

# Know Your Health Care FSA Eligible and Ineligible Expenses



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

## Eligible Expenses

### BABY/CHILD TO AGE 13

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

### DENTAL

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

### EYES

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

### HEARING

- Hearing Aids and Batteries
- Hearing Exams

### LAB EXAMS/TESTS

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

### MEDICAL EQUIPMENT/SUPPLIES

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

### MEDICAL PROCEDURES/SERVICES

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

### MEDICATIONS

- Insulin
- Prescription Drugs

### OBSTETRICS

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

### PRACTITIONERS

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

### THERAPY

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

### HRA ELIGIBLE

- Insurance Premiums
- Long Term Care Premiums

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

by a physician for a specific ailment.

### Ineligible Expenses

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Contact Lens or Eyeglass Insurance</li> <li>■ Cosmetic Surgery/Procedures</li> <li>■ Electrolysis</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Insurance Premiums and Interest (FSA Ineligible Only)</li> <li>■ Long Term Care Premiums (FSA Ineligible Only)</li> <li>■ Marriage or Career Counseling</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Personal Trainers</li> <li>■ Sunscreen (spf less than 30)</li> <li>■ Swimming Lessons</li> </ul> |
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**Please Note:** The IRS does not allow Over-the-Counter (OTC) medicines or drugs to be purchased with Health Care FSA funds unless accompanied by a prescription and the prescription is filled by a pharmacist. If you have an OTC prescription, you can use your benefits card for these purchases.

### Ineligible Over-the-Counter Medicines and Drugs (unless prescribed in accordance with state laws)

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Acid controllers</li> <li>■ Acne medications</li> <li>■ Allergy &amp; sinus</li> <li>■ Antibiotic products</li> <li>■ Antifungal (Foot)</li> <li>■ Antiparasitic treatments</li> <li>■ Antiseptics &amp; wound cleansers</li> <li>■ Anti-diarrheals</li> <li>■ Anti-gas</li> <li>■ Anti-itch &amp; insect bite</li> <li>■ Baby rash ointments &amp; creams</li> <li>■ Baby teething pain</li> <li>■ Cold sore remedies</li> <li>■ Contraceptives</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Cough, cold &amp; flu</li> <li>■ Denture pain relief</li> <li>■ Digestive aids</li> <li>■ Ear care</li> <li>■ Eye care</li> <li>■ Feminine antifungal &amp; anti-itch</li> <li>■ Fiber laxatives (bulk forming)</li> <li>■ First aid burn remedies</li> <li>■ Foot care treatment</li> <li>■ Hemorrhoidal preps</li> <li>■ Homeopathic remedies</li> <li>■ Incontinence protection &amp; treatment products</li> <li>■ Laxatives (non-fiber)</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Medicated nasal sprays, drops, &amp; inhalers</li> <li>■ Medicated respiratory treatments &amp; vapor products</li> <li>■ Motion sickness</li> <li>■ Oral remedies or treatments</li> <li>■ Pain relief (includes aspirin)</li> <li>■ Skin treatments</li> <li>■ Sleep aids &amp; sedatives</li> <li>■ Smoking deterrents</li> <li>■ Stomach remedies</li> <li>■ Unmedicated nasal sprays, drops &amp; inhalers</li> <li>■ Unmedicated vapor products</li> </ul> |
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**OTC items that are not medicines or drugs remain eligible for purchase with FSAs You can use your benefits card for these items.**

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

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>Baby Electrolytes and Dehydration</b><br/>Pedialyte, Enfalyte</li> <li>■ <b>Contraceptives</b><br/>Unmedicated condoms</li> <li>■ <b>Denture Adhesives, Repair, and Cleansers</b><br/>PoliGrip, Benzodent, Plate Weld, Efferdent</li> <li>■ <b>Diabetes Testing and Aids</b><br/>Ascencia, One Touch, Diabetic Tussin, insulin syringes; glucose products</li> <li>■ <b>Diagnostic Products</b><br/>Thermometers, blood pressure monitors, cholesterol testing</li> <li>■ <b>Ear Care</b><br/>Unmedicated ear drops, syringes, ear wax removal</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>Elastics/Athletic Treatments</b><br/>ACE, Futuro, elastic bandages, braces, hot/cold therapy, orthopedic supports, rib belts</li> <li>■ <b>Eye Care</b><br/>Contact lens care</li> <li>■ <b>Family Planning</b><br/>Pregnancy and ovulation kits</li> <li>■ <b>First Aid Dressings and Supplies</b><br/>Band Aid, 3M Nexcare, non-sport tapes</li> <li>■ <b>Foot Care Treatment</b><br/>Unmedicated corn and callus treatments (e.g., callus cushions), devices, therapeutic insoles</li> <li>■ <b>Glucosamine &amp;/or Chondroitin</b><br/>Osteo-Bi-Flex, Cosamin D, Flex-a-min Nutritional Supplements</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>Hearing Aid/Medical Batteries</b></li> <li>■ <b>Home Health Care (limited segments)</b><br/>Ostomy, walking aids, decubitis/pressure relief, enteral/parenteral feeding supplies, patient lifting aids, orthopedic braces/supports, splints &amp; casts, hydrocollators, nebulizers, electrotherapy products, catheters, unmedicated wound care, wheel chairs</li> <li>■ <b>Incontinence Products</b><br/>Attends, Depend, GoodNites for juvenile incontinence, Prevail</li> <li>■ <b>Prenatal Vitamins</b><br/>Stuart Prenatal, Nature's Bounty Prenatal Vitamins</li> <li>■ <b>Reading Glasses and Maintenance Accessories</b></li> </ul> |
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