Your health plan
Carleton College

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Your partner for good

We’re 26,000 partners strong, working together to support your health every day. You can rely on a top-rated Member Services team – here to help you understand your plan and answer your questions. It’s a plan you can trust, benefits that benefit you and a commitment to lower costs. We’re your partner for all of it. Your partner for good.
Getting started

The more you know about your plan, the easier it is to make good decisions for your health and wallet. We’re happy you’re trusting HealthPartners. Here are some tips.

Understand your costs

You’ll likely see these terms during enrollment and throughout the year. Knowing how these costs work with your plan will help you avoid unexpected charges.

- **Premium** – how much you pay for your plan, usually taken out of your paycheck.
- **Deductible** – the amount you’re responsible to pay for care before your plan helps cover costs, not including your premium.
- **Copay** – a set amount you pay each time you visit the doctor or get a prescription.
- **Coinsurance** – a percent of the bill you pay. Your plan covers the rest.
- **Out-of-pocket maximum** – the most you’ll pay for covered care each year.
- **Summary of Benefits and Coverage (SBC)** – lists out the specific benefit costs for your plan.

Check out your extras

Your health plan does more than just process claims. Read on to learn more about some of the services, resources and discounts you have available to help you live your best life.

Use your online account

With an online account, you can get up-to-date personal health plan information in one simple place.

- See claims and how much you could owe.
- Search for doctors in your network.
- Check your deductible or out-of-pocket maximum spending.
- View your member ID card.
- Get cost estimates for care.
- Compare prescription costs.
- Manage your health on the go with the myHP mobile app.

What to do next

- **Call us** with questions at 952-883-5000 or 800-883-2177
- **Sign in** or create an account at healthpartners.com

We can help you make choices you’ll feel good about.

I’m thankful I had someone to help me understand my own health insurance. I can walk you through your plan now, so you’re prepared when you use it later.

Lauren, Member Services
Open Access℠ network

Get the most options from our largest network.

Choose your favorite doctor

You can see any doctor in the Open Access network. With over one million network providers and 6,000 hospitals, you can see your favorite doctor or specialist, locally or nationally. Or you can pick one from the network on your own – no referral needed.

How to get more info

- See plan details in your Summary of Benefits and Coverage (SBC) in your enrollment materials
- Call us with questions at 952-883-5000 or 800-883-2177
- Search the network for your doctor or find a new one at healthpartners.com/openaccess
**Copay/Deductible plan**

Preventive care is covered 100%. And a flat cost lets you know what to expect to pay for other office visits.

### What you’ll pay

**Copay**

For something like an office visit to a specialist, chiropractor or therapist, you pay a set dollar amount. That’s called a copay.

**Deductible, then coinsurance**

For things like X-rays or a hospital stay, you cover the cost up to a certain amount – your deductible.

Once you hit that amount, you only pay a portion of the bill. That’s called coinsurance. For example, you might pay 20% and your plan would pay the other 80%.

**Out-of-pocket maximum**

After a limit, known as your out-of-pocket maximum, all in-network care is paid for by your health plan.

### Plan highlights

Your plan pays the majority of the bill for primary, convenience, online and specialty care, as well as prescription drugs. You’ll easily know your share of the cost – your copays are listed on your member ID card.

### Your plan helps pay for

- Preventive care (no cost to you)
- Convenience care and telemedicine services
- Specialty care (no referrals needed)
- Prescriptions

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**TIP:** Be sure to get your yearly recommended checkup, vaccines and screenings. They’re included as part of your plan.

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**How to get more info**

- **See plan details** in your Summary of Benefits and Coverage (SBC) in your enrollment materials
- **Call us** with questions at 952-883-5000 or 800-883-2177
**HSA Plus plan**

Set aside pretax money in a health savings account (HSA) to pay medical bills. Plus, get lower costs on select medicines and care.

### What you’ll pay

**Deductible, then coinsurance**

This plan has a deductible – a set amount you pay before your plan helps cover costs for most kinds of care. After that, you may pay coinsurance, which is a percent of the bill.

**Out-of-pocket maximum**

Once you reach the max, your plan pays for in-network care the rest of the year.

### What your plan pays for

Even before you reach your deductible, your plan helps cover the things you need most to stay healthy.

**In-network preventive care**

Your plan pays 100% of the bill.

**Preventive drugs**

For prescriptions on our HSA Enhanced preventive drug list, your plan pays some and you’ll pay a set amount (a copay). See the list at healthpartners.com/enhancedhsa.

**Preventive care for chronic conditions**

Your plan helps pay for certain services and equipment, such as lab work to monitor diabetes or liver disease.

### Empower℠ HSA plan highlights

This plan allows you to contribute money to an HSA before taxes are taken out. Add up what you spent on health care expenses last year to get an idea of how much to put in next year.

**Use your HSA to pay for things like:**

- Doctor visits and lab fees
- Prescription and select over-the-counter medicines
- Dental care and braces
- Vision care and LASIK surgery

**HSA money can:**

- Earn interest or be invested
- Pay for medical expenses before or after you reach your deductible
- Stay with you year after year, even if you switch jobs – you own the account

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**How to get more info**

- See plan details in your Summary of Benefits and Coverage (SBC) in your enrollment materials
- Call us with questions at 952-883-5000 or 800-883-2177

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**TIP:** Put some of the money you’re saving on premiums into your HSA on your own or through direct deposit.
Find the best plan with Plan for Me™

This online tool helps you compare your plan options and potential costs – all based on your unique situation.

**How it works**

- Enter the age and gender for you and anyone else you want your plan to cover.
- Check to see if your doctor, clinic or hospital is in the network.
- Enter any medicines you’re taking and see how they’ll be covered.
- Pick from a list of common health conditions, medical events and care visits.
- You’ll get an estimate of your out-of-pocket costs and can compare available plans.
- Once you have the information you want, print out a summary or email it to yourself.

**Get started**

It’s easy. Go to healthpartners.com/planforme.

You’ll need this information:
- Group number 28110
- Site number ALL
- Effective date (plan start date) 01/01/2024

To get the best comparison, it’s also helpful to know:
- Doctors, clinics or hospitals you use
- Medicines you’re taking

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Questions about benefits?

Call 952-883-5000 or 800-883-2177 to get help and understand your options.

Plan for Me is awesome for comparing plans. Make sure you check out your Summary of Benefits and Coverage (SBC) also to see all your plan details before making your final choice.

Jodi, Member Services
Fast, easy, affordable care

Skip a trip to the clinic. Save time and money by getting treated for common conditions from your smartphone, tablet or computer. Your plan covers telemedicine care.

Virtuwell®

Your 24/7 online clinic

Get better faster. Start your visit any time with any device – no appointments, video or downloads needed. Answer a few questions online to get treatment for more than 60 common conditions. Nurse practitioners give you a diagnosis, treatment plan and prescription – all in about an hour. If for any reason you can’t be treated, there’s no charge. Plus follow-up care about your treatment are free.

Use your member ID to find your cost, view FAQs and get started at virtuwell.com/cost/healthpartners.

Doctor On Demand

Live video visits with a doctor include assessment, diagnosis and prescriptions, plus urgent care for cold and flu, skin conditions and allergies. When you create a free member account, your cost is always shown up front, without any surprise bills later. Register at doctorondemand.com.

Teladoc

Fill out a brief medical history to connect with medical experts by phone, video or mobile app. Whether it’s a prescription sent to the pharmacy of your choice, guidance on next steps or a review of a preexisting condition, they’re ready to help. Get started at teladoc.com.

Questions about benefits?

We can help. Call Member Services at 952-883-5000 or 800-883-2177

The next time you’re sick, your health plan has affordable options to help you get better, faster.

Julie, RN, nurse navigator
Get the most from your meds

Knowing what you’ll pay for your medicine is important. Use these tools and resources to understand your costs and get support if your medicine isn’t working for you.

Check your formulary
A formulary, also called a drug list, tells you what medicines are covered by your health plan and generally how much you’ll pay. You’ll also learn if there are any requirements before you can start a medicine.

Your formulary is called PreferredRx.
1. Go to healthpartners.com/preferredrx.
2. Search by the name or type of medicine.
3. Use your Summary of Benefits and Coverage (SBC) in your enrollment materials to understand how each type of medicine is covered.

Search for the lowest cost
Medicine prices can change from pharmacy to pharmacy. Shop around. See what your costs are at different pharmacies. Members can get started with the prescription shopping tool at healthpartners.com/pharmacy.

Talk with a Pharmacy Navigator
One call will give you answers to your questions around benefits, coverage, costs, formularies and more. Call Member Services at the number on the back of your member ID card. Ask to talk with a Pharmacy Navigator.

Meet with a pharmacist
In a one-on-one visit, a pharmacist will review your medicines with you to make sure they’re working and are right for you. Plus, it’s free. Visit healthpartners.com/mtminfo to learn more.

Try generics
Generics are just as safe and effective as brand-name medicines, but cost a lot less. Talk to your doctor or pharmacist about switching to a generic medicine.

Questions about benefits?
We can help. Call Member Services at 952-883-5000 or 800-883-2177.

Our team is here to support you. If you can’t find your medicine on the formulary or shopping tool, give us a call. We’ll help you find it or an alternative that’s covered.

Kerry, Pharmacy Navigator
Find the best medicine cost

Shopping for the lowest price medicine is easier than comparing prices for airline travel.

Multiple ways to save on medicines, in one online tool

The prescription shopping tool helps you find the lowest cost for medicines, based on your current health plan. Find other options to save money too, like when a lower price alternative is available.

You can use the prescription shopping tool to:

- Find the lowest cost for your medicine
- Compare current prices at pharmacies near you
- Understand what medicines are covered by your health plan
- Transfer prescriptions to the lowest cost pharmacy
- Know if you have available refills
- See if you have a prior authorization and when it expires
- Download tax reports of what you spent last year

Sign in to your account

Manage your health and your plan at healthpartners.com or the myHP app.

Don’t have an account yet? It’s quick and easy to sign up— you’ll just need your member ID card.
Here for you, 24/7

Call us at one of these numbers if you have questions about your health or what your plan covers. We’re ready to help.

### Member Services

For questions about:
- Your coverage, claims or plan balances
- Finding a doctor, dentist or specialist in your network
- Finding care when you’re away from home
- Health plan services, programs and discounts

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Monday – Friday,
7 a.m. to 6 p.m. CT
Call the number on the back of your member ID card,
952-883-5000 or 800-883-2177
Interpreters are available if you need one.
Español: 866-398-9119
healthpartners.com

One thing I love about my job is how my team helps people all day, every day.
Rachel, Registered Nurse, CareLine
Take charge of your health plan

You go online to research, plan and follow up on big decisions. A HealthPartners online account makes it just as easy to stay on top of your health care and insurance.

Get personalized information when and where you need it

With an online account, you have real-time access to your personal health plan information in one simple place. No more guessing or waiting until business hours to get answers to your questions.

Top 6 ways to use your online account and mobile app

1. See recent claims, what your plan covered and how much you could owe.
2. Get cost estimates for treatments and procedures specific to your plan.
3. View your HealthPartners member ID card and fax it your doctor’s office.
4. Access your Living Well dashboard to check your program progress, take the health assessment and complete activities.
5. Check your balances, including how much you owe before your plan starts paying (deductible) and the most you’ll have to pay (out-of-pocket maximum).
6. Search for doctors and pharmacies covered by your plan.

I love directing members to their online accounts and the mobile app. You can easily get your health plan info, even when I’m not in the office.

Jarria, Member Services

Sign in to your account

Manage your health and your plan at healthpartners.com or the myHP app.

Don’t have an account yet? It’s quick and easy to sign up— you’ll just need your member ID card.

23-2328991-2349647
Get the right care at the right price

Your health plan covers a range of options when you need care. Knowing the differences between the options can help you choose where to get care at the best cost. Search online to find an in-network option specifically covered by your plan.

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Still not sure where to go? We’ll help you figure out the best place based on the urgency of your care needs. Call CareLine at 800-551-0859.

Rachel, Registered Nurse, CareLine
A resilient you

We’re here to support the whole you – this includes your emotional health. Our programs will help you build resilience and cope with life’s challenges.

Health assessment and well-being activities

Start your path to building emotional resilience with an online health assessment. You’ll then have access to resources to help build healthy habits, like our Healthy Thinking and Tackle Stress digital activities.

To get started, sign in to your online account. Then click on the Living Well tab and choose Go to your Well-being program. If you don’t have an online account, create one at healthpartners.com/signupnow.

myStrength

Build a healthier mind for a stronger you. myStrength is a flexible and comprehensive digital program with tools and activities for stress, depression, sleep and more. Learn from hundreds of activities, articles and videos. Practice techniques to help you shift your thinking, get inspired and feel more hopeful.

Questions about benefits?

Behavioral health navigators can help. Call 952-883-5811 or 888-638-8787.

TIP: Visit healthpartners.com/resilience for more information and resources on building emotional resilience.
Living healthier just got a little less expensive

Get special savings from handpicked retailers as a HealthPartners member. There are lots of products and services available to you at a discounted rate – all designed to help you live healthy every day.

Save big by showing your member ID card to participating retailers

Save money on:
- Eyewear
- Exercise equipment
- Fitness and well-being classes
- Eating well
- Healthy mom and baby products
- Hearing aids
- Pet insurance
- And more!

Discounts on gym memberships

Husk Gym Network
Provides discounts on memberships at more than 11,000 fitness centers, weight loss programs and wellness brands

The Active&Fit Direct™ program
Offers more than 11,000 fitness centers nationwide for a flat monthly fee

Making healthy choices is easier when it doesn’t break the bank. I always say taking advantage of these discounts is a great way to make the most out of your health plan.

Katie, Member Services

See where you can save
Visit healthpartners.com/discounts for a list of participating retailers and discounts.
Living healthier just got a little less expensive

Get paid to work out. Go to the gym at least 12 times each month and you can save up to $20 on your gym membership.

How it works

1. Find a gym near you. Participating gyms* include:
   • Anytime Fitness
   • LA Fitness
   • Life Time Fitness
   • Snap Fitness
   • And more!
2. Sign up. Show your member ID card at the front desk.
3. Work out at least 12 times each month.
4. Get paid – your gym membership account will be reimbursed six to eight weeks after your monthly workouts.

*Not all club locations apply. Some national clubs are owned by individual franchise owners and may not participate in the program. Frequent Fitness is limited to members, age 18 years or older, of certain HealthPartners medical plans and members of participating employer groups. Some restrictions apply. Termination of club membership may result in forfeiture of any unpaid incentive. See participating club locations for program details. Workout requirements and program eligibility may vary by employer. Please check with your employer or call Member Services to verify eligibility and visits requirements. Program payments will not exceed club dues.
Employee Assistance Program (EAP)

Always-there-for-you-partner when you need it

When you need everyday support, your HealthPartners Employee Assistance Program (EAP) is your free and confidential partner to help with whatever life throws your way, 24/7. Think of your EAP as that life coach you always wanted and never knew you had until now.

And let’s face it — life is stressful. That stress can weigh you down, drain your energy, create irritability and weaken your health. That’s why self-care is so important. Let your EAP be that critical resource to support your self-care and help you be a better version of yourself, inside and out.

Whatever you’re struggling with — whether it be mental health, financial concerns, child care, elder care, navigating challenging relationships, your career and more — we are here no matter what with tailored, free and confidential support for you and your household.

Don’t hesitate any longer: Reach out today

It’s easy to put off self-care. But remember, the longer you do, the more the stressors in your life will negatively affect your overall health and well-being. You have a team at your fingertips to support you. You just have to take that first step. What are you waiting for? Reach out to your EAP — your always-there-for-you-partner — today.

Call: 1-866-326-7194
Log on: hpeap.com using the password: carleton
Use the app: Download the iConnectYou mobile app and register using passcode: 231020
to text or video chat with us

HealthPartners
Conveniently connect in person or virtually

We meet you where you are, whether that be in person or virtually, to help you get on track to better health.

Your EAP includes support for you and your entire household:

- Face-to-face counseling sessions
- Telephonic and virtual counseling sessions
- Mindfulness-based stress reduction
- Life coaching
- Self-directed virtual therapy
- Online resources: articles, tip sheets, webinars, self-assessment tools and more

Full circle support for any life issue

There are a lot of life issues you’re dealing with daily. And sometimes it’s easy to feel like you’re going around in circles. Your EAP can coach you through any challenge, helping you come full circle and chart a path to success.

Emotional well-being
- Alcohol and drugs
- Depression
- Eating disorders
- Gambling
- Grief and loss
- Stress

Financial and legal
- Budgeting
- Debt recovery
- Family law
- Homeownership
- Retirement planning
- Saving and investing

Parenting and child care
- Behavior issues
- Blended families
- Child care referrals
- Child development
- College selection
- Cyberbullying
- Education issues

Relationships
- Communications skills
- Divorce or separation
- Domestic violence
- Marital and partner issues
- Personal relationships

Senior life
- Caregiver options
- Caring for aging parents
- Elder care referrals

Work and career
- Adjusting to change
- Career management
- Coping with job stress
- Work and life balance
- Workplace relationships
Quit for good

Quitting tobacco and vape may be one of the hardest things you’ll ever do. You don’t have to do it alone. We’re here to help.

Get help from a health coach

Work with a health coach to set goals around tobacco use and vaping that fit your lifestyle. You’ll get support and encouragement to reach your goals and live nicotine free. Plus, you can schedule phone calls or email your health coach when it works best for you.

Work at your own pace to:

• Beat cravings
• Relieve stress
• Deal with tempting social situations
• Adjust to life without tobacco and vape
• Feel great

Medicine to support quitting

Your health plan might pay for medicines to help you quit. Visit healthpartners.com/formulary to view your formulary. Or, call our Member Services team at the number on the back of your member ID card.

How to get started

Sign up with a health coach at 800-311-1052.

Maybe you’ve tried to quit on your own – more than once. Don’t get down on yourself. Getting support from a coach can be just what you need to quit for good.

Sara, Health Coach
Assist America®

Travel anywhere, worry-free

Whether you’re traveling abroad or just out of town for the weekend, you can feel confident you’re in good hands when the unexpected happens.

Get 24/7 help

Assist America provides all the support you need when you’re more than 100 miles from home.

- Coordinating transport to care facilities or back home
- Filling lost prescriptions
- Finding good doctors
- Getting admitted to the hospital
- Pre-trip info, like immunization and visa requirements
- Tracking down lost luggage
- Translator referrals
- And more!

How to get started

- Download your Assist America ID card at healthpartners.com/getcareeverywhere
- Get the Assist America app and enter HealthPartners reference number 01-AA-HPT-05133

The Assist America mobile app makes traveling much easier. You can make calls right from the app when you need support.

Jamie, Member Services

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Our approach to protecting personal information

HealthPartners® complies with all applicable laws regarding privacy of health and other information about our members and former members. When needed, we get consent or authorization from our members (or an authorized member representative when the member is unable to give consent or authorization) for release of personal information. We give members access to their own information consistent with applicable law and standards. Our policies and practices support compliant, appropriate and effective use of information, internally and externally, and enable us to serve and improve the health of our members, our patients and the community, while being sensitive to privacy. For a copy of our Notice of Privacy Practices, visit our website or call Member Services.

Summary of utilization management programs for medical plans

Our utilization management programs help ensure effective, accessible and high-quality health care. These programs are based on the most up-to-date medical evidence to evaluate appropriate levels of care and establish guidelines for medical practices. Our programs include activities to reduce the underuse, overuse and misuse of health services.

THESE PROGRAMS INCLUDE:

- Progression of care review and care coordination to support safe, timely care and transition from the hospital.
- Outpatient case management to provide member support and coordination of care.
- Evidence-based coverage policy criteria for certain kinds of care.
- Prior authorization of select services – we require prior approval for a small number of services and procedures. For a complete list, visit our website or call Member Services.

Appropriate use and coverage of prescription medicines for medical plans

We provide coverage for medicines that are safe, high-quality and cost-effective.

TO HELP US DO THIS, WE USE:

- A formulary (drug list). These prescription medicines are continually reviewed and approved for coverage based on quality, safety, effectiveness and value.
- An opioid management program to support members in managing their pain.
- A free, confidential one-on-one appointment (in person or over the phone) with an experienced clinical pharmacist. Our Medication Therapy Management (MTM) program helps members who use many different medicines get the results they need.
- A transition program that provides a seamless move to our formulary. We allow coverage for a first-time fill of a qualifying non-preferred medicine within the first three months of becoming a member.

The formulary is available at healthpartners.com/formulary, along with information on how medicines are reviewed, the criteria used to determine which medicines are added to the list and more. You may also get this information from Member Services.
Important information on provider reimbursement

Our goal in reimbursing providers is to provide affordable care for our members while encouraging quality care through best care practices and rewarding providers for meeting the needs of our members. Several different types of reimbursement arrangements are used with providers. All are designed to achieve that goal. Check with your individual provider to find out how they are paid.

PROVIDER REIMBURSEMENT INFORMATION FOR MEDICAL PLANS

- **Fee-for-service** – Some providers are paid on a “fee-for-service” basis, which means that the health plan pays the provider a certain set amount that corresponds to each type of service furnished by the provider.
- **Discount** – Some providers are paid on a “discount” basis, which means that when a provider sends us a bill, we have negotiated a reduced rate on behalf of our members. We pay a predetermined percentage of the total bill for services.
- **Case rate** – Sometimes we have “case rate” arrangements with providers, which means that for a selected set of services the provider receives a set fee, or a “case rate,” for services needed up to an agreed upon maximum amount of services for a designated period of time. Alternatively, we may pay a “case rate” to a provider for all of the selected set of services needed during an agreed upon period of time.
- **Reconciliation** – Sometimes we have withhold arrangements with providers, which means that a portion of the provider’s payment is set aside until the end of the year. The year-end reconciliation can happen in a variety of ways.
- **Withhold Arrangements** – Sometimes we use withhold arrangements as part of provider payments which means that a portion of the provider’s payment is set aside until the end of the year. The year-end reconciliation can happen in a variety of ways. The provider usually receives all or a portion of the withhold based on performance of agreed upon criteria, which may include patient satisfaction levels, quality of care and/or care management measures. Withhold payment arrangements may apply to primary care, specialty, or hospital providers.
- **Diagnosis** – Some providers — usually hospitals — are paid on the basis of the diagnosis that they are treating; in other words, they are paid a set fee to treat certain kinds of conditions. Sometimes we pay hospitals and other institutional providers a set fee, or “per diem,” according to the number of days the patient spent in the facility.
- **APCs** – Some providers — usually hospitals — are paid according to Ambulatory Payment Classifications (APCs) for outpatient services. This means that we have negotiated a payment level based on the resources and intensity of the services provided. In other words, hospitals are paid a set fee for certain kinds of services and that set fee is based on the resources utilized to provide that service.
- **Total Cost of Care** – Some providers — usually primary care medical groups — are paid based on how well they manage the total cost of care associated with a patient, as well as how well they manage the patient experience and the quality of care provided.
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Conducting medical necessity reviews

HealthPartners conducts medical necessity reviews for select services. These reviews ensure our members receive safe and effective care that aligns with the coverage outlined in the member’s contract. Medical necessity reviews can be conducted pre-service, before the service takes place; post-service, after the service has happened; or concurrently, while the service is taking place. Contracted providers are responsible for obtaining prior authorization from the health plan when it is required. Services that require prior authorization are listed on our website. Prior authorization is not required for emergency services. HealthPartners will inform both you and your provider of the outcome of our review.

This plan may not cover all your health care expenses. Read your plan materials carefully to determine which expenses are covered. For details about benefits and services, go to healthpartners.com or call Member Services at 952-883-5000 or 800-883-2177.
Thanks for calling HealthPartners

Our Member Services team loves to help, and there’s no better time than now. Give us a call if you have questions about your plan or even if you just want to get to know your plan a little better. Making sure you understand your health plan is just the first way we help you stay healthy.

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