Employee Benefits Guide

Bryan Independent School District



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Contact Information

Bryan ISD is excited to offer you access to all available benefits and is happy to assist you or your dependents with questions. Below is a list of points of contact for all available benefits offered through our benefits program.

Additional information regarding benefit plans can be found at **go.bryanisd.org.** Click on My Files, choose TeamConnect, and click on Benefits. You may also contact Employee Benefits & Risk Management for benefit-related questions.

Carrier Customer Service

| BENEFIT / SERVICE | CARRIER | PHONE NUMBER | WEBSITE |
|------------------------------------|--|----------------|-----------------------------|
| Michael Stires - Employee Benefits | Bryan ISD | (979) 209-1133 | michael.stires@bryanisd.org |
| Monica Sauseda - Employee Benefits | Bryan ISD | (979) 209-1092 | monica.sauseda@bryanisd.org |
| JR Cornejo, Sr Employee Benefits | First Financial Group of America | (903) 245-3889 | jr.cornejo@ffga.com |
| Maressa Werth - Employee Benefits | Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas | (512) 795-5998 | maressa.werth@bryanisd.org |
| Medical | Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas | (800) 521-2227 | www.bcbstx.com |
| Dental | Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas | (800) 521-2227 | www.bcbstx.com |
| Hospital Indemnity | Aetna | (866) 851-5505 | www.aetna.com |
| Vision | UnitedHealthCare | (800) 638-3120 | www.myuhcvision.com |
| Flexible Spending Account | First Financial Group of America | (888) 339-3685 | ffa.wealthcareportal.com |
| Health Savings Account | UMB Bank | (866) 853-3539 | ffa.wealthcareportal.com |
| Long-Term Disability | The Standard | (800) 368-1135 | www.standard.com |
| Cancer | American Fidelity | (800) 325-4368 | www.americanfidelity.com |
| Critical Illness | The Standard | (800) 368-1135 | www.standard.com |
| Accident | Aetna | (877) 815-9256 | www.aetna.com |
| Voluntary Life and AD&D | The Standard | (800) 368-1135 | www.standard.com |
| PURELIFE-Plus Life Insurance | Texas Life | (800) 283-9233 | www.texaslife.com |
| Employee Assistance Program (EAP) | Deer Oaks | (888) 993-7650 | www.deeroakseap.com |
| Employee Health Center | City of Bryan/BISD Employee Health Center | (979) 821-7690 | |
| TRS Mandatory Retirement | TRS | (800) 223-8778 | www.trs.texas.gov |
| 457 Retirement Plans | TCG Administrators | (800) 943-9179 | http://region10rams.org |
| 403 (b) Plan - FICA Alternative | TCG Administrators | (800) 943-9179 | http://region10rams.org |
| COBRA | Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas | (866) 859-5209 | www.bcbstx.com |
| Identity Theft Protection | iLock360 | (855) 287-8888 | www.ilock360.com |

This guide summarizes the benefit plans that are available to Bryan ISD-eligible employees and their dependents. Official plan documents, policies, and certificates of insurance contain the details, conditions, maximum benefit levels, and restrictions on benefits. These documents govern your benefits program. If there is any conflict, the official documents prevail. These documents are available upon request through the Benefits and Risk Management Department. Information provided in this brochure is not a guarantee of benefits.

Eligibility

Who is Eligible?

All employees working full are eligible to enroll in the Bryan ISD Employee Benefits program. You must work 20 hours a week or more to be eligible for benefits unless you are a bus driver. Bus drivers are eligible for benefits if they work 16 hours a week or more.

When Does Coverage Begin?

The effective date for your benefits elected during Open Enrollment is January 1, 2025. All newly eligible employees will be effective in Bryan ISD benefit programs on the first day of the month following the first day of employment. Newly hired employees who are benefit-eligible will have 31 days from the first day of work or the first day of eligibility to enroll in benefits. All elections are in effect for the entire plan year and can only be changed during Open Enrollment unless you experience a qualifying life event. Reminder: Health Insurance Premiums are deducted one month in advance.

For those employees wishing to resign or retire and work less than a 12-month contract and fulfill it, termination of coverage will be handled under HB973. Coverage will either be terminated at the end of the summer, August 31, or the date other coverage begins. If the contract is not fulfilled then coverage ends on the last day of the month you resigned. A 12-month employee's coverage will terminate on the last day of the month resigned or retired in.

Who is Considered an Eligible Dependent(s)?

If you are eligible for Bryan ISD benefits, your dependents are too. In general, eligible dependents include your legal spouse and children up to age 26. If your child is mentally or physically disabled, coverage may continue beyond age 26 once proof of the certificate for disability is provided. Children may include natural, adopted, step-children, foster children, children placed for adoption, and children obtained through court-appointed legal guardianship. A child not listed above but whose primary residence is your household and to whom you are legal guardian or related by blood or marriage and who is dependent upon you for more than one-half of his/her support as defined by the IRS. This also includes married children under the age of 26. If you are married to another Bryan ISD employee, you may not cover your spouse as a dependent, and only one of you may cover any dependent children.

Open Enrollment Period

With a few exceptions, Open Enrollment is the only time of the year when you can make changes to your benefit plans. All elections and changes take effect on the first day of the plan year. During Open Enrollment, you can:

- Add, change, or delete coverages.
- Add, or drop dependents from coverage.
- Enroll, or re-enroll in dependent or health care flexible spending accounts. To continue your FSA benefits or HSA contributions, you must re-enroll each plan year.

Qualifying Life Events

A Qualifying Life Event (QLE) is an increase or decrease in dependents or a change in the immediate family's insurance eligibility status. If you experience a qualifying life event and would like to make changes to your benefits, you will need to submit benefit election changes within 31 calendar days of the event date. Failure to do so will require you to wait until the next open enrollment period (unless you experience another qualifying life event).

Note: You will be required to provide written documentation of the event (e.g., a marriage license or birth certificate).

Examples of qualified life events include:

- marriage
- divorce/legal separation
- death of a spouse or dependent
- birth/adoption of a child
- the dependent child turns 26 years of age
- gain/loss of coverage
- changes in employment status for you or your spouse
- qualified medical child support orders
- entitlement to Medicare, Medicaid, or Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)

Benefit Costs

Bryan ISD pays the full cost of some of your benefits including Basic Life and Accident Death and Dismemberment (AD&D). The cost of most voluntary benefits you elect will be your responsibility.

| | Who Pays | Tax Treatment |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| Medical/Dental/Rx | Bryan ISD and You | Pre-tax |
| Hospital Indemnity | You | Pre-tax |
| Vision | You | Pre-tax |
| Term Life and AD&D | Bryan ISD | No Tax Impact |
| Voluntary Life and AD&D | You | After-tax |
| Disability Insurance | You | After-tax |
| Cancer Insurance | You | Pre-tax |
| Accident & Critical Illness | You | Pre-tax |
| PURELife-Plus Life | You | After-tax |
| Flexible Spending Account | You | Pre-tax |
| Health Savings Account | You | Pre-tax |
| Employee Assistance Program | Bryan ISD | No Tax Impact |
| Identity Theft Protection | Bryan ISD or You | After-tax |
| TRS Retirement Mandatory | Bryan ISD and You | Pre-tax |
| Voluntary 403b & 457 Plans | You | Pre-tax |

Section 125 Cafeteria Plans

Section 125 Cafeteria Plan Information & Rules

A Section 125 Cafeteria Plan provides a tax-saving way to pay for eligible medical or dependent care expenses. If you elect to participate, the funds are automatically deducted from your paycheck on a pretax basis. Bryan ISD maintains the Section 125 Cafeteria Plan to meet the requirements of the internal revenue code section 125. Those who elect to participate in the plan contribute a portion of their gross earnings each pay period to cover the cost of the benefits.

Here's How It Works

Contributions to the Section 125 Cafeteria Plans are withheld on a pre-tax basis, thereby lowering your taxable income, which means you will pay less in Federal Income and Medicare taxes. Reducing an employee's taxes can increase your spendable income by allowing you to deduct the cost of eligible benefits from your earnings before tax. Plus, this plan is available to you at no cost, and you're already eligible - all you must do is accept or reject this benefit to enroll.

Is It Right For Me?

The savings you may experience with a Section 125 Plan are outlined in the example below. For example, you could potentially take home about \$70 more each month if you participated in Bryan ISD Section 125 Plan - which means savings of \$840 a year!

You cannot change your benefit elections for the plan year unless the benefits office receives notification in writing within 31 days of the status change. If the benefits office is not notified within 31 days of the status change, no benefit change can be made until the next annual open enrollment.

IRS-specified changes in family status include:

- · Change in legal married status.
- Change in number of dependents.
- Termination or commencement of employment.
- Dependent satisfies or ceases to satisfy dependent eligibility requirements.
- Change in residence or workplace that affects eligibility for coverage.

| SECTION 125 PLAN - EXAMPLE PAYCHECK | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|---------|--|--|--|
| WITHOUT SECTION 125 WITH SECTION 12 | | | | | |
| Monthly Salary | \$2,000 | \$2,000 | | | |
| Less Medical Deductions | N/A | -\$250 | | | |
| Taxable Gross Income | \$2,000 | \$1,750 | | | |
| Less Taxes (Fed. at 20%) | -\$400 | -\$350 | | | |
| Less Estimated FICA (7.65%) | -\$153 | -\$133 | | | |
| Less Medical Deductions | -\$250 | N/A | | | |
| Take Home Pay | \$1,197 | \$1,267 | | | |

YOU COULD SAVE \$70 PER MONTH IN TAXES BY PAYING FOR YOUR BENEFITS ON A PRE-TAX BASIS!

Medical Plan Options

Terms You Need To Know

In-Network Care

Each plan features BCBSTX In-Network and Out-of-Network coverage, individual and family deductibles, copays, co-insurance, and out-of-pocket maximums. The HDHP HSA plan offers a lower monthly cost with a higher deductible while the PPO and HMO plan costs more each month but offers a lower deductible and copays.

Keep in mind, while you can seek services with in-network or out-of-network providers, you will always pay less if you are treated within the provider network because the plan pays a higher percentage of your covered expenses. With the HMO plan, you must select a primary care provider and you're only able to visit in-network providers to receive care. With the HDHP HSA, you must meet the annual deductible before the medical plan begins to cover your healthcare expenses. Once the deductible is met, the medical plan begins to pay a percentage of covered expenses (co-insurance) on certain innetwork benefits and co-insurance for services when using an out-of-network provider, up to the out-of-pocket maximum. Prescriptions are subject to the deductible and out-of-pocket maximum.

Out-of-pocket maximums apply to all three medical plans. This is the maximum amount you will pay for health care costs in a calendar year, January 1st - December 31st. Once you have paid the in-network out-of-pocket maximum, the plans will cover the remaining eligible medical expenses at 100% for the rest of the year. If you utilize out-of-network provider, you are responsible for charges that are above "reasonable and customary."

When active employees enroll in the HDHP HSA Plan, they will have the opportunity to set up an HSA account at UMB Bank. UMB Bank provides unique opportunities to invest HSA funds in self-directed investment options. Once you create your account you will receive your debit card in the weeks following.

PPO Gold Plan

If you are enrolled for family coverage in the PPO Gold Plan, each individual within the family will not pay more than the individual deductible and individual out-of-pocket maximum. However, the family's medical costs are combined to meet the family deductible and out-of-pocket maximum.

Blue HMO Plan

If you are enrolled for family coverage in the Blue HMO Plan, each individual within the family will not pay more than the individual deductible and individual out-of-pocket maximum. However, the family's medical costs are combined to meet the family deductible and out-of-pocket maximum.

HDHP HSA Plan

If you are enrolled for family coverage in the HDHP HSA Plan, you must meet the full family deductible before benefits are paid 100%. One member of the family could satisfy the family deductible before the plan begins to pay. The family's medical and prescription costs are combined to meet the deductible and the out-of-pocket maximum.

It is up to you to decide which plan will work best for you and your family depending on the monthly cost of coverage, the annual deductible, the out-of-pocket maximum, and the funding account you will use.

Medical Plan Options

Terms You Need To Know

Deductible

A fixed dollar amount that you pay before the plan will begin paying benefits.

Co-Insurance

A percentage of the medical plan costs that you pay after your deductible is met.

Out-Of-Pocket Maximum

The maximum amount you will pay for your benefits until treatment is covered at 100%.

In-Network

Doctors, hospitals, and other providers with whom the medical plan has an agreement to care for its members. Covered employees and dependents have a lower out-of-pocket costs when using in-network providers.

Out-Of-Network

Care received from a doctor, hospital, or provider with whom the plan does not have an agreement with. Covered employees and dependents pay more to use out-of-network providers.

Calendar Year

The period beginning January 1st of any year and ending December 31st of the same year.

Copayment or Copay

The dollar amount required to be paid by you or on your behalf at the time of service to a participating provider in connection with covered services provided as described in the medical plans.

Dependent(s)

The covered employee's family members who meet the eligibility requirements of the plans and have been enrolled by the covered employee.

Limited Provider Network

A subnetwork within an HMO delivery network in which contractual relationships exist between physicians, certain providers, independent physician associations and/or physician groups which limit your access to only the physicians and providers in the subnetwork.

Open Enrollment Period

Those periods of time (at least thirty-one (31) days) established by Group and the Claim Administrator from time to time, but no less frequently than once in any twelve (12) consecutive months, during which eligible persons who have not previously enrolled with the medical plans may do so.

Medical Plan Options

Bryan ISD offers medical coverage through Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas (BCBSTX). The chart below is a brief outline of the plans and reflects your cost for services rendered. A *Silver Accident Plan* is offered at no cost for employees who have full coverage through another source. *This is not an insurance plan*.

Remember, you will always pay less if you are treated within the provider network because the plan pays a higher percentage of your covered expenses. To find an in-network provider you may visit www.BCBSTX.com. Please refer to the summary benefit coverage (SBC) for complete plan details.

| | PPO GO | BSTX LD PLAN #029608 | BLUE HI | SSTX MO PLAN #350453 | HDHP H | SSTX SA PLAN #099852 |
|--|---|--|---|----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------|
| Benefits Coverage | In-Network Benefits | Out-of-Network Benefits | In-Network Benefits | Out-of-Network Benefits | In-Network Benefits | Out-of-Network Benefits |
| ANNUAL DEDUCTIBLE | | | | | | |
| Individual | \$2,500 | \$5,000 | \$2,000 | Not Covered | \$4,000 | \$8,000 |
| Family | \$7,500 | \$15,000 | \$6,000 | Not Covered | \$8,000 | \$16,000 |
| Co-Insurance | 30% | 50% | 20% | Not Covered | 100% | 70% |
| MAXIMUM OUT-OF-POCKET | | | | | | |
| Individual | \$7,500 | \$15,000 | \$6,000 | Not Covered | \$4,000 | \$13,000 |
| Family | \$15,000 | \$30,000 | \$12,000 | Not Covered | \$8,000 | \$26,000 |
| PHYSICIAN OFFICE VISIT | | | | | | |
| Preventive Care | \$0 | 50% co-ins. | \$0 | Not Covered | \$0 | 30% co-ins. |
| Primary Care | \$45 copay | 50% co-ins. | \$35 copay | Not Covered | \$0 after deduct. | 30% co-ins. |
| MDLIVE Virtual Visits | \$25 copay | 50% co-ins. | \$25 copay | Not Covered | \$0 after deduct. | Not Covered |
| Specialty Care | \$65 copay | 50% co-ins. | \$60 copay | Not Covered | \$0 after deduct. | 30% co-ins. |
| DIAGNOSTIC SERVICES | | | | | | |
| X-ray and Lab Tests | \$0 | 50% co-ins. | \$0 | Not Covered | \$0 after deduct. | 30% co-ins. |
| Complex Radiology | 30% co-ins. | 50% co-ins. | 20% co-ins. | Not Covered | \$0 after deduct. | 30% co-ins. |
| Urgent Care Services | \$25 copay | 50% co-ins. | \$25 copay | Not Covered | \$0 after deduct. | 30% co-ins. |
| Emergency Services | \$300 copay + 30% coinsurance | \$300 copay + 30% coinsurance | \$250 copay + 20% coinsurance | \$250 copay + 20% coinsurance | \$0 after deduct. | \$0 after deduct. |
| Inpatient/Outpatient Facility | 30% co-ins. | 50% co-ins. +\$250 per-admission | \$250 copay 20% co-ins. after after deductible deductible | Not Covered | \$0 after deduct. | 30% co-ins. |
| MENTAL HEALTH & SUBSTANC | E ABUSE | | | | | |
| Inpatient | 30% co-ins. | 50% co-ins. +\$250 per-admission | \$250 copay + 20% coinsurance | Not Covered | \$0 after deduct. | 30% co-ins. |
| Outpatient | \$45 copay (30% coinsurance for all other services) | 50% co-ins. | \$35 copay (20% coinsurance for all other services) | Not Covered | \$0 after deduct. | 30% co-ins. |
| OTHER SERVICES | | | | | | |
| Chiropractic (35-day calendar year maximum) | \$65 copay (30% coinsurance for all other services) | 50% after deduct. (50% coinsurance for all other services) | \$60 copay (20% coinsurance after deductible) | Not Covered | \$0 after deduct. | 30% co-ins. after deduct. |
| Airrosti | \$45 copay | 50% after deduct. | \$35 copay | Not Covered | \$0 after deduct. | 30% co-ins. after deduct. |

Bryan ISD medical plans are offered through Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas, which is self-insured by the District. This allows the District greater plan design flexibility and affordability without compromising the quality of healthcare. We also offer a comprehensive menu of supplemental benefits to enrich your medical plan elections. Bryan ISD contributes \$515 towards your monthly medical insurance premiums. Benefits will offer you the opportunity to enroll in the Section 125 Cafeteria Plan, more details are available in the Employee Handbook.

Finding the Care You Need

The following BCBSTX resources may help you better understand your medical benefits and provide ways to maintain or improve your health and reduce out-of-pocket costs.

Always use the lowest level of care appropriate for your immediate needs. When you log into your BCBSTX account at www.BCBSTX.com, or through the mobile app, you can locate nearby providers, facilities, and cost estimates for certain services. You will also have access to your electronic ID card.

Co-pay Comparison by Level of Care - In-Network

| | BCBSTX PPO GOLD PLAN GROUP #029608 | BCBSTX BLUE HMO PLAN GROUP #350453 | BCBSTX HDHP HSA PLAN GROUP #099852 |
|------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Preventive Care | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| MDLIVE Virtual Visits | \$25 copay | \$25 copay | 100% co-ins. |
| Primary Care | \$45 copay | \$35 copay | \$0 after deduct. |
| Specialty Care | \$65 copay | \$60 copay | \$0 after deduct. |
| Urgent Care Services | \$25 copay | \$25 copay | \$0 after deduct. |
| Emergency Services | \$300 copay + 30% coinsurance | \$250 copay + 20% coinsurance | \$0 after deduct. |
| Free Standing ER Services | \$500 copay + 50% coinsurance | \$500 copay + 30% coinsurance | \$0 after deduct. |

Doctor's Office / Employee Health Center

The best place to go for routine care or preventive care is to keep track of medications and basic diagnosis and treatment of common illnesses and medical conditions.

Urgent Care Center

Fills a critical need when seeking immediate care that is not life-threatening. Locate the nearest Urgent Care Center near you. Staffed by nurses and doctors and usually have extended hours.

MDLIVE Virtual Visits

Take control of your health when, where, and how it best works for you day or night, from home, at work, or on the go. You can speak with a doctor for help with minor acute conditions. They can also submit prescriptions to your local pharmacy.

BCBSTX Mobile App

The BCBSTX mobile app holds important information such as electronic ID cards, deductibles, and claims. It also allows you to quickly locate nearby providers, costs, and contact information for facilities.

24/7 Nurse Line

Get guidance and support from a nurse, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. This service is provided at no extra cost to you as part of your plan. BCBSTX Nurse Line is 800-581-0368.

Hospital Emergency Room (ER)

For immediate treatment of critical injuries or illness. Open 24/7. If a situation seems life-threatening, call 911 or go to the nearest emergency room.

"Freestanding" Emergency Room

In Texas, there are many "freestanding" emergency room (ER) locations. Because these ERs are not inside hospitals, they may look like urgent care centers. When you receive care at an ER, you're billed at a much higher cost than at other healthcare facilities.

Hospital Admission & ER Information

Copayment amounts will be required for facility charges for each outpatient hospital emergency room/treatment room visit as indicated on your schedule of coverage. If admitted for the ER visit, the copay will be waived and prior authorization of the inpatient hospital admission will be required.

Prescription Plan Coverage

Participants in the medical plans will receive a combined medical and prescription ID card. Participants should present their ID card each time they fill a prescription through a retail pharmacy.

Benefit Value Advisors are specially-trained customer service representatives who assist participants by comparing costs and providing information on participating providers for certain types of healthcare services. A BVA helps you navigate your benefits, call 800-521-2227 to speak with a BVA today!

| | PPO GO | BSTX PLD PLAN #029608 | BLUE H | BSTX MO PLAN #350453 | HDHP H | BSTX ISA PLAN #099852 |
|---|---|---|---|--|--|--|
| Benefits Coverage | In-Network Benefits | Out-of-Network Benefits | In-Network Benefits | Out-of-Network Benefits | In-Network Benefits | Out-of-Network Benefits |
| PRESCRIPTION DRUGS (INDIVI | DUAL/FAMILY) | | | | | |
| Retail Prescription Drugs (30-day supply) Generic Brand Preferred Brand Non-Preferred Specialty | \$10 \$50 50% co-ins. \$200 | \$10 copay* \$50 copay* 50% co-ins.* Not Covered | \$10 \$50 50% co-ins. \$200 | Not Covered Not Covered Not Covered Not Covered | \$0 after deduct. \$0 after deduct. \$0 after deduct. \$0 after deduct. | \$0 after deduct. \$0 after deduct. \$0 after deduct. \$0 after deduct. |
| Mail Order Prescription Drugs (90-day supply) Generic Brand Preferred Brand Non-Preferred Specialty | \$20 \$100 50% co-ins. Not Covered | \$20 copay* \$100 copay* 50% co-ins.** Not Covered | \$20 \$100 50% co-ins. Not Covered | Not Covered Not Covered Not Covered Not Covered | \$0 after deduct. \$0 after deduct. \$0 after deduct. Not Covered | \$0 after deduct. \$0 after deduct. \$0 after deduct. Not Covered |

^{*}plus 20% co-insurance

Important Prescription Coverage Information

The formulary is the list of medications covered by the plans and is updated annually on the latest research and clinical evidence. The member's cost share or co-pays is determined by the prescription tier:

Tier 1 Generics - Safe, effective, and have the same active ingredients as a brand name medication, but for much less.

Tier 2 Brand Preferred - Lower cost or more clinically effective than non-preferred or excluded medications.

Tier 3 Brand Non-Preferred - Highest cost or medications, with clinical alternatives.

Specialty - Generally tier 3, high-complexity medications, must be purchased through a Specialty Pharmacy. **Excluded** - Medications with clinical alternatives or generics that are not covered by the plan. Drugs that are

not included on the drug list include new-to-market FDA-approved drugs that have not been reviewed by the plans for inclusion on the drug I have not been reviewed by the plans for inclusion on the drug list.ist.

The formulary also determines which medications require treatment protocols including:

Quantity Limits - for safety and cost reasons, the plan limits the number of drugs they cover over a certain period.

Prior Authorizations - to be sure that medications are prescribed and used correctly before the plan will cover a particular drug, your prescriber must first show that you have a medically necessary need for that particular drug and/or have met the requirements for the drug.

Step Therapy - you must first try a less expensive drug on the formulary that has been proven effective for most people with your condition before you can move a "step" to a more expensive drug. However, if you have already tried the more affordable drug and it didn't work or if your prescriber believes that it is medically necessary for you to be on a more expensive drug, they can contact the plan to request an exception.

^{**}plus 20% additional charge

Employee Health Center

The District is happy to provide you and your family with the **City of Bryan/BISD Employee Health Center**. Through a partnership between the City of Bryan, Bryan ISD, and CHI/St. Joseph Regional Health Center is an innovative approach to controlling the cost of health care. It is a super convenient option for employees and eligible dependents who are enrolled on Bryan ISD health insurance plans to receive medical care. If you are enrolled in the BCBSTX PPO Gold, Blue HMO, or the HDHP medical plans you and eligible dependents can visit the Health Center for a \$0 co-pay. Employees enrolled in the BCBSTX Silver Accident plan are not covered for use at the Health Center. Call for an appointment today!

The Health Center is conveniently located and is staffed with qualified nurse practitioners, nurses, and office assistants. All medical records are owned and maintained by CHI/St. Joseph Regional Health Center. The Health Center hours are subject to change, employees will be notified of any changes via email. The Health Center location and hours are listed below:





2308 E. Villa Maria, Suite 100 Bryan, Tx 77802

> Phone: 979-821-7690 Fax: 979-821-7691

Employee Health Center Hours:

- Monday Thursday: 7:30am 5:30pm (closed during the noon hour)
- Friday: 7:30am 3:00pm (open during the noon hour)
- Saturday: 8:00am 12:00pm (minor acute illnesses only, appointment by telehealth)
 Saturday Clinic open September - April during peak season



Health Center Quick Facts:

- No copay is required for a clinic visit.
- Children 2-5 years of age can be seen for acute illnesses only.
- Patients must be enrolled in the Bryan ISD medical plan and coverage must be effective.

Health Center Services:

- Medical examinations
- Minor medical treatment
- Vaccine administration
- Wellness consultations
- · Chronic disease management
- Sports physicals
- Allergy injection administration
- Behavioral health services*

*Limited to 6 FREE sessions a year, members enrolled in the HMO plan are eligible to receive benefits if the EHC is listed as your primary care provider.

Additional Health Benefits Under BCBSTX

BCBSTX Member Rewards*:

- Save money by comparing costs and quality for similar procedures.
- Get estimates for out-of-pocket costs.
- Earn cash for utilizing the rewards program.
 - *Members enrolled in the HMO plan are not eligible to receive cash initiatives.
- · Simple to use.
- Access the members rewards at bcbstx.com or by calling 1-800-521-2227.
- Once procedure is completed and verified, you'll receive rewards within 4-6 weeks.

Airrosti:

- Musculoskeletal care.
- Surgical avoidance.
- Evaluations done during first consultation.
- Treatment plans available, average number of visits is 3.2.
- If treatment plans are not available, you'll be notified on the first visit.
- Two convenient locations:

Airrosti at Physicians Centre Hospital 3201 University Dr E Ste 320 Bryan, Tx 77802 Airrosti South College Station 1645 Greens Prairie Rd West Ste 503A College Station, Tx 77845

Blue Cross Blue Shield Mobile App:

- Find an in-network doctor, hospital or urgent care facility.
- Access your claims, coverage and deductible information.
- View and email your member ID card.
- Log in securely with your fingerprint.
- Access Health Care Accounts and Health Savings Accounts.
- Download and share your Explanation of Benefits.
- Get Push Notifications and access to Message Center.

Text **BCBSTXAPP** to **33633** to get the app.

MDLIVE Virtual Visits:

- Go to Blue Access for Members or MDLIVE.com/bcbstx.
- Download the MDLIVE app from Apple's App Store or Google Play.
- Call MDLIVE at 888-680-8646.
- Text BCBSTX to 635-483 (MDLIVE's online assistant Sophie will help you activate your account).

Nurseline:

Need advice on health conditions? Medication? Your Options?

- Bilingual nurse (English & Spanish) available 24/7.
- 800-581-0368.
- FREE.



Medical Plan Premium Cost

The medical plan premiums listed below include medical, prescription drug benefits, and Employee Health Center services. If you choose NOT to participate in the District's medical plans the Silver Accident Plan is offered at no cost for employees who have full coverage through another source. This is not an insurance plan.

Please refer to the summary benefit coverage (SBC) for complete plan details. Medical premiums for employees on an 18-pay schedule will vary slightly from the amounts listed below.

Your medical plan options include:

- PPO PPO Gold Plan
- HMO Blue HMO Plan
- HDHP HDHP HSA Plan

Health Premiums are deducted one month in advance

| PLAN OPTIONS | PPO GOLD | BLUE HMO | HDHP HSA |
|-----------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| Employee Only | \$70.00 | \$62.50 | \$22.85 |
| Employee + Spouse | \$324.50 | \$296.50 | \$207.50 |
| Employee + Child(ren) | \$202.50 | \$189.50 | \$110.00 |
| Employee + Family | \$372.50 | \$342.50 | \$257.50 |

^{*}Table above reflects per paycheck amounts*



The District's contribution to employee medical benefit premiums is determined annually by the Board of Trustees. New employees must complete enrollment forms within the first 31 days of employment following the first date of employment. Current employees can make changes in their benefit coverage during the District's annual open enrollment. The annual open enrollment period generally begins the first full week of each November and the benefits department will share this information with all employees. Enrollment dates are subject to change. Employees should contact Benefits at 979-209-1092 for more information.

Dental Plan Options

The District's dental plan options are administered through Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas (BCBSTX). The chart below is a brief outline of the plans and reflects your cost for services rendered. There are three different options to choose from with coverage benefits varying across the dental plans.

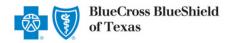
Remember, you will always pay less if you are treated within the provider network because the plan pays a higher percentage of your covered expenses. To find an in-network provider you may visit www.BCBSTX.com. Please refer to the summary benefit coverage (SBC) for complete plan details.

| | BlueCare | SSTX DENTAL ATINUM | BlueCare | BSTX DENTAL GOLD | BlueCare | SSTX DENTAL SILVER |
|------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|
| Benefits Coverage | In-Network Benefits | Out-of-Network Benefits | In-Network Benefits | Out-of-Network Benefits | In-Network Benefits | Out-of-Network Benefits |
| ANNUAL DEDUCTIBLE | | | | | | |
| Individual | \$50 | \$50 | \$0 | \$0 | \$25 | \$25 |
| Family | \$150 | \$150 | \$0 | \$0 | \$75 | \$75 |
| 3-Month Deduct. Carryover | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Prior Ins. Deduct. Carryover | No | No | No | No | No | No |
| DENTAL BENEFIT & SERVICES | | | | | | |
| Annual Maximum | \$1,500 | \$1,500 | \$1,000 | \$1,000 | \$750 | \$750 |
| Preventive / Misc | 100% / 80% | 100% / 80% | 75% / 75% | 75% / 75% | 100% / 80% | 100% / 80% |
| Basic | 80% | 80% | 75% | 75% | 80% | 80% |
| Major | 50% | 50% | 75% | 75% | Not Covered | Not Covered |
| ORTHODNTIA | | | | | | |
| Benefit Percentage | 50% | 50% | 50% | 50% | Not Covered | Not Covered |
| Adult | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Not Covered | Not Covered |
| Dependent Child(ren) | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Not Covered | Not Covered |
| Lifetime Maximum | \$1,500 | \$1,500 | \$1,500 | \$1,500 | Not Covered | Not Covered |
| Benefit Waiting Periods | No | No | No | No | Not Covered | Not Covered |

Dental Premiums are deducted one month in advance

| PLAN OPTIONS | PLATINUM | GOLD | SILVER |
|-----------------------|----------|---------|---------|
| Employee Only | \$9.28 | \$8.70 | \$0.37 |
| Employee + Spouse | \$24.05 | \$22.56 | \$5.80 |
| Employee + Child(ren) | \$33.86 | \$30.46 | \$11.16 |
| Employee + Family | \$53.44 | \$47.63 | \$17.95 |

^{*}Table above reflects per paycheck amounts*



Vision Plan Options

The District's vision plans provide Vision insurance through UnitedHealthCare. Vision plans provide coverage for routine eye exams and also pay for all or portion of the cost of glasses or contact lenses if you need them.

You can see in-network and out-of-network providers, however, keep in mind that out-of-network providers require you to pay upfront and you'll be reimbursed at a lower benefit level than if you went to an in-network provider. The chart below is a brief outline of the vision plans. Please refer to the plan summary for more plan details.

| | UnitedHealthCare VISION HIGH PLAN | | VIS | ealthCare ION PLAN |
|-----------------------------|---|-------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|
| Benefits Coverage | In-Network Benefits | Out-of-Network Benefits | In-Network Benefits | Out-of-Network Benefits |
| COPAY | | | | |
| Exam(s) | \$0 | \$100** | \$10 | \$40** |
| Materials | \$0 | \$100** | \$25 | \$40** |
| FRAME BENEFIT | | | | |
| Private Practice Provider | \$130 | \$50** | \$130 | \$45** |
| Retail Chain Provider | \$130 | \$50** | \$130 | \$45** |
| CONTACT LENS BENEFIT | | | | |
| Selection Lens - Disposable | \$0 / 4 boxes* | \$125** | \$25 / 4 boxes* | \$105** |
| Non-Selection Lens | \$125 Allow.* | \$125** | \$105 Allow.* | \$105** |
| Necessary Lens | \$0* | \$210** | \$25* | \$210** |
| BENEFIT FREQUENCY | | | | |
| Comprehensive Exam(s) | Every 12 months | Every 12 months | Every 12 months | Every 12 months |
| Spectacle Lenses | Every 12 months | Every 12 months | Every 12 months | Every 12 months |
| Frames | Every 24 months | Every 24 months | Every 24 months | Every 24 months |
| Contact Lenses | Every 12 months | Every 12 months | Every 12 months | Every 12 months |

^{*}Contact lenses are in lieu of eyeglass lenses and/or eyeglass frames

^{**}Out-of-Network Reimbursements amounts are listed above, Copays do not apply

| PLAN OPTIONS | HIGH PLAN | LOW PLAN |
|-----------------------|-----------|----------|
| Employee Only | \$6.49 | \$3.04 |
| Employee + Spouse | \$11.98 | \$5.61 |
| Employee + Child(ren) | \$12.54 | \$5.87 |
| Employee + Family | \$18.79 | \$8.78 |

Table above reflects per paycheck amounts

Vision Premiums for employees on an 18-pay schedule will vary slightly from the amounts listed above.

Vision Premiums are deducted one month in advance



Benefits at No Cost

Basic Term Life & AD&D Insurance



Group Term Basic Life and Accidental Death & Dismemberment (AD&D) insurance is paid for by Bryan ISD. It protects your loved ones in the event something were to happen to you. It pays a benefit so they can afford to pay for funeral expenses, pay off debt and maintain their current standard of living. Bryan ISD truly cares about all of our employees. The ISD provides a \$25,000 benefit to all full-time employees. The cost of this policy is paid for 100% by the District. This is a term life policy that is in effect while you are employed and it's administered by The Standard.

Employee Assistance Program (EAP)



Life pulls us in many different directions. Between kids, personal relationships, extracurricular activities, and family time, it seems like we don't have enough time in the day to fit it all in. When life gets you stressed, call the Employee Assistance Program that is provided by the District. Your EAP is a problem-solving resource available to you and your household members. A professional counselor will assist you in assessing your situation, finding options, making choices, or locating further help. Your EAP is available 24/7.

It's free...The District covers the cost of the initial assessment, additional problem-solving sessions, and referral services. You get six (6) free sessions with a professional counselor for covered issues. If there is a need for further counseling or treatment, your counselor will help you explore various options.

It's confidential...Your EAP has been set up with Deer Oaks, an outside counseling resource to assure confidentiality. No one at work will know you have chosen to seek help unless you choose to tell them. Nothing concerning your use of EAP will appear in your file.

If you need help or guidance, Deer Oaks is only a phone call away at 888-993-7650 or by visiting www.deeroakseap.com. Use Login/Password: **bryisd** iConnectYou App passcode: **58496**

If you find yourself in need of professional support to deal with personal, work, financial, or family issues, your Employee Assistance Program (EAP) can help. You and your immediate family (spouse or domestic partner, dependent children, parents, and parents-in-law) can use the EAP for help with:

- Marriage and family problems
- Job-related issues
- Stress, anxiety and depression
- Parent and child relationships
- Legal and financial counseling
- Identity theft counseling
- Financial planning

- Free 30 minute telephone consultation with an attorney
- Free 30 minute in-person consultation with a plan attorney
- 25% discount off of hourly attorney fees if additional legal support is needed
- Online library of articles, tip sheets and legal FAQs
- Nearly 100 do-it-yourself legal forms available online
- Interactive online simple will preparation
- Various other related issues

Accident Insurance

No one plans to have an accident, but it can happen at any moment throughout the day, whether at work or play. The costs associated with an injury can add up. Between hospital visits, exams, treatments, and out-of-pocket costs, you could end up in financial hardship. Most major medical insurance plans only pay a portion of the bills. This policy can help pick up where other insurance leaves off and provide cash benefits to cover the expenses. It's comforting to know that an accident insurance policy can be there through all stages of your care, from the initial treatment to follow-up care.

Group Voluntary Accident coverage can pay benefits for on and off-the-job accidents, plus some benefits that correspond with medical care. The coverage can be used on its own or to fill a gap left by other coverage. It pays a benefit up to a specified amount for accidental death, dismemberment, dislocation/fracture, initial hospitalization admission, hospitalization confinement, concussion, intensive care, ambulance service, air ambulance service, medical expenses, outpatient physician's treatment, and more. Please see the plan summary for full coverage details, benefit schedules, and rates.

| EMERGENCY TREATMENT | YOUR CASH BENEFIT |
|---------------------|-------------------|
| Ambulance | \$400 |
| Air Ambulance | \$1,600 |
| Emergency Care | \$200 |
| X-ray | \$75 |
| Initial Care Visit | \$200 |
| Medical Imaging | \$225 |

| SPECIFIC INJURIES BENEFITS | | | | | |
|----------------------------|---------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Blood, plasma, platelets | \$500 | | | | |
| 2nd or 3rd degree burns | \$1,500 - \$27,000 | | | | |
| Skin Grafts | 50% of burn benefit | | | | |
| Concussion | \$200 | | | | |
| Dental Crown | \$300 | | | | |
| Dental Extraction | \$100 | | | | |

| HEALTH ASSESSMENT BENEFIT | | | | | |
|---|------|--|--|--|--|
| Every year for you & covered family members | \$50 | | | | |

| ADDITIONAL PLAN BENEFITS | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|----------|--|--|--|--|
| Portability Included | | | | | |
| Child Sports Injury Benefit | Included | | | | |

| ACCIDENTAL DEATH BENEFIT | | | | | |
|---|-----------|--|--|--|--|
| Employee | \$100,000 | | | | |
| Spouse (covered dependent) | \$50,000 | | | | |
| Child(ren) (covered dependent) \$50,000 | | | | | |

| HOSPITAL CARE BENEFIT | | | | | |
|---|--------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Hospitalization - Initial Day (Non-ICU & ICU Admission) | \$1,500 - \$3,000 | | | | |
| Hospitalization - Daily Stay (Non-ICU & ICU Daily) | \$300 - \$600 (365 day max) | | | | |
| Rehabilitation Unit Stay (30 day Maximum) | \$200 | | | | |

| PLAN OPTIONS | COST PER PAYCHECK | | | | |
|-----------------------|-------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Employee Only | \$4.99 | | | | |
| Employee + Spouse | \$9.97 | | | | |
| Employee + Child(ren) | \$10.47 | | | | |
| Employee + Family | \$15.46 | | | | |



Portability

Critical Illness Insurance

The signs pointing to a critical illness are not always clear and may not be preventable. This coverage can help offer financial protection in the event you are diagnosed. If you've heard of heart attacks, strokes, renal (kidney) failure, or invasive cancer, then you're familiar with a critical illness. It's likely you or someone you know has experienced one of these life-altering events. Oftentimes, a critical illness has a powerful impact on people's lives, affecting their livelihood and finances.

Group Voluntary Critical Illness coverage can pay benefits for non-medical, critical illness-related expenses your medical plan might not cover. Benefits are paid directly to you, unless otherwise assigned, giving you the choice of how to spend the money. Additionally, there are plans available to provide coverage for you, your spouse, and your dependent children. Prepare now for the unexpected with a critical illness insurance plan and lock in your rates now. Premiums do not increase once enrolled into benefits.

This benefit is Guarantee Issue and offers a \$50 health assessment benefit. Please see the plan summary for full coverage details, benefit schedules, and rates.

Yes (no change in coverage amount)

| EMPLOYEE + DEPENDENT(S) COVERAGE AMOUNTS | | | | | |
|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Employee | \$5,000 - \$30,000 (increments of \$5,000) | | | | |
| Dependent Spouse | \$5,000 - \$30,000 (increments of \$5,000) | | | | |
| Dependent Child(ren) | FREE (50% of employee coverage) | | | | |
| EMPLOYEE + DEPENDENT(S) PLAN INFORMATION | | | | | |
| Guaranteed Issue Amount | \$30,000 (employee + spouse) | | | | |
| Pre-existing Condition | None | | | | |

| HEALIH ASSESSMENT BENEFIT | | | | | |
|--|------|--|--|--|--|
| Every year for you & covered \$50 dependent(s) | | | | | |
| COVERED CONDITIONS | | | | | |
| Cancer | 100% | | | | |

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| COVERED CONDITIONS | | | | |
|--------------------|--|--|--|--|
| 100% | | | | |
| 25% | | | | |
| 100% | | | | |
| 100% | | | | |
| 100% | | | | |
| 100% | | | | |
| | | | | |

Above reflects only a few of the covered benefits offered

| AGE | | NON-TOBACCO | | | TOBACCO | | | | | | | |
|-------|---------|-------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|---------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| BAND | \$5,000 | \$10,000 | \$15,000 | \$20,000 | \$25,000 | \$30,000 | \$5,000 | \$10,000 | \$15,000 | \$20,000 | \$25,000 | \$30,000 |
| 18-29 | \$0.86 | \$1.73 | \$2.59 | \$3.46 | \$4.32 | \$5.19 | \$1.06 | \$2.12 | \$3.18 | \$4.24 | \$5.30 | \$6.36 |
| 30-39 | \$1.40 | \$2.79 | \$4.19 | \$5.58 | \$6.98 | \$8.38 | \$1.98 | \$3.95 | \$5.93 | \$7.91 | \$9.89 | \$11.86 |
| 40-49 | \$2.47 | \$4.94 | \$7.41 | \$9.88 | \$12.35 | \$14.83 | \$4.13 | \$8.26 | \$12.39 | \$16.52 | \$20.65 | \$24.78 |
| 50-59 | \$4.02 | \$8.05 | \$12.07 | \$16.09 | \$20.11 | \$24.14 | \$7.78 | \$15.57 | \$23.35 | \$31.13 | \$38.92 | \$46.70 |
| 60-69 | \$6.74 | \$13.48 | \$20.23 | \$26.97 | \$33.71 | \$40.45 | \$14.28 | \$28.55 | \$42.83 | \$57.11 | \$71.39 | \$85.66 |
| 70+ | \$16.22 | \$32.43 | \$48.65 | \$64.87 | \$81.08 | \$97.30 | \$29.28 | \$58.55 | \$87.83 | \$117.11 | \$146.39 | \$175.66 |

^{*}Table above reflects per paycheck amounts for employee & spouse locked-in rates*

Cancer Insurance

The risk of developing cancer, unfortunately, is very real. Thousands of Americans are diagnosed with cancer each day. It's impossible to anticipate a cancer diagnosis, but it is possible to prepare for it with a Cancer Insurance plan. Likely, your major medical coverage will not cover all of the costs associated with a cancer diagnosis. Cancer Insurance offers three different plan options for you to choose from.

Supplementing your major medical with cancer insurance may help you pay for related expenses, such as copays, deductibles, specialists, experimental treatment, cancer care hospitals, travel expenses, in-home care, and more. Premiums are paid through convenient payroll deduction to ensure your policy remains in force if you should need it. Benefits are paid directly to you, so you can choose how to spend the money.

This benefit offers a cancer screening/wellness benefit and the amount paid to you depends on which plan you enrolled in. Please see the plan summary for full coverage details, benefit schedules, and rates.

Benefit Highlights of American Fidelity Cancer Insurance

| PLAN OPTIONS | BASIC | ENHANCED | ENHANCED PLUS |
|--|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Radiation Therapy/Chemotherapy/ Immunotherapy* | \$10,000 | \$15,000 | \$15,000 |
| Administrative/Lab Work* | \$50 | \$75 | \$75 |
| Hormone Therapy* | \$50 | \$50 | \$50 |
| Blood, Plasma, and Platelets* | \$200 | \$300 | \$300 |
| Medical Imaging* | \$200 | \$300 | \$300 |
| Internal Cancer Diagnosis* | \$2,500 | \$5,000 | \$5,000 |
| Bone Marrow or Stem Cell Transplant* Patient Provided* Donor Provided* | \$500 \$1,500 | \$1,000 \$3,000 | \$1,500 \$4,500 |
| Dread Disease* Day 1-30 Day 31+ | \$100 \$200 | \$200 \$400 | \$300 \$600 |
| Donor Donation | \$1,000 | \$1,000 | \$1,000 |
| Inpatient Special Nursing Services | \$100 | \$200 | \$300 |

| PLAN OPTIONS | BASIC | ENHANCED | ENHANCED PLUS |
|---|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| 2nd & 3rd Surgical Opinion* | \$300 | \$300 | \$300 |
| Outpatient Hospital or Ambulatory Surgical Center* | \$200 | \$400 | \$600 |
| U.S. Government/Charity Hospital* | \$100 | \$200 | \$300 |
| Extended Care Facility* | \$100 | \$200 | \$300 |
| Home Health Care* | \$100 | \$200 | \$300 |
| Hospice Care* | \$100 | \$200 | \$300 |
| Ambulance Ground* Air* | \$200 \$2,000 | \$200 \$2,000 | \$200 \$2,000 |
| Drugs and Medicine Inpatient* Outpatient* | \$50 \$50 | \$100 \$50 | \$200 \$100 |
| Physical or Speech Therapy* | \$50 | \$50 | \$50 |
| Attending Physician* | \$50 | \$50 | \$50 |

| PLAN OPTIONS | BASIC | ENHANCED | ENHANCED PLUS |
|-----------------------------|--|--|--|
| Diagnostic and Prevention* | \$25 | \$50 | \$75 |
| Cancer Screening Follow-Up* | \$25 | \$50 | \$75 |
| Waiver of Premium* | After 90 days of continuous disability | After 90 days of continuous disability | After 90 days of continuous disability |

| COST PER PAYCHECK | BASIC | ENHANCED | PLUS |
|-------------------|---------|----------|---------|
| Employee Only | \$7.90 | \$12.13 | \$15.81 |
| Employee + Family | \$13.43 | \$20.63 | \$26.90 |

^{*}Please reference the plan documents for more details



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Disability Insurance

Have you ever wondered what would happen to your income if you had an accidental injury, sickness, or pregnancy? Disability insurance replaces a portion of income for the time you are unable to work due to those reasons. There are eight (8) different options for various waiting periods depending on your personal needs. Maternity is covered the same as illness. Benefits are paid regardless if you are still receiving paychecks from the District. Coverage is available in increments of \$100 from \$300 to \$8,000. Benefits are paid year-round, regardless of the employee's summer or holiday breaks.

The Standard also offers access to an Employee Assistance Program (EAP) specifically designed for employees who are enrolled in the disability benefit.

This benefit is a guaranteed issue and requires no medical underwriting. Please see the plan summary for full coverage details, benefit schedules, and rates.

Benefit Waiting Period

The benefit waiting period is the time that you must be continuously disabled before benefits become payable. Below are the waiting periods available:

- O days
- 14 days
- 30 days
- 60 days

First Day Hospital Benefit

If you are hospitalized on the first date of disability for at least 4 hours, charged room and board, and have elected the 14-day or 30-day elimination period, then benefits are payable on the first day of hospitalization.

Pre-Existing Condition Waiver

Benefits may be paid up to 30 days even if you have a pre-existing condition on elections of \$300 or more and you have elected the 14-day or 30-day benefit waiting period. See pre-existing condition exclusion and waiver for more information.

| DISABILITY COVERAGE | OPTION 1 |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| Starting Teacher Salary | \$51,000 |
| Monthly Benefits Paid | \$2,800 |
| Cost per paycheck | \$44.54 |
| | |
| DISABILITY COVERAGE | OPTION 8 |
| Starting Teacher Salary | OPTION 8 \$51,000 |
| | |

Options 1 - 4: Maximum Benefit Period of 5 years for Accident + 3 years for Sickness

Options 5 - 8: Maximum Benefit Period of To SSNRA for Sickness and Accident

Social Security Normal Retirement Age (SSNRA)



Flexible Spending Accounts (FSA)

Flexible Spending Accounts allow you to set aside a portion of your salary, before taxes, to pay for qualified medical or dependent care expenses. It's an IRS-approved program to help you save taxes and pay for out-of-pocket medical expenses not covered under your medical plan. Because that portion of your income is not taxed, you end up with more money in your pocket. An FSA comes with a grace period option, giving you additional time to incur and claim against unused funds in the new plan year. Keep in mind that remaining balances after the grace period is exhausted will be forfeited under the use-it-or-lose-it rule.

Note: If you are enrolled in the Health Savings Account (HSA), you can only enroll in the Dependent Care FSA plan, you must re-enroll every year. Please see the plan summary for full coverage details and benefits.

Through payroll deductions, you may set aside money on a pre-tax basis in a Flexible Spending Account and reduce taxable income. Employees may reimburse themselves for eligible expenses up to the maximums listed on the table. Some FSAs have limitations:

- Health Care FSA Account Reimburse for Medical, Dental & Vision.
- Dependent Care Account Reimburse for dependent care expenses.

| Account Type | Maximum Contributions* | Account Details |
|-----------------------|------------------------|---|
| Health Care FSA | \$3,300* | Used to pay for medical, dental or vision costs such as copays, co-insurance, deductibles, prescription expenses, lab exams and tests, contact lenses and eyeglasses. |
| Dependent Care FSA | \$5,000** | Used to pay for day care expenses associated with caring for elder or child dependents that are necessary for you or your spouse to work or attend school full-time. |



Health Care FSA Highlights:

- Contributions are automatically deducted from your paycheck on a pre-tax basis, which helps reduce your taxable income and increase your spendable income.
- Your full election will be available to you at the beginning of the plan year.
- Be conservative any money left in your account at the end of the plan year will be forfeited.
- Use your benefits card to pay for qualified expenses upfront so you don't have to spend money out of pocket.
- Keep all receipts in case you need to substantiate a claim for tax purposes.

Dependent Care FSA Highlights:

- Eligible dependents must be claimed as an exemption on your tax return.
- Eligible dependents must be children under age 13 or adult-dependent incapable of self-care.
- Contributions are not loaded upfront. Funds become available as contributions are made to your account.
- Keep all receipts in case you need to substantiate a claim for tax purposes.
- Balances will be forfeited at the end of the runoff or grace period.

Health Savings Account (HSA)

If you enroll in the HDHP HSA medical plan you may be eligible to open a Health Savings Account; see additional HSA eligibility requirements posted in TeamConnect. It works in conjunction with a qualified High Deductible Health Plan (HDHP) to combine tax-free savings earmarked for qualified medical expenses. HSAs allow you to deposit pre-tax dollars into your account, earn interest on a tax-free basis, and pay zero tax on qualified expenses. The money you save in this account allows you to pay for deductibles, copays, co-insurance, prescriptions, dental care, vision care, and more that are reserved for eligible medical expenses you incur in the future. You may use the funds to pay for current and future qualified expenses for yourself and eligible dependents. Best of all, unspent HSA dollars **roll over automatically every year**, you never lose the money even if you were to change to a non-HDHP plan or leave Bryan ISD.

Your pre-tax contributions are deducted from each paycheck and deposited into your HSA. Unlike other benefit elections, you may change your HSA contribution amount at any time during the plan year.

Note: If you are enrolled in the Health Savings Account (HSA), you must re-enroll every year. Please see the plan summary for full coverage details and benefits.

| 2025 Maximum Annual Contributions | Your Maximum Contributions | IRS Contribution Limits |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Employee Only | \$4,300 | \$4,300 |
| Employee + Dependents | \$8,550 | \$8,550 |
| Age 55+ Catch Up Contribution | \$1,000 | \$1,000 |



HSA Eligibility Requirements:

To be eligible to open and contribute towards a Health Savings Account, you **MUST** meet the following requirements:

- Be covered by Bryan ISD-qualified HDHP (HDHP HSA).
- NOT covered by another medical insurance plan that is not a qualified HDHP including:
 - Individual plan or your spouse's medical plan.
 - o Medicare / Medicaid.
 - o Tricare.
- NOT claimed as a dependent on someone else's tax return.
- You or your spouse cannot participate in a Healthcare Flexible Spending Account, only a Limited Purpose FSA.
- A Dependent Care FSA will NOT disqualify you from opening an HSA.

FSA vs. HSA - Know the Difference

It is important to understand the difference between an FSA and HSA. See the below chart for a comparison.

| | · | |
|-----------------------------------|---|--|
| | FSA | HSA |
| Summary | FSAs allow employees to pay for medical expenses (deductions, copays, and services not covered by their plan) tax-free. | HSAs are created at a financial institution in the employee's name and allow the employee to save and pay for medical expenses tax-free. It requires enrollment in a High Deductible Health Plan (HDHP). |
| Account Owner | Employer. | Employee. No effect if you change jobs or retire. |
| Who contributes? | You. | You. |
| Pre-tax contributions? | Yes. IRS Contribution Limits are as follows: \$3,300 Health Care FSA \$5,000 Dependent Care FSA | Yes. IRS Contribution Limits are as follows: \$4,300 Employee Only \$8,550 Employee + Dependents |
| Does interest accrue? | No. | Yes; Earnings grow tax-free. |
| Contributions | Money is deducted (pre-tax) from your salary every pay period. Additional individual contributions are NOT allowed. | Additional employee contributions up to the limit of \$4,300, if you enroll only yourself or \$8,550 if you enroll in coverage with dependents, ARE allowed. |
| Can I change my contribution? | Only for Qualifying Life Events, such as a marriage, divorce, birth, or during Open Enrollment. | Yes, at any time, by contacting Employee Benefits. |
| deposited | | Funds are available to use once they are deposited (per pay period for your contributions). |
| Eligible Expenses & Distributions | 213(d) medical expenses, dental, vision, and prescriptions. Cannot access it for non-medical reasons. Child Care expenses if Dependent Care (FSA) is elected. | 213(d) medical expenses, dental, vision, Medicare and LTC premiums, COBRA (if unemployed), health premiums at age 65, and may withdraw at any time for any reason (subject to 10% penalty and tax consequences). |
| Claims | First Financial (Administrator) must substantiate expenses. | Employee maintains supporting records. No employer or administrator is required. |
| Portability & Forfeiture | You lose any unspent money when employment ends or at the end of the year. | This account goes with you even if you leave Bryan ISD, and the unused funds roll over every year. |
| Expiration of Funds | The "Use it or Lose it" rule applies. All money in an FSA expires at the end of the plan year. | Money in your account never expires and is always your money. |





Hospital Indemnity Insurance

Planned or unplanned, a trip to the hospital can be scary. It can be even more frightening to know that your medical insurance probably won't cover all your costs. Group Hospital Indemnity insurance can help cover unexpected out-of-pocket expenses such as copays, deductibles, coinsurance, out-of-network charges, and everyday living expenses. It pays a benefit directly to you for hospital-related events, regardless of your treatment costs or other insurance coverage you may have. You'll receive a set amount each day you're hospitalized, up to a maximum of 30 days. And, if you are confined for more than 30 days, your premium payment will be waived until the last day of the month of your hospitalization.

This benefit is a guaranteed issue and requires no medical underwriting. Please see the plan summary for full coverage details, benefit schedules, and rates.

Here's how it works

Megan is out of town on a business trip when she experiences abdominal pain and racing heartbeat. Diagnosis: ruptured gastric ulcer. She is rushed to the hospital, admitted and taken into surgery. She ends up being hospitalized for 10 days, three of which are in a critical care unit.

Megan's husband leaves their two kids with their daycare provider and rushes to be at her side. The family now faces additional costs for travel and childcare. Please see the sample illustration to the right to see how this insurance helped Megan.

| PLAN OPTIONS | LOW PLAN | HIGH PLAN |
|---|-----------------------|--|
| Waiver of Premium | _ | are confined to a hospital han 30 days. |
| Hospital Admission (max. 1 per calendar year) | \$1,500 per admission | \$2,500 per admission |
| Daily Hospital Confinement (max. 30 days per year) | \$350 per day | \$400 per day |
| Daily Intensive Care Unit Confinement (max. 30 days per year) | \$400 per day | \$450 per day |

Important Note: All daily inpatient stay benefits begin on day two and count toward the plan year maximum.

SAMPLE OUT-OF-POCKET EXPENSES

| Medical plan deductible/coinsurance | \$3,000 |
|--|----------|
| Other non-medical expenses | |
| Travel expenses | |
| (flights, change fees, etc.) | \$350 |
| Childcare | \$500 |
| Total Expenses | \$4.225 |
| Total Expenses | \$4,325 |
| Benefit for: | |
| Hospital admission | \$1,500 |
| Hospital confinement | |
| (10 days x \$350 per day) | \$3,500 |
| CCU confinement | |
| (3 days x \$50 per day) | \$150 |
| Total paid to you | \$5,150 |
| Remaining Benefit for Other | |
| Expenses | \$825 |
| Costs are hypothetical. Actual costs will vary b | y state, |
| condition, treatments received and personal fa | ctors. |



| | HEALTH ASSESSMENT BENEFI | | HIGH PLAN |
|---|--|----------|-----------|
| ı | | LOW PLAN | HIGH PLAN |
| | Every year for you & covered dependent(s)* | \$50 | \$50 |

*Maximum 1 day per calendar year

| PLAN OPTIONS | COST PER PAYCHECK | |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------|
| TEAN OF HONO | LOW PLAN | HIGH PLAN |
| Employee Only | \$10.67 | \$14.99 |
| Employee + Spouse | \$20.30 | \$28.13 |
| Employee + Child(ren) | \$15.98 | \$22.42 |
| Employee + Family | \$28.14 | \$39.04 |

PURELIFE-Plus Individual Life Insurance

Providing a good life for your family is no easy task. However, what if something happened to you? Would your family be able to continue covering expenses you have today like mortgage payments, childcare, credit card payments, college tuition, and other lifestyle expenses? Have you thought about burial expenses or long-term care expenses like nursing homes or assisted living care? Don't worry many families would struggle, especially if the primary wage earner died. Few families can afford nursing home care without some type of financial assistance.

Texas Life's PURE**LIFE**-Plus helps protect you and your family if something happened to you. Your family can receive cash benefits paid directly to them upon your death. They can use the funds to help cover all of life's expenses. This permanent universal life insurance helps employees address their post-retirement life insurance needs because employees can purchase significant amount of life insurance at a reasonable cost during your working years, and thus, be able to afford the coverage after you retire.

This benefit is a guaranteed issue. Please see the plan summary for full coverage details, benefit schedules, and rates.

Coverage Amounts Available

| Insured | Issue Age | Minimum Amount | Maximum Amount |
|----------|--------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Employee | 17-34 | \$25,000 | \$300,000 |
| | 35-39 | \$15,000 | \$300,000 |
| | 40-49 | \$10,000 | \$300,000 |
| | 50-65 | \$10,000 | \$100,000 |
| | 66-70 | \$10,000 | \$10,000 |
| Spouse | 17-34 | \$25,000 | \$50,000 |
| | 35-39 | \$15,000 | \$50,000 |
| | 40-49 | \$10,000 | \$50,000 |
| | 50-60 | \$10,000 | \$25,000 |
| Children | 15 days - 26 years | \$25,000 | \$50,000 |

*Please reference the plan documents for more information

PURELIFE-Plus Plan Highlights:

TEXASLIFE INSURANCE

- Owner Benefits
 - Can help provide peace of mind in knowing your loved ones are protected.
 - The **affordability** of predictable premiums.
 - The security of long premium guarantees.*
 - The financial stability of a unique refund of premium provision.*
- Accelerated Death Benefit Due to Terminal Illness Rider You can receive 92% of your death benefit, if you're diagnosed as terminally ill.
- Accidental Death Benefit Rider Applicants can enroll in this option and your beneficiaries
 will receive double the death benefit if the insured dies within 180 days of an accident.*
- Accelerated Death Benefit for Chronic Illness Rider Applicants can enroll in this option and receive 92% of the death benefit, if you can't do two activities of daily living or severe cognitive impairment.

Life and AD&D Insurance - Voluntary

In addition to the employer-paid Basic Life and AD&D coverage, you have the option to purchase additional Voluntary Life and AD&D insurance to cover any gaps in your existing coverage that may be a result of age reduction schedules, cost of living, existing financial obligations, etc. Plan amounts are offered in tiers so you can choose the amount of coverage that works best for you and your family. Because it's a group plan premiums are typically lower, so it's more affordable to gain the peace of mind that life insurance provides.

Bryan ISD makes it possible for you to protect your loved ones by offering you term life insurance from The Standard. We have enhanced your benefits package, allowing employees to enroll in \$10,000 increments up to 5x your annual earnings to a maximum of \$500,000. Spouses can enroll in \$5,000 increments up to 50% of your elections. Your dependents can get \$10,000 in coverage.

This benefit is a guaranteed issue and requires no medical underwriting for all new hires up to \$300,000. Please see the plan summary for full coverage details, benefit schedules, and rates.

What is available for coverage

| Voluntary Life and AD&D | | | |
|--|-----------|--|--|
| Employee | | | |
| Benefit Increments | \$10,000 | | |
| Benefit Maximum | \$500,000 | | |
| Guaranteed Issue* | \$300,000 | | |
| Spouse | | | |
| Benefit Maximum | \$250,000 | | |
| Guaranteed Issue* | \$100,000 | | |
| Children | | | |
| Benefit Maximum | \$10,000 | | |
| Guaranteed Issue* | \$10,000 | | |
| *Guarantee Issue (GI) available for new hires during their initial 31 day enrollment period. Amounts over the GI will require to submit an Evidence of Insurability (EOI). NOTE: The above coverage will begin to decrease to 50% at age 75. See plan highlights for details. | | | |



| LIFE & AD&D INSURANCE | EXAMPLE |
|--|------------------|
| Employee Age Range | 30-34 |
| Total Death Benefit Elected | \$150,000 |
| Cost per paycheck | \$6.75 |
| | |
| LIFE & AD&D INSURANCE | EXAMPLE |
| LIFE & AD&D INSURANCE Employee Age Range | EXAMPLE 30-34 |
| | |

\$13.50

Life and AD&D Plan Highlights:

• Accidental Death & Dismemberment (AD&D) - Provides coverage for covered accidental bodily injury that directly causes dismemberment.

Cost per paycheck

- Accelerated Death Benefit Provides an option to withdraw 80% of your life insurance coverage
 when diagnosed as terminally ill.
- **Guarantee Issue** For timely entrants enrolled within 31 days of becoming eligible, the guarantee issue amount is available without any Evidence of Insurability requirement.
- **Conversion** If you end employment with the District, you can convert all or part of the coverage amount in force to an individual life policy without any Evidence of Insurability.
- **Waiver of Premium -** Allows you to waive premium payments if you become critically ill, seriously injured, or physically impaired. Eligible to age 60.

iLock360 Identity Theft Protection

Comprehensive identity theft protection and credit monitoring service from iLock360 helps safeguard your finances, credit, and good name. In today's always-connected world, that's more important than ever. You're at risk every time you bank online, search, shop, text, or tweet. iLock360 helps stop identity fraud before the damage can be done, and if you do become a victim, they know exactly what to do. iLock360 protects you in ways that you can't protect yourself.

Please see the plan summary for full coverage details, benefit schedules, and rates.

iLock360 Offers 3 Layers of Protection:

- **Defend** Go ahead, and live free knowing iLock360 is searching over a trillion data points every day looking for potential threats to your identity 24/7/365.
- **Protect** When iLock360 finds something suspicious, they will let you know of potential threats for immediate action.
- **Restore** If you do become a victim, iLock360 will handle your case every step of the way. iLock360 will spend up to \$1 million to hire the experts necessary to restore your good name.

| PLAN FEATURES | Basic | Plus | Premium |
|---|----------|-----------|------------|
| CyberAlert™monitors: 1 - Social Security Number 2 - Phone Numbers 2 - Email Addresses 5 - Credit/Debit Cards • 2 - Medical ID Numbers 5 - Bank Accounts 1 - Drivers License Number 1 - Passport | √ | // | ✓ ✓ |
| Change of Address Monitoring | | | |
| Court/Criminal Records | | / | |
| Sex Offender Alerts | | / | |
| Payday Loan Monitoring | | / | / |
| Lost Wallet Protection | | / | / |
| Full-service Identity Theft Restoration | | // | // |
| \$1M Identity Theft Insurance | | / | / |
| Social Security Number Trace | | // | /// |
| Daily monitoring of Experian Credit Bureau | | / | / |
| Daily monitoring of TransUnion Credit Bureau | | | / |
| Daily monitoring of Equifax Credit Bureau | | | |
| ScoreTracker | | | / |

✓ children up to age 18

| PLAN OPTIONS | Basic | Plus | Premium |
|-----------------------|---------------|---------|---------|
| Employee Only | District Paid | \$4.00 | \$7.50 |
| Employee + Spouse | | \$7.50 | \$11.00 |
| Employee + Child(ren) | | \$6.50 | \$10.00 |
| Employee + Family | | \$10.00 | \$13.50 |



All district employees receive districtpaid Basic coverage that includes only CyberAlert.

Plans with children include coverage for up to 10 children. Eligible children up to age 18. Rates reflect cost per paycheck.

^{*}Table above reflects per paycheck amounts*

Retirement Savings Program

Bryan ISD offers three retirement savings plans - a mandatory retirement plan "TRS", a Voluntary 403(b) Retirement Plan and a Voluntary 457 Deferred Compensation Plan administered through TCG Administrators. All retirement plans offer an easy way to save for your future through payroll deductions.

TRS Mandatory Retirement Plan (800) 223-8778

www.trs.texas.gov

Voluntary 403(b) Plan (800) 943-9179 http://region10rams.org Voluntary 457 Plan (800) 943-9179 http://region10rams.org

TRS Mandatory Retirement Plan

TRS

All personnel employed regularly for at least four and one-half months are members of the Teacher Retirement System of Texas (TRS). A substitute not receiving TRS service retirement benefits who work at least 90 days a year is eligible to purchase a year of creditable service in TRS. TRS provides members with an annual statement of their account showing all deposits and the total account balance for the year ending August 31, as well as an estimate of their retirement benefits.

Employees who plan to retire under TRS should notify TRS as soon as possible. Information on the application procedures for TRS benefits is available from TRS at their offices located at Teacher Retirement System of Texas, 1000 Red River Street, Austin, Tx 78701-2698, or call 800-223-8778 or 512-542-6400. TRS information is also available on the web (www.trs.texas.gov). For more information see Employment after Retirement in Texas Public Schools.

Voluntary 403(b) Retirement Plan

Public school employees have the option to enter into a tax-sheltered 403(b) retirement plan. Enrollment in this plan can be done anytime during the year. Contributions to 403(b) plans are made available through payroll deductions. The IRS limits the amount that employees can contribute to their retirement plans. A key advantage to a 403(b) retirement plan includes faster vesting of funds and the ability to make additional catch-up contributions. Bryan ISD makes it possible for you to choose from over twenty different investment vendors to invest with.

Voluntary 457 Retirement Plan

Public school employees have the option to enter into a tax-sheltered 457 retirement plan. Enrollment in this plan can be done anytime during the year. An important advantage of a 457 plan is that any contributions made through payroll deductions are NOT subject to the 10% early distribution penalty tax for payments received under age 59 1/2. Any assets rolled from another type of retirement plan such as a 401(a), 401(k), or IRA, become subject to the 10% early distribution penalty tax for payments received under age 59 1/2.

403(b) vs. 457(b) - Know the Difference

It is important to understand the difference between an 403(b) and 457(b). See the below chart for a comparison.

| | 403(b) | 4 57(b) |
|---|--|--|
| Contribution Maximum Limits | 2025: \$23,000; \$30,500 age 50+ | 2025: \$23,000; \$30,500 age 50+ |
| Contributions Tax Credit | Up to \$1,000 (\$2,000 if filing jointly) | Up to \$1,000 (\$2,000 if filing jointly) |
| Early Withdrawal Penalty Tax? | 10% unless qualified exception. | None. |
| Investment Options | Fixed/Variable interest annuities or mutual funds/custodial accounts. | Managed allocations or self-directed mutual funds. |
| Employer Investment Oversight | No. | Yes, managed by TCG Advisors and Investment Advisory Committee (comprised of superintendents & CFO's). |
| Distribution Restrictions | Funds can be requested upon: • Age 59 1/2 • Age 55 and/or leaving employer • Disability • Death • Financial Hardship | Funds can be requested upon: • Age 59 1/2 • Separation from employer • Disability • Death • Unforeseeable emergency |
| Financial Hardship/ Unforessable Emergency Distributions | Qualified for the following causes: • Medical care • Foreclosure/eviction • Tuition payment • Buying a home • Funeral costs • Home repair costs • Disaster relief | Must be an unforeseeable Emergency. Can include the following criteria is met: • Medical expenses • Funeral expenses • Foreclosure/eviction • Certain hurricanes and natural disasters |
| Loans | Permitted; loans from all qualified plans limited to the lesser of \$50,000 or 50% of vested account balance. | Permitted; loans from all qualified plans limited to the lesser of \$50,000 or 50% of vested account balance. |
| Required Minimum Distributions | RMD rules apply at age 72 or later, severance from service, or after death. | RMD rules apply at age 72 or later, severance from service, or after death. |



Schedule a TeleWealth Meeting www.tcgservices.com/Dzucconi

For extended hours or weekends, please email dzucconi@tcgservices.com or call 210-900-9322





COBRA

Life is full of unexpected events that may impact your health insurance coverage. Under the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act, better known as COBRA, you have the right to continue your group medical coverage such as medical, dental, and vision insurance for a limited time.

Medical & Dental - BCBSTX

(866) 859-5209

www.bcbstx.com

Vision - UnitedHealthCare

(800) 638-3120

www.myuhcvision.com

COBRA Highlights:

- Temporary continuation of coverage that generally lasts for 18 months due to employment termination or reduction of hours of work, divorce, death or a child no longer qualifying as a dependent. Certain qualifying events, or a second qualifying event during the initial period of coverage, may permit a beneficiary to receive a maximum of 36 months of coverage.
- Either you or your family member is responsible for notifying Employee Benefits of a divorce, legal separation, or child losing dependent status within 60 days of the event. In the case of termination, death, or reduction in hours, Employee Benefits will be responsible for letting the provider know that you have the right to continue coverage under COBRA.
- Benefits will remain identical to what you had while employed. However, you will be responsible for paying the full premium, plus any applicable fees.

Employees with questions or concerns regarding COBRA benefits should contact Employee Benefits at 979-209-1092

Workers' Compensation

Bryan ISD provides coverage for treatment and cares for on-the-job injuries and illnesses per the Texas Workers' Compensation Act. If you have an on-the-job injury or illness, it must be reported immediately by the employee to their principal or supervisor. Employees shall be provided appropriate medical attention as soon as possible.

Under the Texas Workers' Compensation Act employees are allowed 30 days to notify his/her principal or supervisor of an occupational injury or illness. An injured employee must report the injury as soon as possible to be eligible for Bryan ISD Temporary Income Benefits (TIBs).

Temporary Income Benefits (TIBs) pay for the first 40 hours of work time lost due to an occupational injury. Workers' Compensation benefits are not paid until the eighth day of lost time.

Injury Treatment

Injured employees have the freedom to choose where they seek care, however, the provider must accept workers' compensation insurance to be seen for care. Bryan ISD attempts to send all injured employees to Nova Medical Centers located at 2011 South Texas Ave., Bryan, Texas 77802. Injured employees are encouraged to call ahead at 979-599-5900 to let the provider's staff know you are enroute. If the injury is minor and can be treated there, the Medical Center provider will treat the injury. If the injury is more serious, the staff will provide direction and refer you to an authorized health physician or appropriate specialist.

Payment for Injury Treatment

Injured employees DO NOT PAY for medical treatment received under Workers' Compensation. You will NEVER receive a copay under Workers' Compensation insurance. All bills are paid by Bryan ISD through a Third-Party Administrator - Sedgwick, per the Texas Workers' Compensation Act for all treatment that is considered reasonable and necessary under Texas law. The office of the treating provider should obtain verification and billing information from Risk Management. The bills for services received should never be sent directly to the injured employee. If you receive a bill, contact Risk Management immediately.

Prescriptions

When an injured employee is given a prescription by a treating provider, the employee must go to a pharmacy that accepts Workers' Compensation. The pharmacy can call Risk Management for verification and billing information.

Modified Duty / Return-To-Work Program

Bryan ISD has a governed Return-To-Work Program. If you are unable to do your regular job duties, we have temporarily limited job duties that will be assigned while you are recovering from your injury. Your physician will evaluate whether it is medically appropriate for you to participate in the District's Modified Duty / Return-To-Work Program.

Required Notices



Health Insurance Marketplace Coverage Options and Your Health Coverage

Form Approved OMB No. 1210-0149 (expires 12-31-2026)

PART A: General Information

Even if you are offered health coverage through your employment, you may have other coverage options through the Health Insurance Marketplace ("Marketplace"). To assist you as you evaluate options for you and your family, this notice provides some basic information about the Health Insurance Marketplace and health coverage offered through your employment.

What is the Health Insurance Marketplace?

The Marketplace is designed to help you find health insurance that meets your needs and fits your budget. The Marketplace offers "one-stop shopping" to find and compare private health insurance options in your geographic area.

Can I Save Money on my Health Insurance Premiums in the Marketplace?

You may qualify to save money and lower your monthly premium and other out-of-pocket costs, but only if your employer does not offer coverage, or offers coverage that is not considered affordable for you and doesn't meet certain minimum value standards (discussed below). The savings that you're eligible for depends on your household income. You may also be eligible for a tax credit that lowers your costs.

Does Employment-Based Health Coverage Affect Eligibility for Premium Savings through the Marketplace?

Yes. If you have an offer of health coverage from your employer that is considered affordable for you and meets certain minimum value standards, you will not be eligible for a tax credit, or advance payment of the tax credit, for your Marketplace coverage and may wish to enroll in your employment-based health plan. However, you may be eligible for a tax credit, and advance payments of the credit that lowers your monthly premium, or a reduction in certain cost-sharing, if your employer does not offer coverage to you at all or does not offer coverage that is considered affordable for you or meet minimum value standards. If your share of the premium cost of all plans offered to you through your employment is more than 9.12%² of your annual household income, or if the coverage through your employment does not meet the "minimum value" standard set by the Affordable Care Act, you may be eligible for a tax credit, and advance payment of the credit, if you do not enroll in the employment-based health coverage. For family members of the employee, coverage is considered affordable if the employee's cost of premiums for the lowest-cost plan that would cover all family members does not exceed 9.12% of the employee's household income.¹²

Note: If you purchase a health plan through the Marketplace instead of accepting health coverage offered through your employment, then you may lose access to whatever the employer contributes to the employment-based coverage. Also, this employer contribution -as well as your employee contribution to employment-based coverage- is generally excluded from income for federal and state income tax purposes. Your payments for coverage through the Marketplace are made on an after-tax basis. In addition, note that if the health coverage offered through your employment does not meet the affordability or minimum value standards, but you accept that coverage anyway, you will not be eligible for a tax credit. You should consider all of these factors in determining whether to purchase a health plan through the Marketplace.

³ Indexed annually; see https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-drop/rp-22-34.pdf for 2023.

² An employer-sponsored or other employment-based health plan meets the "minimum value standard" if the plan's share of the total allowed benefit costs covered by the plan is no less than 60 percent of such costs. For purposes of eligibility for the premium tax credit, to meet the "minimum value standard," the health plan must also provide substantial coverage of both inpatient hospital services and physician services.

Required Notices

When Can I Enroll in Health Insurance Coverage through the Marketplace?

You can enroll in a Marketplace health insurance plan during the annual Marketplace Open Enrollment Period. Open Enrollment varies by state but generally starts November 1 and continues through at least December 15.

Outside the annual Open Enrollment Period, you can sign up for health insurance if you qualify for a Special Enrollment Period. In general, you qualify for a Special Enrollment Period if you've had certain qualifying life events, such as getting married, having a baby, adopting a child, or losing eligibility for other health coverage. Depending on your Special Enrollment Period type, you may have 60 days before or 60 days following the qualifying life event to enroll in a Marketplace plan.

There is also a Marketplace Special Enrollment Period for individuals and their families who lose eligibility for Medicaid or Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) coverage on or after March 31, 2023, through July 31, 2024. Since the onset of the nationwide COVID-19 public health emergency, state Medicaid and CHIP agencies generally have not terminated the enrollment of any Medicaid or CHIP beneficiary who was enrolled on or after March 18, 2020, through March 31, 2023. As state Medicaid and CHIP agencies resume regular eligibility and enrollment practices, many individuals may no longer be eligible for Medicaid or CHIP coverage starting as early as March 31, 2023. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services is offering a temporary Marketplace Special Enrollment period to allow these individuals to enroll in Marketplace coverage.

Marketplace-eligible individuals who live in states served by HealthCare.gov and either- submit a new application or update an existing application on HealthCare.gov between March 31, 2023 and July 31, 2024, and attest to a termination date of Medicaid or CHIP coverage within the same time period, are eligible for a 60-day Special Enrollment Period. That means that if you lose Medicaid or CHIP coverage between March 31, 2023, and July 31, 2024, you may be able to enroll in Marketplace coverage within 60 days of when you lost Medicaid or CHIP coverage. In addition, if you or your family members are enrolled in Medicaid or CHIP coverage, it is important to make sure that your contact information is up to date to make sure you get any information about changes to your eligibility. To learn more, visit HealthCare.gov or call the Marketplace Call Center at 1-800-318-2596. TTY users can call 1-855-889-4325.

What about Alternatives to Marketplace Health Insurance Coverage?

If you or your family are eligible for coverage in an employment-based health plan (such as an employer-sponsored health plan), you or your family may also be eligible for a Special Enrollment Period to enroll in that health plan in certain circumstances, including if you or your dependents were enrolled in Medicaid or CHIP coverage and lost that coverage. Generally, you have 60 days after the loss of Medicaid or CHIP coverage to enroll in an employment-based health plan, but if you and your family lost eligibility for Medicaid or CHIP coverage between March 31, 2023 and July 10, 2023, you can request this special enrollment in the employment-based health plan through September 8, 2023. Confirm the deadline with your employer or your employment-based health plan.

Alternatively, you can enroll in Medicaid or CHIP coverage at any time by filling out an application through the Marketplace or applying directly through your state Medicaid agency. Visit https://www.healthcare.gov/medicaid-chip/getting-medicaid-chip/ for more details.

How Can I Get More Information?

For more information about your coverage offered through your employment, please check your health plan's summary plan description or contact

Bryan ISD Employee Benefits 979-209-1092

The Marketplace can help you evaluate your coverage options, including your eligibility for coverage through the Marketplace and its cost. Please visit HealthCare.gov for more information, including an online application for health insurance coverage and contact information for a Health Insurance Marketplace in your area.

Required Notices

PART B: Information About Health Coverage Offered by Your Employer

This section contains information about any health coverage offered by your employer. If you decide to complete an application for coverage in the Marketplace, you will be asked to provide this information. This information is numbered to correspond to the Marketplace application.

| 3. Employer name | 4. 1 | employer Ident | ification Number (EIN) | |
|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|--|
| Bryan Independent School District | | 74-6000439 | | |
| 5. Employer address | | Employer phon | ne number | |
| 801 S Ennis St. | | 979-209-1000 | | |
| 7. City | 8. State | | 9. ZIP code | |
| Paran | TX | | 77803 | |
| Bryan 10. Who can we contact about employee health coverage at this job? | 1 1/ | | 17603 | |
| Assistant Director of Risk Management & Benefits - Michael Stires | | | | |
| 11 51 1 15 156 156 15 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 | nichael.stires@t | orvanisd.org | | |
| Here is some basic information about health coverage offered by this employe As your employer, we offer a health plan to: All employees. Eligible employees are: | | | | |
| Active, regular full-time employee working at leas | st 20 hours | a week. | | |
| Some employees. Eligible employees are: | | | | |
| With respect to dependents: X We do offer coverage. Eligible dependents are: | | | | |
| Legal spouse and child(ren) up to age 26. | | | | |
| ☐ We do not offer coverage. | | | | |
| If checked, this coverage meets the minimum value standard, and the cos affordable, based on employee wages. | st of this cov | erage to you is | s intended to be | |
| ** Even if your employer intends your coverage to be affordable, yo through the Marketplace. The Marketplace will use your househo determine whether you may be eligible for a premium discount. I week (perhaps you are an hourly employee or you work on a com year, or if you have other income losses, you may still qualify for a | old income, f, for examp mission bas | along with othe ple, your wages sis), if you are n | er factors, to s vary from week to | |

If you decide to shop for coverage in the Marketplace, HealthCare.gov will guide you through the process. Here's the employer information you'll enter when you visit HealthCare.gov to find out if you can get a tax credit to lower your monthly premiums.



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This employee benefits guide summarizes the benefit plans that are available to Bryan ISD eligible employees and their dependents. Official plan documents, policies and certificates of insurance contain the details, conditions, maximum benefit levels and restrictions on benefits. These documents govern your benefits program. If there is any conflict, the official documents prevail this benefits guide. These documents are available upon request through the Employee Benefits and Risk Management Department. Information provided in this benefits guide is not a guarantee of benefits.