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## **Sample Completed Summary of Coverage**

# Insurance Company 1: PPO Plan 1

Summary of Coverage: What this Plan Covers & What it Costs

Policy Period: 1/1/2011 – 12/31/2011

Coverage for: Individual + Spouse | Plan Type: PPO



**This is not a policy.** You can get the policy at [www.insurancecompany.com/PLAN1500](http://www.insurancecompany.com/PLAN1500) or by calling 1-800-XXX-XXXX.

A policy has more detail about how to use the plan and what you and your insurer must do. It also has more detail about your coverage and costs.

Important Questions	Answers	Why this Matters:
What is the <b>premium</b> ?	<b>\$481</b> monthly	The <b>premium</b> is the amount paid for health insurance. This is only an estimate based on information you've provided. After the insurer reviews your application, your actual premium may be higher or your application may be denied.
What is the overall <b>deductible</b> ?	<b>\$2,500</b> person / <b>\$7,500</b> family Doesn't apply to preventive care	You must pay all the costs up to the <b>deductible</b> amount before this health insurance plan begins to pay for covered services you use. Check your policy to see when the <b>deductible</b> starts over (usually, but not always, January 1st). See the chart starting on page 2 for how much you pay for covered services after you meet the <b>deductible</b> .
Are there other <b>deductibles</b> for specific services?	Yes; <b>\$300</b> for pharmacy expenses	You must pay all of the costs for these services up to the specific deductible amount before this plan begins to pay for these services.
Is there an <b>out-of-pocket limit</b> on my expenses?	Yes. <b>\$2,500</b> person / <b>\$7,500</b> family	The <b>out-of-pocket limit</b> is the most you could pay during a policy period for your share of the cost of covered services. This limit helps you plan for health care expenses.
What is <b>not included</b> in the <b>out-of-pocket limit</b> ?	Co-payments, premium, balance-billed charges, prescription drugs, and health care this plan doesn't cover.	Even though you pay these expenses, they don't count toward the <b>out-of-pocket limit</b> . So, a longer list of expenses means you have less coverage.
Is there an overall <b>annual limit</b> on what the insurer pays?	No.	The chart starting on page 2 describes any limits on what the insurer will pay for specific covered services, such as office visits.
Does this plan use a <b>network</b> of providers?	Yes. See <a href="http://www.insurancecompany.com">www.insurancecompany.com</a> for a list of participating doctors and hospitals.	If you use an <b>in-network</b> doctor or other health care provider, this plan will pay some or all of the costs of covered services. Plans use the term <b>in-network</b> , <b>preferred</b> , or <b>participating</b> for providers in their network.
Do I need a referral to see a <b>specialist</b> ?	No. You don't need a referral to see a specialist	You can see the <b>specialist</b> you choose without permission from this plan.
Are there services this plan doesn't cover?	Yes.	Some of the services this plan doesn't cover are listed in the "Excluded Services & Other Covered Services" section.

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- **Co-payments** are fixed dollar amounts (for example, \$15) you pay for covered health care, usually when you receive the service.
- **Co-insurance** is *your* share of the costs of a covered service, calculated as a percent of the **allowed amount** for the service. You pay this plus any deductible amounts you owe under this health insurance plan. For example, if the health plan's allowed amount for an overnight hospital stay is \$1,000 and you've met your deductible, your co-insurance payment of 20% would be \$200. If you haven't met any of the deductible and it's at least \$1,000, you would pay the full cost of the hospital stay.
- The plan's payment for covered services is based on the **allowed amount**. If an **out-of-network provider** charges more than the allowed amount, you may have to pay the difference. For example, if an out-of-network hospital charges \$1,500 for an overnight stay and the allowed amount is \$1,000, you may have to pay the \$500 difference. (This is called **balance billing**.)
- This plan may encourage you to use participating **providers** by charging you lower deductibles, co-payments and co-insurance amounts.

Common Medical Event	Services You May Need	Your cost if you use a		Limitations & Exceptions
		Participating Provider	Non-Participating Provider	
If you visit a health care provider's office or clinic	Primary care visit to treat an injury or illness	\$35 co-pay/visit	40% co-insurance	—————none—————
	Specialist visit	\$50 co-pay/visit	40% co-insurance	—————none—————
	Other practitioner office visit	20% co-insurance for chiropractor and acupuncture	40% co-insurance for chiropractor and acupuncture	—————none—————
	Preventive care/screening/immunization	\$0	40% co-insurance	
If you have a test	Diagnostic test (x-ray, blood work)	0% co-insurance	40% co-insurance	—————none—————
	Imaging (CT/PET scans, MRIs)	0% co-insurance	40% co-insurance	—————none—————
If you need drugs to treat your illness or condition  More information about drug coverage is at <a href="http://www.insurancecompany.com/prescriptions">www.insurancecompany.com/prescriptions</a> .	Generic drugs	\$10 co-pay (retail); \$10 co-pay (mail order)	40% co-insurance	Covers up to a 30-day supply (retail prescription); 31-90 day supply (mail order prescription)
	Preferred brand drugs	20% co-insurance (retail and mail order)	40% co-insurance	—————none—————
	Non-preferred brand drugs	40% co-insurance (retail and mail order)	60% co-insurance	—————none—————
	Specialty drugs (e.g., chemotherapy)	0% co-insurance		—————none—————

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If you have outpatient surgery	Facility fee (e.g., ambulatory surgery center)	0% co-insurance	40% co-insurance	_____none_____
	Physician/surgeon fees	0% co-insurance	40% co-insurance	_____none_____
If you need immediate medical attention	Emergency room services	0% co-insurance	40% co-insurance	_____none_____
	Emergency medical transportation	0% co-insurance	40% co-insurance	_____none_____
	Urgent care	0% co-insurance	40% co-insurance	_____none_____
If you have a hospital stay	Facility fee (e.g., hospital room)	0% co-insurance	40% co-insurance	_____none_____
	Physician/surgeon fee	0% co-insurance	40% co-insurance	_____none_____
If you have mental health, behavioral health, or substance abuse needs	Mental/Behavioral health outpatient services	0% co-insurance	40% co-insurance	After 8 visits, not covered.
	Mental/Behavioral health inpatient services	0% co-insurance	40% co-insurance	_____none_____
	Substance use disorder outpatient services	0% co-insurance	40% co-insurance	_____none_____
	Substance use disorder inpatient services	0% co-insurance	40% co-insurance	_____none_____
If you become pregnant	Prenatal and postnatal care	Not Covered	Not Covered	_____none_____
	Delivery and all inpatient services	Not Covered	Not Covered	_____none_____
If you have a recovery or other special health need	Home health care	0% co-insurance	40% co-insurance	_____none_____
	Rehabilitation services	0% co-insurance	40% co-insurance	_____none_____
	Habilitation services	0% co-insurance	40% co-insurance	_____none_____
	Skilled nursing care	0% co-insurance	40% co-insurance	_____none_____
	Durable medical equipment	0% co-insurance	40% co-insurance	_____none_____
	Hospital service	0% co-insurance	40% co-insurance	_____none_____
If your child needs dental or eye care	Eye exam	Not Covered	Not Covered	_____none_____
	Glasses	Not Covered	Not Covered	_____none_____
	Dental check-up	Not Covered	Not Covered	_____none_____

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## Excluded Services & Other Covered Services:

### Services Your Plan Does NOT Cover (This isn't a complete list. Check your policy for others.)

- Bariatric surgery
- Non-emergency care when traveling outside the U.S.
- Cosmetic surgery
- Dental care (Adult)
- Infertility treatment
- Long-term care
- Private-duty nursing
- Routine eye care (Adult)
- Routine foot care
- Routine hearing tests
- Weight loss programs

### Other Covered Services (This isn't a complete list. Check your policy for other covered services and your costs for these services.)

- Acupuncture
- Chiropractic care
- Hearing aids

## Your Rights to Continue Coverage:

You can keep this insurance as long as you pay your premium unless one or more of the following happens:

- you commit fraud
- the insurer stops offering services in the state
- you move outside the coverage area

## Your Grievance and Appeals Rights:

- A **grievance** is a complaint you have about your health insurer or plan. You have the right to file a written complaint to express your dissatisfaction or denial of coverage for claims under this health insurance. Call 1-800-XXX-XXXX or visit [www.XXXXXXXXXXXXXX.com](http://www.XXXXXXXXXXXXXX.com).
- An **appeal** is a request for your health insurer or plan to review a decision or a grievance again. For more information on the appeals process, call your state office of health insurance customer assistance at: 1-800-XXX-XXXX or visit [www.XXXXXXXXXXXXXX.gov](http://www.XXXXXXXXXXXXXX.gov).

—————*To see examples of how this plan might cover costs for a sample medical situation, see the next page.*—————

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### About these Coverage Examples:

These examples show how this plan might cover medical care in three situations. Use these examples to see, in general, how much insurance protection you might get from different plans.



#### This is not a cost estimator.

Don't use these examples to estimate your actual costs under this plan. The actual care you receive will be different from these examples, and the cost of that care also will be different.

See the next page for important information about these examples.

#### Having a baby

(normal delivery)

- **Amount owed to providers:** \$10,000
- **Plan pays \$0**
- **You pay \$10,000** (maternity is not covered, so you pay 100%)

##### Sample care costs:

First office visit	\$100
Radiology	\$300
Laboratory tests	\$200
Routine obstetric care	\$2,000
Hospital charges (mother)	\$4,100
Hospital charges (baby)	\$1,900
Anesthesia	\$1,000
Circumcision	\$200
Vaccines, other preventive	\$200
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>

##### You pay:

Deductibles	\$0
Co-pays	\$0
Co-insurance	\$0
Limits or exclusions	\$10,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>

#### Treating breast cancer

(lumpectomy, chemotherapy, radiation)

- **Amount owed to providers:** \$98,000
- **Plan pays \$94,800**
- **You pay \$3,200**

##### Sample care costs:

Office visits & procedures	\$4,000
Radiology	\$4,000
Laboratory tests	\$2,400
Hospital charges	\$3,300
Inpatient medical care	\$200
Outpatient surgery	\$3,400
Chemotherapy	\$64,000
Radiation therapy	\$13,000
Prostheses (wig)	\$500
Pharmacy	\$2,000
Mental health	\$1,200
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$98,000</b>

##### You pay:

Deductibles	\$2,500
Co-pays	\$200
Co-insurance	\$0
Limits or exclusions	\$500
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,200</b>

#### Managing diabetes

(routine maintenance of existing condition)

- **Amount owed to providers:** \$7,800
- **Plan pays \$6,800**
- **You pay \$1,000**

##### Sample care costs:

Office visits & procedures	\$960
Laboratory tests	\$300
Medical equipment & supplies	\$40
Pharmacy	\$6,500
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$7,800</b>

##### You pay:

Deductibles	\$300
Co-pays	\$260
Co-insurance	\$400
Limits or exclusions	\$40
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>

## Questions and answers about Coverage Examples:

### What are some of the assumptions behind the Coverage Examples?

- Costs don't include premiums.
- Sample care costs are based on national averages supplied to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), and aren't specific to a particular geographic area or health plan.
- Patient's condition was not an excluded or preexisting condition.
- All services and treatments started and ended in the same policy period.
- There are no other medical expenses for any member covered under this plan. Out-of-pocket expenses are based only on treating the condition in the example.
- The patient received all care from in-network providers. If the patient had received care from out-of-network providers, costs would have been higher.

### What does a Coverage Example show?

For each treatment situation, the Coverage Example helps you see how deductibles, co-payments, and co-insurance can add up. It also helps you see what expenses might be left up to you to pay because the service or treatment isn't covered or payment is limited.

### Does the Coverage Example predict my own care needs?

- ✗ **No.** Treatments shown are just examples. The care you would receive for these conditions could be different, based on your doctor's advice, your age, how serious your condition is, and many other factors.

### Does the Coverage Example predict my future expenses?

- ✗ **No.** Coverage Examples are **not** cost estimators. You can't use the examples to estimate costs for an actual condition. They are for comparative purposes only. Your own costs will be different depending on the care you receive, the prices your providers charge, and the reimbursement your health plan allows.

### Can I use Coverage Examples to compare plans?

- ✓ **Yes.** When you look at the Summaries of Coverage for other plans, you'll find the same coverage examples. When you compare plans, check the "You Pay" box for each example. The smaller that number, the more coverage the plan provides.

### Are there other costs I should consider when comparing plans?

- ✓ **Yes.** An important cost is the premium you pay. Generally, the lower your premium, the more you'll pay in out-of-pocket costs, such as co-payments, deductibles, and co-insurance. You also should consider contributions to accounts such as health savings accounts (HSAs), flexible spending arrangements (FSAs) or health reimbursement accounts (HRAs) that help you pay out-of-pocket expenses.