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## MESSA Balance+ & Balance+ RX

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**PPO** 

Coverage for: Individual/Family | Plan Type: PPO

Coverage Period: Beginning on or after 01/01/2026

The Summary of Benefits and Coverage (SBC) document will help you choose a health <u>plan</u>. The SBC shows you how you and the <u>plan</u> would share the cost for covered health care services. NOTE: Information about the cost of this <u>plan</u> (called the <u>premium</u>) will be provided separately.

This is only a summary. For more information about your coverage, or to get a copy of the complete terms of coverage, visit <a href="www.messa.org">www.messa.org</a> or call MESSA at 1-800-336-0013. For general definitions of common terms, such as <a href="allowed amount">allowed amount</a>, <a href="balance billing">balance billing</a>, <a href="coinsurance">coinsurance</a>, <a href="coinsurance">copayment</a>, <a href="deductible">deductible</a>, <a href="provider">provider</a>, or other <a href="underlined">underlined</a> terms see the Glossary. You can view the Glossary at <a href="https://www.healthcare.gov/sbc-glossary">https://www.healthcare.gov/sbc-glossary</a> or call MESSA at 1-800-336-0013 to request a copy.

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Important Questions	In-Network	Out-of-Network	Why this Matters:	
What is the overall <u>deductible</u> ?	\$1,700 Individual/ \$3,400 Family	\$3,400 Individual/ \$6,800 Family	Generally, you must pay all of the costs from <u>providers</u> up to the <u>deductible</u> amount before this <u>plan</u> begins to pay.	
Are there services covered before you meet your <u>deductible</u> ?	Yes. <u>Preventive care</u> before you meet you		This <u>plan</u> covers some items and services even if you haven't yet met the <u>deductible</u> amount. But a <u>copayment</u> or <u>coinsurance</u> may apply. For example, this <u>plan</u> covers certain <u>preventive</u> <u>services</u> without <u>cost-sharing</u> and before you meet your <u>deductible</u> . See a list of covered <u>preventive services</u> at ( <a href="https://www.healthcare.gov/coverage/preventive-care-benefits/">https://www.healthcare.gov/coverage/preventive-care-benefits/</a> ).	
Are there other <u>deductibles</u> for specific services?	No.		You don't have to meet <u>deductibles</u> for specific services.	
What is the <u>out-of-pocket limit</u> for this <u>plan</u> ? (May include a <u>coinsurance</u> maximum)	\$4,100 Individual/ \$8,200 Family	\$8,200 Individual/ \$16,400 Family	The out-of-pocket limit is the most you could pay in a year for covered services.	
What is not included in the <u>out-of-pocket limit</u> ?	Premiums, balance-benchmacy penalty an plan doesn't cover.		Even though you pay these expenses, they don't count toward the <u>out-of-pocket limit</u> .	
Will you pay less if you use a network provider?	Yes. For a list of network (http://www.messa.or 800-336-0013		This <u>plan</u> uses a <u>provider network</u> . You will pay less if you use a <u>provider</u> in the <u>plan's network</u> . You will pay the most if you use an <u>out-of-network provider</u> , and you might receive a bill from a <u>provider</u> for the difference between the <u>provider's</u> charge and what your <u>plan</u> pays ( <u>balance billing</u> ). Be aware, your <u>network provider</u> might use an <u>out-of-network provider</u> for some services (such as lab work). Check with your <u>provider</u> before you get services.	
Do you need a <u>referral</u> to see a <u>specialist</u> ?	No.		You can see the <u>specialist</u> you choose without a <u>referral</u> .	



All  $\underline{\textbf{copayment}}$  and  $\underline{\textbf{coinsurance}}$  costs shown in this chart are after your  $\underline{\textbf{deductible}}$  has been met, if a  $\underline{\textbf{deductible}}$  applies.

		What Yo	ou Will Pay	Limitations, Exceptions, & Other Important
Common Medical Event	Services You May Need	In-Network Provider (You will pay the least)	Out-of-Network Provider (You will pay the most)	Information
If you visit a health care provider's office or clinic	Primary care visit to treat an injury or illness	\$25 <u>copay</u> /office visit	40% coinsurance	Members 18 years and older have access to Virtual Primary Care visits by a BCBSM selected vendor.
	Specialist visit	\$50 copay/office visit	40% coinsurance	None
	SCIEDINO/	No Charge; <u>deductible</u> does not apply	Not covered	You may have to pay for services that aren't preventive. Ask your provider if the services needed are preventive. Then check what your plan will pay for.
If you have a test	Diagnostic test (x-ray, blood work)	20% coinsurance	40% coinsurance	None
	Imaging (CT/PET scans, MRIs)	20% coinsurance	40% coinsurance	May require prior authorization.

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If you need drugs to treat your illness or condition More information about prescription drug coverage	Generic drugs	\$10 copay/prescription for retail 34-day supply; \$30 copay/prescription for retail or mail order 30-day supply	In-Network <u>copay</u> plus an additional 25% of the approved amount	Prior authorization, step therapy and quantity limits may apply to select drugs. Preventive drugs covered in full. A 90-day supply of prescription drugs is not payable at a retail pharmacy. A 90-day supply is only payable at a participating mail	
	Preferred brand-name drugs	\$40 <u>copay</u> /prescription for retail 34-day supply; \$120 <u>copay</u> /prescription for retail or mail order 30-day supply	In-Network <u>copay</u> plus an additional 25% of the approved amount		
	Non-preferred brand- name drugs	\$80 <u>copay</u> /prescription for retail 34-day supply; \$240 <u>copay</u> /prescription for retail or mail order 30-day supply	In-Network <u>copay</u> plus an additional 25% of the approved amount	order pharmacy.	
is available at www.bcbsm.com/druglists	Generic and preferred brand-name specialty Drugs	20% <u>coinsurance</u> of the approved amount, but no more than \$150 <u>copay/prescription</u> for specialty pharmacy 30-day supply	Not covered	Prior authorizationis required. Specialty drugs limited to a 15 or 30-day supply.	
	Nonpreferred brand-name specialty drugs	20% coinsurance of the approved amount, but no more than \$300 copay/prescription for specialty pharmacy 30-day supply	Not covered		
If you have outpatient surgery	Facility fee (e.g., ambulatory surgery center)	20% coinsurance	40% coinsurance	None	
	Physician/surgeon fees	20% coinsurance	40% coinsurance	None	
If you need immediate medical attention	Emergency room care	\$200 <u>copay</u> /visit	\$200 <u>copay</u> /visit	Copay waived if admitted or for an accidental injury.	
	Emergency medical transportation	20% coinsurance	20% coinsurance	Mileage limits apply	
	Urgent care	\$50 copay/visit	40% coinsurance	None	
If you have a hospital stay	Facility fee (e.g., hospital room)	20% coinsurance	40% coinsurance	Prior authorization is required.	
	Physician/surgeon fee	20% coinsurance	40% coinsurance	None	

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Common Medical Event	Services You May Need	In-Network Provider (You will pay the least)	Out-of-Network Provider (You will pay the most)	Information
If you need behavioral	Outpatient services	20% coinsurance	40% coinsurance	None
health services (mental health and substance use disorder)	Inpatient services	20% coinsurance	40% coinsurance	Prior authorization is required.
If you are pregnant	Office visits	No Charge; <u>deductible</u> does not apply	40% coinsurance	Maternity care may include tests and services described elsewhere in the SBC (i.e. ultrasound) and depending on the type of services cost share may apply. Cost sharing does not apply for preventive services.
, , ,	Childbirth/delivery professional services	20% coinsurance	40% coinsurance	None
	Childbirth/delivery facility services	20% coinsurance	40% coinsurance	None
	Home health care	20% coinsurance	20% coinsurance	Physician certification required.
If you need help recovering or have other special health needs	Rehabilitation services	20% coinsurance	40% coinsurance	Physical, Speech and Occupational Therapy is limited to a combined maximum of 60 visits per member, per calendar year.
	Habilitation services	\$25 <u>copay</u> /office visit 20% <u>coinsurance</u> for Physical, Speech and Occupational Therapy	40% coinsurance	Prior authorization is required for applied behavior analysis (ABA). Services rendered by an approved licensed behavior analyst (LBA) will apply the Innetwork cost-sharing.
	Skilled nursing care	20% coinsurance	20% coinsurance	Physician certification required. Limited to 120 days per member per calendar year
	Durable medical equipment	20% coinsurance	20% coinsurance	Excludes bath, exercise and deluxe equipment and comfort and convenience items. Prescription required.
	Hospice services	20% coinsurance	20% coinsurance	Physician certification required. Unlimited visits.
If your child needs dental or eye care For more information on pediatric vision or dental, contact your plan administrator	Children's eye exam	Not covered	Not covered	None
	Children's glasses	Not covered	Not covered	None
	Children's dental check- up	Not covered	Not covered	None

## **Excluded Services & Other Covered Services:**

# Services Your Plan Generally Does NOT Cover (Check your policy or plan document for more information and a list of any other excluded services.)

Acupuncture treatment

Dental care (Adult)

Routine eye care (Adult)

Bariatric surgery

Hearing aids

Weight loss programs

Cosmetic Surgery

Long term care

# Other Covered Services (Limitations may apply to these services. This isn't a complete list. Please see your plan document.)

Chiropractic care

Infertility treatment

Private-duty nursing

- Coverage provided outside the United States.
   See (<a href="http://www.messa.org">http://www.messa.org</a>)
- Non-emergency care when traveling outside the U.S
- Routine foot care

Your Rights to Continue Coverage: There are agencies that can help if you want to continue your coverage after it ends. The contact information for those agencies is: Department of Labor's Employee Benefits Security Administration at 1-866-444-3272 or www.dol.gov/ebsa/healthreform, or the Department of Health and Human Services, Center for Consumer Information and Human Services, Center for Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight, at 1-877-267-2323 x61565 or www.cciio.cms.gov or by calling 1-800-324-6172. Other coverage options may be available to you too, including buying individual insurance coverage through the Health Insurance Marketplace. For more information about the Marketplace, visit www.HealthCare.gov or call 1-800-318-2596.

Your Grievance and Appeals Rights: There are agencies that can help if you have a complaint against your plan for a denial of a claim. This complaint is called a grievance or appeal. For more information about your rights, look at the explanation of benefits you will receive for that medical claim. Your plan documents also provide complete information to submit a claim, appeal, or a grievance for any reason to your plan. For more information about your rights, this notice, or assistance, contact MESSA by calling 1-800-336-0013.

Additionally, a consumer assistance program can help you file your appeal. Contact the Michigan Health Insurance Consumer Assistance Program (HICAP) Department of Insurance and Financial Services, P. O. Box 30220, Lansing, MI 48909-7720 or <a href="http://www.michigan.gov/difs">http://www.michigan.gov/difs</a> or <a href="http://www.michigan.gov/difs">difs-HICAP@michigan.gov</a>

## Does this plan provide Minimum Essential Coverage? Yes

Minimum Essential Coverage generally includes plans, health insurance available through the Marketplace or other individual market policies, Medicare, Medicaid, CHIP, TRICARE, and certain other coverage. If you are eligible for certain types of Minimum Essential Coverage, you may not be eligible for the premium tax credit.

## Does this plan meet Minimum Value Standards? Yes

**Language Access Services: See Addendum** 

If your plan doesn't meet the Minimum Value Standards, you may be eligible for a premium tax credit to help you pay for a plan through the Marketplace. (IMPORTANT: Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan is assuming that your coverage provides for all Essential Health Benefit (EHB) categories as defined by the State of Michigan. The minimum value of your plan may be affected if your plan does not cover certain EHB categories, such as prescription drugs, or if your plan provides coverage of specific EHB categories, for example prescription drugs, through another carrier.)

-To see examples of how this plan might cover costs for a sample medical situation, see the next section. -

## **About these Coverage Examples:**



This is not a cost estimator. Treatments shown are just examples of how this <u>plan</u> might cover medical care. Your actual costs will be different depending on the actual care you receive, the prices your <u>providers</u> charge, and many other factors. Focus on the <u>cost sharing</u> amounts (<u>deductibles</u>, <u>copayments</u> and <u>coinsurance</u>) and <u>excluded services</u> under the <u>plan</u>. Use this information to compare the portion of costs you might pay under different health <u>plans</u>. Please note these coverage examples are based on self-only coverage.

# Peg is Having a Baby

(9 months of in-network pre-natal care and a hospital delivery)

■ The <u>plan's</u> overall <u>deductible</u>	\$1,700
Specialist copayment	\$50
■ Hospital (facility) coinsurance	20%
Other coinsurance	20%

#### This EXAMPLE event includes services like:

Specialist office visits (prenatal care)
Childbirth/Delivery Professional Services
Childbirth/Delivery Facility Services
Diagnostic tests (ultrasounds and blood work)
Specialist visit (anesthesia)

Total Example Cost	\$12,700
Total Example Cost	\$ 12,100

In this example, Peg would pay:

Cost Sharing			
\$1,700			
\$10			
\$1,700			
What isn't covered			
\$60			
\$3,470			

# Managing Joe's Type 2 Diabetes

(a year of routine in-network care of a well-controlled condition)

■ The plan's overall deductible	\$1,700
■ Specialist copayment	\$50
■ Hospital (facility) coinsurance	20%
■ Other coinsurance	20%

#### This EXAMPLE event includes services like:

<u>Primary care physician</u> office visits (*including disease education*)

Diagnostic tests (blood work)

Prescription drugs

Durable medical equipment (glucose meter)

Total Example Cost	\$5,600

In this example, Joe would pay:

Cost Sharing		
<u>Deductibles</u>	\$1,700	
Copayments	\$600	
Coinsurance	\$100	
What isn't covered		
Limits or exclusions	\$20	
The total Joe would pay is	\$2,420	

# **Mia's Simple Fracture**

(in-network emergency room visit and follow up care)

■ The <u>plan's</u> overall <u>deductible</u>	\$1,700
Specialist copayment	\$50
■ Hospital (facility) coinsurance	20%
■ Other coinsurance	20%

### This EXAMPLE event includes services like:

Emergency room care (including medical supplies)

Diagnostic tests (*x-ray*)

<u>Durable medical equipment</u> (crutches)

Rehabilitation services (physical therapy)

In this example, Mia would pay:

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Cost Sharing	
<u>Deductibles</u>	\$1,700
<u>Copayments</u>	\$0
Coinsurance	\$70
What isn't covered	
Limits or exclusions	\$0
The total Mia would pay is	\$1,770

If you are also covered by an account-type <u>plan</u> such as an integrated health flexible spending arrangement (FSA), health reimbursement arrangement (HRA), and/or a health savings account (HSA), then you may have access to additional funds to help cover certain <u>out-of-pocket expenses</u> – like the deductible, copayments, or coinsurance, or benefits not otherwise covered.

## Language services

If you, or someone you're helping, needs assistance, you have the right to get help and information in your language at no cost. To talk to an interpreter, call MESSA's Member Service Center at 800.336.0013 or TTY 888.445.5614.

Si usted, o alguien a quien usted está ayudando, necesita asistencia, tiene derecho a obtener ayuda e información en su idioma sin costo alguno. Para hablar con un intérprete, llame al número telefónico de servicios para miembros de MESSA, que aparece en la parte trasera de su tarjeta.

إذا كنت أنت أو سُخص آخر تساعده بحاجة إلى المساندة، فمن حقّك الحصول على المساعدة والمعلومات بلغتك بدون أيّ كلفة المتحدّث إلى منرجم، اتصل بالرفم المخصّص الموجود على ظهر بطاقتك MESSA لخدمات أعضاء

如果您,或是您正在協助的對象,需要協助,您有權利免費已您的母語得到幫助和訊息。要洽詢一位翻譯員,請撥在您的卡背面的MESSA會員服務電話。

Nếu quý vị hoặc ai đó mà quý vị đang giúp đỡ, cần sự giúp đỡ, quý vị có quyền được trợ giúp và nhận thông tin bằng ngôn ngữ của quý vị miễn phí. Để nói chuyện với một thông dịch viên, hãy gọi đến số dịch vụ thành viên MESSA trên mắt sau của thẻ.

Nëse ju, ose dikush që po ndihmoni, ka nevojë për asistencë, keni të drejtë të merrni ndihmë dhe informacion falas në gjuhën tuaj. Për të folur me një përkthyes, telefononi numrin e shërbimit të anëtarësimit MESSA në anën e pasme të kartës tuaj.

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ご本人様、またはお客様の身の回りの方で支援を必要とされる方でご質問がございましたら、ご希望の言語でサポートを受けたり、情報を入手したりすることができます。料金はかかりません。通訳とお話される場合はお持ちのカードの裏面に記載されたMESSAメンバーサービスの電話番号までお電話ください。

Если Вам или лицу, которому Вы помогаете, нужна помощь, то Вы имеете право на бесплатное получение помощи и информации на Вашем языке. Для разговора с переводчиком позвоните по номеру телефона MESSA отдела обслуживания клиентов, указанному на обратной стороне Вашей карты. Ukoliko je vama ili nekom kome pomažete potrebna pomoć, imate pravo dobiti pomoć I informaciju na vašem jeziku besplatno. Da biste razgovarali sa prevodiocem, pozovite broj za ulsuge članova MESSA na zadnjoj strani vaše kartice.

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If you need help filing a grievance, MESSA's general counsel is available to help you. If you believe that MESSA or BCBSM failed to provide services or discriminated in another way on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex, you can file a grievance in person, or by mail, phone, fax or email: General Counsel, MESSA, P.O. Box 2560, East Lansing, MI 48826-2560, 800.292.4910, TTY: 888.445.5613, fax: 517.203.2909 or CivilRights-

#### GeneralCounsel@messa.org.

You can also file a civil rights complaint with the Office for Civil Rights on the web at <a href="mailto:OCRComplaint@hhs.gov">OCRComplaint@hhs.gov</a>, or by mail, phone or email: U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, 200 Independence Ave, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20201, 800.368.1019, TTD: 800.537.7697, or <a href="mailto:OCRComplaint@hhs.gov">OCRComplaint@hhs.gov</a>.