

# All Savers Alternate Funding

Small Business Self-Insured Health Plans



## For Your Small Business

#### Plans that don't break the bank

The **number one concern** for small-business owners is the cost of health care! So, All Savers Alternate Funding plans were built with your small business in mind. They're intended to help save you money – and help your employees get more out of their plan, too.

Did you know that 60 percent of small-business employees spend less than \$1,500 a year on health care? It's often for things like ear infections, broken bones, or routine checkups. But since those employees don't meet their deductibles, they end up covering their medical costs out of their own pocket year after year. All Savers Alternate Funding plans are different.

## Coverage before the deductible

These plans were designed to **help members pay for everyday health care costs** – before the deductible. With All Savers Alternate Funding plans, every enrolled employee and covered spouse gets \$1,000 of up-front coverage, called a **medical credit**. The medical credit can be spent on most everyday health care costs.

## A different kind of plan

All Savers Alternate Funding is a self-funded health plan designed specifically for small businesses. It includes three parts:

- 1. Your **self-funded medical plan**, which pays covered medical expenses of your employees and their dependents.
- 2. A **third-party administration agreement** between you and United HealthCare Services, Inc. for claims processing, billing, customer service, and other administrative services.
- 3. A **stop-loss insurance policy** by All Savers Insurance Company. Stop-loss insurance protects the plan from large, catastrophic claims by an individual covered member, and provides overall protection in the event that all claim payments made under the medical plan exceed a certain dollar limit.

Why would you want a self-funded health plan? Because you'll pay lower premium taxes throughout the year, your plan won't be subject to state mandates, and you'll actually have the chance to get some money back at the end of the year.

Keep reading to learn more about what you and your employees will get with an All Savers Alternate Funding plan.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Small Business Research, 2008; National Foundation for Independent Business study, 2012.

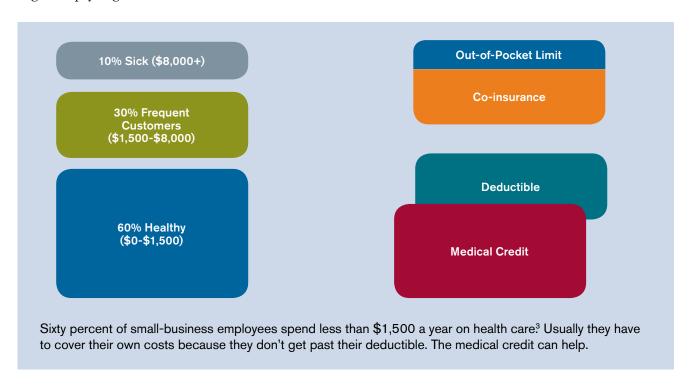
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Based on a national sample of UnitedHealthcare small-business claims data for fully insured plans from March 1, 2010 to February 28, 2011.

## **What Do Employees Get?**

#### Coverage before the deductible

With All Savers Alternate Funding, every covered employee and covered spouse gets a medical credit of \$1,000 that can help cover expenses like x-rays, lab work and diagnostic tests, and inpatient hospital stays for any covered family member (preventive exams are already covered at 100%). Payments made by the medical credit count toward the member's deductible.

Once the medical credit is used up, every member must meet the rest of their deductible before co-insurance begins to pay eligible claims.

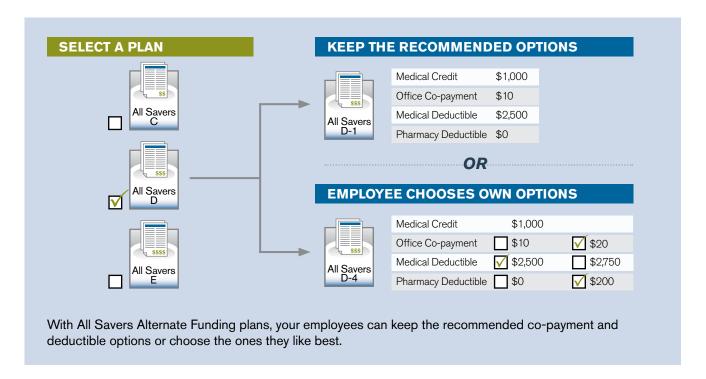


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#### Plan options that are right for them

Do employees want lower co-payments, a lower deductible, or a lower pharmacy deductible? No problem – it's their choice. With All Savers products, your employees can keep your recommended options or **they can choose** their own options, and it won't affect your company's monthly payment. Not a single dime.

It only takes a few minutes for employees to choose their own co-payment and deductible options on the All Savers website.



#### Prescription drugs, minus the headaches

The pharmacy benefit has low deductibles (as low as zero dollars). And once covered members meet the pharmacy deductible, they'll only cover the co-payments for the rest of the calendar year.

# **Illustration of Costs and Payments**

Here's an example\* of how your employees might benefit from All Savers Alternate Funding:

Sara doesn't get sick much, so she chose a higher co-payment and pharmacy deductible with her medical plan. In return, she chose a lower medical deductible, giving her more coverage in case she gets hurt in an expensive accident.

When Sara went to the doctor for her annual checkup, the preventive visit was covered 100 percent with no co-payment.

Her medical credit helped cover the rest of her medical costs (and reduced her deductible). With her two generic prescriptions, her total out-of-pocket cost for the year was just \$30.

Medical	Cost	Co-payment (\$20)	Medical Credit (\$1,000)	Deductible (\$2,750)
Annual checkup (preventive)	\$200	-	-	-
Exam of skin lesion (office visit)	\$100	\$20	-	-
Biopsy of skin lesion	\$400	-	\$400	(\$400)
Removal of skin lesion	\$150	-	\$150	(\$150)
Totals	\$850	\$20	\$550	(\$550)

Pharmacy	Cost	Deductible (\$200)	Co-payment
Tier 1 prescription	<b>\$</b> 5	\$5	-
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Totals	\$10	\$10	\$0

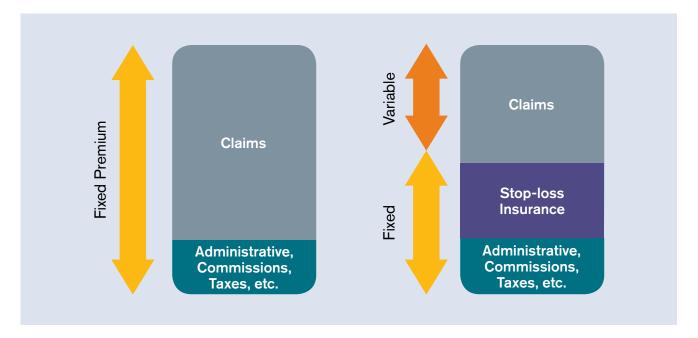
<sup>\*</sup> The example is for network services and is for illustration purposes only. It does not represent real persons or events.

## **How Does Alternate Funding Work?**

#### Traditional insurance is a fixed cost

With traditional plans, a small business pays a fixed premium to the insurance company, and then the insurance company pays the health care claims as well as the administrative costs, sales commissions, and taxes.

If the actual health care claims are higher than expected, the insurance company covers it. But if the claims are lower than expected, the insurance company keeps the difference. This means your company doesn't get anything back if your employees have lower-than-expected claims.



#### All Savers Alternate Funding plans are different

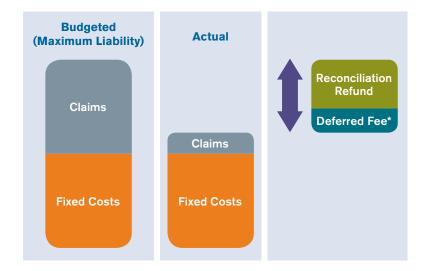
With All Savers Alternate Funding, if the actual health care claims are lower than expected, your plan shares in the savings with some money back at the end of the year. And if the claims are higher than expected, your stop-loss insurance policy covers it.

Here are a few additional benefits to an Alternate Funding self-funded plan:

- ▶ The plan is a "level-funded" plan, so your company will make the same monthly payment throughout the plan year. And you won't have to pay any more at the end of the plan year, even if you have high claims costs.
- ▶ Self-funded medical plans are not subject to most state insurance mandates or state insurance-premium taxes, which can mean lower costs throughout the year. (However, stop-loss coverage is still subject to premium tax.)

#### Best case: Low claims

Your company's monthly payments include the estimated health care claims plus the fixed-cost items (administrative fees and stop-loss insurance premium). This is called your plan's "maximum liability," which means you won't get stuck at the end of the year with any additional costs.



Part of your monthly payments will go into an account that pays for your employees' eligible claims. At the end of the year, the monthly payments will be compared with the actual costs. In the best-case scenario, the actual claims costs for the year would be less than what was estimated, which means your plan would have a surplus.

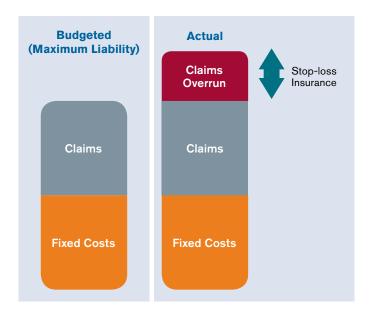
Two-thirds of any surplus is sent back to your plan to use for the following year, and one-third is kept as a deferred administrative fee (where allowed by state law).

#### Worst case: High claims

In the worst-case scenario, the actual claims would be higher than expected. But because your plan would have already paid the maximum liability, you won't pay more at the end of the plan year.

Your plan is protected by the stop-loss insurance that is already built into your monthly payments.

Of course, each year will be somewhere between the worst case and best case. But in any case, many small businesses could save with an All Savers Alternative Funding plan.



<sup>\*</sup>where allowed by state law

# **Benefit Highlights**

This table outlines how different kinds of eligible services are reimbursed. The options your employees choose will determine their actual co-payments, deductibles, and co-insurance amounts.

Services	Network				Non-Network			
	Co-payment	Medical Credit	Deductible	Co-insurance	Co-payment	Medical Credit	Deductible	Co-insurance
Preventive  > Wellness Visits  > Immunizations  > Routine Screenings	-	-	\$2,000 to \$4,000 (individual) \$4,000 to \$8,000 (family)	100%	-	shared with network medical credit	\$4,000 to \$8,000 (individual) \$8,000 to \$16,000 (family)	50/50 to 85/15
Co-payments  ► Level 1: Physician Visit  ► Level 2: Urgent Care Center  ► Level 3: ER Visit*	\$10 - \$40 \$75 - \$125 \$250 - \$350	-		100%		-		
No Co-payment  Minor Lab Work  Major Diagnostics (CT Scan, MRI, etc.)  Inpatient Services  Outpatient Services  Ambulance (Air/Ground)  Many other services	-	\$1,000		50/50 to 85/15		shared with network medical credit		
No Co-payment or Medical Credit  Transplant Skilled Nursing Home Health Care Rehab Prosthetics Durable Medical Equipment	-	-				_		
Pharmacy Tiers 1–3  Tier 1: Lowest-cost  Tier 2: Mid-cost  Tier 3: Mostly brand-name	\$10 \$20 – \$40 \$40 – \$80	-	\$0 to \$200	100%			-	
Pharmacy Tier 4 ▶ Tier 4: Highest-cost drugs	-			70/30				

<sup>\*</sup> If an ER patient is admitted into the hospital, it is counted as inpatient or outpatient services under the No Co-payment section.



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