Liberty HealthShare & Maternity



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My experiences have always been positive and friendly...Everything is clearly explained and information is easy to access and understand.

I am very happy to be a member...

Congratulations!

Preparing for the arrival of your little one is very exciting, but it can be overwhelming at times, especially when trying to navigate healthcare and understand your care options.

As a Liberty HealthShare member, your experience will be unique and your sharing community is here to support you during your pregnancy and after delivery.

We have efficient processes to help you smoothly transition through your pregnancy and post-pregnancy journey to provide the best care for you and your growing family.

This guide will help you understand how to navigate your membership and upcoming maternity expenses and how it relates to our current Sharing Guidelines at Liberty HealthShare.

Our community is committed to supporting the well-being of our growing families.

When you become aware of your pregnancy,

It is important that as soon as you become aware of your pregnancy, you call our Prenotifcation department to complete a prenotification request.

Eligibility for your pregnancy must be confirmed by our prenotification team in order for your maternity expenses to be eligible for sharing.

- Mothers must be a Sharing Member for at least six consecutive months prior to conception to be eligible for sharing maternity expenses.
 (For new members effective March 1, 2021 and beyond).
- Maternity sharing is limited to \$125,000 per pregnancy (for a single or multiple birth) and is subject to the Annual Unshared Amount.

What doesn't require prenotification?

- Delivery or induction.
- Planned circumcision is included with your maternity prenotification.
- High risk pregnancy does not require additional prenotification unless intervention outside of routine care is necessary.

Our Prenotification process

Please make sure to notify our prenotification department as soon as you are aware of your pregnancy, so our team of nurses can help you to determine eligibility for your maternity care according to our current Sharing Guidelines.

You can submit a prenotification request by downloading our Electronic Prenotification form and following the included instructions at www.libertyhealthshare.org/downloads

If an urgent request is necessary, you can contact the Prenotification Department at 855-585-4237, option 4 and one of our nurse specialists will assist you with your need.



We are here to support you during pregnancy.

Once you contact our Prenotification department with the exciting news that you are expecting, a Maternity Facilitator will be assigned to you.

The facilitator will send you a welcome email related to your maternity care. They will also contact you to discuss your delivery plans and help to answer any questions you have related to your sharable maternity expenses. You should receive a welcome letter from your facilitator within 7-10 days of your initial call.

If you do not receive a letter please check your email's spam folder and the membership area of your ShareBox to ensure that your contact information is correct. If you find that you still have not received your welcome email,

please give us a call.

What is Shareable?

Eligible maternity expenses include:

Physician care, hospital or birthing center admission, or home delivery by a certified midwife or physician.

Delivery by caesarean section that is medically necessary as determined by a physician.

Natural delivery with complications that threaten the life of the mother or infant and requires care that is not normally rendered.

Lactation consultations, limited to two (2) post-partum visits in hospital.



Breast Pumps are not shareable but your Maternity Facilitator can provide information about discounted breast pumps.

Genetic Testing, Doulas, Birthing Tubs and Liners, Tubal ligations and Sterilization **are not eligible for sharing.**

Submitting your maternity expenses

You will submit your eligible maternity expenses, like any other expense, through your ShareBox.



To submit your expense, you will need:

- Patient name
- Itemized invoice/statement/agreement
- Receipt of any payments for the expense
- Type of service/CPT procedure code
- Diagnosis code (ICD format)
- Charge for the service
- Date of service
- Healthcare professional's name/credentials and address



Navigating your maternity expenses

Maternity expenses and your Annual Unshared Amount

Your Annual Unshared Amount (AUA) is the cost you are responsible for before sharing can take place.

** All eligible maternity expenses will be applied to the member's AUA according to the date of service.

The AUA could renew during pregnancy depending on the membership renewal date. If this occurs, the member may have to meet their AUA twice during their pregnancy to be eligible for sharing.



Example

Pregnancy Estimated Due Date: 10/31/2021 Membership Renewal Date: 7/31/2021

In this example, the member would satisfy their AUA for their membership year of 8/1/2020-7/31/2021 AND for expenses occurring after the renewal of 9/1/2021.

Communicating with your provider

Communicating with your provider and facilities before receiving care helps with cost-transparency and protects our community's shared resources.

You can ask if your provider is willing to work with Liberty HealthShare directly. If your provider or facility does not bill us directly, you should ask them for written estimates for a self-pay discount.

Explain how your healthsharing program works and that sharing times may vary. Working with your provider and care team to manage your care and medical expenses will deliver a smoother sharing process.

OB/midwives may offer global maternity packages that include prenatal, delivery and post-partum care for a flat rate. Please communicate and inquire with your care team about this.

Your maternity facilitator can also help communicate with your provider and explain the sharing process to help you manage your care and delivery.

After delivery



You must add your newborn to your membership within 60 days of birth, for your baby's expenses to be eligible for sharing.

Please contact our Enrollment department at 855-585-4237 ext. 1768 to complete this.

If your baby requires additional care and hospital stay (NICU), you must add your baby to your membership **AND** contact our prenotification department regarding the stay.

