

AMA Health Benefits Trust Fund (AMA HBTF) – Cost-Plus Plan

Eligible Medical Expenses

Co-insurance, exceeded maximums of expenses covered by other plans:

This includes the AMA HBTF Core Plan or other group/private extended health care and dental plans.

Fees billed by:

- Acupuncturist
- Audiologist
- Chiropracist/Podiatrist
- Chiropractor
- Christian Science Practitioner
- Dentist
- Dental Hygienist
- Dietician
- Licensed Practical Nurse
- Registered Massage Therapist
(prescription required)
- Naturopath
- Occupational Therapist
- Optometrist
- Orthodontist
- Osteopath
- Physician/Surgeon
- Physiotherapist
- Psychoanalyst
- Psychologist
- Registered Nurse
- Speech Pathologist
- Therapist

Medical equipment and supplies:

- Artificial limb
- Artificial Eye
- Artificial Kidney Machine
- Braces
- Crutches
- Diabetic supplies
- Dogs – guide or hearing-ear
- Hearing aids
- Heart monitor
- Hospital bed
- Iron lung
- Lifts - toilet, shower, bathtub, stairway
- Needle or syringe
- Orthopedic shoe or boot
- Truss for a hernia
- Speaking aid
- Products for incontinence
- Oxygen tents
- Walker
- Wheelchair
- Wigs

Other medical expenses:

- Ambulance – ground and air
- Cosmetic surgery – medically necessary
- Cost of medical services and supplies obtained outside the province of residence
- Drugs, medicaments or other preparations or substances that are prescribed by a medical practitioner or dentist
- Dentures
- Electrolysis or hair removal performed by a medical practitioner
- Expenses in connection with bone marrow or organ transplant
- Laboratory, radiological or other diagnostic procedure services
- Premiums for extended health care and dental insurance plans, including Alberta Health and Wellness “Non-

- Group Coverage" (but not including AMA HBTF Core Plan premiums)
- Rehabilitative therapy
- Stop-smoking programs prescribed by a doctor for a serious health deterioration problem
- Renovations and alterations to a dwelling due to severe and prolonged impairment

Vision care:

- Prescription eyeglasses
- Prescription contact lenses
- Laser eye surgery

Facilities:

- Expenses for attendants or care in a nursing home
- Home care by a caregiver
- Hospital room

- Transportation expenses (see IT-519R2 for more information)
- Travel medical insurance premiums
- Weight-loss programs that are prescribed and supervised by a physician

- Care in a special school, institution or other place for a mentally or physically handicapped dependant

Ineligible Medical Expenses

- Members should not claim AMA HBTF Core Plan premiums in a Cost-Plus Plan claim. The Core Plan receipt is an eligible expense on its own.
- Expenses that have been reimbursed through an insurance plan
- Fitness classes
- Fitness club memberships
- Medical expenses that have already been claimed as a Medical Expense Tax Credit in your personal income tax return
- Expenses incurred for purely cosmetic procedures. This generally includes

- surgical and non-surgical procedures purely aimed at enhancing one's appearance such as liposuction, hair replacement procedures, botulinum toxin injections, and teeth whitening.
- Non-prescription drugs, and over-the-counter drugs (with or without a prescription)
- Non-prescription sunglasses
- Personal trainer
- Purchase of home exercise equipment
- Trip cancellation insurance
- Vitamins, except for liver extract and vitamin B12 for pernicious anemia

This is a detailed, but not all-inclusive, list of expenses deemed eligible and ineligible for reimbursement through the AMA HBTF's Cost-Plus Plan. For more information refer to Canada Revenue Agency's Income Tax Folio S1-F1-C1, Medical Expense Tax Credit.

<http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/tx/tchncl/ncmtx/fls/s1/f1/s1-f1-c1-eng.html>