# How Do I Choose a FEHB Plan?







# FIRST – WHAT DO THESE LETTERS STAND FOR?

- Fee for Service with PPO Preferred provider Organization
  - See any doctor without referral, nation wide and worldwide coverage, when you use an in-network doctor or hospital you pay less
- HDHP High Deductible plans -- plans with an Annual Health Savings Plan (HSA) (generally lower premiums)
  - Covers high-cost medical events; but you pay a higher cost for medial events
  - Your plan deposits money from your premium into a health saving account
  - You make tax-free withdrawals for qualified medical expenses, and this account is yours and is "portable" if you retire or leave government.
- HMO Heath Maintenance Organization plans (some have point of service benefits out the plan network)
  - A facility-based group practice you agree to receive healthcare by one of the physicians on staff (usually paid a salary). Under this plan, the medical staff does not get paid more if you receive more medical treatment/surgery.

# SOME OTHER THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

## • Self, self plus one, or self plus family

- NOTE: A Self Plus One enrollment covers the enrollee and one designated eligible family member. The definition of eligible family members has not changed. Your eligible family member can include either a spouse OR a child up to age 26. A child age 26 or over who is incapable of self-support because of a mental or physical disability that existed before age 26 is also an eligible family member.
- Do you know of major health issues expected in the next year
- Out of pocket maximum (if you or your covered family have major health costs, this will be the maximum you will have to pay)
- After choosing a health plan, don't forget to look at Vision and Dental plans available
- If you do not choose a plan with a savings account included, consider a Federal Saving Account (FSA). If eligible, you can have pre-tax funds deposited into this account for use to pay deductibles, glasses, some over-the-counter medications, even massage therapy ... that is another discussion (see FSAFEDS.com)

# **ANY JOB AIDS FOR THIS TASK?**

- Use OPMs <u>comparison guide</u>, to compare plans and find the handful of plans that appear to meet your needs – cost, coverage, etc.
- Focus on any special needs, circumstances, or benefits that are important to you.
- Consider how important it is to retain your doctor(s) often changing plans will require changing doctors.
- Go to each plan's website and check out the "extra" things offered some plans include fitness benefits, online educational programs, and benefits for healthy activities (gym membership, etc.) There is a link for each plan on the OPM website:

https://www.opm.gov/healthcare-insurance/ - opening page with great information.

https://www.opm.gov/healthcare-insurance/Guide-Me/Federal-Employees/ - FEHB specific

# Navigation – Getting there is the first step...

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## **Healthcare & Benefits**

OPM is here to help you find information on health and other insurance programs, including the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program, the Federal Employees Dental and Vision Insurance Program, and more.



## https://www.opm.gov/healthcareinsurance/

Second Step: click on the down arrow beside the word 'insurance'

You can find both Health plan and Vision/Dental Comparison Tools on this page (circled)

There are also other links for important information... we can talk about this another time!

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# STEPS ....

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| Dental & Vision                | ~             | Choose a p    | orogram | to begin: |        |           |                            |                |  |
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As a Federal employee, you may be able to Life Insurance  $\sim$ enroll in health, dental, vision and life **Flexible Spending**  $\sim$ insurance, flexible spending accounts, and apply for long term care insurance. You can Long Term Care find information about each program by  $\sim$ clicking on one of the links below. Each section includes common questions to help **Tribal Employers**  $\sim$ guide you to the information you need. Learn More **Special Initiatives**  $\sim$ 

Dental

### Insurance Glossary

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We offer the largest group life insurance program in the world, covering employees, retirees and family members. Learn More

### **Flexible Spending Accounts**

Eligible employees can choose to enroll in up to three different flexible spending accounts during Open Season. Learn More

https://www.opm.gov/healthcareinsurance/Guide-Me/Federal-Employees/

### Healthcare **COMPARE 2024 PLANS**

The information contained in this comparison tool is not the official statement of benefits. Before making your final enrollment decision, always refer to the individual FEHB brochures. Each plan's FEHB brochure is the official statement of benefits. If you decide to enroll, change health plans or plan options, or change enrollment type, please visit the Enroll page for information on submitting a change.

#### Search by one of the following:

Items marked with an \* are required.

Enter your home or work zip code. To enroll, you must live or work in a plan's geographic service area.

5-Digit Zip Code\*



I live overseas or outside the Continental United States. (Selecting this option will set the zip code to 99999)

The current Plan selection below is disabled until you enter a Zip Code, Enrollee Type, and Pay Frequency. Pay Frequency depends on the Enrollee Type and may be restricted depending on Enrollee Type selected.

FEHB-eligible career USPS Employees should use the Federal & U.S. Postal Service Enrollee Type for 2024.

### Enrollee Type\*

- Federal & U.S. Postal Service Employee
- Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Employee
- $\bigcirc$ Certain Temporary Employee
- Tribal Employee (Monthly)  $\bigcirc$
- Annuitant (Monthly)  $\bigcirc$
- Former Spouse Enrollee (Monthly)
- Temporary Continuation of Coverage Enrollee (TCC) (Monthly) 0
- Workers Compensation Recipient (Every Four Weeks)

### Your Current Plan (if applicable)

### (This option is disabled until all required options are selected.)

Select your current plan (optional)



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Pay Frequency\* (May be restricted with certain Enrollee Types)

- Biweekly  $\bigcirc$
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  - Monthly

- Every Four Weeks
  - Semi-Monthly

OPM.gov Main > Insurance > Healthcare > Plan Information > Compare Plans

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### 2024 FEHB Plan Results

Results for coverage in 21403 for Federal & U.S. Postal Employee paid Biweekly

Please note the benefits displayed on this page are for in-network benefits only! To see out-of-network benefits, please select up to 3 plans to compare.

The amounts displayed on this page represent the member's liability for each service.

### You may only select 3 plans to compare at once

Need more information about plan types?

Sort By: Plan Option Name (A - Z)

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### **Plan Selection Comparison Tool**

| Select<br>Plan | Plan Name (Plan<br>Code) - Enrollment<br>Code ①        | Enrollee<br>Premium<br>(i) | Annual<br>Deductible<br>(i) | Annual Out<br>of Pocket<br>Maximum<br>(i) | Medical<br>Account<br>(HRA/HSA)<br>(Î) | Primary<br>Care<br>Office<br>Visit<br>(i) | Specialist<br>Office<br>Visit<br>(i) | Doctor<br>Costs<br>Inpatient<br>Surgery<br>(i) | Retail<br>Generic<br>(i)                 | Retail<br>Brand<br>(i)                  | Plan<br>Requires<br>Referral to<br>See Certain<br>Specialists<br>(i) |
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|                | Aetna Advantage<br>Plan - Advantage<br>(Z2) -<br>Z24   | \$57.69                    | \$2000                      | \$7500                                    | N/A                                    | 30%                                       | 30%                                  | 30%  | Tier 1: \$10                             | Tier 2: 45%                             | No   |
|                | Aetna Advantage<br>Plan - Advantage<br>(Z2) -<br>Z26   | \$126.92                   | \$4000                      | \$15000                                   | \$0<br>N/A                             | 30%                                       | 30%                                  | 30%  | Tier 1: \$10                             | Tier 2: 45%                             | No   |
|                | Aetna Advantage<br>Plan - Advantage<br>(Z2) -<br>Z25 # | \$152.88                   | \$4000                      | \$15000                                   | \$0<br>N/A                             | 30%                                       | 30%                                  | 30%  | Tier 1: \$10                             | Tier 2: 45%                             | No   |
|                | Aetna HealthFund<br>CDHP and Aetna                     | \$217.56                   | \$1000                      | \$5000                                    | \$1000<br>HRA                          | 15%                                       | 15%                                  | 15%  | Tier 1: \$10<br>Tier 3: 50%<br>\$300 max | Tier 2: 50%<br>\$200 max<br>Tier 3: 50% | No   |

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| eed more information about plan types?              | Sort By:Plan Option Name (A - Z)         | Filters   |
|---|--|---|
| Premiums<br>From \$0 to \$5000                      | Annual Deductible<br>From \$0 to \$20000 | Annual Out of Pocket Maximum<br>From \$0 to \$45000 |
| Number of Members  Self Self Plus One Self & Family | Medical Account (HRA/HSA)  Yes No        | Plan Requires Referral                              |

| Plar           | Plan Selection Comparison Tool                   |                            |                      |   |  |                                    |                                      |   |                          |                        |  |
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Once you have searched, then use the "filter"

Limit your search by what you need – how many people do you want the FEHB plan to cover; maximum "Out of Pocket" cost; maximum premium amouny, etc.

This will reduce the multitude of plans to review.

| Premiums   | Annual Deductible                      | Annual Out of Pocket Maximum            |
|--|--|---|
| From \$0 to <b>\$100 →</b>                         | From \$0 to \$1000 ✓                   | From \$0 to \$6000                      |
| Number of Members Self Self Plus One Self & Family | Medical Account (HRA/HSA)<br>Yes<br>No | Plan Requires Referral<br>✓ Yes<br>✓ No |

### **Reset Defaults**

| Plan           | Selection Comp  | parison T                 | `ool                        |   |  |   |   |  |                              |  |  |
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| Select<br>Plan | Plan Name (Plan<br>Code) - Enrollment<br>Code (i)   | Enrollee<br>Premium<br>(j | Annual<br>Deductible<br>(i) | Annual Out<br>of Pocket<br>Maximum<br>(i) | Medical<br>Account<br>(HRA/HSA)<br>(i) | Primary<br>Care<br>Office<br>Visit<br>(i)   | Specialist<br>Office<br>Visit<br>(i)  | Doctor<br>Costs<br>Inpatient<br>Surgery<br>(i) | Retail<br>Generic<br>(i)     | Retail<br>Brand<br>(i)   | Plan<br>Requires<br>Referral to<br>See Certain<br>Specialists<br>(i) |
|                | CareFirst<br>BlueChoice - Blue<br>Value Plus (B6) -<br>B64  | \$89.43                   | None                        | \$6000                                    | N/A                                    | \$15  | \$50  | 25%  | \$10                         | Tier 2: \$50<br>\$200<br>Calendar<br>Year<br>Deductible                      | No   |
|                | Foreign Service<br>Benefit Plan -<br>High (40)<br>This plan is only open<br>to specific groups -<br>401 | \$82.62                   | \$300                       | \$5000                                    | N/A                                    | \$300<br>Calendar<br>Year<br>Deductible<br>\$600<br>Calendar<br>Year<br>Deductible<br>10% | \$300<br>Calendar<br>Year<br>Deductible<br>\$600<br>Calendar<br>Year<br>Deductible<br>10% | 10%  | Tier 1: \$10                 | Tier 2: 25%<br>\$30 Min<br>\$100 Max<br>Tier 3: 35%<br>\$60 Min<br>\$200 Max | No   |
|                | Kaiser<br>Permanente - Mid-<br>Atlantic States -<br>Prosper (T7) -<br>T71 ♣                             | \$49.04                   | \$100                       | \$4000                                    | N/A                                    | \$30  | \$40  | Member<br>Pays<br>Nothing                      | Tier 1: \$10<br>Tier 3: \$65 | Tier 2: \$45<br>Tier 3: \$65   | Yes  |

## As you change your filters the corresponding plans are filtered for you to review.

#### Costs & Network

Disclaimer: In some cases, the enrollee share of premiums for the Self Plus One enrollment type will be higher than for the Self and Family enrollment type. Enrollees who wish to cover one eligible family member are free to elect either the Self and Family or Self Plus One enrollment type. Check premiums on our website at www.opm.gov/fehbpremiums.

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### Plan Selection Comparison Tool

| Plans  | CareFirst BlueChoice (Blue Value Plus)   | Kaiser Permanente - Mid-Atlantic States (Prosper)  |
|--|--|--|
| Plan Links   | [Website], Brochure Link ,<br>[Summary of Benefits],<br>[Provider Directory],<br>[RX Pricing Tool] | [Website], Brochure Link ,<br>[Summary of Benefits],<br>[Provider Directory],<br>[RX Pricing Tool] |
| General<br>Information - State                                 | Maryland   | Maryland   |
| General<br>Information -<br>Enrollment Code -<br>Self          | B64  | т71 🔒  |
| General<br>Information -<br>Enrollment Code -<br>Self & Family | B65 👑  | Т72 🏶  |
| General<br>Information -<br>Enrollment Code -<br>Self Plus One | B66 👪  | T73 <b>4</b>   |
| General<br>Information -<br>Carrier Code                       | B6   | Т7   |
| General<br>Information -<br>Telephone Number                   | 888-789-9065   | 877-574-3337   |

One the "compare" screen, you will get a link to each brochure -- do your research and read through them!

Most plans will allow you to check and see if your preferred physician is available under their plan. (Provider directory)

# **ANYTHING ELSE?** OF COURSE, THERE IS!

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## Dental & Vision

### COMPARE 2024 PLANS

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Search by one of the following:

Items marked with an \* are required.

5-Digit Zip Code\*

Plan Type\*

 Dental Vision

Pay Frequency\*

 Biweekly Monthly

The Affordable Care Act

Search

- Vision and Dental Plans are  $\bullet$ available under FEHB!
- https://www.opm.gov/healthcareinsurance/
  - Search is available, but fewer "filter" options to assist.
  - Location based (use your zip code)
- Once you choose at least one to "compare" you will be able to see the links to the brochure.

| Plans  | Aetna Vision Preferred (High)                     | VSP Vision Care (High)                            |
|--|---|---|
| Plan Links                                   | [Website], Brochure Link,<br>[Provider Directory] | [Website], Brochure Link,<br>[Provider Directory] |
| General<br>Information -<br>Telephone Number | 877-459-6604                                      | 800-807-0764                                      |

| Plans                               | Aetna Vision Preferred (High) | VSP Vision Care (High) |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|
| Premiums - Biweekly - Self          | \$5.65                        | \$6.69                 |
| Premiums - Biweekly - Self Plus One | \$11.28                       | \$13.40                |
| Premiums - Biweekly - Self & Family | \$16.93                       | \$20.11                |

| Plans - Networks                            | Aetna Vision Preferred (High) -<br>In-Network 1  | Aetna Vision Preferred (High) -<br>Out-of-Network  | VSP Vision Care (High) -<br>In-Network 1  | VSP Vision<br>Care (High) -<br>Out-of-<br>Network |
|---|--|--|---|---|
| Vision Benefits -<br>Vision Exam            | Every 12 Months \$0 Exam, Materials  | Every 12 Months  | Every 12 Months   | Every 12<br>Months                                |
| Vision Benefits -<br>Vision Lenses<br>Only  | Every 12 Months  | Every 12 Months  | Every 12 Months   | Every 12<br>Months                                |
| Vision Benefits -<br>Frames                 | Every 12 Months Additional Features  | Every 12 Months  | Every 12 Months   | Every 12<br>Months                                |
| Vision Benefits -<br>Copay                  | \$0 Exam \$0 Lenses  | Flat Fee - See Brochure  | \$10  | \$10  |
| Vision Benefits -<br>Additional<br>Features | Laser Vision Correction Discount Retinal<br>Imaging Additional Lens Options<br>Glasses or Contacts 2nd Pair of<br>Eyeglasses | Laser Vision Correction Discount Retinal<br>Imaging Additional Lens Options<br>Glasses or Contacts 2nd Pair of<br>Eyeglasses | Laser Vision Correction Discount<br>Additional Lens Options Glasses or<br>Contacts Retinal Imaging Low Vision<br>Coverage | Glasses or<br>Contacts                            |

READ the brochure – the link is at the top of the page. You can also call the phone number to speak with a representative.

# DENTAL INSURANCE

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| Select<br>Plan | Dental Plan Name  | Enrollee<br>Premium<br>(Biweekly) 🛈 | Preventive<br>(i) | Intermediate<br>(j) | Major<br>(j)    | Orthodontic<br>(j) | Orthodontic Lifetime<br>Maximum<br>(i)  |
|----------------|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-----------------|--------------------|---|
|                | UnitedHealthcare Dental<br>Plan - High - Self                   | \$23.31                             | 0% Coinsurance    | 30% Coinsurance     | 50% Coinsurance | 50% Coinsurance    | \$2000 Per Adult \$4000 Per<br>Child Up to Maximum<br>Eligibility No Age Limit No<br>Waiting Period |
|                | UnitedHealthcare Dental<br>Plan - High - Self Plus<br>One       | \$46.61                             | 0% Coinsurance    | 30% Coinsurance     | 50% Coinsurance | 50% Coinsurance    | \$2000 Per Adult \$4000 Per<br>Child Up to Maximum<br>Eligibility No Age Limit No<br>Waiting Period |
|                | UnitedHealthcare Dental<br>Plan - High - Self & Family<br>س     | \$69.92                             | 0% Coinsurance    | 30% Coinsurance     | 50% Coinsurance | 50% Coinsurance    | \$2000 Per Adult \$4000 Per<br>Child Up to Maximum<br>Eligibility No Age Limit No<br>Waiting Period |
|                | UnitedHealthcare Dental<br>Plan - Standard - Self               | \$13.52                             | 0% Coinsurance    | 45% Coinsurance     | 65% Coinsurance | 50% Coinsurance    | \$2000 Per Person No Age<br>Limit No Waiting Period   |
|                | UnitedHealthcare Dental<br>Plan - Standard - Self Plus<br>One   | \$27.05                             | 0% Coinsurance    | 45% Coinsurance     | 65% Coinsurance | 50% Coinsurance    | \$2000 Per Person No Age<br>Limit No Waiting Period   |
|                | UnitedHealthcare Dental<br>Plan - Standard - Self &<br>Family # | \$40.57                             | 0% Coinsurance    | 45% Coinsurance     | 65% Coinsurance | 50% Coinsurance    | \$2000 Per Person No Age<br>Limit No Waiting Period   |

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 Dental is similar – select plan(s) that you are interested in, and then you can get more detailed information by clicking on "Compare Plans" on the bottom of the page

# **UnitedHealthcare Federal Programs**

## FEHBP & FEDVIP | 2024 Benefits









## Talk to an advocate

Connect with an advocate over the phone, via **myuhc.com**<sup>®</sup> webchat or on the UnitedHealthcare<sup>®</sup> app — someone who can provide you with information and support to help you understand your benefits and claims, make more informed decisions about your health, and access the care that helps fits your needs.



## Behavioral health solutions

Access our large network of nearby behavioral health providers with options for either in-person or virtual care. The behavioral health benefit offers support for you and your covered family members with alcohol and drug use recovery, depression, anxiety and stress, coping with grief and loss, relationship difficulties, compulsive habits and disorders, and medication management.

# Pride365+

Because you're you. Colleague, friend, sibling, partner, LGBTQ+. We respect and support all that you are.

## Expanding your awareness

For more information, including additional LGBTQ+ resources, visit pride365plus.com. Also, follow myuhc.com®.

## **Customizing your journey**

Interested in additional personalized resources? Call the number on your health plan ID card or visit **myuhc.com**<sup>®</sup> to learn what's available to you.

# **Benefit Changes** to all UnitedHealthcare FEHB Plans for 2024!

- Any plan that had a copay for a Virtual Visit, now has a **\$0 copay for** Virtual Visits.
- Covid Tests will be covered at a Tier 3 copay (not to exceed \$12) to a maximum of 8 per month
- Gender dysphoria benefits have been expanded to include:
  - Gender affirming facial surgeries (i.e. tracheal shave, facial bone remodeling)
  - Voice modification surgery and therapy
  - Chest and breast surgery (reduction and augmentation following 12 months of hormone therapy)
  - Travel and lodging for services (\$2000 max)
- Revisional Bariatric surgery to revise a potential failure or major complication from the initial procedure will be covered (see COC for details)

These changes are for **all** UHC FEHB plans:

- Choice
- Choice Plus
   Advanced
- Choice Primary
- Choice Plus Primary
- Choice Plus HDHP
   with HSA
- MDIPA

Plan code specific changes that are not applicable to all 2024 UHC FEHB plans are included in the chart coming up

# **Continued...Benefit Changes** to all UnitedHealthcare FEHB Plans for 2024!

Infertility Benefits have been added and expanded specifically to include:

- Artificial insemination (AI) covered at 50% both in and out-ofnetwork
- $\circ$  (OON 50% of UHC allowed amount and the difference)
  - IVI (Intravaginal insemination)
  - ICI (Intracervical insemination)
  - IUI (Intrauterine insemination)
- Fertility Drugs (as covered under plan specific Prescription Drug List - PDL)
  - Oral and injectable drugs associated with artificial insemination and IVF \*up to 3 cycles annually, even though IVF procedure itself is not covered)

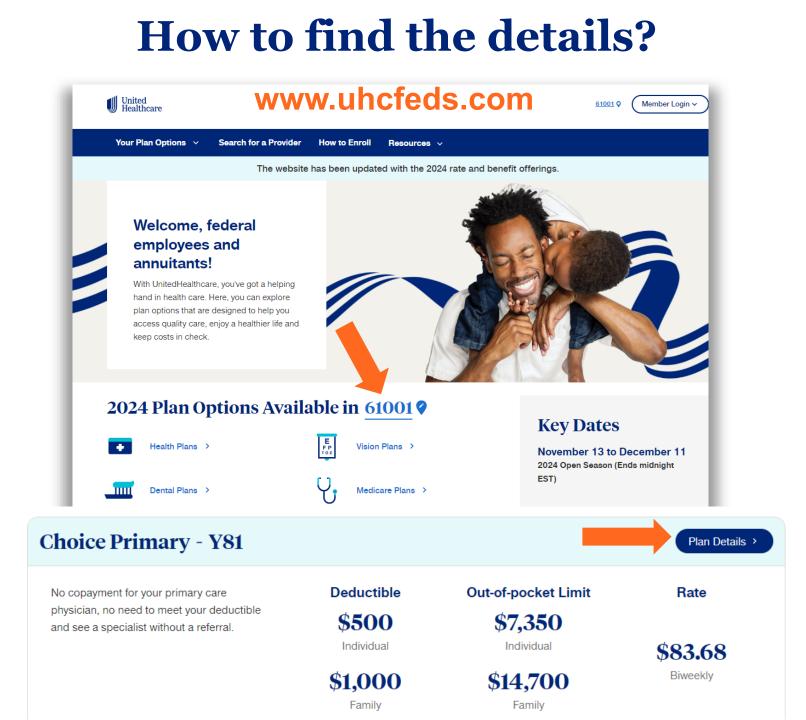
Refer members to Section 5(a) within their plan specific 2024 brochure

### A Prior Authorization is required for all services

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- Choice Plus Advanced
- Choice Primary
- Choice Plus Primary
- Choice Plus HDHP with HSA
- MDIPA

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## 2024 FEHBP MARKETING HIGHLIGHT



Contact Us

## FEHB & FEDVIP Outreach Email: uhcfeds@uhc.com

# Member & Pre-Member Support FEHBP: 877-835-9861 Retiree: 1-844-481-8821 FEDVIP Vision: 866-249-1999 FEDVIP Dental: 866-315-2321

**Pre-Member Website** UHCFeds.com

Member Website MyUHC.com





# Nikita West

Senior Account Manager

# GENDER AFFIRMING CARE

- Several plans have "Pride Clinic" or "LGBTQ+" medical programs specifically established to support the specific needs of the LGBTQIA+ community.
- Examples:
  - <u>Kaiser Permanente</u> Pride Clinic: "We created Pride Medical at Capitol Hill so any patient can easily find experienced physicians who they know are comfortable with and compassionate toward LGBTQ+ patients"
  - <u>United Health Care</u> -- provides for the LGBTQIA+ community: from specially trained advocates and an LGBTQ+ supportive provider search, to HIV services, genderaffirming care and more

# GENDER AFFIRMING CARE – PRIDE IN FED SERVICE

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# Gender Affirming Care – If Not Available, What Then?

## Nationwide Insurance Plans:

If you choose a PPO nationwide insurance plan, you should be able to find and receive innetwork coverage via your insurance provider for care sought outside your state, even for minors.

Your insurance company can assist in locating this coverage, whether it's in or outside your state. It's recommended to call your state insurance licensee for specific guidance (for example, BCBS of Florida) and discuss the type of care you are seeking. Your insurance company likely has a department for special cases, and they may assign you someone that has experience in this area to help coordinate access to care. You can also reach out to local organizations that would usually provide this care such as Planned Parenthood and arrange access.

## **Out-of-Network Providers**:

If you're seeking a gender affirming procedure and there's no in-network provider within a reasonable distance, your insurance company may be able to arrange for an out-of-network provider to be covered at an in-network rate. In my own situation, my insurance company has done this for me when I've sought pre-authorization for gender affirming care from out-of-network providers.

# Gender Affirming Care – If Not Available, What Then? (cont)

## **In-State Access to Prescription Medication:**

For adult children, telehealth services may be a viable option even in states with discriminatory laws. Organizations such as <u>getplume.co</u> and <u>queerdoc.com</u> provide these types of services, but not all of them take insurance. If this is the only available care, you can speak to your insurance company about possibly getting the services covered and appeal if necessary.

However, these services might not be accessible if the individual is a minor.

## **Out-of-State Access to Prescription Medication:**

If traveling out of state is necessary for prescription medication, try to access it through organizations known for providing transgender care, and request a 3-month supply or more. When taking a family trip to a trans-friendly state, plan a visit to a provider, get medication refills, and blood work done.

Thanks to Tess Miller for providing these answers for us

# QUESTIONS?



Thank you to United Health Care for participating today!

