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To: All Retired Plan Participants and their Beneficiaries

Indemnity Plan / Eligible for Medicare

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 <a href="mailto:benefitservices@carpenterfunds.com">benefitservices@carpenterfunds.com</a>.

Coverage Period: 09/01/2025 – 08/31/2026

Coverage for: Individual + Family | Plan Type: PPO

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 Plan would share the cost for covered health care services. NOTE: Information about the cost of this Plan (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 deductible?	\$128/individual per calendar year	Generally, you must pay all of the costs from <u>providers</u> up to the <u>deductible</u> amount before this Plan begins to pay. If you have other family members on the Plan, each family member must meet their own individual <u>deductible</u> .
Are there services covered before you meet your deductible?	No.	You will have to meet the <u>deductible</u> before the Plan pays for any services.
Are there other <u>deductibles</u> for specific services?	Yes. \$360/individual per calendar year for covered prescription drugs. There are no other specific deductibles.	You must pay all of the costs for these services up to the specific <u>deductible</u> amount before this Plan begins to pay for these services.
What is the <u>out-of-pocket</u> <u>limit</u> for this Plan?	N/A	This Plan 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>	N/A	This Plan does not have an <u>out-of-pocket limit</u> on your expenses.
Will you pay less if you use a <u>network provider</u> ?	Yes. See <a href="https://www.anthem.com/ca">www.anthem.com/ca</a> or call 1-888-547-2054 for a list of Contract <a href="https://www.bcbs.com">www.bcbs.com</a> or call 1-800-810-2583 for a list of Contract <a href="https://www.bcbs.com">providers</a> outside the state of California.	This Plan uses a <u>provider network</u> . You will pay less if you use a <u>provider</u> in the Plan's <u>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</u> 's 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.
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 **copayment** and **coinsurance** costs shown in this chart are after your **deductible** has been met, if a **deductible** applies.

Common	Services You May	s You May What You Will Pay			
Medical Event	Need	Contract <u>Provider</u> (You will pay the least)	Non-Contract <u>Provider</u> (You will pay the most)	Limitations, Exceptions, & Other Important Information	
	Primary care visit to treat an injury or illness	No charge	No charge if the <u>provider</u> accepted Medicare assignment of benefits	Benefits paid by this Plan are reduced by the amounts payable under Medicare Parts A and B even if the Medicare-eligible individual is not yet enrolled in Medicare.	
If you visit a health	Specialist visit	No charge	No charge if the <u>provider</u> accepted Medicare assignment of benefits	Benefits paid by this Plan are reduced by the amounts payable under Medicare Parts A and B even if the Medicare-eligible individual is not yet enrolled in Medicare.	
care <u>provider's</u> office or clinic	Preventive care/screening/ Immunization	No charge	No charge if the <u>provider</u> accepted Medicare assignment of benefits	<ul> <li>Benefits paid by this Plan are reduced by the amounts payable under Medicare Parts A and B even if the Medicare-eligible individual is not yet enrolled in Medicare.</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> </ul>	
If you have a test	<u>Diagnostic test</u> (x-ray, blood work)	No charge	No charge if the <u>provider</u> accepted Medicare assignment of benefits	<ul> <li>Physician/provider's professional fees may be billed separately.</li> <li>Benefits paid by this Plan are reduced by the amounts</li> </ul>	
ii you nave a tost	Imaging (CT/PET scans, MRIs)	No charge	No charge if the <u>provider</u> accepted Medicare assignment of benefits	payable under Medicare Parts A and B even if the Medicare-eligible individual is not yet enrolled in Medicare.	

<sup>\*</sup> For more information about limitations and exceptions, see the Plan or policy document at <u>www.carpenterfunds.com</u>.

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Medical Event	Need	Contract <u>Provider</u> (You will pay the least)	Non-Contract <u>Provider</u> (You will pay the most)	Limitations, Exceptions, & Other Important Information	
If you need drugs to treat your illness	Generic drugs (Initial Coverage Stage)	Retail Pharmacy (maximum 30-day supply): \$10 copayment/fill; Mail Order (90-day supply): \$20 copayment/fill		<ul> <li><u>Prescription drugs</u> are subject to a separate \$360/individual <u>deductible</u> per calendar year.</li> <li>During the Coverage Gap Stage, you pay 25% <u>coinsurance</u> for Brand drugs and 25% <u>coinsurance</u> for Generic drugs.</li> </ul>	
or condition  More information about prescription drug coverage is	Preferred brand drugs (Initial Coverage Stage)	Retail Pharmacy (30-day supply): \$40 copayment/fill; Mail Order (90-day supply): \$80 copayment/fill	You pay 100%	<ul> <li>After you pay \$4,850 out of pocket for Part D drugs, you move to the "Catastrophic Coverage Stage". During this stage, you pay the greater of either \$2.95 copayment/fill for a generic or preferred brand drug that</li> </ul>	
available at  www.express- scripts.com or call 1-800-939-7093.	Non-preferred brand drugs (Initial Coverage Stage)	Retail Pharmacy (30 -day supply): \$60 copayment/fill; Mail Order (90-day supply): \$120 copayment/fill		is a multi-source drug and \$7.40 copayment/fill for all other drugs, with a maximum not to exceed the standard cost-sharing amount during the initial coverage stage; or 5% coinsurance of the total cost.	
	Specialty drugs (Initial Coverage Stage)	Retail and Mail Order: 25% coinsurance for a 30-day supply	Not covered	Specialty drugs are available only from the Mail Order Pharmacy (except certain emergency drugs may be provided by a retail Participating Pharmacy).	
If you have	Facility fee (e.g., ambulatory surgery center)	No charge	No charge if the <u>provider</u> accepted Medicare assignment of benefits	Benefits paid by this Plan are reduced by the amounts payable under Medicare Parts A and B even if the Medicare-eligible individual is not yet enrolled in Medicare.	
outpatient surgery	Physician/surgeon fees	No charge	No charge if the <u>provider</u> accepted Medicare assignment of benefits	Benefits paid by this Plan are reduced by the amounts payable under Medicare Parts A and B even if the Medicare-eligible individual is not yet enrolled in Medicare.	
	Emergency room care	No charge	No charge if the <u>provider</u> accepted Medicare assignment of benefits	Physician/ <u>provider's</u> professional fees may be billed separately.	
If you need immediate medical attention	Emergency medical transportation	No charge	No charge if the <u>provider</u> accepted Medicare assignment of benefits	<ul> <li>Benefits paid by this Plan are reduced by the amounts payable under Medicare Parts A and B even if the Medicare-eligible individual is not yet enrolled in</li> </ul>	
	<u>Urgent care</u>	No charge	No charge if the <u>provider</u> accepted Medicare assignment of benefits	Medicare.	

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Common	Services You May	What You Will Pay			
Medical Event	Need	Contract Provider	Non-Contract Provider	Limitations, Exceptions, & Other Important Information	
		(You will pay the least)	(You will pay the most)		
If you have a	Facility fee (e.g., hospital room)	No charge for the first 60 days of an admission	No charge for the first 60 days of an admission (if the provider accepted Medicare assignment of benefits)	The Plan will pay the Medicare Part A Hospital <u>deductible</u> for the first 60 days of each Medicare benefit period for covered Hospital services. Medicare Part A <u>Coinsurance</u> days are not covered by this Plan.	
hospital stay	Physician/surgeon fees	No charge	No charge if the <u>provider</u> accepted Medicare assignment of benefits	Benefits paid by this Plan are reduced by the amounts payable under Medicare Parts A and B even if the Medicare-eligible individual is not yet enrolled in Medicare.	
If you need mental health, behavioral	Outpatient services	No charge	No charge if the <u>provider</u> accepted Medicare assignment of benefits	Benefits paid by this Plan are reduced by the amounts payable under Medicare Parts A and B even if the Medicare-eligible individual is not yet enrolled in Medicare.	
health, or substance abuse services	Inpatient services	No charge for the first 60 days of an admission.	No charge for the first 60 days of an admission (if the provider accepted Medicare assignment of benefits)	The Plan will pay the Medicare Part A Hospital <u>deductible</u> for the first 60 days of each Medicare benefit period for covered Hospital services. Medicare Part A <u>Coinsurance</u> days are not covered by this Plan.	
If you are pregnant	Office visits	No charge	No charge if the <u>provider</u> accepted Medicare assignment of benefits	<ul> <li>Benefits paid by this Plan are reduced by the amounts payable under Medicare Parts A and B even if the Medicare-eligible individual is not yet enrolled in Medicare.</li> <li>Maternity care may include tests and services described somewhere else in the SBC (e.g., ultrasound).</li> </ul>	
	Childbirth/delivery professional services	No charge	No charge if the <u>provider</u> accepted Medicare assignment of benefits	Benefits paid by this Plan are reduced by the amounts payable under Medicare Parts A and B even if the Medicare-eligible individual is not yet enrolled in Medicare.	
	Childbirth/delivery facility services	No charge	No charge if the <u>provider</u> accepted Medicare assignment of benefits	Benefits paid by this Plan are reduced by the amounts payable under Medicare Parts A and B even if the Medicare-eligible individual is not yet enrolled in Medicare.	
If you need help recovering or have other special health needs	Home health care	No charge	No charge if the <u>provider</u> accepted Medicare assignment of benefits	Benefits paid by this Plan are reduced by the amounts payable under Medicare Parts A and B even if the Medicare-eligible individual is not yet enrolled in Medicare.	
	Rehabilitation services	No charge	No charge if the <u>provider</u> accepted Medicare assignment of benefits	Benefits paid by this Plan are reduced by the amounts payable under Medicare Parts A and B even if the Medicare-eligible individual is not yet enrolled in Medicare.	
	Habilitation services	Not covered	Not covered	You pay 100% for this service, even in-network.	

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	Skilled nursing care	Not covered	Not covered	Plan pays only the Medicare Part A <u>Deductible</u> . You pay 100% for this service, even <u>in-network</u> .
	Durable medical equipment	No charge	No charge if the <u>provider</u> accepted Medicare assignment of benefits	Benefits paid by this Plan are reduced by the amounts payable under Medicare Parts A and B even if the Medicare-eligible individual is not yet enrolled in Medicare.
	Hospice services	No charge	No charge if the <u>provider</u> accepted Medicare assignment of benefits	Benefits paid by this Plan are reduced by the amounts payable under Medicare Parts A and B even if the Medicare-eligible individual is not yet enrolled in Medicare.
	Children's eye exam	Not covered	Not covered	Vision benefits are available through a separate vision
If your child ne	eeds Children's glasses	Not covered	Not covered	<u>plan</u> .
dental or eye c	care Children's dental check-up	Not covered	Not covered	If you elect to purchase a Voluntary Dental Plan, it will be provided under a separate policy.

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

Services Your Plan Generally Does NOT Cover	Check your policy or plan document for more	information and a list of any other excluded services.)
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Acupuncture
 Bariatric surgery
 Cosmetic surgery
 Infertility treatment
 Long-term care
 Private-duty nursing
 Skilled Nursing Care
 Weight loss programs

# Other Covered Services (Limitations may apply to these services. This isn't a complete list. Please see your Plan Document.)

- Chiropractic care
   Dental care (Adult, Child) (if you elect the optional Dental <u>Plan</u>)
- Hearing aids (limited to \$800/ear in any 3-year period)
- Non-emergency care when traveling outside the U.S.
- Routine eye care (Adult, Child) (under separate vision plan)
- Routine foot care

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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="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="Health Insurance">Health Insurance</a> <a href="Marketplace">Marketplace</a>. For more information about the Marketplace, visit www.HealthCare.gov 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, □□□□□□□ 1-888-547-2054.

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

#### IMPORTANT:

The results of the coverage examples for this Medicare Supplement Plan shown on the next page assume the following:

- (1) Medicare is the primary payer and that participants are enrolled in Medicare Part A, B, and D.
- (2) The Plan uses the coordination method to integrate with Medicare.
- (3) The allowed amounts used in the examples are assumed to be the same as allowed under Medicare.
- (5) The Plan only pays the eligible portion of covered services that Medicare does not pay.

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**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.

# Peg is Having a Baby

(9 months of in-network pre-natal care and a hospital delivery)

■ The Plan's overall <u>deductible</u>	\$128
■ Specialist coinsurance	\$0
■ Hospital (facility) coinsurance	0%
Other coinsurance	0%

#### This EXAMPLE event includes services like:

Specialist office visits (prenatal care)
Childbirth/Delivery Professional Services
Childbirth/Delivery Facility Services
Diagnostic tests (ultrasounds and blood work)
Specialist visit (anesthesia)

Total Example Cost	\$12,700
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# In this example, Peg would pay:

Cost Sharing			
<u>Deductibles</u>	\$180		
Copayments	\$0		
Coinsurance	\$0		
What isn't covered			
Limits or exclusions	\$20		
The total Peg would pay is	\$200		

# **Managing Joe's Type 2 Diabetes**

(a year of routine in-network care of a well-controlled condition)

■ The Plan's overall deductible	\$128
■ Specialist coinsurance	\$0
■ Hospital (facility) coinsurance	0%
Other coinsurance	0%

#### This EXAMPLE event includes services like:

<u>Primary care physician</u> office visits (including disease education)

<u>Diagnostic tests</u> (blood work)

Prescription drugs

Durable medical equipment (glucose meter)

<b>Total Example Cost</b>	\$5,600

## In this example, Joe would pay:

Cost Sharing			
<u>Deductibles</u>	\$488		
Copayments	\$640		
Coinsurance	\$0		
What isn't covered			
Limits or exclusions	\$20		
The total Joe would pay is	\$1,148		

# **Mia's Simple Fracture**

(in-network emergency room visit and follow up care)

■ The Plan's overall <u>deductible</u>	\$128
<ul> <li>Specialist coinsurance</li> <li>Hospital (facility) coinsurance</li> <li>Other coinsurance</li> </ul>	\$0 0% 0%

#### This EXAMPLE event includes services like:

Emergency room care (including medical supplies)

Diagnostic test (x-ray)

<u>Durable medical equipment</u> (crutches)

Rehabilitation services (physical therapy)

Total Example Cost	\$2,800

## In this example, Mia would pay:

Cost Sharing	
<u>Deductibles</u>	\$130
Copayments	\$0
Coinsurance	\$0
What isn't covered	
Limits or exclusions	\$0
The total Mia would pay is	\$130