

If You need details about a Provider's license or training, or help choosing a doctor who is right for You, call the Member Service 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.

#### **Dental Providers**

A dentist is a person who is licensed to practice dentistry by the governmental authority having jurisdiction over the licensing and practice of dentistry. This includes a dental hygienist.

You do not have to select a particular dentist to receive dental benefits. You can choose any dentist You want for Your dental care. However, Your dentist choice can make a difference in what benefits are covered and how much You will pay out of pocket. You may have more out-of-pocket costs if You use a dentist that is a Non-Network dentist. There may be differences in the amount We pay between a Network dentist and a Non-Network dentist.

Please call Our Member Service's telephone number on the back of Your Identification Card for help in finding a Network dentist or visit Our website at <a href="https://www.anthem.com/mydentalvision">www.anthem.com/mydentalvision</a>. Please refer to Your ID Card for the name of the dental program that Network Providers have agreed to service when You are choosing a Network dentist.

# Important Notice About Your Provider Network And Benefits

There are Hospitals, health care Facilities, physicians or other health care Providers that are not included in this Plan's Network. Your financial responsibilities for payment of Covered Services, including "Cost Shares," such as Coinsurance, Copayments, and Out of Pocket Limits may be higher if You use a Non-Network Provider. Additionally, You may have some Cost-Sharing for preventive benefits if you do not use a Network Provider. Please refer to the online Provider directory available at www.anthem.com to determine if a particular Provider is in the Network, or contact Member Service's for assistance.

# **Your Primary Care Physician**

#### Responsibilities of Your Primary Care Physician

Your PCP provides and coordinates Your overall health care. When You need medical services, contact Your PCP. He or she will usually provide the care, such as routine physical examinations, treatment of sickness or injury and administration of Medically Necessary injections and immunizations. When Your PCP determines that You need specialized care, he or she will refer You to a Network Specialist or coordinate any Hospital care You may need.

You do not need to obtain a Referral or approval from Your PCP to see a Specialist, unless otherwise stated in this Certificate. Prior authorization from Anthem is needed to see an Out-of-Area Specialist or OB/GYN.

#### **Selecting a Primary Care Physician (PCP)**

Your Plan requires You to select a Primary Care Physician from Our Network, or We will assign one. We will notify You of the PCP that We have assigned. You may then use that PCP or choose another PCP from Our Provider directory. Please see "How to Find a Provider in the Network" for more details.

PCPs include family practitioner, pediatrician, internist, obstetrician/gynecologist (OB/GYN), qualified certified nurse practitioners or other qualified primary care providers, as required by law, for services within the scope of their license. For example, an internist or general practitioner may be chosen for adults and a pediatrician may be selected for children. If You want to change Your PCP, contact Us or refer to Our website, www.anthem.com.

# The First Thing To Do - Make an Appointment With Your PCP

Your PCP's job is to help You stay healthy, not just treat You when You are sick. After You choose a PCP, make an appointment with Your PCP. During this appointment, get to know Your PCP and help Your PCP get to know You. At Your first appointment, talk to Your PCP about:

- Personal health history.
- Family health history.
- Lifestyle.
- Any health concerns You have.

It is important to note, if You have not established a relationship with Your PCP, they may not be able to effectively treat You. 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 indentification number.
- Tell them the reason for Your visit.

When You go to the office, be sure to bring Your Member Identification Card with You.

#### **Changing Your Primary Care Physician**

If You or a Dependent wish to change PCPs, You may call Us to obtain a change form. You may also change Your PCP over the telephone by calling a Member Services Representative at the telephone number on Your ID Card.

When You change PCPs, the change is effective on the first day of the month after: 1) Your change form is received and accepted; or 2) You call to request the change.

If Your Primary Care Physician's participation in this Network ends, We will notify You and will furnish You with a list of Primary Care Physicians so You can choose a new one. If You do not choose a new Primary Care Physician within the specified time, We may assign a Primary Care Physician of the same specialty (if available) for You. If Your Primary Care Physician unexpectedly withdraws from the Network. You may be assigned a temporary Primary Care Physician until You choose a new one.

#### **Continuity of Care**

If Your 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 receive 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, (examples include chemotherapy, radiation therapy and post-operative visits).
- 3. The second or third trimester of pregnancy and through the postpartum period.
- 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 Abuse 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.

# Maintaining the Patient-Physician Relationship

Members enroll in this Plan with the understanding that the Primary Care Physician is responsible for determining appropriate treatment for the Member. For personal or religious reasons, some Members may disagree with the treatment recommended by the Primary Care Physician. They may demand treatment that the Primary Care Physician or We judge to be incompatible with proper medical care. In the event of such disagreement, Members have the right to refuse the recommendation of the Primary Care Physician. Members who do not adhere to recommended treatment or who use non-recognized sources of care because of such disagreement, do so with the full understanding that We have no obligation for the costs of such non-authorized care.

# REQUESTING 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 Certificate. Utilization Review aids in 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. A service must be Medically Necessary to be a Covered Service. When level of care, setting or place of service is part of the review, 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.

Certain Services must be reviewed to determine Medical Necessity in order for You to get benefits. 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 is more cost effective, available and appropriate.

If You have any questions about the information in this section, 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. Subscription Charge 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 or Investigational as those terms are defined in this Certificate.
    - For admissions following Emergency Care, 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. For labor/childbirth admissions, Precertification is not required for the first 48 hours for a vaginal delivery or 96 hours for a cesarean section. Admissions longer than 48/96 hours require Precertification.
  - Predetermination An optional, voluntary pre-service review request for a benefit coverage determination for a service or treatment if there is a related clinical coverage guideline. The benefit coverage review will include a review to decide whether the service meets the definition of Medical Necessity or is Experimental or Investigational as those terms are defined in this Certificate.
- 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 or supply has been provided. Post-service reviews are performed when a service, treatment or admission did not need Precertification or did not have a Predetermination review performed. 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, Network Providers know which services need Precertification and will get any Precertification when needed or ask for a Predetermination, even though it is not required. Your Primary Care Physician and other Network Providers have been given detailed information about these procedures and are responsible for meeting these requirements. Generally, the ordering Provider, Facility or attending doctor ("requesting Provider") will get in touch with Us to ask for a Precertification or Predetermination review. However, You may request a Precertification or Predetermination, 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.

Provider Network Status	Responsibility to get Precertification	Comments
Network	Provider	The Provider must get Precertification when required
Non-Network	Member	<ul> <li>Member must get Precertification when required. (Call Member Services).</li> <li>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 not to be Medically Necessary.</li> </ul>
BlueCard® Provider	Member (Except for Inpatient admissions)	<ul> <li>Member must get Precertification when required. (Call Member Services).</li> <li>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 not to be Medically Necessary.</li> <li>BlueCard Provider must obtain Precertification for all Inpatient admissions.</li> </ul>

NOTE: Precertification is not required to receive Emergency Care. For Emergency Care admissions, 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.

#### **How Decisions are Made**

We will use Our clinical coverage guidelines, such as medical policy, clinical guidelines, and other applicable policies and procedures 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 "If You Have a Complaint or an Appeal" 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 Certificate 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
Pre-service Urgent	48 hours from the receipt of request
Pre-service Non-Urgent	2 working days after receiving all necessary information
Concurrent/Continued Stay Review when hospitalized at the time of the request	1 working day after receiving all necessary information prior to expiration of current certification
Concurrent/Continued Stay Review Urgent when request is received more than 24 hours before the end of the previous authorization	1 working day after receiving all necessary information
Concurrent/Continued Stay Review Urgent when request is received less than 24 hours before the end of the previous authorization or no previous authorization exists	1 working day after receiving all necessary information
Concurrent/Continued Stay Review Non- Urgent	1 working day after receiving all necessary information
Post-service Review	30 calendar days after receiving all necessary information

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, modify or discontinue certain medical management processes (including utilization management, case management, and disease management) and/or offer an alternative benefit if, in Anthem's discretion, such change is in furtherance of the provision of cost effective, value based and/or quality services.

We may also select certain qualifying Providers to participate in a program 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 modify any such exemption with or without advance notice.

You may find out whether a Provider is taking part in certain programs by checking Your on-line Provider directory, on-line precertification list, or contacting the Member Services 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 Plan's Members.

# **Health Plan Individual Case Management**

Our health Plan 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 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 communitybased 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 decisions case-by-case, if in Our discretion the alternate or extended benefit is in the best interest of the Member and Anthem. 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 representative in writing.

#### Members' Rights and Responsibilities

You have the right to:

- Request in writing a copy of Our clinical review criteria used in arriving at any denial or reduction of benefits:
- Appeal any adverse determinations based on Medical Necessity:
- Refuse treatment for any condition, illness, or disease without jeopardizing future treatment.

## **Second Surgical Opinion**

Second surgical opinion is an opinion given by a network board certified surgeon when Your doctor recommends surgery. It is important to note that although You may receive a second surgical opinion. the choice of having the surgery is always Yours.

To receive benefits for a second surgical opinion. You must receive approval from Us prior to seeking the second surgical opinion. We pay up to the Maximum Allowed Amount for second surgical opinions. Deductibles and Coinsurance do not apply to this benefit. For approval of a second surgical opinion, call toll-free Member Services number on the back of Your ID Card.

If You receive a second surgical opinion without approval by Us, then normal Cost-Shares and limits will apply.

#### **Network Provider Unavailable**

If You are unable to obtain services from a Network Provider, You or Your doctor should call the telephone number on Your ID Card. Our care managers will work with You or Your doctor to locate a Network Provider. If it is determined by the care manager that no Network Provider is available, We will authorize Covered Services from a Non-Network or Out-of-Area Provider. Benefits will be reimbursed at the Network level with no balance billing.

# WHAT IS COVERED

This section describes the Covered Services available under this Certificate. Covered Services are subject to all the terms and conditions listed in this Certificate, including, but not limited to, benefit maximums, Deductibles, Copayments, Coinsurance, exclusions and Medical Necessity requirements.

Please read the following sections of this Certificate for more information about the Covered Services described in this section:

- Schedule of Cost Shares and Benefits for amounts You need to pay and benefit limits
- Requesting Approval for Benefits for details on selecting Providers and services that require pre-authorization
- What is not covered (Exclusions) for details on services that are not covered

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 Inpatient surgery, benefits for Your Hospital stay will be described under "Hospital Services; Inpatient Hospital Care" and benefits for Your doctor's services will be described under "Inpatient Professional Services". As a result, You should read all sections that might apply to Your claims.

You should also know that many Covered Services can be received in several settings, including a doctor's office, an Urgent Care Center, 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 need to pay.

# **Medical Services**

# Ambulance Services (Air, Ground and Water)

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, fixed wing, rotary wing or water transportation.

And one or more of the following are met:

- You are taken:
  - 1) From Your home, scene of an accident or medical Emergency to a Hospital;
  - 2) Between Hospitals, including when We require You to move from a Non-Network Hospital to a Network Hospital; or
  - 3) Between a Hospital, Skilled Nursing Facility (ground transport only) or approved Facility.

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 during an ambulance service, even if You are not taken to a Facility.

Non-Network Providers may bill You for any charges that exceed the Plan's Maximum Allowed Amount.

#### **Ground Ambulance**

Services are subject to Medical Necessity review by the Plan.

#### Air and Water Ambulance

Air ambulance services are subject to Medical Necessity review by the Plan. The Plan retains the right to select the air ambulance Provider. This includes fixed wing, rotary wing or water transportation.

Air ambulance services for non-Emergency Hospital to Hospital transports must be preauthorized.

#### **Hospital to Hospital Air Ambulance Transport**

Air ambulance transport is for purposes of transferring from one Hospital to another Hospital and is a Covered Service if such air ambulance transport is Medically Necessary, for example, if transportation by ground ambulance would endanger Your health or the transferring Hospital does not have adequate Facilities to provide the medical services needed. Examples of such specialized medical services that are generally not available at all types of Facilities may include but are not limited to: burn care, cardiac care, trauma care, and critical care. Transport from one Hospital to another Hospital is covered only if the Hospital to which the patient is transferred is the nearest one with medically appropriate Facilities.

#### **Fixed and Rotary Wing Air Ambulance**

Fixed wing or rotary wing air ambulance is furnished when Your medical condition is such that transport by ground ambulance, in whole or in part, is not appropriate. Generally, transport by fixed wing or rotary wing air ambulance may be necessary because Your condition requires rapid transport to a treatment Facility, and either great distances or other obstacles preclude such rapid delivery to the nearest appropriate Facility. Transport by fixed wing or rotary wing air ambulance may also be necessary because You are located in a place that is inaccessible to a ground or water ambulance Provider.

#### **Autism Services**

We provide coverage for any assessments, evaluations or tests by a licensed physician or licensed psychologist to diagnose whether an individual has an Autism Spectrum Disorder. Treatment of Autism Spectrum Disorders is covered when it is determined by a licensed physician or licensed psychologist

that the treatment is Medically Necessary Health Care, as defined in the Certificate of Coverage. A licensed physician or licensed psychologist may be required to demonstrate ongoing Medical Necessity for coverage at least annually.

#### **Blood Transfusions**

Benefits include coverage for blood transfusions including the cost of blood, blood plasma, and blood plasma expanders, and administrative costs of autologous blood pre-donations.

#### **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. The peer review requirement shall not be applicable to cancer Clinical Trials provided by i-iii below.
    - 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.

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

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

#### **Dental Services**

# **Dental services for adults**

We provide Benefits only for the following:

- Setting a jaw fracture.
- Removing a tumor (but not a root cyst).

- Treatment within six months of an accidental injury to repair or replace natural teeth or within six months of the Effective Date of coverage, whichever is later
- Repairing or replacing dental prostheses caused by an accidental bodily injury within six months of the injury or within six months of the Effective Date of coverage, whichever is later.

#### **Dental Procedures**

We will provide benefits for general anesthesia and associated Facility charges for dental procedures rendered in a Hospital when the Member is classified as vulnerable. Examples of vulnerable Members include, but are not limited to the following:

- Infants.
- Individuals exhibiting physical, intellectual or medically compromising conditions for which dental treatment under local anesthesia, with or without additional adjunctive techniques and modalities, cannot be expected to provide a successful result and for which dental treatment under general anesthesia can be expected to produce a superior result.
- Individuals with acute infection.
- Individuals with allergies.
- Individuals who have sustained extensive oral-facial or dental trauma.
- Individuals who are extremely uncooperative, fearful or anxious.

#### **Diabetes Services**

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, noninsulin 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 benefit, 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.

Covered Services also include all physician prescribed Medically Necessary equipment and supplies used for the management and treatment of diabetes. See "Medical Supplies, Durable Medical Equipment and Appliances". Screenings for gestational diabetes are covered under "Preventive Care".

# **Diagnostic Services Outpatient**

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**

Human Leukocyte Antigen (HLA) Testing

#### **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
- QCT Bone Densitometry
- Diagnostic CT Colonography

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

# **Freestanding Imaging Centers**

We provide benefits for diagnostic services performed by freestanding imaging centers. All services must be ordered by a professional. You must receive prior authorization from Us for the advanced diagnostic imaging services which include but are not limited to:

- CT scan
- MRI/MRA
- Nuclear Cardiology
- PET scan

Please call the number on the back of Your Identification Card if You have questions regarding which services require prior authorization.

# **Independent Laboratories**

We provide benefits for diagnostic services performed by independent laboratories. All services must be ordered by a professional.

# **Doctor (Physician) Visits**

Covered Services include:

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

After Hours Care for medical 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 the holidays and cannot wait until the office reopens. If You have an Emergency, call 911 or go to the nearest Emergency Room.

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 later in this section.

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 treatment of common illnesses for adults and children.

Walk-In Doctor's Office for services limited to routine care and 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.

Allergy Services for Medically Necessary allergy testing and treatment, including allergy serum and allergy shots.

**Foot Care** for podiatry services, including systemic circulatory disease. Routine foot care is not covered.

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.

Telemedicine Services benefits are provided for telemedicine if the health care service would be covered were it provided through in-person consultation between the covered person and a covered health care Provider. Coverage for health care services provided through telemedicine will be determined in a manner consistent with coverage for health care services provided through in-person consultation.

# **Emergency Care Services**

If You are experiencing an Emergency please call 911 or visit the nearest Hospital for treatment.

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.

#### **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.

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 Medical Condition. It includes any further medical or behavioral health exams and treatment required to stabilize the patient.

Stabilize, with respect to an emergency medical condition, means: To provide such medical treatment of the condition as may be necessary to assure, within reasonable medical probability that no material deterioration of the condition is likely to result from or occur during the transfer of the individual from a facility. With respect to a pregnant woman who is having contractions, the term "stabilize" also means to deliver (including the placenta), if there is inadequate time to affect a safe transfer to another hospital before delivery or transfer may pose a threat to the health or safety of the woman or the unborn child.

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. 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 a Non-Network Provider. Covered Services will be covered at the Non-Network level unless We agree to cover them as an Authorized Service.

#### **Habilitative Services**

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:

- Visits by a licensed health care professional, including nursing services by an R.N. or L.P.N, a therapist, or home health aide.
- Infusion therapy; refer to Other Therapy Services, later in this section for more information.
- 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.
- Medical supplies.
- Durable medical equipment.
- Therapy services.

### **Hospice Care**

Hospice care is a coordinated plan of home. Inpatient and/or Outpatient care that provides palliative. supportive medical, psychological, psychosocial, and other health services to terminally ill patients.

Covered services and supplies are those listed below if part of an approved treatment plan and when rendered by a hospice Provider for the palliative treatment of pain and other symptoms associated with a terminal disease. Palliative care means appropriate care which controls pain and relieves symptoms, but is not meant to cure a terminal illness.

- Care rendered by an interdisciplinary team with the development and maintenance of an appropriate plan of care.
- Short-term Inpatient facility care when required in periods of crisis or as respite care.
- Skilled nursing services and home health aide services provided by or under the supervision of a registered nurse.
- Members can receive benefits for hospice care services by a Home Health Care Agency covered up to 24 hours during each day of care. Home Health Care Agency must submit a plan of care every 14 days to maintain approval.
- Social services and counseling services provided by a licensed social worker.
- Nutritional support such as intravenous hydration and feeding tubes.
- Physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy and respiratory therapy.
- Pharmaceuticals, medical equipment and supplies necessary for the palliative treatment of your condition including oxygen and related respiratory therapy supplies.

Bereavement services, including assessment of the needs of the bereaved family and development of a care plan to meet those needs, both prior to and following the Member's death. Bereavement services are available to surviving covered family Members.

In order to receive hospice benefits (1) your physician and the hospice medical director must certify that You are terminally ill and generally have less than 12 months to live, and (2) Your physician must consent to Your care by the hospice and must be consulted in the development of Your treatment plan. The hospice must maintain a written treatment plan on file and furnish to Us upon request.

Additional Covered Services to those listed above (such as chemotherapy and radiation therapy) when provided for palliation of the effects of a terminal illness are available while in hospice. Benefits for these additional Covered Services, which are described in other parts of this Certificate, are provided as set forth in other parts of this Certificate.

#### **Hospice Respite Care**

We provide benefits for up to a 48-hour period for respite care. Respite care is intended to allow the person who regularly assists the patient at home, either a family Member or other nonprofessional, to have personal time solely for relaxation. The patient may then need a temporary replacement to provide hospice care. Before the patient receives respite care at home, a Home Health Care Agency must submit a plan of care for approval.

# **Hospital Services**

#### **Inpatient Hospital Care**

Covered Services include acute care in a Hospital setting. Benefits for room, board, nursing and ancillary services include:

- A room with two or more beds.
- A private room. The most the Plan will cover for private rooms is the Hospital's average semiprivate 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.
- 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.

#### **Inpatient Professional Services**

Covered Services include:

- Medical care visits.
- Intensive medical care when Your condition requires it.
- 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.
- A personal bedside exam by another 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.
- Surgery and general anesthesia.

- Newborn exam. A doctor other than the one who delivered the child must do the exam.
- Professional charges to interpret diagnostic tests such as imaging, pathology reports, and cardiology.

#### **Outpatient Hospital Care**

Your Plan includes Covered Services in an:

- Outpatient Hospital,
- Freestanding Ambulatory Surgical Center,
- Mental Health and Substance Abuse Facility,
- Other Facilities approved by Us
- Certified rural health clinics

Benefits include Facility and related (ancillary) charges, when Medically Necessary, 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,
- Removal of sutures.
- Blood administration.
- Head injury rehabilitation,
- Therapy services.

# **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. Maternity services incurred prior to Your Effective Date are not covered.

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
- Prenatal, postnatal, and postpartum services
- Fetal screenings, which are genetic or chromosomal tests of the fetus, as allowed by Us

Note: 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.

Please see Continuity of Care in the "How Your Coverage Works" section regarding a request to continue to see the same Provider for services.

# **Contraceptive Benefits**

Benefits include 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.

#### **Abortion Services**

Benefits for abortions in the case of rape or incest, or for a pregnancy which, as certified by a physician, places the woman in danger of death unless an abortion is performed (i.e., abortions for which federal funding is allowed).

# Medical Supplies, Durable Medical Equipment and Appliances

## **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 the 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, except when damage is due to neglect. Benefits also include 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.

#### **Hearing Supplies**

Benefits are available for Members who are certified as deaf or hearing impaired by either a physician or licensed audiologist. Covered services include:

Hearing Aids – Any wearable, non disposable instrument or device designed to aid or compensate for impaired human hearing.

#### **Orthotics and Special Footwear**

When Medically Necessary, benefits are available for:

- Orthotics (braces, boots, splints) for foot disfigurements resulting from bone deformity, motor impairment, paralysis, or amputation. This includes but is not limited to, disfigurement caused by cerebral palsy, arthritis, polio, spina bifida, diabetes, accident, injury, or developmental disability,
- Podiatric devices, such as therapeutic shoes and shoe inserts, to prevent or treat diabetesrelated complications.

Covered Services must be ordered by a physician and 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 law;
- Colostomy and other ostomy (surgical construction of an artificial opening) supplies directly related to ostomy care:
- Restoration prosthesis (composite facial prosthesis).

#### **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 Services do not include items often stocked in the home for general use like Band-Aids, thermometers, and petroleum ielly.

### **Diabetic Equipment and Supplies**

Your Plan includes coverage for diabetic equipment and supplies (insulin pump, blood glucose monitor, lancets and test strips, etc.)

#### **Blood and Blood Products**

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

#### Inborn Errors of Metabolism

Benefits are provided for metabolic formula for special modified low-protein food products. They must be specifically manufactured for patients with diseases caused by inborn errors of metabolism. This benefit is limited to those Members with diseases caused by inborn errors of metabolism.

#### Infant Formula

We provide benefits for Medically Necessary Amino Acid-based elemental Infant Formula for children 2 years of age and under. Benefits are provided when a licensed physician has diagnosed and through medical evaluation has documented one of the following conditions:

- Symptomatic allergic colitis or proctitis;
- Laboratory or biopsy-proven allergic or eosinophilic gastroenteritis; •
- A history of anaphylaxis';
- Gastroesophageal reflux disease that is nonresponsive to standard medical therapies;
- Severe vomiting or diarrhea resulting in clinically significant dehydration requiring treatment by medical Provider;
- Cystic fibrosis; or
- Malabsorption of cow milk-based or soy milk-based infant formula.

Benefits for amino acid-based elemental infant formula are provided when a licensed physician has submitted documentation that the amino acid-based elemental infant formula is Medically Necessary health care as defined in section 4301-A subsection 10-A, that the amino acid based elemental infant formula is the predominant source of nutritional intake at a rate of 50% or greater and that other commercial infant formulas, including cow milk-based and soy milk-based formulas have been tried and have failed or are contraindicated. A licensed physician may be required to confirm and document ongoing Medical Necessity at least annually.

Coverage for amino acid-based elemental infant formula must be provided without regard to the method of delivery of the formula.

Prior Authorization is required. Please see the "Requesting Approval for Benefits" section for more information.

#### **Parenteral and Enteral Therapy**

We provide benefits for parenteral and enteral therapy. Supplies and equipment needed to appropriately administer parenteral and enteral therapy are covered. Nutritional supplements for the sole purpose of enhancing dietary intake are not covered unless they are given in conjunction with enteral therapy.

#### **Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services**

Benefits are available for the diagnosis, crisis intervention and treatment of acute Mental Disorders and Substance Abuse Conditions. Mental Health and Substance Abuse is 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. For the purposes of this section the Joint Commission is abbreviated as JCAHO and the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities is abbreviated as CARF.

Covered Services include the following:

- Inpatient services in a JCAHO-accredited Hospital or any Facility that we must cover per State law. Inpatient benefits include psychotherapy, psychological testing, electroconvulsive therapy, and detoxification.
- Outpatient services including in-home and office visits and treatment in an Outpatient department of a Hospital or JCAHO or CARF-accredited Outpatient Facility, such as Partial Hospitalization Programs and Intensive Outpatient Programs.
- 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.
- Residential Treatment which is specialized 24-hour treatment in a licensed Residential Treatment Center accredited by JCAHO or CARF. It offers individualized and intensive treatment and includes:
  - Observation and assessment by a psychiatrist weekly or more often,
  - Rehabilitation, therapy, and education.

You can get Covered Services from the following Providers:

- Psychiatrist,
- Psychologist,
- Licensed clinical social worker (L.C.S.W.),
- Mental health clinical nurse Specialist.
- Licensed pastoral counselor,
- 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**

We provide benefits for nutritional counseling when required for a diagnosed medical condition.

#### **Preventive Care Services**

Preventive care services include 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 a 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:
  - Breast cancer (mammogram),
  - Cervical cancer (pap test),
  - High blood pressure.
  - Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus,
  - Cholesterol.
  - Child or adult obesity.
  - Colorectal cancer (During a colonoscopy screening, samples of tissue may be collected for closer examination, or polyps/lesions may be removed),
  - Prostate cancer, including digital rectal exam and PSA test.
- 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:
  - Contraceptive coverage includes Generic Drugs and single-source Brand Drugs as well as injectable contraceptives and patches and over-the-counter drugs that must be covered under federal law when prescribed by a physician. Contraceptive devices such as diaphragms, intra uterine devices (IUDs), and implants are also covered. Multi-source Brand Drugs will be covered, as preventive care benefits when Medically Necessary, otherwise they will be covered under the "Prescription Drug Benefit at a Retail or Home Delivery Pharmacy".
  - Breastfeeding support, supplies, and counseling. Benefits for breast pumps are limited to one per Calendar Year or as required by law.
  - 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:
  - Counseling
  - Prescription Drugs
  - Nicotine replacement therapy products when prescribed by a Provider, including over the counter (OTC) nicotine gum, lozenges and patches
  - Prescription drugs and OTC items are limited to a no more than 180 day supply per 365 days
- 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:
  - **Aspirin**
  - Folic acid supplement
  - Vitamin D supplement
  - Bowel preparations

Please note that certain age and gender and quantity limitations apply. For more details, refer to United States Preventive Services Task Force website: www.uspreventiveservicestaskforce.org.

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
- http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/acip/index.html

# **Rehabilitative Services**

Health care services that help You keep, get back or improve skills and functioning for daily living that have been lost or impaired because a person was sick, hurt or disabled. These services may include physical and occupational therapy, speech-language pathology, and psychiatric rehabilitation services in a variety of Inpatient and/or Outpatient settings.

# 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.

# Surgery

Your Plan covers surgical services on an Inpatient or Outpatient basis, including surgeries performed in a Doctor's office or an ambulatory surgical center. Covered Services include:

- Accepted operative and cutting procedures:
- Other invasive procedures, such as angiogram, arteriogram, amniocentesis, tap or puncture of brain or spine:
- Endoscopic exams, such as arthroscopy, bronchoscopy, colonoscopy, laparoscopy;
- Treatment of fractures and dislocations:
- Anesthesia and surgical support when Medically Necessary:
- Medically Necessary breast reduction surgery:
- Medically Necessary symptomatic varicose vein surgery;
- Medically Necessary pre-operative and post-operative care.

## **Oral Surgery**

Although this Plan covers certain oral surgeries, many oral surgeries (e.g. removal of wisdom teeth) are not covered.

Benefits are 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;
- Removal of impacted or unerupted teeth:
- 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 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.

Benefits are available for reconstructive surgeries, procedures and services, when considered to be Medically Necessary Health Care, only if at least one of the following criteria is met. Reconstructive surgeries, procedures and services must be:

- necessary due to accidental injury;
- necessary for reconstruction or restoration of a functional part of the body following a covered surgical procedure for disease or injury;

- Medically Necessary Health Care to restore or improve a bodily function;
- necessary to correct a birth defect for covered dependent children who have functional physical deficits due to the birth defect. Corrective surgery for children who do not have functional physical deficits due to the birth defect is not covered under any portion of this Certificate; or
- for reconstruction of a breast on which mastectomy surgery has been performed and for surgery and reconstruction of the other breast to produce a symmetrical appearance.

Reconstructive surgeries, procedures and services that do not meet at least one of the above criteria are not covered under any portion of this Certificate.

In addition to the above criteria, benefits are available for certain reconstructive surgeries, procedures and services subject to Anthem Medical Policy coverage criteria. Some examples of reconstructive surgeries, procedures and services eligible for consideration based on Anthem Medical Policy coverage criteria are:

- Mastectomy for Gynecomastia
- Port Wine Stain surgery

## **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.

# **Notice Regarding Breast Cancer Patient Protection Act**

Under this Plan, as required by the Maine Breast Cancer Patient Protection Act of 1997, coverage will be provided for Inpatient care subsequent to a mastectomy, lumpectomy, or lymph node dissection for the treatment of breast cancer for a period of time determined to be medically appropriate by the attending physician in consultation with the patient.

This coverage will be provided in accordance with the Plan design, limitations, Copayments, Deductibles, and Referral requirements, if any, as outlined in Your Plan documents.

#### **Morbid Obesity**

We provide limited Benefits for treatment of morbid obesity if You are diagnosed as morbidly obese for a minimum of five consecutive years. Benefits are limited to surgery for an intestinal bypass, gastric bypass, laparoscopic banding or gastroplasty. Prior authorization is required. We do not provide benefits for weight loss medications.

# **Therapy Services Outpatient**

## **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 a 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 a 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.

# **Early Intervention Services**

Services provided by licensed occupational therapists, physical therapists, speech-language pathologist or clinical social workers working with children from birth to 36 months of age with an identified developmental disability or delay as described in the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.

## **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 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 treatments in an Outpatient dialysis Facility or doctor's office. Covered Services also include home dialysis and training for You and the person who will help You with home self-dialysis.
- Infusion Therapy Nursing, durable medical equipment and Drug services that are delivered and administered to you through an I.V. Also includes Total Parenteral Nutrition (TPN), Enteral nutrition therapy, antibiotic therapy, pain care and chemotherapy. May include injections (intra-muscular, subcutaneous, continuous subcutaneous). Also covers Prescription Drugs when they are administered to You as part of a doctor's visit, home care visit, or at an Outpatient Facility. 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, administration and treatment planning.
- Respiratory/Inhalation 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; water vapor; therapeutic use of medical gases (including carbon dioxide, helium) or Drugs (including anesthetics) in the form of aerosols, and equipment such as resuscitators, oxygen tents, and incentive spirometers; broncho-pulmonary drainage and breathing exercises.
- Massage Therapy Massage therapy when services are part of an active course of treatment and the services are performed by a covered Provider.
- **Chiropractic Therapy** Includes benefits for chiropractic care.
- Manipulation Therapy Includes benefits for therapeutic adjustments and manipulations for treating acute musculo-skeletal disorders. No benefits are provided for ancillary treatment such as massage therapy, heat and electrostimulation unless in conjunction with an active course of treatment. Benefits are not provided for maintenance therapy for chronic conditions (see Chiropractic Care). Please refer to the "Schedule of Cost Shares and Benefits" section for further information.

Transplant: Human Organ and Bone Marrow/Stem Cell/Cord Blood

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 Certificate.

## **Tissue Transplant**

Your Plan includes coverage for Medically Necessary tissue transplants and are covered like any other surgery, under the regular Inpatient and Outpatient benefits described elsewhere in this Certificate. Tissues include bones, tendons (both referred to as musculoskeletal grafts), cornea, skin, heart valves, nerves and veins.

## **Covered Transplant Procedure**

Any Medically Necessary human organ and bone marrow/stem cell/cord blood transplants and infusions as determined by Us, including necessary acquisition procedures, mobilization, collection and storage, and including Medically Necessary myeloablative or reduced intensity preparative chemotherapy or radiation therapy or a combination of these therapies.

#### **Unrelated Donor Searches**

When approved by Anthem, Your coverage includes benefits for unrelated donor searches for bone marrow/stem cell transplants performed by an authorized and licensed registry for a covered transplant procedure.

#### **Live Donor Health Services**

Medically Necessary charges for the procurement of an organ from a live donor are covered up to the Maximum Allowed Amount, including complications from the donor procedure for up to six weeks from the date of procurement.

# **Transplant Benefit Period**

Starts one day prior to a covered transplant procedure and continues for the applicable case rate/global time period. The number of days will vary depending on the type of transplant received and the Network transplant Provider agreement. Contact the Case Manager for specific Network transplant Provider information for services received at or coordinated by a Network transplant Provider Facility. Services received from a Non-Network transplant Facility starts one day prior to a covered transplant procedure and continues to the date of discharge.

#### **Prior Approval and Precertification**

In order to maximize Your benefits, You will need to call Our transplant department to discuss benefit coverage when it is determined a transplant may be needed. You must do this before You have an evaluation and/or work-up for a transplant. We will assist You in maximizing Your benefits by providing coverage information, including details regarding what is covered and whether any clinical coverage quidelines, medical policies. Network transplant Provider requirements, or exclusions are applicable. Please call Us to find out which Hospitals are Network transplant Providers. Contact the Member Services telephone number on the back of Your Identification Card and ask for the transplant coordinator. Even if We issue 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.

Please note that there are instances where Your Provider requests approval for Human Leukocyte Antigen (HLA) testing, donor searches and/or a collection and storage of stem cells prior to the final determination as to what transplant procedure will be requested. Under these circumstances, 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 services performed by an authorized registry and/or a collection and storage is NOT an approval for the subsequent requested transplant. A separate Medical Necessity determination will be made for the transplant procedure.

# **Transportation and Lodging**

The Plan will provide assistance with reasonable and necessary travel expenses as determined by Us when You obtain prior approval and are required to travel more than 75 miles from your residence to reach the Facility where Your transplant evaluation and /or transplant work-up and covered transplant procedure will be performed. Our assistance with travel expenses includes transportation to and from the Facility and lodging for the patient and one companion. If the Member receiving treatment is a minor, then reasonable and necessary expenses for transportation and lodging may be allowed for two companions. The Member must submit itemized receipts for transportation and lodging expenses in a form satisfactory to Us when claims are filed. Contact Us for detailed information.

For lodging and ground transportation benefits, We will provide a maximum benefit up to the current limits set forth in the Internal Revenue Code.

The human organ and bone marrow/stem cell/cord blood transplant services benefits or requirements described above do not apply to the following:

- Cornea, ventricular assist devices; and
- Any Covered Services, related to a covered transplant procedure, received prior to or after the transplant Benefit Period. Please note that the initial evaluation and any necessary additional testing to determine Your eligibility as a candidate for transplant by Your Provider and the mobilization, collection and storage of bone marrow / stem cells is included in the covered transplant procedure benefit regardless of the date of service.

The above services are covered as Inpatient services, Outpatient services or physician home visits and office services depending where the service is performed subject to Member Cost-Shares.

# **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 may 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.

# **Prescription Drugs**

# 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 and 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 benefit (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 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 Prescription 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 (based upon FDA labeling), 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 an Anthem Prescription Drug list (a Formulary developed by Anthem which is a list of FDA-approved Drugs that have been reviewed and recommended for use based on their quality and cost effectiveness).

## Precertification

Precertification may be required for certain Prescription Drugs to 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 "Requesting Approval for Benefits" for more details.

If Precertification is denied You have the right to file a grievance as outlined in the "If You have a Complaint or an Appeal" section of this Certificate.

#### **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. A Network Provider is not necessarily a Designated Pharmacy Provider. To be a Designated Pharmacy Provider. the 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 Specialty 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, coverage will be provided at the Non-Network level.

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 doctor 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 Pharmacy

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

Certain contracted Maine Retail Pharmacies can fill Your prescription at the same Copayments that apply to the mail service pharmacy level of benefits. Please ask Your pharmacy if they offer this special arrangement or call Member Services at the phone number on Your ID Card for a list of Retail Pharmacies that offer the mail service pharmacy level of benefits.

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 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 for drug edits 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 (based upon FDA labeling), 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 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 "If you have a Complaint or an Appeal" section of this Certificate.

# **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 administer insulin;
- Self-administered contraceptives, including oral contraceptive Drugs, self-injectable contraceptive Drugs, contraceptive patches, and contraceptive rings; certain contraceptives are covered under the "Preventive Care" benefit. Please see that section for more details.
- Flu shots (including administration).

# Where You Can Get Prescription Drugs

# **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 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.

Note: If We determine that You may be using Prescription Drugs in a harmful or abusive manner, or with harmful frequency, Your selection of Network Pharmacies may be limited. If this happens, We may require You to select a single Network Pharmacy that will provide and coordinate all future pharmacy services. Benefits will only be paid if You use the single Network Pharmacy. We will contact You if We determine that use of a single Network Pharmacy is needed and give You options as to which Network

Pharmacy You may use. If You do not select one of the Network Pharmacies We offer within 31 days. We will select a single Network Pharmacy for You. If You disagree with Our decision, You may ask Us to reconsider it as outlined in the "If you have a Complaint or an Appeal" section of this Certificate.

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 Providers for Controlled Substance Prescriptions may be limited. If this happens, We may require You to select a single 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 Network Provider. We will contact You if We determine that use of a single Network Provider is needed and give You options as to which Network Provider You may use. If You do not select one of the Network Providers We offer within 31 days, We will select a single Network Provider for You. If You disagree with Our decision, You may ask Us to reconsider it as outlined in the "If you have a Complaint or an Appeal" section of this Certificate.

Your Plan has two levels of coverage. To get the lowest out-of-pocket cost, You must get Covered Services from a Level 1 Network Pharmacy. If You get Covered Services from any other Network Pharmacy, benefits will be covered at Level 2 and You may pay more in Deductible, Copayments, and Coinsurance.

Level 1 Network Pharmacies. When You go to Level 1 Network Pharmacies, (also referred to as Core Pharmacies), You pay a lower Copayment / Coinsurance on Covered Services than when You go to other Network Providers.

Level 2 Network Pharmacies. When You go to Level 2 Network Pharmacies, (also referred to as Wrap Pharmacies), You pay a higher Copayment / Coinsurance on Covered Services than when You go to a Level 1 Network Pharmacv.

## **Non-Network Pharmacy**

You may also use a Pharmacy that is not in Our network. You will be charged the full retail price of the Drug and You will have to send Your claim for the Drug to Us. (Non-Network Pharmacies won't file the claim for You.) You can get a claims form from Us or the PBM. You must fill in the top section of the form and ask the Non-Network Pharmacy to fill in the bottom section. If the bottom section of this form cannot be filled out by the pharmacist, You must attach a detailed receipt to the claim form. The receipt must show:

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

You must pay the amount shown in the Schedule of Cost Shares and 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.

# **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.

# When You Order Your Prescription Through the Specialty Preferred Provider

You can have Your Prescription for a Specialty Drug filled through the Anthem BCBS's specialty preferred Provider. Specialty Drugs are limited to a 30-day supply per fill. The specialty preferred Provider will deliver Your Specialty Drugs to You by mail or common carrier for self administration in Your home. You cannot pick up Your medication at Anthem BCBS.

## **Specialty Pharmacy Program**

If You are out of a Specialty Drug which must be obtained through the Specialty Pharmacy program, We will authorize an override of the Specialty Pharmacy program requirement for 72-hours, or until the next business day following a holiday or weekend to allow You to get a 72-hour emergency supply of medication, or the smallest packaged quantity, whichever is greater, if Your doctor decides that it is appropriate and Medically Necessary. You may have to pay the applicable Copayment/Coinsurance, if any.

If You order Your Specialty Drug through the specialty preferred Provider and it does not arrive, if Your physician decides that it is Medically Necessary for You to have the drug immediately. We will authorize an override of the Specialty Pharmacy program requirement for a 30-day supply or less to allow You to get an emergency supply of medication from a participating pharmacy near You. A Member Services representative from the specialty preferred Provider will coordinate the exception and You will not be required to pay additional Coinsurance.

## **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 (Maintenance Medication). 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.

### **Maintenance Medication**

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, 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.

When using home delivery, We suggest that You order Your refill two weeks before You need it to avoid running out of Your medication. For any questions concerning the mail order program, You can call Member Services toll-free at 1-800-281-5524.

The Prescription must state the dosage and Your name and address; it must be signed by Your physician.

The first mail order Prescription You submit must include a completed patient profile form. This form will be sent to You upon becoming eligible for this program. Any subsequent mail order Prescriptions for that insured need only the Prescription and payment enclosed.

You must authorize the pharmacist to release information needed in connection with the filling of a Prescription to the designated mail order Prescription Drug program.

Note: Some Prescription Drugs and/or medicines are not available or are not covered for purchase through the mail order Prescription Drug program including, but not limited to, antibiotics, Drugs not on the Formulary, Drugs and medications to treat Infertility, impotence and/or sexual dysfunction, injectables, including self-administered injectables except Insulin. Please check with the mail order Prescription Drug program Member Services department at 1-866-274-6825 for availability of the Drug or medication.

### 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.

To get the lowest out-of-pocket cost, You must get Covered Services from a Level 1 Network Pharmacy.

- 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, Biosimilars, Interchangeable Biologic Products, or multi-source Brand Drugs.
- 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, Biosimilars, Interchangeable Biologic Product 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, Biosimilars, Interchangeable Biologic Product or multi-source Brand Drugs.
- Tier 4 Drugs 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, Biosimilars, Interchangeable Biologic Product 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.

Note: Your Deductible, Copayment(s) and/or Coinsurance will not be reduced by any discounts, rebates or other funds received by Anthem BCBS's designated Pharmacy Benefits Manager from drug manufacturers, wholesalers, distributors, and/or similar vendors and/or funds received by Anthem BCBS from Anthem BCBS's designated Pharmacy Benefits Manager.

# **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. Benefits may not be covered for certain Drugs if they are not on the Prescription Drug List.

The Drug List 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.

If You have a question regarding whether a Drug is on the Prescription Drug Formulary, please refer to Our website at www.anthem.com.

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

This Plan limits Prescription Drug coverage to those Prescription Drugs listed on Our Prescription Drug list. This Formulary contains a limited number of Prescription Drugs, and may be different than the Formulary for other Anthem BCBS products. Benefits may not be covered for certain Prescription Drugs if they are not on the Prescription Drug list. Generally, it includes select Generic Drugs with limited Brand Drugs coverage. This list is subject to periodic review and modification by Anthem BCBS. We may add or delete Prescription Drugs from this Formulary from time to time. Inclusion of a Drug or related item on the covered Prescription Drug list is not a guarantee of coverage. A description of the Prescription Drugs that are listed on this Formulary is available upon request and at www.anthem.com.

#### **Exception Request for a Drug not on the Prescription Drug List**

If You or Your doctor believe 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.

# **Drug Utilization Review**

If there are patterns of over utilization or misuse of Drugs, We will notify Your personal physician and Your pharmacist. We reserve the right to limit benefits to prevent over utilization of Drugs.

# **Prescription Drug Continuity**

If You have been undergoing a course of treatment with a Prescription Drug that has been prior authorized by Your prior carrier, You may continue with that Prescription Drug until We conduct a review of the prior authorization with Your Provider. Anthem has the right to request a review with Your prescribing Provider. We will honor the prior carrier's prior authorization for a period up to 6 months if Your Provider participates in the review and requests the prior authorization be continued. We are not required to provide benefits for conditions or services not otherwise covered under Our Certificate, and cost sharing may be based on the Copayments and Coinsurance requirements of this Certificate.

#### **Additional Features of Your Prescription Drug Pharmacy Benefit**

# **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. As required by Maine law, one early refill for prescription eye drops may be available. We may also authorize coverage for less than a 30-day supply for purposes of synchronizing medications. 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 early refill, please call Member Services at the number on the back of Your Identification Card.

# **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 "1/2 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.

# **Therapeutic Substitution**

Therapeutic substitution is an optional program that tells You and Your doctor 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 guestions or issues about therapeutic Drug substitutes, call Member Services at the phone 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 a 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 Member Services number on Your member ID card or log on to the Member website at www.anthem.com.

## **Special Programs**

Except where 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. In addition, We may allow access to network rates for Drugs not listed on Our Formulary.

# **Pediatric Dental Care**

Your Dental Benefits. Dental care treatment decisions are made by You and Your dentist. We cover treatment based on what benefits You have, not whether the care is medically or dentally necessary. The only exception is when You get orthodontic care — We do review those services to make sure they're appropriate.

**Pretreatment Estimates.** When You need major dental care, like crowns, root canals, dentures/bridges, oral surgery, or braces — it's best to go over a care or treatment plan with Your dentist beforehand. It should include a "pretreatment estimate" so You know what it will cost.

You or Your dentist can send Us the pretreatment estimate to get an idea of how much of the cost Your benefits will cover. Then You can work with Your dentist to make financial arrangements, before You start treatment.

Pediatric Dental Essential Health Benefits. The following dental care services are covered for Members until the end of the month in which they turn 19. All Covered Services are subject to the terms. limitations, and exclusions of this Certificate. See the Schedule of Cost Shares and Benefits for any applicable Deductible, Coinsurance, Copayment, and benefit limitation information.

# **Diagnostic and Preventive Services**

Oral Exams. Two oral exams are covered every 12 months.

**Radiographs (X-rays):** Here are ones that are covered:

- Bitewings 2 sets per 12 month period.
- Full mouth (also called complete series) 1 time per 60 month period.
- Panoramic 1 time per 60 months.
- Periapicals, occlusals, and extraoral films are also covered.

**Dental Cleaning (prophylaxis).** Procedure to remove plaque, tartar (calculus), and stain from teeth. Covered 2 times per 12 months. Paid as child prophylaxis if Member is 13 or younger, and adult prophylaxis starting at age 14.

Fluoride Treatment (topical application or fluoride varnish). Covered 2 times per 12 month period.

Sealants or Preventive Resin Restorations. Any combination of these procedures is covered 1 time per tooth per 36 months.

**Space Maintainers and Recement Space Maintainers** 

Emergency Treatment (also called palliative treatment). Covered for the temporary relief of pain or infection.

#### **Basic Restorative Services**

Consultations. Covered when given by a Provider other than Your treating dentist.

Fillings (restorations). Fillings are covered when placed on primary or permanent teeth. There are two kinds of fillings covered under this Plan:

- Amalgam. These are silver fillings that are used to restore decayed or fractured posterior (back)
- Composite Resin. These are tooth-colored fillings that are used to restore decayed or fractured anterior (front) teeth. If You choose to have a composite resin filling placed on a back tooth, We will pay up to the maximum allowed amount for an amalgam filling. You will be responsible to pay for the difference, if the dentist charges more, plus any applicable Deductible or Coinsurance.

Periodontal Maintenance. This procedure includes periodontal evaluation, removing bacteria from the gum pocket areas, measuring the gum pocket areas, and scaling and polishing of the teeth. Any

combination of this procedure and dental cleanings (see Diagnostic and Preventive Services above) is covered 4 times per 12 months.

# **Endodontic Therapy on Primary Teeth**

- Pulpal therapy
- Therapeutic pulpotomy

Periodontal Scaling and Root Planing. This is a non-surgical periodontal service to treat diseases of the gums (gingival) and bone that supports the teeth. Covered 1 time per guadrant per 24 months.

Pre-fabricated or Stainless Steel Crown. Covered 1 time per 60 months for Members through the age of 14.

#### Pin Retention

Therapeutic Drug Injection

Partial pulpotomy for apexogenesis. Covered on permanent teeth only

### **Endodontic Services**

**Endodontic Therapy.** The following will be covered for permanent teeth only:

- Root canal therapy.
- Root canal retreatment.

#### **Other Endodontic Treatments**

- Apexification
- Apicoectomy
- Root amputation
- Hemisection

## **Periodontal Services**

Full Mouth Debridement. This is a non-surgical periodontal service to treat diseases of the gums (gingival) and bone that supports the teeth. Covered once per lifetime.

Complex Surgical Periodontal Care. These services are surgical treatment for diseases of the gums (gingival) and bone that supports the teeth. Only one of the below services is covered per single tooth or multiple teeth in the same quadrant per 36 month period. Covered for permanent teeth only.

- Gingivectomy/gingivoplasty
- Gingival flap
- Apically positioned flap
- Osseous surgery
- Bone replacement graft

The following complex surgical periodontal care services are not subject to the benefit frequency stated above.

- Pedicle soft tissue graft.
- Free soft tissue graft
- · Subepithelial connective tissue graft.
- Soft tissue allograft

#### **Crown Lengthening**

# **Oral Surgery Services**

**Basic Extractions** 

- Removal of coronal remnants (retained pieced of the crown portion of the tooth) on primary teeth.
- Extraction of erupted tooth or exposed root.

Complex Surgical Extractions. Surgical removal of 3rd molars are covered only when symptoms of oral pathology exists.

- Surgical removal of erupted tooth.
- Surgical removal of impacted tooth.
- Surgical removal of residual tooth roots.

# **Other Complex Surgical Procedures**

- Alveoloplasty
- Removal of exostosis per site

## **Other Oral Surgery Procedures**

- Incision and drainage of abscess (intraoral soft tissue).
- Collection and application of autologous product. Covered 1 time per 36-month period.
- Excision of pericoronal gingiva.
- Tooth reimplantation (accidentally evulsed or displaced tooth).
- Suture of recent small wounds up to 5 cm.

## **Post Surgical Services**

Treatment of complications, unusual circumstances.

Intravenous Conscious Sedation, IV Sedation and General Anesthesia. Covered when given with a complex surgical service. The service must be given in a dentist's office by the dentist or an employee of the dentist that is certified in their profession to give anesthesia services.

# **Major Restorative Services**

Gold foil restorations. Gold foil restorations are covered at the same frequency as an amalgam filling. Gold foil restorations will be paid up to the same maximum allowed amount for an amalgam filling. You're responsible to pay for any amount over the Maximum Allowed Amount, plus any applicable Deductible and Coinsurance.

Inlays. Inlays are covered at the same frequency as an amalgam filling. Inlays will be paid up to the same Maximum Allowed Amount for an amalgam filling. You're responsible to pay for any amount over the Maximum Allowed Amount, plus any applicable Deductible and Coinsurance.

Onlays or Permanent Crowns. Covered 1 time per 60 months. Only covered on a permanent tooth. To be covered, the tooth must have extensive loss of natural structure due to decay or fracture so that another restoration (such as a filling or inlay) cannot be used to restore the tooth. We will pay up to the Maximum Allowed Amount for a porcelain to noble metal crown. If You choose to have another type of crown, You're responsible to pay for the difference plus any applicable Deductible and Coinsurance.

Recement an Inlay, Onlay or Crown. Covered 6 months after initial placement.

Inlay, Onlay or Crown Repair, Covered 1 time per 36 months. The narrative from Your treating dentist must support the procedure.

Implant Crowns. See the implant procedures description under Prosthodontic Services.

Restorative Cast Post and Core Build Up. Includes 1 post per tooth and 1 pin per surface. Covered 1 time per 60 months. Covered only if needed to retain an indirectly fabricated restoration (such as a crown) due to extensive loss of tooth structure due to decay or fracture.

Prefabricated Post and Core (in addition to crown). Covered 1 time per tooth every 60 months.

Occlusal Guards. Covered 1time per 12 months for Members age 13 through 18.

# **Prosthodontic Services**

Dentures and Partials (removable prosthodontic services). Covered 1 time per 60 months for the replacement of extracted permanent teeth. If You have an existing denture or partial, a replacement is only covered if at least 60 months have passed and it cannot be repaired or adjusted.

Bridges (fixed prosthodontic services). Covered 1 time per 60 months for the replacement of extracted permanent teeth. If You have an existing bridge, a replacement is only covered if at least 60 months have passed and it cannot be repaired or adjusted. In order for the bridge to be covered:

- A natural healthy and sound tooth is present to serve as the anterior and posterior retainer.
- There are no other missing teeth in the same arch that have been replaced with a removable partial denture.
- And none of the individual units (teeth) of the bridge has had a crown or cast restoration covered under this plan in the last 60 months.

The Plan will cover the least costly, commonly performed course of treatment. If there are multiple missing teeth, the plan may cover a partial denture instead of the bridge. If You still choose to get the bridge, You will be responsible to pay the difference in cost, plus any applicable Deductible and Coinsurance.

# **Tissue Conditioning**

Reline and Rebase. Covered 1 time per 36 months as long as the appliance (denture, partial or bridge) is the permanent appliance. Covered once 6 months has passed from the initial placement of the appliance.

#### Repairs and Replacement of Broken Clasps

Replacement of Broken Artificial Teeth. Covered as long as the appliance (denture, partial or bridge) is the permanent appliance. Covered once 6 months has passed from the initial placement of the appliance and the narrative from the treating dentist supports the service.

#### **Denture Adjustments**

#### **Partial and Bridge Adjustments**

## Recementation of Bridge (fixed prosthetic)

Single Tooth Implant Body, Abutment and Crown. Covered 1 time per 60 months. Coverage includes only the single surgical placement of the implant body, implant abutment and implant/abutment supported crown. Some adjunctive implant services may not be covered. It's recommended that You get a pretreatment estimate, so You fully understand the treatment and cost before having implant services done.

### **Orthodontic Care**

Orthodontic care is the prevention and correction of malocclusion of teeth and associated dental and facial disharmonies. Talk to Your dental Provider about getting a pretreatment estimate for Your orthodontic treatment plan, so You have an idea upfront what the treatment and costs will be. You or Your dental Provider should send it to Us so We can help You understand how much is covered by Your benefits.

**Dentally Necessary Orthodontic Care.** This plan will only cover orthodontic care that is dentally necessary — at least one of these criteria must be present:

- Spacing between adjacent teeth that interferes with Your biting function
- Overbite that causes the lower front (anterior) teeth to impinge on the roof of your mouth when You bite
- The position of Your jaw or teeth impairs Your ability to bite or chew
- On an objective, professional orthodontic severity index, your condition scores consistent with needing orthodontic care

What Orthodontic Care Includes. Orthodontic care may include the following types of treatment:

- Pre-Orthodontic Treatment Exams. Periodic visits with Your dentist to establish when orthodontic treatment should begin.
- Periodic Orthodontic Treatment Visits.
- Limited Treatment. A treatment usually given for minor tooth movement and is not a full treatment
- Interceptive Treatment (also known as phase I treatment). This is a limited treatment that is used to prevent or lessen the need for more involved treatment in the future.
- Comprehensive or Complete Treatment. A full kind of treatment that includes all radiographs, diagnostic casts and models, orthodontic appliances and office visits.
- Removable Appliance Therapy. Treatment that uses an appliance that is removable and not cemented or bonded to the teeth.
- Fixed Appliance Therapy. Treatment that uses an appliance that is cemented or bonded to the teeth.
- Complex Surgical Procedures. Surgical procedures give for orthodontic reasons, such as exposing impacted or unerupted teeth, or repositioning of the teeth.

How We Pay for Orthodontic Care. Because orthodontic treatment usually occurs over a long period of time, payments are made over the course of your treatment. In order for Us to continue to pay for Your orthodontic care You must have continuous coverage under this Certificate.

The first payment for orthodontic care is made when treatment begins. Treatment begins when the appliances are installed. Your dental provider should submit the necessary forms telling Us when Your appliance is installed. Payments are then made at six month intervals until the treatment is finished or coverage under this Certificate ends.

If your orthodontic treatment is already in progress (the appliance has been installed) when You begin coverage under this Certificate, the orthodontic treatment benefit under this coverage will be on a prorated basis. We will only cover the portion of orthodontic treatment that You are given while covered under this Certificate. We will not pay for any portion of Your treatment that was given before Your Effective Date under this Certificate.

What Orthodontic Care Does NOT Include. The following is not covered as part of Your orthodontic treatment:

- Monthly treatment visits that are billed separately these costs should already be included in the cost of treatment.
- Repair or replacement of lost, broken, or stolen appliances.
- Orthodontic retention or retainers that are billed separately these costs should already be included in the cost of treatment.
- Retreatment and services given due to a relapse.
- Inpatient or Outpatient hospital expenses, unless covered by the medical benefits of this Certificate.
- Any provisional splinting, temporary procedures or interim stabilization of the teeth.

# **Pediatric Vision Care**

These vision care services are covered for Members until the end of the month in which they turn 19. To get Network benefits, use a Blue View Vision eye care Provider. For help finding one, try "Find a Doctor" on Our website, or call Us at the number on Your ID card.

## **Routine Eye Exam**

This Certificate covers a complete routine eye exam with dilation as needed. The exam is used to check all aspects of Your vision.

## **Eyeglass Lenses**

Standard plastic (CR39) eyeglass lenses up to 55mm are covered, whether they're single vision, bifocal, trifocal (FT 25-28), progressive or lenticular.

There are a number of additional covered lens options that are available through your Blue View Vision provider. See the Schedule of Cost Shares and Benefits for the list of covered lens options.

#### **Frames**

Your Blue View Vision Provider will have a collection of frames for You to choose from. They can tell You which frames are included at no extra charge — and which ones will cost You more.

#### **Contact Lenses**

Each Year, You get a lens benefit for eyeglass lenses, non-elective contact lenses or elective contact lenses. But You can only get one of those three options in a given Year. Your Blue View Vision Provider will have a collection of contact lenses for You to choose from. They can tell You which contacts are included at no extra charge – and which ones will cost You more.

Elective contact lenses are ones You choose for comfort or appearance.

Non-elective contact lenses are ones prescribed for certain eye conditions:

- Keratoconus where the patient is not correctable to 20/40 in either or both eyes using standard spectacle lenses
- High ametropia exceeding -12D or +9D in spherical equivalent
- Anisometropia of 3D or more
- For patients whose vision can be corrected three lines of improvement on the visual acuity chart when compared to best corrected standard spectacle lenses.

**Note:** We will not pay for non-elective contact lenses for any member who's had elective corneal surgery, such as radial keratotomy (RK), photorefractive keratectomy (PRK), or LASIK.

# **Low Vision**

Low vision is when You have a significant loss of vision, but not total blindness. Your Plan covers services for this condition when You go to a Blue View Vision eye care Provider who specializes in low vision. They include a comprehensive low vision exam (instead of a routine eye exam), optical/non-optical aids or supplemental testing.

# WHAT IS NOT COVERED (EXCLUSIONS)

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 decision about whether services or supplies are Medically Necessary and if they will be covered by Your Plan.

The following services are not covered:

Services rendered by Providers located outside the United States, unless the services are for Emergency Care, Urgent Care services received from an Urgent Care Center, or ambulance services related to an Emergency for transportation to a Hospital.

# **Medical Services**

Your Medical benefits do not cover:

**Abortion.** We do not provide benefits for procedures, equipment, services, supplies, or charges for abortions for which Federal funding is prohibited. Federal funding is allowed for abortions, where a pregnancy is the result of rape or incest, or for a pregnancy which, as certified by a physician, places the woman in danger of death unless an abortion is performed.

**After Hours or Holidays Charges.** Additional charges beyond the Maximum Allowed Amount for basic and primary services requested after normal Provider service hours or on holidays.

Allergy Tests/Treatment. The following services, supplies or care are not covered:

- IgE RAST tests unless intradermal tests are contraindicated.
- Allergy tests for non-specific or non-allergy related symptoms such as fatigue and weight gain.
- Food allergy test panels (including SAGE food allergy panels).
- Services for, and related to, many forms of immunotherapy. This includes, but is not limited to, oral immunotherapy, low dose sublingual immunotherapy, and immunotherapy for food allergies.
- Specific non-standard allergy services and supplies, including but not limited to, skin titration (Rinkle method), cytotoxicity testing (Bryan's Test), treatment of non-specific candida sensitivity, and urine autoinjections.
- Antigen leukocyte cellular antibody test (ALCAT); or
- Cvtotoxic test; or
- HEMOCODE Food Tolerance System; or
- IgG food sensitivity test; or
- Immuno Blood Print test; or
- Leukocyte histamine release test (LHRT).

Alternative/Complementary Medicine. For (services or supplies related to) alternative or complementary medicine. Services in this category include, but are not limited to, acupuncture, holistic medicine, homeopathy, hypnosis, aroma therapy, reiki therapy, herbal, vitamin or dietary products or therapies, naturopathy, thermography, orthomolecular therapy, contact reflex analysis, bioenergial synchronization technique (BEST), iridology-study of the iris, auditory integration therapy (AIT), colonic irrigation, magnetic innervation therapy, electromagnetic therapy, and neurofeedback.

**Ambulance.** Usage is not covered when another type of transportation can be used without endangering the Member's health. Any ambulance usage for the convenience of the Member, family or physician is not a Covered Service. Non Covered Services for Ambulance include but are not limited to, trips to:

- A physician's office or clinic;
- A morgue or funeral home.

Coverage is not available for air ambulance transport from a Hospital capable of treating the patient because the patient and/or the patient's family prefer a specific Hospital or physician. Air ambulance services are not covered for transport to a Hospital that is not an acute care Hospital, such as a nursing Facility, physician's office, or Your home.

**Ancillary Therapy Services.** Unless in conjunction with an active course of treatment, benefits are not provided for massage therapy, treatment such as paraffin baths, hot packs, whirlpools, or moist/dry heat applications.

Armed Forces/War. For any illness or injury that occurs while serving in the armed forces, including as a result of any act of war, declared or undeclared. At the Member's request, We will refund any Subscription Charges paid from the date the Member enters the military.

Artificial/Mechanical Devices - Heart Condition. Related to artificial and/or mechanical hearts or ventricular and/or atrial assist devices related to a heart condition or for subsequent services and supplies for a heart condition as long as any of the above devices remain in place. This exclusion includes services for implantation, removal and complications. This exclusion does not apply to ventricular assist devices used as a bridge to transplantation, or as a permanent alternative to heart transplantation, or the total artificial heart if the request meets Anthem Medical Policy criteria.

Athletic Prosthetic Devices. Devices to replace, in whole or in part, an arm or a leg that are designed exclusively for athletic purposes.

**Asthma Education** We do not provide benefits for asthma education programs.

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 Certificate.

**Biofeedback Therapy.** Biofeedback therapy.

Blood. We do not provide Benefits for any blood, blood donors, or packed red blood cells when participation in a voluntary blood program is available.

Charges Over the Maximum Allowed Amount. Charges over the Maximum Allowed Amount for Covered Services.

Charges Not Supported by Medical Records. Charges for services not described in Your medical records.

Clinical Trials. We do not provide benefits for procedures, equipment, services, supplies or charges for the following:

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

**Cochlear Implants.** For cochlear implants.

Complications of 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.

Complications Resulting from Experimental or Investigational or non Medically Necessary Services or Treatment. Complications directly related to a service or treatment that is a non Covered Service under this Certificate because it was determined by Us to be Experimental or Investigational or non Medically Necessary. Directly related means that the service or treatment occurred as a direct result of the Experimental or Investigational or non Medically Necessary service and would not have taken place in the absence of the Experimental or Investigational or non Medically Necessary service.

Corrective Eye Surgery. For eye surgery to correct errors of refraction, such as near-sightedness, including without limitation LASIK, radial keratotomy or keratomileusis, or excimer laser refractive keratectomy.

Cosmetic Services. Provided in connection with cosmetic services. Cosmetic services are primarily intended to preserve, change or improve your appearance or are furnished for social reasons. No benefits are available for surgery or treatments to change the texture or appearance of Your skin or to change the size, shape or appearance of facial or body features (such as your nose, eyes, ears, cheeks, chin, chest or breasts). Complications directly related to cosmetic services, treatment or surgery, as determined by Us, are not covered. This exclusion applies even if the original cosmetic services treatment or surgery was performed while the Member was covered by another carrier/self-funded plan prior to coverage under this Certificate. Directly related means that the treatment or surgery occurred as a direct result of the cosmetic services treatment or surgery and would not have taken place in the absence of the cosmetic services treatment or surgery. This exclusion does not apply to conditions including but not limited to: myocardial infarction; pulmonary embolism; thrombophlebitis; and exacerbation of co-morbid conditions. This exclusion also does not apply to plastic or reconstructive surgery to restore breast symmetry by reduction mammoplasty, mastopexy or breast augmentation as recommended by the oncologist or PCP for a Member incident to a covered mastectomy. Coverage will include reduction or uplift surgery on the unaffected breast to produce a symmetrical appearance.

Counseling Services. Counseling Services and treatment related to religious counseling, marital/relationship counseling, vocational or employment counseling, and sex therapy.

Court Ordered Care. For court ordered testing or care, unless the service is Medically Necessary and authorized by Us.

Custodial Care. Custodial care, convalescent care or rest cures. This exclusion does not apply to hospice services.

**Delivery Charges.** Charges for delivery of Prescription Drugs.

**Dental Braces.** For Dental braces unless specifically stated as a Covered Service.

Dental Implants. For Dental implants unless specifically stated as a Covered Service.

**Dental Treatment.** For dental treatment, regardless of origin or cause, except as specified as a Covered Service in this Certificate. "Dental treatment" includes but is not limited to: Preventive care, diagnosis, treatment of or related to the teeth, jawbones or gums, including but not limited to:

- extraction, restoration and replacement of teeth.
- medical or surgical treatments of dental conditions.
- services to improve dental clinical outcomes.

Dental X Rays, Supplies & Appliances, For Dental x rays, supplies & appliances and all associated expenses, including hospitalization and anesthesia, except as required by law or specifically stated as a Covered Service. The only exceptions to this are for any of the following:

- Transplant preparation.
- Initiation of an immunosuppressive.
- Direct treatment of acute traumatic injury, cancer, or cleft palate.

Department of Veterans Affairs. Benefits are not provided for any treatments, services, or supplies provided to veterans by the Department of Veterans Affairs, it's Hospitals, or Facilities if the treatment is related to your service connected disability.

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.

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.

Drugs Over Quantity or Age Limits. Drugs which are over any quantity or age limits set by the Plan or based upon FDA labeling.

Drugs Over the Quantity Prescribed or Refills After One Year. Drugs in amounts over the quantity prescribed, or for any refill given more than one Year after the date of the original Prescription Order.

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.)

Durable Medical Equipment. Covered Services do not include durable medical equipment except as specifically stated under "What is Covered." Non-Covered Services or supplies include, but are not limited

- Orthopedic shoes or shoe inserts, except as specifically stated under "What is Covered."
- Air purifiers, air conditioners, humidifiers.
- Exercise equipment, treadmills.
- Pools and spas.
- Elevators.
- Supplies for comfort, hygiene or beautification.
- Correction appliances or support appliances and supplies such as stockings.

**Education/Training.** For services or supplies primarily for educational, vocational, or training purposes, except as otherwise specified herein.

**Exams - Research Screenings.** For examinations relating to research screenings.

Experimental/Investigative. Which are Experimental/Investigative or related to such, whether incurred prior to, in connection with, or subsequent to the Experimental/Investigative service or supply, as determined by Us. The fact that a service is the only available treatment for a condition will not make it eligible for coverage if we deem it to be Experimental/Investigative.

Eyeglasses/Contact Lenses. For prescription, fitting, or purchase of eyeglasses or contact lenses except as otherwise specifically stated as a Covered Service. This exclusion does not apply for initial prosthetic lenses or sclera shells following intra-ocular surgery, or for soft contact lenses due to a medical condition.

Facilities of the Uniformed Services. Benefits are not provided for any treatments, services, or supplies provided by or through any health care Facility of the uniformed services. This exclusion does not apply if You are a military dependent or retiree.

Family Planning Services. Benefits are not provided for services to reverse voluntarily induced sterility and non-prescriptive birth control preparations (such as foams or jellies) unless such preparations are over-the-counter drugs that must be covered under federal law when prescribed by a physician.

Family/Self. Prescribed, ordered or referred by, or received from a member of your immediate family, including your spouse, child/stepchild, brother/stepbrother, sister/stepsister, parent/stepparent, in-law, or self.

Feet - Surgical Treatment. For surgical treatment of flat feet; subluxation of the foot; weak, strained, unstable feet; tarsalgia; metatarsalgia; hyperkeratosis.

Foot Care - Routine. For routine foot care except when Medically Necessary (including the cutting or removal of corns and calluses); nail trimming, cutting or debriding; hygienic and preventive maintenance foot care, including but not limited to:

- cleaning and soaking the feet
- applying skin creams in order to maintain skin tone
- other services that are performed when there is not a localized illness, injury or symptom involving the foot

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.

Genetic Testing and Counseling. Benefits are not provided for genetic testing or genetic counseling except as set forth in this Certificate.

Government Coverage. To the extent that they are provided as benefits by any governmental unit, unless otherwise required by law or regulation.

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 physician. This exclusion also applies to health

Hearing Care. Related items such as batteries, cords, and other assistive listening devices, including but not limited to, frequency modulation systems, are not covered.

Hospice Care. We do not provide benefits for the following services, supplies or care:

- Services or supplies for personal comfort or convenience, including homemaker services.
- Food services, meals, formulas and supplements other than listed or for dietary counseling even if the food, meal, formula or supplement is the sole source of nutrition.
- Services not directly related to the medical care of the Member, including estate planning, drafting of wills, funeral counseling or arrangement or other legal services.
- Services provided by volunteers.

Human Growth Hormone. Human Growth Hormone.

**Hyperhydrosis.** For treatment of hyperhydrosis (excessive sweating).

**Impotency.** For services and supplies related to male or female sexual or erectile dysfunctions or inadequacies, regardless of origin or cause. This exclusion includes sexual therapy and counseling. This exclusion also includes penile prostheses or implants and vascular or artificial reconstruction. Prescription Drugs, and all other procedures and equipment developed for or used in the treatment of impotency, and all related diagnostic testing.

**Incarceration.** For care required while incarcerated in a federal, state or local penal institution or required while in custody of federal, state or local law enforcement authorities, including work release programs, unless otherwise required by law or regulation.

In-vitro fertilization (IVF) or pre-implant genetic diagnosis (PGD) of embryos. Services or supplies for in-vitro fertilization (IVF) or pre-implant genetic diagnosis (PGD) of embryos, whether provided or not provided in connection with infertility treatment.

Infertility Testing and Treatment. For testing or treatment related to fertilization or infertility such as diagnostic tests performed to determine the reason for infertility and any service billed with an infertility related diagnosis.

Leased Services and Facilities. Benefits are not provided for any health care services or Facilities that are not regularly available at the Provider You go to, that the Provider must rent or make special arrangements to provide, and that are billed independently.

Maintenance Therapy. For 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. Benefits are not provided for maintenance therapy for chronic conditions.

Medical Equipment, Devices, and Supplies. We do not provide benefits for 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 Allowed Amount for a standard item that is a Covered Service, serves the same purpose, and is Medically Necessary. Any

expense that exceeds the Maximum Allowed Amount for the standard item which is a Covered Service is Your responsibility.

Medicare Benefits. (1) for which benefits are payable under Medicare Parts A, B and/or D, or would have been payable if a Member had applied for Parts A and B, except, as specified elsewhere in this Certificate or as otherwise prohibited by federal law. For the purposes of the calculation of benefits, if the Member has not enrolled in Medicare Parts A and/or B, We will calculate benefits as if the Member had enrolled; (2) for services or supplies provided pursuant to a private contract between the Member and a Provider, for which reimbursement under the Medicare program is prohibited as specified in Section 1802 (42 U.S.C. 1395a) of Title XVII of the Social Security Act.

Mental Health. Substance Abuse Treatment and Lifestyle Services. We do not provide benefits for procedures, equipment, services, supplies or charges for the following:

- Sensitivity training;
- Encounter groups;
- Educational programs except as indicated in the "What is Covered" section:
- Marriage, guidance, and career counseling;
- Codependency:
- Adult Children of Alcoholics (ACOA);
- Pain control (except as required by law for hospice care services);
- Activities whose primary purpose is recreational and socialization.

Missed/Cancelled Appointments. For missed or cancelled appointments.

No legal obligation to pay. For which You have no legal obligation to pay in the absence of this or like coverage.

Non Authorized Travel Related Expenses. For mileage, lodging and meals costs, and other Member travel related expenses, except as authorized by Us or specifically stated as a Covered Service.

Non Emergency Care Received in Emergency Room. For care received in an Emergency Room that is not Emergency Care, except as specified in the "What is Covered" section. This includes, but is not limited to, suture removal in an Emergency Room.

Not Medically Necessary. Any services or supplies which are not Medically Necessary.

Nutritional and Dietary Supplements. For nutritional and dietary supplements, except as provided in the "What is Covered" section or as required by law. This exclusion includes, but not limited to, those nutritional formulas and dietary supplements that can be purchased over the counter, which by law do not require either the written prescription or dispensing by a licensed pharmacist.

Off label use. Off label use, unless We must cover the use by law or if We approve it.

Orthognathic Surgery. Benefits are not provided for orthognathic surgery, except as stated in the "What is Covered" section.

Orthotic Devices, Shoes or Shoe Inserts. Benefits are not provided for orthotic devices, shoes or shoe inserts except as set forth in this Certificate. We do not provide benefits for procedures, equipment, services, supplies or charges for the following:

- Repair and replacement due to misuse, malicious breakage or gross neglect.
- Replacement of lost or stolen items.

#### **Outdoor Treatment Programs and/or Wilderness Programs.**

Over the Counter. For Drugs, devices, products, or supplies with over the counter equivalents and any Drugs, devices, products, or supplies that are therapeutically comparable to an over the counter Drug device, product, or supply, unless specifically stated as a Covered Service in the "What is Covered" section or as required by law (for example, over-the-counter contraceptive Drugs when prescribed by a physician).

Personal Hygiene, Environmental Control or Convenience Items. For personal hygiene, environmental control, or convenience items including but not limited to:

- Air conditioners, humidifiers, air purifiers;
- Health club membership, and physical fitness equipment such as a treadmill or exercise cycles; charges from a physical fitness instructor or personal trainer, or any other charges for activities, equipment, or facilities used for developing or maintaining physical fitness, even if ordered by a Physician. This exclusion also applies to health spas or similar facility.
- Special exercise testing or equipment solely to evaluate exercise competency or assist in an exercise program;
- Charges from a health spa or similar facility;
- Personal comfort and convenience items during an Inpatient stay, including but not limited to daily television rental, telephone services, cots or visitor's meals;
- Charges for non-medical self-care except as otherwise stated:
- Purchase or rental of supplies for common household use, such as water purifiers;
- Allergenic pillows, cervical neck pillows, special mattresses, or waterbeds;
- Infant helmets to treat positional plagiocephaly;
- Safety helmets for Members with neuromuscular diseases; or
- Sports helmets.

Physical exams and immunizations - other purposes. Physical exams and immunizations required for enrollment in any insurance program, as a condition of employment, for licensing, or for other purposes.

Physician Stand-by Charges. For stand-by charges of a physician.

Physician/Other Practitioners' Charges. Physician/Other Practitioners' Charges including:

- Physician or other practitioners' charges for consulting with Members by telephone, facsimile machine, electronic mail systems or other consultation or medical management service not involving direct (face-to-face) care with the Member, except as stated in the online visits and telemedicine provisions of this Certificate.
- Surcharges for furnishing and/or receiving medical records and reports.
- Charges for doing research with Providers not directly responsible for Your care.
- Charges that are not documented in Provider records.
- Charges from an outside laboratory or shop for services in connection with an order involving devices (e.g., prosthetics, orthotics) which are manufactured by that laboratory or shop, but which are designed to be fitted and adjusted by the attending physician.
- For membership, administrative, or access fees charged by physicians or other Providers. Examples of administrative fees include, but are not limited to, fees charged for educational brochures or calling a patient to provide their test results.

Private Duty Nursing. For private duty nursing services unless specified in the "What is Covered" section.

Provider Services. You get from Providers that are not licensed by law to provide Covered Services, as defined in this Certificate. Examples of such Providers may include, but are not limited to, masseurs or masseuses (massage therapists) and physical therapist technicians.

**Provider Type.** Received from an individual or entity that is not a Provider, as defined in this Certificate, or recognized by Us.

Reconstructive Services. Reconstructive services except as specifically stated in the "What is Covered" section, or as required by law.

Regression Prevention. For services which are solely performed to prevent regression of functions for an illness, injury or condition which is resolved or stable, except as specified in the "What is Covered" section.

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, services, supplies or charges for the following:

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- Wilderness camps.

Reversal of Sterilization. Sterilizations for men and reversals of sterilizations for men and women.

Riot, Nuclear Explosion. For a condition resulting from direct participation in a riot, civil disobedience, being intoxicated, influence of an illegal substance, nuclear explosion, nuclear accident or engaging in an illegal occupation.

**Routine Circumcisions.** Benefits are not provided for routine circumcisions.

Self-Help Training/Care. For self-help training and other forms of non-medical self care, except as otherwise provided herein.

Services by Ineligible Providers. Benefits are not provided for services provided by any Provider not listed as an eligible Provider in this Certificate.

Services Not Listed As Covered. Benefits are not provided for any service, procedure, or supply not listed as a Covered Service in this Certificate.

Shock Wave Treatment. Extracorporeal Shock Wave Treatment for plantar fasciitis and other musculoskeletal conditions unless in conjunction with an active course of treatment.

Speech Therapy. Benefits are not provided for deficiencies resulting from mental retardation and/or dysfunctions that are self-correcting, such as language treatment for young children with natural dysfluency or developmental articulation errors.

**Spinal Decompression Devices.** Spinal decompression devices. This includes, but is not limited to. Vertebral Axial Decompression (Vax-D) and DRX9000.

Surrogate Pregnancy. Services or supplies provided to a person not covered under the Certificate in connection with a surrogate pregnancy (including, but not limited to, the bearing of a child by another woman for an infertile couple).

Teeth - Congenital Anomaly. Treatment of congenitally missing, malpositioned, or super numerary teeth, even if part of a congenital anomaly, except as stated in the "What is Covered" section or as required by law.

Teeth, Jawbone, Gums. For treatment of the teeth, jawbone or gums that is required as a result of a medical condition except as expressly required by law or specifically stated as a Covered Service.

Telephone/Internet Consultations. For telephone consultations or consultations via electronic mail or internet/web site, except as required by law, or specifically stated as a Covered Service.

Temporomandibular Joint (TMJ) Syndrome Services For surgical and non-surgical examination; diagnosis, including invasive (internal) and non-invasive (external) procedures and tests; and all services related to diagnosis and treatment, both medical and surgical, of temporomandibular joint dysfunction or syndrome also called myofascial pain dysfunction or craniomandibular pain syndrome. Examples of non-Covered Services include but are not limited to: physiotherapy, such as therapeutic muscle exercises, galvanic or transcutaneous nerve stimulation; vapocoolant sprays, ultrasound, or diathermy; behavior modification such as biofeedback, psychotherapy; appliance therapy such as occlusal appliances (splints) or other oral prosthetic devices and their adjustments; orthodontic therapy such as braces; prosthodontic therapy such as crowns, bridgework; and occlusal adjustments.

**Therapy – Other**. Services, supplies, and equipment for the following:

- Hippotherapy
- Prolotherapy
- Recreational therapy

Transplant: Human Organ and Bone Marrow/Stem Cell/Cord Blood Exclusions. Non-Covered Services for transportation and lodging include, but are not limited to:

- Child care.
- Mileage within the medical transplant facility city.
- Rental cars, buses, taxis, or shuttle service, except as specifically approved by Us.
- Frequent flver miles.
- Coupons, vouchers, or travel tickets.
- Prepayments or deposits.
- Services for a condition that is not directly related, or a direct result, of the transplant.
- Telephone calls.
- Laundry.
- Postage.
- Entertainment.
- Travel expenses for donor companion/caregiver.
- Return visits for the donor for a treatment of a condition found during the evaluation.

Vein Treatment. Treatment of varicose veins or telangiectatic dermal veins (spider veins) by any method (including sclerotherapy or other surgeries) for cosmetic purposes.

Vision Orthoptic Training. For orthoptics or vision training and any associated supplemental testing. This exclusion does not apply to Members through the end of the month in which the Member turns age

Weight Loss Programs. For weight loss programs, whether or not they are pursued under medical or physician supervision, unless specifically listed as covered in this Certificate. This exclusion includes commercial weight loss programs (Weight Watchers, Jenny Craig, LA Weight Loss) and fasting programs.

Workers Compensation. For any condition, disease, defect, ailment, or injury arising out of and in the course of employment if benefits are available under any Worker's Compensation Act or other similar law. If Worker's Compensation Act benefits are not available to You, then this exclusion does not apply. This exclusion applies if You receive the benefits in whole or in part. This exclusion also applies whether or not You claim the benefits or compensation. It also applies whether or not You recover from any third party.

# **Prescription Drugs**

Your Prescription Drug benefits do not cover:

- Administration charges for the administration of any Drug except for covered immunizations as approved by Us or the Pharmacy Benefits Manager (PBM).
- 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.
- 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.
- Compound 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.
- Delivery Charges. Charges for delivery of Prescription Drugs.
- 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 Drugs used with a diagnostic service. Drugs given during chemotherapy in the office as described in the "Therapy Services" section, or Drugs covered under the "Medical Supplies" benefit – they are Covered Services.
- 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. This exclusion does not apply to over-the-counter drugs that We must cover under federal law when recommended by the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force and prescribed by a physician (contraceptives).
- Drugs Over Quantity or Age Limits. Drugs which are over any quantity or age limits set by the Plan or based upon FDA labeling.
- Drugs Over the Quantity Prescribed or Refills After One Year. Drugs in amounts over the quantity prescribed, or for any refill given more than one Year after the date of the original Prescription Order.
- Gene Therapy as well as any Drugs, procedures, health care services related to it that introduces or is related to the introduction of genetic material into a person intended to replace or correct faulty or missing genetic material, thus treating a disease or abnormal medical condition.
- Items Covered as durable medical equipment (DME). Therapeutic DME, devices and supplies except peak flow meters, spacers, blood glucose monitors.
- Items Covered Under the "Allergy Services" Benefit Allergy desensitization products or allergy serum. While not covered under the "Prescription Drug Benefit at a Retail or Home Delivery Pharmacy" benefit, these items may be covered under the "Allergy Services" benefit.
- Lost or Stolen Drugs. Refills of lost or stolen Drugs.
- Mail service programs other than the PBM's Home Delivery mail service. Prescription Drugs dispensed by any mail service program other than the PBM's Home Delivery mail service, unless we must cover them by law.
- Drugs not approved by the FDA.
- Off label use, except for the treatment of cancer, HIV or AIDS.
- Onvchomycosis Drugs. Drugs for Onychomycosis (toenail fungus) except when we allow it to treat Members who are immuno-compromised or diabetic.

- Over-the-Counter Items may not be covered. Drugs, devices and products, or 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. This includes prescription legend Drugs when any version or strength becomes available over the counter. This does not include over-the-counter Drugs, such as contraceptives, that must be covered under federal law when prescribed by a physician.
- Services or Supplies from Family Members. Services prescribed, ordered, referred by or received from a member of Your immediate family, including Your spouse, domestic partner, child/stepchild, brother/stepbrother, sister/stepsister, parent/stepparent, in-law, or self.
- Sexual Dysfunction Drugs. Drugs to treat sexual or erectile problems.
- Syringes. Hypodermic syringes except when given for use with insulin and other covered selfinjectable Drugs and medicine.
- Weight Loss Drugs. Any Drug mainly used for weight loss.
- Drugs used for cosmetic purposes.
- Prescription Drugs used to treat infertility.
- Charges Not Supported by Medical Records. Charges for services not described in Your medical records.
- Services We conclude are not Medically Necessary. This includes services that do not meet Our medical policy, clinical coverage, or benefit policy guidelines.
- Nutritional or Dietary Supplements Nutritional and/or dietary supplements, except as described in this Certificate 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.

# **Pediatric Dental Care**

Your dental care services do not include services incurred for or in connection with any of the items below:

- Dental Care for Members age 19 and older, unless covered by the medical benefits of this Certificate.
- Dental services or health care services not specifically covered under the Certificate (including any Hospital charges, Prescription Drug charges and dental services or supplies that do not have an American Dental Association Procedure Code, unless covered by the medical benefits of this Certificate).
- Services of anesthesiologist, unless required by law.
- Anesthesia Services, (such as intravenous or non-intravenous conscious sedation and general anesthesia) are not covered when given separate from a covered oral surgery service, except as required by law.
- Dental services, appliances or restorations that are necessary to alter, restore or maintain occlusion. This includes increasing vertical dimension, replacing or stabilizing tooth structure lost by attrition, realignment of teeth, periodontal splinting and gnathologic recordings.
- Dental services provided solely for the purpose of improving the appearance of the tooth when tooth structure and function are satisfactory and no pathologic conditions (such as cavities) exist.
- Case presentations, office visits, consultations.
- Incomplete services where the final permanent appliance (denture, partial, bridge) or restoration (crown, filling) has not been placed.
- Enamel microabrasion and odontoplasty.
- Retreatment or additional treatment necessary to correct or relieve the results of treatment previously benefited under the Certificate.
- Biological tests for determination of periodontal disease or pathologic agents, unless covered by the medical benefits of this Certificate.
- Collection of oral cytology samples via scraping of the oral mucosa, unless covered by the medical benefits of this Certificate.
- Separate services billed when they are an inherent component of another Covered Service.
- Services for the replacement of an existing partial denture with a bridge, unless the partial denture cannot satisfactorily restore the case.
- Additional, elective or enhanced prosthodontic procedures including but not limited to, connector bar(s), stress breakers and precision attachments.
- Provisional splinting, temporary procedures or interim stabilization.
- Placement or removal of sedative filling, base or liner used under a restoration that is billed separately from a restoration procedure (such as a filling).
- Pulp vitality tests.
- Adjunctive diagnostic tests.
- Incomplete root canals.
- Cone beam images.
- Anatomical crown exposure.
- Temporary anchorage devices.
- Sinus augmentation.
- Oral hygiene instructions.
- Repair or replacement of lost or broken appliances.
- Removal of pulpal debridement, pulp cap, post, pins, resorbable or non-resorbable filling materials, nor the procedures used to prepare and place materials in the canals (tooth roots).
- Root canal obstruction, internal root repair of perforation defects, incomplete endodontic treatment and bleaching of discolored teeth.
- The controlled release of therapeutic agents or biologic modifiers used to aid in soft tissue and osseous tissue regeneration.

- For dental services received prior to the Effective Date of this Certificate or received after the coverage under this Certificate has ended.
- Dental services given by someone other than a licensed Provider (dentist or physician) or their employees.
- Services to treat temporomandibular joint disorder (TMJ), unless covered by the medical benefits of this Certificate.
- Athletic mouth quards.
- Dental services for which You would have no legal obligation to pay in the absence of this or like coverage.
- For any condition, disease, defect, ailment or injury arising out of and in the course of employment if benefits are available under the Workers' Compensation Act or any similar law. This exclusion applies if a Member receives the benefits in whole or in part. This exclusion also applies whether or not the Member claims the benefits or compensation. It also applies whether or not the Member recovers from any third party.

# **Pediatric Vision Care**

Your vision care services do not include services incurred for or in connection with any of the items below:

- Vision care for Members age 19 and older, unless covered by the medical benefits of this Certificate.
- For any condition, disease, defect, ailment or injury arising out of and in the course of employment if benefits are available under the Workers' Compensation Act or any similar law. This exclusion applies if a Member receives the benefits in whole or in part. This exclusion also applies whether or not the Member claims the benefits or compensation. It also applies whether or not the Member recovers from any third party.
- To the extent that they are provided as benefits by any governmental unit, unless otherwise required by law or regulation.
- For which the Member has no legal obligation to pay in the absence of this or like coverage.
- For services or supplies prescribed, ordered or referred by, or received from a member of the Member's immediate family, including the Member's spouse or domestic partner, child, brother, sister or parent.
- For completion of claim forms or charges for medical records or reports.
- For missed or cancelled appointments.
- For safety glasses and accompanying frames.
- For two pairs of glasses in lieu of bifocals.
- For plano lenses (lenses that have no refractive power).
- For medical or surgical treatment of the eyes, including Inpatient or Outpatient Hospital vision care, except as specified in the "What is Covered" section of this Certificate.
- Lost or broken lenses or frames, unless the member has reached their normal interval for service when seeking replacements.
- For services or supplies not specifically listed in this Certificate.
- Cosmetic lenses or options, such as special lens coatings or non-prescription lenses, unless specifically listed in this Certificate.
- For services or supplies combined with any other offer, coupon or in-store advertisement, or for certain brands of frames where the manufacturer does not allow discounts.
- No benefits are available for frames or contact lenses purchased outside of Our formulary.
- Services and materials not meeting accepted standards of optometric practice or services that are not performed by a licensed provider.
- Blended lenses.
- Oversize lenses.
- For sunglasses.

# **CLAIMS PAYMENTS**

This section describes how Your claims are administered, explains the Cost-Sharing features of Your Plan, and outlines other important provisions. The specific Cost Sharing features, and the applicable benefit percentages and/or limitations, are outlined in the "Schedule of Cost Shares and Benefits" section.

We consider Covered Services to be incurred on the date a service is provided. This is important because You must be actively enrolled on the date the service is provided.

## **Benefit Determinations**

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 of the Certificate. However, We, or anyone acting on Our behalf will determine the administration of Your benefits. You may utilize all applicable complaint and Appeal procedures, as outlined later in this Certificate if You do not agree with Our determination.

You may have some responsibility for the cost of health services under Your Certificate. Your responsibility may take the form of a Coinsurance percentage, Copayment or a Deductible amount. Please see Your "Schedule of Cost Shares and Benefits" for the Copayment, Coinsurance and Deductible amounts that apply to Your coverage. If You have some responsibility for the cost of health care services You receive, You will pay your Coinsurance, Copayment and Deductible amount directly to the professional or Hospital or other Provider of care.

All benefits for Covered Services will be based on any discounted charge for Hospital service or Our Maximum Allowed Amount for professional services.

If You have Coinsurance responsibility that is based on a percentage, You will pay Your Coinsurance percentage based on the Hospital's or Provider's discounted charge or negotiated amount, or Our Maximum Allowed Amount for professionals.

We may subcontract particular services to organizations or entities that have specialized expertise in certain areas. This may include, but is not limited to, Prescription Drugs, mental health, behavioral health and substance abuse services. Such subcontracted organizations or entities may make benefit determinations and/or perform administrative, claims paying, or customer service duties on Our behalf.

#### **Benefit Levels**

There are two levels of benefits Network and Non-Network under this Certificate:

**Network Providers** If Your claim from a Network Provider is approved, We will pay benefits directly to the Network Provider. Except for Deductibles, Copayments and Coinsurance, You are not required to pay any balances to the Provider for Covered Services until after We determine the benefits We will pay.

**Non-Network Providers** If You receive Covered Services or supplies from a Provider that does not have a written agreement with Us or who are not contracted for this product, We will determine benefits based on the Provider's eligibility and licensing. If We do approve Your claim, You will be responsible for the difference between the Non-Network Provider's charge and our Maximum Allowed Amount, in addition to any applicable Deductible and Coinsurance. We cannot prohibit Non-Network Providers from billing You for the difference in the Non-Network Provider's charge and Our Maximum Allowed Amount.

If a Network Provider of the same specialty is not reasonably accessible, as defined by State law, services pre-authorized by Us and received from a Non-Network Provider will be paid at the higher level of benefits and the Member will not be responsible for the difference between the Maximum Allowed Amount and the Non-Network Providers charge. In this circumstance, please call the number on the back of Your ID Card to coordinate care through a Non-Network provider.

# **Maximum Allowed Amount**

#### General

This provision describes how We determine the amount of reimbursement for Covered Services.

Reimbursement for services rendered by Network and Non-Network Providers is based on Your Certificate's Maximum Allowed Amount for the Covered Service that You receive. Please also see the "Inter-Plan Programs" provision for additional information.

The Maximum Allowed Amount for this Certificate 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 Certificate and are not excluded;
- that are Medically Necessary: and
- that are provided in accordance with all applicable prior-authorization, utilization management or other requirements set forth in Your Certificate.

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 a Non-Network Provider, You may 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 a 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 a Network Provider or a Non-Network Provider.

A Network Provider is a Provider who is in the managed network for this specific product or in other closely managed specialty network, or who has a participation contract with Us. For Covered Services performed by a Network Provider, the Maximum Allowed Amount for this Certificate is the rate the Provider has agreed with Us to accept as reimbursement for the Covered Services. Because 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 a Network Provider or visit Our website www.anthem.com.

Providers who have not signed any contract with Us and are not in any of Our networks are Non-Network Providers, subject to Blue Cross Blue Shield Association rules governing claims filed by certain ancillary Providers.

For Covered Services You receive from a Non-Network Provider, the Maximum Allowed Amount for Your Certificate will be one of the following as determined by Us:

- 1. An amount based on Our Non-Network Provider 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 Us, 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,
- 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 based on or derived from the total charges billed by the Non-Network Provider.

Providers who are not contracted for this product, but are contracted for other products with Us are also considered Non-Network. For this Certificate, 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.

For services rendered outside Anthem's Service Area by Non-Network Providers, claims may be priced using the local Blue Cross and/or Blue Shield plan's nonparticipating 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 Network Providers, Non-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 a Network Provider will likely result in lower out-of-pocket costs to You. Please call Member Services for help in finding a Network Provider or visit Our website at www.anthem.com.

Member Services is also available to assist You in determining Your Certificate's Maximum Allowed Amount for a particular service from a Non-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 a Network or Non-Network Provider. Please see the Schedule of Cost Shares and Benefits in this Certificate for Your Cost-Share responsibilities and limitations, or call Member Service to learn how this benefit program 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 a Network or Non-Network Provider. Non-Covered Services include services specifically excluded from coverage by the terms of Your Certificate and received after benefits have been exhausted. Benefits may be exhausted by exceeding, for example, Your day/visit limits.

In some instances You may only be asked to pay the lower Network Cost-Sharing amount when You use a Non-Network Provider. For example, if You go to a Network Hospital or Provider Facility and receive Covered Services from a Non-Network Provider such as a radiologist, anesthesiologist or pathologist who is employed by or contracted with a Network Hospital or Facility, You will pay the Network Cost Share amounts for those Covered Services. When You receive Covered Services from a Non-Network Provider, You may be responsible for paying any difference between the Maximum Allowed Amount and the Provider's charge unless Anthem has authorized Covered Services from a Non-Network Provider due to Provider Network inadequacies or You receive a surprise bill, if applicable.

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 benefit Certificate 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.

#### **Surprise Bill**

The following only applies to Providers within the State of Maine:

A surprise bill is a bill for Covered Services, other than Emergency Services, received by a Member for services rendered by a Non-Network Provider at a Network Provider during a service or procedure performed by a Network Provider, or during a service or procedure previously approved or authorized by Us; however, a surprise bill does not include a bill for Covered Services received by a Member if a Network Provider was available and the Member knowingly elected to obtain the services from a Non-Network Provider.

With respect to a surprise bill, a Member is only responsible for what the Member would have paid (any applicable Coinsurance, Copayment, Deductible or other out-of-pocket expense) for a Network Provider. The Non-Network Provider within the State of Maine is prohibited by law from balance billing the Member.

#### **Authorized Services**

In some circumstances, We may authorize the Network Cost-Share amounts (Deductible, Copayment, and/or Coinsurance) to apply to a claim for a Covered Service You receive from a Non-Network Provider. In such circumstance, You must have Your Primary Care Physician contact Anthem in advance of obtaining the Covered Service. We also will authorize the Network Cost-Share amounts to apply to a claim for Covered Services if you receive Emergency Services from a Non-Network Provider and are not able to contact Anthem until after the Covered Service is rendered. If We authorize a Network Cost-Share amount to apply to a Covered Service received from a Non-Network Provider, You will not be liable for the difference between the Maximum Allowed Amount and the Non-Network Provider's charge. Please contact Member Service for Authorized Services information or to request authorization.

#### **How Your Deductible Works**

Deductible is the dollar amount of Covered Services listed in the Schedule of Cost Shares and Benefits for which You are responsible before We start to pay for Covered Services subject to the Deductible in each Calendar Year.

Deductible and Coinsurance, if applicable, will apply to a newborn if the mother is discharged and the newborn remains in the Hospital.

#### **Deductible Calculation**

Each family Member's Maximum Allowed Amounts for Covered Services is applied to his or her individual Deductible. Once two or more family Members' Maximum Allowed Amounts for Covered Services combine to equal the family Deductible, then no other individual Deductible needs to be met for that

Calendar Year. No one person can contribute more than his or her individual Deductible to the family Deductible.

The Deductible applies to most Covered Services even those with a zero percent Coinsurance. An example of services not subject to the Deductible is Network preventive care services required by law.

Generally, Copayments are not subject to and do not apply to the Deductible, however to confirm how your plan works, please refer to the "Schedule of Cost Shares and Benefits".

The Deductible and Copayment/Coinsurance amounts incurred in a Calendar Year apply to the Out-of-Pocket Limit.

The Network and Non-Network Deductibles are separate and do not apply toward each other.

#### Coinsurance

For some services, Your share of the cost is a percentage which is limited to an annual dollar amount. This is the Coinsurance amount. Please refer to Your "Schedule of Cost Shares and Benefits".

Your Certificate has a Coinsurance requirement. It applies after You have satisfied Your Deductible.

Coinsurance is a fixed percentage of the Maximum Allowed Amount for Covered Services which the Member is required to pay as specified in the "Schedule of Cost Shares and Benefits".

There is a separate Coinsurance for Network and Non-Network services.

#### Out-of-Pocket Limit

A specified dollar amount of expense incurred for Covered Services in a Calendar Year as listed in the "Schedule of Cost Shares and Benefits". Such expense does not include charges in excess of the Maximum Allowed Amount or any non-covered services. Refer to the "Schedule of Cost Shares and Benefits" for other services that may not be included in the Out-of-Pocket Limit. When the Out-of-Pocket Limit is reached, no additional Deductible, Copayment or Coinsurance is required unless otherwise specified in this Certificate.

#### **Out-of-Pocket Limit Calculation**

The Deductible, Coinsurance, and Copayment amounts incurred in a Calendar Year apply to the Out-of-Pocket Limit.

The individual Out-of-Pocket Limit applies to each covered family Member. Once two or more covered family Members' Out-of-Pocket Limits combine to equal the family Out-of-Pocket Limit amount, the Outof-Pocket Limit will be satisfied for the family for that Calendar Year. No one person can contribute more than his or her individual Out-of-Pocket Limit.

Once the applicable Network Out-of-Pocket Limit is satisfied, no additional Network Cost Sharing will be required for the remainder of the Calendar Year.

Once the applicable Non-Network Out-of-Pocket Limit is satisfied, no additional Cost-Sharing will be required for the remainder of the Calendar Year except for Non-Network human organ and bone marrow/stem cell/cord blood transplant services and any charges over the Maximum Allowed Amount.

Network and Non-Network Coinsurance and Out-of-Pocket Limits are separate and do not accumulate toward each other.

The Non-Network Out-of Pocket Limit does not include Coinsurance for any Non-Network human organ and bone marrow/stem cell/cord blood transplant.

#### **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 Non-Network Emergency Services.

### 2. Exceptions

In certain situations, We may use other pricing methods, such as billed charges 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. The Plan only covers Emergency Care, including ambulance, and Urgent Care services outside of the United States. Remember to take an up to date health ID Card with You.

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 "Requesting Approval for Benefits" section.

#### 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.

#### Claims Review for Fraud, Waste and Abuse

Anthem has processes to review claims before and after payment to detect fraud, waste, abuse and other inappropriate activity. Members seeking services from non-participating or Non-Network Providers could be balanced billed by the non-participating or Non-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.

# **Payment Innovation Programs**

We pay 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 a Network Provider's total compensation to pre-defined quality, cost, efficiency or service standards or metrics. In some instances, 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 health care services provided to You, but instead, are based on the 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).

# Relationship of Parties (Anthem and Network Providers)

The relationship between Anthem and Network Providers is an independent contractor relationship. Network Providers are not agents or employees of Ours, nor is Anthem, or any employee of Anthem, an employee or agent of 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 Network Provider or for any injuries suffered by You while receiving care from any Network Provider's Facilities.

Your 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 Network Providers, Non-Network Providers, and disease management programs. If You have questions regarding such incentives or risk sharing relationships, please contact Your Provider or Us.

# **Benefit Payments**

#### **Claims Procedure**

How to Claim Benefits In most instances, Providers will file Your claims with Us. However, You may need to submit a claim for reimbursement for services from Non-Network Providers.

To receive claim forms, or please call Our Member Services Department at the number on the back of Your Identification Card. When You submit Your claim, please include originals of all of Your bills and retain a copy for Your files. If such forms are not furnished before the expiration of 15 days after the insurer received notice of any claim under the policy, the person making such claim shall be deemed to have complied with the requirements of the policy as to proof of loss upon submitting within the time fixed in the policy for filing proof of loss, written proof covering the occurrence, character and extent of the loss for which claim is made.

Time Limit for Filing Claims We must receive proof of a claim for reimbursement for a Covered Service no later than 365 days after that service is received. We recognize that there may be special circumstances which would prevent a claim from being submitted within the 365-day time limit. Claims denied for timely filing may be reviewed through the Member Appeal process, which will consider whether the claim was filed as soon as reasonably possible.

Releasing Necessary Information Providers often have information We need to determine Your coverage. As a condition for receiving benefits under this Certificate. You or Your representative must give Us all of the medical information needed to determine Your eligibility for coverage or to process Your claim.

Non-Transfer of Benefits Your benefits under this Certificate are personal to You. You cannot assign or transfer them to any other person.

Assignment of Payments You may assign payment provided for Covered Services to the Provider of the care.

Non-Compliance If We do not enforce compliance with any provision of this Certificate. We have not waived compliance are not required to allow non-compliance with that provision or any other provision at any time, in any case.

Examination of Insured To ensure that all claims are valid, We may require the Member to have a physical or mental examination at Our expense. In the case of death, this includes an autopsy where it is not prohibited by law.

#### **Explanation and notice to Parent**

If the insured is covered as a Dependent child, and if the insurer is so requested by a parent of the insured, the insurer shall provide that parent with:

- Payment or denial of claim. An explanation of the payment or denial of any claim filed on behalf of the insured, except to the extent that the insured has the right to withhold consent and does not affirmatively consent to notifying the parent:
- Change in terms and conditions. An explanation of any proposed change in the terms and conditions of the policy; or
- Notice of lapse. Reasonable notice that the policy may lapse, but only if the parent has provided the insurer with the address at which the parent may be notified.

In addition, any parent who is able to provide the information necessary for the insurer to process a claim must be permitted to authorize the filing of any claims under the policy.

#### **Claims Payment**

This section explains how benefits for Covered Services will be paid. Benefits will never be more than the actual charge. You will receive maximum benefits when you receive services from Network Providers. We reserve the right to pay benefits to another person if so ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction. You have the right to Appeal as outlined later in this Certificate. A claim for payment of benefits under this Certificate is payable within 30 days after proof of loss is received by the insurer as long as the carrier has received all information needed to pay or deny the claim.

# IF YOU ARE COVERED BY MORE THAN ONE POLICY

The Coordination of Benefits (COB) provision applies when a person has health care coverage under more than one Plan. Plan is defined below.

Please note that several terms specific to this provision are listed below. For this provision, the terms below will have the meanings, as describe in this section. Some of these terms may have different meanings, in other parts of the Certificate. In the rest of the Certificate, the meaning of a term can be determined based on the Definition Section, provided at the end of this Certificate.

The order of benefit determination rules govern the order in which each Plan will pay a claim for benefits. The Plan that pays first is called the Primary Plan. The Primary Plan must pay benefits in accordance with its policy terms without regard to the possibility that another Plan may cover some expenses. The Plan that pays after the Primary Plan is the Secondary Plan. The Secondary Plan may reduce the benefits it pays so that payments from all Plans does not exceed 100% of the total Allowable Expense.

#### **Coordination of Benefits Definitions**

A Plan is any of the following that provides benefits or services for medical or dental care or treatment. If separate contracts are used to provide coordinated coverage for members of a group, the separate contracts are considered parts of the same Plan and there is no COB among those separate contracts.

- Plan includes: group and non-group insurance contracts health maintenance organization (HMO)
  contracts, Closed Panel Plans or other forms of group or group-type coverage (whether insured or
  uninsured); medical care components of long-term care contracts, such as skilled nursing care;
  medical benefits under group or individual automobile contracts; and Medicare or any other federal
  governmental plan, as permitted by law.
- 2) Plan does not include: hospital indemnity coverage or other fixed indemnity coverage; accident only coverage; specified disease or specified accident coverage; limited benefit health coverage, as defined by state law; school accident type coverage; benefits for non-medical components of long-term care policies; Medicare supplement policies; Medicaid policies; or coverage under other federal governmental plans, unless permitted by law.

Each contract for coverage under (1) or (2) is a separate Plan. If a Plan has two parts and COB rules apply only to one of the two, each of the parts is treated as a separate Plan.

This Plan means, the part of the contract providing the health care benefits to which the COB provision applies and which may be reduced because of the benefits of other plans. Any other part of the contract providing health care benefits is separate from This Plan. A contract may apply one COB provision to certain benefits, such as dental benefits, coordinating only with similar benefits, and may apply another COB provision to coordinate other benefits.

The order of benefit determination rules determine whether This Plan is a Primary Plan or Secondary Plan when You have health care coverage under more than one Plan.

When This Plan is Primary, it determines payment for its benefits first before those of any other Plan without considering any other Plan's benefits. When This Plan is Secondary, it determines its benefits after those of another Plan and may reduce the benefits it pays so that all Plan benefits do not exceed 100% of the total Allowable Expense.

Allowable Expense is a health care expense, including Deductibles, Coinsurance and Copayments that is covered at least in part by any Plan covering You. When a Plan provides benefits in the form of services, the reasonable cash value of each service will be considered an Allowable Expense and a benefit paid. An expense that is not covered by any Plan covering the person is not an Allowable Expense. In addition, any expense that a Provider by law or in accordance with a contractual agreement is prohibited from charging You is not an Allowable Expense.

The Allowable Expense under COB is generally the higher of the Primary and Secondary Plans' allowable amounts. A Network Provider can bill You for any remaining Coinsurance, Deductible and/or Copayment

under the higher of the Plans' allowable amounts. This higher allowable amount may be more than Our Maximum Allowed Amount.

The following are not Allowable Expenses:

- (1) The difference between the cost of a semi-private Hospital room and a private Hospital room is not an Allowable Expense, unless one of the Plans provides coverage for private Hospital room expenses.
- (2) If a person is covered by 2 or more Plans that compute their benefit payments on the basis of usual and customary fees or relative value schedule reimbursement methodology or other similar reimbursement methodology, any amount in excess of the highest reimbursement amount for a specific benefit is not an Allowable Expense.
- (3) If You are covered by 2 or more Plans that provide benefits or services on the basis of negotiated fees, an amount in excess of the highest of the negotiated fees is not an Allowable Expense.
- (4) If You are covered by one Plan that calculates its benefits or services on the basis of usual and customary fees or relative value schedule reimbursement methodology or other similar reimbursement methodology and another Plan that provides its benefits or services on the basis of negotiated fees, the Primary Plan's payment arrangement shall be the Allowable Expense for all Plans. However, if the Provider has contracted with the Secondary Plan to provide the benefit or service for a specific negotiated fee or payment amount that is different than the Primary Plan's payment arrangement and if the Provider's contract permits, the negotiated fee or payment shall be the Allowable Expense used by the Secondary Plan to determine its benefits.
- (5) The amount of any benefit reduction by the Primary Plan because a Member has failed to comply with the Plan provisions is not an Allowable Expense. Examples of these types of Plan provisions include second surgical opinions, precertification of admissions, and preferred provider arrangements.
- (6) The amount that is subject to the Primary high-deductible health Plan's Deductible, if We have been advised by You that all Plans covering You are high-deductible health plans and You intend to contribute to a health savings account established in accordance with Section 223 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.
- (7) Any amounts incurred or claims made under the Prescription Drug program of This Plan.

Closed Panel Plan is a Plan that provides health care benefits primarily in the form of services through a panel of providers that have contracted with or are employed by the Plan, and that excludes coverage for services provided by other providers, except in cases of emergency or referral by a panel member.

Custodial Parent is the parent awarded custody by a court decree or, in the absence of a court decree, is the parent with whom the child resides more than one half of the Calendar Year excluding any temporary visitation.

#### Order of Benefit Determination Rules

When You are covered by two or more Plans, the rules for determining the order of benefit payments are as follows:

The Primary Plan pays or provides its benefits according to its terms of coverage and without regard to the benefits of under any other Plan.

Except as provided in the paragraph below, a Plan that does not contain a coordination of benefits provision that is consistent with this COB provision is always primary unless the provisions of both Plans state that the complying Plan is primary.

Coverage that is obtained by virtue of membership in a group that is designed to supplement a part of a basic package of benefits and provides that this supplementary coverage shall be excess to any other parts of the Plan provided by the contract holder. Examples of these types of situations are major medical coverages that are placed over base Plan hospital and surgical benefits, and insurance type coverages that are written in connection with a Closed Panel Plan to provide Non-Network benefits.

A Plan may consider the benefits paid or provided by another Plan in calculating payment of its benefits only when it is Secondary to that other Plan.

Each Plan determines its order of benefits using the first of the following rules that apply:

Rule (1) Non-Dependent or Dependent. The Plan that covers You other than as a Dependent, for example as an employee, member, policyholder, subscriber or retiree is the Primary Plan and the Plan that covers You as a Dependent is the Secondary Plan. However, if the person is a Medicare beneficiary and, as a result of federal law, Medicare is Secondary to the Plan covering the person as a Dependent; and primary to the Plan covering the person as other than a Dependent (e.g. a retired employee); then the order of benefits between the two Plans is reversed so that the Plan covering the person as an employee, member, policyholder, subscriber or retiree is the Secondary Plan and the other Plan is the Primary Plan.

Rule (2) Dependent Child Covered Under More Than One Plan. Unless there is a court decree stating otherwise, when a Dependent child is covered by more than one Plan the order of benefits is determined

- (A.) For a Dependent child whose parents are married or are living together, whether or not they have ever been married:
  - The Plan of the parent whose birthday falls earlier in the Calendar Year is the Primary Plan;
  - If both parents have the same birthday, the Plan that has covered the parent the longest is the Primary Plan.
- (B.) For a Dependent child whose parents are divorced or separated or not living together, whether or not they have ever been married:
  - If a court decree states that one of the parents is responsible for the Dependent child's health care expenses or health care coverage and the Plan of that parent has actual knowledge of those terms, that Plan is primary. This rule applies to Plan years commencing after the Plan is given notice of the court decree;
  - If a court decree states that both parents are responsible for the Dependent child's health care expenses or health care coverage, Rule (2)(A) above shall determine the order of benefits:
  - If a court decree states that the parents have joint custody without specifying that one parent has responsibility for the health care expenses or health care coverage of the Dependent child, Rule (2)(A) above shall determine the order of benefits; or
  - If there is no court decree assigning responsibility for the Dependent child's health care expenses or health care coverage, the order of benefits for the child are as follows:
    - The Plan covering the Custodial parent;
    - The Plan covering the spouse of the Custodial parent;
    - The Plan covering the non-Custodial parent; and then
    - The Plan covering the spouse of the non-Custodial parent.
- (C.) For a Dependent child covered under more than one Plan of individuals who are not the parents of the child, Rule (2)(A) or Rule (2)(B) above shall determine the order of benefits as if those individuals were the parents of the child.

Rule (3) Active Employee or Retired or Laid-off Employee. The Plan that covers You as an active employee, that is, an employee who is neither laid off nor retired, is the Primary Plan. The Plan covering You as a retired or laid-off employee is the Secondary Plan. The same would hold true if You are a Dependent of an active employee and You are a Dependent of a retired or laid-off employee. If the other Plan does not have this rule, and as a result, the Plans do not agree on the order of benefits, this rule is ignored. This rule does not apply if Rule (1) above can determine the order of benefits.

Rule (4) COBRA or State Continuation Coverage. If You are covered under COBRA or under a right of continuation provided by state or other federal law, the Plan covering You as an employee, member, subscriber or retiree or covering the person as a Dependent of an employee, member, subscriber or

retiree is the Primary Plan and the COBRA or state or other federal continuation coverage is the Secondary Plan. If the other Plan does not have this rule, and as a result, the Plans do not agree on the order of benefits, this rule is ignored. This rule does not apply if Rule (1) above can determine the order of benefits.

Rule (5) Longer or Shorter Length of Coverage. The Plan that covered You as an employee, member, policyholder, subscriber or retiree longer is the Primary Plan and the Plan that covered You the shorter period of time is the Secondary Plan.

Rule (6) If the preceding rules do not determine the order of benefits, the Allowable Expenses will be shared equally between the Plans meeting the definition of Plan. In addition, This Plan will not pay more than it would have paid had it been the Primary Plan.

#### Effect on the Benefit of This Plan

When This Plan is Secondary, it may reduce its benefits so that the total benefits paid or provided by all Plans during a Plan Year are not more than the total Allowable Expenses. In determining the amount to be paid for any claim, the Secondary Plan will calculate the benefits it would have paid in the absence of other health care coverage and apply that calculated amount to any Allowable Expense under its Plan that is unpaid by the Primary Plan. The Secondary Plan may then reduce its payment by the amount so that, when combined with the amount paid by the Primary Plan, the total benefits paid or provided by all Plans for the claim do not exceed the total Allowable Expense for that claim.

Because the Allowable Expense is generally the higher of the Primary and Secondary Plans' allowable amounts, a network Provider can bill You for any remaining Coinsurance, Deductible and/or Copayment under the higher allowable amount. In addition, the Secondary Plan shall credit to its Plan Deductible any amounts it would have credited to its Deductible in the absence of other health care coverage.

If You are enrolled in two or more Closed Panel Plans and if, for any reason, including the provision of service by a non-panel provider, benefits are not payable by one Closed Panel Plan; COB shall not apply between that Plan and other Closed Panel Plans.

# Right to Receive and Release Needed Information

Certain facts about health care coverage and services are needed to apply these COB rules and to determine benefits payable under This Plan and other Plans. We may get the facts We need from or give them to other organizations or persons for the purpose of applying these rules and determining benefits payable under This Plan and other Plans covering the person claiming benefits. We need not tell, or get the consent of, any person to do this. Each person claiming benefits under This Plan must give Us any facts We need to apply those rules and determine benefits payable.

#### **Facility of Payment**

A payment made under another Plan may include an amount that should have been paid under This Plan. If it does, We may pay that amount to the organization that made that payment. That amount will then be treated as though it were a benefit paid under This Plan. We will not have to pay that amount again. The term "payment made" includes providing benefits in the form of services, in which case "payment made" means the reasonable cash value of the benefits provided in the form of services.

#### Right of Recovery

If the amount of the payments made by Us is more than We should have paid under this COB provision. We may recover the excess from one or more of the persons We have paid or for whom We have paid; or any other person or organization that may be responsible for the benefits or services provided for the Member. The "amount of the payments made" includes the reasonable cash value of any benefits provided in the form of services.

# **Coordination with Medicare**

You must notify Us if You become eligible for Medicare, including premium free Medicare Part A. Failure to notify Us could result in retroactive benefit adjustments, if Medicare would have been or is the primary payor.

You may choose to continue Your coverage once You are eligible for premium free Medicare Part A and Medicare Part B coverage. However, Your Certificate will not provide benefits that duplicate any benefits payable under Medicare Part A or Part B. This is true even if You fail to exercise Your rights to premium free Medicare Part A and Medicare Part B coverage. If You become eligible for Medicare, You may want to enroll in a Medicare Supplement Plan. Medicare Supplement plans are specifically designed to pay many of the health care costs not covered by Medicare. Because Medicare Supplement plans have limited enrollment periods, it is important to evaluate these plans as soon as You are eligible for Medicare.

# IF YOU HAVE A COMPLAINT OR AN APPEAL

# **Complaints**

Our Member Services Representatives are ready to help Members resolve complaints about claims processing, benefit choices, enrollment, or health care given to You by Your Provider. A Member Services Representative may need to send Your complaint to another area for response. The staff that gets the Member complaint will review and quickly give a finding to the Member on the complaint. Anthem will make a good faith effort to get all information quickly. Your Provider may ask by phone, fax or in writing for Us to reconsider an adverse determination within one working day after We get the request. The review will be done by the person who made the adverse determination or by a peer if the first person cannot be on hand within one working day.

For first Utilization Review findings, Anthem will make the decision and will let the Covered Person and their Provider know the result within 2 working days after getting all needed information on a proposed Hospital stay, treatment or service that calls for a review decision.

If Your complaint is not resolved to Your satisfaction, You may seek help through the Appeal process outlined below. Enrollees may begin a first level Appeal at any time.

#### **Complaints Requiring Immediate Intervention**

If You are not happy with a finding on a service, We will work with the health care Provider to answer quickly to the concern. This will happen before the need for services, when possible, or within 48 hours after receiving all necessary information.

Concurrent review decisions. Anthem will make the decision within one working day after getting all needed information.

In the case of a decision to approve a longer stay or more services, Anthem notifies the Member and the Provider rendering the service within one working day. The written notice will include the number of added days or next review date, the new total number of days or services approved, and the date of admission or initiation of services.

In the case of an adverse determination, Anthem notifies the Member and the Provider rendering the service within one working day. The service will continue without liability to the Member until the Member has been told of the finding.

Expedited Appeals. Anthem has a written process for the expedited review of an adverse determination involving a situation where the time frame of the standard review procedures would seriously threaten the life or health of a Member or would risk the Member's ability to get back maximum function. An expedited appeal will be available to, and may be requested by, the Member or the Provider acting for the Member.

Expedited appeals will be reviewed by a clinical peer or peers. The clinical peer/s will not have been part of the first adverse determination.

Anthem will provide expedited review to all requests for a Hospital stay, availability of care, continued stay or health care service for a Member who has received Emergency Services but has not been discharged from a Facility.

In an expedited review, all needed information, including Anthem finding, will be shared between Anthem and the Member or the Provider acting for the covered person by telephone, facsimile, electronic means or the quickest method available.

In an expedited review, Anthem will make a decision and notify the Member and the Provider acting for the Member by phone as quickly as the Member's medical condition requires, but not more than 72 hours after the review is begun. If the expedited review is a concurrent review decision of Emergency Services or of an initially authorized Hospital stay or course of treatment, the service will be continued without liability to the Member until the Member has been notified of the finding.

If the first notice was not in writing, Anthem will confirm its finding about the expedited review in writing within 2 working days of providing notice of that finding.

# **Appeals**

# **Level One Appeal Process**

You or Your authorized representative, if not satisfied with the first decision or the finding on a complaint, may Appeal the decision to the Anthem Appeals Department. An Appeal may be done orally or in writing and must include specific reasons why You or Your representative do not agree with the finding. Appeal of a finding must be sent to within one-hundred-eighty (180) calendar days of the date the finding was made, unless there are special circumstances. We have the right to review the reason for the delay and find out whether they warrant acceptance of the Level One Appeal past the 180-day time frame.

On Appeal, the file will be reviewed. Appeals will be reviewed by an appropriate peer or peers who have not been involved with a prior finding. In an appeal of an adverse health care treatment decision, You have the right to review the claim file. More information may be submitted by or for the Member, any treating physician, or Anthem as part of the internal Appeals process. A finding will be made within thirty (30) days after We receive the request for an Appeal.

The decision will include:

- The names, titles and information that qualifies the person or persons evaluating the Appeal;
- A statement of the reviewers' understanding of the reason for the Covered Person's request for an Appeal;
- The reviewers' finding in clear terms and the reason in enough detail for the Covered Person to respond to the health carrier's finding;
- A reference to the evidence or information used as the basis for the finding, including the clinical review materials used to make the decision. The finding shall include instructions for requesting copies of any referenced evidence, documents or clinical review information not already provided to the Member. Where a Member had already sent in a written request for the review criteria used by Anthem in giving its first adverse determination, the finding shall include copies of any additional clinical review criteria used in arriving at the decision.
- The notice must advise of any additional appeal rights, and the process and time limit for exercising those rights. Notice of external review rights must be provided to the enrollee and a description of the process for sending in a written request for second level grievance review.

When the finding is made, if the Member, or Member representative, does not agree with the finding, they may submit a voluntary second level Appeal to Anthem, request an external review, file a complaint with the Bureau of Insurance and/or bring legal action against Anthem. The Superintendent of Insurance may be contacted toll-free at 1-800-300-5000.

If you choose to request a voluntary second level Appeal, You may meet with the review panel in person, or at Anthem's expense by conference call, video conferencing or other appropriate technology to present Your concerns with Our adverse determination.

#### **Voluntary Level Two Appeal**

You may request a voluntary level two appeal or go straight to an external appeal. On a Level Two Appeal, the entire record will be reviewed.

Appeals of a clinical nature will be reviewed by an appropriate peer or peers who have not been involved with the prior finding. Additional information may be sent in by or for the Member, any treating physician. or Anthem. You or Your representative may meet with the review panel. If You do not request to meet in person, the decision for second level grievance reviews will be made within 30 calendar days. If You do request to appear in person, the review will be done within forty-five (45) days after We receive the Member's Level Two Appeal. A written decision will be sent to the Member within five (5) working days of the review. Once a final decision has been made by the Second Level Appeal panel, the Member may

then ask for an external review, file a complaint with the Bureau of Insurance and/or bring legal action against Anthem.

In any Appeal under this procedure in which a professional medical opinion about a health condition is an issue, you may have the right to an independent second opinion, of a Provider of the same specialty, paid for by the Plan.

Upon the request of a Member, Anthem shall provide to the Member all information that was used for that finding that is not confidential or privileged.

A Member has the right to:

- Attend the second level review:
- State his or her case to the review panel;
- Submit added material both before and at the review meeting;
- Ask questions of any employee in the meeting; and
- Be assisted or represented by a person of his or her choice.

Please refer to the section "Prescription Drug List" for the process for submitting an exception request for Drugs not on the Prescription Drug List.

# Blue View Vision Coverage Appeals

Please submit Appeals regarding Your vision coverage to the following address:

Blue View Vision 555 Middle Creek Parkway Colorado Springs, CO 80921

# **Dental Coverage Appeals**

Please submit Appeals regarding Your dental coverage to the following address:

Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield P. O. Box 1122 Minneapolis, MN 55440-1122

#### **External Review Process**

Your representative is a person who has Your written consent to represent You in an external review; a person authorized by law to give consent to request an external review for You; or a family Member or Your treating physician when You are unable to provide consent to request an external review.

If You, or Your representative, do not agree with the outcome of the Level One or Voluntary Level Two Appeal on an Adverse Health Care Treatment Decision by Anthem, you may make a written request for external review to the Bureau of Insurance. A health care treatment decision involves issues of medical necessity, preexisting condition findings and findings regarding experimental or investigational services. An Adverse Health Care Treatment Decision is a decision made by Us or on Our behalf denying payment. The request must be made within 12 months of the date the Member has received the final Adverse Health Care Treatment Decision of the Level One or Voluntary Level Two Appeal panel.

You or Your representative may not request an external review until You have completed Level One of the internal Appeals process unless:

Anthem did not make a decision on an Appeal within the time period required or has failed to follow all the requirements of the appeal process as state and federal law require, or the Member has asked for an expedited external review at the same time as applying for an expedited internal appeal;

- Anthem and You both agree to bypass the internal Appeals process:
- The life or health of the Member is at risk;
- The Member has died; or
- The Adverse Health Care Treatment Decision to be reviewed concerns an admission, availability of care, a continued stay or health care services when the claimant has received Emergency Services but has not been discharged from the Facility that provided the Emergency Services.

The Bureau of Insurance will oversee the external review process. Except as stated below, a written finding must be made by the independent review organization within thirty (30) days after receipt of a completed request for external review from the Bureau of Insurance.

Expedited External Review. An external review finding must be made as quickly as a Member's medical condition requires but no more than 72 hours after the completed request for external review is received if the 30-day time frame above would risk the life or health of the Member or would put the Member's ability to get back maximum function at risk.

An external review finding is binding on Anthem. You, or your representative, may not file a request for a second external review involving the same Adverse Health Care Treatment Decision for which You have already received an external review decision.

# **Legal Action Against Anthem**

No legal action may be brought against Anthem until the Member or the Member's authorized representative has exhausted the complaint and Appeals process outlined above. Any action must be initiated within three (3) Years from the earlier of:

- The date of issuance of the written external review decision; or
- The date of issuance of the underlying adverse Level One Appeal decision or the Level One grievance determination notice.

# WHEN MEMBERSHIP CHANGES (ELIGIBILITY)

# **Subscriber Eligibility**

To be eligible for membership as a Subscriber under this Certificate, the applicant must:

- 1. Be a United States citizen or national; or
- 2. Be a legal resident of Maine;
- 3. Submit proof satisfactory to Anthem to confirm Dependent eligibility;
- 4. Agree to pay for the cost of Subscription Charge that Anthem requires;
- 5. Reveal any coordination of benefits arrangements or other health benefit arrangements for the applicant or Dependents as they become effective;
- 6. Not be incarcerated (except pending disposition of charges);
- 7. Not be entitled to or enrolled in Medicare Parts A without payment of Subscription Charge;
- 8. Not be covered by any other group or individual health benefit Plan.

For purposes of eligibility, the service area is the area in which You:

- 1. Reside, intend to reside (including without a fixed address); or
- 2. Are seeking employment (whether or not currently employed); or
- 3. Have entered without a job commitment.

# **Dependent Eligibility**

To be eligible for coverage to enroll as a Dependent, You must be listed on the enrollment form completed by the Subscriber, meet all Dependent eligibility criteria and be:

- 1. The Subscriber's legal spouse.
- 2. The Subscriber's domestic partner domestic partner or domestic partnership means two individuals, of the same sex or opposite sex, that have been each other's sole domestic partner for 12 months or more; are mentally competent; at least 18 years old; who are not related in any way (including by blood or adoption) that would prohibit marriage under State law; not married to or separated from anyone else; and are financially interdependent.
  - a. For purposes of this Certificate, 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.
  - b. A domestic partner's or a domestic partner's child's coverage ends at the end of the month of the date of dissolution of the domestic partnership.
  - c. To apply for coverage as domestic partners, both the Subscriber and the eligible domestic partner are required to complete and sign an enrollment application, meet all criteria stated on the enrollment application and submit the enrollment application to Anthem. We reserve the right to make the ultimate decision in determining eligibility of the domestic partner.
- 3. The Subscriber's or the Subscriber's spouse's children, including stepchildren, newborn and legally adopted children under age 26.
- 4. Children for whom the Subscriber or the Subscriber's spouse is a legal guardian, to the end of the month in which they turn age 26.

Eligibility will be continued past the age limit only for those already enrolled Dependents who cannot work to support themselves by reason of intellectual or physical disability. These Dependents must be allowed as a federal tax exemption by the Subscriber or Subscriber's spouse. The Dependent's disability must start before the end of the period he or she would become ineligible for coverage. The Plan must certify the Dependent's eligibility. The Plan must be informed of the Dependent's eligibility for continuation of coverage within 31 days after the date the Dependent would normally become ineligible. You must notify us if the Dependent's tax exemption status changes and if he or she is no longer eligible for continued coverage.

The Plan may require the Subscriber to submit proof of continued eligibility for any Dependent. Your failure to provide this information could result in termination of a Dependent's coverage.

Temporary custody is not sufficient to establish eligibility under this Certificate.

Any foster child who is eligible for benefits provided by any governmental program or law will not be eligible for coverage under this Certificate unless required by the laws of this State.

# **Open Enrollment**

An annual open enrollment period is provided for enrollees. Individuals may enroll in a Plan, and Members may change Plans at that time.

# **Changes Affecting Eligibility and Special Enrollment**

A special enrollment period is a period during which a Member or an enrollee who experiences certain qualifying events or changes in eligibility may enroll in a Plan, outside of the annual open enrollment period.

Length of special enrollment periods: Unless specifically stated otherwise, a Member or enrollee has 60 calendar days from the date of a qualifying event to select a Plan.

#### **Qualifying Events**

- Involuntary loss of Minimum Essential Coverage for any reason other than fraud, intentional misrepresentation of a material fact or failure to pay Subscription Charge;
- An individual gains access to health benefit Plans as a result of a permanent move, provided he or she had Minimum Essential Coverage in effect for one or more days of the 60 days prior to the move:
- Loss of Minimum Essential Coverage due to dissolution of marriage;
- Marriage:
- Adoption or placement for adoption; and
- Birth.

# **Newborn and Adopted Child Coverage**

Newborn children of the Subscriber or the Subscriber's spouse will be covered for an initial period of 31 days from the date of birth. To continue coverage beyond the first 31 days, please contact Anthem within 60 days of the date of birth to add the child to the Subscriber's Certificate and you must pay Us timely for any additional Subscription Charge due.

A child will be considered adopted from the earlier of: (1) the moment of placement for adoption; 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. Please contact Anthem within 60 days of the placement for adoption or date of adoption to add the child to the Subscriber's Certificate and you must pay Us timely for any additional Subscription Charge due.

The newborn of a Member who is a Dependent child is eligible for benefits for Covered Services only from the moment of birth up to and including 31 days immediately following birth, but is not eligible for enrollment beyond this 31 day period under the Certificate until and unless the Subscriber/spouse or domestic partner is appointed by a court as legal guardian and can offer proof of such legal guardianship.

# Adding a Child due to Award of Guardianship

If a Subscriber or the Subscriber's spouse files an application for appointment of guardianship of a child, an application to cover the child under the Subscriber's Certificate must be submitted to Us within 60 days of the date the appointment of guardianship is granted. Coverage will be effective on the date the appointment of guardianship is awarded by the court.

# **Court Ordered Health Coverage**

If You are required by a court order, as defined by applicable State or federal law, to enroll Your child under this Certificate, and the child is otherwise eligible for the coverage. We will permit Your child to enroll under this Certificate, and We will provide the benefits of this Certificate in accordance with the applicable requirements of such order.

A child's coverage under this provision will not extend beyond any Dependent age limit. Any claims payable under this Certificate will be paid, at Our discretion, to the child or the child's custodial parent or legal quardian, for any expenses paid by the child, custodial parent, or legal quardian. We will make information available to the child, custodial parent, or legal guardian on how to obtain benefits and submit claims to Us directly.

# **Effective Date of Coverage**

The earliest Effective Date for the annual open enrollment period is the first day of the following Benefit Year. The actual Effective Date is determined by the date Anthem receives a complete application with the applicable Subscription Charge payment.

Effective Dates for special enrollment periods

- 1. In the case of birth, adoption or placement for adoption, coverage is effective on the date of birth, adoption, or placement for adoption unless the Subscriber timely requests a different Effective Date;
- 2. In the case of marriage, coverage is effective on the first day of the month after we receive a complete application, as long as the application is received within 60 days of the event; and
- 3. In the case where an individual loses Minimum Essential Coverage, coverage is effective based on when we receive a complete application, which must be submitted within 60 days of the qualifying event.

Effective Dates for special enrollment due to loss of Minimum Essential Coverage apply when the loss of Minimum Essential Coverage includes loss of eligibility for coverage as a result of:

- 1. Legal separation or divorce:
- 2. Cessation of Dependent status, such as attaining the maximum age;
- 3. Death of an employee;
- 4. Termination of employment;
- 5. Reduction in the number of hours of employment;
- 6. Individual who no longer resides, lives or works in the plan's service area:
- 7. A situation in which a plan no longer offers any benefits to the class of similarly situated individuals that includes the individual;
- 8. Termination of employer contributions: or
- 9. Exhaustion of COBRA benefits.

Effective Dates for Special Enrollment due to loss of Minimum Essential Coverage do not include termination or loss due to:

- 1. Failure to pay premiums on a timely basis, including COBRA premiums prior to expiration of COBRA coverage, or
- 2. Situations allowing for a rescission such as fraud or intentional misrepresentation of material fact.

#### **Notice of Changes**

The Subscriber is responsible to notify Us of any changes that will affect his or her eligibility or that of Dependents for services or benefits under this Certificate. We must be notified of any changes as soon as possible but no later than within 60 days of the event. This includes changes in address, marriage, divorce, death, change of Dependent disability or dependency status. Failure to notify Us of persons no longer eligible for services will not obligate Us to pay for such services. Acceptance of Subscription Charge for persons no longer eligible for services will not obligate Us to pay for such services.

Family coverage should be changed to single coverage when only the Subscriber is eligible. When notice is provided within 60 days of the event, the Effective Date of coverage is the event date causing the change to single coverage. The Plan must be notified when a Member becomes eligible for Medicare.

All notifications must be in writing and on approved forms. Such notifications must include all information required to effect the necessary changes.

#### **Statements and Forms**

Subscribers or applicants for membership shall complete and submit to the Plan applications or other forms or statements the Plan may request. Subscribers or applicants for membership represent to the best of their knowledge and belief that all information contained in such applications, questionnaires, forms, or statements submitted to the Plan is true, correct, and complete. Subscribers and applicants for membership understand that all rights to benefits under this Certificate are subject to the condition that all such information is accurate. Any act, practice, or omission that constitutes fraud or an intentional misrepresentation of material fact by a Member may result in termination or rescission of coverage.

# WHEN MEMBERSHIP ENDS (TERMINATION)

This section describes how coverage for a Member can be terminated, cancelled, rescinded, suspended or not renewed.

#### **Termination of the Member**

Unless prohibited by law, the Member's coverage will terminate if any of the following occurs:

- 1. The Member terminates his/her coverage with appropriate notice to Anthem.
- 2. The Member no longer meets the eligibility requirements for coverage under this Certificate.
- 3. The Member fails to pay his or her Subscription Charge, and the grace period has been exhausted.
- 4. Rescission of the Member's coverage.

#### **Effective Dates of Termination**

Except as otherwise provided, Your coverage may terminate in the following situations. This information provided below is general, and the actual Effective Date of termination may vary based on Your specific circumstances; for example, in no event will coverage be provided beyond the date through which Subscription Charge is paid in full:

- If You terminate Your coverage, termination will be effective on the last day of the billing period in which We receive Your notice of termination.
- If the Member moves outside of the service area, or the Member is not located within the service area, coverage terminates for the Member and all covered Dependents at the end of the billing period that contains the date the Member failed to meet any of the conditions above regarding the service area.
- A Dependent's coverage will terminate at the end of the billing period in which notice was received by Us that the person no longer meets the definition of Dependent.
- If You permit the use of Your or any other Member's Plan Identification Card by any other person; use another person's card; or use an invalid card to obtain services, Your coverage will terminate immediately upon Our written notice. Any Subscriber or Dependent 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.
- If You stop being an eligible Subscriber, or do not pay the required Subscription Charge, coverage terminates for all Members at the end of the period for which Subscription Charge is paid subject to the grace period.

IMPORTANT: Termination of the Certificate automatically terminates all Your coverage as of the date of Termination, whether or not a specific condition was incurred prior to the termination date. Covered Services are eligible for payment only if Your Certificate is in effect at the time such services are provided.

#### **Guaranteed Renewable**

Coverage under this Certificate is guaranteed renewable, except as permitted to be terminated, cancelled, rescinded, or not renewed under applicable State and federal law. The Member may renew this Certificate by payment of the renewal Subscription Charge by the end of the grace period of the Subscription Charge due date, provided the following requirements are satisfied:

- 1. Eligibility criteria continues to be met;
- 2. There are no fraudulent or intentional misrepresentations of material fact on the application or under the terms of this coverage;
- 3. Membership has not been terminated by Anthem under the terms of this Certificate.

# Loss of Eliqibility

Coverage ends for a Member when he or she no longer meets the eligibility requirements for coverage. You must timely furnish any information requested regarding Your eligibility and the eligibility of Your Dependents. Failure to give timely notification of a loss of eligibility will not obligate Us to provide benefits for ineligible persons, even if We have accepted Subscription Charges or paid benefits.

#### Rescission

If within two (2) Years after the Effective Date of this Certificate, We discover any act, practice or omission that constitutes fraud or an intentional misrepresentation of material fact that You or Your covered Dependents did not disclose on Your application. We may terminate or rescind this Certificate as of the original Effective Date. Additionally, if within two (2) Years after adding an additional Dependent (excluding newborn children of the Subscriber added within 31 days of birth). We discover any act, practice or omission that constitutes fraud or an intentional misrepresentation of material fact that You or Your covered Dependent did not disclose on the application, We may terminate or rescind coverage for the additional Dependent as of his or her original Effective Date. We will give you at least 30 days written notice prior to rescission of this Certificate.

This Certificate may also be terminated if You engage in fraudulent conduct, furnish Us fraudulent or misleading material information relating to claims or if You knowingly participate in or permit fraud or deception by any Provider, vendor or any other person associated with this Certificate. Termination will be effective 31 days after Our notice of termination is mailed. We will also terminate Your Dependent's coverage, effective on the date Your coverage is terminated.

You are responsible to pay Us for the cost of previously received services based on the Maximum Allowed Amount for such services, less any Copayment/Coinsurance made or Subscription Charge paid for such services. After the two (2) Years following your Effective Date, We may only rescind or terminate your coverage on the basis of any act, practice or omission that constitutes fraud.

# **Discontinuation of Coverage**

We can refuse to renew Your Certificate if We decide to discontinue a health coverage product that We offer in the individual market. If We discontinue a health coverage product, We will provide you with at least ninety (90) days notice of the discontinuation. In addition. You will be given the option to purchase any health coverage Plan that We currently offer without regard to claims status or health history. Discontinuation will not affect an existing claim.

#### **After Termination**

Once this Certificate is terminated, the former Members cannot reapply until the next annual open enrollment unless they experience an event that qualifies for a special enrollment period prior to the annual open enrollment period. You have the right to designate another person to receive notice of termination of this Certificate for nonpayment of charges or other lapse or default. We will send the notice to You and the person You designate at the last addresses You provided to Us 10 calendar days prior to cancellation of the contract. You also have the right to change the person You designate if You wish. In order to designate a person to receive this notice or to change a designation. You must fill out a Third Party Notice Request Form. You can obtain this form by contacting Us.

#### **Grace Period**

This Certificate has a 31-day Grace Period. This means if any Subscription Charge except the first is not paid by its payment due date, it may be paid during the next 31 days. During the grace period, the Certificate will stay in force unless prior to the date the Subscription Charge payment is due You give timely written notice to Us that the Certificate is to be terminated. If You do not make the full Subscription Charge payment during the grace period, the Certificate will be terminated on the last day of the grace period. You will be liable to Us for the Subscription Charge due including for the grace period. You will also be liable to Us for any claims payments made for services incurred after the grace period.

#### **Removal of Members**

A Subscriber may terminate the enrollment of any Member from the Plan. If this happens, no benefits will be provided for Covered Services received after the Member's termination date.

# **Refund of Subscription Charge**

Upon Termination, We shall return promptly the unearned portion of any Subscription Charge paid.

# Right to Reinstatement

You may be eligible to reinstate the Certificate within 90 days after the date of termination if non-payment of charges or other lapse or default took place because you suffered from cognitive impairment or functional incapacity at the time of termination. For the purposes of this provision, cognitive impairment or functional incapacity means a mental or nervous disorder of demonstrable origin that causes significant impairment.

If You request reinstatement, We may require a physician examination at Your own expense or request medical records that confirm You suffered from cognitive impairment or functional incapacity at the time of termination. If We accept the proof, We will reinstate Your coverage without a break in coverage. We will reinstate the same coverage You had before termination or the coverage You would have been entitled to if the Certificate had not been terminated, subject to the same terms, conditions, exclusions, and limitations. Before We can reinstate Your Certificate, You must pay the amount due from the date of termination through the month in which We bill you within 15 days from Our request. The charges will be the same amount they would have been if the Certificate had remained in force. If We deny Your request for reinstatement, We will send You a Notice of Denial. You have the right to an Appeal, or to request a hearing before the Superintendent of Insurance within 30 days after the date You receive the Notice of Denial from Us.

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR COVERAGE

#### Care Coordination

We pay Network Providers in various ways to provide Covered Services to You. For example, sometimes We may pay 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 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 Network Providers for coordination of Member care. In some instances, 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 Network Providers to Us under these programs.

# **Changes in Subscription Charge**

The Subscription Charge for this Certificate may change subject to, and as permitted by, applicable law. You will be notified of a change to Your Subscription Charge at the address in Our records 30 days in advance of the Effective Date of the change and You will be notified in 60 days prior to any rate filing that specifically impacts Your Plan. If Subscription Charges have been paid beyond the Effective Date of the rate change, the Subscription Charge will be adjusted to comply with the change.

# **Subscription Charges Paid by a Third Party**

Anthem Blue Cross will accept Subscription Charge payments made on behalf of Subscribers if the Subscription Charge is paid by the following persons or entities:

- The Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program;
- Other Federal and State government programs that provide Subscription Charge and Cost-Sharing support for specific individuals;
- Indian tribes, tribal organizations and urban Indian organizations; or
- A relative or legal guardian on behalf of a Subscriber.

Unless required by law, Anthem does not accept Subscription Charge payments from third parties that are not listed above. Examples of third parties from whom Anthem will not accept Subscription Charge payments include, but are not limited to, Providers, Hospitals, not-for-profit organizations (including religious organizations) that have or whose primary donors have a financial interest in the benefits of the contract/policy, commercial entities with a direct or indirect financial interest in the benefits of the contract/policy and employers that offer coverage under an employer health Plan.

# **Certificate Changes**

We may change this Certificate at any time provided the changes have been approved by the Maine Bureau of Insurance, are in accordance with all applicable laws, and We send written notice 60 days in advance to the Subscriber's latest address in Our records. After We notify the Subscriber of a change, payment of billed charges indicates the acceptance of the change.

# Confidentiality

Any information pertaining to Your diagnosis, treatment or health obtained from either Your physician, Provider or You will be held in confidence. We may use or disclose this information only to the extent required or permitted by law. Please refer to Anthem's privacy protection annual notice for Our privacy policies and procedures.

#### Form or Content of Certificate

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

# **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.

# **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, encouraging You to update Member-related information and encouraging You to enroll automatically to pay Subscription Charges electronically. 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.

# **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 adjustments 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 of 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. We may not give you notice of overpayments made by Us or You if the recovery method makes providing such notice administratively burdensome.

#### **Statements and Representations**

The statements You make on your application for coverage with Us are representations and not warranties.

# Severability

If any term or provision in this Certificate is deemed invalid or unenforceable, this does not affect the validity or enforceability of any other term or provision.

# Subrogation: Payments Resulting from Claim or Legal Action

When another party may have caused or may be responsible for Your injury or illness. You may be entitled to payment from a claim or legal action against that party. When We provide health care benefits for treatment of Your injury or illness, We have the right to recover, from any such payment (whether by judgment, suit, compromise, settlement or otherwise) up to the total benefit We paid, on a just and equitable basis. The process of recovering these expenses is called subrogation.

We also have subrogation rights against Your own insurance, including medical payments, uninsured, and underinsured motorist provisions in Your auto insurance policy.

Subrogation applies whether any of the payment or settlement is allocated for medical expenses.

If the services related to Your illness or injury are covered by a capitation fee, We are entitled to the reasonable cash value of the services.

By accepting Plan coverage You agree:

- Your signed application for coverage is Your authorization of Our right of subrogation;
- To notify Us of any event which could result in legal action, a claim against a third party, or a claim against your own insurance;
- To notify Us of any payments You receive as a result of legal action, a claim against a third party, or a claim against Your own insurance;
- To cooperate with Us in exercising Our right of subrogation by providing all information requested:
- To sign documents We deem necessary to protect Our rights; and
- To do nothing to interfere with Our subrogation rights.

If You do not comply with the above, You may be responsible for expenses We incur in enforcing Our subrogation rights.

# Value-Added Programs

We may offer health or fitness related programs and products to Our Members, through which You may access discounted rates from certain vendors for products and services available to the general public. We may also offer value-added services that include discounts on pharmacy products (over the counter drugs, consultations and biometrics). In addition, You may have access to additional value-added services that include discounts on pet medications, wholesale club memberships, mobile phone minutes and banking and payment services.

The products and services available under this program are not Covered Services under the Plan but are in addition to plan benefits and may include giveaways that promote a healthy lifestyle. As such, program features are not guaranteed under Your Certificate 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) that you have not received in the recommended 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 any 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.)

# 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 of 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.

#### 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 receive;
  - Any Covered Service or benefit decision that Your health Plan makes.
- Say no to care, for any condition, sickness or disease, without it 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.

Get help at any time, by calling the Member Services number located on the back of Your ID Card or by visiting Anthem.com.

Or contact Your local insurance department:

**MAINE** 

Phone: (800) 300-5000

Write: Bureau of Insurance Department of Professional and Financial Regulation

#34 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333-0034

# 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 a 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 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 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 overseen by your Certificate of Coverage, Member Handbook or Schedule of Cost Shares and Benefits and not by this Member Rights and Responsibilities statement.

# **DEFINITIONS**

The following terms, defined in this section, are capitalized throughout the Certificate so they are easy to identify.

#### **Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield (Anthem)**

The company providing the coverage under this Certificate. The terms We, Us and Our in this Certificate refer to Anthem and its designated affiliates.

#### **Appeal**

A formal request by You or Your representative for reconsideration of a decision not resolved to Your satisfaction. See the "If You Have a Complaint or an Appeal" section of this Certificate.

#### **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 relations between environment and behavior.

#### **Authorized Service**

A Covered Service rendered by any Provider other than a Network Provider, which has been authorized in advance (except for Emergency Care which may be authorized after the service is rendered) by Us to be paid at the Network level. For more information, see the "Claims Payments" section.

#### **Autism Spectrum Disorder**

Any of the pervasive developmental disorders as defined by the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, 4<sup>th</sup> edition, published by the American Psychiatric Association, including autistic disorder, Asperger's disorder and pervasive developmental disorder not otherwise specified.

#### **Benefit Period/Year**

The period of time that We pay benefits for Covered Services. Generally, the Benefit Period/Year is a Calendar Year for this Plan, as listed in the "Schedule of Cost–Shares and Benefits." If Your coverage ends earlier, the Benefit Period/Year ends at the same time.

#### 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 difference from the reference product.

#### **Brand Drug**

Prescription Drugs that We classify as Brand Drugs or Our Pharmacy Benefits Manager (PBM) has classified as Brand Drugs through use of an independent proprietary industry database.

#### Calendar Year

A period beginning on January 1 and ending on December 31 of the same Year.

#### **Certificate of Coverage (Certificate)**

This summary of the terms of Your benefits.

#### Coinsurance

The percentage of the Maximum Allowed Amount that You pay for some Covered Services.

#### **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 for a Covered Service, usually when You receive the service. The amount can vary by the type of Covered Service. The Copayment does not apply to the Deductible.

# **Cost-Share (Cost Sharing)**

The amount which the Member is required to pay for Covered Services. Where applicable, Cost-Share can be in the form of Copayments, Coinsurance and/or Deductibles.

#### **Covered Services**

Services, supplies or treatments which are:

- Medically Necessary or otherwise specifically included as a benefit and that is listed under the "What is Covered" section;
- Within the scope of the Provider's license;
- Rendered while coverage under this Certificate is in force;
- Not Experimental or Investigational or not covered by this Certificate; and
- Authorized in advance by Us if such preauthorization is required in Certificate.

#### **Deductible**

The amount of charges You must pay for any Covered Services before any benefits are available to You under this coverage. Your Deductible is stated in Your "Schedule of Cost Shares and Benefits".

# **Dentally Necessary Orthodontic Care**

A service for pediatric Members used to treat malocclusion of teeth and associated dental and facial disharmonies. Certain criteria must be met in order for Dentally Necessary Orthodontic Care to be covered. See the Dentally Necessary Orthodontic Care benefit description in the "Pediatric Dental Care" section for more information.

#### Dependent

A Member of the Subscriber's family who meets the rules listed in the "When Membership Changes (Eligibility)" section and who has enrolled in the Plan.

#### **Designated Pharmacy Provider**

A Network Pharmacy that has executed a Designated Pharmacy Provider Agreement with Us or a Network Provider that is designated to provide Prescription Drugs, including Specialty Drugs, to treat certain conditions.

#### **Effective Date**

The date when a Member's coverage begins under this Certificate.

#### **Emergency Medical Condition (Emergency)**

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

- placing the health of the individual or another person (or, with respect to a pregnant woman, the health of the woman or her unborn child) in serious jeopardy;
- · serious impairment to bodily functions; or
- serious dysfunction of any bodily organ or part.

#### **Emergency Services (Emergency Care)**

With respect to an Emergency Medical Condition:

- A medical or behavioral health screening examination that is within the capability of the emergency department of a Hospital, including ancillary services routinely available to the emergency department to evaluate such Emergency Medical Condition, and
- 2) Within the capabilities of the staff and Facilities available at the Hospital, such further medical examination and treatment to stabilize the patient.

The term "stabilize" means, with respect to an Emergency Medical Condition:

To provide such medical treatment of the condition as may be necessary to assure, within reasonable medical probability, that no material deterioration of the condition is likely to result from or occur during the transfer of the individual from a Facility. With respect to a pregnant woman who is having contractions, the term "stabilize" also means to deliver (including the placenta), if there is inadequate time to affect a safe transfer to another Hospital before delivery or transfer may pose a threat to the health or safety of the woman or the unborn child.

#### **Experimental or Investigational**

Any drug, biologic, device, diagnostic, product, equipment, procedure, treatment, service, or supply used in or directly related to the diagnosis, evaluation, or treatment of a disease, injury, illness, or other health condition which Anthem determines to be Experimental or Investigational.

Anthem will deem any drug, biologic, device, diagnostic, product, equipment, procedure, treatment, service, or supply to be Experimental or Investigational if it determines that one or more of the following criteria apply when the service is rendered with respect to the use for which payment of benefits is sought.

- 1) The drug, biologic, device, diagnostic, product, equipment, procedure, treatment, service, or supply:
  - Cannot be legally marketed in the United States without the final approval of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) or any other state or federal regulatory agency and such final approval has not been granted; or
  - Has been determined by the FDA to be contraindicated for the specific use; or
  - Is provided as part of a clinical research protocol or clinical trial or is provided in any other
    manner that is intended to evaluate the safety, toxicity, or efficacy of the drug, biologic, device,
    diagnostic, product, equipment, procedure, treatment, service, or supply, unless otherwise
    required by law; or
  - Is subject to review and approval of an Institutional Review Board (IRB) or other body serving a similar function; or
  - Is provided pursuant to informed consent documents that describe the drug, biologic, device, diagnostic, product, equipment, procedure, treatment, service, or supply as experimental or investigational or otherwise indicate that the safety, toxicity, or efficacy of the drug, biologic, device, diagnostic, product equipment, procedure, treatment, service, or supply is under evaluation.
- 2) Any service not deemed Experimental or Investigational based on the criteria in subsection (a) may still be deemed to be Experimental or Investigational by Anthem. In determining whether a service is Experimental or Investigational, Anthem will consider the information described in subsection (c) and assess the following:
  - Whether the scientific evidence is conclusory concerning the effect of the service on health outcomes;
  - Whether the evidence demonstrates the service improves the net health outcomes of the total population for whom the service might be proposed by producing beneficial effects that outweigh any harmful effects;
  - Whether the evidence demonstrates the service has been shown to be as beneficial for the total population for whom the service might be proposed as any established alternatives; and

- Whether the evidence demonstrates the service has been shown to improve the net health outcomes of the total population for whom the service might be proposed under the usual conditions of medical practice outside clinical investigatory settings.
- 3) The information considered or evaluated by Anthem to determine whether a drug, biologic, device, diagnostic, product, equipment, procedure, treatment, service, or supply is Experimental or Investigational under subsections (a) and (b) may include one or more items from the following list which is not all inclusive:
  - Published authoritative, peer-reviewed medical or scientific literature, or the absence thereof; or
  - Evaluations of national medical associations, consensus panels, and other technology evaluation bodies: or
  - Documents issued by and/or filed with the FDA or other federal, state or local agency with the
    authority to approve, regulate, or investigate the use of the drug, biologic, device, diagnostic,
    product, equipment, procedure, treatment, service, or supply; or
  - Documents of an IRB or other similar body performing substantially the same function; or
  - Consent document(s) used by the treating physicians, other medical professionals, or facilities or by other treating physicians, other medical professionals or facilities studying substantially the same drug, biologic, device, diagnostic, product, equipment, procedure, treatment, service, or supply; or
  - The written protocol(s) used by the treating physicians, other medical professionals, or facilities or by other treating physicians, other medical professionals or facilities studying substantially the same drug, biologic, device, diagnostic, product, equipment, procedure, treatment, service, or supply; or
  - Medical records; or
  - The opinions of consulting providers and other experts in the field.
- 4) Anthem identifies and weighs all information and determines all questions pertaining to whether a drug, biologic, device, diagnostic, product, equipment, procedure, treatment, service, or supply is Experimental or Investigational.

#### **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 Certificate. The Facility must be licensed, accredited, registered and approved by the Joint Commission or The Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF), as applicable, or meet specific rules set by Us.

#### **Formulary**

Listing of Prescription Drugs that are determined by Anthem in its sole discretion to be designated as Covered drugs. The List of approved Prescription Drugs developed by Anthem in consultation with physicians and pharmacists has been reviewed for their quality and cost effectiveness. This Formulary contains a limited number of Prescription Drugs, and may be different than the Formulary for other Anthem products. Generally, it includes select Generic Drugs with limited brand Prescription Drugs coverage. This list is subject to periodic review and modification by Anthem. We may add or delete Prescription Drugs from this Formulary from time to time. A description of the Prescription Drugs that are listed on this Formulary is available upon request and at <a href="https://www.anthem.com">www.anthem.com</a>.

#### **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 given in the same form (tablet, capsule, cream) as the Brand Drug.

#### **Habilitative Services**

Health care services and devices that help a person 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 Delivery Pharmacy**

A service where You get Prescription Drugs (other than Specialty Pharmacy Drugs) through a mail order service.

#### **Home Health Care Agency**

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

- Provides skilled nursing and other services on a visiting basis in the Member's home; and
- Is responsible for supervising the delivery of such services under a plan prescribed and approved in writing by the attending physician.

#### 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
- Subacute care

#### **Identification Card/ID Card**

A card issued by the Plan that bears the Member's name, identifies the membership by number, and may contain information about Your coverage. It is important to carry this card with You.

#### Inpatient

A Member who receives care as a registered bed patient in a Hospital or other Facility-where a room and board charge is made. It does not mean a Member who is placed under observation for fewer than 24 hours.

#### **Intensive Outpatient Program**

Short-term behavioral health treatment that provides a combination of individual, group and family therapy.

#### 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, is expected to produce the same clinical result as the reference product in any given patient.

# **Maintenance Medication**

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.

#### **Maintenance Pharmacy**

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

#### **Maximum Allowed Amount**

The maximum amount that We will allow for Covered Services You receive. For more information, see the "Claims Payments" section.

#### Medicaid

Title XIX of the United States Social Security Act, Grants to States for Medical Assistance Programs.

#### **Medically Necessary Health Care**

Health care services or products provided to a Member for the purpose of preventing, diagnosing or treating an illness, injury or disease or the symptoms of an illness, injury or disease in a manner that is:

- Consistent with generally accepted standards of medical practice;
- Clinically appropriate in terms of type, frequency, extent, site and duration;
- Demonstrated through scientific evidence to be effective in improving health outcomes;
- Representative of "best practices" in the medical profession; and
- Not primarily for the convenience of the Member or physician or other health care practitioner.

#### **Medicare**

The programs of healthcare for the aged and disabled established by Title XVIII of the Social Security Act of 1965, as amended.

#### Member

The Subscriber and enrolled Dependent.

#### **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.

#### **Minimum Essential Coverage**

The term means any of the following: Government sponsored programs (Medicare, Medicaid, CHIP, TRICARE for Life, veteran's health care program); coverage under an eligible employer-sponsored plan; coverage under a health plan offered in the individual market within a State; coverage under a grandfathered health plan, and such other health benefits coverage, such as a State health or benefits risk pool.

#### **Network Pharmacy**

A Network Pharmacy is a Pharmacy that has a Network Pharmacy agreement in effect with or for Our benefit at the time services are rendered. Network Pharmacies may be based on a restricted network, and may be different than the network of Network Pharmacies for Our other products. To find a Network Pharmacy near You, call Member Services at the telephone number on the back of Your Identification Card.

#### **Network Providers**

Health care Providers that have a written agreement with Anthem to furnish health care services under this Certificate. Also referred to as participating Providers.

#### **Non-Network Pharmacy**

A Pharmacy that does not have a Network Pharmacy agreement in effect with or for the benefit of Anthem at the time services are rendered. In most instances, You will be responsible for a larger portion of Your pharmaceutical bill when You go to a Non-Network Pharmacy.

#### **Non-Network Providers**

Health care Providers that do not have a written agreement with Anthem to furnish health care services under this Certificate. Also referred to as non-participating Providers. Providers who have not contracted or affiliated with Our designated subcontractor(s) for the services they perform under this Plan are also considered Non-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 Subscription Charge, amounts over the Maximum Allowed Amount, or charges for health care that your Plan doesn't cover. When the Out-of-Pocket Limit is reached, no additional Deductible or Coinsurance is required unless otherwise specified in this Certificate. Please see the 'Schedule of Cost Shares and Benefits' for details.

#### Outpatient

A Member who receives services or supplies when not an Inpatient.

#### **Partial Hospitalization Program**

Structured, short-term behavioral health treatment that offers nursing care and active 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

Process to make clinically based recommendations that will help you access quality, low cost medicines within Your benefit program. The process includes health care professionals such as nurses, pharmacists, and doctors. The committees of the Anthem 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, Drug utilization programs, prior authorization criteria, therapeutic conversion programs, cross-branded initiatives, and Drug profiling initiatives.

#### **Pharmacy Benefits Manager (PBM)**

A Pharmacy benefits management company with which Anthem contracts to manage Pharmacy benefits. Anthem's PBM has a nationwide network of Retail Pharmacies, a mail service Pharmacy, and clinical services that include Formulary 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.

#### Plan

The set of benefits, conditions, exclusions and limitations described in this document.

# **Precertification**

Please see the section "Requesting Approval for Benefits" for details.

#### Predetermination

Please see the section "Requesting Approval for Benefits" for details.

#### **Prescription Drug (Drug)**

A medicine that is made 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 Insulin, diabetic supplies, and syringes.

### **Prescription Order**

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

#### Primary Care Physician ("PCP")

A Network Provider who is a practitioner that specialized in family practice, general practice, internal medicine, pediatrics, obstetrics/gynecology, geriatrics or any other Network Provider as allowed by the Plan. A PCP supervises, coordinates and provides initial care and basic medical services to a Member and is responsible for ongoing patient care.

#### **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 Certificate. If You have a question about a Provider not described in this Certificate, please call the number on the back of Your Identification Card.

#### Referral

Please see the "How Your Coverage Works" section for details.

#### **Rehabilitative Services**

Health care services that help a person get back or improve skills and functioning for daily living that have been lost or impaired because a person was sick, hurt or disabled. These services may include physical and occupational therapy, speech-language pathology, and psychiatric rehabilitation services in a variety of Inpatient and/or Outpatient settings.

# **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 Pharmacy**

An establishment licensed to dispense Prescription Drugs and other medications (other than Specialty Pharmacy Drugs) through a licensed pharmacist or Home Delivery Pharmacy service upon an authorized health care professional's order.

#### Self-Administered Drugs

Drugs that are administered which do not require a medical professional to administer.

#### **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 You 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.

### **Specialty Care Physician (Specialist or SCP)**

A physician 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 doctor who has added training in a specific area of health care.

#### **Specialty Drugs**

Drugs that are high-cost, injectable, infused, oral or inhaled drugs that generally require close supervision and monitoring of their effect on the patient's drug therapy by a medical professional. These Drugs often require special handling, such as temperature controlled packaging and overnight delivery, and are often unavailable at Retail Pharmacies.

# **Specialty Pharmacy**

A Pharmacy that is designated by Us, other than a Retail Pharmacy or Home Delivery Pharmacy that provides high cost, biotech drugs which are used for the treatment of acute or chronic diseases.

# **State**

Each of the 50 States and the District of Columbia.

#### **Subscriber**

The Member who applied for coverage and in whose name this Certificate is issued.

#### **Subscription Charge**

The monthly charge You must pay Anthem to establish and maintain coverage under this Certificate.

#### **Surgical Assistant**

A physician (Doctor of Medicine or Osteopathy) or dentist (Doctor of Dental Medicine or Dental Surgery), or other qualified professionals as permitted by law and recognized by Us who actively assists the operating surgeon in performing a covered surgical service.

#### **Treatment of Autism Spectrum Disorders**

The following types of care prescribed, provided or ordered for an individual diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder:

1. Habilitative or Rehabilitative services, including Applied Behavior Analysis or other professional or counseling services necessary to develop, maintain and restore the functioning of an individual to the extent possible. To be eligible for coverage, Applied Behavior Analysis must 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:
- 2. Counseling services provided by a licensed psychiatrist, psychologist, clinical professional counselor or clinical social worker; and
- 3. Therapy services provided by a licensed or certified speech therapist, occupational therapist or physical therapist.

#### **Urgent Care**

Medical care for an unexpected illness or injury 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 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.

#### We, Us and Our

Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield (Anthem).

#### Year and Yearly

A 12 month period.

#### You and Your

The Member, Subscriber and each covered Dependent.



# **Outline of Coverage**

This Outline of Coverage provides a very brief description of the important features of Your Certificate. This not the insurance contract and only the actual Certificate provisions will control. The Certificate itself sets forth in detail the rights and obligation of both You and Your Insurance Company.

Covered Services	Benefits
	Please see your Schedule of Cost Shares and Benefits for your Copayment, Deductible and Coinsurance.
Daily hospital room and board (semiprivate room rate)	You pay the Copayment (if applicable) Deductible and Coinsurance shown on your Schedule of Cost Shares and Benefits.  Covered Services will be paid at 100% of the Maximum Allowed Amount after the Out-of-Pocket Limit has been met.
Miscellaneous hospital services Emergency room charge	After you pay the Emergency Copayment and any Deductible and Coinsurance shown on your Schedule of Cost Shares and Benefits.  Covered Services will be paid at 100% of the Maximum Allowed Amount after the Out-of-Pocket Limit has been met.
Surgical services Anesthesia services In-Hospital medical services	You pay the Deductible and Coinsurance shown on your Schedule of Cost Shares and Benefits.  Covered Services will be paid at 100% of the Maximum Allowed Amount after the Out-of-Pocket Limit has been met.
Out-of-hospital care Office visits	After you pay the visit Copayment (if applicable) and any Deductible and Coinsurance shown on your Schedule of Cost Shares and Benefits.  Covered Services will be paid at 100% of the Maximum Allowed Amount after the Out-of-Pocket Limit has been met.
Other Benefits  Durable medical equipment  Ambulance	You pay the Deductible and Coinsurance shown on Your Schedule of Cost Shares and Benefits.  Covered Services will be paid at 100% of the Maximum Allowed Amount after the Out-of-Pocket Limit has been met.

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Certain contracted Maine Retail Pharmacies can fill your prescription at the same Copayments that apply to the Home Delivery Pharmacy level of benefits. Please ask your Pharmacy if they offer this special arrangement or call Member Services at the phone number on Your ID Card for a list of Retail Pharmacies that offer the Home Delivery Pharmacy level of benefits.

#### **Exclusions**

Please see the "What is Not Covered (Exclusions)" section of Your Certificate of Coverage for a detailed description of exclusions

#### **Guaranteed Renewable**

Coverage under this Certificate is guaranteed renewable except as permitted to be terminated, cancelled rescinded, or not renewed under applicable State and federal law. The Member may renew this Certificate by payment of the renewal Subscription Charge by the end of the grace period of the Subscription Charge due date, provided the following requirements are satisfied:

- 1. Eligibility criteria continues to be met;
- There are no fraudulent or intentional misrepresentations of material fact on the application or under the terms of this Certificate; and
- 3. Membership has not been terminated under the terms of this Certificate.

#### **Changes in Subscription Charge**

The Subscription Charge for this Certificate may change subject to, and as permitted by, applicable law. You will be notified of a change to Your Subscription Charge at the address in Our records 30 days in advance of the Effective Date of the change and You will be notified in 60 days prior to any rate filing that specifically impacts Your Plan. If Subscription Charges have been paid beyond the Effective Date of the rate change, the Subscription Charge will be adjusted to comply with the change.

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# Get help in your language

Curious to know what all this says? We would be too. Here's the English version: You have the right to get this information and help in your language for free. Call the Member Services number on your ID card for help. (TTY/TDD: 711)

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 Member Services telephone number on the back of your ID card.

#### Albanian

Keni të drejtën të merrni falas ndihmë dhe informacion në gjuhën tuaj. Për ndihmë, telefononi numrin e shërbimeve për anëtarët, të shënuar në kartën tuaj ID. (TTY/TDD: 711)

#### Amharic

ይህንን መረጃ እና እንዛ በቋንቋዎ በነጻ እንዛ የማግኘት መብት አልዎት። ለእንዛ በመታወቂያዎ ላይ ያለውን የአባል አንልግሎቶች ቁጥር ይደውሉ።(TTY/TDD: 711)

#### Arabic

يحق لك الحصول على هذه المعلومات والمساعدة بلغتك مجلًّا. اتصل برقم خدمات الأعضاء الموجود على بطاقة التعريف الخاصة بك للمساعدة(711 /TTY/TDD).

#### Armenian

Դուք իրավունք ունեք Ձեր լեզվով անվձար ստանալ այս տեղեկատվությունը և ցանկացած օգնություն։ Օգնություն ստանալու համար զանգահարեք Անդամների սպասարկման կենտրոն՝ Ձեր ID քարտի վրա նշված համարով։ (TTY/TDD: 711)

#### Bassa

M bédé dyí-bèdèìn-dèò bé mì ké bổ nìà ke kè gbo-kpá- kpá dyé dé mì bídí-wùdùǔn bó pídyi. Đá mébà jè gbo-gmò Kpòè nòbà nìà nì Dyí-dyoìn-bềɔ kɔ̃e bé mì ké gbo-kpá-kpá dyé. (TTY/TDD: 711)

#### Bengali

আপনার বনিামূল্য এই তথ্য পাওয়ার ও আপনার ভাষায় সাহায্য করার অধকিার আছে। সাহায্যরে জন্য আপনার আইড িকার্ড থোকা সদস্য পরযিবো নম্বর কেল করুন। (TTY/TDD: 711)

#### Burmese

ဤအချက်အလက်များနှင့် အကူအညီကို သင့်ဘာသာစကားဖြင့် အခမဲ့ ရပိုင်ခွင့် သင့်တွင်ရှိပါသည်။ အကူအညီ ရယူရန် သင့် ID ကဒ်ပေါ်ရှိ အဖွဲ့ဝင်အတွက် ဝန်ဆောင်မှုများ ဌာန၏ နံပါတ်သို့ ခေါ်ဆိုပါ။ (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)

#### Dinka

Yin nŋ yic ba ye lëk në yök ku bë yi kuny në thöŋ yin jäm ke cin wëu töu kë piiny. Cl rän töŋ dë kc kë lui në nämba dën t në I.D kat du yic. (TTY/TDD: 711)

#### Dutch

U hebt het recht om deze informatie en hulp gratis in uw taal te krijgen. Bel het ledendienstennummer op uw ID-kaart voor ondersteuning. (TTY/TDD: 711)

#### Farsi

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شما این حق را دارید که این اطلاعات و کمکها را به صورت رایگان به زبان
خودنان دریافت کنید. برای دریافت کمک به شماره مرکز خدمات اعضاء که بر
روی کارت شناساییتان درج شده است، تماس بگیرید.(TTY/TDD:711)
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#### 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)

#### Greek

Έχετε το δικαίωμα να λάβετε αυτές τις πληροφορίες και αυτήν τη βοήθεια στη γλώσσα σας δωρεάν. Καλέστε τον αριθμό του Τμήματος Υπηρεσιών Μέλους (Member Services) που αναγράφεται στην ταυτότητά σας (ID card) για βοήθεια. (TTY/TDD: 711)

#### Gujarati

તમે તમારી ભાષામાં મફતમાં આ માહિતી અને મદદ મેળવવાનો અધિકાર ધરાવો છો. મદદ માટે તમારા આઈડી કાર્ડ પરના મેમ્બર સરવિસ 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 मुफ़्त में प्राप्त करने का अधिकार है। मदद के लिए अपने ID कारड पर सदसय सेवाएँ नंबर पर कॉल करें। (TTY/TDD: 711)

#### Hmona

Koj muaj cai tau txais qhov lus qhia no thiab kev pab hais ua koj hom lus yam tsis xam tus nqi. Hu rau tus nab npawb xov tooj lis Cov Kev Pab Cuam Rau Tswv Cuab nyob rau ntawm koj daim ID txhawm rau thov kev pab. (TTY/TDD: 711)

# Igbo

Į nwere ikike įnweta ozi a yana enyemaka n'asusu gi n'efu. Kpoo nomba Oru Onye Otu di na kaadi NJ gi maka enyemaka. (TTY/TDD: 711)

#### llokano

Addanka ti karbengan a maala iti daytoy nga impormasyon ken tulong para ti lengguahem nga awanan ti bayadna. Awagan ti numero ti Serbisyo para ti Kameng a masarakan ayan ti ID kard mo para ti tulong. (TTY/TDD: 711)

#### Indonesian

Anda berhak untuk mendapatkan informasi ini dan bantuan dalam bahasa Anda secara gratis. Hubungi nomor Layanan Anggota pada kartu ID Anda untuk mendapatkan bantuan. (TTY/TDD: 711)

#### Italian

Ha il diritto di ricevere queste informazioni ed eventuale assistenza nella sua lingua senza alcun costo aggiuntivo. Per assistenza, chiami il numero dedicato ai Servizi per i membri riportato sul suo libretto. (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)

#### Khmer

អ្**នកមានសិទ្**ធិក្**នុងការទទួលព័ត៌មានន**េះ និងទទួលជំនួយជាភាសារបស់អ្**នកដលាយឥតគិតថ្**ល។ៃ សូមហល់ទូរស័ព្**ទទល់លខេសជាសមាជិកដលែមានល**លីប័ណ្ណ ID របស់អ្**នកដលីម្**បីទទួលជំនួយ។ (TTY/TDD: 711)

#### Kirundi

Ufise uburenganzira bwo gufashwa mu rurimi rwawe ku buntu. Akura umunywanyi abikora Ikaratakarangamuntu yawe kugira ufashwe. (TTY/TDD: 711)

#### Korean

귀하에게는 무료로 이 정보를 얻고 귀하의 언어로 도움을 받을 권리가 있습니다. 도움을 얻으면 귀하의 ID 카드에 있는 회원 서비스 번호로 전화하십시오. (TTY/TDD: 711)

#### Lao

ທ່ານມີສິດໄດ້ຮັບຂໍ້ມູນນີ້ ແລະ ຄວາມຊ່ວຍເຫຼືອເປັນພາສາຂອງທ່ານໂດຍບໍ່ເສຍຄ່າ. ໂທຫາເບີໂທຂອງຝ່າຍບໍລິການສະມາຊິກທີ່ໃຫ້ໄວ້ໃນບັດປະຈຳຕົວຂອງທ່ານເພື່ອຂໍຄວາມຊ່ວຍເຫຼືອ. (TTY/TDD: 711)

#### Navajo

Bee ná ahoot'i' t'áá ni nizaad k'ehjí níká a'doowoł t'áá jíík'e. Naaltsoos bee atah nílínígíí bee néého'dólzingo nanitinígíí béésh bee hane'í bikáá' áaji' hodíílnih. Naaltsoos bee atah nílínígíí bee néého'dólzingo nanitinígíí béésh bee hane'í bikáá' áaji' hodíílnih. (TTY/TDD: 711)

#### Nepali

तपाईंले यो जानकारी तथा सहयोग आफ्नो भाषामा नःिशुल्क प्राप्त गर्ने तपाईंको अधकािर हो। सहायताको लागि तपाईंको ID कार्डमा दिइएको सदस्य सेवा नम्बरमा कल गर्नुहोस्। (TTY/TDD: 711)

#### Oromo

Odeeffanoo kana fi gargaarsa afaan keetiin kaffaltii malee argachuuf mirga qabda. Gargaarsa argachuuf lakkoofsa bilbilaa tajaajila miseensaa (Member Services) waraqaa enyummaa kee irratti argamu irratti bilbili. (TTY/TDD: 711)

#### Pennsylvania Dutch

Du hoscht die Recht selle Information un Helfe in dei Schprooch mitaus Koscht griege. Ruf die Member Services Nummer uff dei ID Kaarte fer Helfe aa. (TTY/TDD: 711)

#### Polish

Masz prawo do bezpłatnego otrzymania niniejszych informacji oraz uzyskania pomocy w swoim języku. W tym celu skontaktuj się z Działem Obsługi Klienta pod numerem telefonu podanym na karcie identyfikacyjnej. (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)

#### Punjabi

ਤੁਹਾਨੂੰ ਆਪਣੀ ਭਾਸ਼ਾ ਵਾੱਚ ਇਹ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਅਤੇ ਮਦਦ ਮੁਫ਼ਤ ਵਾੱਚ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤ ਕਰਨ ਦਾ ਅਧਕਾਿਰ ਹੈ। ਮਦਦ ਲਈ ਆਪਣੇ ਆਈਡੀ ਕਾਰਡ ਉੱਤੇ ਮੈਬਰ ਸਰਵਸਿਜਿ ਨੰਬਰ ਤੇ ਕਾਲ ਕਰੋ। (TTY/TDD: 711)

#### Romanian

Avei dreptul să obinei aceste informaii i asistenă în limba dvs. în mod gratuit. Pentru asistenă, apelai numărul departamentului de servicii destinate membrilor de pe cardul dvs. de identificare. (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)

#### Samoan

E iai lou 'aia faaletulafono e maua nei faamatalaga ma se fesoasoani i lou lava gagana e aunoa ma se totogi. Vili le numera mo Sauniuniga mo lou Vaega o loo maua i lou pepa faailoa ID mo se fesoasoani. (TTY/TDD: 711)

#### Serbian

Imate pravo da dobijete sve informacije i pomoć na vašem jeziku, i to potpuno besplatno. Pozovite broj Centra za podršku članovima koji se nalazi na vašoj identifikacionoj kartici. (TTY/TDD: 711)

#### 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)

#### Tagalog

May karapatan kayong makuha ang impormasyon at tulong na ito sa ginagamit ninyong wika nang walang bayad. Tumawag sa numero ng Member Services na nasa inyong ID card para sa tulong. (TTY/TDD: 711)

#### Thai

ท่านมีสิทธิขอรับบริการสอบถามข้อมูลและความช่วยเหลือในภาษาของท่านฟรี โทรไปที่หมายเลขฝ่ายบริการสมาชิกบนบัตรประจำตัวของท่านเพื่อขอความช่วยเหลือ (TTY/TDD: 711)

#### Ukrainian

Ви маєте право безкоштовно отримати інформацію та допомогу своєю рідною мовою. По допомогу звертайтеся за номером служби підтримки учасників програми страхування, указаним на вашій ідентифікаційній картці. (TTY/TDD: 711)

#### Urdu

آپ کو اپنی زبان میں مفت ان معلومات اور مند کےحصول کا حق ہے۔ مند کے لیے اپنے آئی ڈی کارڈ پر موجود ممبر سروس نمبر کو کال کریں۔(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)

#### Yiddish

רופט די מעמבער איר האט די רעכט צו באקומען דעם אינפארמאציע און הילפט אין אייער שפראך בחינם. באדינונגען נומער אויף אייער קארטל פאר הילף (TTY/TDD:711)

#### Yoruba

O ní ệtộ láti gba ìwífún yìí kí o sì èrànwộ ní èdè rẹ lốfệệ. Pe Nómbà àwọn ìpèsè ọmọ-ẹgbệ lórí káàdì ìdánimò re fún ìrànwó. (TTY/TDD: 711)

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