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Small Group HMO and PPO coverage from Memorial Hermann Health Plan provides small businesses in Greater Houston with the highest quality care at the best possible price. Plus, our Small Group HMO and PPO plans offer something no other insurance provider can: a unique relationship with Memorial Hermann, one of the largest and most respected health systems in the nation.



To learn more about how Memorial Hermann Health Plan is transforming health coverage and advancing care in our community, visit [healthplan.memorialhermann.org](https://healthplan.memorialhermann.org) or call **713.338.6556** today.

## Exclusions and Limitations

The Benefits as described in the Evidence of Coverage or Certificate of Coverage are not available for any services, complications from services, treatment or supplies which are not Medically Necessary and essential to the diagnosis or direct care and treatment of a Sickness, Injury, condition, disease, or bodily malfunction. MHCHP and MHHIC will not pay for charges incurred for or in connection with:

- Care or treatment by means of acupuncture except when used as a substitute for other forms of anesthesia. Preauthorization required when used as a substitute.
- The amount of any charge which is greater than the Allowed Charge, except as otherwise provided for in this Evidence or Certificate of Coverage.
- Services for Ambulance for transportation from a Hospital or other health care facility unless the Covered Person is being transferred to another inpatient health care facility.
- Blood or blood plasma which is replaced by or for a Covered Person. This exclusion does not apply to the required coverage of whole blood and blood including the cost of blood, blood plasma, and blood plasma expanders.
- Services or supplies for which the Provider has not obtained a certificate of need or such other approvals as required by law.
- Care and or treatment by a Christian science practitioner.
- Completion of Claim forms.
- Services or supplies related to Cosmetic Surgery except as otherwise stated in this Evidence or Certificate of Coverage ; complications of Cosmetic Surgery; Drugs prescribed for cosmetic purposes.
- Services related to custodial or domiciliary care.
- Dental Care or treatment, including appliances and dental implants, except as otherwise stated in this Evidence or Certificate of Coverage.
- Services or supplies, the primary purpose of which is educational providing the Covered Person with any of the following: training in the activities of daily living; instruction in scholastic skills such as reading and writing; preparation for an occupation; or treatment for behavior problems or learning disabilities except as otherwise stated in this Evidence or Certificate of Coverage.
- Experimental or Investigational treatments, procedures, Hospitalizations, Drugs, biological products, or medical devices, except as otherwise stated in this Evidence or Certificate of Coverage . Extraction of teeth, except as otherwise stated in this Evidence or Certificate of Coverage.
- Services or supplies for or in connection with:
  - o Except as otherwise stated in this Evidence or Certificate of Coverage for Covered Persons through the end of the month in which he or she turns age 19, exams to determine the need for (or changes of) eyeglasses or lenses of any type.
  - o Except as otherwise stated in this Evidence or Certificate of Coverage for Covered Persons through the end of the month in which he or she turns age 19 eyeglasses or lenses of any type; this exclusion does not apply to initial replacements for loss of the natural lens; or
  - o Eye Surgery such as radial keratotomy or Lasik Surgery, when the primary purpose is to correct myopia (nearsightedness), hyperopia (farsightedness) or astigmatism (blurring).
- Services or supplies provided by one of the following members of Your Family: Spouse, Child, parent, in-law, brother, sister, or grandparent.
- Except as stated in the Newborn hearing screening and hearing aids provisions, services or supplies related to hearing aids and hearing exams to determine the need for hearing aids or the need to adjust them.
- Services or supplies related to herbal medicine.
- Services or supplies related to hypnosis.
- Services or supplies related to medicinal marijuana.
- Elective abortions when prohibited by law.
- Services or supplies necessary because the Covered Person engaged, or tried to engage, in an illegal occupation or committed or tried to commit an indictable offense in the jurisdiction in which it is committed, or a felony.
- Services or supplies necessary while the Covered Person is in the custody of law enforcement.
- Illness or Injury, including a condition which is the result of disease or bodily infirmity, which occurred on the job, and which is covered or could have been covered for Benefits provided under workers' compensation, Employer's liability, occupational disease, or similar law. This does not apply to the following persons for whom coverage under workers' compensation is optional unless such persons are covered for workers' compensation: a self-employed person or a partner of a limited liability partnership, members of a limited liability company or partners of a partnership who actively perform services on behalf of the self-employed business, the limited liability partnership, limited liability company or the partnership.
- Local anesthesia charges billed separately if such charges are included in the fee for the Surgery.
- Membership costs for health clubs, weight loss clinics and similar programs.
- Services and supplies related to marriage, career or financial counseling, sex therapy or Family therapy, nutritional counseling, and related services, except as otherwise stated in this Evidence or Certificate of Coverage.
- Charges for missed appointments.
- Charges for nicotine dependence treatments and management Drugs unless otherwise stated in the "Preventive and Wellness Care" section of this Evidence or Certificate of Coverage.
- Any charge identified as a non-Covered Charge or which are specifically limited or excluded elsewhere in this Evidence or Certificate of Coverage, or which are not Medically Necessary and appropriate, except as otherwise stated in this Evidence or Certificate of Coverage.
- Services provided by a pastoral counselor in the course of his or her normal duties as a religious person.
- Personal convenience or comfort items including, but not limited to, such items as TV's, telephones, first aid kits, exercise equipment, air conditioners, humidifiers, saunas, hot tubs.
- The following Exclusions apply specifically to Outpatient coverage of Prescription Drugs:
  - o Charges to administer an orally administered Drug.
  - o Charges for Immunization agents related to travel or not approved by the ACIP.
  - o Charges for a Prescription Drug which is labeled "Caution — limited by Federal Law to Investigational use", or Experimental.
  - o Charges for refills in excess of that specified by the prescribing Practitioner, or refilled too soon, or in excess of therapeutic limits
  - o Charges for refills dispensed after one year from the original date of the Prescription.
  - o Charges for controlled substances as a replacement for a previously dispensed controlled substance that was lost, misused, stolen, broken, or destroyed.
  - o Charges for Drugs, except insulin, which can be obtained legally without a practitioner's Prescription.
  - o Charges for a self-administered Prescription Drug which is to be taken by or given to the Covered Person, in whole or in part, while confined in:
    - an Inpatient Hospital
    - a rest home
    - a sanitarium
    - an extended care facility
    - a Hospice
    - a substance abuse center
    - an alcohol abuse or mental health center
    - a convalescent home
    - a nursing home or similar institution
    - a Provider's office
  - o Charges for:
    - therapeutic devices or appliances without a Preauthorization.
    - hypodermic needles or syringes, except insulin syringes; and
    - other non-medical substances, regardless of their intended use.
  - o Charges for over-the-counter vitamins and dietary supplements.
  - o Charges for any Drug used to treat baldness.
  - o Charges for Drugs needed due to conditions caused, directly or indirectly, by a Covered Person taking part in a riot or other civil disorder.
  - o Covered Person taking part in the commission of a felony.
  - o Charges for Drugs needed due to conditions caused, directly or indirectly, by declared or undeclared war or an act of war.
  - o Charges for Drugs dispensed to a Covered Person while on active duty in any armed forces.
  - o Charges for Drugs for which there is no charge. This usually means Drugs furnished by the Covered Person's Employer, labor union, or similar Group in its medical department or clinic; a Hospital or clinic owned or run by any government body; or any public program, except Medicaid, paid for or sponsored by any government body. But, if a charge is made, and We are legally required to pay it, We will.
  - o Charges for Drugs covered under the Home Health Care or Hospice Care subsections of the Evidence or Certificate of Coverage .
  - o Charges for Drugs needed due to an on-the-job or job-related Injury or Illness; or conditions for which Benefits are payable by workers' compensation, or similar laws. Exception: This exclusion does not apply to the following persons for whom coverage under workers' compensation is optional unless such persons are covered for workers' compensation: a self-employed person or a partner of a limited liability partnership, members of a limited liability company or partners of a partnership who actively perform services on behalf of the self-employed business, the limited liability partnership, limited liability company or the partnership.
  - o Compounded Drugs that do not contain at least one ingredient that has been approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and requires a valid Prescription order unless as specified in the Formulary.
  - o Compounded Drugs that are available as a similar commercially available Prescription Drug product.
  - o Prescription Drugs or new dosage forms that are used in conjunction with a treatment or procedure that is determined to not be a Covered Service.
  - o Drugs used solely for the purpose for weight loss.
  - o Life enhancement Drugs for the treatment of sexual dysfunction, (e.g., Viagra).
  - o Prescription Drugs dispensed outside of the United States, except as required for Emergency treatment Certificate of Coverage .
- Services or supplies related to rest or convalescent cures.
- Services or supplies that are not furnished by an eligible Provider.
- Services related to Outpatient Private Duty Nursing care, except as provided under the Home Health Care subsection of this Evidence or Certificate of Coverage .
- Room and board charges for a Covered Person in any facility for any period of time during which he or she was not physically present overnight in the facility.
- Except as stated in the "Preventive and Wellness Care" section, routine examinations, or Preventive Care, including related x-rays and laboratory tests, except where a specific Illness or Injury is revealed or where definite symptomatic condition is present; premarital or similar examinations or tests not required to diagnose or treat Illness or Injury.
- Services or supplies related to routine foot care except in conjunction with metabolic or peripheral vascular disease.
- Self-administered services such as: biofeedback, patient-controlled analgesia on an Outpatient basis, related diagnostic testing, self-care, and self-help training.
- Services provided by a social worker, except as otherwise stated in this Evidence or Certificate of Coverage .
- Services or supplies:
  - o eligible for payment under either federal or state programs (except Medicaid and Medicare). This provision applies whether or not the Covered Person asserts his or her rights to obtain this coverage or payment for these services.
  - o for which a charge is not usually made, such as a practitioner treating a professional or business associate, or services at a public health fair.
  - o for which a Covered Person would not have been charged if he or she did not have health care coverage.
  - o for which the Covered Person has no legal obligation to reimburse the Provider.
  - o provided by or in a government Hospital except as stated below, or unless the services are for treatment of a non-service Emergency; or
  - by a Veterans Administration Hospital of a non-service-related Illness or Injury. Exception: This exclusion does not apply to military retirees, their Dependents, and the Dependents of active-duty military personnel who are covered under both this Evidence or Certificate of Coverage and under military health coverage and who receive care in facilities of the Uniformed Services.
  - o provided outside the United States other than in the case of Emergency and except as provided below with respect to a full-time student. Exception: Subject to Our Pre-Approval, eligibility for full-time student status, provided the Covered Person is either enrolled and attending an accredited school in a foreign country, or is participating in an academic program in a foreign country, for which the institution of higher learning at which the student matriculates in the United States, grants academic credit. Charges in connection with full-time students in a foreign country for which eligibility as a full-time student has not been pre-approved by Us are Non-Covered Charges.
- Travel to obtain medical treatment, Drugs or supplies is not covered. In addition, We will not cover treatment, Drugs, or supplies that are unavailable or illegal in the United States.
- Stand-by services required by a Provider.
- Sterilization reversal and services and supplies rendered for reversal of sterilization.
- Charges for third party requests for physical examinations, Diagnostic Services, and Immunizations in connection with: obtaining or continuing employment; obtaining or maintaining a license issued by a municipality, state, or federal government; obtaining Benefits coverage; foreign travel; school admissions; or attendance including examinations required for participation in athletic activities.
- Transplants, except as otherwise listed in this Evidence or Certificate of Coverage.
- Transportation, travel.
- Vision therapy.
- Vitamins and dietary supplements.
- Services or supplies received as a result of a war, or an act of war, if the Illness or Injury occurs while the Covered Person is serving in the military, naval or air forces of any country, combination of countries or international organization and Illness or Injury suffered as a result of special hazards incident to such service if the Illness or Injury occurs while the Covered Person is serving in such forces and is outside the home area.
- Weight reduction or control including medical treatments, weight control/loss programs, dietary regimens and supplements, food or food supplements, appetite suppressants or other medications; exercise programs, exercise, or other equipment; and other services and supplies that are primarily intended to control weight or treat obesity, including morbid obesity, or for the purpose of weight reduction, regardless of the existence of comorbid conditions.
- Wigs, toupees, hair transplants, hair weaving, or any drug if such Drug is used in connection with baldness with the exception of hair loss following chemotherapy/radiotherapy up to one per lifetime up to \$500.
- Complications from services, supplies, and treatment for services that are not covered under this Plan.



## Small Group HMO & PPO 2024 Plan Overview

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