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CHIP and Out-of-Pocket Costs

This guide will help you track costs to avoid paying too much.

What is the most I need to pay?

Five percent of your family's income is the most you need to pay in co-pays and premiums per year. This dollar amount is printed on your CHIP approval notice and on the renewal form you get every year from your eligibility worker.

CHIP calculates the maximum you need to pay out-of-pocket by using your family's income before taxes and subtracting your CHIP quarterly premium.

What happens when I have paid the maximum out-of pocket?

Once you have reached the 5% maximum, your family will no longer have co-pays for that year. You will still owe a quarterly premium.

When does tracking begin?

CHIP tracks your out-of-pocket costs beginning July 1st and ending on June 30th of the following year.

How do I show that I have paid the maximum out-of-pocket?

- 1) Each time you pay a co-pay, write it on the 5% maximum out-of-pocket claim form. List the child's name, date of claim, provider's name, provider's address, and the amount paid.
- 2) Once the co-pays add up to your 5% maximum or more, send the completed claim form to:
CHIP, PO Box 144102, Salt Lake City UT 84114-4102

What happens next?

CHIP will:

- 1) Check and see that you have met your 5% maximum out-of-pocket costs
- 2) Send you a letter verifying the 5% is met and you don't owe co-pays through June 30 (the end of the plan year)
- 3) You can show this letter to your health care provider to prove that you don't owe co-pays

For more Information

Call CHIP at 1-866-772-1261 (toll-free) or (801) 538-9004 to get help filling out your form or if you have questions.