



I.A.F.F. Local 255 Health Services Summary

Eligible Services	Description
Accidental Dental Care	100% charges for the repair, extraction and/or replacement of natural teeth damaged by a direct accidental external blow to the mouth to a maximum of \$2,000 per accident. The injury must occur after the date the participant became eligible for benefits and the repair, extraction or replacement must take place within 12 months of the date of accidental injury.
Ambulance Services	100% coverage of ground ambulance required to transport to or from the nearest hospital to provide appropriate medical care, in the event of an illness or injury, up to the maximum set in the current Alberta Blue Cross schedule of ambulance rates. Air ambulance to an active treatment hospital in any Canadian province or territory is also covered when not covered under a provincial government funded program and when normal ground transportation is not available. Response fees are also covered when treatment is provided.
Attending Physician Statement	100% coverage; up to a maximum of \$150 per statement for Sickness & Accident benefits.
Blood Glucose Monitors	100% coverage; limited to a maximum of \$150 per participant in a 5 year period..
Custom Fitted Braces	100% coverage; limited to one per limb in any 24 month period; once in any 12 months for dependents under age 19.
Diabetic Supplies	100% coverage; includes needles.
Foot Orthotics/Orthopaedic Shoes (stock item footwear excluded)	100% coverage; one pair up to a maximum of \$500 per year. Physician, Podiatrist or Chiropodist's written order required.
Hearing Aids	100% coverage on physician's or audiologists written order; \$1,000 maximum in a 5 year period for purchase or repair; excludes batteries.
Home Nursing Care Home nursing care will only be covered once all government programs and agency maximums have been reached.	100% coverage of a registered nurse or a practical nurse not related to the patient, for care provided in the participant's home on the written order of a physician . Usual & Customary charges apply. Prior written approval by Alberta Blue Cross is required.
Hospital Beds - Manual	100% coverage for repair, rental or purchase; reasonable and customary charges apply. Physician's written order required. Prior written approval by Alberta Blue Cross is required for purchase.
Ileostomy, Colostomy, Urinary Catheters and Supplies	100% coverage up to \$2,000 combined maximum per year.

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Mastectomy Prosthesis/Supporting Brassiere	100% coverage; up to a maximum of \$200 per prosthesis once in any 24 month period. Physician's written order required. In addition, up to \$50 for the purchase of a supporting brassiere to a maximum of two per year.
Medical Care (Inside Canada)	100% coverage for charges of physician and surgeons for treatment outside Alberta in excess of the amount paid by Alberta Health Care Insurance Plan but not to exceed the College of Physicians and Surgeons Schedule allowance in the province where the treatment is provided.
Medical Durable Equipment	100% coverage for approved medical durable equipment on the written order of a Health Care Professional. Determination of eligible equipment is at the discretion of Alberta Blue Cross. If you are considering purchasing equipment you should contact Alberta Blue Cross.
Optical Examinations	100% coverage, one exam in a 24 month period per participant between ages 19 and 64.
Oxygen and Equipment	100% coverage for the rental or purchase of oxygen and the equipment for its use, up to a maximum of \$2,500 per calendar year.
Prosthetics	100% coverage for the purchase, replacement or repair of conventional artificial limbs (excluding myoelectric controlled prosthesis) and artificial eyes and ears required to restore form and function and which are manufactured according to specifications on the written order of a Health Care Professional.
Splints, trusses, casts, canes, crutches, walkers, related supplies	100% coverage for rental or purchase. Walkers require the written order of a Health Care Professional.
Stump Socks	100% coverage; maximum of 6 pairs of socks per year.
Surgical Stockings	100% coverage; maximum of 2 pairs of stockings per year.
Wheelchairs	100% coverage for the rental, purchase or repair of manual chairs, once in any 3 year period. Physician's written order required. Prior written approval by Alberta Blue Cross is required for purchase.

A Health Care Professional is a person currently licensed, certified, or registered to practice a profession by the appropriate licensing, certification or registration authority in the jurisdiction where the care or services are provided. If no such authority exists, has a certificate of competency from the professional body that establishes standards of competency and conduct for the profession, and is acting within the scope of that license.

This is not a comprehensive list of all eligible services covered under the Extended Health Care Plan. Please contact Alberta Blue Cross at 1-800-661-6995 for further information.