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#### To: All Active Participants and their Beneficiaries – Plan A and Plan R

#### From: BOARD OF TRUSTEES

#### Carpenters Health and Welfare Trust Fund for California

#### Re: SUMMARY OF BENEFITS AND COVERAGE (SBC) required by the Affordable Care Act (ACA)

As required by law, group health plans like ours are providing plan participants with a Summary of Benefits and Coverage (SBC) as a way to help understand and compare medical benefits. The SBC provides a brief overview of the medical plan benefits provided by the Carpenters Health and Welfare Trust Fund for California. Please share this SBC with your family members who are also covered by the Plan.

Each SBC contains concise medical plan information in plain language about benefits and coverage. This includes what is covered, what you need to pay for various benefits, what is not covered, and where to go for more information or to get answers to questions. Government regulations are very specific about the information that can and cannot be included in each SBC so the Plan is not allowed to customize much of the form or content. The attached SBC includes:

- A health plan comparison tool called "Coverage Examples." These examples illustrate how the medical plan covers care for three common health scenarios: having a baby, diabetes care and care for a fractured bone. These examples show the projected total costs associated with each of these three situations, how much of these costs the Plan covers and how much you, the Participant, need to pay. In these examples, it's important to note that the costs are national averages and do not reflect what the actual services might cost in your area. Plus, the cost for your treatment might also be very different depending on your doctor's approach, whether your doctor is an In-Network PPO Provider or a Non-PPO Provider, your age and any other health issues you may also have. These examples are there to help you compare how different health plans might cover the same condition—not for predicting your own actual costs.
- A link to a "Glossary" of common terms used in describing health benefits, including words such as "deductible," "co-payment," and "co-insurance." The glossary is standard and cannot be customized by a Plan.
- Websites and toll-free phone numbers you can contact if you have questions or need assistance with benefits.

Please keep this notice with your benefit booklet. If you have any questions, please call Benefit Services at the Trust Fund Office at (510) 633-0333 or toll free at (888) 547-2054. You may also send an email to <u>benefitservices@carpenterfunds.com</u>.

The Summary of Benefits and Coverage (SBC) document will help you choose a health <u>plan</u>. The SBC shows you how you and the <u>Plan</u> would share the cost for covered health care services. NOTE: Information about the cost of this <u>Plan</u> (called the <u>premium</u>) 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, visit <u>www.carpenterfunds.com</u> or

call 1-888-547-2054. For general definitions of common terms, such as <u>allowed amount</u>, <u>balance billing</u>, <u>coinsurance</u>, <u>copayment</u>, <u>deductible</u>, <u>provider</u>, or other <u>underlined</u> terms see, the Glossary. You can view the Glossary at <u>www.carpenterfunds.com</u> or call 1-888-547-2054 to request a copy.

Important Questions	Answers	Why This Matters:
What is the overall <u>deductible</u> ?	Contract <u>Provider</u> : \$128/individual per calendar year; \$256/family per calendar year. Non-Contract <u>Provider</u> : \$257/person per calendar year; \$514/family per calendar year.	Generally, you must pay all of the costs from <u>providers</u> up to the <u>deductible</u> amount before this <u>Plan</u> begins to pay. If you have other family members on the <u>Plan</u> , each family member must meet their own individual <u>deductible</u> until the total amount of <u>deductible</u> expenses paid by all family members meets the overall family <u>deductible</u> .
Are there services covered before you meet your <u>deductible?</u>	Yes. Mental health, chemical dependency (including detox), member assistance program visits, Contract <u>Provider</u> On-line physician visits up to \$49 per visit, and outpatient <u>prescription</u> <u>drugs</u> are covered before you meet your <u>deductible</u> .	This <u>Plan</u> covers some items and services even if you haven't yet met the <u>deductible</u> amount. But a <u>copayment</u> or <u>coinsurance</u> may apply.
Are there other <u>deductibles</u> for specific services?	No.	You don't have to meet <u>deductibles</u> for specific services.
What is the <u>out-of-pocket</u> <u>limit</u> for this <u>Plan</u> ?	There is no <u>out-of-pocket limit</u> on all types of <u>cost sharing</u> , but there is a \$1,289/person (\$2,578/family) on the amount of <u>coinsurance</u> that you must pay for covered services in a year.	This <u>Plan</u> does not have an <u>out-of-pocket limit</u> on your expenses.
What is not included in the <u>out-of-pocket limit</u> ?	<u>Premiums</u> , <u>balance-billing</u> charges, hearing examination and hearing aid expenses, penalties for failure to obtain precertification, <u>deductibles</u> , expenses from Non-Contract <u>providers</u> , outpatient retail/mail order <u>prescription drug</u> expenses, amounts over the reference-based pricing allowances and health care this <u>Plan</u> doesn't cover.	Even though you pay these expenses, they don't count toward your <u>out-of-pocket limit</u> .
Will you pay less if you use a <u>network provider</u> ?	Yes. See <u>www.anthem.com/ca</u> or call 1-888-547-2054 for a list of Contract <u>providers</u> in California. See <u>www.bcbs.com</u> or call 1-800-810-2583 for a list of Contract <u>providers</u> outside the state of California.	This <u>Plan</u> uses a <u>provider network</u> . You will pay less if you use a <u>provider</u> in the <u>Plan's network</u> . You will pay the most if you use an <u>out-of-network provider</u> and you might receive a bill from a <u>provider</u> for the difference between the <u>provider's</u> charge and what your <u>plan</u> pays ( <u>balance billing</u> ). Be aware your <u>network provider</u> might use an <u>out-of-network provider</u> for some services (such as lab work). Check with your <u>provider</u> before you get services.

Important Questions	Answers	Why This Matters:
Do you need a <u>referral</u> to see a <u>specialist</u> ?	No.	You can see the specialist you choose without a referral.

All <u>copayment</u> and <u>coinsurance</u> costs shown in this chart are after your <u>deductible</u> has been met, if a <u>deductible</u> applies.

Common	Services You What You Will Pay		Will Pay	
Medical Event	May Need	Contract Provider (You will pay the least)	Non-Contract Provider (You will pay the most)	Limitations, Exceptions, & Other Important Information
-	Primary care visit to treat an injury or illness	10% coinsurance	30% <u>coinsurance</u>	<ul> <li>Services from Non-Contract <u>providers</u> not registered with CMS are limited to \$200/appointment.</li> <li><u>Plan</u> pays 100% for physician online visits with a Contract <u>provider</u>.</li> </ul>
	<u>Specialist</u> visit	10% coinsurance	30% coinsurance	Services from Non-Contract <u>providers</u> not registered with CMS are limited to \$200/appointment.
If you visit a health care <u>provider's</u> office or clinic	<u>Preventive</u> <u>care/screening</u> / Immunization	10% <u>coinsurance</u>	30% <u>coinsurance</u>	<ul> <li>For adults and children, benefits are limited to one routine physical exam in any 12-month period.</li> <li>For Employee and Spouse only, benefits include one routine OB-GYN examination within a 12-month period in addition to the routine physical. Coverage includes any x-rays and laboratory tests provided in connection with the physical examination, including a pap smear.</li> <li>No charge for COVID-19 vaccine and <u>deductible</u> does not apply from a Contract provider. No coverage from a Non-Contract provider.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Services from Non-Contract providers not registered with CMS are limited to \$200/appointment.</li> </ul>
	Diagnostic test (x- ray, blood work)	10% coinsurance	30% coinsurance	Professional/physician charges may be billed separately (Services from Non-Contract providers not registered with
If you have a test	Imaging (CT/PET scans, MRIs)	10% coinsurance	30% <u>coinsurance</u>	CMS are limited to \$200/appointment). Precertification is required for CT/CTA, MRI, Nuclear Cardiology, PET Scans, and Echocardiography.

Common	Services You	What You	Will Pay	
Medical Event	May Need	Contract Provider (You will pay the least)	Non-Contract Provider (You will pay the most)	Limitations, Exceptions, & Other Important Information
	Generic drugs	Retail: \$15 <u>copay</u> /fill. Mail order: \$26 <u>copay</u> /fill		<ul> <li>Retail Pharmacy – 30-day supply</li> <li>Mail Order Pharmacy – 90-day supply</li> </ul>
If you need drugs to treat your illness or condition More information about <u>prescription</u> <u>drug coverage</u> is available at <u>www.express-</u> <u>scripts.com</u> or call 1- 800-939-7093.	Preferred brand drugs ( <u>Formulary</u> brand drugs) Non-preferred brand drugs (Non- <u>formulary</u> brand drugs)	Retail: \$15 <u>copay</u> /fill + cost difference between generic and brand for multi-source brand. \$53 <u>copay</u> /fill for single-source <u>formulary</u> brand. Mail order: \$26 <u>copay</u> /fill + cost difference between generic and brand for multi-source brand. \$106 <u>copay</u> /fill for single-source <u>formulary</u> brand. Retail: \$80 <u>copay</u> /fill; Mail Order: \$133 <u>copay</u> /fill	You pay 100% (unless there are no <u>network</u> pharmacies within 10 miles). <u>Plan</u> reimburses no more than it would have paid had you used an In- <u>Network</u> Retail pharmacy.	<ul> <li><u>Deductible</u> does not apply to outpatient <u>prescription</u> <u>drugs</u>.</li> <li><u>Cost sharing</u> for outpatient <u>prescription drugs</u> does not count toward the <u>out-of-pocket limit</u>.</li> <li>If the cost of the drug is less than the <u>copay</u>, you pay just the drug cost.</li> <li>Some <u>prescription drugs</u> are subject to <u>preauthorization</u> (to avoid non-payment), or step therapy requirements.</li> <li>Brand name Proton Pump Inhibitors (PPI) and Cholesterol drugs not covered.</li> <li>For any new Brand Name Drug approved by the federal FDA, including injectable and infusion drugs, the <u>copay</u> is 50% of the cost of the drug for a minimum of 24 months after the drug has been approved. If the PBM determines that the new FDA-approved drug is a "must not add" drug, the <u>copay</u> will remain at 50% of the cost of the drug.</li> <li>Mail Order is mandatory if more than 2 prescriptions are</li> </ul>
				filled for maintenance medications.
	Specialty drugs	Subject to Retail <u>Copays</u> (30- day supply).	Not covered	Specialty drugs are available only from the PBM's Mail Order Pharmacy (except certain emergency drugs may be provided by a retail Participating Pharmacy).
lf you have outpatient surgery	Facility fee (e.g., ambulatory surgery center)	10% coinsurance	30% <u>coinsurance</u> plus any amounts over \$300	For certain outpatient surgeries, the <u>Plan</u> has a maximum benefit payable if services are done at a hospital facility instead of an ambulatory surgery center. To avoid <u>Plan</u> maximums, pre-certification is required for outpatient surgeries.
	Physician/surgeon fees	10% coinsurance	30% coinsurance	Services from Non-Contract <u>providers</u> not registered with CMS are limited to \$200/appointment.

Common	Services You	What You	Will Pay	
Medical Event	May Need	Contract Provider (You will pay the least)	Non-Contract Provider (You will pay the most)	Limitations, Exceptions, & Other Important Information
	Emergency room care	<i>Medical:</i> 10% <u>coinsurance</u> . <i>Mental Health or Substance</i> <i>Abuse:</i> No charge	Medical: 30% coinsurance (10% coinsurance if no choice in hospital due to emergency); Mental Health or Substance Abuse: No charge	Professional/physician charges may be billed separately. (Services from Non-Contract <u>providers</u> not registered with CMS are limited to \$200/appointment).
If you need immediate medical attention	Emergency medical transportation	10% coinsurance	10% <u>coinsurance</u> .	Limited to emergency care or <u>medically necessary</u> inter- facility transfer to the nearest hospital, only. Services provided by an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) without subsequent emergency transport are covered. *See Article 1 of the <u>Plan</u> Document for more information on emergency care.
	<u>Urgent care</u>	<i>Medical:</i> 10% <u>coinsurance;</u> <i>Mental Health or Substance</i> <i>Abuse:</i> No charge	Medical: 30% coinsurance (10% coinsurance if no choice in hospital due to emergency); Mental Health or Substance Abuse: No charge	Services from Non-Contract <u>providers</u> not registered with CMS are limited to \$200/appointment.
lf you have a hospital stay	Facility fee (e.g., hospital room)	10% <u>coinsurance</u>	30% <u>coinsurance</u>	<ul> <li>Precertification is required.</li> <li>A maximum of \$35,000 is payable for the hospital facility charges associated with a single hip joint or knee joint replacement surgery.</li> <li>In a Non-Contract Hospital, the <u>Plan</u> covers a room with 2 or more beds (or the minimum charge for a 2-bed room in the Hospital if a higher priced room is used).</li> <li>Services from Non-Contract <u>providers</u> not registered with CMS are not covered.</li> </ul>
	Physician/surgeon fees	10% coinsurance	30% coinsurance	Services from Non-Contract <u>providers</u> not registered with CMS are not covered.

Common	Services You	What You	Will Pay	
Medical Event	May Need	Contract Provider (You will pay the least)	Non-Contract Provider (You will pay the most)	Limitations, Exceptions, & Other Important Information
If you need mental health, behavioral health, or substance	Outpatient services	Mental Health: Office visit: No charge, <u>deductible</u> does not apply; Other outpatient services: 10% <u>coinsurance</u> , <u>deductible</u> does not apply; <b>Substance</b> Abuse: no charge, <u>deductible</u> does not apply	30% <u>coinsurance</u> , <u>deductible</u> does not apply.	<ul> <li><u>Plan</u> pays 100% for physician online visits with a Contract <u>Provider</u>.</li> <li>Services from Non-Contract <u>providers</u> not registered with CMS are limited to \$200/appointment.</li> </ul>
abuse services	Inpatient services	<i>Mental Health:</i> 10% <u>coinsurance</u> , <u>deductible</u> does not apply; <i>Substance Abuse:</i> no charge, <u>deductible</u> does not apply	30% <u>coinsurance</u> , <u>deductible</u> does not apply.	<ul> <li>Precertification is required.</li> <li>In a Non-Contract Hospital, the <u>Plan</u> covers a room with 2 or more beds (or the minimum charge for a 2-bed room in the Hospital if a higher priced room is used)</li> <li>Services from Non-Contract <u>providers</u> not registered with CMS are not covered.</li> </ul>
	Office visits	10% coinsurance	30% coinsurance	<ul> <li>Maternity care may include tests and services described somewhere else in the SBC (e.g., ultrasound).</li> <li>Services from Non-Contract <u>providers</u> not registered with CMS are limited to \$200/appointment</li> </ul>
If you are pregnant	Childbirth/delivery professional services	10% coinsurance	30% coinsurance	Services from Non-Contract <u>providers</u> not registered with CMS are not covered.
	Childbirth/delivery facility services	10% <u>coinsurance</u>	30% <u>coinsurance</u>	Pre-certification is required only if hospital stay is more than 48 hours for vaginal delivery or 96 hours for C-section. Services from Non-Contract <u>providers</u> not registered with CMS are not covered.

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Medical Event	May Need	Contract Provider (You will pay the least)	Non-Contract Provider (You will pay the most)	Limitations, Exceptions, & Other Important Information
	Home health care	10% coinsurance	30% coinsurance	Services from Non-Contract <u>providers</u> not registered with CMS are limited to \$200/appointment.
	Rehabilitation services	10% coinsurance	30% <u>coinsurance</u>	<b>Outpatient:</b> Services from Non-Contract <u>providers</u> not registered with CMS are limited to \$200/appointment. <b>Inpatient:</b> Services from Non-Contract <u>providers</u> not registered with CMS are not covered.
lf you need help recovering or have	<u>Habilitation</u> services	Therapy done as part of an approved autism plan: 10% <u>coinsurance;</u> Other services: Not covered	Not covered	Coverage is limited to therapy that is being done as part of an approved autism plan.
other special health needs	<u>Skilled nursing</u> <u>care</u>	10% coinsurance	30% coinsurance	Pre-certification is recommended. Limited to 70 days per confinement. Services from Non-Contract <u>providers</u> not registered with CMS are not covered.
	Durable medical equipment	10% coinsurance	30% coinsurance	Rental covered up to reasonable purchase price.
	Hospice services	10% coinsurance	30% <u>coinsurance</u>	<b>Outpatient:</b> Services from Non-Contract <u>providers</u> not registered with CMS are limited to \$200/appointment. <b>Inpatient:</b> Services from Non-Contract <u>providers</u> not registered with CMS are not covered unless terminally ill. Respite care is limited to 8 days.
	Children's eye exam	\$10 <u>copayment</u> /exam	\$10 <u>copayment</u> /exam	
If your child needs dental or eye care	Children's glasses	\$25 <u>copayment</u> , plus all amounts over \$175 for frames	\$25 <u>copayment</u> , plus all amounts over \$35 for single vision lenses and amount over \$45 for frames	Vision benefits are available through a separate vision <u>plan</u> . Your <u>cost sharing</u> pertaining to vision plan services does not count toward this medical <u>Plan's out-of-pocket limit</u> .
	Children's dental check-up	No charge, a <u>deductible</u> does r	not apply to these services.	Limited to \$2,500/person for Contract and \$2,000/person for Non-Contract per calendar year. Dental benefits are available through a separate dental <u>plan</u> .Your <u>cost sharing</u> pertaining to dental plan services does not count toward this medical <u>Plan's out-of-pocket limit.</u>

## **Excluded Services & Other Covered Services:**

Services Your Plan Generally Does NOT Cover (Che	eck your policy or <u>plan</u> document for more informati	ion and a list of any other <u>excluded services</u> .)
<ul> <li>Cosmetic surgery</li> <li><u>Habilitation services</u> (except for therapy that is being done as part of an approved autism plan)</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Infertility treatment</li><li>Long-term care</li></ul>	<ul><li>Private-duty nursing</li><li>Weight loss programs</li></ul>
Other Covered Services (Limitations may apply to t	hese services. This isn't a complete list. Please see	your <u>plan</u> document.)
<ul> <li>Acupuncture (up to \$35/visit and 20 visits per calendar year)</li> <li>Bariatric surgery (with precertification)</li> <li>Chiropractic care (Employee and spouse only. Up to \$25/visit up to 20 visits per calendar year)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Dental care (Adult) (up to \$2,500 for Contract and \$2,000 for Non-Contract per calendar year)</li> <li>Hearing aids (limited to \$800/ear in any 3-year period)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Non-emergency care when traveling outside the U.S.</li> <li>Routine eye care (Adult) (under separate vision plan)</li> <li>Routine foot care</li> </ul>

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: the Department of Labor's Employee Benefits Security Administration at 1-866-444-EBSA (3272) or <a href="https://www.dol.gov/ebsa/healthreform">www.dol.gov/ebsa/healthreform</a>. Other coverage options may be available to you, too, including buying individual insurance coverage through the <a href="https://www.HealthCare.gov">Health Insurance</a> Marketplace. For more information about the <a href="https://www.HealthCare.gov">Marketplace</a>. For more information about the <a href="https://www.HealthCare.gov">https://www.HealthCare.gov</a> or call 1-800-318-2596.

Your Grievance and Appeals Rights: There are agencies that can help if you have a complaint against your <u>plan</u> for a denial of a <u>claim</u>. This complaint is called a <u>grievance</u> or <u>appeal</u>. For more information about your rights, look at the explanation of benefits you will receive for that medical <u>claim</u>. Your <u>plan</u> documents also provide complete information on how to submit a <u>claim</u>, <u>appeal</u>, or a <u>grievance</u> for any reason to your <u>plan</u>. For more information about your rights, this notice, or assistance, contact the Trust Fund Office at 1-888-547-2054. You may also contact the Department of Labor's Employee Benefits Security Administration at 1-866-444-EBSA (3272) or <u>www.dol.gov/ebsa/healthreform</u>.

#### 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 the 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.

### Language Access Services:

Spanish (Español): Para obtener asistencia en Español, llame al 1-888-547-2054. Tagalog (Tagalog): Kung kailangan ninyo ang tulong sa Tagalog tumawag sa 1-888-547-2054.

Chinese (中文): 如果需要中文的帮助, 请拨打这个号码 1-888-547-2054.

To see examples of how this <u>Plan</u> might cover costs for a sample medical situation, see the next section.



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

<b>Peg is Having a Bab</b> (9 months of in-network pre-natal hospital delivery)	Managing J (a year of routin cont	
<ul> <li>The Plan's overall <u>deductible</u></li> <li><u>Specialist coinsurance</u></li> <li>Hospital (facility) <u>coinsurance</u></li> <li>Other <u>coinsurance</u></li> </ul>	\$128 10% 10% 10%	<ul> <li>The Plan's overa</li> <li><u>Specialist coinsu</u></li> <li>Hospital (facility)</li> <li>Other <u>coinsurance</u></li> </ul>
This EXAMPLE event includes services like: <u>Specialist</u> office visits ( <i>prenatal care</i> ) Childbirth/Delivery Professional Services Childbirth/Delivery Easility Services		This EXAMPLE eve Primary care physicia disease education)

Childbirth/Delivery Facility Services <u>Diagnostic tests</u> (*ultrasounds and blood work*) <u>Specialist</u> visit (*anesthesia*)

### In this example, Peg would pay:

Cost Sharing	
Deductibles	\$128
<u>Copayments</u>	\$60
Coinsurance	\$1,250
What isn't covered	
Limits or exclusions	\$20
The total Peg would pay is	\$1,458

Managing Joe's Type 2 Diabetes
(a year of routine in-network care of a well-
controlled condition)

The Plan's overall <u>deductible</u>	\$128
Specialist coinsurance	10%
Hospital (facility) coinsurance	10%
Other <u>coinsurance</u>	10%

## This EXAMPLE event includes services like:

<u>Primary care physician</u> office visits (*including disease education*) <u>Diagnostic tests</u> (*blood work*) <u>Prescription drugs</u> <u>Durable medical equipment</u> (*glucose meter*)

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

Cost Sharing	
Deductibles	\$128
<u>Copayments</u>	\$330
<u>Coinsurance</u>	\$200
What isn't covered	
Limits or exclusions	\$20
The total Joe would pay is	\$678

### Mia's Simple Fracture (in-network emergency room visit and follow up care)

The Plan's overall <u>deductible</u>	\$128
Specialist coinsurance	10%
Hospital (facility) <u>coinsurance</u>	10%
Other <u>coinsurance</u>	10%

### This EXAMPLE event includes services like:

Emergency room care (including medical supplies) Diagnostic test (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	
<u>Deductibles</u>	\$128
<u>Copayments</u>	\$10
<u>Coinsurance</u>	\$270
What isn't covered	
Limits or exclusions	\$0
The total Mia would pay is	\$408