

Choosing or Renewing Your Health Insurance Plans

Make sure you get the coverage you need

Steps to Take

- Ask your insurance company if:
 - Providers you want are “in network.”
 - Your plan covers all the healthcare services you need.
 - You will need *pre-authorization* (approval) before you can receive services.
 - Your plan will cover your care at UW Medicine facilities.
 - Your plan has any special requirements. Some plans have pre-authorization rules or a “site of care” policy for certain treatments. A plan might approve having infusions at a UW Medicine facility or it may require you to go somewhere else for infusions.
- Read your plan closely. Find out what treatments and drugs are covered, your deductible amount, and what co-payments are.
- If you are using insurance to pay for treatment visits and you are changing your plan: Try to use the rest of your visits before your last day of coverage. This may help you avoid lapses in care while you wait for a new plan to approve your treatment.



Questions?

Your questions are important. Call your healthcare provider or insurance company if you have questions or concerns.

We Want to Help

- UW Medicine may not take part in all plans that an insurance company offers. To find out which plans are accepted at UW Medicine facilities:
 - Visit www.uwmedicine.org/patient-resources/billing-and-insurance. Click on “Accepted insurance plans”
 - Double check with your insurance company to make sure your expected treatment plan at UW Medicine will be covered.
- Some drug companies can help you pay for medicines. To learn more, talk with your UW Medicine care provider or pharmacist.