Figma Documentation – My learning

Summary

This document delivers an in-depth overview of my hands-on design journey and practical experience using Figma to create a digital insurance platform that works with both desktop and iPhone interfaces. Reusable components, responsive layouts, and interactive navigation that guaranteed a seamless user experience across devices were all made possible by Figma, a potent web-based UI/UX tool. This project taught me how to create mobile-friendly flows, prototype comprehensive user journeys, and organize content for different screen sizes.

Introduction to Figma

User interface designs can be produced precisely and with real-time feedback using the collaborative design and prototyping platform Figma. It's perfect for designing layouts that adjust to different screen sizes. For my project, I had to create two distinct but related experiences:

- A desktop interface for users who use a web browser to access the platform.
- An iPhone's interface with optimized touch interactions that is designed for mobile users.

Key concepts I learned

1. Artboards and frames

- frames made especially for the iPhone (375px wide) and desktop (1440px wide).
- Every screen (Home, Sign In, Policies, etc.) was constructed inside frames with distinct labels.

2. Automatic Layout

- For buttons, forms, containers, and page sections, Auto Layout was utilized.
- In order to facilitate responsive resizing, padding and spacing settings were implemented.
- "Fill Container" and "Hug Contents" are cleverly used for flexibility.

3. Elements and Variants

- Created reusable elements, such as text inputs, navbars, and CTA buttons.
- Defined states with variations (active, hover, and default).
- Consistency in appearance across platforms was guaranteed by components.

4. Interactions and Prototyping

• Tap, Navigate To, and Smart Animate are new interactive transitions.

- Used slide-in animation and overlays to create a mobile sidebar.
- Created end-to-end user journey prototypes.

5. Restrictions and Reactivity

- Establish limits for both vertical and horizontal resizing.
- From iPhone 11 to iPhone 14, layout fidelity was maintained.

6. Accessibility and Typography

- Used a structured typographic scale (paragraphs, headings, and subheadings).
- Accessible touch targets (\geq 44px) and readable font sizes (\geq 16px) were guaranteed.

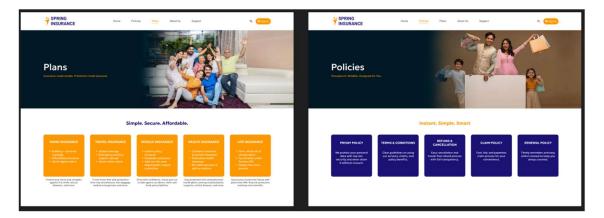
Screens Designed

A. Desktop Interface

Pages Developed:

- 1. Home Screen
- 2. Sign In
- 3. About Us
- 4. Policies (Two Layouts: Plans Overview + Policy Cards)
- 5. Support Page





Design Features:

- Responsive layout with a fixed top navigation bar.
- Cards for showcasing insurance types, benefits, and pricing.
- Clear call-to-actions with consistent branding.
- Informative About Us section with images and text hierarchy.
- Structured Support page with a functional inquiry form.

B. iPhone Interface

Screens Developed:

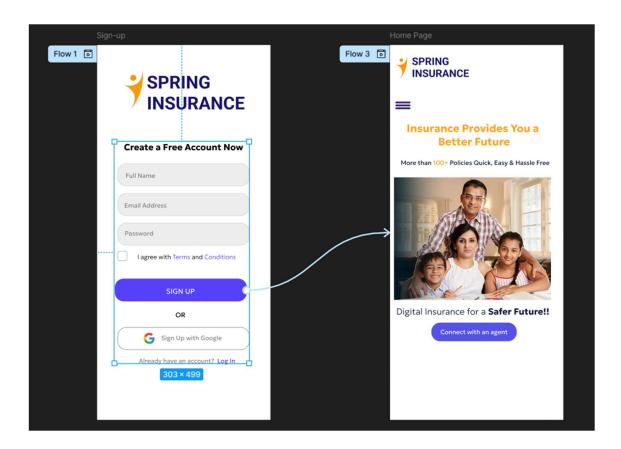
- 1. Sign-Up Page
- 2. Home Page
- 3. Sidebar Navigation Menu
- 4. Policies page + Plan page
- 5. Support Page
- 6. About Us

Design Features:

- Clean mobile-first layout optimized for one-handed use.
- Sign-up form with fields for name, email, and password, along with Google Sign-Up.
- Sidebar (hamburger menu) featuring animated overlay for smooth navigation.
- Clear CTA and emotionally resonant hero image on the Home screen.

Mobile Navigation Flow:

 Open App → View Home Screen → Open Sidebar → Navigate to Sign-Up → Register → Explore Insurance Plans



Technical Design Practices

| Feature | Description |
|-------------------|---|
| Auto Layout | Used throughout for consistent spacing and resizing |
| Components | Built modular UI elements for reuse across platforms |
| Prototyping | Implemented full user flows with transitions and overlays |
| Typography | Followed accessibility-friendly font sizes and contrast |
| Accessibility | Considered tap targets and screen readability |
| File Organization | Layer naming, grouped sections, and platform separation |

Challenges & Solutions

| Challenge | Solution |
|--------------------------------|---|
| Mobile sidebar animation issue | Resolved using Smart Animate + Overlay flow |
| Spacing inconsistency | Standardized using Auto Layout settings and constraints |
| Responsive scaling on iPhone | Applied frame constraints and adaptive resizing |

What I Found Helpful

| Feature | Benefit |
|----------------|--|
| Auto Layout | Saved time and enabled flexible UI across screen sizes |
| Components | Made the design scalable and consistent |
| Prototyping | Helped simulate real-world app interaction |
| Overlays | Enabled sidebar simulation on mobile easily |
| Variant System | Created stateful UI elements without duplication |

Conclusion

I was able to learn key UI/UX concepts with Figma thanks to this project, particularly how to create consistent experiences for desktop and iPhone platforms. I improved my skills with Auto Layout, components, constraints, and prototyping tools. My experience designing mobile-first interfaces taught me to keep a consistent visual identity while giving usability and accessibility top priority. Overall, this experience improved my capacity to use Figma to produce end-to-end design solutions that prioritize user engagement and responsiveness.