

# State of Maine Health Plan Pharmacy Coverage

## Introduction

This Prescriptions Benefit document describes how to get prescription medications, what medications are covered and not covered, and what portion of the prescription costs you will be required to pay.

MedImpact, the Pharmacy Benefit Manager (PBM), manages our prescription drug benefit under contract with the State of Maine. MedImpact maintains the Preferred Drug list (also known as a Formulary), manages a network of retail pharmacies and offers Mail Service and Specialty Drug pharmacies. MedImpact, in consultation with the Plan, also provides services to promote the appropriate use of pharmacy benefits, such as review for possible excessive use, recognized and recommended dosage regimens, drug interactions and other safety measures.

Employees, retirees and dependents covered by the State of Maine prescription drug benefit can use either retail or MedImpact Direct, MedImpact's mail service pharmacy. Your benefit covers most prescription drugs, plus insulin and some over-the-counter (OTC) diabetes supplies and certain other OTC items considered preventative under the Health Care Reform Act. Certain medications are subject to limitations and may require prior authorization for continued use.

## Notice

This plan does not cover all prescription drugs. Please refer to the **Limitations** section of this booklet.

## Website

Plan members have access to internet features offered through [www.medimpact.com](http://www.medimpact.com). On this website, you can refill mail order prescriptions, manage your mail order account, locate a pharmacy, print forms, look up preferred medications and identify cost saving opportunities.

## **SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS**

You share in the cost of your benefits. You will be responsible for the copayment or coinsurance for each new prescription or refill as specified below. The copayment is payable directly to the network pharmacy at the time the prescription is dispensed.

	<b>State of Maine Prescription Benefit Plan Design</b>	
	<b>Retail Network Pharmacy (up to a 30-day supply)</b>	<b>MedImpact Mail Order &amp; Retail Network Pharmacy (up to a 90-day supply)</b>
<b>Tier 1</b> – Preferred and Non-Preferred Generics	\$10 copay per prescription	\$15 copay per prescription
<b>Tier 2</b> – Preferred Brand	\$30 copay per prescription	\$45 copay per prescription
<b>Tier 3</b> – Non-Preferred Brand	\$45 copay per prescription	\$70 copay per prescription
<b>Tier 4</b> – Specialty	25% coinsurance up to \$150	\$25% coinsurance up to \$225
<b>Lifestyle - Infertility/Erectile Dysfunction</b>	\$50 copay per prescription	\$75 copay per prescription

**Out-of-pocket/ (OOP) limit** (separate from medical out-of-pocket limit):

\* \$4600 single / \$9200 family

\* prescription drug copayments/coinsurance are subject to the OOP limit; once the member and/or family OOP limit is satisfied, no additional copayments/coinsurance are required for the remainder of the calendar year. Patient Assistance Programs do not apply to the member's maximum out of pocket benefit.

**Health Care Reform** Certain medications identified under Health Care Reform will be covered with no cost to the member.

**Retail out-of-network claims** You are required to pay 100% of the medication cost and then submit for reimbursement. Members are reimbursed based on copays above and member also pays any difference between the pharmacy charge and the allowable costs.

**Lifestyle medications (impotency/infertility)** individual lifetime infertility cap of \$10,000.

**Specialty medications** must be filled through MedImpact Direct Specialty Pharmacy.

**Dispense As Written (DAW)** If a prescriber prescribes a covered brand-name prescription drug where a generic prescription drug equivalent is available and specifies "Dispense As Written" (DAW), you will pay the cost sharing for the brand-name prescription drug. If you request a covered brand-name prescription drug where a generic prescription drug equivalent is available you will be responsible for the cost difference between the brand-name prescription drug and the generic prescription drug equivalent, plus the applicable cost sharing.

## **Network Pharmacies**

All major chain pharmacies participate in the network. If you are using an independent drugstore, you should confirm whether it participates, too.

To find out, visit [www.medimpact.com](http://www.medimpact.com) or call Member Services at (888) 672-7151.

You must present your ID card to the network pharmacy every time you get a prescription filled to be eligible for network pharmacy benefits. The network pharmacy will calculate your claim online. You will pay any copayment or coinsurance directly to the network pharmacy. You do not have to complete or submit claim forms. The network pharmacy will take care of claim submission.

## **When You Use an Out-of-Network Pharmacy**

You can directly access an out-of-network pharmacy to obtain covered outpatient prescription drugs. You will pay the pharmacy for your prescription drugs at the time of purchase and submit a claim form to receive reimbursement from the Plan. You are responsible for completing and submitting claim forms for reimbursement of covered expenses you paid directly to an out-of-network pharmacy. The Plan will reimburse you for a covered expense up to the recognized charge, less any cost sharing required by you.

## **Retail Pharmacies**

Retail pharmacy service is most convenient for short-term prescription needs. For example, if you need an antibiotic to treat an infection, you can go to one of the many pharmacies that participate in the MedImpact network. At retail, you can get up to a 90-day supply.

## **MedImpact Direct Mail Order**

Members that need medication on an ongoing basis can ask their doctor to prescribe up to a 90-day supply, plus refills if appropriate. Examples are ongoing therapies to treat diabetes, high cholesterol, high blood pressure, and asthma.

- Medications are shipped standard delivery at no additional cost.
- First-time orders are usually delivered within 8-11 days after your order is received.
- Refills usually arrive in less time – refills ordered online are usually delivered within 3-5 days and refill orders mailed in are usually delivered within 6-9 days.
- Medication packages will include instructions for ordering refills, if applicable, and may also include information about the purpose of the medication, appropriate dosage guidelines and other important details.
- You can track your prescriptions and order refills at [www.medimpact.com](http://www.medimpact.com) or by calling Member Services at 1-855-873-8739.
- Registered pharmacists are available around the clock for consultation.

## **Specialty Pharmacy Network**

“Specialty Drugs” are injectable and non-injectable drugs with one or more of the following traits:

- Frequent dosing adjustments
- Intensive clinical monitoring
- Intensive patient training
- Limited or exclusive distribution
- Specialized handling or administration

MedImpact Direct Specialty may fill specialty drug prescription orders, subject to a 30-day supply, and subject to the applicable coinsurance shown in the Schedule of Benefits. A 90-day supply is available with a written 90-day prescription from the provider.

MedImpact Direct Specialty provides personalized counseling, expedited delivery, complimentary supplies (such as needles and syringes), and safety checks. If you or a dependent use specialty the advantages of using MedImpact Direct Specialty for you include:

- Free expedited scheduled delivery to the location you choose (your home, doctor's office, outpatient clinic), and free supplies to administer your medication (e.g., needles, syringes)
- Individualized support from trained nurses and patient care representatives

- 24/7 access to registered pharmacists for questions
- To order specialty medications from MedImpact Specialty Pharmacy please call 1-877-391-1103 toll-free or have your doctor call 1-800- 987-4904 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern Time, Monday through Friday

You may call MedImpact to learn more about MedImpact Direct Specialty and to determine if a specialty drug is covered, by calling Member Services at 1-877-391-1103.

### **Emergency Prescriptions**

When you need a prescription filled in an emergency or urgent care situation, or when you are traveling, you can obtain network benefits by filling your prescription at any network retail pharmacy. Call MedImpact Member Services at 1-888-672-7151 for assistance. The network pharmacy will fill your prescription and only charge you your plan's cost sharing amount. If you access an out-of-network pharmacy you will pay the full cost of the prescription and will need to file a claim for reimbursement, you will be reimbursed for your covered expenses up to the cost of the prescription less any applicable cost sharing required by you.

### **Formulary or Preferred Drug List**

A formulary is a list of commonly prescribed medications from which your physician may choose to prescribe. The formulary is designed to inform you and your physician about quality medications that, when prescribed in place of other non-formulary medications, can help contain the increasing cost of prescription drug coverage while maintaining the high-quality of care.

MedImpact shall not remove a prescription drug from the Plan's formulary, change the cost sharing requirements that apply to a prescription drug, or change the utilization review requirements that apply to a prescription drug unless:

- At least sixty (60) days before the removal or change is effective, send written notice of the removal or change to each Plan member for whom the prescription drug has been prescribed during the preceding twelve (12) month period or
- At the time a Plan member for whom the prescription drug has been prescribed during the preceding twelve (12) month period requests a refill of the prescription drug, provide to the Plan member: (1) written notice of the removal or change; and (2) a sixty (60) day supply of the prescription drug under the terms that applied before the removal or change.

You may view the formulary online at [www.medimpact.com](http://www.medimpact.com)

## **Prior Authorization**

Prior Authorization may be required for certain prescription drugs (or the prescribed quantity of a particular drug). Prior Authorization helps promote appropriate utilization and enforcement of guidelines for prescription drug benefit coverage. At the time you fill a prescription, the pharmacist is informed of the Prior Authorization requirement through the pharmacy's computer system.

MedImpact uses criteria developed by their Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee which is reviewed and adopted by the Plan. The Plan or MedImpact may contact your provider if additional information is required to determine whether Prior Authorization should be granted. MedImpact or Plan communicates the results of the decision to both you and your provider.

If Prior Authorization is denied, written notification is sent to both you and your providers. You have the right to appeal through the appeals process. The written notification of denial you receive provides instructions for filing an appeal.

To ask if a drug requires Prior Authorization, please contact MedImpact Member Services at 1-888-672-7151.

You, your provider, or pharmacist, may check with MedImpact to verify covered prescription drugs, any quantity and/or age limits, prior authorization or other requirements of the Plan.

## **Medical Exceptions:**

Your prescriber may seek a medical exception to obtain coverage for drugs for which coverage is denied through Precertification. The prescriber must submit such exception requests to MedImpact. Coverage granted as a result of a medical exception shall be based on an individual, case by case medical necessity determination and coverage will not apply or extend to other covered persons.

## **Waiver for Risk-Reducing Breast Cancer Prescription Drugs**

The per prescription copay will not apply to select risk-reducing breast cancer generic prescription drugs for women at increased risk for breast cancer when obtained at a network pharmacy. This means that such risk-reducing breast cancer generic prescription drugs will be paid at 100%.

## **Waiver for Tobacco Cessation Prescription and Over-the-Counter Drugs (OTC)**

The per prescription copayment will not apply to the first two 90-day treatment regimens for certain tobacco cessation prescription drugs and OTC drugs for members over age 18 and over when obtained at a network pharmacy. This means that such prescription drugs and OTC drugs will be paid at 100%. Your prescription drug copayment will apply after those two regimens have been exhausted.

Covered expenses include FDA-approved prescription drugs and over-the-counter (OTC) drugs to help stop the use of tobacco products, when prescribed by a prescriber and the prescription is submitted to the pharmacist for processing.

### **Waiver for Prescription Drug Contraceptives**

The per prescription copay will not apply to contraceptive methods that are:

- Generic prescription drugs; contraceptive devices; or
- FDA-approved female generic emergency contraceptives,

when obtained at a network pharmacy. This means that such contraceptive methods will be paid at 100%. The \$0 copay for contraceptive agents under the State of Maine Health Plan does not depend on in-network vs out of network pharmacies.

The per prescription copay continue to apply:

- When the contraceptive methods listed above are obtained at an out-of-network pharmacy
- For contraceptive methods that are:
  - Brand-name prescription drugs and devices and
  - FDA-approved female brand-name emergency contraceptives

that have a generic equivalent, or generic alternative available within the same therapeutic drug class obtained at an out-of-network pharmacy or network pharmacy unless you are granted a medical exception.

### **Copayment/Coinsurance**

Each prescription order may be subject to a copayment or coinsurance. If the prescription order includes more than one covered drug, a separate coinsurance/copayment will apply to each covered drug. The amount you pay for your prescription drugs will be no less than the minimum copay (unless the usual and customary retail price is less than the minimum copay) and it will be no more than the lesser of your scheduled copayment/coinsurance amount or the Maximum Allowable Amount. If you receive Covered Services from a non-network pharmacy, a deductible and coinsurance/copayment amount may also apply.

### **Days' Supply**

- The number of days' supply of a drug that you may receive is limited. The days' supply limit applicable to prescription drug coverage is shown in the Schedule of Benefits. If you are going on vacation and you need more than the days' supply allowed for a retail prescription under this Plan, you should ask your retail pharmacist. If your prescription is through mail order (the MedImpact Mail-Order Pharmacy Program or MedImpact Direct Specialty), you may call MedImpact to request an early refill if needed. Call the MedImpact Mail Order Pharmacy Program at 855-873-8739 or MedImpact Direct Specialty at 877-391-1103.

Days' supply may be less than the amount shown in the Schedule of Benefits due to Prior Authorization, Quantity Limits, and/or age limits and Utilization Guidelines.

## **Tiers**

Your copayment/coinsurance amount may vary based on whether the prescription drug, including covered Specialty Drugs, has been classified by the Plan as either a first, second, third, or fourth "tier" drug. The determination of tiers is made by the Plan, on behalf of the Employer, based upon clinical information, and, where appropriate, the cost of the drug relative to other drugs in its therapeutic class or used to treat the same or similar condition, the availability of over-the-counter alternatives, and certain clinical economic factors.

- **Tier 1** generally includes generic prescription drugs.
- **Tier 2** generally includes brand name or generic drugs that based upon their clinical information, and where appropriate, cost considerations are preferred relative to other drugs.
- **Tier 3** generally includes brand name or certain generic drugs that based upon their clinical information, and where appropriate, cost considerations are not preferred relative to other drugs in lower tiers.
- **Tier 4** generally includes specialty drugs. To see if a drug is in the 4<sup>th</sup> tier, call MedImpact Member Services at 1-888-672-7151 or visit [www.medimpact.com](http://www.medimpact.com) to price your medication.

Note, some lifestyle medications (e.g. for infertility, erectile dysfunction) are covered by the plan and would be classified in the applicable tiers listed above.

## **Payment of Benefits**

The amount of benefits paid is based upon whether you receive the Covered Services from a retail pharmacy, a specialty pharmacy, a non-network retail pharmacy, or the MedImpact Mail-Order Pharmacy program. It is also based upon the tier classified by the Plan for the prescription drug or specialty drug. Please see the Schedule of Benefits for the applicable amounts, and for applicable limitations on number of days' supply.

The Plan, on behalf of the Employer, retains the right at its discretion to determine coverage for dosage formulations in terms of covered dosage administration methods (for example by mouth, injections, topical or inhaled) and may cover one form of administration and exclude or place other forms of administration on other tiers.

The amounts for which you are responsible are shown in the Schedule of Benefits. No payment will be made by the Plan for any Covered Service unless the negotiated rate exceeds any applicable deductible and/or copayment/coinsurance for which you are responsible.

Your copayment(s), and coinsurance amounts will not be reduced by any discounts, rebates or other funds received by MedImpact and/or the Plan from drug manufacturers or similar vendors. For Covered Services provided by a retail pharmacy, retail specialty pharmacy, MedImpact Direct Specialty or through the MedImpact Mail-Order Pharmacy program, you are responsible for all copayment/coinsurance amounts.



For Covered Services provided by a non-network retail pharmacy, you will be responsible for the amount(s) shown in the Schedule of Benefits. This is based on the Maximum Allowable Amount.

### **Coordination of Benefits**

Prescription drug reimbursement is determined by using the lesser of two values: the submitted remaining patient responsibility after the Primary plan paid or the client's plan approved amount for the claim. The plan member's applicable deductible and applicable copay then are subtracted from the lesser of the two values. The remaining balance is paid (either to the pharmacy or to the patient).

COB sets the payment responsibilities for any contract that covers you. If you are currently enrolled in more than one health plan, the State of Maine Health Plan will act as secondary coverage.

### **Covered Prescription Drug Benefits**

Prescription drugs, unless otherwise stated below, must be medically necessary and not experimental/investigative, in order to be Covered Services. For certain prescription drugs, the prescribing physician may be asked to provide additional information before MedImpact and/or the Plan can determine medical necessity. The Plan may, in its sole discretion, establish quantity and/or age limits for specific prescription drugs. Covered Services will be limited based on medical necessity, quantity and/or age limits established by the Plan, or utilization guidelines.

- Prescription legend drugs
- Certain OTC medications as indicated under the Affordable Health Care Act\*
- Injectable insulin and needles and syringes used for administration of insulin
- Contraceptive drugs: oral, transdermal, intravaginal and injectable
- Contraceptive devices
- Prescription vitamins including prescription fluoride supplements as well as those covered under the Affordable Care Act\*
- Influenza immunizations and those immunizations covered under the Affordable Health Care Act\*
- Certain supplies and equipment are covered such as diabetic test strips, lancets, glucose monitors, insulin pumps and inhaler spacers. Contact MedImpact to determine approved covered supplies. If certain supplies, equipment, or appliances are not available through the prescription benefit, they may be available through the medical benefit.
- Injectables unless otherwise noted as benefit exclusions.
- Prescription and some OTC smoking cessation drugs with limits of 180 days of therapy per year for nicotine, bupropion/ Zyban and for Chantix\*

## Non-Covered Prescription Drug Benefits

- Over the counter drugs except insulin and those covered under the Affordable Health Care Act\*
- Over the counter vitamins except those covered under the Affordable Health Care Act\*
- Estriol compounds
- Medications used for cosmetic purposes only such as hair growth stimulants
- Allergy sera
- Blood and blood plasma products except for hemophilia factors
- Experimental/ Investigative Drugs
- Over the counter homeopathic or herbal medicines

\*Certain prescription and OTC medications are considered preventative by the Affordable Care Act and are covered by the benefit. A prescription is required to obtain these preventative medications through your prescription benefit. For more information, contact MedImpact Member Services at 1-888-672-7151

If your medication is in a category not covered by the prescription drug benefit, please check with the medical plan through Anthem as it may be covered by that benefit.

Example: allergy sera.

## Other Covered Expenses

The following prescription drugs, medications and supplies are also covered expenses under this Coverage:

- **Off-Label Use:**

FDA-approved prescription drugs may be covered for off-label use of the drug despite not being approved for that indication. The drug must be recognized for treatment of the indication in at least two of the standard compendia (the United States Pharmacopoeia Drug Information, the American Medical Association Drug Evaluations, or the American Hospital Formulary Service Drug Information). Or, the safety and effectiveness of use for this indication has been adequately demonstrated by at least two studies published in a nationally recognized peer review journal. Coverage of off-label use of these drugs may, at MedImpacts' discretion, be subject to precertification, or other MedImpact requirements or limitations subject to the laws of the State of Maine. Visit [www.medimpact.com](http://www.medimpact.com) for drug-specific information.

- **Diabetic Supplies**

The following diabetic supplies upon prescription by a **physician**:

- Insulin
- Oral hypoglycemic agents

- Glucose Monitors
- Diabetic needles and syringes
- Test strips for glucose monitoring and/or visual reading
- Diabetic test agents
- Lancets/lancing devices

- **Orally administered anti-cancer drugs, including chemotherapy drugs**

Orally administered anti-cancer drugs, including chemotherapy drugs may be covered when the drug is recognized for treatment of that indication in a standard reference compendium or recommended in the medical literature even if the drug is not approved by the FDA for a particular indication. This includes coverage for prescribed, orally administered anti-cancer medications used to kill or slow down the growth of cancer cells, when it is equivalent to intravenous or injected anti-cancer medications.

- **Contraceptives**

Covered expenses include charges made by a network pharmacy for the following contraceptive methods when prescribed by a prescriber and the prescription is submitted to the pharmacist for processing:

- Female oral and injectable contraceptives that are generic prescription drugs and brand-name prescription drugs
- Female contraceptive devices
- FDA-approved female generic emergency contraceptives

Contraceptives can be paid either under your medical plan or pharmacy plan depending on the type of expense and how and where the expense is incurred.

- **Oral and Self-Injectable Infertility Drugs**

The following prescription drugs used for the purpose of treating infertility including, but not limited to:

- Urofollitropin, menotropin, human chorionic gonadotropin and progesterone

- **Lifestyle/Performance Drugs**

The following lifestyle/performance drugs:

- Caverject or Caverject Impulse (alprostadil), Cialis (tadalafil), Edex (alprostadil) Levitra (vardenafil), Muse (alprostadil), Staxyn (vardenafil), Stendra (avanafil), and Viagra (sildenafil citrate). Expenses include any prescription drug in oral or topical form that is similar or identical class, has a similar or identical mode of action or exhibits similar or identical outcomes
- Coverage is limited to 6 pills or other forms, determined cumulatively among all forms, for unit amounts as determined by MedImpact to be similar in cost to oral

forms, per 30-day supply. Coverage is limited to 18 pills or other forms, determined cumulatively among all forms, for unit amounts as determined by MedImpact to be similar in cost to oral forms, per 90-day supply for mail order or retail

- **Preventive Care Drugs and Supplements**

Covered expenses include preventive care drugs and supplements (including over-the-counter drugs and supplements) obtained at a network pharmacy. They are covered when they are:

- prescribed by a **physician**;
- obtained at a **pharmacy**; and
- submitted to a pharmacist for processing.

The preventive care drugs and supplements covered under this Plan include, but may not be limited to:

- Aspirin: Benefits are available to adults
- Oral Fluoride Supplements: Benefits are available to children whose primary water source is deficient in fluoride
- Folic Acid Supplements: Benefits are available to adult females planning to become pregnant or capable of pregnancy
- Iron Supplements: Benefits are available to children without symptoms of iron deficiency. Coverage is limited to children who are at increased risk for iron deficiency anemia
- Risk-Reducing Breast Cancer **Prescription Drugs**: Covered medical expenses include charges incurred for generic **prescription drugs** prescribed by a **physician** for a woman who is at increased risk for breast cancer and is at low risk for adverse medication side effects
- HIV Pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) medications are available to selective patients

Coverage of preventive care drugs and supplements will be subject to any sex, age, medical condition, family history, and frequency guidelines in the recommendations of the United States Preventive Services Task Force.

### **Pharmacy Benefit Limitations**

A network pharmacy may refuse to fill a prescription order or refill when in the professional judgment of the pharmacist the prescription should not be filled.

MedImpact retains the right to review all requests for reimbursement and in its discretion make reimbursement determinations subject to the Complaint and Appeals section(s) of the Booklet subject to the laws of the State of Maine.

MedImpact reserves the right to include only one manufacturer's product on the preferred drug list when the same or similar drug (that, a drug with the same active ingredient), supply or equipment is made by two or more different manufacturers.

MedImpact reserves the right to include only one dosage or form of a drug on the preferred drug list when the same drug (that is, a drug with the same active ingredient) is available in different dosages or forms from the same or different manufacturers. The product in the dosage or form that is listed on our preferred drug list will be covered at the applicable copayment or coinsurance.

### **Pharmacy Benefit Exclusions**

Not every health care service or supply is covered by the plan, even if prescribed, recommended, or approved by your physician or dentist. Charges made for the following are not covered except to the extent listed under the *What the Plan Covers* section or by amendment attached to this Booklet- In addition, some services are specifically limited or excluded. This section describes expenses that are not covered or subject to special limitations.

The pharmacy plan does not cover the following expenses:

- Administration or injection of any drug.
- Any charges in excess of the benefit, dollar, day, or supply limits stated in this Booklet.
- Allergy sera and extracts.

Any non-emergency charges incurred outside of the United States 1) if you traveled to such location to obtain prescription drugs, or supplies, even if otherwise covered under this Booklet, or 2) such drugs or supplies are unavailable or illegal in the United States, or 3) the purchase of such prescription drugs or supplies outside the United States is considered illegal.

Any drugs or medications, services and supplies that are not medically necessary, as determined by MedImpact, for the diagnosis, care or treatment of the illness or injury involved. This applies even if they are prescribed, recommended, or approved by your physician or dentist.

Biological sera, blood, blood plasma, blood products or substitutes or any other blood products.

**Contraception** - Over the counter contraceptive supplies including but not limited to: condoms; contraceptive foams; jellies; and ointments; and Services associated with the prescribing, monitoring and/or administration of contraceptives.

**Cosmetic** drugs, medications or preparations used for cosmetic purposes or to promote hair growth, including but not limited to: health and beauty aids; chemical peels; dermabrasion; treatments; bleaching; creams; ointments or other treatments or supplies, to remove tattoos, scars or to alter the appearance or texture of the skin.

Drugs administered or entirely consumed at the time and place it is prescribed or dispensed.

Drugs for which the cost is recoverable under any federal, state, or government agency or any medication for which there is no charge made to the recipient.

Drugs which do not, by federal or state law, require a **prescription** order (i.e. over-the-counter (OTC) drugs), even if a **prescription** is written.

Drugs provided by, or while the person is an inpatient in, any healthcare facility; or for any drugs provided on an outpatient basis in any such institution to the extent benefits are payable for it.

Drugs used primarily for the treatment of infertility, or for or related to artificial insemination, in vitro fertilization, or embryo transfer procedures, except as described in the *What the Plan Covers* section.

All drugs or medications in a therapeutic drug class if one of the drugs in that therapeutic drug class is not a prescription drug.

**Durable medical equipment**, monitors and other equipment. Refer to your medical plan booklet for coverage information or call Anthem Member Services at 1-844-273-4614.

**Experimental or investigational** drugs or devices, except as described in the *What the Plan Covers* section.

This exclusion will **not** apply with respect to drugs that:

- Have been granted treatment investigational new drug (IND); or Group c/treatment IND status; or
- Are being studied at the Phase III level in a national clinical trial sponsored by the National Cancer Institute; and
- **MedImpact** determines, based on available scientific evidence, are effective or show promise of being effective for the **illness**.

**Food items:** Any food item, with the exception of Amino Acid-base infant formulas

- nutritional supplements;
- vitamins.

**Implantable drugs and associated devices.** Refer to your medical plan booklet for coverage information or call Anthem Member Services at 1-844-273-4614.

**Injectables:**

- Any charges for the administration or injection of prescription drugs or injectable insulin and other injectable drugs covered by MedImpact with the exception of contraceptives;
- Needles and syringes, except for diabetic needles and syringes;
- Injectable drugs if an alternative oral drug is available;
- For any refill of a designated self-injectable drug not dispensed by or obtained through the specialty pharmacy network. An updated copy of the list of self-injectable drugs designated by this plan to be refilled by or obtained through the specialty pharmacy network is available upon request.
- For any drug, which due to its characteristics as determined by us must typically be administered or supervised by a qualified provider or licensed certified health

professional in an outpatient setting. This exception does not apply to Depo Provera and other injectable drugs used for contraception.

Insulin pumps or tubing or other ancillary equipment and supplies for insulin pumps. Refer to your medical plan booklet for coverage information or call Anthem Member Services at 1-844-273-4614.

Prescription drugs for which there is an over-the-counter (OTC) product which has the same active ingredient and strength even if a prescription is written.

Prescription drugs, medications, injectables or supplies provided through a third party vendor contract with the contract holder.

Prescription drugs dispensed by a mail order pharmacy that include prescription drugs that cannot be shipped by mail due to state or federal laws or regulations, or when the plan considers shipment through the mail to be unsafe. Examples of these types of drugs include, but are not limited to, narcotics, amphetamines, DEA controlled substances and anticoagulants.

Prescription drugs that include an active metabolite, stereoisomer, prodrug (precursor) or altered formulation of another drug and is not clinically superior to that drug as determined by the plan.

Prescription drugs that are ordered by a dentist or prescribed by an oral surgeon in relation to the removal of teeth, or prescription drugs for the treatment of a dental condition.

Prescription drugs that are non-preferred drugs, unless non-preferred drugs are specifically covered as described in your Schedule of Benefits. However, a non-preferred drug will be covered if in the judgment of the prescriber there is no equivalent prescription drug on the preferred drug guide or the product on the preferred drug guide is ineffective in treating your disease or condition or has caused or is likely to cause an adverse reaction or harm you.

Prescription drugs that are being used or abused in a manner that is determined to be furthering an addiction to a habit-forming substance, the use of or intended use of which would be illegal, unethical, imprudent, abusive, not medically necessary, or otherwise improper; and drugs obtained for use by anyone other than the member identified on the ID card.

Prescription orders filled after the termination date of coverage under this Booklet.

Progesterone for the treatment of premenstrual syndrome (PMS) and compounded natural hormone therapy replacement.

Prophylactic drugs for travel.

Refills over the amount specified by the prescription order. Before recognizing charges, MedImpact may require a new prescription or proof as to need, if a prescription or refill appears excessive under accepted medical practice standards.

Refills dispensed more than one year from the date the latest prescription order was written, or as otherwise allowed by applicable law of the jurisdiction in which the drug is dispensed.

Replacement of lost or stolen prescriptions.

Drugs services and supplies given in connection with treatment of an occupational injury or occupational illness.

## **How to Obtain Prescription Drug Benefits**

How you obtain your benefits depends upon whether you go to a network or a non-network pharmacy.

### **Network Retail Pharmacy**

- The retail pharmacy network includes the following chains: Walgreens, CVS, Wal-Mart, Hannaford, and more.
- For the names of participating pharmacies, call MedImpact Member Services at 1-888-672-7151 or visit [www.medimpact.com](http://www.medimpact.com).
- Present your written prescription from your physician and your MedImpact ID card to the pharmacist at a network retail pharmacy. Alternatively, some physicians send prescriptions to pharmacies electronically. The Pharmacy will submit your claim for you. You will be charged at the point of purchase for applicable copayment/coinsurance amounts. If you do not present your ID card, you will have to pay the full retail price of the prescription. If you do pay the full charge, ask your pharmacist for an itemized receipt and submit it to MedImpact using a direct claim reimbursement form, which you can request from MedImpact Member Services at 1-888-672-7151 or visit [www.medimpact.com](http://www.medimpact.com).

### **Specialty Drugs**

- Specialty medications are used to treat complex conditions, such as cancer, growth hormone deficiency, hemophilia, hepatitis C, immune deficiency, multiple sclerosis, and rheumatoid arthritis.
- By ordering your specialty medications through our dedicated specialty pharmacy program, MedImpact Direct Specialty, you can receive toll-free access to specialty-trained pharmacists and nurses 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. MedImpact Direct Specialty offers therapy-specific teams that provide an enhanced level of personalized service to patients with special therapy needs. For more information or to order your specialty medications, please call MedImpact Direct Specialty Services at 1-877-391-1103.

### **Non-Network Retail Pharmacy**

- If you visit a non-network retail pharmacy, you are responsible for payment of the entire amount charged by the non-network retail pharmacy and will then need to submit a prescription drug claim to MedImpact for reimbursement consideration.
- These forms are available from MedImpact by calling Member Services at 1-888-672-7151 number on the back of your identification card or by visiting [www.medimpact.com](http://www.medimpact.com).



- You must complete the claim form, attach an itemized receipt to the claim form, and submit to MedImpact. The itemized receipt must show:
  - o name and address of the non-network retail pharmacy;
  - o patient's name;
  - o prescription number;
  - o date the prescription was filled;
  - o NDC number (drug number)
  - o name of the drug and strength
  - o cost of the prescription;
  - o quantity and days' supply of each covered drug or refill dispensed.
  - o Doctor name or ID number
  - o DAW (dispense as written) code
- You are responsible for the amount shown in the Schedule of Benefits. This is based on the Maximum Allowable Amount as determined by MedImpact's normal or average contracted rate with network pharmacies on or near the date of service.

### **MedImpact Direct Mail Order**

- Through this service, you may receive up to a 90-day supply of many maintenance medications.
- Complete the order form and the Health, Allergy, & Medication Questionnaire the first time you order through this service. You may mail written prescriptions from your physician, or have your physician fax or send the prescription electronically to the MedImpact.
- You will need to submit the applicable deductible, coinsurance and/or copayment amounts to the MedImpact Pharmacy when you request a prescription or refill.
- Medications are shipped standard delivery at no additional cost. You can track your prescriptions and order refills at [www.medimpact.com](http://www.medimpact.com) or by calling MedImpact Member Services at 1-855-873-8739.
- Registered pharmacists are available around the clock for consultation.
- Visit [www.medimpact.com](http://www.medimpact.com) or call 855-873-8739 for more information.

### **DEFINITIONS**

**Brand Name Drug** – The first version of a particular medication to be developed or a medication that is sold under a pharmaceutical manufacturer's own registered trade name or trademark.

The original manufacturer is granted a patent, which allows it to be the only company

to make and sell the new drug for a certain number of years.

**Generic Drugs** – Prescription drugs that have been determined by the FDA to be equivalent to brand name drugs, but are not made or sold under a registered trade name or trademark.

Generic drugs have the same active ingredients, meet the same FDA requirements for safety, purity, and potency, and must be dispensed in the same dosage form (tablet, capsule, cream) as the brand name drug.

**Mail Service** – Offers you a convenient means of obtaining maintenance medications by mail if you take prescription drugs on a regular basis. Covered prescription drugs are ordered directly from the licensed Mail Service Pharmacy that has entered into a reimbursement agreement with the Plan, and sent directly to your home.

**Maintenance Medications** – Maintenance drugs are those generally taken on a long-term basis for conditions such as high blood pressure and high cholesterol. Examples of maintenance medications are Zocor and generic simvastatin, and Lipitor to lower cholesterol/lipids. What is the difference between long-term and short-term drugs? Long-term drugs are those taken on an ongoing basis, such as those used to treat high blood pressure or high cholesterol. Short-term drugs include antibiotics and other medications that you take for short periods of time.

**Network Specialty Pharmacy** – A Pharmacy that has entered into a contractual agreement or is otherwise engaged by the plan to render Specialty Drug Services, or with another organization that has an agreement with the plan, to provide Specialty Drug services and certain administrative functions to you for the Specialty Pharmacy Network.

**Non-Network Specialty Pharmacy** – Any pharmacy that has not entered into a contractual agreement nor is otherwise engaged by to render Specialty Drug Services, or with another organization that has an agreement with the Plan, to provide Specialty Drug services to you for the Specialty Pharmacy Network.

**Pharmacy** - An establishment licensed to dispense prescription drugs and other medications through a duly licensed pharmacist upon a physician's order. A pharmacy may be a network provider or a non-network provider.

**Pharmacy and Therapeutics (P&T) Committee** –

A standing committee of MedImpact responsible for review, guidance, and clinical recommendations for the therapeutic use of drugs as contained within the MedImpact National Formularies.

The P&T Committee serves in an advisory capacity to MedImpact management and to the medical and clinical professionals of MedImpact clients on matters pertaining to the clinical management of drug use, including recommendations pertaining to drug selection (e.g., specific agents, or classes of agents, clinical practice guidelines, prior authorization

guidelines, or coverage of specific drug therapies as they relate to appropriateness of use).

**Prescription Order** – A legal request, written by a provider, for a prescription drug or medication and any subsequent refills.

**Prescription Legend Drug, Prescription Drug, or Drug** – A medicinal substance that is produced to treat illness or injury and is dispensed to patients. Under the Federal Food, Drug & Cosmetic Act, such substances must bear a message on its original packing label that states, “Caution: Federal law prohibits dispensing without a prescription.” Compounded (combination) medications, which contain at least one such medicinal substance, are considered to be prescription legend drugs. Insulin is considered a prescription legend drug under the Plan.

**Prior Authorization** – The process applied to certain services, supplies, treatment, and certain drugs and/or therapeutic categories to define and/or limit the conditions under which they will be covered. Prescription drugs and their criteria for coverage are defined by the P&T Committee.

**Urgent Care Situation** - A Plan member’s injury or condition about which the following apply: (1) If medical care or treatment is not provided earlier than the time frame generally considered by the medical profession to be reasonable for a non-urgent situation, the injury or condition could seriously jeopardize the Plan member’s life, health or ability to regain maximum function; (2) If medical care or treatment is not provided earlier than the time frame generally considered by the medical profession to be reasonable for a non-urgent situation, the injury or condition could subject the Plan member to severe pain that cannot be adequately managed, based on the Plan member’s treating health care provider’s judgment.

## **How to reach MedImpact:**

### On the Internet

- To reach MedImpact online, go to [www.medimpact.com](http://www.medimpact.com).
- Visit the MedImpact website anytime to refill your mail-order prescriptions, check the status of your Mail Service order, request more claim forms and order forms, view the formulary or find a participating retail pharmacy near you.
- You can download the MedImpact app for your smartphone
- By telephone - Call 1-888-672-7151 to get answers to your questions about your prescription the drug program.

### By mail

- When not using a postage-paid envelope to mail prescriptions to the MedImpact Pharmacy, please send prescriptions

to: MedImpact Direct Mail  
PO Box 51580  
Phoenix, AZ 85076-1580

## COMPLAINTS AND APPEALS:

### Complaints

To formally lodge a complaint with MedImpact, please call Member Services at 1-888-672-7151.

Your concerns will be logged into MedImpact' Customer Service Contact System. Unresolved complaints will be escalated to a customer service resolution expert or to a supervisor. You can also request that your issue be escalated.

### Appeals

If your issue is still not resolved to your satisfaction, you have the right to file a formal appeal either verbally by phone (1-888-672-7151) or by mail within 180 days from receipt of notice of the initial adverse benefit determination.

To initiate a level 1 appeal, the following information must be submitted by mail or fax to the appropriate department for clinical or administrative review:

- Name of patient
- Member ID number
- Phone number
- The drug name for which benefit coverage has been denied
- Brief description of why the claimant disagrees with the initial adverse benefit determination
- Any additional information that may be relevant to the appeal including prescriber statements/letters, bills or other documents

<b>Clinical Review Requests</b>	<b>Administrative Review Requests</b>
MedImpact Healthcare Systems Attn: Appeal & Grievance 10181 Scripps Gateway Court San Diego, CA 92131 Or Fax 858-790-6060	MedImpact Healthcare Systems Attn: Appeal & Grievance 10181 Scripps Gateway Court San Diego, CA 92131 Or Fax 858-790-6060

Appeal decisions are made by a Pharmacist, Physician, a panel of clinicians, trained prior authorization staff member or an independent third party utilization management company. Level 1 appeal decisions are completed as soon as possible from receipt of request but no later than 30 days. Both patient and provider will receive a notification of the decision.

An urgent appeal may be submitted if in the opinion of the attending provider the application of the time periods for making non-urgent care determinations could seriously jeopardize the life or health of the patient or the patient's ability to regain maximum function or would subject the patient to severe pain that cannot be adequately managed without the care or treatment that is the subject of the claim. Urgent appeals must be submitted by phone to 888-672-7151 or fax to 858-790-6060. Claims and appeals submitted by mail will not be considered for urgent processing unless a subsequent phone call or fax identifies the appeal as urgent.

Urgent appeals decisions are completed as soon as possible from receipt of request but no later than 72 hours. Both patient and provider will receive a notification of the decision. The decision made on an urgent appeal is final and binding; there is only one level of appeal in urgent situations.

To initiate a level 2 appeal when a level 1 appeal has been denied (adverse benefit determination), a request may be submitted within 90 days from receipt of notice of the level 1 decision. The following information must be submitted by mail or fax to the appropriate department for clinical or administrative review:

- Name of patient
- Member ID number
- Phone number
- The drug name for which benefit coverage has been denied
- Brief description of why the claimant disagrees with the initial adverse benefit determination
- Any additional information that may be relevant to the appeal including prescriber statements/letters, bills or other documents

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You have the right to request an external review from the Maine Bureau of Insurance. Contact the Maine Bureau of Insurance at 1-800-300-5000 for more information.