

# SFUSD Employees 2014 Health Benefits



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# What's New 2014

## There are no changes to HSS medical plans or covered services in 2014.

### 2014 Health Benefits

**Medical and Vision.** Good news! There are no changes to medical plans or covered services in 2014.

- Same medical and vision plans
- Same covered medical and vision services
- No increase in plan co-pays, deductibles or out-of-pocket maximums.

**Same-Sex Married Couples.** As of June 26, 2013 all married couples enrolled in HSS plans have pre-tax coverage for eligible family members. (Domestic partner health benefits are still taxed as imputed income.) See page 27.

**No Maximums on Transgender Medical Services.** Per California's Gender Nondiscrimination Act (IGNA) beginning in 2014 there is no lifetime maximum dollar limit for transgender outpatient visits and outpatient surgery. Check your plan contract (EOC) for details.

**City Health Plan Optum Rx.** In September 2013, City Health Plan prescription benefits switched to Optum Rx. If you are enrolled in City Health Plan, be sure to use the new medical ID card sent to City Plan enrollees in fall 2013 by UnitedHealthcare.

### HSS Is Moving!

In December 2013 HSS will be re-locating to the third floor offices of 1145 Market Street. (HSS is currently on the second floor at the same address.) Members can still easily visit HSS by taking public transportation to Civic Center.

This move will allow HSS to better serve our members.

- New consulting rooms where members will meet with HSS Benefit Analysts.
- Improved and more easily accessible restroom facilities for HSS members.
- Expanded floor space for additional staff, including data analytics and vendor management personnel, who will help HSS effectively manage health premium costs.



**New HSS Wellness Center.** An HSS Wellness Center will also be opening in the first quarter of 2014 on the ground floor of 1145 Market Street. The center will provide classes and workshops to assist employees in maintaining good health. Watch for updates on [myhss.org](http://myhss.org).

### 2013 Open Enrollment

Open Enrollment takes place October 1-31, 2013. Any benefit election changes will be effective January 1, 2014. During Open Enrollment SFUSD members can:

- Change medical plan elections.
- Add or drop dependents from medical coverage.

### Premiums Change in 2014.

Medical premium contributions will change, effective January 1, 2014. See pages 33–35 for 2014 premium contributions.

### Applications Due October 31.

Completed Open Enrollment applications must be received at HSS by 5:30PM, October 31, 2013. Deliver Open Enrollment applications in person, by mail or by fax. The HSS fax is (415) 554-1721.

### Medical and Vision Benefit Elections Roll Forward.

If you do not make changes during 2013 Open Enrollment, your current HSS plan choices and the eligible dependents you have covered will remain the same in 2014.

# Healthcare Reform 2014

## Healthcare Reform 2014

Healthcare reform will provide more Americans with access to health insurance. Provisions which take effect in 2014 include:

**Guaranteed Issue.** Health plans cannot deny coverage or charge an individual higher premiums due to pre-existing condition or disability.

**Individual Mandate.** Almost all American citizens over the age of 18 must have health insurance or pay a federal penalty.

**Health Insurance Marketplaces.** By October 1, 2013 each state will open an insurance marketplace (or exchange), where uninsured or under-insured individuals can purchase health insurance, with coverage to begin January 2014.

**Individual Subsidies.** Individuals who purchase insurance through a state marketplace may qualify for a federal tax credit to help pay for premiums if household income is between 100% and 400% of the federal poverty level.

**Individual Penalties.** Federal penalties for individuals without health insurance will be phased in. In 2014, the penalty per person will be 1% of annual income, or \$95, whichever is greater. By 2016, the penalty will be 2.5% of income or \$695, whichever is greater.

**Medicaid Expansion.** Healthcare reform provides for an expansion of Medicaid for many people across

## The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act is a federal law passed in 2010 to provide insurance for more Americans.

the country who are at or below federal poverty levels and aren't currently eligible. In California see [medi-cal.ca.gov](http://medi-cal.ca.gov).

### Healthcare Reform Provisions Already in Effect

The following key healthcare reform provisions are currently in effect.

- No cost to patient for many preventive services
- Coverage for children up to age 26
- No lifetime maximums
- Increased Medicare payroll taxes for higher income individuals

### Covered California

Covered California is the state insurance marketplace created under federal healthcare reform.

### Waiving Employer Premium

**Contributions.** SFUSD employees and family members who live in California may purchase insurance through Covered California. But review your options carefully. An individual eligible for HSS medical coverage who purchases insurance through Covered California:

- must be disenrolled from HSS medical coverage
- gives up the employer contribution that helps pay HSS medical plan premiums
- is not eligible for federal subsidy

Also, HSS will not be able to assist members or dependents enrolled in a Covered California plan or be a member advocate in resolving any plan grievances.

### Ineligible For HSS Coverage.

Individuals who are not eligible for HSS coverage, such as a child over age 26, a grandchild, or an ex-spouse or domestic partner, should consider obtaining health insurance through Covered California.

Individuals and families with low incomes who do not have access to employer-sponsored coverage may qualify for a federal premium tax credit and/or cost sharing reductions when purchasing insurance through Covered California.

### Enrolling in Covered California.

Covered California begins enrollment in October 2013, with coverage effective January 2014.

**Contact Covered California.** For information about Covered California health plans, call 1-888-975-1142 or visit [coveredca.com](http://coveredca.com).



## Medical Benefits Administered By HSS

The Health Service System offers these medical plan options to eligible SFUSD employees and family members.

### Health Maintenance Organization (HMO)

An HMO is a medical plan that offers benefits through a network of participating physicians, hospitals, and other healthcare providers. For non-emergency care, you access service through your PCP (Primary Care Physician) or an affiliated urgent care center. You do not pay a deductible before accessing benefits, and co-pays at the point of service are set at a contracted rate. This helps to limit out-of-pocket costs. HSS offers the following HMO plans:

- **Blue Shield of California HMO**
- **Kaiser Permanente HMO**

### Preferred Provider Organization (PPO)

A PPO is a medical plan that offers benefits through in-network and out-of-network healthcare providers. (Out-of-network providers will cost you more.) You are not assigned to a Primary Care Physician, so you have more responsibility for coordinating your care. Compared to an HMO, enrolling in a PPO usually results in higher out-of-pocket costs. You must pay a plan year deductible. You also pay a coinsurance percentage each time you access service. Because City Health Plan PPO is a self-insured plan, individual premiums are determined by the total cost of services used by the plan's group of participants. HSS offers the following PPO plan:

- **City Health Plan PPO**  
(UnitedHealthcare Choice Plus)

### How To Enroll In Medical Benefits

Eligible full-time employees must enroll in an HSS medical plan within 30 calendar days of their start work date. (Eligible temporary employees see page 22.) Submit a completed enrollment application and eligibility documentation to HSS. If you do not enroll by required deadlines, you can only apply during Open Enrollment or due to a qualifying event. (See page 24). Coverage will start the first day of the coverage period after eligibility has been approved by HSS. Verify the date coverage will start with HSS when you enroll. Once enrolled, you must pay all required employee premium contributions. Review your paycheck to make sure correct deductions are being taken.

HSS does not guarantee the continued participation of any particular doctor, hospital or medical group in a medical plan. You cannot change your benefit elections because a doctor, hospital or medical group chooses not to participate. You will be assigned or required to select another provider.

The Evidence of Coverage (EOC) contains a complete list of benefits and exclusions in effect for each plan from January to December 2014. Review your EOC for plan details. If any discrepancy exists between the information provided in this guide and the EOC, the EOC will prevail. Download plan EOCs at [myhss.org](http://myhss.org).

### Change of Address?

If you move out of the service area covered by your plan, you must elect an alternate medical plan that provides coverage in your area. Failure to change your health benefit elections may result in the non-payment of claims for services received.

# Medical Plan Service Areas

County	Blue Shield HMO	Kaiser Permanente HMO
Alameda	■	■
Alpine		
Calaveras		
Contra Costa	■	■
Madera	■	○
Marin	■	■
Mariposa		○
Merced	■	
Mono		
Napa		○
Sacramento	■	■
San Francisco	■	■
San Joaquin	■	■
San Mateo	■	■
Santa Clara	■	○
Santa Cruz	■	
Solano	■	■
Sonoma	■	○
Stanislaus	■	■
Tuolumne		
Yolo	■	○
Outside of California	Urgent/ER Care Only	Urgent/ER Care Only

■ = Available in this county.      ○ = Available in some zip codes; verify your zip code with the plan to confirm availability.

To enroll in a Blue Shield or Kaiser Permanente HMO, you must reside in a zip code serviced by the plan. City Health Plan PPO does not have any service area requirements. If you do not see your county listed above, contact the medical plan to see if service is available to you:

Blue Shield of California: 1-800-642-6155

Kaiser Permanente: 1-800-464-4000

# Choosing Your Medical Plan

## PPO VS. HMO

	Blue Shield HMO	Kaiser Permanente HMO	City Health Plan PPO
Must I select a PCP (Primary Care Physician)?	You can choose your PCP after you enroll, or Blue Shield will assign.	You can choose your PCP after you enroll, or Kaiser will assign.	No PCP– you have more responsibility for coordinating care.
Am I required to use the plan’s contracted network of service providers?	Yes. Services must be received from the contracted network.	Yes. Services must be received from Kaiser.	No, but out-of-network providers will cost you more.
Is my access to hospitals and specialists determined by my PCP’s medical group?	Yes. PCP referrals to specialists and hospitals will be determined by medical group affiliation.	Yes. All services must be received from a Kaiser facility.	No
Do I have to pay an annual deductible?	No	No	Yes
Do I have to file claim forms?	No	No	Only if you use an out-of-network provider.

### Blue Shield of California: Choosing a Primary Care Physician (PCP) and Medical Group

If you enroll in Blue Shield, carefully review your choice of Primary Care Physician. Your PCP affects the network of providers and hospitals that will provide your care. You can change your PCP by calling Blue Shield at 1-800-642-6155.

### Blue Shield Provider Networks in San Francisco

PCP Medical Group	Affiliated Hospitals
Hill Physicians <a href="http://hillphysicians.com">hillphysicians.com</a>	UCSF Medical Center
	St. Francis Memorial Hospital
	St. Mary’s Medical Center
Brown & Toland <a href="http://brownandtoland.com">brownandtoland.com</a>	California Pacific Medical Center (CPMC)
Chinese Community Health Care Association <a href="http://cchca.com">cchca.com</a>	Chinese Hospital

For more information about Blue Shield physicians and medical groups, including PCPs outside of San Francisco, visit: [blueshieldca.com/fap/](http://blueshieldca.com/fap/).

# Tips to Improve Care and Reduce Costs

## 1 Mail Order Prescriptions

Mail order prescriptions can save you 30-50% on co-pays, plus there's no trip to the pharmacy. In most cases you can easily order prescription refills by phone or online. Register and get started.

### Blue Shield

Call Blue Shield's online pharmacy partner PrimeMail at 1-866-346-7200

-or-

Log into [blueshieldca.com](http://blueshieldca.com), select the Pharmacy tab, then click Mail-Service Prescriptions

### Kaiser

Call 1-888-218-6245

-or-

Log in to Kaiser online: [kp.org/rxrefill](http://kp.org/rxrefill)

### City Health Plan

Call Optum Rx at 1-866-282-0125

-or-

Log in online: [optumrx.org](http://optumrx.org)

## 2 Nurselines

Not sure if you need to see a doctor? Need health advice after hours? There is no cost to call a nurseline.

### Blue Shield

Blue Shield NurseHelp: 1-877-304-0504

-or-

Brown & Toland patients  
Ask-A-Nurse:  
1-855-423-9974

### Kaiser

San Francisco Nurse Advice:  
415-833-2200

-or-

Other locations call:  
1-800-464-4000

### City Health Plan

UnitedHealthcare Nurseline:  
1-800-846-4678

## 3 Urgent Care Centers

Need to see a doctor on weekends or during evening hours? If it's not a life-threatening emergency, consider visiting an urgent care center instead of your local hospital emergency room. That will mean a shorter wait time and lower co-pay for you.

Kaiser patients in San Francisco call 415-833-2200. For other locations call 1-800-464-4000.

Brown & Toland patients in San Francisco call 415-876-5762 or visit [brownandtoland.com/afterhourscares](http://brownandtoland.com/afterhourscares).

Hill Physicians patients in San Francisco call 415-353-2602. For other locations visit [hillphysicians.com](http://hillphysicians.com).

## 4 Chronic Condition? Follow Your Doctor's Orders

Based on national data, only 50% of patients follow doctor's orders for managing chronic conditions. If you have a diagnosis of diabetes, heart disease, arthritis, HIV or another chronic condition, make sure you follow your doctor's advice about medication, diet and exercise. This could help you avoid serious complications and hospitalizations.

# Medical Plan Benefits-at-a-Glance

	blue of california	KAISER PERMANENTE®	CITY HEALTH PLAN (UnitedHealthcare Choice Plus)		
			In-Network Providers	Out-of-Network Providers*	Out-of-Area Providers*
<b>DEDUCTIBLES</b>					
Deductible and out-of-pocket maximum	No deductible Plan year out-of-pocket maximum \$2,000/individual; \$4,000 family	No deductible Plan year out-of-pocket maximum \$1,500/person; \$3,000 family	\$250 deductible employee only \$500 deductible + 1 \$750 deductible + 2 or more Plan year out-of-pocket maximum \$3,750/person	\$250 deductible employee only \$500 deductible + 1 \$750 deductible + 2 or more Plan year out-of-pocket maximum \$7,500/person	\$250 deductible employee only \$500 deductible + 1 \$750 deductible + 2 or more Plan year out-of-pocket maximum \$3,750/person
<b>PREVENTIVE CARE</b>					
Routine physical	No charge	No charge	100% covered no deductible	50% covered after deductible	100% covered no deductible
Immunizations and inoculations	No charge	No charge	100% covered no deductible	50% covered after deductible	100% covered no deductible
Routine gynecologic wellness exam	No charge	No charge	100% covered no deductible	50% covered after deductible	100% covered no deductible
Well baby care	No charge	No charge	100% covered no deductible	50% covered after deductible	100% covered no deductible
<b>PHYSICIAN &amp; OTHER PROVIDER CARE</b>					
Office and home visits	\$25 co-pay	\$20 co-pay	85% covered after deductible	50% covered after deductible	85% covered after deductible
Hospital visits	No charge	No charge	85% covered after deductible	50% covered after deductible	85% covered after deductible
<b>PRESCRIPTION DRUGS</b>					
Pharmacy: generic drugs	\$10 co-pay 30-day supply	\$5 co-pay 30-day supply	\$5 co-pay 30-day supply	50% covered after \$5 co-pay; 30-day supply	\$5 co-pay 30-day supply
Pharmacy: brand-name drugs	\$25 co-pay 30-day supply	\$15 co-pay 30-day supply	\$20 co-pay 30-day supply	50% covered after \$20 co-pay; 30-day supply	\$20 co-pay 30-day supply
Pharmacy: non-formulary drugs	\$50 co-pay 30-day supply	Physician authorized only	\$45 co-pay 30-day supply	50% covered after \$45 co-pay; 30-day supply	\$45 co-pay 30-day supply
Mail order: generic drugs	\$20 co-pay 90-day supply	\$10 co-pay 100-day supply	\$10 co-pay 90-day supply	Not covered	\$10 co-pay 90-day supply
Mail order: brand-name drugs	\$50 co-pay 90-day supply	\$30 co-pay 100-day supply	\$40 co-pay 90-day supply	Not covered	\$40 co-pay 90-day supply
Mail order: non-formulary drugs	\$100 co-pay 90-day supply	Physician authorized only	\$90 co-pay 90-day supply	Not covered	\$90 co-pay 90-day supply
Specialty drugs	20% up to \$100 co-pay 30-day supply	Same as all above	Same as 30-day supply above limitations apply; see EOC	Same as 30-day supply above limitations apply; see EOC	Same as 30-day supply above limitations apply; see EOC
<b>OUTPATIENT SERVICES</b>					
Diagnostic x-ray and laboratory	No charge	No charge	85% covered after deductible; may require prior notification	50% covered after deductible; may require prior notification	85% covered after deductible; may require prior notification
<b>EMERGENCY</b>					
Hospital emergency room	\$100 co-pay waived if hospitalized	\$100 co-pay waived if hospitalized	85% covered after deductible; if non-emergency 50% after deductible	85% covered after deductible; if non-emergency 50% after deductible	85% covered after deductible; if non-emergency 50% after deductible
Urgent care facility	\$25 co-pay within CA network	\$20 co-pay	85% covered after deductible	50% covered after deductible	85% covered after deductible
<b>HOSPITAL/SURGERY</b>					
Inpatient	\$200 co-pay per admission	\$100 co-pay per admission	85% covered after deductible; may require prior notification	50% covered after deductible; may require prior notification	85% covered after deductible; may require prior notification
Outpatient	\$100 co-pay per surgery	\$35 co-pay	85% covered after deductible	50% covered after deductible	85% covered after deductible

This chart provides a summary of benefits. It is not a contract. For a detailed description of benefits and exclusions for each plan, please review each plan's Evidence of Coverage, available on myhss.org.

Note: Out-of-pocket maximum does not include premium contributions.

\*In some cases, billed amounts may exceed reasonable and customary fees, resulting in higher out-of-pocket costs.

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	blue of california	KAISER PERMANENTE®	CITY HEALTH PLAN (UnitedHealthcare Choice Plus)		
			In-Network Providers	Out-of-Network Providers*	Out-of-Area Providers*
<b>REHABILITATIVE</b>					
Physical/Occupational therapy	\$25 co-pay	\$20 co-pay authorization required	85% covered after deductible; 60 visits max per plan year	50% covered after deductible; 60 visits max per plan year	85% covered after deductible; 60 visits max per plan year
Acupuncture	\$15 co-pay 30 visits max per plan year; ASH network only	Not covered	50% covered after deductible; \$1,000 max per plan year	50% covered after deductible; \$1,000 max per plan year	50% covered after deductible; \$1,000 max per plan year
Chiropractic	\$15 co-pay 30 visits max per plan year; ASH network only	\$15 co-pay 30 visits max calendar year; ASH network only	50% covered after deductible; \$1,000 max per plan year	50% covered after deductible; \$1,000 max per plan year	50% covered after deductible; \$1,000 max per plan year
<b>PREGNANCY &amp; MATERNITY</b>					
Routine pre- and post-partum physician care; for hospital stay, see Hospital	No charge newborn must be enrolled within 30 days of birth; visits limited; see EOC	No charge newborn must be enrolled within 30 days of birth; visits limited; see EOC	85% covered after deductible; newborn must be enrolled within 30 days of birth	50% covered after deductible; newborn must be enrolled within 30 days of birth	85% covered after deductible; newborn must be enrolled within 30 days of birth
<b>INFERTILITY</b>					
IVF, GIFT, ZIFT and artificial insemination	50% covered limitations apply	50% covered limitations apply	50% covered after deductible; limitations apply; prior notification required	50% covered after deductible; limitations apply; prior notification required	50% covered after deductible; limitations apply; prior notification required
<b>TRANSGENDER</b>					
Office visits and outpatient surgery	Co-pays apply authorization req.	Co-pays apply authorization req.	85% covered after deductible; prior notification required	50% covered after deductible; prior notification required	85% covered after deductible; prior notification required
<b>DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT</b>					
Home medical equipment	No charge	No charge as authorized by PCP according to formulary	85% covered after deductible; notification required	50% covered after deductible; notification required	85% covered after deductible; notification required
Prosthetics/orthotics	No charge when medically necessary	No charge when medically necessary	85% covered after deductible; when medically necessary; notification required	50% covered after deductible; when medically necessary; notification required	85% covered after deductible; when medically necessary; notification required
Hearing aids	Evaluation no charge 1 aid per ear every 36 months, up to \$2,500 each	Evaluation no charge 1 aid per ear every 36 months, up to \$2,500 each	85% covered after deductible; 1 aid per ear every 36 months, up to \$2,500 each	50% covered after deductible; 1 aid per ear every 36 months, up to \$2,500 each	85% covered after deductible; 1 aid per ear every 36 months, up to \$2,500 each
<b>MENTAL HEALTH</b>					
Inpatient hospitalization	\$200 co-pay per admission	\$100 co-pay per admission	85% covered after deductible; notification required	50% covered after deductible; notification required	85% covered after deductible; notification required
Outpatient treatment	\$25 co-pay non-severe and severe	\$10 co-pay group \$20 co-pay individual	85% covered after deductible; notification required	50% covered after deductible; notification required	85% covered after deductible; notification required
<b>CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY</b>					
Inpatient detox	\$200 co-pay per admission	\$100 co-pay per admission	85% covered after deductible; authorization required	50% covered after deductible; authorization required	85% covered after deductible; authorization required
Residential rehabilitation	\$200 co-pay per admission	\$100 co-pay per admission; physician approval required	85% covered after deductible; authorization required	50% covered after deductible; authorization required	85% covered after deductible; authorization required
<b>EXTENDED &amp; END-OF-LIFE CARE</b>					
Skilled nursing facility	No charge up to 100 days per plan year	No charge up to 100 days per benefit period	85% covered after deductible; up to 120 days per plan year; notification required; custodial care not covered	50% covered after deductible; up to 120 days per plan year; notification required; custodial care not covered	85% covered after deductible; up to 120 days per plan year; notification required; custodial care not covered
Hospice	No charge authorization required	No charge when medically necessary	85% covered after deductible; prior notification required	50% covered after deductible; prior notification required	85% covered after deductible; prior notification required

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# Adult Preventive Care Summary

	Adult women age 20–49	Adult men age 20–49	Adult women age 50 and up	Adult men age 50 and up
<b>Annual wellness exam</b> height, weight, blood pressure; tobacco and alcohol use, depression	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Annual well woman exam</b> age appropriate preventive care	Yes		Yes	
<b>AAA screening</b> abdominal aortic aneurysm				Yes if man ever smoked; ages 65–75; one time
<b>Colorectal cancer screening</b>			Yes ages 50–75	Yes ages 50–75
<b>Contraception</b> birth control, sterilization, counseling	Yes		Yes until fertility ends	
<b>Diabetes type 2 screening</b> blood glucose	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Domestic violence prevention</b> screening and counseling	Yes		Yes	
<b>Flu immunization</b> seasonal flu	Yes annually, if at risk	Yes annually, if at risk	Yes	Yes
<b>Hepatitis A and B immunization</b>	Yes if at risk	Yes if at risk	Yes if at risk	Yes if at risk
<b>Lipid screening</b> blood cholesterol	Yes, over age 45 frequency based on risk	Yes, over age 35 frequency based on risk	Yes frequency based on risk	Yes frequency based on risk
<b>Mammogram</b> breast cancer screening	Yes, over age 40 every 1–2 years		Yes every 1–2 years to age 75	
<b>MMR immunization</b> measles, mumps, rubella	Yes if no proof of immunity	Yes if no proof of immunity	Yes if at risk	Yes if at risk
<b>Osteoporosis screening</b> bone density			Yes over age 65; or high risk	
<b>Pap smear</b> cervical cancer screening	Yes every 2 years, after 3 normal screenings		Yes every 2 years, after 3 normal screenings	
<b>Papillomavirus screening</b>	Yes DNA test if high risk		Yes DNA test if high risk	
<b>Pneumococcal immunization</b> pneumonia			Yes age 65 and up; sooner if high risk	Yes age 65 and up; sooner if high risk
<b>STD screenings and counseling</b> sexually transmitted diseases	Yes if at risk	Yes if at risk	Yes if at risk	Yes if at risk
<b>Tdap/Td immunization</b> tetanus, diphtheria, whooping cough	Yes every 10 years	Yes every 10 years	Yes every 10 years	Yes every 10 years
<b>Varicella immunization</b> chicken pox	Yes if no proof of immunity	Yes if no proof of immunity	Yes if no proof of immunity	Yes if no proof of immunity
<b>Zoster immunization</b> shingles			Yes ages 60 and up; once	Yes ages 60 and up; once

The Affordable Care Act mandates that many preventive services be provided at no cost to insured patients. Consult with your doctor about the types of screenings and immunizations that are right for you.

# Behavioral Health Benefit Highlights

## Behavioral Health Services Offered by HSS Medical Plans

### Blue Shield

#### LifeReferrals 24/7

Speak on the telephone to a counselor at any time at no cost. Three face-to-face visits with a licensed therapist in each six-month period are also included. Call 1-800-985-2405.

#### Non-Emergency Therapy Services

Call 1-877-263-9952 to schedule a visit with a mental health professional in the Blue Shield network for non-emergency therapy or to discuss concerns about substance abuse.

#### Residential Substance Abuse Treatment

To access residential treatment for substance abuse, you do not need a referral from your Blue Shield Primary Care Physician. Call 1-877-263-9952.

### Kaiser

#### Therapy and Substance Abuse Treatment

San Francisco Kaiser members call (415) 833-2292 for information or to schedule service. You do not need a referral from your Kaiser PCP. If you live outside San Francisco, contact the mental health department of your regional Kaiser facility.

#### Wellness Coaching

Speak with a wellness coach on the phone about issues like stress management and life balance. Call 1-866-251-4514, 6:00AM to midnight, to schedule.

#### Behavioral Health Classes

Kaiser offers classes on depression, anxiety, insomnia, couples communication, anger management, parenting, and more. [healthy.kaiserpermanente.org](http://healthy.kaiserpermanente.org)

### City Health Plan

#### Locate Network Therapists and Facilities

To find behavioral health professionals and treatment centers in the City Health Plan network, visit [myuhc.com](http://myuhc.com) and click on “Find Mental Health Clinician” under Links and Tools. City Health Plan enrollees can also call 1-866-282-0125.

## SFUSD Employee Assistance Program (EAP)

EmployeeConnect EAP provides confidential, voluntary, no-cost counseling and referral services to certified full-time SFUSD employees and eligible family members who are age 16 or older. EAP services can help with the following:

- Depression
- Stress Management
- Anxiety
- Family Conflict
- Relationship Problems
- Financial or Legal Concerns
- Alcohol or Drug Addictions
- Problem Gambling
- Parenting Concerns

For more complex and/or longer-term issues, your EAP clinician can refer you to services covered by your health insurance benefits or to community resources and self-help groups.

### Contact EmployeeConnect EAP

(administered by Lincoln Financial Group)

Phone: 1-877-757-7587

[eapadvantage.com](http://eapadvantage.com)

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### Emergency?

Take advantage of behavioral health benefits before issues escalate to a crisis.

But in the case of a life-threatening emergency, call 911 or go immediately to the nearest emergency room.

# Wellness Benefits

## Health Plan Wellness Tools

### Blue Shield of California

Wellness discounts and savings:  
[blueshieldca.com/hw](http://blueshieldca.com/hw)

Quit For Life smoking cessation:  
1-866-784-8454  
[quitnow.net](http://quitnow.net)

Symptom checker and wellness information:  
[blueshieldca.com/bsca/health-wellness/tools](http://blueshieldca.com/bsca/health-wellness/tools)

### Kaiser Permanente

Hundreds of classes, Health Risk Assessment, audio podcasts and more:

[kp.org/healthyliving](http://kp.org/healthyliving)

ChooseHealthy discounts and savings:  
[kp.org/healthyroads](http://kp.org/healthyroads)

Free one-on-one telephone wellness coaching to help you set and reach personalized health goals: 1-866-251-4514

### UnitedHealthcare

Health4Me Phone App to find a doctor, check claims and estimate costs:

Conditions A–Z, online symptom checker, Health Risk Assessment and more:  
[myuhc.com](http://myuhc.com)

## 24/7 Nurse Hotlines

Need answers fast? Experienced nurses are available to answer questions and help you make decisions about non-emergency care.

### Blue Shield NurseHelp 24/7

English or Spanish: 1-877-304-0504

### Kaiser San Francisco Nurse Advice

English: (415) 833-2200

Chinese: (415) 833-2239

Spanish: (415) 833-2203

For other Kaiser locations go to [kp.org](http://kp.org) and click Locate Our Services.

### UnitedHealthcare Nurseline

English or Spanish: 1-800-846-4678



## Weight Watchers at Work

If you would like information about starting a Weight Watchers at Work group at your location, call (415) 554-0613. Weight Watchers at Work has helped City employees lose over 3,600 pounds. A discounted monthly pass is available at <https://wellness.weightwatchers.com>. Enter company number 54552 and company passcode WW54552. Note: if you sign up online, you will be charged automatically each month until you cancel.

## HSS Wellness Events

Learn about classes and workshops by signing up for the HSS monthly email newsletter:  
[myhss.org/community/eupdates.html](http://myhss.org/community/eupdates.html).

## Fitness Club Discounts

	<p>Group exercise classes, cardio machines, free weights, resistance training and more.</p>	<p>One Club Sport \$26.99/month All Club Sport \$29.99/month All Club Super \$44.99/month No sign-up fee; no contract.</p>	<p><a href="http://24hourfitness.com/corporate">24hourfitness.com/corporate</a> discount code 100961 1-800-224-0240</p>
	<p>Exercise equipment; group classes—spinning, yoga, Pilates and more.</p>	<p>Access to one club \$9.99 first month and last month \$29.00 one time fee Month-to-month; no contract</p>	<p><a href="http://ballyfitness.com">ballyfitness.com</a> (650) 583-4247 South San Francisco, Hayward, and nationwide</p>
	<p>Aerobic classes, dance classes, yoga, Pilates, spin cycling, free weights, machine weights.</p>	<p>One-time enrollment fee \$59.00 per person; unlimited California club access \$54.99 per month. Month-to-month, no contract.</p>	<p><a href="http://crunch.com">crunch.com</a> (415) 292-8470 San Francisco, Daly City, San Mateo, Redwood City</p>
	<p>Exercise equipment; group classes—yoga, Zumba, Pilates and more.</p>	<p>\$19 monthly; \$49 processing fee.</p>	<p><a href="http://civiccenterfitness.com">civiccenterfitness.com</a> (415) 255-0900 37 Grove Street San Francisco</p>
	<p>Cardio, strength and weight training equipment; free unlimited fitness training with membership.</p>	<p>\$15/month San Francisco only; \$29 sign-up fee and \$30 annual lock-in rate. \$19.99/month multi-club; no sign-up fee; \$39.99 annual lock-in rate. No contract.</p>	<p><a href="http://planetfitness.com">planetfitness.com</a> (415) 433-3033 San Francisco, Daly City, Hayward, Fremont and nationwide</p>
	<p>Cardio, strength and weight training; classes; massage, chiropractic and acupuncture treatments.</p>	<p>Basic gym \$47/month; gym and classes \$67/month; gym, classes and monthly massage \$85/month. No contract.</p>	<p><a href="http://livefitgym.com">livefitgym.com</a> (415) 525-4364 Hayes Valley and Mission district, San Francisco</p>
	<p>30,000 foot facility; 20+ classes daily; barre, boxing, boot camp, climbing, cross training, pilates, cycling, yoga, Zumba and more.</p>	<p>Unlimited club and class access. No sign-up fee; \$95/month. Month-to-month; no contract.</p>	<p><a href="http://studiomix.com">studiomix.com</a> (415) 926-6790 1000 Van Ness Avenue San Francisco</p>
	<p>Group classes, free and machine weights, heated pools, racquetball courts, onsite child care.</p>	<p>Waive \$150 initiation fee.</p>	<p><a href="http://sonorafitness.com">sonorafitness.com</a> (209) 532-1202 13760 Mono Way Sonora, CA</p>

You must show proof of SFUSD employment or retirement to participate in these special offers. Offers are subject to change. See complete list of current discounts: [myhss.org/downloads/wellness/GymDiscounts.pdf](http://myhss.org/downloads/wellness/GymDiscounts.pdf)

## Vision Benefits Administered by HSS

All HSS members and dependents who are enrolled in an HSS medical plan are also enrolled in vision benefits.

### Vision Plan Benefits

All HSS members and eligible dependent(s) who enroll in the City Health Plan PPO, Blue Shield HMO or Kaiser HMO can access vision coverage administered by Vision Service Plan (VSP).

### Choice of Providers

You have the choice of using a VSP network doctor or a non-VSP doctor. You can find a VSP network doctor in your area by visiting [vsp.com](http://vsp.com) or contacting VSP Member Services at 1-800-877-7195.

### Accessing Your Vision Benefits

No ID cards are issued for the vision plan. To receive service from a VSP network doctor, contact the doctor, identify yourself as a VSP member, and make an appointment. VSP will provide benefit authorization to the doctor. Services must be received prior to the benefit authorization expiration date.

If you receive services from a VSP network doctor without prior authorization or obtain services from a vision care service provider outside of the VSP network (including Kaiser), you are responsible for payment in full to the provider. You may then submit an itemized bill directly to VSP for partial reimbursement. Compare the costs of out-of-network vision services to VSP in-network costs before choosing. Download claim forms at [vsp.com](http://vsp.com).

### Vision Plan Limits and Exclusions

- One set of contacts or eyeglass lenses every 24 months, per last date of service. If examination reveals Rx change of .50 diopter or more after 12 months, replacement lenses covered.
- Eligible dependent children are covered in full for polycarbonate prescription lenses.
- Cosmetic extras, including progressive, tinted or oversize lenses, will cost you more.

### Vision Plan Expenses Not Covered

- Orthoptics or vision training and any associated supplemental testing, plano (non-prescription) lenses or two pairs of glasses in lieu of bifocals.
- Replacement of lenses or frames furnished under this plan that are lost or broken, except at the contracted intervals.
- Medical or surgical treatment of the eyes, except for limited acute eye care described below.
- Corrective vision treatments such as, but not limited to, LASIK and PRK laser surgery. (You may be eligible for discounts from a VSP doctor.)

### Acute and Urgent Eye Care

With a \$5 co-pay, VSP offers limited coverage for urgent and acute eye conditions, including pink eye, sudden onset of flashers and floaters, and diagnosis of eye pain or sudden changes in vision. Visit any VSP network doctor; no appointment is necessary.

VSP acute eye care does not cover chronic eye conditions like diabetes-related eye disease or glaucoma. Chronic eye disease may be covered by your medical plan. (Check your medical plan's Evidence of Coverage, available on [myhss.org](http://myhss.org).)

### No Medical Plan, No Vision Benefits

If you do not enroll in an HSS medical plan, you and your enrolled dependents cannot access VSP vision benefits.

# Vision Plan Benefits-at-a-Glance

	VSP Network	Out-of-Network
<b>Types of Service</b>		
Well vision exam	\$10 co-pay Every 12 months*	up to \$50 After \$10 co-pay; every 12 months*
Single vision lenses	\$25 co-pay Every 24 months*	Up to \$45 After \$25 co-pay; every 24 months*
Lined bifocal lenses	\$25 co-pay Every 24 months*	Up to \$65 After \$25 co-pay; every 24 months*
Lined trifocal lenses	\$25 co-pay Every 24 months*	Up to \$85 After \$25 co-pay; every 24 months*
Scratch-resistant coating	Fully covered Every 24 months*	Not covered
Frames	Up to \$150 After \$25 co-pay; 20% off total over \$150; every 24 months*	Up to \$70 After \$25 co-pay; every 24 months*
Contact lenses, fitting and evaluation	Up to \$150 Every 24 months*; fitting and evaluation exam fully covered after a maximum \$60 co-pay	Up to \$105 Every 24 months*
Urgent eye care	\$5 co-pay Limited coverage for urgent and acute eye conditions	Not covered
<b>Savings and Discounts</b>		
Non-covered lens options (progressives, anti-reflective coating, photochromic, polycarbonate)	Average 20–25% off Of provider's usual and customary charges; every 24 months*	Not applicable
Laser Vision Correction	Average 15% off regular price or 5% off promotional price; discounts only available from contracted facilities	Not applicable

\*Based on your last date of service.

This chart provides a summary of benefits. It is not a contract. For a more detailed description of benefits and exclusions for each plan, please review each plan's Evidence of Coverage, available on [myhss.org](http://myhss.org).

# Dental Benefits Administered by SFUSD

Contact SFUSD for information about enrolling in dental benefits for eligible employees and family members.

## SFUSD Dental Plan Eligibility Guidelines

Enrollment in dental benefits is administered by SFUSD Benefits Office. SFUSD pays 100% of the dental plan premium contribution. SFUSD dental eligibility guidelines:

- Active or permanent SFUSD employees whose normal workweek at enrollment is at least 20 hours;
- Active SFUSD employees appointed to full-time permanent exempt positions;
- Provisional (temporary) SFUSD employees after 1040 hours of continuous service whose normal workweek at enrollment is at least 20 hours;
- Legal spouse, legal domestic partner, and unmarried children up to age 25 who meet SFUSD eligibility requirements.

## Delta Dental PPO: Principal Benefits And Covered Services

Most SFUSD dental benefits are covered at 70% the first year of qualifying employment, 80% the second, 90% the third and 100% the fourth year, provided the employee and each covered dependent uses the dental coverage at least once a year and remains enrolled with no break in coverage.

	<b>In-Network PPO Dentist</b> Lowest cost; fixed fees for all dentists in-network	<b>Premier Dentist</b> Contracted fees vary for each dentist	<b>Non-Network Dentist</b> Uncontracted; fees vary for each dentist
<b>Diagnostic and Preventive Care</b> oral examinations, cleanings, x-rays, examinations of tissue biopsy, fluoride treatment, space maintainers, specialist consultation	In-network dentist's contracted fee is covered at:	Premier dentist's contracted fee is covered at:	Reasonable and customary fee only is covered at:
<b>Basic Benefits</b> oral surgery (extractions), fillings, root canals, periodontic (gum) treatment, tissue removal (biopsy), sealants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 70% the first year</li> <li>• 80% the second year</li> <li>• 90% the third year</li> <li>• 100% the fourth year</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 70% the first year</li> <li>• 80% the second year</li> <li>• 90% the third year</li> <li>• 100% the fourth year</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 70% the first year</li> <li>• 80% the second year</li> <li>• 90% the third year</li> <li>• 100% the fourth year</li> </ul>
<b>Crowns and Cast Restorations</b>			In addition to %, you pay out-of-pocket for any fees above reasonable and customary.
<b>Prosthodontic Benefits</b> bridges, partial dentures, full dentures, implants			
<b>Orthodontic Benefits</b> dependent children to age 25 only	In-network dentist's contracted fee is covered at:	Premier dentist's contracted fee is covered at:	Reasonable and customary fee only is covered at:
<b>Dental Accident Benefits</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 50% (\$750 lifetime maximum per person)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 50% (\$750 lifetime maximum per person)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 50% (\$750 lifetime maximum per person)</li> </ul>

Maximum benefit payable in a calendar year for in-Network PPO is \$2,000.00 (Local 1021 and Classified Managers) or \$1,500 for Premier (Local 21 and monthly and paraprofessional employees).

This is a general summary only. Contact the SFUSD Benefits Office for more information.

You should also refer to your plan contract for details about covered services, limitations and exclusions.

## Other Benefits Administered by SFUSD

Contact SFUSD for information about enrolling in a Flexible Spending Account and other voluntary benefits.

### Flexible Spending Accounts (FSAs)

Flexible Spending Account enrollment is handled by the SFUSD Benefits Office. FSAs can save you money by reducing your taxable income. You can enroll in a Healthcare FSA, a Dependent Care FSA, or both. Once enrolled, you set aside money pre-tax via payroll deduction to fund your FSA account/s. To receive FSA reimbursements you must submit documentation to plan administrator WageWorks by required deadlines. For more information visit [wageworks.com](http://wageworks.com).

Before enrolling in your FSA you should work out a detailed estimate of the eligible expenses you are likely to incur in 2014. Budget conservatively. Unreimbursed FSA funds are forfeited at the end of the plan year and cannot be returned to you. FSA expenses must meet Internal Revenue Service criteria:

- [irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p502.pdf](http://irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p502.pdf)
- [irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p503.pdf](http://irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p503.pdf)

Also note, with an FSA your taxable income will be reduced for Social Security purposes so there may be a corresponding reduction in Social Security benefits.

### Healthcare FSA

A Healthcare FSA allows each employee to pay for up to \$2,500 per year in qualifying medical expenses pre-tax. Qualifying expenses include medical, pharmacy, dental and vision co-pays and deductibles for the enrolled employee and eligible dependents. When you elect a Healthcare FSA the total annual amount you designate becomes available to pay for eligible expenses on the first day of the benefit plan year. You do not have to wait for your contributions to accumulate in your Healthcare FSA account.

### Dependent Care FSA

A Dependent Care FSA can help pay pre-tax for qualifying dependent care expenses up to \$5,000 per household per year. Qualifying expenses include certified day care, pre-school and elder care. Children in day care must be under age 13. Note: households with a stay-at-home spouse are not eligible for a Dependent Care FSA. Funds for a Dependent Care FSA are available after being deducted from your paycheck and received by the plan administrator.

This is a short summary of Flexible Spending Account benefits. Consult with your tax advisor to make sure an FSA is right for you.

### Short-Term Disability Insurance, Tax Shelter Investments and Pre-Paid Legal Plans

Refer to the SFUSD website at [sfusd.edu](http://sfusd.edu) or your SFUSD Employees' Summary of Benefits packet for a list of additional voluntary supplemental benefit programs available through SFUSD.

#### Questions about Other Benefits?

To verify your eligibility for other SFUSD-administered benefits contact the SFUSD Benefits Office at (415) 241-6101 or visit [sfusd.edu](http://sfusd.edu).

# Eligibility

These rules govern which employees and dependents may be eligible for HSS health coverage.

## Member Eligibility

The following are eligible to participate in the Health Service System as members:

- All permanent employees of the City & County of San Francisco whose normal work week is not less than 20 hours;
- All regularly scheduled provisional employees of the City & County of San Francisco whose normal work week is not less than 20 hours;
- All other employees of the City & County of San Francisco, including temporary exempt or “as needed” employees, who have worked more than 1,040 hours in any consecutive 12-month period and whose normal work week is not less than 20 hours.
- Elected Officials of the City & County of San Francisco
- All members of designated boards and commissions during their time in service to the City & County of San Francisco as defined in San Francisco Administrative Code Section 16.700(c).
- All officers and employees as determined eligible by the governing bodies of the San Francisco Transportation Authority, San Francisco Parking Authority, Treasure Island Development Authority, San Francisco Superior Court and any other employees as determined eligible by ordinance.
- All other employees who are deemed ‘full-time employees’ under the shared responsibility provision of the federal Patient Protection and Affordability Care Act (section 4980H).

## Dependent Eligibility

### Spouse or Domestic Partner

A member’s legal spouse or domestic partner may be eligible for HSS healthcare coverage. Proof of legal marriage or domestic partnership is required, as well as the dependent’s Social Security number. Proof of Medicare enrollment must also be provided for a domestic partner (of either gender) who is age 65 or older, or who is Medicare-eligible due to a disability. Enrollment in HSS benefits must be completed within 30 days of the date of marriage or partnership. In that case, coverage begins on the first day of the coverage period after a completed application and eligibility documentation is filed with HSS. A legal spouse or domestic partner can also be added to a member’s coverage during annual Open Enrollment.

### Natural Children, Stepchildren, Adopted Children

A member’s natural child, stepchild, adopted child (including child placed for adoption), and the natural or adopted child of a member’s enrolled domestic partner are eligible for coverage up to 26 years of age. Coverage terminates at the end of the coverage period in which the child turns 26. Eligibility documentation is required upon initial enrollment.

### Legal Guardianships and Court-Ordered Children

Children under 19 years of age who are placed under the legal guardianship of an enrolled member, a member’s spouse, or domestic partner are eligible. If a member is required by a court’s judgement, decree or order to provide health coverage for a child, that child is eligible up to age 19. Coverage terminates at the end of the coverage period in which the child turns 19. The member must provide HSS with proof of guardianship, court order or decree by required deadlines.

**Adult Disabled Children**

Children who are disabled may be covered beyond the age limits stated previously, provided all of the following criteria are met. (A newly hired employee who enrolls an adult disabled child age 26 or older must meet all requirements below except 1 and 2.)

1. Adult child was enrolled in an HSS medical plan on the child’s 19th birthday and continuously for at least one year prior to the child’s 19th birthday;
2. Adult child was continuously enrolled in an HSS medical plan from age 19 to 26;
3. Adult child is incapable of self-sustaining employment due to the disability;
4. Adult child is unmarried;
5. Adult child permanently resides with the employee member;
6. Adult child is dependent on the member for substantially all of his economic support, and is declared as an exemption on the member’s federal income tax;
7. Member submits to HSS acceptable medical documentation—a certification that an adult child is enrolled in Medicare due to a Social Security-qualifying disability, or HSS disabled dependent forms completed and signed by a physician—at least 60 days prior to child’s attainment of age 26 and every year thereafter as requested;
8. All enrolled dependents who qualify for Medicare due to a disability are required to enroll in Medicare. Members must notify HSS of any dependent’s eligibility for, and enrollment in, Medicare;
9. Once enrolled, the member must continuously enroll the disabled adult child in HSS coverage and Medicare (if eligible) to maintain future eligibility.

**Financial Penalties for Failing to Disenroll Ineligible Dependents**

Members must notify HSS within 30 days and cancel coverage for a dependent who becomes ineligible. If a member fails to notify HSS, the member may be held responsible for the costs of ineligible dependent health premiums and any medical service provided.

**Required Eligibility Documentation**

	Evidence Of Hire	Benefit Auth. Form	Marriage Certificate	Domestic Partner Cert	Birth Certificate	Adoption Certificate	Proof Of Placement	Court Order Or Decree	Medical Evidence	Social Security #
Employee: Permanent/Provisional	■									■
Employee: Temporary/Exempt		■								■
Spouse			■							■
Domestic Partner				■						■
Child: Natural					■					■
Stepchild: Spouse			■		■					■
Stepchild: Domestic Partner				■	■					■
Child: Adopted						■				■
Child: Placed for Adoption							■			■
Child: Legal Guardianship								■		■
Child: Court Ordered								■		■
Adult Child: Disabled					■				■	■

Note: Proof of Medicare enrollment is also required for a Medicare-eligible same-sex spouse, domestic partner or disabled child.

# Temporary Employee Eligibility

Take note of this important information for temporary teachers, speech therapists, psychologists, nurses, substitutes and other SFUSD temporary employees.

## Temporary Certificated Employees

Temporary certificated employees with contracts that end June 30, 2014 are as follows:

- Emergency Teachers (ETs)
- Categorical Teachers (CTCs)
- University Interns (ITs)

If you are a Temporary Certificated employee your last day of coverage will be June 30, 2014. Effective July 1, 2014, you may elect to continue coverage under the COBRA provision. Please see page 23 of this guide for more information.

## Temporary School-Term Biweekly Employees

Temporary School-Term Biweekly Employees include but are not limited to:

- Clerical Workers
- Paraprofessionals
- Security Aides

If you are a Temporary School-Term Biweekly employee your last day of coverage will be June 17, 2014. Effective June 18, 2014, you may elect to continue coverage under the COBRA provision. Please see page 23 for more information about COBRA.

School-Term Employees who make open enrollment changes with HSS must notify the SFUSD Benefits Office so double deductions can be adjusted. Please fax a copy of your HSS open enrollment form immediately to SFUSD at (415) 241-6375.

## Eligible Temporary Exempt Employees

Temporary exempt employees who have worked more than 1040 hours in any consecutive 12-month period and whose normal work week is not less than 20 hours typically become eligible to enroll in medical and dental benefits. (The determination of eligibility is made by the SFUSD Benefits Office; documentation is required.) These employees must enroll in medical benefits with HSS within **30 calendar days** of the date they met eligibility requirements. Otherwise, they will need to wait until the next Open Enrollment or when a qualifying event occurs. (See pages 24–26.)

### Rehired in the Fall?

If you are rehired in the fall with an eligible SFUSD assignment, you must re-enroll for healthcare benefits through HSS and SFUSD.

# COBRA

## COBRA Continuation Coverage

The Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA) enacted in 1986 allows employees and their covered dependents to elect temporary extension of healthcare coverage in certain instances where coverage would end. These include:

- Children who are aging out of HSS coverage.
- Employee's spouse, domestic partner or stepchildren who are losing HSS coverage due to legal separation, divorce or dissolution of partnership.
- Covered dependents who are not eligible for survivor benefits and are losing HSS coverage due to the death of an HSS member.
- New retirees who opt to enroll in COBRA dental coverage when they first lose active employee dental benefits.

## Time Limits for COBRA Elections

The COBRA administrator will notify you of the opportunity to elect COBRA coverage. You have 60 days from the notification date to complete COBRA enrollment. Coverage will be retroactive to the date of the COBRA qualifying event, so there is no break in healthcare coverage. While covered under COBRA, you have 30 days to add newly eligible dependents (spouse, domestic partner, newborn or adopted child) to COBRA coverage, based on the date of the qualifying event (marriage, partnership, birth, adoption).

In the case of a dependent losing coverage (due to divorce or aging out of a plan) the retiree or dependent must notify the COBRA Administrator within 30 days of the qualifying event. Dependents dropped from coverage during Open Enrollment are not eligible for COBRA.

## Duration of COBRA Continuation Coverage

Group COBRA coverage is generally available for a maximum of 18 months. Certain qualifying events, or a second qualifying event during the initial period of coverage, may permit a coverage extension for up to 36 months.

COBRA enrollees who are disabled on the date of their qualifying event, or at any time during the first 60 days of COBRA coverage, are eligible for 29 months of coverage. Beginning the 19th month of coverage, the cost will rise to 150 percent of the group rate. Retirees and dependents who are eligible for less than 36 months of federal COBRA may be eligible for Cal-COBRA. Continuation coverage under both federal and California state COBRA will not exceed 36 months.

## Termination of COBRA Continuation Coverage

COBRA coverage will end if:

- You obtain coverage under another group plan if no pre-existing condition limitation under the new plan applies to the covered individual.
- You fail to pay the premium required under the plan within the grace period.
- The applicable COBRA period ends.

## Paying for COBRA

Once COBRA continuation coverage is elected, it is the responsibility of the covered individuals to remit the required healthcare premium payments directly to the COBRA administrator. For COBRA rate information, visit [myhss.org](http://myhss.org) or contact HSS.

## COBRA Continuation Coverage Alternatives

As an alternative to COBRA continuation coverage, you may be able to purchase individual health coverage from your healthcare plan or other insurers. Contact plans directly for details and costs.

All employees and dependents who were covered under an HSS-administered health plan are entitled to a certificate showing evidence of prior health coverage. This certificate of prior coverage may assist the retiree and/or dependents in purchasing new health coverage that excludes pre-existing medical conditions.

This is only a summary. For more details information about COBRA benefits, contact WageWorks, at 1-877-502-6272.

## Changing Elections Outside of Open Enrollment

A member may make a benefits election change due to a qualifying event a maximum of two times during the January–December 2014 plan year. For changes to benefit elections due to a qualifying event the member must notify the Health Service System and complete the enrollment process. This includes the submission of all required documentation **no later than 30 calendar days** after the qualifying event. A Social Security number (SSN) is required for all newly enrolled individuals.

Family Status	Enrollment Change	Documentation	Coverage
Marriage Legal Domestic Partnership	Add new spouse or partner to medical coverage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HSS enrollment application</li> <li>Legal marriage certificate or certificate of partnership</li> <li>Proof of Medicare enrollment for Medicare-eligible domestic partner of either gender</li> </ul>	Coverage is effective the first day of the coverage period following submission of required documentation within 30-day deadline.
	Add new stepchild to medical coverage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HSS enrollment application</li> <li>Legal marriage certificate or certificate of partnership</li> <li>Child's birth certificate</li> </ul>	Coverage is effective the first day of the coverage period following submission of required documentation within 30-day deadline.
	Waive member's medical coverage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HSS enrollment application</li> <li>Legal marriage certificate or certificate of partnership</li> <li>Proof of member enrollment in other coverage</li> </ul>	Coverage terminates the first day of the coverage period following submission of required documentation within 30-day deadline.
Divorce Legal Separation Dissolution of Partnership Annulment	Drop former spouse, partner and associated stepchildren from coverage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HSS enrollment application</li> <li>Divorce decree or legal documents proving separation, dissolution of partnership or annulment</li> </ul>	These individuals are no longer eligible for HSS coverage; failure to drop may result in penalties. Coverage terminates the last day of the coverage period in which the legal divorce, dissolution or separation was granted.
Birth of a Child Adoption of a Child Child Placed for Adoption	Add child to medical coverage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HSS enrollment application</li> <li>If newborn, birth verification letter from hospital; birth certificate and SSN when issued</li> <li>If adopted, proof of legal adoption; SSN when issued</li> </ul>	Coverage is effective the day of the child's birth, or, for an adoption, the date of legal custody. Documentation must be submitted within 30-day deadline.
Legal Guardianship of a Child	Add child to medical coverage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HSS enrollment application</li> <li>Court decree</li> </ul>	Coverage effective the date guardianship takes effect, if documentation submitted within 30-day deadline.
Court-Ordered Coverage for a Child	Add child to medical coverage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HSS enrollment application</li> <li>Court order to add child</li> </ul>	Coverage effective the date of court order, if documentation submitted within 30-day deadline.
	Drop child from medical coverage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HSS enrollment application</li> <li>Court order for other coverage</li> <li>Proof child has other coverage</li> </ul>	Coverage terminates the first day of the coverage period following submission of required documentation within 30-day deadline.

A member or eligible dependent who loses other coverage due to termination of employment, a change from full-time to part-time employment, dropping other employer coverage during an Open Enrollment, ineligibility for Medicare or Medicaid, or the commencement of an unpaid leave of absence may enroll in HSS coverage **within 30 calendar days** of these qualifying events.

Loss of Coverage	Enrollment Change	Documentation	Coverage
Member Loses Other Coverage	Enroll member (and dependents who also lost coverage) in medical coverage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HSS enrollment application</li> <li>• Proof of loss of coverage</li> <li>• All required dependent eligibility documentation. (See page 21.)</li> </ul>	Coverage is effective the first day of the coverage period following submission of required documentation within 30-day deadline.
Spouse or Partner Loses Other Coverage	Enroll spouse or partner in medical coverage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HSS enrollment application</li> <li>• Proof of loss of coverage</li> <li>• Legal marriage certificate or certificate of partnership</li> </ul>	Coverage is effective the first day of the coverage period following submission of required documentation within 30-day deadline.
Dependent Child or Stepchild Loses Other Coverage	Enroll child or stepchild in medical coverage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HSS enrollment application</li> <li>• Proof of loss of coverage</li> <li>• Child's birth certificate</li> <li>• Legal marriage certificate or certificate of partnership (if stepchild)</li> </ul>	Coverage is effective the first day of the coverage period following submission of required documentation within 30-day deadline.

A member or dependent who gains other coverage due to commencement of employment, a change from part-time to full-time employment, adding other coverage during another employer's Open Enrollment, eligibility for Medicare or Medicaid, or return to work from an unpaid leave of absence may drop HSS coverage **within 30 calendar days** of these qualifying events. A member may only waive coverage for him or her self and/or dependents outside of Open Enrollment with proof of obtaining other coverage. If a member waives coverage, dependent coverage must also be waived.

Gain of Coverage	Enrollment Change	Documentation	Coverage
Member Gains Other Coverage	Waive member's medical coverage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HSS enrollment application</li> <li>• Proof of other coverage</li> </ul>	Coverage terminates the first day of the coverage period following submission of required documentation within 30-day deadline.
Spouse or Partner Gains Other Coverage	Drop spouse or partner from medical coverage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HSS enrollment application</li> <li>• Proof of other coverage</li> </ul>	Coverage terminates the first day of the coverage period following submission of required documentation within 30-day deadline.
Dependent Child or Stepchild Gains Other Coverage	Drop child or stepchild from medical coverage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HSS enrollment application</li> <li>• Proof of other coverage</li> </ul>	Coverage terminates the first day of the coverage period following submission of required documentation within 30-day deadline.

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# Changing Elections Outside of Open Enrollment

## Death of a Dependent

If an enrolled dependent dies, you should notify HSS as soon as possible and submit a copy of the death certificate **within 30 days** of the date of death. Coverage for your deceased dependent will terminate the day after the dependent's death.

## Death of a Member

In the event of a member's death, the surviving dependent or survivor's designee should contact HSS to obtain information about eligibility for survivor benefits. To be eligible for health benefits, the surviving spouse or domestic partner of an employee must have been legally married to the member, or registered as the member's domestic partner, for at least one year prior to the death of the member. Other restrictions apply.

After being notified of a member's death, HSS will send instructions to the spouse or partner, including a list of documentation required for enrolling in surviving dependent health coverage. To avoid a break in coverage for survivors who were enrolled in HSS benefits at the time of the member's death, the following must be submitted to HSS **within 30 days** of the member's death date of death:

- Completed surviving dependent enrollment form
- Copy of member's death certificate
- Copy of certificate of marriage or partnership (if not already on file at HSS)
- Copy of survivor's Medicare card (if survivor is Medicare-eligible)

A surviving spouse or partner who is not enrolled on the deceased member's health plan at the time of the member's death may be eligible for coverage, but must wait until Open Enrollment to enroll. Surviving dependent children of a member must meet eligibility requirements for dependent children. (See pages 20-21.)

## Moving Out of a Plan's Service Area

If you move your primary residence to a location outside your health plan's service areas, you will no longer be able to obtain services through that plan. You will need to enroll in a different HSS plan that offers service based on your new address. You must complete an HSS application to elect a new plan **within 30 days** of your move. Coverage under the new plan will be effective the first day of the coverage period following the date HSS receives your completed enrollment application. If you do not enroll in a new plan **within 30 days** of your move, you must wait until the next Open Enrollment.

## Financial Penalties for Failing to Disenroll Ineligible Dependents

Members must notify HSS within 30 days and cancel coverage for a dependent who becomes ineligible. If a member fails to notify HSS, the member may be held responsible for the costs of ineligible dependent health premiums and any medical service provided.

# Domestic Partner Health Benefits Taxation

Health coverage for a domestic partner and a partner's children is typically a taxable benefit.

## Tax Treatment of Health Benefits

The federal government does not recognize domestic partnership for tax purposes. Employer contributions to health premiums for an employee's domestic partner and children of a domestic partner are taxable (imputed) income. Also, employee premium contributions are taken post-tax. By comparison, if an employee is legally married, no taxable imputed income results from employer contributions to the spouse's health premium costs and employee premium contributions for the spouse are paid pre-tax.

Note: Effective June 26, 2013 health premium contributions for all married spouses (including same-sex) and their families is no longer taxable imputed income. (Proof of legal marriage is required.) This is due to the Supreme Court ruling which declared the federal Defense of Marriage Act unconstitutional.

## IRS Exemption for Enrolled Health Plan Dependents Who Meet Certain Requirements

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) offers a tax break for health-related expenses incurred by a "qualifying relative." Under IRS code section 152, a domestic partner (of either gender), and children of a domestic partner qualify for favorable tax treatment if:

1. Partner or child receives more than half of his or her financial support from the employee; and
2. Partner or child lived with the employee as a member of his or her household for the entire calendar year (January 1–December 31), with the exception of temporary absences due to vacation, education or military service; and
3. Partner or child is a citizen of the United States, or a resident of the United States, Canada or Mexico.

If an enrolled dependent meets all requirements the employee may submit an annual declaration to HSS, and there will be no imputed income for the employer contribution to dependent health premiums. To receive favorable tax treatment, you must file the declaration annually with HSS by required deadlines.

## Equitable California State Tax Treatment

If a domestic partner and associated dependents do not meet the IRS code section 152 requirements for favorable tax treatment under federal law, you may be able to take advantage of equitable California state tax treatment. This California law only applies to same-sex domestic partners—not opposite-sex domestic partners. To obtain equitable tax treatment under California state law, you are required to have a Declaration of Domestic Partnership issued by the Secretary of the State of California. You will need to deduct the value of the employer-paid health insurance premiums for your same-sex domestic partner, and his or her children, when filing your California state income tax return.

## Consult with Your Tax Advisor

This is a brief overview regarding the tax treatment of health benefits for domestic partners and their children at the time this guide was printed. Laws are subject to change. Please consult with a professional tax advisor before taking any action. It is your responsibility to comply with state and federal tax law.

# Leaves of Absence and Health Coverage

Type of Leave	Eligibility	Your Responsibilities
<p>Family and Medical Leave (FMLA)</p> <p>Worker’s Compensation Leave</p> <p>Family Care Leave</p> <p>Military Leave</p>	<p>If you notify HSS within 30 days of when your leave begins, you may be eligible to continue or discontinue (waive) your healthcare coverage for the duration of your approved leave of absence.</p> <p>You may have additional rights under an approved FMLA leave. Contact your departmental personnel representative for details.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Notify your department’s personnel officer. They will provide HSS with important information about your leave.</li> <li>2. Contact HSS within 30 days of when leave begins to either waive coverage or arrange for payment of employee premium contributions while you are on leave. Failure to do so can result in termination of your health benefits.</li> <li>3. Contact HSS immediately (within 30 days of return to work) to request that premium contributions return to active status.</li> </ol>
<p>Personal Leave Following Family Care Leave</p>	<p>If you have been on an approved Family Care Leave and elect to extend your leave period as a Personal Leave, you may be eligible to continue (or waive) your healthcare coverage for the duration of your approved Personal Leave, if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The reason for the Personal Leave is the same as the reason for the prior Family Care Leave.</li> <li>- Your required employee premium contribution payments, if any, are current.</li> <li>- You notify HSS before your leave begins.</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Notify your department’s personnel officer. They will provide HSS with important information about your leave.</li> <li>2. Contact HSS within 30 days of when leave begins to either waive coverage or arrange for payment of employee premium contributions while you are on leave. Failure to do so can result in termination of your health benefits.</li> <li>3. Contact HSS immediately (within 30 days of return to work) to request that premium contributions return to active status.</li> </ol>
<p>Educational Leave</p> <p>Personal Leave</p> <p>Leave for Employment as an Employee Organization Officer or Representative</p>	<p>If you notify HSS within 30 days of when your leave begins, you may be eligible to continue (or waive) your healthcare coverage for the duration of your approved leave of absence.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Notify your department’s personnel officer. They will provide HSS with important information about your leave.</li> <li>2. Contact HSS within 30 days of when leave begins to either waive coverage or arrange for payment of employee premium contributions while you are on leave. Failure to do so can result in termination of your health benefits.</li> <li>3. If your leave lasts beyond 12 weeks, you must pay the total cost of medical coverage for yourself and any covered dependents. This includes your employee premium contribution amount plus SFUSD contributions. Contact HSS for details.</li> <li>4. Contact HSS immediately (within 30 days of return to work) to request that premium contributions return to active status.</li> </ol>

# Approaching Retirement

## Transition to Retirement

The transition of health benefits from active to retiree status does not happen automatically. If eligible, you must elect to continue retiree health coverage by submitting the retiree enrollment form and supporting documents to HSS. Contact HSS at (415) 554-1750 three months before your retirement date to learn about enrolling in retiree benefits. You are required to notify HSS of your retirement even if you are not planning to elect HSS coverage on your retirement date.

Depending on your retirement date, there can be a gap between when active employee coverage ends and retiree coverage begins. Setting a retirement date at the end of the month will help avoid a gap in HSS coverage. Call HSS at (415) 554-1750 to review your options before deciding on your retirement date.

If you choose to continue medical and/or dental coverage through HSS after you retire, your retiree premium contribution may be higher than your active employee contributions. As a retired member, you will also be required to pay for dental coverage. Costs will depend on your plan choices, number of dependents covered and your Medicare status. **If you choose to take a lump sum pension distribution, your retiree healthcare premium contributions will be unsubsidized**, and you will pay the full cost.

A retiree must have been a member of HSS at some time during his or her active employment in order to be eligible for retiree health benefits. Other restrictions may apply.

Health premium contributions will be taken from your pension check. If required monthly contributions are greater than the total amount of your pension check, you must contact HSS to make payment arrangements. Premium contribution rates are subject to change every Open Enrollment.

All retirees and dependents who are Medicare-eligible due to age or disability are required to enroll. Failure of a retired member or dependent to enroll in Medicare when eligible will result in penalties, limitations in retiree member coverage and the termination of retiree dependent coverage.

## Active Employee Medicare Enrollment

If you are working and eligible for HSS health coverage at age 65 or older, you are not required to enroll in Medicare. However, even though it is not required, you are eligible for Medicare at age 65 and can enroll if you choose to do so. Many employees over age 65 choose to enroll in premium-free Medicare Part A while they are still working. If you enroll in Part A, remember you must contact the Social Security Administration and enroll in Medicare Part B when you retire or otherwise leave City employment. If you are over age 65 and not enrolled in both Medicare Part A and Part B upon retirement, you may be charged penalties by the federal government.

## Married Spouse Medicare Enrollment

A legally married spouse covered on an employee's HSS plan is not required to enroll in Medicare. If you have a same-sex spouse, HSS recommends you get a written statement from Social Security confirming Medicare late enrollment penalties will not apply to your same-sex spouse as long as he or she is covered on your employer-sponsored plan. When you retire, a Medicare-eligible spouse must be enrolled in Medicare to be covered on a retiree's health plan.

## Domestic Partner Medicare Enrollment

A domestic partner of an active employee who is eligible for Medicare must be enrolled in Medicare to qualify for HSS medical coverage. If enrolled in HSS medical coverage without Medicare, partner benefits can be terminated. The federal government charges a premium for Medicare Part B, and in some cases, for group employer Part D. All Medicare premium payments must be paid to maintain continuous Medicare enrollment. Be aware that domestic partners who fail to enroll in Medicare Part B when first eligible may later be charged significant late enrollment penalties by the federal government.

# Glossary of Healthcare Terms

## **Accountable Care Organization (ACO)**

A payment and healthcare delivery model that aligns provider reimbursements with meeting quality and cost targets.

## **Brand-Name Drug**

FDA-approved prescription drugs marketed under a specific brand name by the manufacturer.

## **COBRA**

This federal law allows employees and dependents who are enrolled in an employer-sponsored plan to temporarily continue receiving health coverage after certain qualifying events like termination or divorce.

## **Co-Insurance**

Co-insurance refers to the amount of money that a member is required to pay for healthcare services, after any required deductible has been paid. Co-insurance is specified by a percentage. For example, the employee pays 15% toward the charges for a covered service and the insurance company pays 85%.

## **Co-Pay**

The fee you pay each time you utilize a healthcare service or fill a prescription.

## **Deductible**

The specified amount you must pay for healthcare in a contracted benefits period before the plan will begin to cover all or a portion of your costs. Some plans have no deductible.

## **Dependent**

A family member who meets the eligibility criteria established by HSS for health plan enrollment.

## **Dental Maintenance Organization (DMO)**

Entity that provides dental services through a closed network. DMO participants only obtain service from network dentists and need pre-approval from a primary care dentist before seeing a specialist.

## **Effective Date**

The calendar date your healthcare coverage begins. You are not covered until the effective date.

## **Employee Premium Contribution**

The amount you must pay toward health plan premiums.

## **Employer Premium Contribution**

The amount your employer pays toward health plan premiums.

## **Employer-Subsidized Benefits**

Benefits that are paid for, all or in part, with money contributed by the employer.

## **Enrollee**

Individual enrolled in a health plan.

## **Explanation of Benefits (EOB)**

Written, formal statement sent to PPO enrollees listing the services provided, amounts paid and costs billed by the health plan.

## **Evidence of Coverage (EOC)**

The Evidence of Coverage is a legal document that gives details about plan benefits, exclusions and how to get the care you need. It explains your rights, benefits and responsibilities as a member of your plan and the plan providers' responsibilities to you. EOCs are available on [myhss.org](http://myhss.org).

## **Exclusions**

The list of conditions, injuries, or treatments that are not covered under your health insurance policy. Exclusions are listed in the Evidence of Coverage.

## **Flexible Spending Account (FSA)**

An account that you contribute to pre-tax, which reimburses you for qualified healthcare and dependent care expenses.

## **Formulary**

A comprehensive list of prescription drugs that are covered by a medical plan. The formulary is designed to assist physicians in prescribing drugs that are medically necessary and cost-effective. The formulary is updated periodically.

## **Generic Drug**

FDA-approved prescription drugs that are a therapeutic equivalent to a brand-name drug, contain a same active ingredient as the brand-name drug, and cost less than the brand-name drug equivalent.

### **Health Maintenance Organization (HMO)**

An entity that provides health services through a closed network. Unlike PPOs, HMOs either employ their own staff or contract with groups of providers. HMO participants typically need pre-approval from a primary care provider before seeing a specialist.

### **Imputed Income**

IRS regulations require that the value of non-cash compensation, such as the employer's contribution toward health premiums for an employee's domestic partner, be reported as taxable income on federal tax returns.

### **In-Network**

Providers or facilities that contract with a health plan to provide services at pre-negotiated fees. Enrollees usually pay less when using an in-network provider.

### **Medical Group**

An independent group of physicians and other healthcare providers that contract to provide services to members of an HMO.

### **Lifetime Maximum Benefit**

The maximum amount a health plan will pay in benefits to an insured individual during that individual's lifetime.

### **Member**

An employee or retiree designated as the primary plan subscriber, per HSS rules.

### **Non-Formulary Drug**

A drug that is not on the insurer's list of approved medications. Non-formulary drugs can only be prescribed with a physician's special authorization.

### **Open Enrollment**

A period of time when you can change your health benefit elections without a qualifying event.

### **Out-of-Area**

A location outside the geographic area covered by a health plan's network of providers.

### **Out-of-Network**

Providers or facilities that are not in your health plan's provider network. Some plans do not cover out-of-network services. Others charge a higher co-insurance.

### **Out-of-Pocket Costs**

The actual costs you pay—including premiums, co-payments and deductibles—for your healthcare.

### **Out-of-Pocket Maximum**

The highest total amount you will spend in a year on out-of-pocket medical costs. Once you reach out-of-pocket maximum, your plan pays 100% of covered service costs.

### **Preferred Provider Organization (PPO)**

Provides in-network services to subscribers at negotiated rates, but allows subscribers to seek service from out-of-network providers, at a higher cost.

### **Premium**

The amount charged by an insurer for healthcare coverage. This cost is usually shared by employer and employee.

### **Primary Care Physician (PCP)**

The doctor (or nurse practitioner) who coordinates all your medical care and treatment. HMOs require plan participants be assigned to a Primary Care Physician.

### **Privacy**

HSS complies with federal and state laws that protect personal health information. For details visit: [myhss.org/health\\_service\\_board/privacy\\_policy.html](http://myhss.org/health_service_board/privacy_policy.html)

### **Qualifying Event**

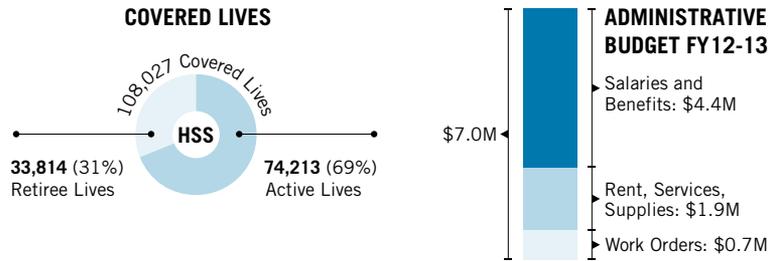
A life event that allows you to make a change in your benefit elections outside Open Enrollment. This includes marriage, domestic partnership, separation, divorce or dissolution of partnership, the birth or adoption of a child, and the death of a dependent, as well as obtaining or losing other healthcare coverage.

### **Reasonable and Customary**

The average fee charged by a particular type of healthcare practitioner within a geographic area. Often used by medical plans as the amount of money they will pay for a specific test or procedure. If the fees are higher than reasonable and customary, the individual receiving the service is responsible for paying the difference.

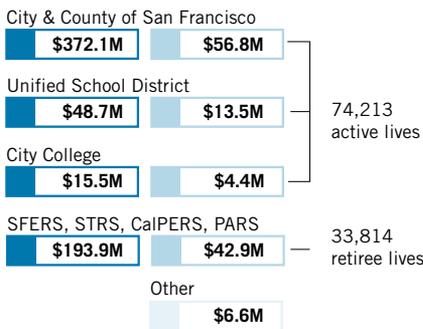
# Health Service System Overview

Governed by the Health Service Board, the Health Service System designs health and wellness benefits for employees, retirees and their families, and works to improve care while controlling premium costs.



## FUNDING and GOVERNANCE

### \$754M TRUST FUND CONTRIBUTIONS FY12-13



### HEALTH SERVICE SYSTEM FY12-13

#### Health Service Board

7 Commissioners:  
 3 Elected Members  
 3 Appointees  
 1 City Supervisor

#### 28 Plans From 10 Vendors

Medical: 6 HMO; 4 PPO  
 Dental: 2 DMO; 2 DPO  
 Vision: 1  
 FSA: 2

Group Life: 6  
 Long-Term Disability: 2  
 Flex Credits: 2  
 COBRA: 1

#### Health Service Staff

##### Operations

22 staff members  
 10,000 annual enrollment transactions  
 53,000 annual member interactions

##### Finance

7 staff members  
 12,500 annual financial transactions  
 2,740 annual rate calculations

##### Administration

3 staff members  
 15 annual public meetings

##### IT/PeopleSoft

4 staff members  
 500 annual data queries

##### Wellness/EAP

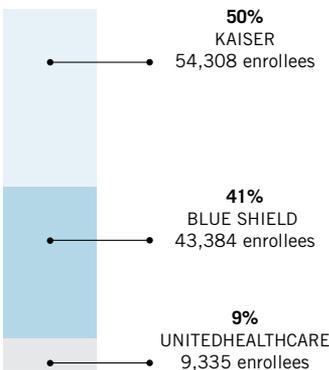
3 staff members  
 7,490 employees in depts w/wellness councils  
 3,314 EAP visits

##### Communications

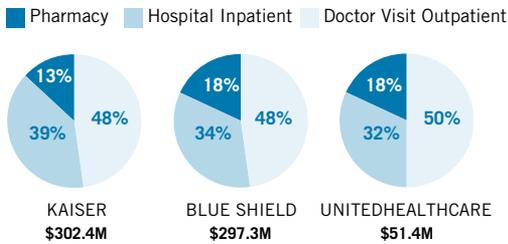
1 staff member  
 65,000 open enrollment packets mailed  
 56,000 website visits

## HEALTH PLANS

### MEDICAL PLAN ENROLLMENT FY12-13



### HEALTH PREMIUM COSTS BY VENDOR FY 12-13



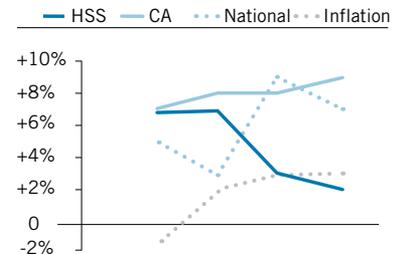
#### Dental and Vision

Delta Dental: \$54.8M  
 DeltaCare USA: \$1.0M  
 Pacific Union: \$0.4M  
 VSP: \$4.4M

#### Other

WageWorks (FSA/COBRA): \$5.8M  
 UNUM (LTD): \$7.1M  
 ING (Group Life): \$0.4M  
 EBS (Flex Credits): \$4.7M

### YEAR-OVER-YEAR HEALTH PREMIUM BENCHMARKING



	09-10	10-11	11-12	12-13
HSS Premiums	+7%	+7%	+3%	+2%
CA Premiums	+7.5%	+8%	+8%	+9%
Ntl Premiums	+5%	+3%	+9%	+7.5%
Ntl Inflation	-2%	+2%	+3%	+3%

Dollar amounts are unaudited totals, available as of August 1, 2013 for FY 2012-2013.

As of January 1, 2013, LTD and Group Life insurance plans are administered by Aetna.

This chart only includes benefits administered by the Health Service System. It does not include benefits administered by SFUSD.

# 2014 Premium Contributions

## EMPLOYEE ONLY MEDICAL PLAN PREMIUM CONTRIBUTIONS

	BLUE SHIELD HMO			KAISER PERMANENTE HMO			CITY HEALTH PLAN PPO		
	Employer Pays	Employee Pays	Total Premium	Employer Pays	Employee Pays	Total Premium	Employer Pays	Employee Pays	Total Premium
<b>BIWEEKLY</b>									
Craft Unions Local 4, 6, 22, 38, 39, 40, 66, 104, 261, 377, 718, 853, 1414	260.41	38.38	298.79	258.99	1.83	260.82	259.22	307.34	566.56
Board Designated Confidential or Unrepresented and SEIU Local 1021	260.41	38.38	298.79	258.99	1.83	260.82	259.22	307.34	566.56
Board Designated Classified Managerial	260.41	38.38	298.79	258.99	1.83	260.82	259.22	307.34	566.56
IFPTE Local 21	260.41	38.38	298.79	258.99	1.83	260.82	259.22	307.34	566.56
UESF Paraprofessionals	260.41	38.38	298.79	258.99	1.83	260.82	259.22	307.34	566.56
<b>MONTHLY</b>									
UASF, BOE, Cabinet (Unrepresented Certificated Management)	564.22	83.15	647.37	561.15	3.96	565.11	561.64	665.91	1,227.55
UESF Certificated	564.22	83.15	647.37	561.15	3.96	565.11	561.64	665.91	1,227.55

Employer premium contributions include Health Service Trust subsidy dollars.

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# 2014 Premium Contributions

## EMPLOYEE PLUS ONE MEDICAL PLAN PREMIUM CONTRIBUTIONS

	BLUE SHIELD HMO			KAISER PERMANENTE HMO			CITY HEALTH PLAN PPO		
	Employer Pays	Employee Pays	Total Premium	Employer Pays	Employee Pays	Total Premium	Employer Pays	Employee Pays	Total Premium
<b>BIWEEKLY</b>									
Craft Unions Local 4, 6, 22, 38, 39, 40, 66, 104, 261, 377, 718, 853, 1414	559.62	37.02	596.64	518.58	2.12	520.70	615.88	497.56	1,113.44
Board Designated Confidential or Unrepresented and SEIU Local 1021	559.62	37.02	596.64	518.58	2.12	520.70	615.88	497.56	1,113.44
Board Designated Classified Managerial	365.60	231.04	596.64	362.54	158.16	520.70	363.03	750.41	1,113.44
IFPTE Local 21	365.60	231.04	596.64	362.54	158.16	520.70	363.03	750.41	1,113.44
UESF Paraprofessionals	365.01	231.63	596.64	361.95	158.75	520.70	362.44	751.00	1,113.44
<b>MONTHLY</b>									
UASF, BOE, Cabinet (Unrepresented Certificated Management)	790.87	501.86	1,292.73	784.23	343.96	1,128.19	785.30	1,627.15	2,412.45
UESF Certificated	790.87	501.86	1,292.73	784.23	343.96	1,128.19	785.30	1,627.15	2,412.45

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# 2014 Premium Contributions

## EMPLOYEE PLUS 2 MEDICAL PLAN PREMIUM CONTRIBUTIONS

	BLUE SHIELD HMO			KAISER PERMANENTE HMO			CITY HEALTH PLAN PPO		
	Employer Pays	Employee Pays	Total Premium	Employer Pays	Employee Pays	Total Premium	Employer Pays	Employee Pays	Total Premium
<b>BIWEEKLY</b>									
Craft Unions Local 4, 6, 22, 38, 39, 40, 66, 104, 261, 377, 718, 853, 1414	628.38	215.48	843.86	622.21	114.19	736.40	615.65	958.35	1,574.00
Board Designated Confidential or Unrepresented and SEIU Local 1021	628.38	215.48	843.86	622.21	114.19	736.40	615.65	958.35	1,574.00
Board Designated Classified Managerial	387.08	456.78	843.86	380.91	355.49	736.40	374.35	1,199.65	1,574.00
IFPTE Local 21	387.08	456.78	843.86	380.91	355.49	736.40	374.35	1,199.65	1,574.00
UESF Paraprofessionals	398.03	445.83	843.86	391.86	344.54	736.40	385.30	1,188.70	1,574.00
<b>MONTHLY</b>									
UASF, BOE, Cabinet (Unrepresented Certificated Management)	862.39	965.97	1,828.36	849.03	746.51	1,595.54	834.81	2,575.52	3,410.33
UESF Certificated	862.39	965.97	1,828.36	849.03	746.51	1,595.54	834.81	2,575.52	3,410.33

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# Key Contact Information

## HEALTH SERVICE SYSTEM

### Member Services

1145 Market Street, 3rd Floor  
San Francisco, CA 94103  
(Civic Center Station between 7th and 8th)  
Tel: (415) 554-1750  
1-800-541-2266 (outside 415)  
Fax: (415) 554-1721  
[myhss.org](http://myhss.org)

## MEDICAL PLANS

### City Health Plan (UnitedHealthcare)

Tel: 1-866-282-0125  
Group 705287  
[myuhc.com](http://myuhc.com)

### Blue Shield of California

Tel: 1-800-642-6155  
Group H11054  
[blueshieldca.com/sfhss](http://blueshieldca.com/sfhss)

### Kaiser Permanente

Tel: 1-800-464-4000  
Group 888 (Northern California)  
Group 231003 (Southern California)  
[my.kp.org/ca/cityandcountyofsanfrancisco](http://my.kp.org/ca/cityandcountyofsanfrancisco)

## VISION PLAN

### Vision Service Plan (VSP)

Tel: 1-800-877-7195  
Group 12145878  
[vsp.com](http://vsp.com)

## COBRA

### WageWorks

Tel: 1-877-502-6272  
[wageworks.com](http://wageworks.com)

## SAN FRANCISCO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

### Benefits Office

555 Franklin Street, 2nd Floor  
San Francisco, CA 94102  
Tel: (415) 241-6101 x3243, x3389, x3250  
or x3250  
Fax: (415) 241-6375  
[sfusd.edu](http://sfusd.edu)

## DENTAL PLAN

### Delta Dental Premier Plan

Tel: 1-888-335-8227  
Group 652-0011 (monthly employees)  
Group 652-0016 (biweekly employees)  
Group 652-0012 (paraprofessionals)  
[deltadentalins.com](http://deltadentalins.com)

## GROUP LIFE AND LONG-TERM DISABILITY INSURANCE

### The Standard Insurance

PO Box 2800  
Portland, OR 97208-2800

### Group Life/AD&D

Tel: 1-800-628-8600

### Long-Term Disability

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