

Important Benefit Election Information and Required Notices

Enclosed in this packet is important benefit information regarding the Long-Lewis open enrollment period, election options, and plan details. Also included are the legal notices listed below. Long-Lewis is providing these important notices to you as required by federal laws governing benefits administration. The notices in this package describe important rights that you have under the terms of the Long-Lewis Group Health Plan. If you have any questions or need additional information regarding these notices you can contact:

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If you or your dependents have Medicare or will become eligible for Medicare in the next 12 months, a Federal law, which started in 2006, gives you more choices about your prescription drug coverage. Please see page 20 for more details.



BlueCross BlueShield
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:Long Lewis Of The Shoals, Inc. (2A)

Coverage For: Individual + Family Plan Type: PPO



The Summary of Benefits and Coverage (SBC) document will help you choose a health [plan](#). The SBC shows you how you and the [plan](#) would share the cost for covered health care services. NOTE: Information about the cost of this [plan](#) (called the [premium](#)) will be provided separately.

This is only a summary. For more information about your coverage, or to get a copy of the complete terms of coverage, call 1-800-292-8868 or visit us at AlabamaBlue.com. For general definitions of common terms, such as [allowed amount](#), [balance billing](#), [coinsurance](#), [copayment](#), [deductible](#), [provider](#), or other underlined terms, see the Glossary. You can view the Glossary at www.bcbosal.org/sbcglossary/ or call 1-855-350-7437 to request a copy.

Important Questions	Answers	Why This Matters:
What is the overall deductible ?	\$5,000 / individual or \$10,000 / family in-network. \$10,000 / individual or \$20,000 / family out-of-network.	Generally, you must pay all of the costs from providers up to the deductible amount before this plan begins to pay. If you have other family members on the plan , each family member must meet their own individual deductible until the total amount of deductible expenses paid by all family members meets the overall family deductible .
Are there services covered before you meet your deductible ?	Yes. Preventive services in-network are covered before you meet your deductible .	This plan covers some items and services even if you haven't yet met the deductible amount. But a copayment or coinsurance may apply. For example, this plan covers certain preventive services without cost-sharing and before you meet your deductible . See a list of covered preventive services at https://www.healthcare.gov/coverage/preventive-care-benefits/ .
Are there other deductibles for specific services?	No.	You don't have to meet deductible for specific services.
What is the out-of-pocket limit for this plan ?	For in-network \$7,500 individual / \$15,000 family.	The out-of-pocket limit is the most you could pay in a year for covered services. If you have other family members in this plan , they have to meet their own out-of-pocket limits until the overall family out-of-pocket limits has been met.
What is not included in the out-of-pocket limit ?	Premiums , balance-billing charges, health care this plan doesn't cover, cost sharing for most out-of-network benefits, pre-certification penalties and specialty drug coupon program payments.	Even though you pay these expenses, they don't count toward the out-of-pocket limit .
Will you pay less if you use a network provider ?	Yes. See AlabamaBlue.com or call 1-800-810-BLUE for a list of network providers .	This plan uses a provider network. You will pay less if you use a provider in the plan's network . You will pay the most if you use an out-of-network provider , and you might receive a bill from a provider for the difference between the provider's charge and what your plan pays (balance billing). Be aware your network provider might use an out-of-network provider for some services (such as lab work). Check with your provider before you get services.
Do you need a referral to see a specialist ?	No.	You can see the specialist you choose without a referral .



All [copayment](#) and [coinsurance](#) costs shown in this chart are after your [deductible](#) has been met, if a [deductible](#) applies.

Common Medical Event	Services You May Need	What You Will Pay		Limitations, Exceptions, & Other Important Information
		Network Provider (You will pay the least)	Out-of-Network Provider (You will pay the most)	
If you visit a health care provider's office or clinic	Primary care visit to treat an injury or illness	\$40 copay /visit Deductible does not apply	50% coinsurance	Precertification is required for some provider administered drugs; if no precertification is obtained, no benefits are available
	Specialist visit	\$60 copay /visit Deductible does not apply	50% coinsurance	
	Preventive care/screening/immunization	No Charge Deductible does not apply	Not Covered	Please visit AlabamaBlue.com/preventiveservices . You may have to pay for services that aren't preventive. Ask your provider if the services needed are preventive. Then check what your plan will pay for.
If you have a test	Diagnostic test (x-ray, blood work)	No Charge Deductible does not apply	50% coinsurance	Benefits listed are physician services ; facility benefits are also available; precertification may be required; if no precertification is obtained, no benefits are available
	Imaging (CT/PET scans, MRIs)	40% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	
If you need drugs to treat your illness or condition More information about prescription drug coverage is available at AlabamaBlue.com/pharmacy	Tier 1 Drugs	\$15 copay (retail) \$37.50 copay (mail order) Deductible does not apply	Not Covered	Precertification is required for some drugs; if no precertification is obtained, no benefits are available; covered insulin products may have lower patient responsibility; select generic specialty and biosimilar drugs on the Select Generic Specialty and Biosimilar Drug List will have lower member cost share
	Tier 2 Drugs	\$60 copay (retail) \$150 copay (mail order) Deductible does not apply	Not Covered	
	Tier 3 Drugs	\$125 copay (retail) \$300 copay (mail order) Deductible does not apply	Not Covered	
	Tier 4 Drugs	\$395 copay (retail) Deductible does not apply	Not Covered	
If you have outpatient surgery	Facility fee (e.g., ambulatory surgery center)	40% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	In Alabama, out-of-network not covered; precertification may be required; if no precertification is obtained, no benefits are available
	Physician/surgeon fees	40% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	None

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If you need immediate medical attention	Emergency room care	Accident: 40% coinsurance Medical Emergency: 40% coinsurance	Accident: 40% coinsurance Medical Emergency: 40% coinsurance	Physician charges will apply
	Emergency medical transportation	40% coinsurance	40% coinsurance	None
	Urgent care	\$40 copay /visit Deductible does not apply	50% coinsurance	None
If you have a hospital stay	Facility fee (e.g., hospital room)	40% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	In Alabama, out-of-network benefits are only available for accidental injury and medical emergency; precertification is required; if no precertification is obtained, no benefits are available
	Physician/surgeon fees	40% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	None
If you need mental health, behavioral health, or substance abuse services	Outpatient services	No Charge EPS \$60 copay /visit Deductible does not apply	50% coinsurance	Precertification is required for intensive outpatient, partial hospitalization and inpatient hospitalization ; if no precertification is obtained, no benefits are available
	Inpatient services	Physician: No Charge EPS 40% coinsurance Inpatient Hospital: 40% coinsurance	Physician: 50% coinsurance Inpatient Hospital: 50% coinsurance	
If you are pregnant	Office visits	40% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	Cost sharing does not apply for preventive services . Depending on the type of services, a copayment , coinsurance or deductible may apply. Maternity care may include tests and services described elsewhere in the SBC (i.e., ultrasound); precertification may be required; if no precertification is obtained, no benefits are available
	Childbirth/delivery professional services	40% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	
	Childbirth/delivery facility services	40% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	

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If you need help recovering or have other special health needs	Home health care	40% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	In Alabama, out-of-network not covered; benefits are also available for home infusion services; precertification may be required; if no precertification is obtained, no benefits are available
	Rehabilitation services	40% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	Benefits listed are for Rehabilitation & Habilitation services ; each service has a combined maximum of 30 visits for occupational, physical and speech therapy per year; children ages 0-18 with an autistic diagnosis are allowed unlimited visits for occupational, physical and speech therapy
	Habilitation services	40% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	
	Skilled nursing care	Not Covered	Not Covered	Not covered; member pays 100%
	Durable medical equipment	40% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	Precertification may be required; if no precertification is obtained, no benefits are available
	Hospice services	40% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	In Alabama, out-of-network not covered; precertification may be required; if no precertification is obtained, no benefits are available
If your child needs dental or eye care	Children's eye exam	No Charge Deductible does not apply	Not Covered	Please visit AlabamaBlue.com/preventiveservices
	Children's glasses	Not Covered	Not Covered	Not covered; member pays 100%
	Children's dental check-up	No Charge Deductible does not apply	Not Covered	Please visit AlabamaBlue.com/preventiveservices

Excluded Services & Other Covered Services:

Services Your Plan Generally Does NOT Cover (Check your policy or plan document for more information and a list of any other excluded services.)		
• Acupuncture • Bariatric surgery • Cosmetic surgery • Dental care (Adult)	• Glasses, child • Hearing aids • Long-term care • Private-duty nursing	• Routine eye care (Adult) • Routine foot care • Skilled nursing care • Weight loss programs

Other Covered Services (Limitations may apply to these services. This isn't a complete list. Please see your plan document.)		
• Chiropractic care	• Infertility treatment (Assisted Reproductive Technology not covered)	• Non-emergency care when traveling outside the U.S.

Your Rights to Continue Coverage: There are agencies that can help if you want to continue your coverage after it ends. The contact information for those agencies is: Department of Labor's Employee Benefits Security Administration at 1-866-444-EBSA (3272) or <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/ebsa/about-ebsa/ask-a-question/ask-ebsa> or Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Alabama at 1-800-292-8868. Other coverage options may be available to you too, including buying individual insurance coverage through the [Health Insurance Marketplace](#). For more information about the [Marketplace](#), visit www.HealthCare.gov or call 1-800-318-2596.

Your Grievance and Appeals Rights: There are agencies that can help if you have a complaint against your [plan](#) for a denial of a [claim](#). This complaint is called a [grievance](#) or [appeal](#). For more information about your rights, look at the explanation of benefits you will receive for that medical [claim](#). Your [plan](#) documents also provide complete information on how to submit a [claim](#), [appeal](#), or a [grievance](#) for any reason to your [plan](#). For more information about your rights, this notice, or assistance, contact: Your [plan](#) administrator at the phone number listed in your benefit booklet. You may also contact Department of Labor's Employee Benefits Security Administration at 1-866-444-EBSA (3272) or <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/ebsa/about-ebsa/ask-a-question/ask-ebsa> or Alabama Department of Insurance at 1-334-269-3550 or Insdept@insurance.alabama.gov.

Does this plan provide Minimum Essential Coverage? Yes

[Minimum Essential Coverage](#) generally includes [plans](#), [health insurance](#) available through the [Marketplace](#) or other individual market policies, Medicare, Medicaid, CHIP, TRICARE, and certain other coverage. If you are eligible for certain types of [Minimum Essential Coverage](#), you may not be eligible for the [premium tax credit](#).

Does this plan meet Minimum Value Standards? Yes

If your [plan](#) doesn't meet the [Minimum Value Standards](#), you may be eligible for a [premium tax credit](#) to help you pay for a [plan](#) through the [Marketplace](#).

To see examples of how this [plan](#) might cover costs for a sample medical situation, see the next section.

About these Coverage Examples:



This is not a cost estimator. Treatments shown are just examples of how this [plan](#) might cover medical care. Your actual costs will be different depending on the actual care you receive, the prices your [providers](#) charge, and many other factors. Focus on the [cost sharing](#) amounts ([deductibles](#), [copayments](#) and [coinsurance](#)) and [excluded services](#) under the [plan](#). Use this information to compare the portion of costs you might pay under different health [plans](#). Please note these coverage examples are based on self-only coverage.

Peg is Having a Baby (9 months of in-network pre-natal care and a hospital delivery)		Managing Joe's Type 2 Diabetes (a year of routine in-network care of a well-controlled condition)		Mia's Simple Fracture (in-network emergency room visit and follow up care)	
■ The plan's overall deductible	\$5000	■ The plan's overall deductible	\$5000	■ The plan's overall deductible	\$5000
■ Specialist copayment	\$60	■ Specialist copayment	\$60	■ Specialist copayment	\$60
■ Hospital (facility) coinsurance	40%	■ Hospital (facility) coinsurance	40%	■ Hospital (facility) coinsurance	40%
■ Other copayment/coinsurance	\$60/40%	■ Other copayment/coinsurance	\$60/40%	■ Other copayment/coinsurance	\$60/40%
This EXAMPLE event includes services like: Specialist office visits (<i>prenatal care</i>) Childbirth/Delivery Professional Services Childbirth/Delivery Facility Services Diagnostic tests (<i>ultrasounds and blood work</i>) Specialist visit (<i>anesthesia</i>)		This EXAMPLE event includes services like: Primary care physician office visits (<i>including disease education</i>) Diagnostic tests (<i>blood work</i>) Prescription drugs Durable medical equipment (<i>glucose meter</i>)		This EXAMPLE event includes services like: Emergency room care (<i>including medical supplies</i>) Diagnostic tests (<i>x-ray</i>) Durable medical equipment (<i>crutches</i>) Rehabilitation services (<i>physical therapy</i>)	
Total Example Cost	\$12,700	Total Example Cost	\$5,600	Total Example Cost	\$2,800
In this example, Peg would pay:		In this example, Joe would pay:		In this example, Mia would pay:	
Cost Sharing		Cost Sharing		Cost Sharing	
Deductibles	\$5000	Deductibles	\$200	Deductibles	\$2300
Copayments	\$0	Copayments	\$900	Copayments	\$100
Coinsurance	\$2500	Coinsurance	\$0	Coinsurance	\$0
<i>What isn't covered</i>		<i>What isn't covered</i>		<i>What isn't covered</i>	
Limits or exclusions	\$60	Limits or exclusions	\$40	Limits or exclusions	\$0
The total Peg would pay is	\$7,560	The total Joe would pay is	\$1,140	The total Mia would pay is	\$2,400

Note: These numbers assume the patient does not participate in the [plan's](#) wellness program. If you participate in the [plan's](#) wellness program, you may be able to reduce your costs. For more information about the wellness program, please contact: [AlabamaBlue.com](#).

Language Assistance Services, Auxiliary Aids, Services and Notice of Nondiscrimination only apply to administrative services that Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Alabama provides to your employer.

Discrimination is Against the Law

Language Assistance Services, Auxiliary Aids Services and Notice of Nondiscrimination:

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Alabama, an independent licensee of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association, complies with applicable Federal civil rights laws and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex (consistent with the scope of sex discrimination described in 45 CFR § 92.101(a)(2)). We do not exclude people or treat them less favorably because of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex.

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Alabama:

- Provides reasonable modifications and free appropriate auxiliary aids and services to people with disabilities to communicate effectively with us, such as qualified sign language interpreters and written information in other formats (large print, audio, accessible electronic formats, other formats)
- Provides free language assistance services to people whose primary language is not English, such as qualified interpreters and information written in other languages.

If you need reasonable modifications, appropriate auxiliary aids and services, or language assistance services, contact our 1557 Compliance Coordinator. If you believe that we have failed to provide these services or discriminated in another way on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex, you can file a grievance in person or by mail, fax, or email at: Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Alabama, Compliance Office, 450 Riverchase Parkway East, Birmingham, Alabama 35244, Attn: 1557 Compliance Coordinator, 1-855-216-3144, 711 (TTY), 1-205-220-2984 (fax), 1557Grievance@bcbsal.org (email). If you need help filing a grievance, our 1557 Compliance Coordinator is available to help you.

You can also file a civil rights complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights, electronically through the Office for Civil Rights Complaint Portal, available at <https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf>, or by mail or phone at: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 200 Independence Avenue, SW, Room 509F, HHH Building, Washington, D.C. 20201, 1-800-368-1019, 1-800-537-7697 (TDD). Complaint forms are available at <http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html>.

Notice of Availability of Language Assistance Services and Auxiliary Aids and Services

English: ATTENTION: Free language assistance services are available to you. Appropriate auxiliary aids and services to provide information in accessible formats are also available free of charge. Call 1-855-216-3144 (TTY: 711) or call Customer Service.

Arabic: انتباه: إذا كنت تتحدث العربية، تتوفر لك خدمات المساعدة اللغوية المجانية. كما تتوفر أيضًا المساعدات 1-855-216-3144 والاتصال بالرقم 711. اتصل بالرقم 1-855-216-3144 (الهاتف النصي: 711) أو الاتصال بخدمة العملاء.

Chinese: 请注意：如果您说普通话，我们可免费为您提供语言协助服务。我们还免费提供适当的辅助工具和服务，以易读格式向您提供信息。请拨打 1-855-216-3144（TTY 用户请拨 711）或致电客户服务部。

French: À NOTER : Si vous parlez français, des services d'assistance linguistique gratuits sont à votre disposition. Des aides et des services auxiliaires appropriés pour fournir des informations dans des formats accessibles sont également disponibles gratuitement. Appelez le 1 855 216 3144 (TTY : 711) ou contactez le service client.

German: ACHTUNG: Wenn Sie Deutsch sprechen, stehen Ihnen kostenlose Sprachassistentendienste zur Verfügung. Geeignete Hilfsmittel und Dienstleistungen zur Bereitstellung von Informationen in zugänglichen Formaten sind ebenfalls kostenlos erhältlich. Rufen Sie +1 855 216 3144 (Durchwahl: 711) oder den Kundendienst an.

Gujarati: ધ્યાન આપો: જો તમે ગુજરાતી બોલો છો, તો તમારા માટે નિ:શુલ્ક ભાષા સહાય સેવાઓ ઉપલબ્ધ છે. સુવલ ફોર્મેટમાં માહિતી પ્રદાન કરવા માટેની યોગ્ય સહાય અને સેવાઓ પણ વિના મૂલ્યે ઉપલબ્ધ છે. 1-855-216-3144 (TTY: 711) પર અથવા ગ્રાહક સેવા પર કોલ કરો.

Hindi: ध्यान दें: अगर आप हिन्दी बोलते हैं, तो आपके लिए नि:शुल्क भाषा सहायता सेवाएँ उपलब्ध हैं। आसान प्रारूप में सूचना उपलब्ध कराने के लिए उपयुक्त सहायक साधन और सेवाएँ भी नि:शुल्क उपलब्ध हैं। 1-855-216-3144 (TTY: 711) पर कॉल करें या ग्राहक सेवा को कॉल करें।

Japanese: ご案内: 日本語を話される方には、無料の言語アシスタントサービスをご用意しております。アクセシブルな形式で情報を提供するため、補助器具や支援サービスも無料で提供しております。1-855-216-3144 (TTY: 711) もしくは、カスタマーサービスにお電話でお問合せください。

Korean: 주의: 한국어(를) 하시면 무료 언어 지원 서비스를 이용하실 수 있습니다. 접근 가능한 형식으로 정보를 제공하기 위한 적절한 보조 도구와 서비스도 무료로 제공됩니다. 1-855-216-3144(TTY: 711)로 전화하거나 고객 서비스에 문의하세요.

Lao: ເຂົາໃຈໃສ່: ຖ້າເຈົ້າເວົ້າ ລາວ, ການບໍລິການຊ່ວຍເຫຼືອດ້ານພາສາພຣີແມ່ນມີໃຫ້ທ່ານ. ການຊ່ວຍເຫຼືອ ແລະ ການບໍລິການທີ່ເໝາະສົມໃນການສະໜອງຂໍ້ມູນໃນຮູບແບບທີ່ສາມາດເຂົ້າເຖິງໄດ້ແມ່ນຍັງສາມາດໃຊ້ໄດ້ໂດຍບໍ່ເສຍຄ່າ. ໂທ 1-855-216-3144 (TTY: 711) ຫຼື ໂທຫາຝ່າຍບໍລິການລູກຄ້າ.

Portuguese: ATENÇÃO: Se você falar português, serviços gratuitos de assistência linguística estão disponíveis para você. Também estão disponíveis gratuitamente ajudas e serviços auxiliares adequados para fornecer informações em formatos acessíveis. Ligue para 1-855-216-3144 (TTY: 711) ou ligue para o Atendimento ao Cliente.

Russian: ВНИМАНИЕ. Если ваш язык русский язык, к вашим услугам бесплатная языковая помощь. Соответствующие вспомогательные средства и услуги по предоставлению информации в доступных форматах также предоставляются бесплатно. Позвоните по телефону 1-855-216-3144 (TTY: 711) или обратитесь в службу поддержки клиентов.

Spanish: ATENCIÓN: Si usted habla español, hay disponibles servicios gratuitos de asistencia lingüística. También hay disponibles, de forma gratuita, ayudas y servicios auxiliares adecuados para dar información en formatos accesibles. Llame al 1-855-216-3144 (TTY: 711) o llame a Servicio al cliente.

Tagalog: ATTENTION: Kung nagsasalita ka ng Tagalog, available sa iyo ang mga libreng serbisyo sa tulong sa wika. Available rin ang naaangkop na mga pantulong na tulong at serbisyo nang walang bayad para magbigay ng impormasyon sa mga naa-access na format. Tumawag sa 1-855-216-3144 (TTY: 711) o tumawag sa Serbisyo sa Customer.

Turkish: DİKKAT Konuşmanız durumunda Türkçe, ücretsiz dil yardımı hizmetlerinden yararlanabilirsiniz. Erişilebilir formatlarda bilgi sağlamak için uygun yardımcı araçlar ve hizmetler de ücretsiz olarak sunulmaktadır. 1-855-216-3144 (TTY: 711) nolu telefonu veya Müşteri Hizmetlerini arayın.

Vietnamese: CHÚ Ý: Nếu quý vị nói tiếng việt thì dịch vụ hỗ trợ ngôn ngữ miễn phí có sẵn cho quý vị. Chúng tôi cũng có các hỗ trợ và dịch vụ phụ trợ miễn phí phù hợp để cung cấp thông tin ở định dạng dễ tiếp cận. Vui lòng gọi số 1-855-216-3144 (TTY: 711) hoặc gọi Dịch Vụ Khách Hàng.



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Are there services covered before you meet your deductible ?	Yes. Preventive services in-network are covered before you meet your deductible .	This plan covers some items and services even if you haven't yet met the deductible amount. But a copayment or coinsurance may apply. For example, this plan covers certain preventive services without cost-sharing and before you meet your deductible . See a list of covered preventive services at https://www.healthcare.gov/coverage/preventive-care-benefits/ .
Are there other deductibles for specific services?	No.	You don't have to meet deductible for specific services.
What is the out-of-pocket limit for this plan ?	For in-network \$6,500 individual / \$13,000 family.	The out-of-pocket limit is the most you could pay in a year for covered services. If you have other family members in this plan , they have to meet their own out-of-pocket limits until the overall family out-of-pocket limits has been met.
What is not included in the out-of-pocket limit ?	Premiums , balance-billing charges, health care this plan doesn't cover, cost sharing for most out-of-network benefits, pre-certification penalties and specialty drug coupon program payments.	Even though you pay these expenses, they don't count toward the out-of-pocket limit .
Will you pay less if you use a network provider ?	Yes. See AlabamaBlue.com or call 1-800-810-BLUE for a list of network providers .	This plan uses a provider network. You will pay less if you use a provider in the plan's network . You will pay the most if you use an out-of-network provider , and you might receive a bill from a provider for the difference between the provider's charge and what your plan pays (balance billing). Be aware your network provider might use an out-of-network provider for some services (such as lab work). Check with your provider before you get services.
Do you need a referral to see a specialist ?	No.	You can see the specialist you choose without a referral .



All [copayment](#) and [coinsurance](#) costs shown in this chart are after your [deductible](#) has been met, if a [deductible](#) applies.

Common Medical Event	Services You May Need	What You Will Pay		Limitations, Exceptions, & Other Important Information
		Network Provider (You will pay the least)	Out-of-Network Provider (You will pay the most)	
If you visit a health care provider's office or clinic	Primary care visit to treat an injury or illness	40% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	Precertification is required for some provider administered drugs; if no precertification is obtained, no benefits are available
	Specialist visit	40% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	
	Preventive care/screening/immunization	No Charge Deductible does not apply	Not Covered	Please visit AlabamaBlue.com/preventiveservices . You may have to pay for services that aren't preventive. Ask your provider if the services needed are preventive. Then check what your plan will pay for.
If you have a test	Diagnostic test (x-ray, blood work)	40% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	Benefits listed are physician services ; facility benefits are also available; precertification may be required; if no precertification is obtained, no benefits are available
	Imaging (CT/PET scans, MRIs)	40% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	
If you need drugs to treat your illness or condition More information about prescription drug coverage is available at AlabamaBlue.com/pharmacy	Tier 1 Drugs	\$15 copay (retail)	Not Covered	Precertification is required for some drugs; if no precertification is obtained, no benefits are available; generic drugs mandatory when available; covered insulin products may have lower patient responsibility; select generic specialty and biosimilar drugs on the Select Generic Specialty and Biosimilar Drug List will have lower member cost share
	Tier 2 Drugs	\$50 copay (retail)	Not Covered	
	Tier 3 Drugs	\$100 copay (retail)	Not Covered	
If you have outpatient surgery	Facility fee (e.g., ambulatory surgery center)	40% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	In Alabama, out-of-network not covered; precertification may be required; if no precertification is obtained, no benefits are available
	Physician/surgeon fees	40% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	None
If you need immediate medical attention	Emergency room care	Accident: 40% coinsurance Medical Emergency: 40% coinsurance	Accident: 40% coinsurance Medical Emergency: 40% coinsurance	Physician charges will apply
	Emergency medical transportation	40% coinsurance	40% coinsurance	None
	Urgent care	40% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	None

Common Medical Event	Services You May Need	What You Will Pay		Limitations, Exceptions, & Other Important Information
		Network Provider (You will pay the least)	Out-of-Network Provider (You will pay the most)	
If you have a hospital stay	Facility fee (e.g., hospital room)	40% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	In Alabama, out-of-network benefits are only available for accidental injury and medical emergency; precertification is required; if no precertification is obtained, no benefits are available
	Physician/surgeon fees	40% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	None
If you need mental health, behavioral health, or substance abuse services	Outpatient services	40% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	Precertification is required for intensive outpatient, partial hospitalization and inpatient hospitalization ; if no precertification is obtained, no benefits are available
	Inpatient services	Physician: 40% coinsurance Inpatient Hospital: 40% coinsurance	Physician: 50% coinsurance Inpatient Hospital: 50% coinsurance	
If you are pregnant	Office visits	40% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	Cost sharing does not apply for preventive services . Depending on the type of services, a copayment , coinsurance or deductible may apply. Maternity care may include tests and services described elsewhere in the SBC (i.e., ultrasound); precertification may be required; if no precertification is obtained, no benefits are available
	Childbirth/delivery professional services	40% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	
	Childbirth/delivery facility services	40% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	

Common Medical Event	Services You May Need	What You Will Pay		Limitations, Exceptions, & Other Important Information
		Network Provider (You will pay the least)	Out-of-Network Provider (You will pay the most)	
If you need help recovering or have other special health needs	Home health care	40% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	In Alabama, out-of-network not covered; benefits are also available for home infusion services; precertification may be required; if no precertification is obtained, no benefits are available
	Rehabilitation services	40% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	Benefits listed are for Rehabilitation & Habilitation services ; each service has a combined maximum of 30 visits for occupational, physical and speech therapy per year; children ages 0-18 with an autistic diagnosis are allowed unlimited visits for occupational, physical and speech therapy
	Habilitation services	40% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	
	Skilled nursing care	Not Covered	Not Covered	Not covered; member pays 100%
	Durable medical equipment	40% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	Precertification may be required; if no precertification is obtained, no benefits are available
	Hospice services	40% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	In Alabama, out-of-network not covered; precertification may be required; if no precertification is obtained, no benefits are available
If your child needs dental or eye care	Children's eye exam	No Charge Deductible does not apply	Not Covered	Please visit AlabamaBlue.com/preventiveservices
	Children's glasses	Not Covered	Not Covered	Not covered; member pays 100%
	Children's dental check-up	No Charge Deductible does not apply	Not Covered	Please visit AlabamaBlue.com/preventiveservices

Excluded Services & Other Covered Services:

Services Your Plan Generally Does NOT Cover (Check your policy or plan document for more information and a list of any other excluded services.)		
• Acupuncture • Bariatric surgery • Cosmetic surgery • Dental care (Adult)	• Glasses, child • Hearing aids • Long-term care • Private-duty nursing	• Routine eye care (Adult) • Routine foot care • Skilled nursing care • Weight loss programs

Other Covered Services (Limitations may apply to these services. This isn't a complete list. Please see your plan document.)		
• Chiropractic care	• Infertility treatment (Assisted Reproductive Technology not covered)	• Non-emergency care when traveling outside the U.S.

Your Rights to Continue Coverage: There are agencies that can help if you want to continue your coverage after it ends. The contact information for those agencies is: Department of Labor's Employee Benefits Security Administration at 1-866-444-EBSA (3272) or <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/ebsa/about-ebsa/ask-a-question/ask-ebsa> or Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Alabama at 1-800-292-8868. Other coverage options may be available to you too, including buying individual insurance coverage through the [Health Insurance Marketplace](#). For more information about the [Marketplace](#), visit www.HealthCare.gov or call 1-800-318-2596.

Your Grievance and Appeals Rights: There are agencies that can help if you have a complaint against your [plan](#) for a denial of a [claim](#). This complaint is called a [grievance](#) or [appeal](#). For more information about your rights, look at the explanation of benefits you will receive for that medical [claim](#). Your [plan](#) documents also provide complete information on how to submit a [claim](#), [appeal](#), or a [grievance](#) for any reason to your [plan](#). For more information about your rights, this notice, or assistance, contact: Your [plan](#) administrator at the phone number listed in your benefit booklet. You may also contact Department of Labor's Employee Benefits Security Administration at 1-866-444-EBSA (3272) or <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/ebsa/about-ebsa/ask-a-question/ask-ebsa> or Alabama Department of Insurance at 1-334-269-3550 or Insdept@insurance.alabama.gov.

Does this plan provide Minimum Essential Coverage? Yes

[Minimum Essential Coverage](#) generally includes [plans](#), [health insurance](#) available through the [Marketplace](#) or other individual market policies, Medicare, Medicaid, CHIP, TRICARE, and certain other coverage. If you are eligible for certain types of [Minimum Essential Coverage](#), you may not be eligible for the [premium tax credit](#).

Does this plan meet Minimum Value Standards? Yes

If your [plan](#) doesn't meet the [Minimum Value Standards](#), you may be eligible for a [premium tax credit](#) to help you pay for a [plan](#) through the [Marketplace](#).

To see examples of how this [plan](#) might cover costs for a sample medical situation, see the next section.

About these Coverage Examples:



This is not a cost estimator. Treatments shown are just examples of how this [plan](#) might cover medical care. Your actual costs will be different depending on the actual care you receive, the prices your [providers](#) charge, and many other factors. Focus on the [cost sharing](#) amounts ([deductibles](#), [copayments](#) and [coinsurance](#)) and [excluded services](#) under the [plan](#). Use this information to compare the portion of costs you might pay under different health [plans](#). Please note these coverage examples are based on self-only coverage.

Peg is Having a Baby

(9 months of in-network pre-natal care and a hospital delivery)

■ The plan's overall deductible	\$4000
■ Specialist coinsurance	40%
■ Hospital (facility) coinsurance	40%
■ Other copayment/coinsurance	\$50/40%

This EXAMPLE event includes services like:

[Specialist](#) office visits (*prenatal care*)
 Childbirth/Delivery Professional Services
 Childbirth/Delivery Facility Services
[Diagnostic tests](#) (*ultrasounds and blood work*)
[Specialist](#) visit (*anesthesia*)

Total Example Cost	\$12,700
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In this example, Peg would pay:

Cost Sharing	
Deductibles	\$4000
Copayments	\$0
Coinsurance	\$2500
<i>What isn't covered</i>	
Limits or exclusions	\$60
The total Peg would pay is	\$6,560

Managing Joe's Type 2 Diabetes

(a year of routine in-network care of a well-controlled condition)

■ The plan's overall deductible	\$4000
■ Specialist coinsurance	40%
■ Hospital (facility) coinsurance	40%
■ Other copayment/coinsurance	\$50/40%

This EXAMPLE event includes services like:

[Primary care physician](#) office visits (*including disease education*)
[Diagnostic tests](#) (*blood work*)
[Prescription drugs](#)
[Durable medical equipment](#) (*glucose meter*)

Total Example Cost	\$5,600
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In this example, Joe would pay:

Cost Sharing	
Deductibles	\$4000
Copayments	\$200
Coinsurance	\$50
<i>What isn't covered</i>	
Limits or exclusions	\$40
The total Joe would pay is	\$4,290

Mia's Simple Fracture

(in-network emergency room visit and follow up care)

■ The plan's overall deductible	\$4000
■ Specialist coinsurance	40%
■ Hospital (facility) coinsurance	40%
■ Other copayment/coinsurance	\$50/40%

This EXAMPLE event includes services like:

[Emergency room care](#) (*including medical supplies*)
[Diagnostic tests](#) (*x-ray*)
[Durable medical equipment](#) (*crutches*)
[Rehabilitation services](#) (*physical therapy*)

Total Example Cost	\$2,800
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In this example, Mia would pay:

Cost Sharing	
Deductibles	\$2800
Copayments	\$0
Coinsurance	\$0
<i>What isn't covered</i>	
Limits or exclusions	\$0
The total Mia would pay is	\$2,800

Note: These numbers assume the patient does not participate in the [plan's](#) wellness program. If you participate in the [plan's](#) wellness program, you may be able to reduce your costs. For more information about the wellness program, please contact: [AlabamaBlue.com](#).

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Discrimination is Against the Law

Language Assistance Services, Auxiliary Aids Services and Notice of Nondiscrimination:

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Alabama, an independent licensee of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association, complies with applicable Federal civil rights laws and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex (consistent with the scope of sex discrimination described in 45 CFR § 92.101(a)(2)). We do not exclude people or treat them less favorably because of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex.

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Alabama:

- Provides reasonable modifications and free appropriate auxiliary aids and services to people with disabilities to communicate effectively with us, such as qualified sign language interpreters and written information in other formats (large print, audio, accessible electronic formats, other formats)
- Provides free language assistance services to people whose primary language is not English, such as qualified interpreters and information written in other languages.

If you need reasonable modifications, appropriate auxiliary aids and services, or language assistance services, contact our 1557 Compliance Coordinator. If you believe that we have failed to provide these services or discriminated in another way on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex, you can file a grievance in person or by mail, fax, or email at: Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Alabama, Compliance Office, 450 Riverchase Parkway East, Birmingham, Alabama 35244, Attn: 1557 Compliance Coordinator, 1-855-216-3144, 711 (TTY), 1-205-220-2984 (fax), 1557Grievance@bcbsal.org (email). If you need help filing a grievance, our 1557 Compliance Coordinator is available to help you.

You can also file a civil rights complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights, electronically through the Office for Civil Rights Complaint Portal, available at <https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf>, or by mail or phone at: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 200 Independence Avenue, SW, Room 509F, HHH Building, Washington, D.C. 20201, 1-800-368-1019, 1-800-537-7697 (TDD). Complaint forms are available at <http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html>.

Notice of Availability of Language Assistance Services and Auxiliary Aids and Services

English: ATTENTION: Free language assistance services are available to you. Appropriate auxiliary aids and services to provide information in accessible formats are also available free of charge. Call 1-855-216-3144 (TTY: 711) or call Customer Service.

Arabic: انتباه: إذا كنت تتحدث العربية، تتوفر لك خدمات المساعدة اللغوية المجانية. كما تتوفر أيضًا المساعدات 1-855-216-3144 والاتصال بالرقم 711. اتصل بالرقم 1-855-216-3144 (الهاتف النصي: 711) أو الاتصال بخدمة العملاء.

Chinese: 请注意: 如果您说普通话, 我们可免费为您提供语言协助服务。我们还免费提供适当的辅助工具和服务, 以易读格式向您提供信息。请拨打 1-855-216-3144 (TTY 用户请拨 711) 或致电客户服务部。

French: À NOTER : Si vous parlez français, des services d'assistance linguistique gratuits sont à votre disposition. Des aides et des services auxiliaires appropriés pour fournir des informations dans des formats accessibles sont également disponibles gratuitement. Appelez le 1 855 216 3144 (TTY : 711) ou contactez le service client.

German: ACHTUNG: Wenn Sie Deutsch sprechen, stehen Ihnen kostenlose Sprachassistentenzdienste zur Verfügung. Geeignete Hilfsmittel und Dienstleistungen zur Bereitstellung von Informationen in zugänglichen Formaten sind ebenfalls kostenlos erhältlich. Rufen Sie +1 855 216 3144 (Durchwahl: 711) oder den Kundendienst an.

Gujarati: ધ્યાન દેઃ અગર આપ હિન્દી બોલતે હૈં, તો આપકે લિે નિઃશુલ્ક ભાષા સહાયતા સેવાઈ ઉપલબ્ધ હૈં. આસાન પ્રારૂપ મેં સૂચના ઉપલબ્ધ કરાને કે લિે ઉપયુક્ત સહાયક સાધન ઓર સેવાઈ મી નિઃશુલ્ક ઉપલબ્ધ હૈં. 1-855-216-3144 (TTY: 711) પર અથવા ઈગ્રાહક સેવા પર કોલ કરો.

Hindi: ध्यान दें: अगर आप हिन्दी बोलते हैं, तो आपके लिए निःशुल्क भाषा सहायता सेवाएँ उपलब्ध हैं। आसान प्रारूप में सूचना उपलब्ध कराने के लिए उपयुक्त सहायक साधन और सेवाएँ भी निःशुल्क उपलब्ध हैं। 1-855-216-3144 (TTY: 711) पर कॉल करें या ग्राहक सेवा को कॉल करें।

Japanese: ご案内: 日本語を話される方には、無料の言語アシスタントサービスをご用意しております。アクセシブルな形式で情報を提供するため、補助器具や支援サービスも無料で提供しております。1-855-216-3144 (TTY: 711) もしくは、カスタマーサービスにお電話でお問合せください。

Korean: 주의: 한국어(를) 하시면 무료 언어 지원 서비스를 이용하실 수 있습니다. 접근 가능한 형식으로 정보를 제공하기 위한 적절한 보조 도구와 서비스도 무료로 제공됩니다. 1-855-216-3144(TTY: 711)로 전화하거나 고객 서비스에 문의하세요.

Lao: ເຂົາໃຈໃສ່: ຖ້າເຈົ້າເວົ້າ ລາວ, ການບໍລິການຊ່ວຍເຫຼືອດ້ານພາສາພຣີແມ່ນມີໃຫ້ທ່ານ. ການຊ່ວຍເຫຼືອ ແລະ ການບໍລິການທີ່ເໝາະສົມໃນການສະໜອງຂໍ້ມູນໃນຮູບແບບທີ່ສາມາດເຂົ້າເຖິງໄດ້ແມ່ນຍັງສາມາດໃຊ້ໄດ້ໂດຍບໍ່ເສຍຄ່າ. ໂທ 1-855-216-3144 (TTY: 711) ຫຼື ໂທຫາຝ່າຍບໍລິການລູກຄ້າ.

Portuguese: ATENÇÃO: Se você falar português, serviços gratuitos de assistência linguística estão disponíveis para você. Também estão disponíveis gratuitamente ajudas e serviços auxiliares adequados para fornecer informações em formatos acessíveis. Ligue para 1-855-216-3144 (TTY: 711) ou ligue para o Atendimento ao Cliente.

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Spanish: ATENCIÓN: Si usted habla español, hay disponibles servicios gratuitos de asistencia lingüística. También hay disponibles, de forma gratuita, ayudas y servicios auxiliares adecuados para dar información en formatos accesibles. Llame al 1-855-216-3144 (TTY: 711) o llame a Servicio al cliente.

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Health Insurance Marketplace Coverage Options and Your Health Coverage

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PART A: General Information

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

What is the Health Insurance Marketplace?

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

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

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

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

Yes. If you have an offer of health coverage from your employer that is considered affordable for you and meets certain minimum value standards, you will not be eligible for a tax credit, or advance payment of the tax credit, for your Marketplace coverage and may wish to enroll in your employment-based health plan. However, you may be eligible for a tax credit, and advance payments of the credit that lowers your monthly premium, or a reduction in certain cost-sharing, if your employer does not offer coverage to you at all or does not offer coverage that is considered affordable for you or meet minimum value standards. If your share of the premium cost of all plans offered to you through your employment is more than 8.39%¹ of your annual household income, or if the coverage through your employment does not meet the "minimum value" standard set by the Affordable Care Act, you may be eligible for a tax credit, and advance payment of the credit, if you do not enroll in the employment-based health coverage. For family members of the employee, coverage is considered affordable if the employee's cost of premiums for the lowest-cost plan that would cover all family members does not exceed 8.39% of the employee's household income.¹²

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

¹ Indexed annually; see <https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-drop/rp-23-29.pdf> for 2024.

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

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

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

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

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

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

What about Alternatives to Marketplace Health Insurance Coverage?

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

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

How Can I Get More Information?

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

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

PART B: Information About Health Coverage Offered by Your Employer

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

3. Employer name		4. Employer Identification Number (EIN)	
Long-Lewis of the Shoals, Inc.		63-1171028	
5. Employer address		6. Employer phone number	
201 S Court Street ~ Suite 310		(256) 386-7800	
7. City	8. State	9. ZIP code	
Florence	AL	35630	
10. Who can we contact about employee health coverage at this job?			
Dianna Stepp, Benefits Administrator			
11. Phone number (if different from above)		12. Email address	
(256) 814-0962		AG.Benefits@longlewis.net	

Here is some basic information about health coverage offered by this employer:

- As your employer, we offer a health plan to:
All employees. Eligible employees are:

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Some employees. Eligible employees are:

You are eligible to enroll in this plan if all of the following requirements are satisfied: You are an employee and are treated as such by your group. Examples of persons who are not employees include independent contractors, board members, and consultants; Your group has determined that you work on average 30 or more hours per week (including vacation and certain leaves of absence that are discussed in the section dealing with termination of coverage) in accordance with the Affordable Care Act; You are in a category or classification of employees that is covered by the plan; You meet any additional eligibility or participation rules established by your group; and, You satisfy any applicable waiting period, as explained below. You must continue to meet these eligibility conditions for the duration of your participation in the Plan.

- With respect to dependents:

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We do offer coverage. Eligible dependents are:

Your eligible dependents are: Your spouse; Your married or unmarried child up to age 26; and, Your unmarried, incapacitated child who (1) is age 26 and over; (2) is not able to support himself; and (3) depends on you for support, if the incapacity occurred before age 26. The child may be the employee's natural child; stepchild; legally adopted child; child placed for adoption; or eligible foster child. An eligible foster child is a child that is placed with you by an authorized placement agency or by court order. You may cover your grandchild only if you are eligible to claim your grandchild as a dependent on your federal income tax return.

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We do not offer coverage.

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If checked, this coverage meets the minimum value standard, and the cost of this coverage to you is intended to be affordable, based on employee wages.

****** Even if your employer intends your coverage to be affordable, you may still be eligible for a premium discount through the Marketplace. The Marketplace will use your household income, along with other factors, to determine whether you may be eligible for a premium discount. If, for example, your wages vary from week to week (perhaps you are an hourly employee or you work on a commission basis), if you are newly employed mid-year, or if you have other income losses, you may still qualify for a premium discount.

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

The information below corresponds to the Marketplace Employer Coverage Tool. Completing this section is optional for employers, but will help ensure employees understand their coverage choices.

13. Is the employee currently eligible for coverage offered by this employer, or will the employee be eligible in the next 3 months?

☐ **Yes** (Continue)

13a. If the employee is not eligible today, including as a result of a waiting or probationary period, when is the employee eligible for coverage? _____ (mm/dd/yyyy)
(Continue)

☐ **No** (STOP and return this form to employee)

offered only to the employee (don't include family

14. Does the employer offer a health plan that meets the minimum value standard*?

☒ Yes (Go to question 15) ☐ No (STOP and return form to employee)

15. For the lowest-cost plan that meets the minimum value standard*

plans): If the employer has wellness programs, provide the premium that the employee would pay if he/ she received the maximum discount for any tobacco cessation programs, and didn't receive any other discounts based on wellness programs.

a. How much would the employee have to pay in premiums for this plan? \$

b. How often? ☐ Weekly ☐ Every 2 weeks ☐ Twice a month ☐ Monthly ☐ Quarterly ☐ Yearly

If the plan year will end soon and you know that the health plans offered will change, go to question 16. If you don't know, STOP and return form to employee.

16. What change will the employer make for the new plan year?

☐ Employer won't offer health coverage

☐ Employer will start offering health coverage to employees or change the premium for the lowest-cost plan available only to the employee that meets the minimum value standard.* (Premium should reflect the discount for wellness programs. See question 15.)

a. How much would the employee have to pay in premiums for this plan? \$

b. How often? ☐ Weekly ☐ Every 2 weeks ☐ Twice a month ☐ Monthly ☐ Quarterly ☐ Yearly

* An employer-sponsored health plan meets the "minimum value standard" if the plan's share of the total allowed benefit costs covered by the plan is no less than 60 percent of such costs (Section 36B(c)(2)(C)(ii) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986)

Medicare Part D Creditable Notice Use for creditable medical plans

Please read this notice carefully and keep it where you can find it. This notice has information about your current prescription drug coverage with Long-Lewis and about your options under Medicare's prescription drug coverage. This information can help you decide whether or not you want to join a Medicare drug plan. If you are considering joining, you should compare your current coverage, including which drugs are covered at what cost, with the coverage and costs of the plans offering Medicare prescription drug coverage in your area. Information about where you can get help to make decisions about your prescription drug coverage is at the end of this notice.

There are two important things you need to know about your current coverage and Medicare's prescription drug coverage:

1. Medicare prescription drug coverage became available in 2006 to everyone with Medicare. You can get this coverage if you join a Medicare Prescription Drug Plan or join a Medicare Advantage Plan (like an HMO or PPO) that offers prescription drug coverage. All Medicare drug plans provide at least a standard level of coverage set by Medicare. Some plans may also offer more coverage for a higher monthly premium.
2. Long-Lewis has determined that the prescription drug coverage offered by the Long-Lewis Group Health Plan is, on average for all plan participants, expected to pay out as much as standard Medicare prescription drug coverage pays and is therefore considered Creditable Coverage. Because your existing coverage is Creditable Coverage, you can keep this coverage and not pay a higher premium (a penalty) if you later decide to join a Medicare drug plan.

When Can You Join A Medicare Drug Plan?

You can join a Medicare drug plan when you first become eligible for Medicare and each year from October 15 to December 7.

However, if you lose your current creditable prescription drug coverage, through no fault of your own, you will also be eligible for a two (2) month Special Enrollment Period (SEP) to join a Medicare drug plan.

What Happens To Your Current Coverage If You Decide to Join A Medicare Drug Plan?

If you decide to join a Medicare drug plan, your current coverage will not be affected. If you do decide to join a Medicare drug plan and drop your current coverage, be aware that you and your dependents will be able to get this coverage back only at the next open enrollment period.

When Will You Pay A Higher Premium (Penalty) To Join A Medicare Drug Plan?

You should also know that if you drop or lose your current coverage with Long-Lewis and don't join a Medicare drug plan within 63 continuous days after your current coverage ends, you may pay a higher premium (a penalty) to join a Medicare drug plan later.

If you go 63 continuous days or longer without creditable prescription drug coverage, your monthly premium may go up by at least 1% of the Medicare base beneficiary premium per month for every month that you did not have that coverage. For example, if you go nineteen months without creditable coverage, your premium may consistently be at least 19% higher than the Medicare base beneficiary premium. You may have to pay this higher premium (a penalty) as long as you have Medicare prescription drug coverage. In addition, you may have to wait until the following October to join.

For More Information About This Notice Or Your Current Prescription Drug Coverage...

Contact the person listed below for further. **NOTE:** You'll get this notice each year. You will also get it before the next period you can join a Medicare drug plan, and if this coverage through changes. You also may request a copy of this notice at any time.

For More Information About Your Options Under Medicare Prescription Drug Coverage...

More detailed information about Medicare plans that offer prescription drug coverage is in the "Medicare & You" handbook. You'll get a copy of the handbook in the mail every year from Medicare. You may also be contacted directly by Medicare drug plans.

For more information about Medicare prescription drug coverage:

- Visit www.medicare.gov
- Call your State Health Insurance Assistance Program (see the inside back cover of your copy of the “Medicare & You” handbook for their telephone number) for personalized help
- Call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227). TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048.

If you have limited income and resources, extra help paying for Medicare prescription drug coverage is available. For information about this extra help, visit Social Security on the web at www.socialsecurity.gov, or call them at 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778).

Remember: Keep this Creditable Coverage notice. If you decide to join one of the Medicare drug plans, you may be required to provide a copy of this notice when you join to show whether or not you have maintained creditable coverage and, therefore, whether or not you are required to pay a higher premium (a penalty).

Date:	September 29, 2025
Plan Year:	11/1/2025 - 10/31/2026
Name of Entity/Sender:	Dianna Stepp
Contact-Position/Office:	Benefits Administrator
Address:	102 South Court Street ~ Suite 310 Florence, Alabama 35630
Phone Number:	(256) 814-0962

Your Rights and Protections Against Surprise Medical Bills

When you get emergency care or get treated by an out-of-network provider at an in-network hospital or ambulatory surgical center, you are protected from surprise billing or balance billing. In these cases, you shouldn't be charged more than your plan's copayments, coinsurance and/or deductible.

What is "balance billing" (sometimes called "surprise billing")?

When you see a doctor or other health care provider, you may owe certain out-of-pocket costs, such as a copayment, coinsurance, and/or a deductible. You may have other costs or have to pay the entire bill if you see a provider or visit a health care facility that isn't in your health plan's network.

"Out-of-network" describes providers and facilities that haven't signed a contract with your health plan. Out-of-network providers may be permitted to bill you for the difference between what your plan agreed to pay and the full amount charged for a service. This is called "**balance billing**." This amount is likely more than in-network costs for the same service and might not count toward your annual out-of-pocket limit.

"Surprise billing" is an unexpected balance bill. This can happen when you can't control who is involved in your care—like when you have an emergency or when you schedule a visit at an in-network facility but are unexpectedly treated by an out-of-network provider. Surprise medical bills could cost thousands of dollars depending on the procedure or service.

You are protected from balance billing for:

Emergency services

If you have an emergency medical condition and get emergency services from an out-of-network provider or facility, the most the provider or facility may bill you is your plan's in-network cost-sharing amount (such as copayments, coinsurance, and deductibles). You **can't** be balance billed for these emergency services. This includes services you may get after you're in stable condition, unless you give written consent and give up your protections not to be balance billed for these post-stabilization services.

Certain services at an in-network hospital or ambulatory surgical center

When you get services from an in-network hospital or ambulatory surgical center, certain providers there may be out-of-network. In these cases, the most those providers may bill you is your plan's in-network cost-sharing amount. This applies to emergency medicine, anesthesia, pathology, radiology, laboratory, neonatology, assistant surgeon, hospitalist, or intensivist services. These providers **can't** balance bill you and may **not** ask you to give up your protections not to be balance billed.

If you get other services at these in-network facilities, out-of-network providers **can't** balance bill you, unless you give written consent and give up your protections.

You're never required to give up your protections from balance billing. You also aren't required to get care out-of-network. You can choose a provider or facility in your plan's network.

When balance billing isn't allowed, you also have the following protections:

- You are only responsible for paying your share of the cost (like the copayments, coinsurance, and deductibles that you would pay if the provider or facility was in-network). Your health plan will pay any additional costs to out-of-network providers and facilities directly.
- Generally, your health plan generally must:
 - Cover emergency services without requiring you to get approval for services in advance (aka, prior authorization).
 - Cover emergency services by out-of-network providers.
 - Base what you owe the provider or facility (cost-sharing) on what it would pay an in-network provider or facility and show that amount in your explanation of benefits.
 - Count any amount you pay for emergency services or out-of-network services toward your deductible and out-of-pocket limit.

If you believe you've been wrongly billed, you may contact the No Surprises Help Desk at 1-800-985-3059 from 8 am to 8 pm EST, 7 days a week, to submit your question or a complaint. Or, you can submit a complaint online at <https://www.cms.gov/nosurprises>

Visit <https://www.cms.gov/nosurprises> for more information about your rights under federal law.