

Manitoba Provincial Health Insurance Plan: Fact Sheet

Services Provided by Manitoba Health and Pharmacare:

Prescription Drugs

- Coverage through the Pharmacare Program for eligible prescription drugs listed on the Manitoba drug formulary. Residents pay a deductible based on annual family income.
- Effective April 15, 2025, the Manitoba Enhanced Pharmacare Program (MEPP) provides 100% coverage (no deductible or co-pay) for certain medications, including insulin and other diabetes medications, birth control, HIV treatment and prevention, and hormone replacement therapy.

Ambulance

- No coverage for ground ambulance except for medically necessary inter-facility transports.
- No coverage for air ambulance transfers except for those meeting specific insured criteria.

Dental Benefits

- No coverage for routine dental care.
- Coverage for dental procedures when medically required to be performed in hospital.
- The Canadian Dental Care Plan (CDCP) is covered by the federal government.

Eye Care Services

- Reimbursement for one pair of eyeglasses every 3 years for seniors aged 65 and over after \$50 deductible. Benefits are based on a fixed fee schedule, not on the actual amount paid for dispensing fees, frames, and lenses.
- Coverage for one routine eye exam in a two-year benefit period for children under age 19 and seniors aged 65 and over.
- Exams for all ages will be covered when warranted by medical conditions as determined by the eye care provider.

Hospitals

- Coverage for standard ward rooms only.

Hearing Aids

- Coverage for children under age 18, after a \$75 deductible, one device is allowed per ear every four years. Reimbursement of 80% of the cost:
 - up to \$500 per ear for analog hearing aids, or
 - up to \$1,800 per ear for digital or programmable hearing aids.
- Adults are not covered.



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Medical Supplies

- All residents who require prosthetic or orthotic services, as prescribed by a medical practitioner, are covered for 100% of the cost in most cases.
- All residents who have had a mastectomy are eligible for the Manitoba Breast Prosthesis Program, which provides up to \$400 per prosthesis every 2 years (or \$800 every 4 years), plus a bra allowance (\$50–\$100 depending on claim cycle).

Nursing and Home Care Benefits

- Coverage for basic nursing care in a personal care home for those that meet the criteria.

Paramedical

- Occupational, speech, and physiotherapy when performed in a hospital.
- Chiropractors: a maximum of 7 visits per year; the adjustment of the spinal column, pelvis, and extremities are insured chiropractic services.
- No coverage for psychologists and dietitians (outside a hospital), podiatrists, or acupuncture.

Out of Country

- Coverage for emergency doctors' services outside of Canada at a rate equal to what a Manitoba doctor would receive for similar service.
- Emergency hospital care is paid on an average daily rate established by Manitoba Health.

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