

Coverage	Benefit Description								
<b>Hospital</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Semi-private hospital room accommodation</li> <li>• Charges for hospital room accommodation outside Alberta will be paid at the lower of semi-private ward rate or \$40 per day.</li> </ul>								
<b>80% coverage</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Major medical expenses reimbursed at 80% unless otherwise indicated.</li> </ul>								
<b>Drugs</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Direct Bill</li> <li>• 80% reimbursement of the drug cost based on Least Cost Alternative</li> <li>• 100% reimbursement of the Dispensing Fee Cap to a certain maximum</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drugs that require a prescription under Provincial or Federal law, prescribed by a Health Care Professional and dispensed by a licensed pharmacist and included in the drug formulary.</li> <li>• New drugs that meet the criteria above will be reviewed to determine if the new drug product will be added to formulary.</li> <li>• Drugs that can be purchased over-the-counter are not eligible under the plan.</li> <li>• Reimbursement is based on the Least Cost Alternative (LCA) drug. LCA drugs have the same active ingredients as other drug products (e.g. brand name) but are less costly.</li> <li>• The amount that is paid for a prescription drug includes the cost of the drug product, inventory allowance and a dispensing fee. The dispensing fee charged varies between pharmacies. The Plan will reimburse 100% of the dispensing fee to a certain maximum. The maximum amount reimbursed is based on the cost of the drug including any amount charged for inventory allowance, as described below.</li> </ul> <table border="0" data-bbox="755 1291 1356 1417"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: center;"><u>Drug Cost</u></th> <th style="text-align: center;"><u>Maximum Dispensing Fee</u></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">\$0.00 - \$74.99</td> <td style="text-align: center;">\$5.00 reimbursement</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">\$75.00 - \$149.00</td> <td style="text-align: center;">\$7.50 reimbursement</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">\$150.00 or greater</td> <td style="text-align: center;">\$10.00 reimbursement</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	<u>Drug Cost</u>	<u>Maximum Dispensing Fee</u>	\$0.00 - \$74.99	\$5.00 reimbursement	\$75.00 - \$149.00	\$7.50 reimbursement	\$150.00 or greater	\$10.00 reimbursement
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<b>Ambulance</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 80% coverage</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Charges incurred in Canada for professional ambulance services to an active treatment hospital when required due to illness or injury.</li> </ul>								
<b>Artificial Limbs/Breast Prosthesis</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 80% coverage</li> <li>• \$2000 Maximum</li> <li>• Physician written order required</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Artificial limbs (excluding myoelectric-controlled prosthesis)</li> <li>• Artificial eyes</li> <li>• Braces which incorporate a rigid support of metal or plastic</li> <li>• Trusses</li> <li>• Cervical collars</li> <li>• Breast prosthesis as a result of a mastectomy</li> <li>• All appliances must be required to treat an existing medical condition.</li> <li>• The repair or replacement of a breast prosthesis does not require the written order of a physician; however such</li> </ul>								

	<p>replacement or repair shall be limited to once in twenty-four (24) months.</p>
<p><b>Orthopedic Appliances</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 80% coverage</li> <li>• \$350 Maximum</li> <li>• Physician written order required</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reimbursement is limited to \$350.00 once in each 2 year period.</li> <li>• All appliances must be required to treat an existing medical condition.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Home Nursing</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 80% coverage</li> <li>• Maximum of \$2000</li> <li>• Physician written order required</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nursing care provided in the home by a practical or registered nurse where the covered person is suffering a chronic or debilitating condition.</li> <li>• Home-making services are not eligible.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Clinical Psychology/Masters Social Work</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 50% of the cost of a treatment session</li> <li>• Maximum of \$1000</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Treatment must be provided by a psychologist registered with the Psychologists' Association of Alberta (PAA) or a Masters in Social Work.</li> <li>• Coverage is not provided for counselling sessions provided by practitioners who are not registered with PAA or who do not hold a Masters in Social Work.</li> <li>• Coverage is not provided for assessments.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Respiratory Equipment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 80% coverage</li> <li>• Maximum of \$1500</li> <li>• Physician written order required</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Oxygen and related supplies (including compressors, nebulizers, masks, aerochambers, and tubing).</li> <li>• Reimbursement is limited to 50% for blood glucose monitors. Reimbursement is also limited to one machine per covered member in each five-year period.</li> <li>• 80% reimbursement for CPAP machines limited to one machine per lifetime.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Colostomy/Ileostomy Supplies</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 80% coverage</li> <li>• Physician written order required</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Colostomy Supplies</li> <li>• Ileostomy Supplies</li> <li>• Urostomy Supplies</li> <li>• Adult Incontinence Supplies</li> </ul>
<p><b>Diabetes Supplies</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 80% coverage</li> <li>• 50% coverage for Blood Glucose Meters</li> <li>• Physician written order required</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lancets/Penlets</li> <li>• Lancing Devices</li> <li>• Blood Glucose Test Strips</li> <li>• Urine Test Strips</li> <li>• Syringes</li> <li>• Insulin Pen Needles</li> <li>• Continuous/ Intermittent Glucose Monitoring Systems</li> </ul>
<p><b>Physiotherapy</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 80% coverage</li> <li>• Maximum of \$1000</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Services of a qualified physiotherapist in excess of those paid by the Regional Health Authority's Community Rehabilitation Program (CRP).</li> </ul>
<p><b>Chiropractor</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 75% of the cost of a treatment session</li> <li>• Maximum of \$1000</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The plan will pay for chiropractic services once all allowable limits have been reached under Alberta Health Care.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Podiatry</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 80% coverage</li> <li>• Maximum of \$800</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The plan will pay for podiatry services once all allowable limits have been reached under Alberta Health Care.</li> <li>• A letter from Alberta Health Care stating the date the</li> </ul>

	maximum was reached must be submitted with the claim.
<b>Acupuncture</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 50% of the cost of a treatment session</li> <li>• Maximum of \$800</li> <li>• Reason for treatment must be noted on the receipt</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acupuncture administered by a registered acupuncturist as a pain reliever or anesthetic.</li> </ul>
<b>Hearing Aids</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 50% coverage</li> <li>• Maximum of \$1000 in any 5 consecutive calendar years</li> <li>• Physician written order required</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Purchase and repair of hearing aids.</li> <li>• Maintenance, batteries and recharging devices are not covered.</li> </ul>
<b>Eye Exams</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Covered to a maximum of \$80 per covered person in any two consecutive calendar years</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reimbursement in excess of amounts not paid by Alberta Health Care.</li> </ul>

For some benefits the first payer will be a government program or another plan. For further information, please call Alberta Blue Cross Customer Service at 780-498-8000 within Edmonton and area or toll-free at 1-800-661-6995.

*The Major Medical Plan is not provided through a contract of insurance. For this Plan, the benefits are payable from premiums, interest or investment earnings and an excess of revenue over expenditures.*

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