Allowable Medical Expenses

This is a general listing of accepted items. Please check your company's plan documents for specific exclusions. For example, participation in a Health Savings Account would limit the reimbursable expenses listed below. To verify if a certain expense is covered if it is not listed below, please call 1-800-532-3327.

Expense		Allowed?	Comments
Acupuncture		Yes	If it is to treat a medical condition.
Adoption – medical expenses incurred before adoption is finalized.		Yes	This expense will qualify as long as the child qualifies as a tax dependent when the services were incurred.
Air conditioner, air purifier or water filters		Maybe	Must be prescribed by licensed health care provider and primarily used for treatment of medical condition and be detachable from the property. If attached to property only the amount which exceeds the value added to the property is reimbursable.
Alcoholism		Yes	Amount paid for inpatient treatment including meals and lodging at a therapeutic center for alcohol addiction.
Alternative remedies		Maybe	Must be primarily for treatment of a medical condition and service must be performed by a professional who is providing a legal service.
Allergy treatment products and household improvements to treat allergies (filters, pillows, special vacuums)		Maybe	Generally no, if the product is one which would be owned even without allergies (such as a pillow or vacuum) except where the difference in cost between a regular item and the allergy proof item can be established. Items such as air purifier or water filters may be allowable (see above).
Ambulance	\checkmark	Yes	
Artificial limb or teeth	\checkmark	Yes	
Asthma Treatments		Yes	Medications and devices such as inhalers and nebulizers are accepted.
Baby-sitting and childcare	×	No	These expenses are reimbursable under a DCAP account.
Birth control pills	\checkmark	Yes	If prescribed by licensed health care provider.
Birthing classes		Maybe	No for parenting or childrearing. Yes if they related to the birth only.

Blood Pressure and Blood Sugar Kits		Yes	Monitoring devices are accepted.
Braille books		Yes	Amount paid which exceeds cost of regular printed materials.
Breast pumps	\checkmark	Yes	Yes, if they are for the purpose of affecting a structure or func- tion of the body of the lactating woman.
Childbirth classes		Maybe	No, unless there is an underlying medical condition.
Chinese herbal provider & herbal treatment		Maybe	Yes, for licensed health care provider charges if legal and pri- marily for treatment of a medical condition.
Chiropractors	\checkmark	Yes	Yes, if primarily for treatment of a medical condition and not for general health reasons.
Christian Science practitio- ners		Yes	Yes, if legal and primarily for treatment of a medical condition.
COBRA Payments	×	No	COBRA premiums are not reimbursable from the FSA.
Coinsurance amounts, co- pay amounts and deducti- bles		Yes	
Contact Lenses		Yes	Requires Rx (non-cosmetic). Includes materials and equipment needed for contact lens care such as saline solution and enzyme cleaners.
Contraceptives (over-the- counter)	\checkmark	Yes	
Cosmetic surgery	X	No	Except as required to correct congenital deformity or personal injury from an accident, trauma or disfiguring disease. Cosmetic surgery which is directed at improving the patient's appearance and does not meaningfully promote the proper function of the body or prevent or treat illness or disease is not an allowable expense.
Counseling		Maybe	No, for marriage counseling. Yes, for medical reasons – see Psy- chiatric care and Psychologist.
Crutches		Yes	
Dancing Lessons		Maybe	No, if for general health. Yes, if prescribed by licensed health care provider for specific medical condition (such as rehabilitation after surgery).
Deductibles	\checkmark	Yes	
Dental treatment	\checkmark	Yes	Must be medically necessary and non-cosmetic.
Dependent care expenses	×	No	
Diabetic Supplies	\checkmark	Yes	
Diagnostic services		Yes	

Dietary Supplements		Maybe	No, unless prescribed by a health care provider to treat a medical condition. Must have a licensed health care provider's prescription.
Diet Foods	×	No	The costs of foods associated with a weight-loss program do not qualify.
Diapers or diaper service	×	No	Unless medically necessary and prescribed.
DNA Collection & Storage		Maybe	Generally these expenses will not qualify. Temporary storage (one year or less) will if used as a part of a treatment, diagno- sis, or prevention of a medical condition.
Drug addiction treatment	\checkmark	Yes	Amount paid for inpatient treatment including meals and lodg- ing at a therapeutic center for drug addiction.
Dyslexia		Yes	Language Training will qualify if the child is disabled or has dyslexia. A licensed health care providers note is required rec- ommending the training to treat the specific medical condi- tion.
Ear plugs	\checkmark	Yes	If medically necessary and prescribed by licensed health care provider.
Egg Donor Fees and Storage Fees		Maybe	Amounts paid for the egg donor fee will qualify. Fees for stor- age will qualify but only for immediate conception (one year).
Electrolysis/Hair Removal	×	No	
Exercise equipment		Maybe	No, if for general health. Yes, if prescribed by licensed health care provider for specific medical condition (such as rehabilitation after surgery).
Eye examinations and eye- glasses	\checkmark	Yes	Must be prescription glasses.
Face lifts	×	No	
Fees for long-term storage of sperm or embryo		Maybe	Only to extent necessary for immediate conception. Fees for future conception not reimbursable.
Feminine Hygiene Products	×	No	
Fertility treatments		Yes	Expenses paid to or for an in vitro surrogate are not reimburs- able.
Fitness programs		Maybe	No, if for general health. Yes, if prescribed by licensed health care provider for specific medical condition (such as rehabilitation after surgery).
Flu shots	\checkmark	Yes	
Foods		Maybe	Generally, no, unless the food is for a specific medical condi- tion. If so, then only the cost of food, which exceeds the cost of commonly available versions of same product, is reimburs- able. A licensed health care provider's note is needed.

Funeral expenses	×	No	
Genetic testing		Maybe	Yes, if performed to prevent possible defect. No, if performed to determine gender of fetus.
Guide dog or other animal aide		Yes	Includes charges for purchase, training and care.
Hair removal or transplants	X	No	Except as required to correct congenital deformity or personal injury from an accident, trauma or disfiguring disease. Cosmetic surgery which is directed at improving the patient's appearance and does not meaningfully promote the proper function of the body or prevent or treat illness or disease is not an allowable expense.
Health club dues		Maybe	No, if for general health. Yes, if prescribed by licensed health care provider for specific medical condition (such as rehabilitation after surgery).
Hearing Aids	\checkmark	Yes	Including batteries and maintenance charges.
Holistic or natural remedies		Maybe	Yes, for professional charges if legal and primarily for treatment of a medical condition. No, if for general health.
Hospital services	\checkmark	Yes	
Immunizations		Yes	
Infertility treatments		Yes	Expenses paid to or for an in vitro surrogate are not reimburs- able.
Insulin	\checkmark	Yes	Also includes test strips and testing equipment.
Insurance premiums	×	No	
Laboratory fees	\checkmark	Yes	
Lamaze class	×	No	No, unless there is an underlying medical condition.
Language training for dis- abled child		Yes	
Laser eye surgery	\checkmark	Yes	
Late Fees	×	No	
Lead-based paint removal		Yes	Yes, for removal of paint from surfaces in the home. Surfaces must be in poor repair and within child's reach. Cost of repainting is not a medical expense.
Learning disability (special school or specifically trained teacher)		Yes	Must be prescribed by licensed health care provider for a child who has severe learning disabilities caused by mental or physi- cal impairments.
Lodging		Maybe	Up to \$50 per night will qualify if these conditions are met: 1. Lodging is primarily for medical care. 2. A licensed health care provider or practitioner provides medical care. 3. Lodging is not lavish or extravagant. 4. If there is no significant element of per- sonal pleasure, recreation, or vacation in the travel. Up to \$100 per night will qualify if a parent or companion is traveling with a sick child.

Marijuana or other con- trolled substance	×	No	Not even if for medical care and allowed by state law allows with licensed health care provider's prescription.
Massage therapy		Maybe	No, if for general health. Yes, if prescribed by licensed health care provider for specific medical condition (such as rehabilitation after surgery. Must have licensed health care provider's prescription on file to be reimbursed.
Mastectomy-related special bras	\checkmark	Yes	
Maternity clothes	×	No	
Mattress	X	No	Unless prescribed by licensed health care provider and mattress possesses a uniqueness used exclusively for treatment of se- vere medical condition (i.e., hospital mattress as opposed to an extra-firm mattress). If so, then only the cost of the mattress, which exceeds the cost of a commonly available version of the same product, is reimbursable.
Meals		Maybe	No, unless the amount paid is part of the hospital stay.
Medic alert bracelet or neck- lace		Yes	
Medical monitoring and test- ing devices (e.g. blood pres- sure monitor, syringes, glu- cose kits, etc.)		Yes	
Missed Appointments	×	No	
Naturopathic expenses		Maybe	Yes, for professional charges if legal and primarily for treatment of a medical condition or for charges for remedies that are characterized as a medicine or drug. Expenses towards vitamin, supplements, or general wellness are not accepted.
Norplant insertion or re- moval		Yes	
Nursing services		Yes	Yes, for wages and nursing services; No, for a healthy baby care in home.
Nutritionist's professional expenses		Maybe	Yes, if for treatment of medical condition. No, if for general health.
Occlusal guards to prevent teeth grinding		Yes	
Operations		Yes	If legal and medically necessary. Cosmetic expenses are not re- imbursable.
Optometrist	\checkmark	Yes	
Organ donors	\checkmark	Yes	Includes amounts paid for surgical, hospital, laboratory and transportation expenses for organ donor.
Orthodontia	\checkmark	Yes	Unless for cosmetic reasons.

OTC Medications		Maybe	No, unless prescribed by a health care provider for a medical condition. Must have a licensed health care provider's prescription. See 'Allowable FSA OTC Meds' listing at www.flores247.com for a complete listing.
OTC Supplies		Yes	OTC supplies including bandages, sunscreen with SPF 30 or higher, and first aid kits are reimbursable. See the "Allowable FSA OTC Expenses" listing at www.flores247.com for a com- plete listing.
Oxygen		Yes	Includes oxygen and breathing equipment for treatment of a medical condition.
Patterning exercises		Yes	
Personal Trainer		Maybe	No, if for general health. Yes, if prescribed by licensed health care provider for specific medical condition (such as rehabilitation after surgery).
Physical exams		Yes	
Physical therapy		Yes	If medically necessary.
Pre-payments	×	No	Services are only reimbursable when/if they are incurred.
Prescription sunglasses		Yes	
Prescription Drugs		Yes	
Propecia	×	No	
Prosthesis		Yes	
Psychiatric care		Yes	Yes, if for medical reason.
Psychoanalysis		Yes	Yes, if for medical reason.
Psychologist	\checkmark	Yes	Yes, if for medical reason.
Reading glasses		Yes	
Reconstructive surgery fol- lowing mastectomy		Yes	
Safety glasses (non- prescription)	×	No	
Seeing-eye dog		Yes	
Shipping and Handling Fees		Yes	As long as the fees are covering the purchase of a qualified medical expense.
Smoking cessation program and medications	\checkmark	Yes	Smoking cessation medications purchased from a licensed health care provider will qualify.
Special foods (i.e., gluten free or salt free)		Maybe	Yes, if for medical condition and only for cost of foods which exceed cost of commonly available versions of same product. No, if for general health. Must have licensed health care pro- vider's prescription on file to be reimbursed.

Stem Cell, harvesting or stor- age		Maybe	This qualifies only if there is a specific medical condition it is treating. Long-term storage, in hopes of treating a future medical condition, is not accepted.
Sterilization	\checkmark	Yes	
Supplies to treat medical condition (i.e. bandages, gauze, batteries for hearing aids, etc.)		Maybe	If supply is directly related to a specific medical condition and is not a personal comfort item.
Student health fee	×	No	Considered same as insurance premium.
Sunglasses		Maybe	Only prescription sunglasses are accepted.
Surgery		Yes	If legal and medically necessary. Cosmetic expenses are not reimbursable.
Swimming lessons		Maybe	No, if for general health. Yes, if prescribed by licensed health care provider for specific medical condition (such as rehabilitation after surgery).
Tanning salons and equip- ment		Maybe	No, if for general health. May be reimbursable if incurred to treat a specifically diagnosable condition.
Teeth Whitening	×	No	Not even if prescribed to treat congenital condition.
Telephone (special for hear- ing-impaired)		Yes	Includes purchase and repair.
Transplants	\checkmark	Yes	Includes amounts paid for surgical, hospital, laboratory and transportation expenses for organ donor.
Travel expenses for person seeking treatment		Yes	Lodging up to \$50 per day. If a parent is traveling with a sick child, up to \$100 (\$50 per person) is allowed. Mileage can also be reimbursed for qualified medical expenses. Current mileage rates are listed on our website at www.flores247.com .
Travel expenses for compan- ion		Maybe	Generally no, unless necessary due to the patient's medical condition (e.g., nursing attendant) or a parent traveling with a sick child.
Tuition for special needs program (e.g. reading pro- gram for dyslexia)		Maybe	Will qualify if the primary purpose is for medical care.
Umbilical Cord, freezing and storing		Maybe	This qualifies only if there is a specific medical condition it is treating. Long-term storage, in hopes of treating a future medical condition, is not accepted.
Vaccines		Yes	
Varicose veins	×	No	Cosmetic surgeries that are directed at improving the patient's appearance and does not meaningfully promote the proper function of the body or prevent or treat illness or disease is not an allowable expense.

Veneers	×	No	
Viagra	\checkmark	Yes	To extent necessary to treat medical condition.
Vitamins and Supplements		Maybe	No, unless prescribed by a health care provider to treat a medi- cal condition. Must have a licensed health care provider's pre- scription.
Weight loss program and/or drugs prescribed to induce weight loss		Maybe	No, if for general health. Yes, if prescribed by licensed health care provider to treat medical condition such as diabetes. Must have licensed health care provider's prescription on file to be reimbursed.
Walkers	\checkmark	Yes	
Wheelchair	\checkmark	Yes	Includes rental or purchase plus maintenance.
Wigs		Maybe	The full cost of a wig purchased if prescribed by a licensed health care provider for the mental health of a patient who has lost all of his or her hair from disease.
X-ray fees	\checkmark	Yes	