

### Waterford Township Health Benefits Carrier Change

Effective May 1, 2025



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#### What is Changing?





## What is Changing?

Southern New Jersey Regional Employee Benefits Fund (SNJREBF)

- Effective 5/1/25, Waterford Township will be joining the SNJREBF for Medical and Prescription coverage.
- The Township already participates in the SNJREBF for dental coverage.
- The SNJREBF was founded in 1992 to provide public entities with a platform to purchase health insurance coverage in a shared-services environment. The Health JIF is a public entity that allows local public entities in the State of New Jersey to purchase collectively, thus taking advantage of economies of scale.
- You're in Good Company The SNJREBF is currently comprised of 52 other townships and municipalities that have come together to purchase their health benefits.



## Southern Jersey

#### **Medical Coverage**





#### Medical - Aetna

- Aetna is the medical carrier for the SNJREBF.
- The medical plans under Aetna will mirror the medical plans under the State Plan.
- Members will automatically be enrolled in the medical plan equivalent under Aetna to the plan they choose during this SHBP open enrollment period this past Fall of 2024.
- Members will not be able to make any plan changes until the next open enrollment period, unless they have a qualifying life event. Next Open Enrollment period will be the Fall of 2025.
- <u>Please note, Pre-Existing Conditions are</u> <u>covered</u>. You or your dependents cannot be denied coverage because of a pre-existing condition.



## Medical Plan Options

If you are currently enrolled in this plan:		New plan you will be enrolled in:
NJ Direct/Aetna Freedom \$10	$\rightarrow$	Aetna Choice POS II \$10 Open Access
NJ Direct/Aetna Freedom \$15	$\rightarrow$	Aetna Choice POS II \$15 Open Access
NJ Direct/Aetna Freedom \$15/\$25	$\rightarrow$	Aetna Choice POS II \$15/\$25 Open Access
NJ Direct/Aetna Freedom \$20/\$30	$\rightarrow$	Aetna Choice POS II \$20/\$30 Open Access
NJ Direct/Aetna Freedom \$20/\$35	$\rightarrow$	Aetna Choice POS II \$20/\$35 Open Access
Horizon or Aetna HMO \$10	$\rightarrow$	Aetna HMO \$10

#### Locate Participating Providers - Aetna

Step 1: Visit Aetna's website at www.aetna.com

Step 2: At the middle of the of the webpage on the right, click on "Find A Doctor"

Step 3: On right side of page under Guest, select "Plan from an employer" (1<sup>st</sup> choice on the list)

Step 4: Under Continue as a Guest, enter you zip code, city, state or county

Step 5: You will be asked to "Select a Plan". Use the Key below to help you make the correct selection:

If you are enrolling in	DocFind Plan selection is		
Aetna Choice POS II Plan (ACPOS II)	Category Heading = <u>Aetna Open Access Plans</u>		
(NJ Direct and Aetna Freedom Plans)	Plan Name = Aetna Choice POS II (Open Access)		
Aetna HMO	Category Heading = <u>Aetna Standard Plan</u>		
(Horizon and Aetna HMO)	Plan Name = HMO		

## Diagnostic Testing Providers

Under Aetna, members may use Quest Diagnostics or LabCorp.

- Visit the Quest Diagnostics website to find a location near you or to make an appointment-<u>http://www.questdiagnostics.com/</u>
- To find a LabCorp facility near you or to make an appointmenthttps://www.labcorp.com/

#### **Telemedicine – CVS Health Virtual Care**

#### Convenient and affordable virtual care wherever you need it.

From your therapy appointments to quick care, CVS Health Virtual Care has got you covered. You can use CVS Health Virtual Care in addition to your traditional network of providers. Access is included as part of your medical plan from Aetna, a CVS Health company because **healthier happens together**.

- On-Demand Care: Access 24/7 quick care for minor illnesses and injuries.
- Mental Health Services: Get counseling for things like anxiety and stress, plus psychiatry services for medication management.
- Extend to in-person care when needed at nearby MinuteClinic locations or in-network provider clinics.

#### To Get Started with CVS Health Virtual Care

- Activate your virtual care benefit by visiting <u>www.cvs.com/virtual-care</u>
- Create an account and confirm your details
- Schedule a mental health appointment
- Request on-demand care 24/7/365



## **CVS Minute Clinics and Health Hubs**

Covered at \$0 or low cost (HDHP) by Aetna. Prior to visiting a Minute Clinic or Health Hub, please check with Aetna to find out which facilities in your area may be participating with your plan.

#### minute clinic®

CVS Minute Clinics offer a broad range of services to keep you and your family healthy. In addition to diagnosing and treating illnesses, injuries and skin conditions, they provide wellness services including vaccinations, physicals, screenings and monitoring for chronic conditions.

- No appointment necessary
- Visits usually last less than 30 minutes
- A record of your visit can be sent to your doctor
- Open seven days a week with convenient evening hours

CVS MINUTE CLINIC PRACTITIONERS CAN:

- Treat common illnesses, like strep throat, ear ache, pink eye and sinus infection
- Treat minor injuries and skin conditions
- Provide vaccinations such as flu, pneumonia and hepatitis A/B
- Write prescriptions when appropriate
- Treat patients 18 months and older

#### HealthHUB.

CVS® HealthHUB offers an expanded range of health services and wellness products for everyday care and chronic conditions.

To learn more or to find a HealthHUB location, visit CVS.com/HealthHUB.

HEALTH HUBS OFFER THE FOLLOWING SERVICES:

- Nutritional Counseling
- Durable Medical Equipment
- A Health Concierge
- Enhanced Minute Clinic service offerings
- Enhanced Pharmacist counseling services
- Community programs and meeting spaces

#### Aetna Discounts

- Savings on Eyewear and Exams
- Savings on Healthy Lifestyle Choices- Save on gym memberships, health coaching, fitness gear and nutrition products that support a healthy lifestyle. You get access to local and national discounts on brands you know.
- Savings on Natural Products and Services Save on a wide variety of popular products from health and fitness centers, at home products and oral health care products.
- Savings Options on Hearing Aids and Exams

Members can access the Aetna discounts by logging into the member website at <u>www.Aetna.com</u> once you become a member (5/1/2025).

#### Fitness & Walking

#### Fitness Program Award Reimbursement

- Member can receive up to \$240.00 reimbursement per year (\$20 per month)
- A minimum of 12 visits per month must be completed and/or walk 10K steps a day (or a combination there of).
- Note: Each 10K step day = one gym visit. Example: Submit 6 days of 10K steps and 6 days of Gym visits in a month would qualify as 1 monthly allowance.
- A copy of your health club agreement or contract that includes the name and address of the health club and the membership or completed log including class dates (form will be provided) must be completed and submitted for reimbursement.
- Dependents must be over age 18 to be eligible.



## General Information

#### **Carrier Website**

Beginning 5/1/2025, you can register on the carrier website to view your plan information, claims history, and search for participating providers.

Aetna – <u>www.aetna.com</u>

How to Contact Member Services

 Aetna members - Call 800-370-4526 or the number on your Aetna Member ID Card

#### **Member ID Cards**

 New ID cards will arrive towards the end of April. Please begin using your new ID card on 5/1/2025.

#### **Prescription Coverage**

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#### **Express Scripts**

Express Scripts is the Pharmacy Benefit Manager for the SNJREBF.

 Member Services - Members can call Express Scripts Member Services at (800) 467-2006 or visit the website at –

www.express-scripts.com.

Register Your Account – (on 5/1/2025 or later) Get the most out of your prescription benefits and set up your account at <u>www.express-scripts.com</u>.
 (Access ID cards, refill medications, see which medications are covered, etc.)

#### Prescription Plans

SNJ Fund / Express Scripts	\$3/\$10/\$10	\$3/\$10/\$10	\$7/\$16/\$35	\$3/\$18/\$46	\$7/\$21/DIFF	\$3/\$10/\$10
Corresponding SNJ Fund Medical Plan	Aetna Choice	Aetna Choice	Aetna Choice	Aetna Choice	Aetna Choice	Aetna HMO
	POS II \$10	POS II \$15	POS II \$15/\$25	POS II \$20/\$30	POS II \$20/\$35	\$10
Replaces SHBP Plan	NJ Direct/Aetna Freedom 10	NJ Direct/Aetna Freedom15	NJ Direct/Aetna Freedom 1525	NJ Direct/Aetna Freedom 2030	NJ Direct/Aetna Freedom 2035	Horizon/Aetna HMO
Retail: Generic Copayments	\$3	\$3	\$7	\$3	\$7	\$3
Retail: Preferred Brand Copayments	\$10	\$10	\$16	\$18	\$21	\$10
Retail: Non-Preferred Brand Copayments	\$10	\$10	\$35	\$46	Member pays difference	\$10
Retail: Brand w/ Generic Equivalent	Member pays difference	Member pays difference	Member pays difference	Member pays difference	Member pays difference	Member pays difference
Mail: Generic Copayments	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Mail: Preferred Brand Copayments	\$15	\$15	\$40	\$36	\$52	\$15
Mail: Non-Preferred Brand Copayments	\$15	\$15	\$88	\$92	Member pays difference	\$15
Mail: Brand w/ Generic Equivalent	Member pays difference	Member pays difference	Member pays difference	Member pays difference	Member pays difference	Member pays difference
Prescription Drug annual Out-of-Pocket Maximum (Individual/Family)	\$1,840/\$3,680	\$1,840/\$3,680	\$1,840/\$3,680	\$1,840/\$3,680	\$1,840/\$3,680	\$1,840/\$3,680

Member Pays Difference - You pay the cost difference between the brand drug and the generic drug.

This overview is being provided as a convenient reference tool and is not a complete overview of the benefits being offered through your prescription plans. Some plan limitations may apply. Please refer to the plan documents provided by the carriers for detailed plan information. If there is any discrepancy between the descriptions of the program elements in this overview and the official plan documents, the language of the official plan documents shall prevail as accurate.

#### **Network Considerations**

- Walgreen's is <u>not</u> a participating provider.
- Some Rite Aid's are excluded as well as a few "mom and pop" shops.
- CVS, Shop-Rite, Target, Walmart, Acme, and other large box chain pharmacies are in-network.



#### Mail Order

- For maintenance medications (medications you take on a daily or regular basis), members should utilize the Express Scripts mail order program.
- Please note, any mail order scripts you already have set up <u>will not</u> transfer over to Express Scripts. You must set up a new mail order program.
- A 90-day supply of your medication will be conveniently delivered to your home. To set up your mail order delivery or contact Express Scripts at 800.698.3757 to get started. For most medications, Express Scripts will be able to contact your doctor and arrange for your first mail-order supply.
- If possible, obtain a 90-day fill prior to the transition (5/1/2025) so that you have a supply on hand as you set up your new mail order program.

#### Specialty Medications

- Specialty medicines are used to treat complex conditions and may need to be administered by injection or through infusion.
   Some of these medicines require special handling or refrigeration, while others are oral or inhaled.
- Specialty Medication's must be ordered through the Express
  Scripts specialty pharmacy provider, Accredo.
- To get started, visit the Accredo website at <u>www.accredo.com</u> or contact them at 1-877-ACCREDO (222-7336).

### SaveOnSP – Savings for Specialty Meds

- The SaveOnSP program covers certain specialty medications at no cost for eligible members.
- The 150+ medications included in the program consist of products covering conditions such as Hepatitis C (Hep C), Multiple Sclerosis (MS), Psoriasis, Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD), Rheumatoid Arthritis (RA), Oncology, and others.
- Please call 1-800-683-1074 to verify your eligibility. (after 5/1/25)
- Once you've completed the manufacturer copay assistance program's enrollment process and consented to SaveOnSP monitoring your pharmacy account, your responsibility will be reduced.

#### OMADA Through Express Scripts

Through Express Scripts, the OMADA program helps to manage the quality and efficacy of GLP-1 medications for weight loss. OMADA follows clinically accepted protocols to safely ensure the effectiveness of GLP-1 medications for weight management and metabolic health.

1. Personalized Digital Health Support: OMAMA provides an integrated platform that provides continuous coaching, lifestyle interventions, and behavioral support to maximize the benefits of GLP-1 therapies, ensuring patients stay engaged and on track with their health goals.

2. *Enhanced Medication Adherence*: Through OMADA's data-driven insights and pharmacy integration, patients receive timely reminders, refill management, and adherence tracking, reducing the risk of discontinuation or suboptimal dosing.

3. Optimized Clinical Outcomes: Through real-time monitoring and engagement, the program helps address common challenges such as gastrointestinal side effects, dose adjustments, and the need for complementary nutritional guidance.

4. *Clinically Effective Utilization Management*: By ensuring that only clinically appropriate patients receive GLP-1 prescriptions, and that therapy is supported with structured interventions, the program helps optimize medication usage while improving outcomes for the short and long term. The program creates a seamless, patient-centered approach that drives better adherence, improved metabolic health, and long-term success and enhanced patient safety with GLP-1 therapies.

#### Formulary Considerations

- Formularies vary from one pharmacy benefit manager to another. Under Express Scripts, some drugs are excluded, but there are FDA approved alternatives for all excluded drugs.
- If members have already tried the approved alternative and had an adverse reaction, they can have their provider file an appeal to prove medical necessity to remain on their existing drug.
- Members who have a drug denied due to a formulary restriction can contact the Conner Strong & Buckelew Member Advocacy team for assistance at 800-563-9929.
   Our Member Advocacy team can assist the member in working with the SNJREBF to get approval for a one-time 30-day courtesy fill if needed.
- Be proactive! Check out the provided Express Scripts formulary prior to the 5/1/2025 change. If your prescription is listed as a formulary exclusion, speak to your doctor now about the approved alternative.

#### Prior Authorization

- Some drugs may require prior authorization. Prior authorization is a program that monitors certain prescription drugs to assure that the medication you are prescribed is the most safe and effective for your diagnosis.
- Similar to healthcare plans that approve a medical procedure before it's done to ensure the necessity of the test, if you're prescribed a certain medication, that drug may need a "prior authorization." This program makes sure you're getting a prescription that is suitable for the intended use and covered by your pharmacy benefit.

Drugs impacted by your prior authorization program include:

- Prescriptions used outside of the specific, approved medical conditions.
- Prescriptions that could be used for non-medical purposes.

## Express Scripts Digital ID Cards

Due to the frequency in which plans and benefits can change, ESI no longer issues physical ID cards. Digital ID cards are available at anytime, with the most up to date information.

Easily create your digital profile at <u>www.express-scripts.com</u> or on the Express Scripts mobile app to gain instant access to your prescription ID card. You can view your card online or on the app, download it to your digital wallet, or even print a card from the Express Scripts site.

A digital profile also helps you connect to:

- Lower-cost medication options
- Nearby, in-network pharmacies
- More ways to manage your medications



# Resources





#### Member Advocacy

The Benefits Member Advocacy Center ("Benefits MAC"), provided by Conner Strong & Buckelew, can help you and your covered family members navigate your benefits. Contact the Benefits MAC to:

- Find answers to your benefits questions
- Search for participating network providers
- Clarify information received from a provider or your insurance company, such as a bill, claim, or explanation of benefits (EOB)
- Guide you through the enrollment process or how you can add-or delete coverage for a dependent
- Rescue you from a benefits problem you've been working on
- Discover all that your benefit plans have to offer!

Contact the Benefits MAC at 800.563.9929 or submit a request

online at www.connerstrong.com/memberadvocacy

## Customized BenePortal

Conner Strong & Buckelew provides a customized online benefits portal as part of our signature services. This benefit portal is an invaluable resource for you and your dependents.

- Convenient location to house all benefit information in one place.
- Provides employees and their eligible dependents with 24/7 access to benefit information and resources.
- Great resource for new hires or newly eligible.
- Provides a vehicle to disseminate new benefit information through so employees always have the latest benefits information.

The link to the online benefits portal will be provided prior to 5/1/2025.

**Plan Summaries** & Benefit Comparisons **Open Enrollment Carrier Contacts** & Forms Advocacy Services Health & **Wellness** 

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## Frequently Asked Questions





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I already have surgery approved and scheduled for the first week in May. How can I be assured that this will still be approved by Aetna? What information will I need to provide my doctor regarding this change?

Please inform your doctor that your health insurance carrier is changing and provide them with your new member ID as soon as you receive it. Your provider can contact Aetna directly to ensure that all necessary approvals are in place in time for your surgery.

I am currently enrolled in a Horizon plan and receiving ongoing treatment for a condition. What would happen if my doctor is not a participating provider under the new Aetna coverage?

If you are in an active course of treatment and your doctor is non-participating with the new carrier, you will need to complete the **Transition of Coverage** (TOC) form. Once the carrier approves the TOC treatment this allows you to continue to receive treatment from your current provider for a limited period of time after the transition. This process only applies if your doctor does <u>NOT</u> participate with the new carrier. Please reach out to the Member Advocacy Team for assistance at **800.563.9929**.

#### Frequently Asked Questions

If I have out of pocket expenses (copays, deductible, coinsurance) from January to April 2025, will those amounts be credited towards my out-of-pocket maximum under the new plan?

Yes, it will be credited to your new plan under the Fund. Members will receive a form that they can submit with their Explanation of Benefits from the SHBP carrier to Aetna. Once received, Aetna will credit the member's account accordingly.

#### My child goes to school out of State. How will they be covered under this new plan?

Aetna has nationwide coverage. Members can find participating providers through the carrier websites or by contacting member services. If you are enrolled in a plan with out-of-network coverage, you may also utilize your out-of-network benefits. You are covered for Emergency Care anywhere.

#### Aetna Out of the Country Coverage

In the event of an emergency when traveling overseas, please note Aetna will cover a medical emergency at the Out-of-Network rate. A medical emergency claim can be sent over to Aetna for processing when you return from abroad. However, there is no coverage for routine and non-emergency visits overseas.





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