

A Message to Our TRICARE Standard and Extra Patients

Many of our nation's service members are serving their country in hostile territories. They are making sacrifices to preserve the American way of life. We are proud of them and the thousands of reservists who have also deployed.

These deployments have had an impact here at your Military Treatment Facility (MTF), and they affect how we provide medical care to patients like you.

We are committed to maintaining quality health care services and continuity of care. However, we are unable to care for all of our patients without a full staff.

Our first priority is, obviously, our active duty service members. We will also strive to take care of all TRICARE Prime beneficiaries within our MTF.

We hope that you -- the TRICARE Standard and Extra beneficiaries whom we have cared for on a space-available basis -- understand why we are asking you to switch to civilian providers. Because so many staff have deployed, we have eliminated space-available appointments until we are fully staffed again. Unfortunately, we do not know when that will be.

What does this mean? If you choose to continue to use Standard/Extra, you will have to use a civilian provider in your community and pay part of the bill when you see the doctor. For your convenience, the TRICARE co-payment chart is provided on the back. Remember, you will pay less when you use Extra and see a TRICARE network provider.

Another option is to enroll in TRICARE Prime, where available. You will be assigned a Primary Care Manager who will coordinate your health care needs. For active duty family members, there are no enrollment costs or co-pays. For retirees under 65, the annual enrollment cost is \$230 per individual or \$460 per family, and there are small co-pays when using a civilian network provider or hospital.

Humana Military Healthcare Services, the contractor for the TRICARE Mid-Atlantic Region, is committed to helping you obtain the best care in our civilian network of health care providers. Simply call 1-800-931-9501 and the representative will help you find a network provider and answer any questions you may have. You may also want to visit the TRICARE Service Center here at the MTF for more information.

Thank you for your understanding, your cooperation, and your support of our deployed and current personnel.



TRICARE Co-Payments

These are the latest TRICARE cost charts, reflecting changes that took effect on Oct. 1, 2002.

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TRICARE Standard beneficiaries receive TRICARE Extra benefits when they use TRICARE Network Providers.

ACTIVE DUTY FAMILY MEMBER

	Prime (TRICARE Prime ID Card)	Extra (Military ID Card)	Standard (Military ID Card)
Annual Enrollment Fee	None	None	None
Deductible E1 - E4 E5 and above	Individual/Family \$0/\$0 *Unless Point of Service is used	Individual/Family \$50/\$100 \$150/\$300	Individual/Family \$50/\$100 \$150/\$300
Civilian Network Provider Copayment	\$0 copayment/visit	15% of negotiated rate	20% of allowed charges
Civilian Inpatient Cost Shares	\$0 per day	\$12.72 per day (\$25 minimum charge per admission)	\$12.72 per day (\$25 minimum charge per admission)
Emergency Services	\$0 copayment/visit	15% of negotiated rate	20% of allowed charges

Retirees and Family (Non-Medicare Eligible)

Annual Enrollment Fee	Individual/Family \$230/\$460	None	None
Deductible	Individual/Family \$0/\$0 *Unless Point of Service is used	Individual/Family \$150/\$300	Individual/Family \$150/\$300
Civilian Network Provider Copayment	\$12 copayment/visit	20% of negotiated rate	25% of allowed charges
Civilian Inpatient Cost Shares	\$11 per day (\$25 minimum charge per admission)	\$250 per day or 25% of negotiated rate for institutional services, whichever is less, plus 20% of professional charges.	\$417 per day or 25% of billed charges for institutional services, whichever is less, plus 25% of professional charges.
Emergency Services	\$30 copayment/visit	20% of negotiated rate	25% of allowed charges