

Unionized Support Staff Provincial Standardized Extended Health Plan Improvements

EXTENDED HEALTH	Current Plan	Provincial Standardized Extended Health Plan Effective July 1, 2023
Reimbursement	100%	80% until \$1,000 paid per family per calendar year, then 100%
Annual Deductible	\$100 (Single/Family)	\$100 (Single/Family)
Lifetime Maximum	\$500,000/lifetime	Unlimited
Termination Age	Retirement (No age limit)	Retirement (No age limit)
Prescription Drugs		
Drug Formulary	Blue Rx	Blue Rx
Pay-Direct Drug Card	Yes	Yes
Per Prescription Deductible	\$0	\$0
Sexual Dysfunction	Not Covered	Not Covered
Oral Contraceptives	Covered	Covered
Fertility	\$3,000 per lifetime	\$7,500 per lifetime
Smoking Cessation ¹	Not Covered	Not Covered
Medical Services and Supplies		
Medi-Assist	Included	Included
Out-of-province Emergency Medical	Covered (100% reimbursement)	Covered (100% reimbursement)
Ambulance	Covered	Covered
Hospital	Not Covered	Private or Semi-private
In-home Nursing Care	Not Covered	Covered
Hearing aids	\$3,000 per 4 years for Adults \$1,500 per 2 years for Children	\$4,000 per 5 years for Adults and per 2 years for Children
Miscellaneous Services and Supplies (subject to reasonable and customary limits as defined by the Insurer)	Covered	Covered
Orthopedic shoes	\$400 per year for Adults, \$200 per year for Children	\$400 per year for Adults, \$200 per year for Children
Orthotics	\$400 per 2 years (adults and children)	\$400 per 2 years (adults and children)
Vision and Paramedical		
Vision Care		
Maximum	\$650 per 2 calendar years	\$625 per 24 months
Eye exams	\$100 per 2 calendar years (Employee Only)	\$125 per 24 months
Prescription Sunglasses	Included in Vision Maximum	Included in Vision Maximum
Paramedical services		
Naturopath	\$500 per year	\$600 per year
Chiropractor	\$500 per year	\$600 per year
Massage therapist	\$3,500 per year	\$1,200 per year
Physiotherapist	\$3,500 per year	\$1,000 per year
Psychologist	\$850 per year	\$1,500 per year (addition of Clinical Counsellors & Social Workers under a combined maximum with Psychologists)
Speech therapist	\$100 per year	\$600 per year
Acupuncturist	\$200 per year	\$600 per year
Podiatrist/Chiropodist	\$300 per year	\$600 per year
Notes		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Eligibility of individuals and premium sharing arrangements are unaffected. - Benefits are subject to reasonable and customary limits as defined by the insurer. - Blue RX is a dynamic drug program provided by PBC that is continuously refined with features that include, but are not limited to: managed care formulary, special authorization enforcement, low cost alternative price controls, and reasonable and customary mark-up and dispensing fee limits, for example. 		
¹ Smoking Cessation covered under MSP		