



Know Your Health Care FSA Eligible and Ineligible Expenses

Maximize the Value of Your Reimbursement Account - Your Health Care Flexible Spending Account (FSA) dollars can be used for a variety of out-of-pocket health care expenses. The following is based on a list of eligible and ineligible expenses used by federal employees.

Eligible Expenses

BABY/CHILD TO AGE 13

- Lactation Consultant*
- Lead-Based Paint Removal
- Special Formula*
- Tuition: Special School/Teacher for Disability or Learning Disability*
- Well Baby / Well Child Care

DENTAL

- **Dental X-Rays**
- **Dentures and Bridges**
- **Exams and Teeth Cleaning**
- **Extractions and Fillings**
- **Oral Surgery**
- Orthodontia
- **Periodontal Services**

EYES

- Eye Exams
- **Eyeglasses and Contact Lenses**
- **Laser Eye Surgeries**
- **Prescription Sunglasses**
- **Radial Keratotomy**

HEARING

- **Hearing Aids and Batteries**
- **Hearing Exams**

LAB EXAMS/TESTS

- **Blood Tests and Metabolism Tests**
- **Body Scans**
- Cardiograms
- **Laboratory Fees**
- X-Rays

MEDICAL EQUIPMENT/SUPPLIES

- Air Purification Equipment*
- Arches and Orthotic Inserts
- **Contraceptive Devices**
- Crutches, Walkers, Wheel Chairs
- Exercise Equipment*
- Hospital Beds*
- Mattresses*
- Medic Alert Bracelet or Necklace
- **Nebulizers**
- Orthopedic Shoes*
- Oxygen*
- Post-Mastectomy Clothing
- **Prosthetics**
- **Syringes**
- Wigs*

MEDICAL PROCEDURES/SERVICES

- Acupuncture
- Alcohol and Drug/Substance Abuse (inpatient treatment and outpatient care)
- Ambulance
- Fertility Enhancement and Treatment
- Hair Loss Treatment*
- **Hospital Services**
- **Immunization**
- In Vitro Fertilization
- **Physical Examination**
 - (not employment-related)
- Reconstructive Surgery (due to a congenital defect, accident, or medical treatment)
- Service Animals
- Sterilization/Sterilization Reversal
- Transplants (including organ donor)
- Transportation*

MEDICATIONS

- Insulin
- **Prescription Drugs**

OBSTETRICS

- **Breast Pumps and Lactation Supplies**
- Doulas*
- Lamaze Class
- **OB/GYN Exams**
- **OB/GYN Prepaid Maternity Fees** (reimbursable after date of birth)
- Pre- and Postnatal Treatments

PRACTITIONERS

- Allergist
- Chiropractor
- **Christian Science Practitioner**
- Dermatologist
- Homeopath
- Naturopath*
- Optometrist
- Osteopath
- Physician
- Psychiatrist or Psychologist

THERAPY

- Alcohol and Drug Addiction
- Counseling (not marital or career)
- Exercise Programs*
- Hypnosis
- Massage*
- Occupational
- **Physical**
- Smoking Cessation Programs*
- Speech
- Weight Loss Programs*

Note: This list is not meant to be all-inclusive, as other expenses not specifically mentioned may also qualify. Also, expenses marked with an asterisk (*) are "potentially eligible expenses" that require a Letter of Medical Necessity from your health care provider to qualify for reimbursement. For additional information, check your Summary Plan Document or contact your Plan Administrator.

Eligible Over-the-Counter Items (Product categories are listed in bold face; common examples are listed in regular face.)

ALLERGY/SINUS

- Sinus medication
- Nasal spray

BABY

- Diaper rash cream
- Baby rash ointments & creams
- Baby Electrolytes and Dehydration
- Baby teething pain

COLD MEDICATION

- Cough medication & drops
- Medicated respiratory treatments & vapor products
- Unmedicated vapor products

DIGESTIVE AIDS

- Anti-diarrhea medication
- Anti-gas
- Laxatives (non-fiber)
- Fiber laxatives (bulk forming)
- Lactose intolerance tablets

EAR CARE

- Ear drops and wax removal kits
- Hearing aid batteries

EYE CARE

- Eye Drops
- Contact lens solution

FAMILY PLANNING

- Contraceptives
- Ovulation Kits

FEMININE HYGIENE

- Menstrual care products
- Maxi pads
- Tampons
- Yeast infection medication
- Feminine antifungal & anti-itch
- Urinary tract infection medication

FOOT CARE

- Corn and callus treatment
- Athletes foot medication
- Antifungal (Foot)
- Orthopedic supports

MEDICAL SUPPLIES

- Ace bandages
- Band aids
- Thermometers
- Hot and cold packs
- Athletic braces
- Sports Tape
- Diabetic Testing and Aids
- Diagnostic products
- Incontinence protection & treatment products
- Hemorrhoidal preps

ORAL REMEDIES

- Denture pain relief
- Denture adhesives & cleansers
- Toothache & teething pain relief products
- Cold sore remedies

PAIN RELIEF

Pain relief (includes aspirin)

SKIN TREATMENT

- Acne medications
- First aid creams
- Anti-itch & insect bite cream
- Antiseptics & wound cleansers
- Burn remedies

SMOKING CESSATION

Nicotine gum & patches

STOMACH REMEDIES

- Acid controllers
- Antacids and heartburn relief
- Antiparasitic treatments
- Motion sickness pills

The IRS does NOT allow the following expenses to be reimbursed under Health Care FSAs, as they are not prescribed by a physician for a specific ailment.

Ineligible Expenses

- Contact Lens or Eyeglass Insurance
- Cosmetic Surgery/Procedures
- Electrolysis

- Insurance Premiums and Interest (FSA Ineligible Only)
- Long Term Care Premiums (FSA Ineligible Only)
- Marriage or Career Counseling
- Personal Trainers
- Sunscreen (spf less than 30)
- Swimming Lessons

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