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2017 HSA Guidelines Released



The 2017 health savings account (HSA) guidelines were recently released by the Internal Revenue Service. Except for the annual contribution limit for self-only coverage, which increased from \$3,350 in 2016 to \$3,400 in 2017, all other deductible, out-of-pocket and annual contribution limits remain unchanged in 2017.



Plans and Services

- **Cost-Savings Spine and Joint Program:** See how your self-funded clients can add the Spine and Joint Solution Program and pay negotiated, bundled rates for most professional and hospital costs at a Center of Excellence. [Learn more](#)

Health Reform

- **Essential Health Benefits Requirement:** Effective for plan years beginning on or after Jan. 1, 2017, large self-funded groups are required to select a benchmark plan to define which of the benefits they cover are Essential Health Benefits. [Learn more](#)

Pharmacy

- **Latest Prescription Drug List Updates:** Review the latest [PDL Tracker](#) for a recap of changes outside our Jan. 1 and July 1 pharmacy benefit updates.
- **July 1, PDL Updates Notice:** As a reminder, July 1, 2016 updates for the Advantage and Traditional Prescription Drug Lists (PDLs) for both fully insured and self-funded customers are available online in the PDL Updates section of uhc.com/pharmacy. To confirm your PDL, please contact your UnitedHealthcare representative. [Learn more](#)



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