

WHAT IS AN FSA?

A Flexible Spending Account (FSA) is a pre-tax program your employer sponsors that allows you to save Federal, state and Social Security (FICA) taxes on eligible expenses. When you enroll in a FSA, you increase your take-home pay and improve your bottom line!

How It Works

Under this plan you can use pre-tax money to pay for up to four different kinds of expenses, including: your medical, dental and vision care expenses that are not covered by your insurance; the cost of caring for a dependent while you work; the cost of dental, vision and accident insurance not provided by your employer; and, your cost for adopting a child.

When You Enroll

When you enroll you determine the amount of expenses you anticipate for the upcoming year. The benefits you elect are paid for with pre-tax dollars deducted from your paycheck each payroll period. These dollars are subtracted from your gross earnings before taxes are taken out.

Your Benefits Are Enhanced

FSAs are designed to cut predictable costs while increasing your take-home pay. Maximize every dollar by taking advantage of this benefit choice. Alleviate those high out-of-pocket expenses by enrolling in a plan that works for you.

Your Spendable Income Increases

When you elect pre-tax benefits under a flexible benefits plan, you lower your taxable income on your W-2; therefore, you pay less in taxes and increase your spendable income. Depending on your tax bracket, this plan can save you 30% to 40% on qualifying expenses

Whose Expenses are Eligible?

Under the plan, only the expenses of a participant, a participant's spouse or a participant's dependent(s) qualify for pre-tax treatment. If you are unsure if a person qualifies as an eligible dependent, please refer to P&A's website for a more detailed definition.

