

Northeastern University Faculty & Staff 2017 Benefit Plan Overview





Open Enrollment

Northeastern University

Medical plan options – No Changes for 2017

- Core Plan
- Enhanced Plan
- High Deductible PPO with HSA

All plans:

- Same covered services different levels of cost sharing
- No pre-existing condition limitations or waiting periods
- Provide coverage for worldwide emergency care and urgent care



Core

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MEDICAL	PCP / Plan Approved	Self-referred
HSA University Funding	N/A	
Annual Deductible	\$250 Individual / \$500 Family	\$500 Individual / \$1,000 Family
Out-of-Pocket Maximum	\$2,500 Individual / \$5,000 Family	\$4,000 Individual / \$8,000 Family
Hospital Inpatient	90% after deductible	70% after deductible
Outpatient Day Surgery	90% after deductible	70% after deductible
High-Tech Imaging	90% after deductible	70% after deductible
Emergency Room	\$100 copay	
OFFICE VISITS		
Preventive Care	Covered in full	70% after deductible
PCP Visit (non-preventive)	\$25 copay	70% after deductible
Specialist	\$35 copay	70% after deductible
PRESCRIPTION DRUGS		
Retail (up to 30-day supply)	\$5 / \$30 / \$50	Not covered
Mail (up to 90-day supply)	\$10 / \$60 / \$100	Not covered



Enhanced

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MEDICAL	PCP / Plan Approved	Self-referred
HSA University Funding	N/A	
Annual Deductible	None	\$500 Individual / \$1,000 Family
Out-of-Pocket Maximum	\$2,000 Individual / \$4,000 Family	\$4,000 Individual / \$8,000 Family
Hospital Inpatient	Covered in full	80% after deductible
Outpatient Day Surgery	Covered in full	80% after deductible
High-Tech Imaging	Free standing: covered in full / Hospital: \$100 copay	80% after deductible
Emergency Room	\$100 copay	
OFFICE VISITS		
Preventive Care	Covered in full	80% after deductible
PCP Visit (non-preventive)	\$20 copay	80% after deductible
Specialist	\$30 copay	80% after deductible
PRESCRIPTION DRUGS		
Retail (up to 30-day supply)	\$5 / \$30 / \$50	Not covered
Mail (up to 90-day supply)	\$10 / \$60 / \$100	Not covered



High Deductible PPO with HSA





Advantages to the High Deductible PPO with HSA

Flexibility

- No Primary Care Physician Selection and Referrals are not required
- For Out-of-Network Benefits Use Any Licensed Provider (you may be balance billed)

Freedom of Choice

In and Out-of-Network Benefits

For In-Network Benefits

- No Claim Forms
- Use Providers in Blue Cross Blue Shield <u>National</u> PPO Network

Lowest payroll contributions

Same total out of pocket maximum as the Core Plan

Preventive Care covered at 100%

Ability to open a Health Savings Account (HSA)



High Deductible PPO with HSA

	High Deductible PPO with HSA	
MEDICAL	In-Network	Out-of-Network
Monthly Premiums	\$146.47 Individual / \$390.42 Family	
HSA University Funding	\$500 Individual / \$1,000 Family	
Annual Deductible	\$1,500 Individual / \$3,000 Family	\$2,500 Individual / \$5,000 Family
Out-of-Pocket Maximum	\$2,500 Individual / \$5,000 Family	\$4,000 Individual / \$8,000 Family
Hospital Inpatient	90% after deductible	70% after deductible
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High Deductible PPO with HSA – Plan Highlights

Preventive visits & related routine tests & immunizations

• You pay nothing in network; covered 100%, No Deductible

The deductible works differently than the other Northeastern plans:

- Entire \$3,000 family deductible must be met before benefits are provided to any family member. There is no embedded individual deductible.
- Deductible applies to all services other preventive.

The Out-of-Pocket Maximum works the same as other Northeastern plans:

- \$2,500 per Individual policy or \$5,000 per Family policy
- No one member can pay more than the Individual \$2,500 maximum.
- After the Out-of-Pocket Maximum is satisfied, the plan pays 100% for the rest of the year.

Single Enrollment

Deductible: \$1,500

Northeastern Funded HSA: \$500

YOU Decide if you want to use your HSA Funds to cover medical and Rx expenses, or save it for the future

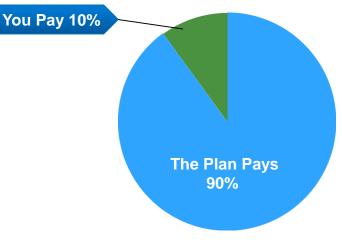
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\$500 Northeastern Funded HSA





\$2,500 Out-of-Pocket Max is Met, Plan Pays 100%



\$1,500 Deductible is met

\$1,500 Deductible

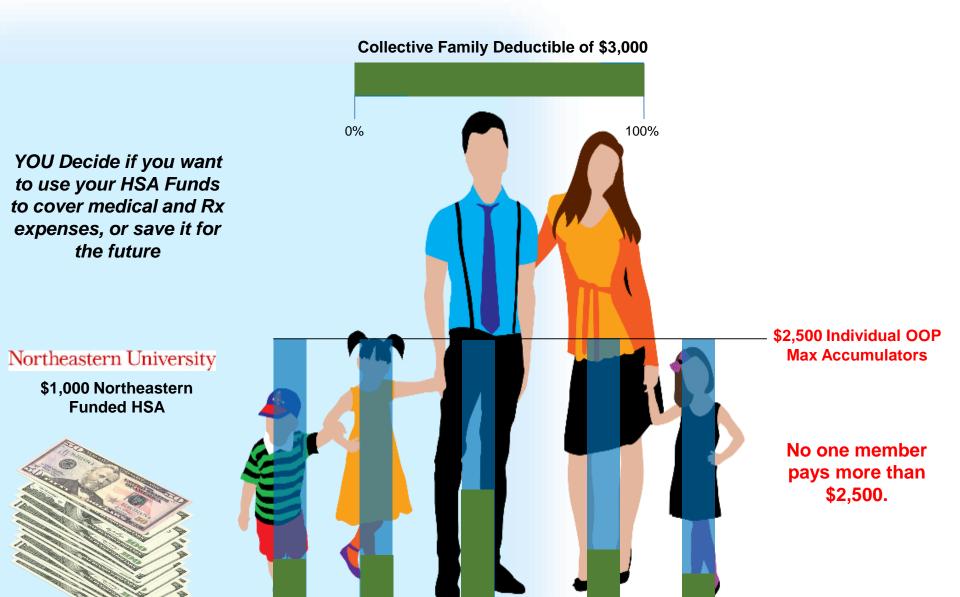
Family Enrollment

Deductible: \$3,000 per Family

Northeastern Funded HSA: \$1,000

Plan pays claims at 90% for everyone when Family Deductible is met.

Members pay 10% until they reach the \$5,000 Family Out-of-Pocket maximum.





Health Savings Account (HSA)

Health**Equity**® Building Health Savings^{**}



Two Parts: Health Plan + Savings Account





- HSA-qualified medical plan through BCBSMA
- Preventative services covered at 100%
- Office Visits, Rx, Deductible, Copays, and Coinsurance ALL count towards Out of Pocket maximum



- HSA through HealthEquity
- Tax-free savings for medical expenses
- Works in conjunction with the HSA powered plan

HSAs are never taxed at a federal income tax level when used appropriately for qualified medical expenses. Also, most states recognize HSA funds as tax-free with very few exceptions. Please consult a tax advisor regarding your state's specific rules.



What is a Health Savings Account?

Health Equity Building Health Savings

What Is an HSA (Health Savings Account)?

Tax advantaged account allowing you to put money aside to pay for qualified medical expenses now and in the future

Individual Account Ownership

You control the money in your account

- Use it for eligible expenses today
- Save it for a later date
- Use it for you, your spouse and your tax dependents*

You may use your HSA funds to pay the qualified medical expenses incurred by you, your spouse and any of your tax dependents.

- Dependent Children:
 - Parent's HSA funds can be used for dependent children up to age 19 or, if full-time student to age 24:
 - When no longer a tax-dependent but on parent's High Deductible Health Plans (through age 26), out-of-pocket medical expenses <u>cannot</u> be paid with the parent's HSA. Adult child can set up their own HSA to pay for their own medical expenses
- Domestic Partner: Your HSA funds can only be used for your domestic partner's qualified medical expenses if they
 are also your tax dependent.

https://www.irs.gov/publications/p501/ar02.html#en_US_2015_publink1000220886



HSA: Eligibility Requirements



In order to contribute to an HSA, you must meet the following criteria:

- You must be enrolled in a qualified High Deductible Health plan (HDHP)
- You cannot have other health coverage (see IRS Publication 969)
- You cannot be enrolled in any part of Medicare or Medicaid
- You cannot be listed as a dependent on someone else's tax return
- You cannot be active in the military*
- You cannot be enrolled in a Full Scope Health FSA (including through a spouse's plan) or have an FSA balance. Additionally you must have a \$0 balance in your health care FSA on 12/31/16 to make or receive HSA contributions in the first quarter of 2017.

^{*}Veterans enrolled in a High Deductible Health Plans with no other disqualifying coverage and who have a service-connected disability may make or receive HSA contributions regardless of when they received VA benefits.



HSA: Advantages

HSA funds can be used to pay for the employee's or any tax dependent's qualified healthcare expenses now or in the future

- Accumulated balances may help defray the cost of health insurance in retirement
- Funds can be used for current medical out-ofpocket costs, or left to accrue for future use

Qualified expenses include medical, Rx, dental, and vision expenses

Portable, employee-owned account

- Funds follow you and roll over year to year
- Tax-free even if qualifying coverage ends

Long-term investment options with no transaction fees (service fees may apply)





HSA: Advantages, continued

Triple tax-advantaged

- Tax-free contributions
- Tax-free distributions
- Tax-free earnings

Northeastern contribution to anyone enrolling in the HDHP PPO with HSA and opening an HSA with HealthEquity

Employee contributions to an HSA are voluntary

 HSA contributions are not required to participate in the High Deductible Health Plan (HDHP) with HSA

HSA distributions for ineligible expenses are possible, but may be subject to tax and penalties





HSA: 2017 Contributions Limits

IRS Contribution Limits

2017 IRS HSA Contribution Limits (Employee + Employer contributions)		
Employee Only	\$3,400	
Family	\$6,750	
Age 55 and older – Additional \$1,000 "catch-up" contribution allowed		

Northeastern will fund your HSA, too!!

Northeastern will contribute into employee HSAs in a lump sum in January 2017		
Employee Only	\$500	
Family	\$1,000	
You can contribute to your HSA through Pre-tax Payroll Deduction		



^{**} Employees who do not remain HSA eligible for an entire tax year will have an adjusted contribution maximum.



HSA: Qualified Expenses



Qualified medical expenses as outlined in IRS publication 502, and IRC Section 213 (d) https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p502.pdf may include:

- Deductibles
- Copays
- Coinsurance
- Eyeglasses/contact lenses
- Dental care

You only have access to the funds that have been deposited into your HSA to date.

Withdrawals not used for qualified medical expenses are included in gross income for tax purposes and are subject to an additional 20% penalty and taxes (penalty waived if age 65 or over)



Investment Options To Grow HSA Funds

Deposit Account

Health Equity
Building Health Savings

Insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC)

Investment Opportunity

- \$2,000 minimum deposit account balance must be reached and maintained to invest future contributions
- Health Equity mutual funds available for investment from conservative to aggressive
- A brief overview of each HSA mutual fund option is available on the HealthEquity website or by following this link: <u>HealthEquity Investment Overview</u>
- · Mutual fund investments are not insured



HSA Multiple Ways To Pay Or Get Reimbursed

Reimbursement options include:

- <u>Debit Card*</u> for immediate payment at pharmacies and doctors' offices.
- Online distributions use Health Equity
 Online Portal to make online one-time transfers into any bank account or pay your provider directly
- Manual Reimbursement Request submit a manual reimbursement request





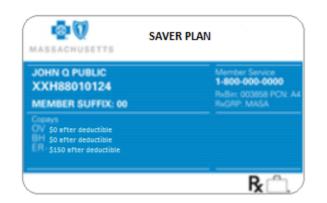
You will receive a Welcome Kit with Debit Card(s)

- New enrollees: 1 card for a single enrollee or 2 cards per family.
 Additional cards may be requested, \$5 fee for more than 3 cards
- Already a member? Keep your HSA cards until expiration date on card

*Daily Limit of \$2,500. Call HealthEquity to override.



Spending you HSA: Medical Care







Go to the doctor



Present your BCBSMA ID card

Doctor sends Blue Cross the bill



Blue Cross adjusts price based on discounts

BCBSMA sends you a Claim Summary & Provider sends you their bill



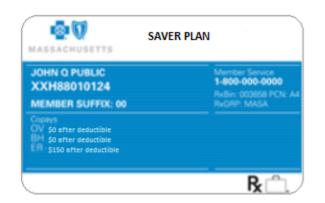
Employee pays provider with HealthEquity® Visa® Health Account Card or via the online portal*

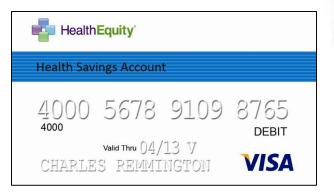
You decide how to pay provider:

- Use funds from your HSA
- Use your own money and save HSA fund for future



Spending you HSA: Pharmacy







Go to the pharmacy



Show Blue Cross ID card

Pharmacy applies discount



Pay with HSA card

Pharmacy sends claim to Blue Cross



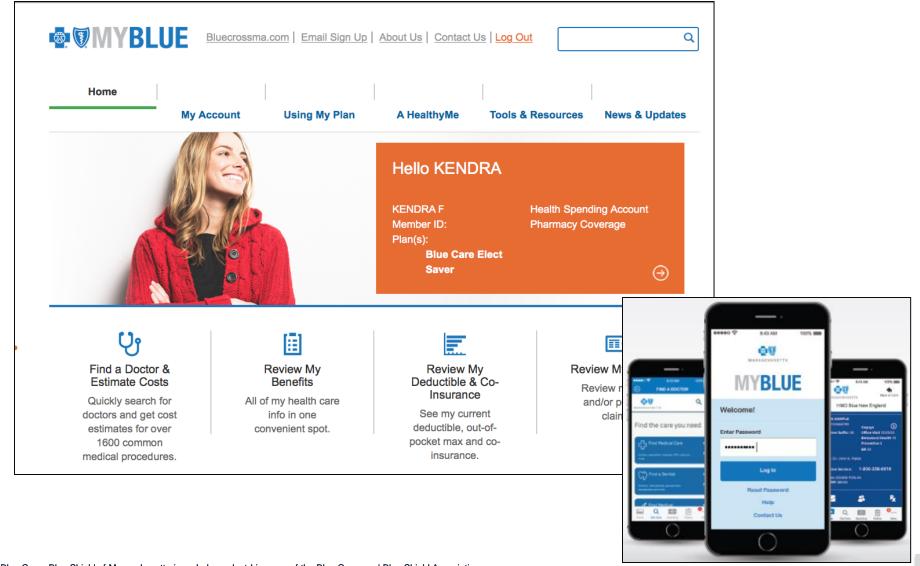
Blue Cross applies amount to your deductible – no paperwork needed

You decide how to pay provider:

- Use funds from your HSA
- Use your own money and save HSA fund for future



MYBLUE Member Portal and Mobile App





Find a Doctor & Cost Estimator Tools

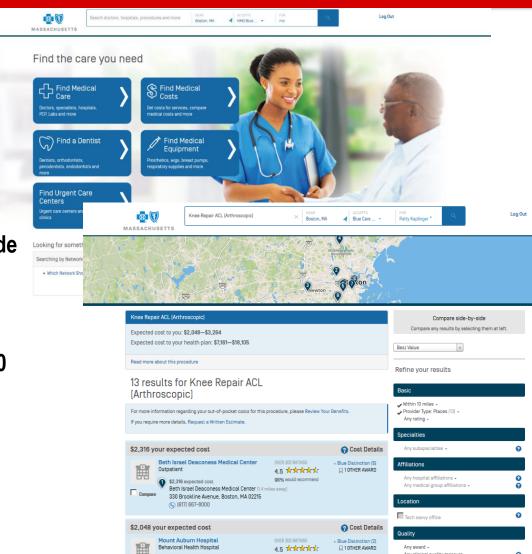
National Online Provider Directory Search by:

- Region
- Name
- Provider Specialty

Compare up to 10 providers side-by-side

Access an expanded selection of cost estimation features*

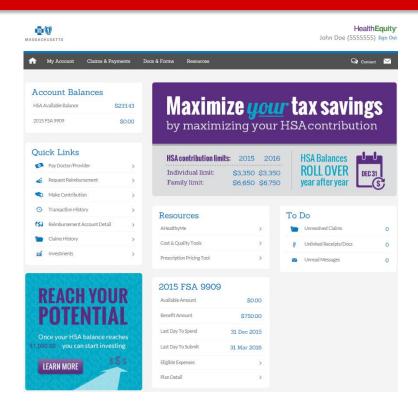
Search for cost estimates on over 1,600 common medical procedures*



^{*} Requires login into Member Central



Health Equity HSA Member Portal



Use your HealthEquity mobile app to:

- Get on-the-go access
- Take a photo of documentation and link to claims
- Send payments and reimbursements from HSA
- View claims status



Use your HealthEquity member portal to:

- Check your balance
- Review claims & transactions
- Submit claims or documents
- Pay your providers
- Reimburse yourself
- Access tax documents





Questions?



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