



Health Savings Accounts

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All about health savings accounts

A health savings account (HSA) is a tax-free account in which you can save money to pay for current and future IRS-approved healthcare expenses.

Use your HSA funds toward deductibles, copays, and coinsurance. Or save and invest your money to let it grow over time for future use.

The HSA belongs to you

It's your money and you decide when and how to spend it. It does not belong to your employer, even if your employer contributes money to your account. Plus, if you change jobs or retire, your HSA is unaffected. It will just roll over into your next job. There's also no "use it or lose it" rule with HSAs, so your funds will not expire.

Are you eligible for an HSA?

This is an IRS rule. You're likely eligible if you answer no to all of these questions:

- Are you claimed as a tax dependent on another person's taxes?
- Are you enrolled in Medicare?
- Are you covered by your own or your spouse's flexible spending account (FSA), health reimbursement arrangement (HRA), or a non-HSA health plan?

Exceptions: limited-purpose FSA or post-deductible HRA.

TIP: Use your HSA funds to pay for expenses incurred by your spouse or dependents, even if they are not on your plan.

TIP: Savings from lower premiums can be deposited into your HSA.

The benefits of using an HSA

TRIPLE TAX SAVINGS

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Pre-tax funds

deposited from your paycheck

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Tax-free withdrawals

for eligible healthcare expenses

3

Tax-free growth

from interest earned and any earnings from investments

Grow your HSA

The balance rolls over year to year and can continue to grow.

Earning interest and investing your savings

Your HSA may earn interest like any other bank savings account. Plus, you'll have the option of investing your savings in a variety of mutual funds once you reach a minimum balance. The auto-investing feature gives you a hands-off option to help you save consistently toward your savings goals.

Funding your HSA

For calendar year 2023, you may deposit up to these IRS limits:



Individual



Family



55+
catch-up payment

Using your HSA after the age of 65

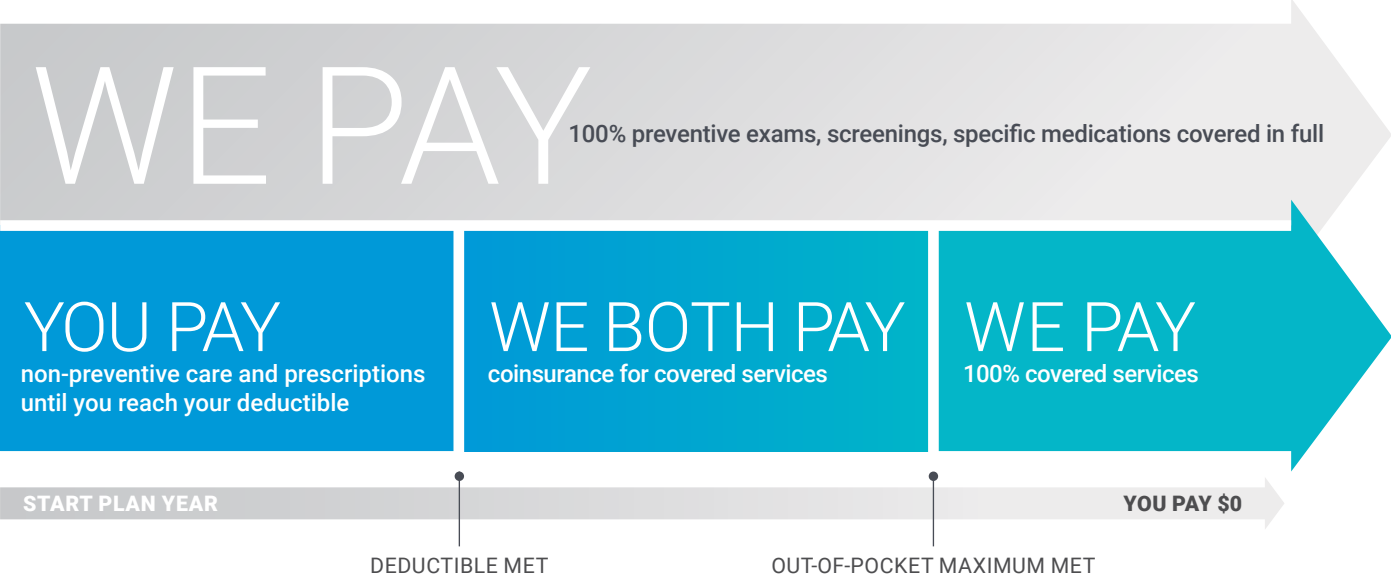
Once you enroll in Medicare, you'll no longer be able to contribute to your HSA. However, you can still withdraw money tax-free to pay for your healthcare expenses.

You can also withdraw money from your account for non-medical reasons without penalty, but those funds will be not be tax exempt.

TIP: Use your HSA as an investment option

Maxed out your IRA, 401(k), and Roth IRA? An HSA allows you more tax-deferred savings beyond the maximum 401(k) and IRA contribution limits. This could help you build an additional tax-advantaged nest egg for retirement.

How your HSA works



For details about your plan's actual preventive benefits, see your preventive benefits list, summary of benefits, and your benefit booklet on premera.com.

YOUR HSA EXPERIENCE



Ready for business

It's easy and convenient, and your HSA is opened automatically for you.

Invest your savings

With access to a fully integrated investment center with a variety of no-load, no-transaction-fee mutual funds.

Managing your HSA plan online

You can access both your health plan and HSA at premera.com and easily navigate between the two. You'll also be able to download a mobile app to manage your HSA while you're out and about.

Now that's the way an integrated experience is supposed to work!

Paying healthcare bills with your HSA

You can use the money in your HSA to pay for IRS-approved healthcare expenses—including your deductible, copays, and coinsurance. And this money will not be taxed.

Some expenses you can pay for with your HSA:

- Copays, coinsurance, and deductible
- Dental care
- Eye exams, glasses, and contacts
- Orthodontia
- Prescription drugs

Some expenses you cannot pay for using your HSA:

- Health plan premiums
- Gym fees
- Cosmetic surgery
- Teeth whitening

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how the HSA might work for you.

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Language Assistance

PAUNAWA: Kung nagsasalita ka ng Tagalog, maaari kang gumamit ng mga serbisyo ng tulong sa wika nang walang bayad. Tumawag sa 800-508-4722 (TTY: 711).

ATENCIÓN: si habla español, tiene a su disposición servicios gratuitos de asistencia lingüística. Llame al 800-508-4722 (TTY: 711).

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ВНИМАНИЕ: Если вы говорите на русском языке, то вам доступны бесплатные услуги перевода. Звоните 800-508-4722 (телетайп: 711).

注意: 如果您使用繁體中文，您可以免費獲得語言援助服務。請致電 800-508-4722 (TTY: 711)。

MO LOU SILAFIA: Afai e te tautala Gagana fa'a Sāmoa, o loo iai auaunaga fesoasoan, e fai fua e leai se togoti, mo oe, Telefoni mai: 800-508-4722 (TTY: 711).

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CHÚ Ý: Nếu bạn nói Tiếng Việt, có các dịch vụ hỗ trợ ngôn ngữ miễn phí dành cho bạn. Gọi số 800-508-4722 (TTY: 711).

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Телефонуйте за номером 800-508-4722 (телетайп: 711).

เรียน: ถ้าคุณพูดภาษาไทยคุณสามารถใช้บริการช่วยเหลือทางภาษาได้ฟรี โทร 800-508-4722 (TTY: 711).

ACHTUNG: Wenn Sie Deutsch sprechen, stehen Ihnen kostenlos sprachliche Hilfsdienstleistungen zur Verfügung. Rufnummer: 800-508-4722 (TTY: 711).

UWAGA: Jeżeli mówisz po polsku, możesz skorzystać z bezpłatnej pomocy językowej. Zadzwoń pod numer 800-508-4722 (TTY: 711).

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ATTENTION: Si vous parlez français, des services d'aide linguistique vous sont proposés gratuitement. Appelez le 800-508-4722 (ATS: 711).

ATENÇÃO: Se fala português, encontram-se disponíveis serviços linguísticos, grátis. Ligue para 800-508-4722 (TTY: 711).

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