The Flexible Spending Account **Plan is as Easy as 1, 2, 3!**

- 1 Elect an annual election amount based on your estimated expenses for the next Plan Year. Keep in mind that the Medical FSA and Dependent Care FSA are separate accounts, so please make your elections accordingly.
- **2** Your Employer will begin withholding funds from your check on a PRE-TAX basis and depositing them into your FSA account(s).
- **3** When you incur an expense, submit the itemized receipt to Flex Administrators, Inc. and receive reimbursement with your TAX-FREE money.

How Much Do I Really Save in Taxes Using This Account?

Without Flex	With Flex
Annual Salary \$40,000	\$40,000
Health Care or Dependent Care	
Spending Account0	2,500
Spending Account Deduction	
Taxable Salary (W-2 Income) 40,000	37,500
Federal Tax (15%) 6,000	5,625
State Tax* (4%) 1,600	1,500
Social Security Tax (7.65%) 3,060	2,869
Total Taxes	9,994
After-Tax Out-of-Pocket	
Medical Expenses 2,500	-0-
Annual Take-Home Pay\$26,840	\$27,506
Annual Tax Savings with Flex Plan	\$666
* Taxes may vary by state. ** Reimbursement is through W-2, not reimbursed	



What Kind of Medical FSA Expenses are Eligible?

as an expense through third party administrator.

Qualifying health care expenses may be incurred for you, your legally married spouse, your natural child, your adopted child, a child placed with you for adoption, your step-child or your foster child through December 31 of the calendar year the child turns age 26; or other children, relatives and members of your household who are your "qualifying Child" or "qualifying relative" under IRS guidelines. For a complete definition of Qualifying Child or Qualifying Relative, please contact our office. Your expenses must be incurred (incurred means date of service, NOT date of payment) within the plan year or prior to your employment termination date.

What Do I Need to Submit in Order to Get Reimbursement?

We will accept the following forms of documentation for reimbursement:

Explanation of Benefits form (EOB) from your insurance company.

Itemized receipt from the Service Provider which includes the provider's name and address, date of service, patient name, description of service(s) and the amount of the charge.

Cash Register Receipt for OTC or Prescription Expenses will be accepted as long as the name of the provider, the date of service and the description of the expense is visible on the receipt.

Eligible Health Care Expenses

The following list is not intended to be comprehensive, but contains some of the more common medical expenses. The Internal Revenue Service determines the expenses that are allowable and disallowable. IRS Publication 502. Medical and Dental Expenses, has a checklist of the medical expenses that can be deducted under the Health Care Spending Account.

- Acupuncture
- Ambulance
- Arch supports, knee and Laboratory fees wrist braces
- · Artificial limbs
- Breast Pump
- · Chiropractors' fees
- Christian Science Practitioners' fees
- Coinsurance
- . Contact lens solutions/ cleaners
- Crutches
- Dentists' fees including fluoride treatments (cosmetic services are typically not covered)
- Dentures
- Dermatologists
- Diabetic supplies
- Eve exams
- First aid supplies
- · Gynecologists' fees
- Health/Dental/Vision insurance deductibles and copays

- Hearing aids/batteries
- Infertility treatments
- · Laser eye surgery
- · Mileage related specifically to an eligible medical visit
- . Nutrition Counseling (specific medical condition)
- Obstetrical fees
- Orthodontia
- Orthopedic shoes
- Over-the-counter items purchased to alleviate or • Therapy treatments treat an illness or injury. See below.
- Physical therapists' fees Transportation expenses
- Podiatrists
- Prescription drugs (for non-cosmetic reasons)
- Prescription eyeglasses and/or contact lenses
- · Psychiatrists' fees
- · Psychologists' fees
- Psychotherapists' fees

- · Retin-A used to treat acne
- Routine physicals
- · Seeing-eye dog (purchase, training, and care)
- · Skilled nurses' fees
- Smoking cessation programs
- Special education for the handicapped
- Speech therapists' fees
- · Sterilization fees
- TMJ related treatments
- (specific medical condition)
- (for medical reasons) Substance addiction
- treatment
- Wheelchair
- X-rays

Over-the-Counter Medications

Over-the-Counter medications require a doctor's prescription to be eligible for FSA reimbursement. Non-medicated Over-the-Counter products (gauze pads, diabetes test strips, saline solution, etc.) do not require a prescription.

When a claim is submitted for purchase of an OTC medication, a prescription receipt must be included with the claim for reimbursement.

For a list of over-the-counter medications requiring a prescription go to www.flexadministrators.com.

*Normally not, but in some cases may be eligible when prescribed by a physician.

Orthodontia Reimbursement

Please note: Orthodontia reimbursement is based on when the service is incurred, not when payment is made. Also, all first time orthodontia requests must include the Truth in Lending Statement or treatment contract. For assistance in determining what orthodontia expenses would be eligible for reimbursement from this Plan Year please contact our office directly or reference our website for additional information.

Things to Consider

Before making your election, consider the following questions. They'll help you make your decision.

- How much have I spent for myself and my dependents on outof-pocket medically related expenses in the past 12 months?
- How much will I spend for ongoing medical expenses next year?
- Am I better off having dependent care expenses paid through the Dependent Care Spending Account or taking the child care tax credit?
- Does my spouse also contribute to a Dependent Care Spending Account? The maximum amount any one family can contribute during a calendar year is \$5,000.
- Do I understand that I cannot take a federal income tax deduction for expenses I am reimbursed for from my Dependent Care Spending Account?
- If you or any member of your family is enrolled in a high deductible health plan with an HSA, you may be limited in your participation of the medical FSA plan.

Be conservative in estimating your plan year contribution. You may not claim any other tax deduction under this Plan, although the balance of your eligible dependent care expenses may be eligible for the dependent care tax credit. The Dependent Care Spending Account is generally more advantageous than taking a federal tax deduction if you fall into general annual salary categories based on how you file your federal income tax and your adjusted gross income. See the dependent care worksheet that compares the tax credit to the Dependent Care Spending Account plan.

Legal Requirements of the Plan

- 1 Binding Contribution: When a participant signs up to make a contribution, the amount decided upon is "locked in" unless they incur a "change in status" (explained below).
- **2** Use-it or Lose-it Rule: Please refer to your plan specifics sheet to determine if this may or may not impact you.
- **3** "Advance Reimbursement" applies only to the Health Care Spending Account and allows a participant to be reimbursed up to the maximum of their plan year election prior to their full year contribution.

Can I Change My Election During the Plan Year?

Generally, no. You may not change your contribution during the plan year, unless you have an IRS "change in status," and the change in your contribution is "due to and on account of" the change in status. The IRS defines a change in status as:

- 1 Change in employee's legal marital status including marriage, divorce, death of spouse, legal separation, and annulment.
- **2** Change in number of dependents including birth, adoption, placement for adoption, and death.
- **3** Change in employment status Any of the following events that change the employment status of the employee, the employee's spouse, or the employee's dependent qualify: a termination or commencement of employment; a strike or lockout; a commencement of or return from an unpaid leave of absence; and a change in work site.
- 4 Dependent satisfies (or ceases to satisfy) dependent eligibility requirements – an event that causes the dependent to satisfy or cease to satisfy the requirements for coverage due to attainment of age, gain or loss of student status, marriage, or any similar circumstances.

5 Residence change – a change in the place of residence of an employee, spouse, or dependent (if the residence change affects the employee's eligibility for coverage).

You can also change your contribution to the dependent care account during the plan year in the following situations:

- When the dependent ceases to qualify as a dependent (for example, the child reaches age 13);
- When the employee switches to a new dependent care provider; and,
- When the cost of the dependent care expense increases or decreases. However, a mid-year election change due to cost is not allowed where the dependent care provider is a relative of the employee.

If a change in status occurs, you must inform your employer of your new election within 30 days of the occurrence.

How Do I Submit Claims?

You can submit claims by using our Mobile App, Online Claim Submission, Email, Fax or Mail.

For claim submission via the Mobile App or Online Claim Submission you will only need a copy of your required documentation in order to receive reimbursement. If you would like to submit your claim via email, fax or mail you will need to complete a Request for Reimbursement Form and submit that along with the required documentation. This form can be found on our website at www.flexadministrators.com

Ways to Manage Your Account

Our mobile app is available for Android or Apple products!

The app lets you view balances, claims and card transactions as well as submit a claim through the SnapClaim feature! No more faxing receipts! You can file a claim directly from your mobile device with a photo of the receipt.

You can check account balances 24/7 securely since no information is stored on the mobile device.





Online Claim Entry

You have the option to enter your claim on our website and then upload your receipts without having to mail or fax anything to our office! Simply log in to your account and choose ONLINE CLAIMS ENTRY. From there the website will walk you through entering your claims

information and then uploading your receipts. A step by step guide can also be provided to you by contacting our office.

FSAStore

Flex Administrators, Inc. has partnered with FSAStore to help you understand the many avail-





able uses of your Flexible Spending Account. The site helps make purchasing FSA eligible items simple. You can access the store through our website at www.flexadministrators.com. You can use the coupon code to save on your first purchase.