

# **Solution PPO 2500/10/20**

This summary of benefits has been updated to comply with federal and state requirements, including applicable provisions of the recently enacted federal health care reform laws. As we receive additional guidance and clarification on the new health care reform laws from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Department of Labor and Internal Revenue Service, we may be required to make additional changes to this summary of benefits. This proposed benefit summary is subject to the approval of the California Department of Insurance and the California Department of Managed Health Care.

In addition to dollar and percentage copays, insured persons are responsible for deductibles, as described below. Please review the deductible information to know if a deductible applies to a specific covered service. Certain Covered Services have maximum visit and/or day limits per year. The number of visits and/or days allowed for these services will begin accumulating on the first visit and/or day, regardless of whether your Deductible has been met. Insured persons are also responsible for all costs over the plan maximums. Plan maximums and other important information appear in *italics*. Benefits are subject to all terms, conditions, limitations, and exclusions of the Policy.

### **Explanation of Covered Expense**

Plan payments are based on covered expense, which is the lesser of the charges billed by the provider or the following:

PPO Providers—PPO negotiated rates. Insured persons are not responsible for the difference between the provider's usual charges & the negotiated amount.

Non-PPO Providers—For non-emergency services, the scheduled amount. For emergency services, same as other health care providers Other Health Care Providers (includes those not represented in the PPO provider network)—The customary & reasonable charge for professional services or the reasonable charge for institutional services.

## When using Non-PPO and Other Health Care Providers, insured persons are responsible for any difference between the covered expense & actual charges, as well as any deductible & percentage copay.

Calendar year deductible for all providers	\$2,500/insured person;
·	maximum of two separate deductibles/family
Deductible for non-Anthem Blue Cross PPO hospital or residential treatment center	\$500/admission (waived for emergency admission)
Deductible for non-Anthem Blue Cross PPO hospital or residential treatment center if utilization review not obtained	\$500/admission (waived for emergency admission)
Deductible for emergency room services	\$100/visit (waived if admitted directly from ER)
Annual Out-of-Pocket Maximums	
PPO Providers & Other Health Care Providers	\$2,500/insured person/year family maximum of two separate out of pocket maximums/year
Non-PPO Providers	\$10,000/insured person/year family maximum of two separate out of pocket maximums/year

The following do not apply to out-of-pocket maximums: deductibles listed above; non-covered expense. After an insured person reaches the out-of-pocket maximum, the insured person no longer pays percentage copays for the remainder of the year. However, the insured person remains responsible for deductibles listed above; for non-PPO providers & other health care providers, costs in excess of the covered expense; amounts related to a transplant unrelated donor search.

Lifetime Maximum	Unlimited	
Covered Services	PPO: Per Insured Person Copay	Non-PPO: Per Insured Person Copay <sup>1</sup>
Hospital Medical Services (subject to utilization review for inpatient services; waived for emergency admissions)		
Semi-private room, meals & special diets, & ancillary services	20%	40%
<ul> <li>Outpatient medical care, surgical services &amp; supplies (hospital care other than emergency room care)</li> </ul>	20%	40%
Ambulatory Surgical Centers		
> Outpatient surgery, services & supplies	20%	40% (benefit limited to \$350/day)
Hemodialysis		
Outpatient hemodialysis services & supplies	20%	40% (benefit limited to \$350/day)
Skilled Nursing Facility (subject to utilization review)		
Semi-private room, services & supplies (limited to 100 days/calendar year)	20%	40%
Hospice Care		
Inpatient or outpatient services for insured persons; family bereavement services	20%²	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The percentage copay for non-emergency services from non-Anthem Blue Cross PPO providers is based on the scheduled amount.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> These providers are not represented in the Anthem Blue Cross PPO network.

Co	vered Services	PPO: Per Insured Person Copay	Non-PPO: Per Insured Person Copay <sup>1</sup>
Ho	me Health Care (subject to utilization review)	· · ·	• •
>	Services & supplies from a home health agency (limited to 100 visits/calendar year, one visit by a home health aide equals four hours or less; not covered while insured person receives hospice care)	20%	40%
Ho	me Infusion Therapy (subject to utilization review)		
>	Includes medication, ancillary services & supplies; caregiver training & visits by provider to monitor therapy; durable medical equipment; lab services	20%	40% (benefit limited to \$600/day)
Phy	ysician Medical Services		
>	Office & home visits	\$10/visit <sup>2</sup> (deductible waived)	40%
	Hospital & skilled nursing facility visits	20%	40%
>	Surgeon & surgical assistant; anesthesiologist or anesthetist	20%	40%
Dia	gnostic X-ray & Lab		
>	MRI, CT scan, PET scan & nuclear cardiac scan (subject to utilization review)	20%	40%
>	Other diagnostic x-ray & lab	20%	40%
Pre of f	ventive Care Services ventive Care Services that meet the requirements ederal and state law, including certain screenings, nunizations and physician visits		
~	Routine physical examinations (birth through age six)	No copay/exam (deductible waived)	40% (benefit limited to \$20/exam)
	Immunizations (birth through age six)	No copay (deductible waived)	40% (benefit limited to \$12/immunization)
>	Routine physical exams, immunizations, diagnostic X-ray & lab for routine physical exam (members 7 years old and older)	No copay/exam (deductible waived)	Not covered
>	Adult preventive services (including mammograms, Pap smears, prostate cancer screenings & colorectal cancer screenings)	No copay (deductible waived)	40% (deductible waived)
The	ysical Therapy, Physical Medicine & Occupational erapy, including Chiropractic Services (limited to visits/calendar year; additional visits may be authorized)	20%	40% (benefit limited to \$25/visit)
Spe	eech Therapy  Outpatient speech therapy following injury or organic disease	20%	40%
Acı	upuncture		
>	Services for the treatment of disease, illness or injury (limited to \$30/visit & 12 visits/calendar year)	20%³	40%³
Ter	nporomandibular Joint Disorders		
	Splint therapy & surgical treatment	20%	40%
Pre	gnancy & Maternity Care		
>	Physician office visits	\$10visit <sup>2</sup> (deductible waived)	40%
$\triangleright$	Prescription drug for elective abortion (mifepristone)	20%	40%
& a	mal delivery, cesarean section, complications of pregnancy bortion (newborn routine nursery care covered when natural ther is insured employee or spouse/domestic partner)		
$\triangleright$	Inpatient physician services	20%	40%
	Hospital & ancillary services	20%	40%

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The dollar copay applies only to the visit itself. An additional 20% copay applies for any services performed in office (i.e., X-ray, lab, surgery), after any applicable deductible.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Acupuncture services can be performed by a certified acupuncturist (C.A.), a doctor of medicine (M.D.), a doctor of osteopathy (D.O.), a podiatrist (D.P.M.), or a dentist (D.D.S.).

	Person Copay <sup>1</sup>
20%	
No сора	y (deductible waived)
20%	
No copay (deductible waived)	
\$10/visit (deductible waived)	40%
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Covered Services	PPO: Per Insured Person Copay	Non-PPO: Per Insured Person Copay <sup>1</sup>
Specialty Pharmacy Drugs (utilization review may be required)		
Specialty pharmacy drugs filled through the specialty pharmacy program (limited to 30-day supply; not covered if benefits are provided through prescription drug benefits, if applicable)	20%	Not covered <sup>2</sup>
If insured person does not get specialty pharmacy drugs from the specialty pharmacy program, insured person will not receive any specialty pharmacy drug benefits under this plan, unless the insured person qualifies for an exception as specified in the Certificate.		
Emergency Care		
Emergency room services & supplies (\$100 deductible waived if admitted)	20%	20%
Inpatient hospital services	20%	20%
Physician services	20%	20%
Mental or Nervous Disorders and Substance Abuse		
Inpatient Care		
<ul> <li>Facility-based care (subject to utilization review; waived for emergency admissions)</li> </ul>	20%	40%
Inpatient physician visits	20%	40%
Outpatient Care		
Facility-based care (subject to utilization review; waived for emergency admissions)	20%	40%
Outpatient physician visits (pre-service review required after the 12th visit)	\$10/visit <sup>3</sup> (deductible waived)	40%

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This Summary of Benefits is a brief review of benefits. Once enrolled, insured persons will receive a Certificate of Insurance, which explains the exclusions and limitations, as well as the full range of covered services of the plan, in detail.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 20% copay if insured person or non-PPO physician obtains drug from Specialty Pharmacy Program; otherwise, not covered.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The dollar copay applies only to the visit itself. An additional 20% copay applies for any services performed in office (i.e., X-ray, lab, surgery), after any applicable deductible.

## Solution PPO—Exclusions and Limitations

Not Medically Necessary. Services or supplies that are not medically necessary, as defined.

Experimental or Investigative. Any experimental or investigative procedure or medication. But, if insured person is denied benefits because it is determined that the requested treatment is experimental or investigative, the insured person may request an independent medical review, as described in the Certificate.

Outside the United States. Services or supplies furnished and billed by a provider outside the United States, unless such services or supplies are furnished in connection with urgent care or an emergency.

Crime or Nuclear Energy. Conditions that result from (1) the insured person's commission of or attempt to commit a felony, as long as any injuries are not a result of a medical condition or an act of domestic violence; or (2) any release of nuclear energy, whether or not the result of war, when government funds are available for the treatment of illness or injury arising from the release of nuclear energy.

**Not Covered.** Services received before the insured person's effective date. Services received after the insured person's coverage ends, except as specified as covered in the Certificate.

Excess Amounts. Any amounts in excess of covered expense or the lifetime maximum.

Work-Related. Work-related conditions if benefits are recovered or can be recovered, either by adjudication, settlement or otherwise, under any workers' compensation, employer's liability law or occupational disease law, whether or not the insured person claims those benefits. If there is a dispute of substantial uncertainty as to whether benefits may be recovered for those conditions pursuant to workers' compensation, we will provide the benefits of this plan for such conditions, subject to a right of recovery and reimbursement under California Labor Code Section 4903, as specified as covered in the Certificate.

**Government Treatment.** Any services the insured person actually received that were provided by a local, state or federal government agency, except when payment under this plan is expressly required by federal or state law. We will not cover payment for these services if the insured person is not required to pay for them or they are given to the insured person for free.

Services of Relatives. Professional services received from a person living in the insured person's home or who is related to the insured person by blood or marriage, except as specified as covered in the Certificate.

Voluntary Payment. Services for which the insured person has no legal obligation to pay, or for which no charge would be made in the absence of insurance coverage or other health plan coverage, except services received at a non-governmental charitable research hospital. Such a hospital must meet the following guidelines:

- 1. it must be internationally known as being devoted mainly to medical research;
- at least 10% of its yearly budget must be spent on research not directly related to patient care:
- at least one-third of its gross income must come from donations or grants other than gifts or payments for patient care;
- 4. it must accept patients who are unable to pay; and
- $5. \ \ two\text{-thirds of its patients must have conditions directly related to the hospital's research.}$

Not Specifically Listed. Services not specifically listed in the plan as covered services.

**Private Contracts.** Services or supplies provided pursuant to a private contract between the insured person and a provider, for which reimbursement under Medicare program is prohibited, as specified in Section 1802 (42 U.S.C. 1395a) of Title XVIII of the Social Security Act.

Inpatient Diagnostic Tests. Inpatient room and board charges in connection with a hospital stay primarily for diagnostic tests which could have been performed safely on an outpatient basis.

Mental or Nervous Disorders. Academic or educational testing, counseling, and remediation. Mental or nervous disorders and alcohol or drug dependence, including rehabilitative care in relation to these conditions, except as specified as covered in the Certificate.

**Nicotine Use.** Smoking cessation programs or treatment of nicotine or tobacco use Smoking cessation drugs.

Orthodontia. Braces, other orthodontic appliances or orthodontic services

**Dental Services or Supplies.** Dental plates, bridges, crowns, caps or other dental prostheses, dental implants, dental services, extraction of teeth, treatment to the teeth or gums, or treatment to or for any disorders for the temporomandibular (jaw) joint, except as specified as covered in the Certificate. Cosmetic dental surgery or other dental services for beautification.

**Hearing Aids or Tests.** Hearing aids and routine hearing tests, except as specified as covered in the Certificate.

Optometric Services or Supplies. Optometric services, eye exercises including orthoptics. Routine eye exams and routine eye refractions, eyeglasses or contact lenses, except as specified as covered in the Certificate.

Outpatient Occupational Therapy. Outpatient occupational therapy, except by a home health agency, hospice, or infusion therapy provider, except as specified as covered in the Certificate.

Outpatient Speech Therapy. Outpatient speech therapy, except as specified as covered in the Certificate.

Cosmetic Surgery. Cosmetic surgery or other services performed solely for beautification or to alter or reshape normal (including aged) structures or tissues of the body to improve appearance. This exclusion does not apply to reconstructive surgery (that is, surgery performed to correct deformities caused by congenital or developmental abnormalities, lilness, or injury for the purpose of improving bodily function or symptomatology or to create a normal appearance), including surgery performed to restore symmetry following mastectomy. Cosmetic surgery does not become reconstructive surgery because of psychological or psychiatric reasons.

**Commercial Weight Loss Programs.** Weight loss programs, whether or not they are pursued under medical or *physician* supervision, unless specifically listed as covered in this *plan*.

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

This exclusion does not apply to *medically necessary* treatments for morbid obesity or dietary evaluations and counseling, and behavioral modification programs for the treatment of anorexia nervosa or bulimia nervosa. Surgical treatment for morbid obesity is covered as described in the Certificate.

**Sex Transformation.** Procedures or treatments to change characteristics of the body to those of the opposite sex.

#### Sterilization Reversal

Infertility Treatment. Any services or supplies furnished in connection with the diagnosis and treatment of infertility, including, but not limited to diagnostic tests, medication, surgery, artificial insemination, in vitro fertilization, sterilization reversal and gamete intrafallopian transfer.

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

Orthopedic Supplies. Orthopedic supplies, orthopedic shoes (other than shoes joined to braces), or non-custom molded and cast shoe inserts, except for therapeutic shoes and inserts for the prevention and treatment of diabetes-related feet complications, except as specified as covered in the Cartificate.

Air Conditioners. Air purifiers, air conditioners or humidifiers.

Custodial Care or Rest Cures. Inpatient room and board charges in connection with a hospital stay primarily for environmental change or physical therapy. Services provided by a rest home, a home for the aged, a nursing home or any similar facility. Services provided by a skilled nursing facility or custodial care or rest cures, except as specified as covered in the Certificate.

Chronic Pain. Treatment of chronic pain, except as specified as covered in the Certificate.

**Health Club Memberships.** Health club memberships, exercise equipment, 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.

Personal Items. Any supplies for comfort, hygiene or beautification.

**Education or Counseling.** Educational services or nutritional counseling, except as specified as covered in the Certificate. This exclusion does not apply to counseling for the treatment of anorexia nervosa or bulimia nervosa.

**Food or Dietary Supplements.** Nutritional and/or dietary supplements, except as provided in this plan or as required by law. This exclusion includes, but is not limited to, those nutritional formulas and dietary supplements that can be purchased over the counter, which by law do not requirement either a written prescription or dispensing by a licensed pharmacist.

Telephone and Facsimile Machine Consultations. Consultations provided by telephone or facsimile machine

Routine Exams or Tests. Routine physical exams or tests which do not directly treat an actual illness, injury or condition, including those required by employment or government authority, except as specified as covered in the Certificate.

**Acupuncture.** Acupuncture treatment, as specified as covered in the Certificate. Acupressure or massage to control pain, treat illness or promote health by applying pressure to one or more specific areas of the body based on dermatomes or acupuncture points.

Eye Surgery for Refractive Defects. Any eye surgery solely or primarily for the purpose of correcting refractive defects of the eye such as nearsightedness (myopia) and/or astigmatism. Contact lenses and eyeglasses required as a result of this surgery.

Physical Therapy or Physical Medicine. Services of a physician for physical therapy or physical medicine, except when provided during a covered inpatient confinement or as specified as covered in the Certificate.

Outpatient Prescription Drugs and Medications. Outpatient prescription drugs or medications and insulin, except as specified as covered in the Certificate. Any non-prescription, over-the-counter patent or proprietary drug or medicine. Cosmetics, health or beauty aids.

Specialty Pharmacy Drugs. Specialty pharmacy drugs that must be obtained from the specialty pharmacy program, but, which are obtained from a retail pharmacy, are not covered by this plan. Insured person will have to pay the full cost of the specialty pharmacy drugs obtained from a retail pharmacy that should have been obtained from the specialty pharmacy program. Contraceptive Devices. Contraceptive devices prescribed for birth control except as specified as covered in the Certificate.

**Diabetic Supplies.** Prescription and non-prescription diabetic supplies except as specified as covered in the Certificate.

Private Duty Nursing. Inpatient or outpatient services of a private duty nurse.

Lifestyle Programs. Programs to alter one's lifestyle which may include but are not limited to diet, exercise, imagery or nutrition. This exclusion will not apply to cardiac rehabilitation programs approved by us.

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Pre-Existing Condition Exclusion — No payment will be made for services or supplies for the treatment of a pre-existing condition during a period of six months following either (a) insured person's effective date or (b) the first day of any waiting period required by the group, whichever is earlier. However, this limitation does not apply to a child born to or newly adopted by an enrolled employee or spouse/domestic partner, or to conditions of pregnancy. Also, if insured person was covered under creditable coverage, as outlined in the insured person's Certificate, the time spent under the creditable coverage will be used to satisfy, or partially satisfy, the six-month period.

Third Party Liability — Anthem Blue Cross Life and Health Insurance Company is entitled to reimbursement of benefits paid if the insured person recovers damages from a legally liable third party.

Coordination Of Benefits — The benefits of this plan may be reduced if the insured person has any other group health or dental coverage so that the services received from all group coverages do not exceed 100% of the covered expense.

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