The work you do every day helps us achieve our mission to improve the health of the people in the communities we serve. The University of Vermont Health Network (UVMHN) extends this mission and our culture of caring by offering you more choice! You have the flexibility to select from a full range of benefits to keep you and your family healthy, provide financial protection in the event of unforeseen circumstances and help you build long-term security for retirement. Your Benefits Guidebook was designed to answer questions you may have about your benefits. Please take time to review the guidebook and the benefits available to you and your family and make sure you enroll before your initial enrollment/open enrollment deadline.

Your Benefits Guidebook highlights the main features of our employee benefits program. It does not include all plan rules, details, limitations and exclusions. The terms of your benefit plans are governed by legal documents, including insurance contracts. If there is an inconsistency between the Benefits Guidebook and the legal plan documents, the plan documents are the final authority. The Company reserves the right to change or discontinue its employee benefits plans at any time.

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The University of Vermont Health Network is committed to you and your family’s overall health, well-being and financial protection.
# Important Contacts

## HR Contact Information

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<thead>
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<th>PHONE</th>
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<tr>
<td>HR Solution Center (HRSC)</td>
<td>844-777-0886</td>
<td><a href="mailto:HRSolutionCenter@UVMHealth.org">HRSolutionCenter@UVMHealth.org</a></td>
<td>UVMHN Benefits Website</td>
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<td><a href="mailto:nzesky@cflrinc.org">nzesky@cflrinc.org</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.whenthereshelpthereshope.com">www.whenthereshelpthereshope.com</a></td>
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<td>Employee Health</td>
<td>518-873-9032</td>
<td><a href="mailto:echemployeehealth@ech.org">echemployeehealth@ech.org</a></td>
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## Vendor Contact Information

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<td>00009635</td>
<td>800-499-1275</td>
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<td>Flexible Spending Accounts (FSAs)</td>
<td>HealthEquity</td>
<td>26018</td>
<td>877-924-3967</td>
<td>FSA General Purpose Dependent Care FSA</td>
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<tr>
<td>Dental</td>
<td>Guardian</td>
<td>00408919</td>
<td>800-541-7846</td>
<td><a href="http://www.guardiananytime.com">www.guardiananytime.com</a></td>
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<td>Vision</td>
<td>Guardian</td>
<td>00408919</td>
<td>844-557-2646</td>
<td><a href="http://www.guardiananytime.com">www.guardiananytime.com</a></td>
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<td>New York State Disability (NYS DBL)</td>
<td>The Hartford</td>
<td>STD: 895346</td>
<td>844-337-6303</td>
<td>TheHartfordMyBenefits</td>
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<td>New York State Paid Family Leave (NYS PFL)</td>
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<td>Accident</td>
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<td>877-236-7564</td>
<td>Presents.voya.com/EBRC/UVMHN</td>
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<td>Critical Illness Hospital Indemnity</td>
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<td>806</td>
<td>800-789-2720</td>
<td>myaip.com/uvmhealthnetwork</td>
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<td>Pet Insurance</td>
<td>Nationwide</td>
<td>UVM Health Network</td>
<td></td>
<td>benefits.petinsurance.com</td>
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To participate in The UVM Health Network (UVMHN) / Elizabethtown Community Hospital (ECH) benefits, you must be a full or part-time employee scheduled 40-80 hours bi-weekly.

**WHEN DOES MY COVERAGE START?**

Coverage begins the first of the month following your date of hire or any change that makes you benefits-eligible. If your date of hire or benefits eligibility date is the first day of the month, your benefits begin that day.

**Example:**
- **Hire Date:** January 20
- **Time to Enroll in Coverage:** January 20 - February 19 (30 days)
- **Coverage Starts:** February 1

  NOTE: The 30 days allowed to enroll extends after the day coverage starts. If you enroll after the coverage start date, you are responsible for any missed contributions, which will be deducted from your paycheck.

You may also enroll your eligible dependents for coverage. If you enroll in benefits, you can cover your:

- **LEGAL SPOUSE**
- **CHILDREN UNDER AGE 26**
  - Regardless of: Student Status, Marital Status  (covered until end of the month they turn 26)
- **CHILDREN OVER AGE 26**
  - On your federal tax return as fully dependent on you for support due to disability
Eligible Dependents – Dependent Verification

If you enroll your dependent(s), UVMHN requires you to provide documents to verify your dependents eligibility. The below chart lists the dependent verification documents required for each eligible dependent. You can scan and upload the dependent verification documents to Workday or call the HR Solution Center at 844-777-0886 for assistance.

DATE OF HIRE OR BENEFIT ELIGIBILITY DATE
Dependent Verification documents must be provided within 30 days of enrolling.

OPEN ENROLLMENT
Dependent Verification documents must be provided before the start of the next calendar year.

DUAL COVERAGE
Dual coverage is not allowed, you can only be covered by one UVMHN medical plan. For example:

- If you and your spouse work at the same or different UVMHN affiliates and your spouse covers you under their medical plan, you cannot enroll in medical.
- If your spouse covers you and your family under medical, you can cover yourself, your spouse and your family under dental.

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<th>ELIGIBLE DEPENDENTS</th>
<th>DEPENDENT VERIFICATION DOCUMENTS</th>
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<tr>
<td>Legal Spouse</td>
<td>Marriage Certificate or Copy of the first page of last year’s Federal tax return, indicating “Married Filing Jointly” or “Married Filing Separately”</td>
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YOUR LEGALLY DEPENDENT CHILD(REN) UP TO AGE 26 REGARDLESS OF MARITAL STATUS INCLUDING:

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<tr>
<th>Biological Child</th>
<th>Copy of Birth Certificate or Application for a Birth Certificate</th>
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<tr>
<td>Adopted Child</td>
<td>Adoption Record or Placement for Adoption document from Court</td>
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<tr>
<td>Stepchild</td>
<td>Copy of your Marriage Certificate and Child’s Birth Certificate</td>
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<tr>
<td>Legal Guardianship of children under age 26</td>
<td>Court Order or Legal Guardianship Document</td>
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<tr>
<td>Child Over Age 26 on your federal tax return as fully dependent on you for support due to disability</td>
<td>Birth Certificate and Overage Incapacitated Dependent Verification Form completed by the employee and the dependent’s physician</td>
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PAYING FOR COVERAGE

The UVMHN Employee Welfare Benefits Plan satisfies the requirements for a Cafeteria Plan under Section 125 of the Internal Revenue Code. This allows you to pay for certain benefits on a pre-tax basis, which reduces your taxable income and you do not pay FICA, Federal or State income taxes on the pre-tax deductions.

In order to maintain our Section 125 Cafeteria Plan, we must follow the Internal Revenue Code requirements, which include complying with benefits eligibility, enrollment and qualifying life event rules.
Changing Benefits After Enrollment

During the year, you cannot make changes to your benefits unless you have a Qualified Life Event. If you do not make changes to your benefits within 31 days of the Qualified Life Event or 60 days for Qualified Life Events noted with an * in the chart below, you will have to wait until the next annual Open Enrollment period to make changes, unless you experience another Qualified Life Event.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>IRS QUALIFIED LIFE EVENT</th>
<th>EVENTS</th>
<th>CHANGES APPLY TO</th>
<th>TIME ALLOWED TO MAKE CHANGES</th>
<th>EFFECTIVE DATE OF CHANGE</th>
<th>TIMELINE EXAMPLES</th>
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<tr>
<td>Open Enrollment (OE)</td>
<td>Annual opportunity to enroll, cancel, or change benefit elections</td>
<td>- Employee - Spouse - Eligible Dependent(s)</td>
<td>Elections/Changes must be made by the last day of Open Enrollment.</td>
<td>January 1</td>
<td>OE Period: 11/15 - 11/30 Coverage starts 1/1</td>
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<tr>
<td>Loss of Coverage/Eligibility Under Another Group Plan</td>
<td>- Employment Change - Divorce/Annulment/Legal Separation - Death of Spouse - Child under age 26 loses coverage - Child loses coverage due to turning age 26 allows them to enroll in their own coverage, if applicable through their spouse, employer, the health care exchange or state/federal programs</td>
<td>- Employee - Spouse - Dependent(s)</td>
<td>30 days after loss of coverage/eligibility</td>
<td>First of month following loss of coverage/eligibility</td>
<td>Coverage ends on 2/15 Enroll 2/16 - 3/18 Coverage starts on 3/1</td>
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<td>Gain Other Coverage</td>
<td>Gain coverage through spouse/parent as a result of new hire enrollment, open enrollment, employment change</td>
<td>- Employee - Spouse - Dependent(s)</td>
<td>30 days after gain in coverage</td>
<td>End of month in which coverage is gained</td>
<td>Coverage starts on 3/1 Cancel coverage 3/1 - 3/31 Coverage ends on 2/28</td>
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<tr>
<td>Marriage</td>
<td>Get married</td>
<td>- Spouse - Dependent(s)</td>
<td>30 days after marriage</td>
<td>First of month following marriage</td>
<td>Date of Marriage 3/10 Enroll 3/10 - 4/9 Coverage starts on 4/1</td>
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<td>IRS QUALIFIED LIFE EVENT</td>
<td>EVENTS</td>
<td>CHANGES APPLY TO</td>
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</table>
| Family Status Change*    | - Birth of Child  
- Adoption  
- Placement for Adoption  
- Legal Guardianship Appointment | - Spouse  
- Dependent(s) | 60 days after Family Status Change applies to medical only | All other benefits must be changed 30 days after the Family Status Change | Family Status Change 5/5  
Enroll 5/6 - 7/5  
Coverage starts 5/5  
Start paying for coverage 7/5 |
| Loss of Coverage*        | Medicaid or CHIP coverage terminates | - Employee  
- Eligible Dependent(s) | 60 days after loss of coverage | First of month following loss of coverage | Date of Loss 7/14  
Enroll 7/16 - 9/13  
Coverage starts on 8/1 |
| Medicaid Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) | Medicaid or CHIP coverage terminates | - Employee  
- Eligible Dependent(s) | 60 days after becoming eligible for premium assistance | First of month following gain in premium assistance | Eligibility Date 9/22  
Cancel Coverage 9/23 - 11/22  
Coverage ends on 9/30 |
| Become Eligible for Premium Assistance* | Become eligible for premium assistance under Medicaid or CHIP | - Employee  
- Eligible Dependent(s) | 60 days after becoming eligible for premium assistance | First of month following gain in premium assistance | |
| Medicaid Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) | Become eligible for premium assistance under Medicaid or CHIP | - Employee  
- Eligible Dependent(s) | 60 days after becoming eligible for premium assistance | First of month following gain in premium assistance | |

**Consistency Requirement:** Your change in election must be consistent with the change in your circumstances.
How to Enroll

1. **REVIEW YOUR OPTIONS**
   Review your Benefits Guidebook and go to the [UVMHN Benefits Website](#) to use the online tools/resources to help you decide which options work best for you and your family.

2. **GET DEPENDENT VERIFICATION DOCUMENTS**
   If enrolling for the first time or adding dependents due to a Qualified Life Event, you will need your dependents Date of Birth and Social Security Number. You will also need to upload the dependent verification documents required into [Workday](#) within 31 days (see page 5).

3. **ENROLL IN WORKDAY**
   Workday is the cloud-based HR, Payroll and Benefits system for UVMHN. Need help logging into [Workday](#)? Call the IS Helpdesk at 802-847-1414. Need help using [Workday](#)? Call the HR Solution Center at 844-777-0886.

4. **Verify & Save or Print**
   Verify your benefit elections are correct before submitting. Save or print a copy of your benefit elections for your records.

5. **Did You Upload Your Documents?**
   If documents are required to verify your dependents’ eligibility, they must be uploaded to [Workday](#) within 30 days (see page 5). **IMPORTANT:** If you do not upload the dependent verification documents within 30 days, your dependent(s) will be removed from your coverage.

6. **View Your Payslip**
   It is important to view your payslip in [Workday](#) to confirm your pay and benefit deductions are correct.

ECH HR IS READY TO ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS!
- **Phone:** 518-873-3006
- **Email:** hrsupport@ech.org
- **Hours:** Monday - Friday, 7:30am - 4pm
- [UVMHN Benefits Website](#)

PAYCHECK OR TAX WITHHOLDING QUESTIONS?
Payroll is available to answer your questions.
- **Hours:** Monday - Friday, 7:30am - 4pm
- **Email:** Payroll@UVMHealth.org
- **Phone:** 802-847-3760

ACCESS WORKDAY ON THE GO
Go to [Workday](#), click your profile picture (top right), click My Account, click Organization ID and scan the QR code to sign in from your phone.

**OR**
Download the Workday mobile app and use Organization ID: uvmhealth to connect.
You can choose from three medical plan options. Each plan offers comprehensive health care benefits, including free preventive care services and coverage for prescription drugs. Here’s how the plans compare.

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<th>PLAN PROVISION</th>
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<td>Emergency Department</td>
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*Does not apply to preventive care.
# Prescription Drug Coverage

This chart provides information about your prescription drug coverage. Note that you can save when you order certain prescribed medications through the mail order service.

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<td><strong>Retail Prescription Drugs</strong></td>
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<td>Generic</td>
<td>$7</td>
<td>$7</td>
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<td>Brand Preferred</td>
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<td>Brand Non-Preferred</td>
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<td><strong>Mail Order Prescription Drugs</strong></td>
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<td>Generic</td>
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<td>Brand Non-Preferred</td>
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<tr>
<td>Specialty Drugs (30-day supply limit)</td>
<td>20%</td>
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<td>20%</td>
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</table>

Union employees can be enrolled in any of the three medical plans; the same prescription coverage applies for all enrolled Union employees regardless of plan.

*After Deductible.

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**DEFINITIONS**

**Generic** – A drug that offers equivalent uses, doses, strength, quality and performance as a brand-name drug, but is not trademarked.

**Brand Preferred** – A drug with a patent and trademark name that is considered “preferred” by the drug plan administrator because it is appropriate to use for medical purposes and is usually less expensive than other brand-name drugs.

**Brand Non-Preferred** – A drug with a patent and trademark name. This type of drug is “not preferred” and is usually more expensive than generic and preferred brand drugs.
# Medical Rates

## NYSNA Medical Rates

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<tr>
<th>PLAN</th>
<th>BI-WEEKLY PRE-TAX COST SHARE</th>
<th>YOUR ANNUAL COST</th>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Medical</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>Simply Blue</td>
<td>Your Cost</td>
<td>ECH</td>
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<tr>
<td>1 Person</td>
<td>$15.71</td>
<td>$428.03</td>
<td>$408.11</td>
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<tr>
<td>2 Person</td>
<td>$285.91</td>
<td>$601.57</td>
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<td>Family</td>
<td>$494.53</td>
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<td>Hybrid</td>
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<tr>
<td>1 Person</td>
<td>$15.43</td>
<td>$420.46</td>
<td>$401.13</td>
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<td>Your Cost</td>
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<td>1 Person</td>
<td>$13.67</td>
<td>$372.49</td>
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<td>$177.72</td>
<td>$594.60</td>
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<tr>
<td>Family</td>
<td>$245.93</td>
<td>$819.50</td>
<td>$6,394</td>
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Dental Plan

Your smile can be a window to your health. Sometimes the early signs of disease are visible to dentists when patients open wide. Our dental plans cover preventive care 100%. Choose the plan that works best for you and your family and schedule your dental exam!

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<th>GUARDIAN DENTAL</th>
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<td>IN-NETWORK</td>
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<td>Annual deductible (Individual/Family)</td>
<td>$25</td>
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<td>Annual maximum per individual</td>
<td>$1,250</td>
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<td>Diagnostic and preventive includes cleanings, fluoride treatments, sealants and X-rays</td>
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<td>Basic services includes fillings, periodontics, scaling and root planning, oral surgery</td>
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<td>Major Services includes crowns, bridges, full and partial dentures</td>
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<td>Orthodontia (Child only up to age 26)</td>
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<td>Orthodontia Lifetime Maximum</td>
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*Combined maximum for both in- and out-of-network services.

NYSNA Dental Rates

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Vision Plan

Sight is one of the life's most precious gifts. UVMHN wants to help keep your eyes healthy so you can keep doing the things you enjoy most! Did you know eye exams can help detect health conditions such as diabetes?

GUARDIAN VISION

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Flexible Spending Accounts (FSAs)

FSAs allow you to pay for eligible expenses using tax-free dollars. You decide the amount you will need for health care expenses for the year. This amount is divided equally by the number of pay periods in the year. This is the amount that will be deducted pre-tax from your paycheck. If you elect a Health Care FSA during open enrollment, the full amount you elected will be available to use January 1 and you can use your HealthEquity debit card to pay for eligible health care expenses. For example, if you elect $2,000 and are paid bi-weekly, $76.92 will be deducted from each paycheck (2000 / 26 = 76.92). The full $2,000 is available to use starting January 1. NOTE: Dependent Care FSA funds are not available January 1. You must contribute and have an available balance to get reimbursed for expenses.

HEALTH CARE FSA - GENERAL PURPOSE
Contribute up to $3,050 per year, pre-tax, to pay for deductibles, copays, prescriptions, diagnostic tests, contact lenses and eyeglasses. Eligible Expenses

DEPENDENT CARE FSA
Contribute up to $5,000 per year ($2,500 if married and filing separate tax returns), pre-tax, to pay for eligible dependent care expenses so that you or your spouse may work or attend school full-time. A qualifying dependent may be a child under age 13, a disabled spouse, or an older parent in eldercare. Debit card not available.

USE IT OR LOSE IT
If you do not spend all the money in your FSA by December 31, per IRS rules, unused dollars will be forfeited.

CARRYOVER BENEFIT - GENERAL PURPOSE FSA
The plan year is January 1 - December 31 and you may carryover up to $610 of unused funds into the next plan year. The carryover amount doesn’t count towards your annual contribution maximum. Any unused funds greater than $610 will be forfeited after the last day of the run-out period. The run-out period (January 1 - May 31) provides you additional time to submit claims that were incurred during the plan year for reimbursement.
USING THE FSA MONEY

HealthEquity provides 3 ways for you to use the money in your account.

• **Pay by Debit Card**
  Card is available for general purpose FSA and Health Savings Account (HSA) only.

• **Pay Me Back Claim**
  If you have already paid for an expense out-of-pocket, you can pay yourself back by submitting documentation. Payment is issued by direct deposit or check to your home address.
  ▪ This is the best option to use for Dependent Care FSA.

• **Pay My Provider Option**
  Pay your health care providers directly from your account for eligible expenses.

PLANS OFFERED:

• Flexible Spending Account (FSA)
  ▪ General Purpose
  ▪ Dependent Care

CONTRIBUTIONS:
Pre-tax contributions from your paycheck for all FSAs.

HELPFUL INFORMATION:

• [Dependent Care Guide](#)
• [FSA General Purpose](#)

YOU MAY BE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT RECEIPTS FOR EXPENSES PAID USING YOUR DEBIT CARD

Keep all receipts and/or Explanation of Benefits forms. HealthEquity will notify you if itemized receipts or additional documentation is required to validate your purchase.

DEPENDENT CARE – GRACE PERIOD

While there is no carryover for Dependent Care FSA, there is a grace period. The grace period provides additional time for you to use the funds remaining in your account. You have until March 15, 2024 to incur expenses that can be paid for using funds remaining from the 2023 plan year.

EXAMPLE:

If you have $300 remaining at the end of the plan year (December 31, 2023), those funds will remain available for you to use for eligible expenses until March 15, 2024.

You have until May 31, 2024 to submit those 2023 eligible expenses for reimbursement.
Life Insurance

Term Life Insurance

ECH provides financial protection for you and your beneficiaries with *Basic Life Insurance at no cost to you. Benefit eligible employees receive 2x their annual base salary up to $2 million. You also have the option to purchase **Additional Life Insurance for you, your spouse and your child(ren).

*Basic Life: You are automatically enrolled and coverage starts the first of the month following your date of hire or benefits eligibility date. Health information is not required.

**Additional Life: You can elect up to the Guaranteed Issue amount for yourself and your spouse and health information is not required.

Additional Life Guaranteed Issue Amounts

Employee: $200,000
Spouse: $50,000

FOR YOU

Increments of $25,000
max of $2 Million
combined with Basic Life

FOR YOUR SPOUSE

Increments of $25,000
max of $250,000

FOR YOUR CHILD

For each dependent child birth to age 26

$10,000

$2 Million

ADDITIONAL LIFE INSURANCE RATES – GO TO APPENDIX pg. 38
INCREASE YOUR LIFE INSURANCE
ONE TIME OPPORTUNITY!

2023 Open Enrollment Only

UVMHN and ECH are excited to offer benefit eligible employees the opportunity to purchase additional life insurance at lower rates! This is a one-time opportunity during the 2023 Open Enrollment period only, from November 15 – November 30, 2022.

We hope you take the time to review this information carefully as it provides additional financial protection for you and your beneficiaries.

BASIC LIFE INSURANCE INCLUDES ACCIDENTAL DEATH & DISMEMBERMENT (AD&D)

BENEFIT INCREASING TO 2X ANNUAL SALARY UP TO $2 MILLION MAX

Benefit eligible employees who have Basic Life coverage in the amount of $50,000 can enroll in the Basic Life benefit of 2x base annual salary up to $2 million max and health information is not required.

If you enroll in the 2x Basic Life benefit, any amounts over $50,000 will be considered imputed income, which is taxable. The below example shows the imputed income (amount taxed) for this scenario.

**EXAMPLE** – Go to [Appendix](#) for Rates and How to Determine Imputed Income

**Hourly Rate:** $20  
**Annual Salary:** $41,600  
**Annual Salary Rounded to Nearest Thousand:** $42,000  
**Basic Life 2x Annual Salary:** $84,000  
**Amount Over $50K:** $34,000  
**Employee Age:** 40  
**Imputed Income (Amount Taxed):** $40.56

ADDITIONAL LIFE INSURANCE INCLUDES AD&D

GUARANTEED ISSUE AMOUNT: INCREASED FROM $100,000 TO $200,000 FOR EMPLOYEE COVERAGE

AMOUNTS PURCHASED: INCREMENTS OF $25,000 (FORMERLY EMPLOYEE: $10,000 & SPOUSE: $5,000)

**EMPLOYEE COVERAGE:** Benefit eligible employees who do not have additional life insurance can purchase additional life insurance up to $200,000 max and health information is not required. If an employee currently has additional life insurance in an amount less than $200,000, they can purchase additional life insurance up to the $200,000 max and health information **is not** required. Additionally, if an employee currently has coverage in an increment of $10,000, the coverage will be converted to an increment of $25,000.

**EXAMPLE:** Benefit eligible employee has $50,000 in additional life insurance, the employee can purchase an additional $150,000 (up to $200,000) and health information **is not** required.

**EXAMPLE:** Benefit eligible employee has $110,000 in additional life insurance, coverage will be converted to an increment of $25,000. The $110,000 will be converted to $125,000 and health information **is not** required.
**SPOUSE COVERAGE:** Benefit eligible employees who do not have additional spouse life insurance can purchase additional spouse life insurance up to $50,000 max and health information is not required. If an employee currently has additional spouse life insurance in an amount less than $50,000, they can purchase additional spouse life insurance up to the $50,000 max and health information is not required. Additionally, if an employee currently has additional spouse life coverage in an increment of $5,000, the coverage will be converted to an increment of $25,000.

**EXAMPLE:** Benefit eligible employee has $110,000 in additional spouse life insurance, coverage will be converted to an increment of $25,000. The $110,000 will be converted to $125,000 and health information is not required.

While the additional life insurance rates are lower, if the additional life insurance amount increases the cost may increase as well. Please review your life insurance in **Workday**, if you do not want the increase in coverage you can elect a lower amount but it will need to be an increment of $25,000.

**ADDITIONAL LIFE INSURANCE AMOUNTS OVER GUARANTEED ISSUE EVIDENCE OF INSURABILITY (EOI)**

Any amounts over $200,000 for employee life coverage or over $50,000 for spouse life coverage requires health information, referred to as Evidence of Insurability (EOI). The Hartford will review the EOI information and will approve or deny. If additional life insurance amounts are denied, you will receive the Guaranteed Issue amount of $200,000 for employee life coverage and $50,000 for spouse life coverage.
IMPORTANT – REVIEW YOUR BENEFICIARIES

Basic Life Insurance: Please review your beneficiaries and make any necessary changes. Once your beneficiaries are added, enter a percentage.

Additional Life Insurance: If you are currently enrolled or enroll for 2023, you will be able to add a separate beneficiary from your Basic Life insurance for employee coverage. You are automatically the beneficiary for spouse and child(ren) life coverage.

In Workday you can list multiple primary and contingent beneficiaries, but the total percentages must equal 100%. A person can be a primary or contingent beneficiary, but not both. If you need help verifying or updating your beneficiaries, please contact the HR Solution Center at 844-777-0886.

NOTE: After Open Enrollment, starting November 16, 2022 you will not be able to add or update beneficiaries for life insurance until January 1, 2023.

IMPORTANT – PERCENTAGE MUST BE ENTERED FOR BENEFICIARIES

If no percentage is entered in Workday for your beneficiaries, it is considered “no beneficiary on file”. If there is no beneficiary on file, life claims will be paid as follows:

1. Executors or administrators of your estate
2. All to your surviving spouse
3. If your spouse does not survive you, in equal shares to your surviving children
4. If no child survives you, in equal shares to your surviving parents
Beneficiary Designation

When enrolling in Workday, you can designate a beneficiary for your life insurance coverage. In the event of your death, the benefit will be paid to the beneficiaries in Workday.

You can update your beneficiaries at any time in Workday. It is important to review your beneficiaries and make sure you enter percentages for each beneficiary.

You are automatically the beneficiary for spouse and child life coverage.

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Additional Life Insurance/AD&D

In addition to the Basic Life Insurance UVMHN provides, you can purchase Additional Life Insurance, which you pay for after-tax.

**PURCHASE:**

- Additional Employee Life
- Spouse Life
- Child Life

Evidence of Insurability

Additional life insurance coverage may require Evidence of Insurability (EOI). EOI is documented proof of good health, which is completed in the application process for life insurance coverage.

- EOI will be emailed to your work address following enrollment in Workday.
- EOI must be completed within 60 days.
- The Hartford will notify you of approval or denial.
- Premiums will be deducted from your paycheck and coverage will be visible within Workday.

Age Reduction

**Improved Benefit**

Under The Hartford life insurance policies there is a reduction in life insurance coverage once you reach the age of 70. Your coverage continues; however this means the insurance coverage is reduced by a certain percentage based on your age. This reduction applies to UVMHN paid coverage as well as any additional coverage you elect for you or your spouse. The reduction is based upon the insured person's date of birth.

- At age 70, coverage is reduced to 65% of the coverage in place prior to age 70.
- At age 75, coverage is reduced to 50% of the coverage in place prior to age 70.

Portability/Conversion

If you leave UVMHN or become employed in a non-benefits eligible classification, you can take the coverage with you. You have the option to Port or Convert your life insurance coverage with The Hartford.

If you terminate employment or become ineligible for coverage, you will be notified by The Hartford via USPS mail on your options and the process to Port or Convert coverage. Please be aware you have 31 days from termination or change to a non-benefits eligible classification to Port or Convert life insurance.
NYS Disability

STD

ECH provides additional financial protection by providing you with disability benefits at no cost. These benefits pay a portion of your pay while out of work due to a non-work illness/injury. You are automatically enrolled once you become eligible.

50% of weekly earnings to $170 max

Begins after 7 Days of disability

Election is NOT REQUIRED

Up to max of 25 weeks
Disability

Short-Term Disability (STD)
STD can be used when you are unable to perform the essential functions of your job for a period of time due to a non-work illness/injury. Reasons you may need disability could include:

- Childbirth
- Illness
- Injury (non-work related)
- Pregnancy Complications
- Surgery

New York State Short-Term Disability (STD) is available through The Hartford to full-time and part-time employees after completion of four (4) consecutive weeks for a covered NYS employer.

MATERNITY LEAVE
Maternity Leave is covered through the STD plan.
STD benefits are paid as follows:

- Vaginal Birth: 6-week max
- C-Section: 8-week max

STARTING A CLAIM
Needing to take a leave of absence from work, whether you need time off for a medical procedure or to welcome a newborn into your family, can be stressful. It is important to communicate with your manager about your need for a leave of absence. While you should provide as much notice as possible for an upcoming leave, you do not need to provide your manager with the reason or details surrounding your need for leave.

Things you should do before a leave:

- Make your request to your manager in person, if possible
- Call The Hartford

BENEFIT PROVIDED BY:
The Hartford

CONTACT INFORMATION:
888-716-4549

POLICY NUMBER:
895346

WEBSITE:
TheHartfordMyBenefits

USE WEBSITE TO:
- Start a Claim
- Check Claim Status

DISABILITY PLANS:
- NYS Short-Term Disability

PREMIUMS:
- Paid by ECH
403(b) Retirement Plan

One of the best ways to ensure a secure retirement is to start saving as early as possible. Our 403(b) savings plan allows you to save for retirement on a pre-tax and ROTH (after-tax) basis. You can start contributing to the plan immediately and you have the option of making pre-tax or Roth (after-tax) contributions to your account through payroll deductions.

Increase Your Retirement Savings With a 403(b)

TYPES OF 403(b) CONTRIBUTIONS

- **Non-Elective Contribution**: If eligible, Elizabethtown Community Hospital/ECH will contribute a 4.5% non-elective contribution each pay period. You do not need to contribute to receive the non-elective contribution.

- **Employee Contributions**:

  If you are **AGE 50** or older by the end of the calendar year you can make an additional contribution of **$7,500**.

Vesting

You will become 100% vested in the ECH Non-Elective Contribution after completing 3 calendar years with 1,000 hours or more.

You are always 100% vested in your personal contributions and any earnings on these contributions.

**employee contributions cannot exceed the IRS limit of $22,500**

*Non-Elective Contribution: If eligible, Elizabethtown Community Hospital/ECH will contribute a 4.5% non-elective contribution each pay period. You do not need to contribute to receive the non-elective contribution.

**We will automatically stop your contributions if you reach the IRS limit for your age.
Enrollment
You may begin contributing to the plan at any time.
To begin contributing, you will need to make the election with Fidelity. If you are a new Fidelity user, there are two ways to make an election:
1. **Log on to NetBenefits at [netbenefits.com/uvmhealth](http://netbenefits.com/uvmhealth).** Click Register as a New User and follow prompts to establish a user name and password. You will need a code that will be sent to your work email account.
2. **Call Fidelity at 800-343-0860.**
If you already have an account at Fidelity, use your existing username and password to access our plan from your dashboard.

**YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS**
You can begin making personal contributions immediately by way of traditional pre-tax and/or Roth after-tax deductions.
Traditional pre-tax contributions are deducted from your paycheck. You pay no federal or state taxes on your pre-tax contributions until you receive a distribution from the Plan. Roth contributions are made with after-tax dollars and, along with any earnings over time, are exempt from taxes when you take a qualified withdrawal.

**IRS CONTRIBUTION LIMITS**
In 2023, the IRS contribution limit is $22,500. If you will be 50 or older in 2023, you may make additional catch-up contributions of $7,500. For your convenience, if you meet the age requirement, your contribution limit will automatically be extended to $30,000 for the year.
We will automatically stop your contributions when you hit the allowed maximum for your age. If you worked for another employer during the calendar year, it is your responsibility to monitor your total contributions. If you have contributed to a 403(b)/401(k) at another employer, UVMHN can assist to make sure you do not exceed the IRS annual maximum. Please contact the HR Solution Center at 844-777-0886 for more information.
Employer Non-Elective Contribution

After meeting eligibility requirements, ECH will begin making employer contributions to your account. Employees are eligible for the non-elective employer contribution after completing 1,000 hours of service in the first year of employment, or in any calendar year ending thereafter. You must be age 21 or older to receive employer contributions.

Once eligible, ECH will make a 4.5% non-elective employer contribution each pay period. You do not need to contribute to the plan to be eligible for the non-elective contribution.

Vesting

You always own any contributions you make to your retirement account. You become vested in all employer contributions after completing three years of Vesting Service. A Vesting Year is a calendar year during which you work 1,000 or more hours. You will be vested immediately upon having met the 1,000 hour requirement for your third year of Vesting Service.

Investment Options

Our plan offers a wide range of investment options designed to meet your specific goals, time horizon and risk tolerance. There are mutual funds for stocks and bonds, a stable value fund, and a money market option. The investment line-up also includes age-based, target date mutual funds. Experienced investors may be interested in opening a self-directed Fidelity Brokerage Link account to access other mutual funds.

If you do not make investment elections, contributions will be automatically invested in the Plan’s predetermined default account. UVMHN has selected the T. Rowe Price Target Retirement Life Cycle Funds to serve as the default. Which fund you would default to depends on your age and expected retirement date.
Education & Consultations

Fidelity hosts frequent on-site visits for one-on-one meetings. For your convenience, virtual appointments are also available. Visit the intranet to view the schedule and make an appointment online at Fidelity.com/reserve or you can call 800-642-7131.

Rehire & Service Time Information

If you worked at ECH or any UVMHN affiliate within the past five years and have been rehired, your earlier service time will apply to the eligibility requirements for employer contributions. You will always retain time earned towards vesting back to the network affiliation date. Please contact the HR Solution Center at 844-777-0886 if you believe this may apply to you.

Learn More & Manage

Once you activate your account on NetBenefits, you’ll be able to select investments, view on-demand statements, designate a beneficiary, and access the many educational and planning tools available.

Beneficiaries

Your beneficiary is entitled to receive your account balance if you die before the entire account was distributed to you. If you are married, your spouse will automatically be your beneficiary unless you authorize otherwise with the written notarized consent of your spouse. If you have not designated a beneficiary or no beneficiary survives you, then your estate will be the beneficiary. You may designate or change your beneficiary at any time by contacting Fidelity directly by phone at 800-343-0860 or logging on to NetBenefits®. On the website, you’ll find the Beneficiary option under the Profile section on the Summary tab.

Receiving Money From Your Account

The plan is intended to accumulate funds for your retirement. If you leave before retirement, you may roll over the money to another employer’s plan or to an IRA to keep it tax deferred. If you die, your beneficiary will receive your benefits.

You have access to your funds while you are still employed by UVMHN at the following times:

- Age 59½
- You become disabled
- You experience a financial hardship
- You are in need of a General or home loan

For more information, please see the Summary Plan Description.
Wellness

Wellness is the complete integration of body, mind and spirit and everything you do, think, feel and believe has an effect on your overall well-being.

Your overall well-being is an ongoing process and life-long journey, not a one-time event. We encourage you to explore the different interconnected dimensions of well-being, which include: **Physical, Emotional, Spiritual, Social, Intellectual, Financial, Environmental/Community, Work-Life** (career fulfillment and work-life balance).

Taking care of ourselves enables us to take care of others. When you invest in self-care, you are taking the time to do things that help you live well and improve your overall well-being. Common self-care activities include exercise, sleep, balanced nutrition, meditation, connecting with family and friends, but it also includes taking care of ourselves by:

- Asking for help
- Spending time alone
- Putting yourself first
- Asking for what you need
- Setting boundaries
- Staying at home
- Saying “no”
- Forgiving yourself
- Taking a step back
- Pampering yourself

To support your well-being, we encourage you to use the wellness resources and participate in the wellness programs and activities available at Elizabethtown Community Hospital.
Headspace
Be Kind to Your Mind!

UVMHN is dedicated to supporting your overall health, well-being and happiness, which includes your emotional well-being. UVMHN provides all employees with FREE access to the Headspace app! We hope Headspace will help you bring more health and happiness to your days at work, home and everywhere in between.

About Headspace for Work

Think of Headspace as your mind’s best friend. It is available for you whenever you need it, wherever you are, to help you get through tough times and find joy in every day.

Through science-backed meditation and mindfulness tools, Headspace helps you create life-changing habits to support your mental health and find a healthier, happier you. Headspace is proven to reduce stress by 14% in just 10 days. It can also help you relax your mind in minutes, improve focus, and get the best sleep ever.

HOW DO I SIGN UP?

**Sign Up, Log In, Finish**

1. Visit the [UVMHN Headspace Enrollment](#) or scan the QR code
2. You will be asked if you have an existing account with Headspace:
   - **New Members**: answer No and create account
   - **Existing Members**: answer Yes and sign in
3. **New Members**: verify your access using your ECH email, you will receive two emails from Headspace
   - **Existing Members**: verify your account with your ECH email, you will receive one email from Headspace

Download the app and get some Headspace!

- Download the Headspace app in the iOS App Store or Google Play Store

Click the links below to:

- **LESS STRESS, MORE PROGRESS**
- **TAKE A BREAK - BREAK A SWEAT**
- **PUT YOUR MIND TO BED**
Employee Assistance Program

If you find yourself in need of professional support to deal with personal, work, financial or family issues, the Employee Assistance Program (EAP) can help.

YOU AND YOUR FAMILY, INCLUDING SPOUSES AND DEPENDENTS, CAN USE THE EAP FOR HELP WITH

- Marriage and family problems
- Job-related issues
- Stress, anxiety and depression
- Parent and child relationships
- Legal and financial counseling
- Identity theft counseling
- Financial planning
- Various other issues

ELIGIBILITY

Full-time, part-time and per diem employees, along with their adult household family members, are eligible to meet with a counselor for confidential assessments, short-term counseling, referrals and follow-up services.

CENTERS FOR FAMILY LIFE AND RECOVERY

Contact:
Nadine Zesky
Employee Assistance Program Coordinator

Address:
502 Court Street, Suite 401
Utica NY 13502
(315) 263-4152
nzesky@cflrinc.org

Website:
www.whenthereshelpthereshope.com
Supplemental Medical plans can help you pay for costs you may incur after an accidental injury, illness or hospitalization. These plans are 100% voluntary.

**Accident Insurance**

Accident insurance pays a lump sum if you become injured because of an accident. It allows you to claim benefits even if the injuries do not keep you out of work. Accident insurance may also complement health insurance if an accident causes you to have medical expenses that your health insurance doesn’t cover.

**HOW DOES ACCIDENT INSURANCE WORK?**

Accident insurance can help pay for a wide range of situations, including initial care, surgery, transportation and lodging and follow-up care. Here’s how it works:

- A set amount is payable based on the injury you suffer and the treatment you receive.
- Coverage is available for you, your spouse and eligible dependent children.
- No physical exam required to get basic coverage.
- Accident insurance covers injuries that happen on or off the job.
- Benefit payments are not reduced by any other insurance you may have with other companies.
**Critical Illness Insurance**

While medical insurance is vital, it doesn’t cover everything. If you suffer from a serious illness, such as cancer, stroke or a heart attack, Medical insurance may not provide the coverage you need. Critical Illness insurance will ease the financial strain and help you focus on your recovery.

**HOW WILL A CRITICAL ILLNESS CLAIM GET PAID?**

After purchasing Critical Illness insurance, if you suffer from one of the serious illnesses covered by your policy, you’ll be paid in a lump sum. The payment will go directly to you instead of to a medical provider. The payment you receive can be used for your expenses, such as:

- Child care costs
- Medical expenses
- Travel expenses for you and your family
- Lost wages from missed time at work
- Living expenses

**Hospital Indemnity Insurance**

Hospital Indemnity insurance is a plan designed to pay costs associated with a hospital admission that may not be covered by other insurance. The plan covers employees who are admitted to a hospital or ICU for a covered sickness or injury. Even if your Medical insurance covers most of your hospitalization, you can still receive payments from your Hospital Indemnity insurance plan to cover extra expenses while you recover.

**HOW DOES HOSPITAL INDEMNITY INSURANCE WORK?**

You pay monthly premiums for your Hospital Indemnity insurance plan. If you are admitted to the hospital for an injury or illness, your Hospital Indemnity plan makes cash payments to you. And with the payments going directly to you, you can use these emergency funds to pay for costs not covered by your Medical insurance, including medical insurance deductibles, copays and coinsurance, child care expenses while you are in the hospital or cost-of-living expenses as you recover.
Voluntary Benefits
ID Protection & Pet Insurance

Allstate Identity Protection

Identity Theft insurance provides credit monitoring and fully managed identity restoration services should you or an immediate family member become a victim of identity theft. This will help you remain productive at home and at work while your identity is restored to pre-theft status. Enroll in Workday and premiums will be deducted after-tax from your paycheck.

• Check your identity health score
• View and manage alerts in real time
• Monitor your TransUnion credit score and report
• Receive alerts for cash withdrawals, balance transfers and large purchases
• Get reimbursed for fraud-related losses

Pet Insurance

My Pet Protection from Nationwide provides coverage for your birds, cats, dogs and exotic pets. Pet insurance helps you provide your pets with the best care possible by reimbursing you for veterinary bills. You can get cash back for accidents, illnesses, hereditary conditions and more.

Pet parents have two levels of reimbursement, 70% or 50%. Plan prices for UVMHN employees include a 5% discount; if you have multiple pets, you may qualify for discounts of up to 15%.* The cost of the plan is not based on your pet’s age or breed, but rather the reimbursement level and the state in which you live.

All employees are eligible to enroll their pets. If you enroll, you will pay Nationwide directly. Premiums are not deducted from your paycheck. Coverage starts 14 days after enrollment. Once your coverage starts, you can visit any veterinarian and submit receipts to Nationwide for reimbursement.

*Pre-existing conditions are not covered and reimbursement options may not be available in all states.
GET A QUOTE & ENROLL

- Online at UVMHN Pet Insurance Enrollment
- By calling 877-738-7874. Mention you are an employee of UVMHN to receive discounted pricing.

NOTE: If you want to enroll your bird, rabbit, reptile, or other exotic pets you must call to enroll.

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**Covers:** Accidents, injuries, common illnesses, serious/chronic illnesses, hereditary/congenital conditions, surgeries/hospitalization, x-rays, MRIs, CT scans, prescription medications, and therapeutic diets

**Benefit Provided By:**
Nationwide

**Contact Information:**
Enrollments 877-738-7874
Customer Care 800-540-2016

**Group Name:**
The University of Vermont Health Network

**Website:**
UVMHN Pet Insurance

**Enrollment & Premiums:**
You can enroll and make changes anytime. Premiums are paid monthly by you.

**Helpful Information**
- Learn More About Pet Insurance
- Pet Insurance Overview
- FAQ – Pre-enrollment
- FAQ – Post-Enrollment
- FAQ – Claim Reimbursement
- Vitus Vet
- Vethepline®
Leaves of Absence

Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA)

Family Medical Leave is an **unpaid** leave designed to provide job and benefit protection for employees while they are out of work for their own serious health condition or to care for a qualifying family member. For more information regarding FMLA, please visit Policy Medical, found in the ECH Shortcuts Folder on your Desktop.

**ELIGIBILITY**

- Worked at ECH or another UVMHN affiliate for at least 12 months at the start of the leave
- Worked 1,250 hours during the 12-month period immediately before the start date of leave

**ENTITLEMENT**

- Granted up to 12 weeks of time in a 12-month period
- Time can be used as continuous or intermittent, depending on need.

Intermittent leave may be taken in separate blocks of time due to a single injury or illness and may include leave periods from one hour or more to several weeks.

FMLA leave is unpaid, however, the employee is required to substitute accrued sick, vacation, and holiday accrued time while on FMLA leave.

To initiate a claim, notify your manager of your need for time away and contact The Hartford. Information can also be found at the following website: [TheHartfordMyBenefits](#).

**3 Things You Should Do Prior to a Leave of Absence:**

1. Understand what benefits are available to you
2. Notify your manager of your need for leave with as much advance notice as possible
3. Call The Hartford to initiate a Leave

**Bonding Leave**

Bonding Leave at the UVMHN is provided under the Federal Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA). Family Medical Leave is an unpaid leave designed to provide job and benefit protection for employees while they are out of work due to the birth of a child or placement of a child with the employee for adoption or foster care, and to care for the newborn or newly-placed child (leave for these purposes must conclude within 12 months of the birth or placement).
Paid Family Leave (PFL)

NYS PFL is job protected, paid time away from work for employees that meet the qualifying reasons. PFL is utilized:

• To care for a family member with a serious health condition (family member defined as spouse, parent-in-law, domestic partner, grandparent, child, grandchild or parent.)
• To bond with a child
• For military exigencies (defined under FMLA)

This benefit covers employees working 20 hours or more per week after being employed for 26 consecutive weeks. Employees working under 20 hours are not eligible until they have worked 175 consecutive days.

Employees are entitled to 12 weeks of leave time in a 52-week interval. Benefits payable will be 67% of weekly wage, but no more than $971.61 per week. (Taxable benefits.)

NYS PFL is completely employee funded. These will be weekly deductions in the amount of 0.511% of weekly pay, capped at an annual maximum of $385.34, via payroll deduction.

APPLYING FOR PAID FAMILY LEAVE:

1. Notify your manager
2. Initiate a claim with The Hartford

See the ECH Leave Management Claims Flyer on the next page for more information.
File a Claim or Request a Leave with Confidence

The Hartford Makes it Easy to File a Claim or Request Leave

STEP 1: KNOW WHEN IT’S TIME TO FILE A CLAIM OR REQUEST A LEAVE

If you’re absent from work, we can advise you on when to file a claim or request a leave. If your absence is scheduled, such as an upcoming hospital stay, call us 30 days prior to your last day of work. If unscheduled, please call us as soon as possible.

STEP 2: HAVE THIS INFORMATION READY

- Name, address, and other key identification information
- Name of your department and last full day of active work
- The nature of your claim or leave request
- Your treating physician’s name, address, phone, and fax numbers
- Your HR representative’s name and phone number
  - Alyson Arnold: 518-873-9026

STEP 3: MAKE THE CALL OR FILE ONLINE

With your information handy, call The Hartford at 1-888-716-4549 or file online at thehartford.com/mybenefits. You’ll be assisted by a caring professional who’ll take your information, answer your questions and file your claim or process your leave request.

NOTES:

Be specific on which leave type you wish to apply for. E.g. FMLA, Short Term Disability, or NYS Paid Family Leave. If you do not wish to utilize disability, please make it known to them.

Your Employee ID will begin with 5 0’s, then your 5 digit number.

E.g. 0000025252

HOW TO FILE A CLAIM OR REQUEST A LEAVE

GET SUPPORTIVE ASSISTANCE

Even after your claim has been filed or you have requested a leave, we may be in touch to check your progress, answer questions or obtain additional information from you. Our goal is to offer a smooth and hassle-free experience until you return to work. Feel free to also call us with anything that’s on your mind. We’re here to help.

RELAX AND STAY POSITIVE

You have the assurance of our knowledge, experience, and understanding of what you are going through. We’re with you all the way, so you can receive the benefits you qualify for and get back to your life.

QUICK FACTS

The Hartford’s goal is to help get you through your time away from work with dignity and assist you in any way we can. Keep the card below in a safe pace for future use. We’ll be there when you need us.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT THE HARTFORD’S TOLL-FREE NUMBER AT 1-888-716-4549
Accommodation Under the Americans With Disabilities Act Amendments Act (ADAAA)

UVMHN provides reasonable accommodation for a known physical or mental limitation of an otherwise qualified employee or applicant that enables them to perform the essential functions of the role, unless such accommodation would cause an undue hardship to the organization. Requests for reasonable accommodation may apply to needs within the employee’s work environment or it may mean a temporary leave itself as an accommodation when the employee does not have other job-protecting leaves available. To apply, notify your manager and contact The Hartford. The Hartford will provide an ADAAA Medical Assessment Form that you are required to have completed by your medical provider regarding your accommodation.

Other Leaves of Absence

Elizabethtown Community Hospital offers a variety of other leaves, both paid and unpaid.

- **Bereavement Leave**
  Offered to provide continued pay during time off from work as a result of a death in the family. Employees may be granted up to three paid scheduled workdays following a death in the immediate family: spouse; parent; step-parent; child; step-child; sibling; step-sibling; grandparent; grandchild; mother-in-law; father-in-law; son-in-law; daughter-in-law; sister-in-law; or brother-in-law. Requests for exceptions for other close family or household members may be granted at the discretion of the manager.

- **Personal Leave of Absence**
  Up to six (6) months of unpaid leave may be granted to an employee with one (1) year of service in the event of unusual circumstances and personal emergencies. CTO must be exhausted in order for leave to be granted.

- **Jury Duty**
  Time will be excused from work with pay for the time required performing jury duty.

To initiate a leave of absence notify your manager and the Human Resource department.

If the employee is unable to return to work within the approved leave time, they must request an extension in writing to the HR Director. Each request will be considered on an individual basis. Employees not returning within the approved leave time will be considered as having voluntarily terminated their employment with the ECH. Any pay raises or other changes to pay will take effect when the employee has returned to work at the full pre-leave of absence capacity and will not be retroactive.
Appendix – Life Insurance & Voluntary Rates

LIFE INSURANCE

ADDITIONAL LIFE INSURANCE RATES

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CALCULATING LIFE INSURANCE PREMIUMS

You are electing $100,000 of additional coverage (which includes an additional $100,000 of AD&D coverage) and you are 47 years old

$100,000 / $1,000 = $100 x $0.039 = $3.90

Bi-weekly premium for $100,000 of coverage will be $3.90 or $93.60 annually You are electing $50,000 of spouse life insurance and they are 43 years old

$50,000 / $1,000 = $50 x $0.0518 = $2.59

Bi-weekly premium for $50,000 of coverage will be $2.59 or $62.16 annually

IMPUTED INCOME ON EMPLOYER PAID LIFE INSURANCE

CALCULATING IMPUTED INCOME ON EMPLOYER PAID LIFE INSURANCE ABOVE $50,000

To determine the amount of imputed income – use your age at the end of the calendar year and the rates noted to the right.

You have $64,000 in term coverage

Imputed income only applies to $14,000 – the amount of coverage above $50,000 Your age at the end of the calendar year – 47 (Rate from Chart: $0.069)

$14,000 / $1,000 = $14 x $0.069 = $0.97

You would have $0.97 of additional taxable income each pay period or $25.22 annually.

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Common Health Insurance Terms

AGGREGATE/NON-EMBEDDED VS. EMBEDDED DEDUCTIBLE
An aggregate (non-embedded) deductible is when the entire family deductible for a family health care plan must be met to receive a reimbursement from BCBS. The deductible can be reached by one family member or a combination of members within the family. UVMHN plan will have an aggregate deductible on the 2 high deductible health plans (HDHP 1500 and HDHP 3000).

An embedded deductible is when individual members in a family health care plan only need to meet their own deductible before BCBS will begin to pay for services. UVMHN plan will have an embedded deductible on the 2 traditional health plans (Premier 250 and Premier 400).

ALLOWED AMOUNT
The most money that your BCBS Plan will pay toward a health care service.

BENEFIT YEAR
The year or period of time that your insurance coverage starts and stops. UVMHN’s benefit year follows the calendar year.

CARVE-OUT
An employer group uses a different insurance company to administer a specific benefit instead of its primary health insurance provider.

UVMHN has a carve-out of its prescription drug coverage, by utilizing Navitus Pharmacy Solutions.

COINSURANCE
The percentage of the bill you pay for a covered product or service. Unlike a copay, which is a flat amount, coinsurance is a percentage of the cost of the service. If your health plan has a deductible, the coinsurance is the amount you’re responsible for after your deductible is met.

COPAYMENT/COPAY
The amount you pay for a health care service, like a doctor visit. The amount depends on your plan, the provider, and the type of service you receive. In addition, prescription medications also require copays, and they will vary depending on the medication.

DEDUCTIBLE
The amount of money you pay for covered health care services before your health insurance starts to pick up the tab. If your cost exceeds the deductible, your plan will cover a percentage of the remainder (90% or 95%) and you would be responsible for the remaining cost (5% or 10%). This is called coinsurance.

ER, URGENT CARE, OR PCP?
While you may be familiar with the terms emergency room (ER), urgent care, and primary care physician (PCP), do you know which to visit for a health issue – and when?

Deciding the best course of action can be critical for getting the most effective care for your medical needs. A PCP knows your medical history and can treat you with your unique health needs in mind, while an urgent care facility can be very convenient when your doctor’s office is closed. Of course, the ER is the best option when emergency care is needed.

Making the right choice can also save you money. While you should always go to the ER for serious health emergencies, visiting your PCP is a more cost-effective option under normal circumstances.

EXCLUDED SERVICES
Any health care service that BCBS does not pay for or will not cover. You can find a list of excluded services in your Summary Plan Description (SPD).
EXPLANATION OF BENEFITS (EOB)
At first glance, it may appear to look like a bill – it’s not. An EOB is a statement that BCBS sends in the mail after you receive a health service. It tells you how much the provider charged, how much BCBS will allow, how much your insurance paid, and the amount you may owe.

An EOB is great documentation for submitting for reimbursement under a Flexible Spending Account (FSA) or Health Savings Account (HSA).

FORMULARY
A list of approved prescription drugs Navitus will pay for, based on the efficacy, safety, cost-effectiveness, and overall value of the drug. The formulary is set by Navitus’ Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee. This committee consists of independent, actively practicing physicians and pharmacists.

If your doctor prescribes you a new medication, it’s always good to ask the physician if the drug is covered by your health insurance. The doctor will be able to tell if the drug is covered by looking up your plan’s prescription drug formulary.

Under UVMHN’s traditional health plans, the formulary is divided into three tiers, with varying copay amounts (Tier 1 has the lowest copay and Tier 3 has the highest). Under UVMHN’s high deductible health plans, you will pay your deductible and then copays. Regardless of the plan you are enrolled in, utilizing UVMHN’s Retail or Mail Order Pharmacies, you will save money on your prescriptions.

FSA
A flexible spending account (FSA) allows employees to set aside pre-tax dollars for specific, qualified health and/or dependent care expenses. The money is deducted directly from the employee’s paycheck and is not subject to payroll taxes. You can only enroll in an FSA if enrolled in a traditional health insurance plan.

HSA
A health savings account (HSA) is owned by the individual (not by the employer) and can be used to pay for qualified medical expenses without federal tax penalty.

DOMESTIC NETWORK, IN-NETWORK VS. OUT-OF-NETWORK
The Domestic Network refers to any providers or facilities within The University of Vermont Health Network. All UVMHN providers and facilities are contracted with BCBS. Domestic services have the lowest cost-share.

In-network providers and facilities are providers BCBS has contracted with under your health coverage. In-network does not mean a provider or facility needs to be located in Vermont or New York. BCBS provides network coverage nationally.

Out-of-network refers to any providers or facilities that have not contracted with BCBS. When utilizing out-of-network care you will be responsible for a higher percentage of cost-share.

MEDICALLY NECESSARY
Health care services or supplies needed to prevent, diagnose, or treat an illness, injury, condition, disease, or its symptoms that meet accepted standards of care.

MEDICARE
Medicare is a federally governed health care program for people ages 65 or older. Certain people with disabilities and those with end-stage renal disease are also eligible for this program. There are four basic components:

MEDICARE PART A (HOSPITAL INSURANCE)
Covers inpatient services, including hospital stays, home health, hospice, and limited skilled nursing facility services.
MEDICARE PART B (MEDICAL INSURANCE)
Covers outpatient services, including physician services, medical supplies, and other outpatient treatment. After you pay a deductible, Medicare pays its share of the Medicare-approved amount, and you pay your share (coinsurance and deductibles).

MEDICARE PART C (MEDICARE ADVANTAGE PLANS)
A managed Medicare Advantage plan. With this type of plan, qualified individuals and groups would have their Medicare coverage provided through an insurer, such as CDPHP. They must be eligible for Medicare Part A and Part B. Medicare Advantage plans can provide prescription drug coverage (Part D).

MEDICARE PART D (PRESCRIPTION DRUG COVERAGE)
A federal program to help cover the costs of prescription drugs for Medicare recipients in the United States.

NETWORK
The facilities, providers, and medical suppliers BCBS has contracted with to provide health care services. A network could range from a primary care physician (PCP), to a chiropractor, to a nursing home.

OUT-OF-POCKET MAX
Many people don’t realize that every health insurance plan sets a maximum for the amount you will have to pay, referred to as the out-of-pocket maximum (OOP max). Once you have reached your OOP max, BCBS will begin to pay 100% of the costs for covered care. Different plans have different OOP maximums.

OUTPATIENT CARE/AMBULATORY CARE
Care in a hospital that doesn’t require an overnight stay. Examples of hospital outpatient services include lab tests, physical therapy, minor surgeries, and X-rays. Outpatient services typically cost less than inpatient services since they do not require a patient to stay at a health care facility for an ongoing amount of time.

PREMIUM
A premium is the amount you pay for health insurance. It is, essentially, your bill for your health insurance. This money is taken out of your paycheck each pay period on a pre-tax basis.

PRIOR AUTHORIZATION
Sometimes BCBS requires that certain medical services be approved prior to you receiving them.

ROUTINE/PREVENTIVE VISIT
Routine or preventive visits are usually scheduled appointments that include a checkup, screenings, and counseling. They do not include tests or services to monitor or manage a condition or disease once it has been diagnosed. Depending on your plan type, the care provided during these visits is often covered with no out-of-pocket costs.

SPECIALIST
A specialist is a doctor who focuses on a specific area of health care. Some specialist examples include cardiologists (heart), dermatologists (skin), pulmonologists (lungs), and ophthalmologists (eyes).
Legal Notices
NOTICE OF HIPAA SPECIAL ENROLLMENT RIGHTS

Our records show that you may be eligible to participate in the medical insurance offered under The University of Vermont Medical Center Employee Welfare Benefits Plan (the “Plan”).

A federal law called HIPAA requires that we notify you about a very important provision in the Plan. Specifically, your right to enroll in the Plan under its “special enrollment provision” if you acquire a new dependent, or if you decline coverage under this Plan for yourself or an eligible dependent while other coverage is in effect and later lose that other coverage for certain qualifying reasons.

Loss of Other Coverage (Excluding Medicaid or a State Children's Health Insurance Program). If you decline enrollment for yourself or for an eligible dependent (including your spouse) while other health insurance or group health plan coverage is in effect (including COBRA coverage), you may be able to enroll yourself and your dependents in this Plan. If you or your dependents lose eligibility for that other coverage (or if the employer stops contributing toward your or your dependents’ other coverage). However, you must request enrollment within 30 days after your or your dependents’ other coverage or COBRA ends (or after the employer stops contributing toward the other coverage). If you have COBRA, you must exhaust that coverage to be eligible to enroll in the Plan mid-year.

Loss of Coverage for Medicaid or a State Children's Health Insurance Program. If you decline enrollment for yourself or for an eligible dependent (including your spouse) while Medicaid coverage or coverage under a state children’s health insurance program is in effect, you may be able to enroll yourself and your dependents in this Plan if you or your dependents lose eligibility for that other coverage. However, you must request enrollment within 60 days after your or your dependents’ coverage ends under Medicaid or a state children’s health insurance program.

New Dependent by Marriage, Birth, Adoption, or Placement for Adoption. If you have a new dependent as a result of marriage, birth, adoption, or placement for adoption, you may be able to enroll yourself and your new dependents. However, you must request enrollment within 30 days after the marriage, birth, adoption, or placement for adoption.

Eligibility for Medicaid or a State Children’s Health Insurance Program. If you or your dependents (including your spouse) become eligible for a state premium assistance subsidy from Medicaid or through a state children’s health insurance program with respect to coverage under this Plan, you may be able to enroll yourself and your dependents in this Plan. However, you must request enrollment within 60 days after your or your dependents’ determination of eligibility for such assistance.

To request special enrollment or to obtain more information about the Plan’s special enrollment provisions, contact Human Resources at (518) 562-7300.

LIFETIME AND ANNUAL LIMITS

The Plan does not impose a lifetime limit on essential health benefits. Effective for Plan Years beginning after December 31, 2013, the Plan does not impose any annual limits on essential health benefits. Essential health benefits are defined in guidance and regulations issued by the Department of Health and Human Services.

PREVENTIVE COVERAGE UPDATES

The Affordable Care Act – the health insurance reform legislation passed by Congress and signed into law by President Obama on March 23, 2010 – helps make prevention affordable and accessible by requiring health plans to cover preventive services and by eliminating cost sharing for those services. Preventive services that have strong scientific evidence of their health benefits must be covered and plans can no longer charge a patient a copayment, coinsurance or deductible for these services when they are delivered by a network provider. The list of covered preventive services is updated annually as changes in recommendations occur. For the plan year beginning January 1, 2023, the list was updated to include, for example, special preventive services for women, such as double electric breast pumps, and counseling to prevent and reduce obesity in midlife women (ages 40 to 60). Universal screening for suicide risk for individuals ages 12 to 21, behavioral, social and emotional screening for children and risks assessment for cardiac arrest or death for individuals ages 11 to 21 and risk assessment for hepatitis B virus infection in newborn to 21 year-olds are another example of expanded services. For more information about covered preventive services, visit Blue Cross and Blue Shield website at: https://member.myhealthtoolkitvt.com/web/public/brands/vt/live-healthy/preventive-care/

For prescription drugs included in preventive services required by the Affordable Care Act, visit NAVITUS website at: www.Navitus.com

WOMEN’S HEALTH AND CANCER RIGHTS ACT

If you have had or are going to have a mastectomy, you may be entitled to certain benefits under the Women’s Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998 (WHCRA). For individuals receiving mastectomy-related benefits under the Plan, coverage will be provided in a manner determined in consultation with the attending physician and the patient, for:

• all stages of reconstruction of the breast on which the mastectomy was performed;
• surgery and reconstruction of the other breast to produce a symmetrical appearance;
• prostheses; and
• treatment of physical complications of the mastectomy, including lymphedema.
These benefits will be provided subject to the same deductibles and coinsurance applicable to other medical and surgical benefits provided under this Plan. The deductibles and coinsurance are found in the Plan’s summary plan description. Contact Human Resources at (518) 562-7300 for more information about your rights under WHCRA. If you have any questions about the coverage of mastectomies and reconstructive surgery under the Plan, please call Member Services at (833) 578-1126, Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., or visit myhealthtoolkitvt.com.

NEWBORNS’ AND MOTHERS’ HEALTH PROTECTION ACT OF 1996

Group health plans and health insurance issuers generally may not, under federal law, restrict benefits for any hospital length of stay in connection with childbirth for the mother or newborn child to less than 48 hours following a vaginal delivery, or less than 96 hours following a cesarean section. However, federal law generally does not prohibit 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, plans and issuers may not, under federal law, require that a provider obtain authorization from the plan or the issuer for prescribing a length of stay not in excess of 48 hours (or 96 hours).

YOUR RIGHTS AND PROTECTIONS AGAINST SURPRISE MEDICAL BILLS

When you get emergency care or get treated by an out-of-network provider at an in-network hospital or ambulatory surgical center, you are protected from surprise billing or balance billing.

WHAT IS “BALANCE BILLING” (SOMETIMES CALLED “SURPRISE BILLING”)?

When you see a doctor or other health care provider, you may owe certain out-of-pocket costs, such as a copayment, coinsurance, and/or a deductible. You may have other costs or have to pay the entire bill if you see a provider or visit a health care facility that isn’t in your health plan’s network.

“Out-of-network” describes providers and facilities that haven’t signed a contract with your health plan. Out-of-network providers may be permitted to bill you for the difference between what your plan agreed to pay and the full amount charged for a service. This is called “balance billing.” This amount is likely more than in-network costs for the same service and might not count toward your annual out-of-pocket limit.

“Surprise billing” is an unexpected balance bill. This can happen when you can’t control who is involved in your care—like when you have an emergency or when you schedule a visit at an in-network facility but are unexpectedly treated by an out-of-network provider.

YOU ARE PROTECTED FROM BALANCE BILLING FOR:

Emergency services

If you have an emergency medical condition and get emergency services from an out-of-network provider or facility, the most the provider or facility may bill you is your plan’s in-network cost-sharing amount (such as copayments and coinsurance). You can’t be balance billed for these emergency services. This includes services you may get after you’re in stable condition, unless you give written consent and give up your protections not to be balance billed for these post-stabilization services.

Certain services at an in-network hospital or ambulatory surgical center

When you get services from an in-network hospital or ambulatory surgical center, certain providers there may be out-of-network. In these cases, the most those providers may bill you is your plan’s in-network cost-sharing amount. This applies to emergency medicine, anesthesia, pathology, radiology, laboratory, neonatology, assistant surgeon, hospitalist, or intensivist services. These providers can’t balance bill you and may not ask you to give up your protections not to be balance billed.

If you get other services at these in-network facilities, out-of-network providers can’t balance bill you, unless you give written consent and give up your protections.

You’re never required to give up your protections from balance billing. You also aren’t required to get care out-of-network. You can choose a provider or facility in your plan’s network.

WHEN BALANCE BILLING ISN’T ALLOWED, YOU ALSO HAVE THE FOLLOWING PROTECTIONS:

• You are only responsible for paying your share of the cost (like the copayments, coinsurance, and deductibles that you would pay if the provider or facility was in-network). Your health plan will pay out-of-network providers and facilities directly.

• Your health plan generally must:
  - Cover emergency services without requiring you to get approval for services in advance (prior authorization).
  - Cover emergency services by out-of-network providers.
  - Base what you owe the provider or facility (cost-sharing) on what it would pay an in-network provider or facility and show that amount in your explanation of benefits.
  - Count any amount you pay for emergency services or out-of-network services toward your deductible and out-of-pocket limit.

If you believe you’ve been wrongly billed, you may contact the No Surprises Help Desk at 1-800-985-3059 from 8 am to 8 pm EST, 7 days a week, to submit your question or a complaint.

Visit https://www.cms.gov/nosurprises/consumers for more information about your rights under federal law.
COVID-19 RELATED SERVICES
The Families First Coronavirus Relief Act (FFCRA), as amended by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), requires health plans to cover without cost sharing, prior authorization, or medical management certain COVID-19-related diagnostic tests (including antibody tests), services, and products. The period during which the coverage mandate applies began on March 18, 2020 and will end when the COVID-19 public health emergency is no longer in effect (currently expected to end in October 2022). The service covered at no cost include items and services that are provided during a diagnostic office, emergency room, or urgent care visit so long as the visit results in the administration of or order for the COVID-19 test, provided the products relate to the furnishing or administration of the test or evaluating the individual for the need of the testing. In addition, beginning on January 15, 2022, the Plan will cover without cost sharing or physician’s order or supervision at-home diagnostic COVID-19 tests approved by the ADA while the public health emergency is in effect. When you obtain these tests through a participating pharmacy or directly from NAVITUS online by visiting www.navitus.com/members, the Plan will cover the entire cost of the tests, up to 8 tests per enrolled individual per a 30-day period. If you obtain a test from a non-participating pharmacy, the Plan’s reimbursement will be limited to $12 dollar per test (or, if lesser, the actual cost of the test), up to the 8 tests/30 days. For more information, visit www.navitus.com.

PRICE TRANSPARENCY
Beginning on July 1, 2022, group health plans are required to make publicly available machine-readable files containing information about the rates the plan negotiated with its network providers, and allowed amounts and billed charges by out-of-network providers for specific medical items and services. This information is updated monthly but for out-of-network providers would reflect historic prices for the 90-day period that begins 180 days before the information is published. You may access this information at https://hrportal.ehr.com/uvmhn/Home/Tools-Resources/Legal-Notices#caaandt transparencyincoverage.

NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES
THIS NOTICE DESCRIBES HOW MEDICAL INFORMATION ABOUT YOU MAY BE USED AND DISCLOSED AND HOW YOU CAN GET ACCESS TO THIS INFORMATION. PLEASE REVIEW IT CAREFULLY.
We understand that medical information about you and your health is personal and should be kept private. Moreover, federal law imposes requirements on the group health programs offered under the The University of Vermont Medical Center Employee Welfare Benefits Plan (the “Plan”) to ensure the privacy of your personally identifiable health information. This Notice is intended to summarize these rules and to inform you about:
• the Plan's uses and disclosures of Protected Health Information (“PHI”) (as defined below);
• your privacy rights with respect to your PHI;
• the Plan's duties with respect to your PHI;
• your right to file a complaint with the Plan and the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (the “Secretary”); and,
• who (the person or office) to contact for further information about the Plan's privacy practices.
This Notice applies to the medical, dental, and employee assistance programs, as well as the health care flexible spending accounts under the Plan. The University of Vermont Health Network (“UVMHN” or “Plan Sponsor”) hereby designates programs as an Affiliated Covered Entity (within the meaning of 45 C.F.R. § 164.105(b)) and an Organized Healthcare Arrangement (within the meaning of 45 C.F.R. § 160.103). These components of the Plan may share an individual’s PHI with one another, subject to the requirements set forth in the HIPAA rules (See e.g., 45 C.F.R. §§ 164.105, 164.506, and 164.520). Generally, the term “Protected Health Information” (“PHI”) includes all individually identifiable health information concerning you that is maintained by the Plan. PHI does not include health information that is held by UVMHN in its role as your employer (for example health information held for purposes of your employment records). “Unsecured PHI” is PHI that is not secured through the use of a technology or methodology that renders the PHI unusable, unreadable, or indecipherable.
PHI uses and disclosures by the Plan are regulated by a federal law called the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (referred to as “HIPAA”) and the regulations that enforce HIPAA, as amended by the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act of 2009 (“HITECH”). You may find these regulations at 45 Code of Federal Regulations Parts 160 and 164.
Where group health plan benefits are provided through certificates of insurance, or as part of an organized health care arrangement that includes benefits provided under a certificate of insurance, the notice of privacy practices is provided directly by the applicable insurance company. For group health plan benefits provided through certificates of insurance, you will also receive notices of privacy practices from the applicable insurance company regarding their practices. This Notice describes the Plan’s practices with respect to any PHI that it handles directly or with respect to self-insured benefits.

NOTICE OF PHI USES AND DISCLOSURES
GENERAL RULE
Generally, except for the purposes discussed below, the Plan cannot use or disclose your PHI without your written authorization. Moreover, if you provide authorization to use or disclose your PHI, you have the right to revoke your authorization at any time, except to the extent that the Plan has already relied upon it. To revoke a written authorization, please write to the Plan’s Privacy Officer.
USES AND DISCLOSURES OF PHI TO CARRY OUT TREATMENT, PAYMENT AND HEALTH CARE OPERATIONS

The Plan and individuals or entities who the Plan has engaged to assist in its administration (called “business associates”) will use PHI to carry out “treatment,” “payment” and “health care operations” (these terms are described below). Neither the Plan, nor the business associates, need your consent or authorization to use or disclose your PHI to carry out these functions.

1. “Treatment” includes the provision, coordination or management of health care and related services. This includes consultations and referrals between one or more of your health care providers, and the coordination or management of health care by a health care provider with a third party. For example, the Plan can disclose and discuss with your doctor or pharmacist other medications you may be receiving to reduce the chances that your taking a particular medication will result in unintended side effects.

2. “Payment” includes actions to determine your eligibility for Plan benefits, to facilitate payment for the treatment and services you receive from health care providers, to determine benefit responsibility under the Plan, or to coordinate coverage. Payment activities include billing, claims processing, subrogation, plan reimbursement, reviews for medical necessity and appropriateness of care, utilization review, and pre-authorizations. For example, the Plan can discuss your PHI with your doctor to make sure your claims are properly paid.

3. “Health Care Operations” include quality assessment and improvement, underwriting, premium rating, stop-loss (or excess-loss) coverage claims submissions, creation or renewal of insurance contracts, and other activities relating to Plan coverage. It also includes disease management, case management, conducting or arranging for medical review, legal services and auditing functions (including fraud and abuse compliance programs), business planning and development, business management, and general administrative activities. For example, the Plan may submit your health information to external auditors or agencies to assess the quality of a health plan. The Plan may also submit your health information to a stop-loss insurance carrier or to obtain pricing information.

Business associates provide business services to the Plan related to transactions with you like plan administration, claim processing, or audit services. Examples of third parties include third party administrators, consultants and health advocacy companies. The Plan requires business associates to agree, in writing, to maintain the confidentiality of the health information to which they are provided access and to notify us if there is a probable compromise of your Unsecured PHI. If a business associate discloses your health information to a subcontractor or vendor, the business associate will have a written contract to ensure that the subcontractor or vendor also protects the privacy of the information.

The Plan also may disclose PHI to employees of UVMHN if such employees assist in carrying out treatment, payment and health care operations, provided that the PHI is used for such purposes. These individuals receive training to ensure that they will protect the privacy of your health information and that it is used only as described in this notice or as permitted by law. Health information will generally not be disclosed to UVMHN in its capacity as Plan Sponsor as participating employer in the Plan, except that information regarding enrollment in the Plan or enrollment in a specific benefit will be disclosed to allow for payroll processing of premium payments. Summary health information may be provided to the Plan Sponsor, which may be used to shop for insurance or amend the Plan, but identifying information, such as your name or social security number, will not be included. Nonetheless, the Plan cannot use or disclose genetic information for underwriting purposes. Unless authorized by you in writing, your health information: (1) may not be disclosed by the Plan to any other UVMHN employee or department, and (2) will not be used by UVMHN for any employment-related actions and decisions or in connection with any other employee benefit plan sponsored by UVMHN.

Most uses and disclosures of psychotherapy notes, uses and disclosures of PHI for marketing purposes, and disclosures that constitute a sale of PHI require your written authorization. The Plan will not disclose any of your health information for marketing purposes if the Plan will receive direct or indirect financial remuneration not reasonably related to the Plan’s cost of making the communication. The Plan will not sell your PHI to third parties. The sale of PHI, however, does not include a disclosure for public health purposes, for research purposes where the Plan will only receive remuneration for its costs to prepare and transmit the health information, for treatment and payment purposes, for sale, transfer, merger or consolidation of all or part of the Plan, for a business associate or its subcontractor to perform health care functions on the Plan’s behalf, or for other purposes as required and permitted by law.

Uses and disclosures not described in this Notice will be made only with your written authorization unless specifically authorized by the HIPAA rules.
USES AND DISCLOSURES OF PHI FOR WHICH CONSENT, AUTHORIZATION OR OPPORTUNITY TO OBJECT IS NOT REQUIRED

HIPAA sets forth a limited number of additional situations in which the Plan may use or disclose your PHI without your authorization, including:

- **When such uses or disclosures are required by law.**
- **When uses or disclosures are permitted for purposes of public health activities, including preventing or controlling disease, injury or disability, and when necessary to report product defects in connection with FDA regulated products, to permit product recalls with respect to such products, and to conduct post-marketing surveillance.** PHI may also be used or disclosed if you have been exposed to a communicable disease or are at risk of spreading a disease or condition, if authorized by law.
- **When the Plan is authorized by law to allow reporting of information about abuse, neglect or domestic violence to public authorities, and there exists a reasonable belief that you may be a victim of abuse, neglect or domestic violence.** In such cases, the Plan will promptly inform you that such a disclosure has been or will be made unless the notice would cause you a risk of serious harm. In instances of reports of child abuse or neglect, it is not necessary to inform the minor that such a disclosure has been or will be made. Disclosure may generally be made to the minor’s parents or other representatives, although there may be circumstances under federal or state law when the parents or other representatives may not be given access to the minor’s PHI.
- **To a public health oversight agency for oversight activities authorized by law.** This includes uses or disclosures in civil, administrative or criminal investigations; inspections; licensure or disciplinary actions (for example, to investigate complaints against providers); and other activities necessary for appropriate oversight of government benefit programs (for example, to investigate Medicare or Medicaid fraud).
- **When required by judicial or administrative order, or in response to a subpoena, discovery request or other lawful process which is not accompanied by an order, provided that certain conditions are met.** One of those conditions is that satisfactory assurances must be given to the Plan that (1) the requesting party has made a good faith attempt to provide written notice to you, or (2) the party seeking the information has made reasonable efforts to secure a qualified protective order.
- **For law enforcement purposes, including for the purpose of identifying or locating a suspect, fugitive, material witness or missing person.** Also, for disclosing information about you if you are suspected of being a victim of a crime, but only if you agree to the disclosure or the Plan is unable to obtain your agreement because of incapacity or emergency circumstances. Furthermore, the law enforcement official must represent that the information is not intended to be used against you, that the immediate law enforcement activity would be materially and adversely affected by waiting to obtain your agreement, and that disclosure is in your best interest as determined by the exercise of the Plan’s best judgment.
- **When required to be given to a coroner or medical examiner for the purpose of identifying a deceased person, determining the cause of death, or other duties as authorized by law.** Also, disclosure is permitted to funeral directors, consistent with applicable law, as necessary to carry out funeral directors’ duties with respect to the decedent.
- **We may release your PHI to authorized federal officials for intelligence, counterintelligence, and other national security activities authorized by law.**
- **For cadaveric organ, eye or tissue donation purposes, to organ procurement or like entities.**
- **If you are an inmate of a correctional institution or are in the custody of a law enforcement official, we may disclose your protected health information to the correctional institution or law enforcement official if necessary (1) for the institution to provide you with health care; (2) to protect your health and safety or the health and safety of others; or (3) for the safety and security of the correctional institution.**
- **For research, when: (1) the individual identifiers have been removed; or (2) when an institutional review board or privacy board has (a) reviewed the research proposal; and (b) established protocols to ensure the privacy of the requested information, and approves the research.**
- **When consistent with applicable law and standards of ethical conduct, if the Plan, in good faith, believes the use or disclosure is necessary to prevent or lessen a serious and imminent threat to the health or safety of a person or the public and the disclosure is to a person reasonably believed to be able to prevent or lessen the threat, including the target of the threat.**
- **If you are a member of the armed forces, we may release your PHI as required by military command authorities. We may also release PHI about foreign military personnel to the appropriate foreign military authority.**
- **When authorized by and to the extent necessary to comply with workers’ compensation or other similar programs established by law.**
If you do not object, you are not present, or your consent cannot be obtained because of your incapacity or an emergency circumstance, the Plan may, in the exercise of its professional judgment, disclose to your family member, relative, or other person who is responsible for your care, or for the payment of your care, your PHI directly relevant to such care or payment, if the Plan concludes that disclosure is in your best interests, including following your death.

For fundraising purposes, if the information used or disclosed is demographic information, including name, address, or other contact information, age, gender, and date of birth, dates of health service information, department of service information, treating physician, outcome information, and/or health insurance status. Each fundraising communication made to you will provide you with an opportunity to opt-out of receiving any further fundraising communications. The Plan will also provide you with an opportunity to opt back in to receive such communications if you should choose to do so.

For those specialized government functions set forth in the regulations promulgated pursuant to HIPAA or such other purposes provided under HIPAA.

WE ARE REQUIRED TO DISCLOSE YOUR PHI TO THE SECRETARY WHEN THE SECRETARY IS INVESTIGATING OR DETERMINING OUR COMPLIANCE WITH THE HIPAA PRIVACY RULE.

YOUR RIGHTS AS INDIVIDUALS
Right to Request Restrictions on Uses and Disclosures of PHI
If you wish, you may (1) request that the Plan restrict uses and disclosures of your PHI to carry out treatment, payment or health care operations, or (2) request that the Plan restrict uses and disclosures of your PHI to family members, relatives, friends or other persons identified by you who are involved in your care or the payment for your care. Please note, however, that the Plan is not required to agree to your request. You have the right to request that your provider not disclose health information to the Plan if you have paid for a service in-full, and the disclosure is not otherwise required by law. The request for restriction to the Plan will only be applicable to that particular service. You will have to request a restriction for each service thereafter from your provider.

You or your personal representative will be required to complete a form to request restrictions on uses and disclosures of your PHI.

The Plan will accommodate reasonable requests to receive communications of PHI by alternative means or at alternative locations to better ensure your privacy. Requests for restrictions and to receive communications by alternative means or at alternative locations should be made to the following:

UVM Health Network
95 St. Paul Street
Suite 220
Burlington VT 05401

Right to Inspect and Copy PHI
You also have a right to inspect and obtain paper or electronic copies of your PHI to the extent that it is contained in a “designated record set.” If you would like an electronic copy of your health information maintained by the Plan, it will provide you a copy in the electronic form and format as requested as long as it can readily be produced in such form and format. Otherwise, the Plan will cooperate with you to provide a readable electronic form and format as agreed. This right extends for as long as the Plan maintains the PHI, but does not apply to: psychotherapy notes; information compiled in anticipation of, or for use in, a civil, criminal or administrative action or proceeding; or information subject to the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments of 1988 (to the extent that providing access to that information would be prohibited by law), and information which is exempt from those Amendments. If the Plan denies your request to inspect and copy your PHI, we will provide such denial in writing. Generally, if you are denied access to health information, you may request a review of the denial in accordance with the instructions in the denial letter.

A “designated record set” includes: medical records and billing records about individuals which are maintained by or for a covered health care provider; enrollment, payment, billing, claims adjudication and case or medical management record systems maintained by or for a health plan; and other information used by or for a covered entity to make decisions about individuals. Information used for quality control or peer review analyses and not used to make decisions about individuals is not considered part of a designated record set.

The requested information will be provided within 30 days if the information is maintained on site, or within 60 days if the information is maintained offsite. A single 30-day extension is allowed if the Plan is unable to comply with the deadline.

You or your personal representative will be required to complete a form to request access to the PHI in your designated record set. Requests for access to PHI should be made to the following:

UVM Health Network
95 St. Paul Street
Suite 220
Burlington VT 05401

If access is denied, you or your personal representative will be provided with a written denial setting forth the basis for the denial, a description of how you may exercise review rights with respect to the denial, and a description of how you may complain to the Secretary.

Right to Amend PHI
You have the right to request that the Plan amend your PHI or a record about you in a designated record set that is inaccurate or incomplete for as long as the PHI is maintained in the designated record set.

The Plan has 60 days after the request is made to act on the request. A single 30-day extension is allowed if the Plan is unable to comply with the deadline. If the request is denied in whole or part, the Plan must provide you with a written denial that explains the basis for the denial. You or your personal representative may then submit a written statement disagreeing with the denial and have that statement included with any future disclosure of your PHI.

Requests for amendment of PHI in a designated record set should be made in written form, including a statement explaining the reason for the amendment, to the following:

UVM Health Network
95 St. Paul Street
Suite 220
Burlington VT 05401

You or your personal representative will be required to complete a form to request amendment of the PHI in your designated record set.

The Right to Receive an Accounting of PHI Disclosures

At your request, the Plan will also provide you with an accounting of disclosures of your PHI by the Plan and/or the Plan’s business associates during the period covered by your request (which may be a period of up to six years prior to the date of your request for paper records or three years prior to the date of your request for “Electronic Health Records,” as defined in HITECH). Unless required by law, the accounting will not include disclosures:

• for purposes of treatment, payment, or health care operations (except in the case of disclosures that involve “Electronic Health Records,” as defined in HITECH);
• made to you;
• made pursuant to your authorization;
• made to friends or family in your presence or because of an emergency;
• made for national security purposes;
• incidental to a use or disclosure otherwise permitted or required by law;
• as part of a limited data set; and
• incidental to otherwise permissible disclosures.

If the accounting cannot be provided within 60 days, an additional 30 days is allowed if the Plan gives you a written statement of the reasons for the delay and the date by which the accounting will be provided.

If you request more than one accounting within a 12-month period, the Plan will charge a reasonable, cost-based fee for each subsequent accounting.

The Right to Receive Notification in the Event of a Breach

You have the right to be notified if there is a probable compromise of your Unsecured PHI within sixty (60) days of the discovery of the breach. The notice will include:

• a brief description of what happened, including the date of the breach and the discovery of the breach;
• a description of the type of Unsecured PHI that was involved in the breach;
• any steps you should take to protect yourself from potential harm resulting from the breach;
• a brief description of the investigation into the breach, mitigation of harm to you and protection against further breaches; and
• contact procedures to answer your questions.

Personal Representatives

An individual may exercise his/her rights under this Notice through a personal representative. If you have a personal representative, he/she will, unless otherwise allowed by law, be required to produce evidence of his/her authority to act on your behalf before he/she will be given access to your PHI or allowed to take any action for you. Proof of such authority may take one of the following forms:

• A power of attorney for health care purposes, notarized by a notary public;
• a court order of appointment of the person as your conservator or guardian; or
• proof that the representative is your parent (if you are a minor child).

The Plan retains discretion to deny access to your PHI to a personal representative to provide protection to you if it is believed that you may be subject to abuse or neglect. This also applies to personal representatives of minors.

Copies of this Notice

You have a right to obtain a paper copy of this Notice from the Plan upon request. You may ask us to give you a copy of this Notice at any time. Even if you have agreed to receive this Notice electronically, you are still entitled to a paper copy of this Notice.

To obtain a paper copy of this Notice, contact:
UVM Health Network - UVMHN Privacy Officer
95 St. Paul Street
Suite 220
Burlington VT 05401
802-847-2667

THE PLAN’S DUTIES

Federal law requires the Plan to maintain the privacy of PHI in accordance with HIPAA and provide individuals (employees and their dependents enrolled in the Plan) with notice of the Plan’s legal duties and privacy practices. The Plan is required to abide by the terms of the privacy notice then in effect. The Plan reserves the right to change their privacy practices and to apply the changes to any PHI received or maintained by the Plan. If a privacy practice is materially changed, a revised version of this Notice will be provided to all current Plan participants.
In the event of any material change to the uses or disclosures, the individual’s rights, the duties of the Plan or other privacy practices stated in this Notice, a revised version of this Notice will be posted to the Plan’s website by the effective date of the material change, and a hard copy of the revised Notice (or information about the material change and how to obtain the revised Notice) will be provided in the Plan’s next annual mailing. Alternatively, a revised copy may be distributed within 60 days of the effective date of any material change, and the revised Notice will also be available on the Plan’s website.

Minimum Necessary Standard
When using or disclosing PHI or when requesting PHI from another covered entity, the Plan will make reasonable efforts not to use, disclose or request more than the minimum amount of PHI necessary to accomplish the intended purpose of the use, disclosure or request, taking into consideration practical and technological limitations. Where practicable, the Plan will limit uses or disclosures to a limited data set. However, the minimum necessary standard will not apply in the following situations:

- disclosures to or requests by a health care provider for treatment purposes;
- uses or disclosures made to you;
- uses or disclosures authorized by you;
- disclosures made to the Secretary;
- uses or disclosures that are required by law; and
- uses or disclosures that are required by the Plan’s compliance with legal requirements.

De-Identified Information, Limited Data Sets, and Summary Information
This Notice does not apply to health information that has been de-identified. De-identified information is information that does not identify an individual (i.e., you) and with respect to which there is no reasonable basis to believe that the information can be used to identify you.

In addition, the Plan may use or disclose information in a limited data set, provided that the Plan enters into a data use agreement with the limited data set recipient that complies with the federal privacy regulations. A limited data set is PHI which excludes certain direct identifiers relating to you and your relatives, employers and household members.

The Plan may disclose “summary health information” to the Plan Sponsor or UVMHN without your authorization if the Plan Sponsor or UVMHN requests the summary information for the purpose of obtaining premium bids from health Plan for providing health insurance coverage under the Plan, or for modifying, amending or terminating the Plan. “Summary health information” means information that summarizes the claims history, claims expenses, or type of claims experienced by individuals for whom UVMHN has provided health benefits under the Plan, and from which most identifying information has been deleted. The Plan may also disclose to UVMHN information on whether an individual is participating in the Plan and the coverage in which an individual has enrolled.

YOUR RIGHT TO FILE A COMPLAINT WITH THE PLAN OR THE SECRETARY
If you believe that your privacy rights have been violated, you may complain to the Plan by contacting the following individual, at the following street address, telephone number and e-mail address:

UVM Health Network
95 St. Paul Street
Suite 220
Burlington VT 05401
802-847-2667

You may also file a complaint with the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Hubert H. Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue S.W., Washington, D.C. 20201.

The Plan will not retaliate against you for filing a complaint.

WHO TO CONTACT AT THE PLAN FOR MORE INFORMATION
If you have any questions regarding this Notice or the subjects addressed in the Notice, you may contact the Privacy Officer at the following street address, telephone number and e-mail address:

UVM Health Network
Privacy Officer
95 St. Paul Street
Suite 220
Burlington VT 05401
802-847-2667

This Notice represents the Plan’s efforts to summarize the privacy regulations under HIPAA. In the event of a discrepancy between the terms or requirements of this Notice and the privacy regulations themselves, the terms of the regulations shall prevail.

The date of this Notice is October 1, 2022.

IMPORTANT NOTICE FROM UVMHN ABOUT YOUR PRESCRIPTION DRUG COVERAGE AND MEDICARE
Please read this notice carefully and keep it where you can find it. This notice has information about your current prescription drug coverage under the health plan provided by UVMHN (the plan) and about your options under Medicare’s prescription drug coverage. This information can help you decide whether or not you want to join a Medicare drug plan. If you are considering joining, you should compare your current coverage under the UVMHN Plan, including which drugs are covered at what cost, with the coverage and costs of the plans offering Medicare prescription drug coverage in your area. Information about where you can get help to make decisions about your prescription drug coverage is at the end of this notice.

There are two important things you need to know about your current coverage under the UVMHN Plan and Medicare’s prescription drug coverage:
1. Medicare prescription drug coverage became available in 2006 to everyone with Medicare. You can get this coverage if you join a Medicare Prescription Drug Plan or join a Medicare Advantage Plan (like an HMO or PPO) that offers prescription drug coverage. All Medicare drug plans provide at least a standard level of coverage set by Medicare. Some plans may also offer more coverage for a higher monthly premium.

2. UVMHN has determined that the prescription drug coverage offered by the UVMHN Plans administered by Empire HealthChoice Assurance, Inc. and BlueCross BlueShield are, on average for all plan participants, expected to pay out as much as standard Medicare prescription drug coverage pays and is therefore considered Creditable Coverage. Because your existing coverage is Creditable Coverage, you can keep this coverage and not pay a higher premium (a penalty) if you later decide to join a Medicare drug plan.

**WHEN CAN YOU JOIN A MEDICARE DRUG PLAN?**

You can join a Medicare drug plan when you first become eligible for Medicare and each year from October 15th to December 7th. However, if you lose your current creditable prescription drug coverage, through no fault of your own, you will also be eligible for a two (2) month Special Enrollment Period (SEP) to join a Medicare drug plan.

**WHAT HAPPENS TO YOUR CURRENT COVERAGE IF YOU DECIDE TO JOIN A MEDICARE DRUG PLAN?**

If you decide to join a Medicare drug plan, your current UVMHN Plan coverage will not be affected, but the plan will coordinate its coverage with the Medicare prescription drug plan as described below. In general, the UVMHN Plan coverage will become secondary to the Medicare Part D coverage (and Medicare will pay primary) if the UVMHN Plan coverage is no longer provided in connection with an employee’s or spouse’s active employment status (for example, if the eligible employee is retired, if the eligible employee terminates employment with a participating employer and elects COBRA continuation coverage, if the eligible employee is absent from work with a participating employer due to disability in excess of six months, or if the eligible employee or dependent have been receiving Medicare due to End Stage Renal Disease in excess of 30 months).

Your current coverage under the UVMHN Plan is as follows:

1. If you have a prescription filled with a Tier One Drug, you must pay the pharmacy either a $5 Copayment or the cost of the Tier One Drug, whichever is less, for each separate prescription or refill for that Tier One Drug. The pharmacy will be paid directly by the UVMHN Plan for the remainder of the cost of the prescription or refill. The Copayment for Tier One Drugs does not apply to covered dependent children under age 19.

2. If you have a prescription filled with a Tier Two Drug, you must pay the pharmacy either a $35 Copayment or the cost of the Tier Two Drug, whichever is less, for each separate prescription or refill for that Tier Two Drug. The pharmacy will be paid directly by the UVMHN Plan for the remainder of the cost of the prescription or the refill.

3. If you have a prescription filled with a Tier Three Drug, you must pay the pharmacy either a $70 Copayment or the cost of the Tier Three Drug, whichever is less, for each separate prescription or refill for that Tier Three Drug. The pharmacy will be paid directly by the UVMHN Plan for the remainder of the cost of the prescription or refill.

For purposes of determining the amount you must pay under Subparagraphs (1) through (3) above, the term “cost” means the rate of payment agreed to between the Participating Pharmacy and the UVMHN Plan for a Prescription Drug or the Participating Pharmacy’s actual charge for the Prescription Drug, whichever is less.

**NOTE:** The UVMHN Plan will NOT pay for any benefits for drugs that you purchase at a Non-Participating Pharmacy.

**Please refer to your Empire or BlueCross BlueShield benefit booklet for additional details, including descriptions of the underlined terms above. This notice is not a governing Plan document, and in the event of any inconsistency, the official Plan document (including the Empire benefit booklet) will govern.**

If you do decide to join a Medicare drug plan and drop your current UVMHN Plan coverage, be aware that you and your dependents may not be able to get this coverage back until the beginning of the next plan year. In that case, you may rejoin the UVMHN Plan during the open enrollment period held each fall for coverage effective the following January 1st. In addition, you may also be eligible to make changes or enroll in the UVMHN Plan throughout the year, if you have a qualifying status change event.

**WHEN WILL YOU PAY A HIGHER PREMIUM (PENALTY) TO JOIN A MEDICARE DRUG PLAN?**

You should also know that if you drop or lose your current coverage under the UVMHN Plan and don’t join a Medicare drug plan within 63 continuous days after your current coverage ends, you may pay a higher premium (a penalty) to join a Medicare drug plan later.
If you go 63 continuous days or longer without creditable prescription drug coverage, your monthly premium may go up by at least 1% of the Medicare base beneficiary premium per month for every month that you did not have that coverage. For example, if you go nineteen months without creditable coverage, your premium may consistently be at least 19% higher than the Medicare base beneficiary premium. You may have to pay this higher premium (a penalty) as long as you have Medicare prescription drug coverage. In addition, you may have to wait until the following October to join.

IS THE UVMHN HEALTH CARE PLAN COVERAGE ALSO CREDITABLE COVERAGE FOR PURPOSES OF MEDICARE PART B?

Not necessarily. This notice only addresses whether the UVMHN Plan’s coverage is creditable for purposes of Medicare Part D. Similar concepts apply, however, for Medicare Part B.

For example, if you do not enroll for Medicare Part B at your earliest opportunity, then you will need to wait until the next annual enrollment period before you will have another opportunity to enroll for coverage, and when you do enroll you will have to pay a premium penalty, unless you have had creditable coverage in the interim. For purposes of Medicare Part B, creditable coverage means:

- employer group health plan coverage that is provided to you in connection with your own current employment status; or
- employer group health plan coverage that is provided to you in connection with your spouse’s current employment status.

Coverage is considered to be in connection with an employee’s current employment status if the eligible employee is actively working. Coverage is not in connection with an employee’s current employment status if the eligible employee is retired, if the eligible employee terminates employment and elects COBRA continuation coverage, if the eligible employee is absent from work due to disability in excess of six months, or for employees who have been receiving Medicare due to End Stage Renal Disease in excess of 30 months. Contact Medicare at the number(s) below for more information about Medicare Part B special enrollment periods and premium penalties.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THIS NOTICE OR YOUR CURRENT PRESCRIPTION DRUG COVERAGE...

Contact the person listed below for further information.

NOTE: You’ll get this notice each year. You will also get it before the next period you can join a Medicare drug plan and if Plan coverage changes. You also may request a copy of this notice at any time.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR OPTIONS UNDER MEDICARE PRESCRIPTION DRUG COVERAGE...

More detailed information about Medicare plans that offer prescription drug coverage is in the “Medicare & You” handbook. You’ll get a copy of the handbook in the mail every year from Medicare. You may also be contacted directly by Medicare drug plans.

For more information about Medicare prescription drug coverage: Visit www.medicare.gov

Call your State Health Insurance Assistance Program (see the inside back cover of your copy of the “Medicare & You” handbook for their telephone number) for personalized help.

Call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227). TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048.

If you have limited income and resources, extra help paying for Medicare prescription drug coverage is available. For information about this extra help, visit Social Security on the web at www.socialsecurity.gov, or call them at 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778).
Remember: Keep this Creditable Coverage notice. If you decide to join one of the Medicare drug plans, you may be required to provide a copy of this notice when you join to show whether or not you have maintained creditable coverage and, therefore, whether or not you are required to pay a higher premium (a penalty).

Date:  10/1/2022
Contact:  Benefits, Human Resources
UVM Health Network
1 South Prospect St
Burlington VT 05401
844-777-0886

PREMIUM ASSISTANCE UNDER MEDICAID AND THE CHILDREN’S HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM (CHIP)

If you or your children are eligible for Medicaid or CHIP and you’re eligible for health coverage from your employer, your state may have a premium assistance program that can help pay for coverage, using funds from their Medicaid or CHIP programs. If you or your children aren’t eligible for Medicaid or CHIP, you won’t be eligible for these premium assistance programs but you may be able to buy individual insurance coverage through the Health Insurance Marketplace. For more information, visit [www.healthcare.gov](http://www.healthcare.gov).

If you or your dependents are already enrolled in Medicaid or CHIP and you live in a State listed below, contact your State Medicaid or CHIP office to find out if premium assistance is available.

If you or your dependents are NOT currently enrolled in Medicaid or CHIP, and you think you or any of your dependents might be eligible for either of these programs, contact your State Medicaid or CHIP office or dial 1-877-KIDS NOW or [www.insurekidsnow.gov](http://www.insurekidsnow.gov) to find out how to apply. If you qualify, ask your state if it has a program that might help you pay the premiums for an employer-sponsored plan.

If you or your dependents are eligible for premium assistance under Medicaid or CHIP, as well as eligible under your employer plan, your employer must allow you to enroll in your employer plan if you aren’t already enrolled. This is called a “special enrollment” opportunity, and you must request coverage within 60 days of being determined eligible for premium assistance. If you have questions about enrolling in your employer plan, contact the Department of Labor at [www.askebsa.dol.gov](http://www.askebsa.dol.gov) or call 1-866-444-EBSA (3272).

If you live in one of the following states, you may be eligible for assistance paying your employer health plan premiums. The following list of states is current as of January 31, 2022. Contact your State for more information on eligibility –

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Website: http://dss.sd.gov
Phone: 1-888-828-0059

TEXAS - MEDICAID
Website: http://gethipptexas.com/
Phone: 1-800-440-0493

UTAH - MEDICAID AND CHIP
Medicaid Website: https://medicaid.utah.gov/
CHIP Website: http://health.utah.gov/chip
Phone: 1-877-543-7669

VERMONT - MEDICAID
Website: http://www.greenmountaincare.org/
Phone: 1-800-250-8427

VIRGINIA - MEDICAID AND CHIP
Website: https://www.coverva.org/en/famis-select
https://www.coverva.org/en/hipp
Medicaid Phone: 1-800-432-5924
CHIP Phone: 1-800-432-5924

WASHINGTON - MEDICAID
Website: https://www.hca.wa.gov/
Phone: 1-800-562-3022

WEST VIRGINIA - MEDICAID AND CHIP
Website: https://dhhr.wv.gov/bms/
http://mywvhipp.com/
Medicaid Phone: 304-558-1700
CHIP Toll-free phone: 1-855-MyWVHIPP (1-855-699-8447)

WISCONSIN - MEDICAID AND CHIP
Website: https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/badgercareplus/p-10095.htm
Phone: 1-800-362-3002

WYOMING - MEDICAID
Website: https://health.wyo.gov/healthcarefin/medicaid/programs-and-eligibility/
Phone: 1-800-251-1269

To see if any other states have added a premium assistance program since January 31, 2022, or for more information on special enrollment rights, contact either:
U.S. Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration
www.dol.gov/agencies/ebsa
1-866-444-ESBSA (3272)

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
www.cms.hhs.gov
1-877-267-2323, Menu Option 4, Ext. 61565

PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT STATEMENT
According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13) (PRA), no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless such collection displays a valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number. The Department notes that a Federal agency cannot conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it is approved by OMB under the PRA, and displays a currently valid OMB control number, and the public is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. See 44 U.S.C. 3507. Also, notwithstanding any other provisions of law, no person shall be subject to penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information if the collection of information does not display a currently valid OMB control number. See 44 U.S.C. 3512.

The public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average approximately seven minutes per respondent. Interested parties are encouraged to send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employee Benefits Security Administration, Office of Policy and Research, Attention: PRA Clearance Officer, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room N-5718, Washington, DC 20210 or email ebsa.opr@dol.gov and reference the OMB Control Number 1210-0137.

NEW HEALTH INSURANCE MARKETPLACE COVERAGE OPTIONS AND YOUR HEALTH COVERAGE

PART A: GENERAL INFORMATION
When key parts of the health care law take effect in 2014, there will be a new way to buy health insurance: the Health Insurance Marketplace. To assist you as you evaluate options for you and your family, this notice provides some basic information about the new Marketplace and employment-based health coverage offered by your employer.

What is the Health Insurance Marketplace?
The Marketplace is designed to help you find health insurance that meets your needs and fits your budget. The Marketplace offers "one-stop shopping" to find and compare private health insurance options. You may also be eligible for a new kind of tax credit that lowers your monthly premium right away. Open enrollment for health insurance coverage through the Marketplace begins in October 2013 for coverage starting as early as January 1, 2014.

Can I Save Money on my Health Insurance Premiums in the Marketplace?
You may qualify to save money and lower your monthly premium, but only if your employer does not offer coverage, or offers coverage that doesn’t meet certain standards. The savings on your premium that you’re eligible for depends on your household income.
Does Employer Health Coverage Affect Eligibility for Premium Savings through the Marketplace?
Yes. If you have an offer of health coverage from your employer that meets certain standards, you will not be eligible for a tax credit through the Marketplace and may wish to enroll in your employer’s health plan. However, you may be eligible for a tax credit that lowers your monthly premium, or a reduction in certain cost-sharing if your employer does not offer coverage to you at all or does not offer coverage that meets certain standards. If the cost of a plan from your employer that would cover you (and not any other members of your family) is more than 9.5% of your household income for the year, or if the coverage your employer provides does not meet the “minimum value” standard set by the Affordable Care Act, you may be eligible for a tax credit.1

Note: If you purchase a health plan through the Marketplace instead of accepting health coverage offered by your employer, then you may lose the employer contribution (if any) to the employer-offered coverage. Also, this employer contribution –as well as your employee contribution to employer-offered coverage- is often excluded from income for Federal and State income tax purposes. Your payments for coverage through the Marketplace are made on an after-tax basis.

How Can I Get More Information?
For more information about your coverage offered by your employer, please check your summary plan description or contact Shannon Scott, Director of Total Rewards, Eagle Family Foods Group LLC, 1975 E. 61st St., Cleveland, OH 44103.

The Marketplace can help you evaluate your coverage options, including your eligibility for coverage through the Marketplace and its cost. Please visit HealthCare.gov for more information, including an online application for health insurance coverage and contact information for a Health Insurance Marketplace in your area.

1 An employer-sponsored health plan meets the “minimum value standard” if the plan’s share of the total allowed benefit costs covered by the plan is no less than 60 percent of such costs.

PART B: INFORMATION ABOUT HEALTH COVERAGE OFFERED BY YOUR EMPLOYER

This section contains information about any health coverage offered by your employer. If you decide to complete an application for coverage in the Marketplace, you will be asked to provide this information. This information is numbered to correspond to the Marketplace application.

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Here is some basic information about health coverage offered by this employer:
• As your employer, we offer a health plan to:
  ☐ All employees. Eligible employees are:
  ☐ Some employees. Eligible employees are:
  • With respect to dependents:
    ☐ We do offer coverage. Eligible dependents are:
    ☐ We do not offer coverage.

If checked, this coverage meets the minimum value standard, and the cost of this coverage to you is intended to be affordable, based on employee wages.

** Even if your employer intends your coverage to be affordable, you may still be eligible for a premium discount through the Marketplace. The Marketplace will use your household income, along with other factors, to determine whether you may be eligible for a premium discount. If, for example, your wages vary from week to week (perhaps you are an hourly employee or you work on a commission basis), if you are newly employed mid-year, or if you have other income losses, you may still qualify for a premium discount.
If you decide to shop for coverage in the Marketplace, HealthCare.gov will guide you through the process. Here’s the employer information you’ll enter when you visit HealthCare.gov to find out if you can get a tax credit to lower your monthly premiums.

The information below corresponds to the Marketplace Employer Coverage Tool. Completing this section is optional for employers, but will help ensure employees understand their coverage choices.

13. Is the employee currently eligible for coverage offered by this employer, or will the employee be eligible in the next 3 months?
   ☐ Yes (Continue)
   ☐ No (STOP and return this form to employee)

13a. If the employee is not eligible today, including as a result of a waiting or probationary period, when is the employee eligible for coverage? (mm/dd/yyyy) (Continue)
   ☐ No (STOP and return this form to employee)

14. Does the employer offer a health plan that meets the minimum value standard*?
   ☐ Yes (Go to question 15) ☐ No (STOP and return form to employee)

15. For the lowest-cost plan that meets the minimum value standard* offered only to the employee (don’t include family plans); if the employer has wellness programs, provide the premium that the employee would pay if he/she received the maximum discount for any tobacco cessation programs, and didn’t receive any other discounts based on wellness programs.
   a. How much would the employee have to pay in premiums for this plan? $
   b. How often? ☐ Weekly ☐ Every 2 weeks ☐ Twice a month ☐ Monthly ☐ Quarterly ☐ Yearly

If the plan year will end soon and you know that the health plans offered will change, go to question 16. If you don’t know, STOP and return form to employee.

16. What change will the employer make for the new plan year?
   ☐ Employer won’t offer health coverage
   ☐ Employer will start offering health coverage to employees or change the premium for the lowest-cost plan available only to the employee that meets the minimum value standard.* (Premium should reflect the discount for wellness programs. See question 15.)
   a. How much would the employee have to pay in premiums for this plan? $
   b. How often? ☐ Weekly ☐ Every 2 weeks ☐ Twice a month ☐ Monthly ☐ Quarterly ☐ Yearly

An employer-sponsored health plan meets the “minimum value standard” if the plan’s share of the total allowed benefit costs covered by the plan is no less than 60 percent of such costs (Section 36B(c)(2)(C)(ii) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986)