SALIS Whitepaper

Salis — A constructed sacred word rooted in ancient Latin. It echoes salus (health and well-being), sal (salt, the essence of life and preservation), and salve (to heal or soothe). Though not a classical term itself, Salis carries a purposeful synthesis of these origins — symbolizing the regenerative, reciprocal energy of care, both given and received.

Section 1: Introduction

Salis is a decentralized care economy built on Cardano, designed to empower individuals to take control of their health by rewarding care—not compliance. Rather than mimicking traditional insurance models, Salis introduces a sovereign, community-governed system that values both Western and holistic health practices equally.

Section 2: The Problem

The current healthcare system is exclusionary, bureaucratic, and often punishes the uninsured. Freelancers, alternative healing providers, and seekers of holistic wellness are left out. Existing tools like FSA and HSA accounts are limited to state-approved services and are bound by rigid policies that exclude many valid forms of healing.

Section 3: The Salis Solution

Salis flips the system. It's not an insurance provider—it's a sovereign health commons that:

- Uses Cardano-native wallets and smart contracts
- Enables decentralized governance through a DAO
- Rewards real acts of care with \$SALIS tokens
- Offers a curated, community-trusted provider network

Section 4: Who It's For

Salis serves:

- Self-employed individuals
- Alternative and spiritual practitioners
- Root cause and somatic therapists

- Healing seekers outside traditional systems
- Parents, birth workers, midwives
- Mutual-aid-minded communities

Section 5: System Overview

Salis has five integrated components:

- 1. Wallet & Smart Contracts: Users connect with a Cardano wallet to manage funds and book care.
- 2. \$SALIS Token: A non-tradable utility token used for reputation, rewards, and governance.
- 3. DAO Governance: Decisions are made by the community with sovereign participation.
- 4. Provider Network: Verified through community trust, not just state licensing.
- 5. Treasury & Reserve Pool: ADA-backed pool for sustainability and emergency care.

Section 6: Token Design – \$SALIS

\$SALIS is:

- Non-tradable to avoid speculation
- Earned through giving or receiving verified care
- Used to access offerings, vote, and verify providers
- Minted progressively through trust milestones

Trust gates include:

- Completing verified sessions
- Earning endorsements
- Participating in governance

Section 7: How Salis Works – User Flow

For Members:

- Join and connect wallet
- Fund care wallet (ADA)
- Choose a provider

- Complete session
- Earn \$SALIS for feedback, referrals, or governance

For Providers:

- Join and label as "New Provider"
- Get verified after 3 unique sessions
- Receive ADA directly
- Earn \$SALIS progressively

For DAO Participants:

- Propose or vote on updates
- Stake \$SALIS to signal trust
- Influence treasury decisions

Section 8: Provider Verification & Integrity

Provider entry is:

- Open, but labeled as "New"
- Verified after 3 unique client sessions
- Upgraded through community endorsement
- Tracked via public Care Profile

No provider is favored by credential type. All trust is earned equally. Disputes are resolved through mediation, not bureaucracy.

Section 9: Governance Model

Voting is sovereign:

- Members may delegate their vote, but can revoke at any time
- Participation is gently required via platform soft-gates

Sovereignty Participation Logic:

- Minimum 20% proposal response per moon cycle
- If unmet, voting is required before continuing certain actions
- Once met, voting becomes skippable

Section 10: Treasury, Yield & Sustainability

The treasury is ADA-backed:

- Funded by staking yield
- 5% platform support fee funds infrastructure, contributors, and

the DAO

 Used for equity care pool, emergency funds, and provider rewards

Section 11: Care Access, Equity & Emergency Support

We offer:

- Sliding-scale contributions
- Equity pool for financial hardship
- DAO-triggered emergency support
- Seasonal care rounds

Section 12: Technology, Tools & Future Potential

Built on:

- Cardano blockchain
- React.js front end with Theme UI
- Smart contracts for logic, payment, and participation
- Figma-based interface design

Future growth includes:

- Local care hubs
- Cross-chain integration
- Self-sovereign ID tools
- DAO research and education modules

Section 13: Token Lifecycle & Minting Logic

\$SALIS is:

- Minted for real care (session + validation)
- Unlockable in tiers: Session → Verification → Endorsement →
 Governance → Legacy
- Spent on community offerings

Section 14: Care We Support (Care Matrix)

Tiered Categories:

- Basic Care: bodywork, checkups, wellness coaching
- Advanced Care: trauma therapy, chronic condition support, home birth
- Spiritual/Wellness: energy healing, ancestral medicine, Integration support

Section 15: Closing Summary & Comparison

Salis isn't just another crypto health startup. It's a living system.

Feature	SALIS	Traditional FSA/HSA
Ownership	Community-owned DAO	Employer or government- controlled
Provider Access	Includes traditional, holistic, alternative, and spiritual care providers all verified through community-based trust logic	Limited to licensed, insurance-approved medical providers only
Governance	Member voting, proposal system	None (policy dictated by law or employer)
Rewards	Earned through real care and participation	None
Transparency	Smart contract-based and on-chain	Opaque billing and middlemen
Emergency Support	DAO-triggered aid via treasury	Often denied or delayed

Salis offers something new: real sovereignty in health. It removes red tape and replaces it with participation, community trust, and care-based incentives. A decentralized healing economy—not just a workaround, but a rebirth.

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