



Membership Handbook **Health Plans**

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Words in bold in this Membership Handbook are defined terms. These are words or phrases commonly used in the private health insurance industry. If **you** don't understand any of these terms, **you** can find full explanations in the Definitions section at the end of this Membership Handbook.

1 Your Contract

Everything you need to know about your policy

Your contract with us is made up of the following:

- > Your Membership Handbook
- > Your completed Application Form, whether completed by you or on your behalf (if applicable)
- > Your policy documentation, which sets out your plan, your membership number, your commencement date and your next renewal date
- Your Table of Cover, which outlines the benefits in your plan and which List of Medical Facilities applies to your plan
- > The Schedule of Benefits, which sets out the **treatments** and **procedures we** cover
- > The Lists (explained below)
- > Terms of Business
- > Data Protection Statement

Health insurance policies are contracts between the insurer and the policyholder, because the policyholder (or in some cases their employer) is the person who has arranged and paid for the policy. However, the terms and conditions of this contract will apply to all plans and all claims made under the policy. Therefore where we refer to 'you' and 'your' throughout this Membership Handbook, we refer to both the policyholder and the member(s) listed on the policy. This also applies to members of group schemes. If you are a member of a group scheme where your employer has arranged your cover and is paying all or part of your premium, the Group Schemes section in this Membership Handbook will also apply to you.

You must ensure that the information that is provided to us when you are taking out a policy (whether in an application form or otherwise) is accurate and complete (even where the information is being provided to us by someone on your behalf). Otherwise it could mean we won't pay a claim under the policy and some or all of the members' plans under the policy may be cancelled. This may also cause difficulty should you wish to purchase health insurance elsewhere.

Understanding your cover

Health insurance cover can be difficult to understand so to help you check your cover we have set out a checklist below. We understand that it may be difficult for you to figure out whether you are covered yourself so if you're in any way unsure, please call us on 01 562 5100 and we'll walk you through it. In fact we would always advise you to check your cover with us before undergoing any procedure or treatment or being admitted to a medical facility. When checking your cover with us you will need to tell us where you intend to have the procedure or treatment performed; the name of your health care provider and the procedure/treatment code. You can get this information from your health care provider.

The checklists below explain what to look for to see if you are covered under your Day-to-day Benefits, Out-patient Benefits or In-patient Benefits. You will notice that some of your benefits will be classed as Maternity Benefits or Other Benefits on your Table of Cover. Some of these benefits are claimed as Out-patient Benefits or In-patient Benefits and the checklists below will apply to these.

Day-To-Day Benefits and Out-patient Benefits		
What to look for	Where to check	
> Is the benefit covered under your plan ? > How much will we pay? > Is there an excess ?	Your Table of Cover	
 What terms and conditions apply to the benefit? Does a waiting period apply? How can you claim? 	Your Membership Handbook	
> What does the benefit cover? > Are there any further criteria?	The Lists (if applicable)	

> Are there any further criteria?	(if applicable)
In-patient Benefits	
What to look for	Where to check
> Is the treatment or procedure an established treatment? > Is the treatment or procedure medically necessary? > Is your health care provider registered with Irish Life Health and a participating health care provider? > Will you be admitted to a medical facility and if so which one? > If not, where will you be having your procedure or treatment performed?	Your health care provider
> Is your treatment or procedure covered (is it listed in the Schedule of Benefits)? > Do any clinical indicators apply and do you meet them? > Does your treatment or procedure need to be pre-authorised? > Is your treatment or procedure covered when it is carried out by the type of health care provider you are attending (i.e. is it covered when carried out by a GP, dentist, oral surgeon, periodontist)? > If your treatment or procedure is not going to be performed in a hospital or treatment centre, is it covered when it is carried out in your health care provider's rooms?	The Schedule of Benefits or your health care provider
 Which List of Medical Facilities applies to you? What's your level of cover? i.e. Do you need to pay an excess, shortfall or co-payment? 	Table of Cover
 If you are being admitted to a medical facility, is it included in the Lists of Medical Facilities covered under your plan? Does a waiting period apply? How can you claim? Are there any further criteria? 	Your Membership Handbook
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As you can see, you will need to take many factors into account to see whether your health expenses are covered. Below is a short explanation of the contractual documents and other factors that you need to take into account to see if you are covered.

Membership Handbook

This document:

- > will help guide you through your health insurance cover
- > explains the general terms and conditions of your contract with us
- explains all our benefits including the terms and conditions which apply to each (but please note that all these benefits may not be available on your plan)
- > sets out the things that are not covered under your plan
- > explains how to make a claim

Section 12 of this Membership Handbook contains tables which show the **medical facilities** that are covered under **our plans**. They also show if **we** pay them directly (known as **direct settlement**) or if **you** need to pay them yourself and **claim** this back from **us**. **You** will be covered for the **medical facilities** specified in one of four lists shown in the tables (**your** "List of Medical Facilities"). **Your** Table of Cover shows which List of Medical Facilities applies to **you**.

Table of Cover

Your Table of Cover sets out the **benefits** that are available under **your plan**.

The Schedule of Benefits

The Schedule of Benefits is sectioned by specialty and sets out the **treatments** and **procedures we** cover and which of these need to be **pre-authorised**. It shows the **clinical indicators** that must be present in order for a **procedure** or **treatment** to be covered. It also specifies that certain **treatments** and **procedures** will only be covered if they are performed by a certain type of **health care provider** or if they are performed in a certain place (i.e. in a hospital).

The GP section sets out the procedures and treatments that we will cover when they are carried out by your GP in their surgery. It also shows which of these procedures and treatments require pre-authorisation and sets out any clinical indicators that apply.

These documents contain medical language which is really designed to be read by doctors and consultants. For this reason, we would advise you to contact us or your health care provider before undergoing your procedure or treatment to confirm whether it will be covered by us. The Schedule of Benefits can be accessed on our website at www.irishlifehealth.ie/privacy-and-legal/schedule-of-benefits or a hard copy can be requested from us.

The Lists

These Lists show what is covered under certain benefits and in some cases contain criteria which must be satisfied before the benefit will apply. We will let you know throughout this Membership Handbook or in your Table of Cover when it is necessary to refer to a List in connection with a benefit. The Lists are available on our website www.irishlifehealth.ie/privacy-and-legal/schedule-of-benefits. The following is a brief explanation of each of the Lists:

1. The List of Special Procedures

This confirms which **procedures** are covered under the Listed Special Procedures **benefit.** See section 2.2 of this Membership Handbook for further information on this **benefit.**

2. The List of Cardiac Procedures

This confirms which **procedures** are covered under the Listed Cardiac Procedures **benefit**. See section 2.2 of this Membership Handbook for further information on this **benefit**.

3. The List of Post-Operative Home Help (POHH) Procedures

The post-operative home help **benefit** is only available following certain **procedures**. These are set out in the List of Post-Operative Home Help (POHH) Procedures.

4. The List of Medical and Surgical Appliances

This list confirms the medical and surgical appliances for which you can claim a contribution from us under the medical and surgical appliances benefit. It also sets out the contribution that can be claimed for each appliance.

5. The List of Orthopaedic Procedures Subject to Co-Payment

This list specifies the orthopaedic **procedures** where a copayment applies when such **procedures** are carried out in a **private** or high-tech hospital.

6. The List of Cardiac Procedures Subject to Co-Payment

This list specifies the cardiac **procedures** where a co-payment applies when such **procedures** are carried out in a **private** or high-tech hospital.

7. The List of Clinical Indicators for Cardiac MRI and Cardiac CT Scans

This list sets out the **clinical indicators** that must be satisfied for cardiac MRI and cardiac CT scans.

8. The List of Gender Affirmation Procedures

This list confirms which **procedures** are covered under the gender affirmation **benefit**.

9. List of Provider Partners

This list confirms the provider partners for which **you** can claim a **benefit**, discount from or contribution from **us** under certain **benefits**.

10. The List of Ophthalmic Procedures Subject to Co-Payment

This list specifies the ophthalmic **procedures** where a copayment applies when such **procedures** are carried out in a **private** or **high-tech hospital**.

11. The List of Care Connect health programmes

This list confirms the health programmes available under the Care Connect **benefit**.

Ground rules

We will only cover the costs of medical care which our medical advisers believe is an established treatment which is medically necessary. In addition we only cover reasonable and customary costs

Clinical indicators

In some cases medical criteria known as clinical indicators need to be satisfied before our medical advisers will consider the treatment or procedure to be medically necessary. If clinical indicators apply, they will be set out alongside the procedure or treatment in the Schedule of Benefits or in the List of Clinical Indicators for Cardiac MRI and Cardiac CT Scans.

Pre-authorisation

Certain **procedures** and **treatments** are not covered unless they are approved in advance by **us**. Approval is only given where the **procedure** or **treatment** meets specific **clinical indicators** or **we**

determine that it will result in a reasonably favourable medical prognosis. If your treatment or procedure needs to be preauthorised, this will be specified in the Schedule of Benefits. To apply for pre-authorisation, your health care provider must submit a request in writing to Irish Life Health in order for your claim to be considered. We will assess your request as soon as possible but in any case within 15 working days.

Your health care provider

In most cases your treatment or procedure will be carried out by your consultant but there are some treatments and procedures listed in the Schedule of Benefits which can be performed by your GP, dentist, oral surgeon or periodontist. The professional fees of health professionals can be covered as an In-patient Benefit, an Out-patient Benefit or a Day-to-day Benefit depending on type of care you receive.

Generally when you receive a procedure or treatment that is listed in the Schedule of Benefits, your health care provider's fees will be covered under your In-patient Benefits. We fully cover health care providers who are registered with us and have agreed to accept payment from us in full settlement of their professional fees (i.e. a participating health care provider). You will have to pay most, or all, of your health care provider's fees yourself if they are not registered with us or are not participating. Please see section 2.2 of this Membership Handbook for a full explanation about how your health care provider's professional fees are covered under your In-patient Benefits.

Generally an **out-patient** consultation with a **consultant** or a visit to **your GP** or **dentist** will be covered as a Day-to-day Benefit or an Out-patient Benefit. In these circumstances it doesn't matter if **your consultant/GP/dentist** is registered with **Irish Life Health** or is participating. Day-to-day Benefits and Out-patient Benefits usually allow **you** to **claim** a contribution from **us** towards a certain number of visits to **your consultant/GP/dentist** in **your policy year**. If these **benefits** are available under **your plan**, the amount **you** can **claim** back per visit and the number of visits for which **you** can **claim** will be shown in **your** Table of Cover.

Waiting periods

Your medical expenses will not be covered until after **your** waiting periods have expired. Waiting periods are explained in section 6 of this Membership Handbook.

Excess/Shortfall/Co-payment

You will need to pay any excess, shortfall or co-payment that applies to a benefit or a group of benefits under your plan. You can't claim these expenses back from us. You can see if an excess, shortfall or co-payment applies by checking your Table of Cover. See sections 2.1 and 2.2 of this Membership Handbook for more information on excesses, shortfalls and co-payments.

Understanding changes to your cover

1. Changes to your plan on renewal

From time to time we alter the benefits available under our plans. If we alter the plan that you are on, the benefit changes will not affect you during your policy year but will apply if you purchase that plan at your next renewal. Therefore, it is important to remember that where you renew on the same plan the benefits may not be the same as they were in your previous policy year.

2. Changes to your cover throughout your policy year

In some cases the cover that is available under **your plan** may change throughout **your policy year** for the following reasons:

Changes to the Schedule of Benefits

We review and where necessary amend the Schedule of Benefits regularly to update the procedures and treatments that are covered by us and the clinical indicators, conditions of payment and/or payment indicators that apply to procedures and treatments. These changes may become effective during your policy year. You can find the most current versions of these on our website or call us on 01 562 5100 to check cover.

Changes to the Lists of Medical Facilities

We may add medical facilities to the Lists of Medical Facilities from time to time. We may also need to remove medical facilities from the Lists of Medical Facilities if our arrangement with those medical facilities ends. The medical facilities which will be paid directly by us may also change from time to time. See section 2.2 of this Membership Handbook for further details. You can find the most current versions of these lists on our website or call us on 01 562 5100 to check cover.

Changes to The Lists

We may need to make changes to the Lists from time to time to update the **procedures**, **treatments** and appliances that are covered under certain **benefits** and review the **clinical indications**, conditions of payment and/or payment indicators that are applied to them. **You** can find the most current versions of these on **our** website or call **us** on 01 562 5100 to check cover.

Changes to the status of health care provider

Your health care provider's status with us (i.e. whether they are registered and are a participating health care provider) may change from time to time. This means that the amount of their professional fees that we will cover may change throughout your policy year. You can check whether your health care provider is registered with Irish Life Health and whether they are a participating health care provider by contacting us on 01 562 5100. Please see section 2.2 of this Membership Handbook for further information on how your health care provider's status affects how their fees are covered.

Changes to **benefits** provided by provider partners

Provider partner **benefits** may change or cease during the **policy year** and such changes are outside of **our** control.

Changes required by law

In the event that **we** are legally required to make changes to any of **our** contracts, **policies** or **plans**, such changes shall effect **your plan** immediately.

The changes described above are automatically applied to all our plans as soon as they occur. You and the members named on your policy should always check the most recent Schedule of Benefits, The List of Medical Facilities and Lists, and check whether your health care provider is registered with us and whether they are participating before undergoing any procedure or treatment, or being admitted to a medical facility. You can do this yourself by checking the most up to date information on our website or you can call us and we will check this for you.

Acknowledgment

By entering this policy you are acknowledging that you have read this Membership Handbook and understand your cover. In particular, you are confirming that you understand the contractual documents that make up your contract with us and that your cover may change throughout your policy year.

Your Cover & How to Claim

The benefits available under your plan are shown in your Table of Cover. They are divided into different sections mainly due to how they are claimed or the type of expenses covered.

The following sections of this Membership Handbook explain the different types of benefits offered by us. Within each section is a table which lists our benefits, shows the terms and conditions that apply to each benefit, and tells you how to claim it.

Please note that all these benefits may not be available under your plan. You should check your Table of Cover to see which benefits apply to you and how much you can claim under each benefit. You will also be able to see on your Table of Cover if an excess, shortfall or co-payment applies.

How our benefits are categorised can change on different plans, so you may notice that some of your benefits appear in different sections in this Membership Handbook and on your Table of Cover. If a benefit listed in your Table of Cover is not explained in the corresponding table in this Membership Handbook, please check the tables in other sections of this Membership Handbook. The terms and conditions that apply to our benefits (as described in the tables below) will always apply even if the benefit is positioned in a different section of your Table of Cover.

If a day-to-day excess or an out-patient excess applies to your plan, this will always affect all the benefits included in those sections of your Table of Cover. It doesn't matter if one or more of your Day-to-day Benefits or Out-patient Benefits appear in a different section in this Membership Handbook.

You will always be covered to the level of cover set out in the Minimum Benefit Regulations for the medical services listed in those regulations (subject to any waiting periods). Please see section 6 and the Definitions section of this Membership Handbook for an explanation of the Minimum Benefit Regulations. We will always deduct any withholding tax or other deductions required by law before paying your claim.

2.1 Day-to-Day and Out-patient Benefits

These benefits typically allow you to claim a contribution from us towards visits to certain medical practitioners or for certain medical services. The amounts that can be claimed and frequency or number of visits they apply to are set out in your Table of Cover. Where contributions are listed as a single amount, they are claimable once per policy year unless otherwise stated. Please see the "How to calculate your cover under your Day-To-Day Benefits and Out-patient Benefits" section below for details on how you may be covered under these benefits. You can claim these benefits for medical services received in Ireland or when you are abroad.

Day-to-day Benefits are not included on all plans. If they are not covered on your plan and you wish to add day-to-day cover to your plan, please call our customer service team on 01 562 5100 to see what options are available to you.

There may be instances where benefits in the Out-patient and Day-to-day sections apply to the same medical expenses. In this instance when claiming online, please check your Table of Cover to choose the section you wish to claim under. You cannot claim for the same medical expenses twice.

Day-to-Day and Out-patient Benefits

Benefit

- > GP visits > Consultant fees (for out-
- > Dentist visits
- patient consultations) > Paediatrician benefit
- > Physiotherapist or Physical Therapist* visits
- > Acupuncturist*
- > Chiropractor*
- > Dietician*
- > Homeopath*
- > Massage therapist*

Description / Criteria

Under these benefits we will contribute towards the costs of attending the practitioners named in the benefit for treatment provided to a member on a one to one basis.

GP visits benefit excludes costs incurred through use of a remote GP advice line / digital consultation service - these services are provided through the Digital Doctor benefit.

Consultant fees (for out-patient consultations) excludes costs incurred for maternity related consultations.

Where practitioner visits are shown as having a combined benefit on your Table of Cover, we will pay the maximum number of consultations listed on your Table of Cover across any combination of those

Day-to-Day and Out-patient Benefits		
Benefit	Description / Criteria	
> Medical herbalist* > Nutritionist* > Occupational therapist* > Orthoptist* > Osteopath* > Podiatrist* > Reflexologist* > Reiki Practitioner* > Speech and language therapist* > Speech therapist*		
> 3D/4D & Early pregnancy scans	Under this benefit you can claim a contribution from us towards the cost of a 3D or a 4D maternity scan or an early pregnancy scan.	
> A&E Cover (in choice of High Tech, Private and Public Hospitals)	This benefit allows you to claim back some of the charge imposed by a public, private or high tech hospital when you attend the A&E department without a referral letter from your GP .	
> Antenatal Class	Under this benefit you can claim a contribution from us towards the cost of an antenatal class provided by a midwife* prior to the birth of your baby. This benefit may only be claimed by one member (either parent) in respect of each birth. If this benefit is available under your plan the contribution is set out in your Table of Cover.	
> At Home Health Testing	This benefit allows you to claim a contribution from us towards the cost of an at home health testing kit from PrivaPath Diagnostics Limited trading as Let's Get Checked * .	
> Baby massage	This benefit allows the parent or legal guardian of a child to claim back some of the costs of baby massage for that child. This benefit may not be claimed by more than one member in respect of the same baby massage session.	
> Baby massage course	Under this benefit you can claim a contribution from us towards the cost of a baby massage course provided by a Baby Massage Therapist*. This benefit can only be claimed once per policy year .	
 Breast prosthesis or wig (following cancer treatment) 	This benefit allows you to claim a contribution from us towards the cost of your first breast prosthesis and/or your first wig following cancer treatment . Subsequent claims are covered as set out on the List of Medical and Surgical Appliances up to the amount specified on that list.	
> Breastfeeding consultancy	This benefit allows you to $claim$ back some of the costs of a consultation with a qualified breastfeeding consultant*.	
> Cardiac screening	This benefit allows you to claim back some of the costs of cardiac screening carried out by a GP or a consultant where the cardiac screening involves all of the following tests: > An ECG > Fasting lipids > Random glucose > Blood Pressure > Cardiac risk factor assessment	
> Child A&E visit	This benefit allows a child member to claim back some of the charge imposed by a public hospital when they attend the A&E department without a referral letter from their GP .	
> Child Development Benefit	This benefit allows a child member to claim back some of the costs of a developmental / neurodevelopmental assessment carried out by a developmental specialist*. This assessment must address at least one of the following: Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD), Autism Spectrum Disorder, Developmental Coordination Disorder or Dyspraxia, Intellectual Disability, Learning Disability Speech Delays, Sensory Processing Disorders.	
> Child psychologist	This benefit allows you to claim back some of the cost of child counselling carried out by a psychologist*.	
> Child speech and language	This benefit allows a child member to claim back some of the costs of their speech and language therapy provided by a speech and language therapist*. This benefit is only available to members who are under 18 years of age.	
> Child/Teen counselling	This benefit allows you to claim back some of the cost of child or teen counselling carried out by a psychologist or psychotherapist * .	

Day-to-Day and Out-patier	nt Benefits
Benefit	Description / Criteria
> Convalescence benefit	This benefit allows you to claim back some of the cost of a stay in a convalescence home for a specified number of days in your policy year. If this benefit is available under your plan, the maximum amount that we will contribute per day and the maximum number of days for which this can be claimed is set out in your Table of Cover. This benefit is only available in respect of a stay in a convalescence home where you entered such convalescence home immediately after you were an in-patient in a medical facility covered under your plan for the purpose of receiving a medically necessary treatment or procedure.
> Counselling	This benefit allows you to claim back some of the cost of attending a counsellor*.
> Dermatology benefit	This benefit allows you to claim back some of the costs of a consultation with DermView Limited ** https://www.dermviewclinics.com/.
> Dexa scan	Under this benefit you can claim a contribution from us towards the cost of a dexa scan.
> Dietician or Nutritionist Consultation	Under this benefit you can claim a contribution from us towards the cost of attending a nutritionist* or a dietician*.
> Emergency dental care	This benefit allows you to claim back some of the costs of dental treatments or procedures which are required as a result of an accident or injury and are required to alleviate pain or to treat an acute dental trauma which represents a serious threat to the member's general health. The patient must present to the dental practitioner within 48 hours following an accident or injury and receive treatment within 7 days of presenting to dental practitioner.
> Executive Health Screen	This benefit allows you to claim back a contribution towards the cost of a comprehensive health screen once per policy year where it is carried out in a clinical environment by a qualified practitioner . The health screen must include all of the following:
	> Comprehensive doctor consultation with physical examination & patient history
	> Systems review (respiratory, cardiovascular, musculoskeletal, central nervous system, abdominal and skin assessment)
	> Blood pressure, heart rate, weight, height, body mass index measurement
	> Urinalysis> Lung function test (spirometry)
	> Chest X-ray (where indicated)
	> Heart assessment (Resting ECG)
	> Hearing and eye (colour blindness, glaucoma and visual acuity) assessments
	> Colon cancer screen (FIT test)
	> Testicular & Prostate Check (Men)
	> Breast Check (Women)
	> An extensive blood screen to include full blood count, kidney function test, bone profile, liver function test, lipid profile, fasting blood sugar, uric acid, iron studies, prostate specific antigen (where indicated), thyroid function test.
	> Lifestyle questionnaire and analysis including a review of current lifestyle, diet and exercise regime.
Eyebrow tattooing (following cancer treatment)	This benefit allows you to claim a contribution from us towards the cost of eyebrow tattooing following or during cancer treatment . The benefit is claimable once per policy year .
> Fitness Wearables	Under this benefit you can claim a contribution from us towards the cost of a wearable fitness tracker which is a smartwatch or a fitness wearable worn on your wrist that monitors and tracks fitness-related metrics (including at least one of the following) heart beat/calorie consumption/daily steps.
> Health screen at any centre	This benefit allows you to claim back some of the costs of a health screen where it is carried by a qualified practitioner registered with either the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland (NMBI) or Irish Medical Council (IMC). This benefit only covers screening which includes at least 4 of the following:
	> lifestyle assessment > physical examination > blood count > urinalysis > written report This health screen must be carried out by a qualified practitioner.
> Health screening	This benefit allows you to claim back some of the costs of VO2 max testing, fertility assessment (antimullerian hormone testing or semen analysis only) or sexual health screening. This benefit is only available where the fertility assessment or sexual health screening is carried out by a GP or in a fully accredited medical centre. You can only claim this benefit once during your policy year .

Day-to-Day and Out-patient Benefits > Health screening (Optimise This benefit allows you to claim back a contribution towards the cost of a comprehensive health screen once Platinum, Optimise Gold, per policy year where it is carried out in a clinical environment by a qualified practitioner. The health screen Health Plan 09, Health must include all of the following: Plan 04 and Business Plan > Comprehensive doctor consultation with physical examination & patient history Executive plans only) > Systems review (respiratory, cardiovascular, musculoskeletal, central nervous system, abdominal and skin assessment) > Blood pressure, heart rate, weight, height, body mass index measurement > Lung function test (spirometry) > Chest X-ray (where indicated) > Heart assessment (Resting ECG) > Hearing and eye (colour blindness, glaucoma and visual acuity) assessments > Colon cancer screen (FIT test) > Testicular & Prostate Check (Men) > Breast Check (Women) > An extensive blood screen to include full blood count, kidney function test, bone profile, liver function test, lipid profile, fasting blood sugar, uric acid, iron studies, prostate specific antigen (where indicated), thyroid > Lifestyle questionnaire and analysis including a review of current lifestyle, diet and exercise regime. > Health screening and This benefit allows you to claim back some of the costs of health screening and/or allergy testing. allergy testing A health screen includes some or all of the tests listed below: > Blood pressure, heart rate, weight, height, body mass index measurement > Urinalysis to check kidney function > Lung function test particularly for those with asthma recent shortage of breath or chest infections > Heart assessment (Resting ECG) > VDU eye assessments to check near and far vision visual acuity and to check for colour blindness > CT Calcification Scoring Scan > An extensive blood screening which includes an assessment of cholesterol and glucose levels > Liver and kidney function, measurement of haemoglobin and iron levels, full blood count and to screen for gout and haemochromatosis > Lifestyle questionnaire and analysis including a review of current lifestyle, diet and exercise regime. For allergy testing you can claim back the cost of an initial consultation for allergy related problems. This **benefit** is only available where the health screen or allergy testing is carried out in a clinical environment by a qualified practitioner. Subsequent consultations, treatment or therapy is not covered under this benefit. If the consultation takes place within a hospital or clinic, all consultations must be received on an outpatient basis. The amount that can be claimed under this benefit is set out in your Table of Cover and is the total amount that can be claimed for both health screening and allergy testing combined in your policy year. > Hearing test This benefit allows you to claim back some of the cost of a hearing test carried out by a qualified audiologist. > His & Hers fertility Under this benefit you can claim a contribution per policy year from us towards the cost of a screening which screening tests includes a Hormone Profile, Semen Analysis and/or Progesterone Levels. > Home Recovery Benefit This benefit allows you to claim back some of the cost of home nursing, physiotherapy, occupational therapy and carers (where the carers service is provided by Home Instead**) up to three weeks after you have been discharged from an in-patient stay in a medical facility covered under your plan. The services being claimed under this benefit must be provided by registered Healthcare professionals (Nurses*, Physiotherapists*, Occupational Therapists*, Carers*). The services must be carried out in the home setting. The contribution under this benefit is the maximum payable for costs which are incurred (even where a combination of services are used) up to a specified number of days in your policy year. If this benefit is available under your plan, the maximum amount that we will contribute per day and the maximum number of days for which can be claimed will be set out in your Table of Cover. Please note that service set-up fees may be charged by a

provider and these administration charges may not be claimed under this benefit.

or your practitioner receipt including the cost of the vaccine and its administration to claim.

> HPV Vaccine

> Kids Sports Clubs

to claim.

Under this benefit you can claim a contribution from us towards the HPV vaccine. This benefit is only

available where the vaccination is carried out in a clinical environment by a **qualified practitioner** and only when the course of **treatment** is complete. Please submit either **your** prescription **claim** form for the vaccine

This **benefit** allows a child member to **claim** a contribution towards the costs of an annual subscription to a sports club governed by one of the National Governing Bodies of Sport in Ireland; or dance, gymnastics, basketball, tennis, karate, taekwon-do, judo or swimming classes. **You** must provide evidence of the total annual amount paid for **your** membership (**e.g.** a receipt from **your** club). The following items are specifically excluded from this **benefit**: a subscription to a social/members club or any clubs or classes not listed in this **benefit**. The beneficiary named on a receipt must have this **benefit** under their **plan** in order to be eligible

Day-to-Day and Out-patient Benefits		
Benefit	Description / Criteria	
> Laser Eye Surgery Benefit	Under this benefit you can claim a contribution towards LASIK, LASEK or PRK laser eye surgery carried out by a qualified practitioner . The maximum contribution you can claim is listed on your Table of Cover and this benefit is limited to one claim per member's lifetime.	
> Life Coaching Session	Under this benefit you can claim a contribution towards sessions with a life coach*.	
Lifestyle Genomic TestingNutrition, Fitness, Sleep and Stress	Under this benefit , you can claim a contribution towards the cost of a lifestyle genomic test through DNAFit**. The level of cover available is set out on your Table of Cover. This benefit is limited to one claim per lifetime.	
> Mammogram	Under this benefit you can claim a contribution from us towards the cost of a mammogram. The level of cover available is set out on your Table of Cover. This benefit is only available where the mammogram is carried out in a clinical environment by a qualified practitioner .	
> Manual Lymph Drainage (MLD)	This benefit allows you to claim back some of the costs of treatment provided by a full member of Manual Lymph Drainage Ireland or a physiotherapist registered with CORU. This benefit is only available where MLD is received to treat and manage the following conditions: > Lymphoedema > Oedema > Wounds and burns > Chronic inflammatory sinusitis > Arthritis This benefit will also cover the costs related to compression therapy and remedial and breathing exercises solely related to the above conditions. This benefit will not be covered when MLD is used in order to: > improve the appearance and texture of old scars > provide skin care and improve the hygiene of swollen limbs > treat traumatic bruising and swelling > treat acne & rosacce	
> Maternity Bra	> This benefit allows you to claim a contribution from us towards the cost of a maternity bra, once per	
> Maternity Mental Health Support	pregnancy. Under this benefit we will contribute towards the cost of counselling sessions provided by Nurture** for antenatal and post-natal depression, fertility issues and miscarriage support. If this benefit is available under your plan the contribution and number of sessions that will be covered is set out in your Table of Cover. To book this service please see Nurture's website for contact details: www.nurturehealth.ie. Please note that an initial processing fee is charged by Nurture**. If you do not use all of your sessions you can substitute the cost of a session towards this fee.	
> Meditation support devices	Under this benefit you can claim a contribution from us towards the cost of electroencephalography (EEG) and electrodermal activity (EDA) meditation support devices i.e. Muse or Pip.	
> Medical and surgical appliances	This benefit allows you to claim back the costs of the medical and surgical appliances set out on the List of Medical and Surgical Appliances up to the amount specified on that list.	
> Menopause Benefit	$\textbf{This benefit allows you to claim} \ back some of the costs of consultations with a Menopause Specialist^{\star}.$	
> Mindfullness app subscription	Under this benefit you can claim a contribution from us towards the cost of an annual subscription to the HEADSPACE mindfulness app or to the MyLife (formerly Stop, Breathe and Think) app	
> Minor Injury Clinic Cover (Pay & Claim)	This benefit allows you to claim back some of the charge imposed when you attend an approved pay and claim minor injury clinic. An age restriction for minors may apply to the clinic's services, please check with the Minor Injury Clinic centre in advance of travelling. You can find the most current list of minor injury clinics covered on our website www.irishlifehealth.ie/hospital-lists	
> Optical (eye test and/or glasses/lenses combined)	This benefit allows you to claim back some of the costs of an eye test and glasses/lenses (including contact lenses) provided by a qualified optician, orthoptist, optometrist * or an ophthalmologist.	
> Orthotic insoles	This benefit allows you to claim back some of the costs of orthotic insoles specified by a physiotherapist * or a podiatrist * .	
> Orthodontics	This benefit allows an adult member to ${\bf claim}$ a contribution towards the costs of orthodontic treatment provided by an orthodontist*.	
> Out of hours GP visits	This benefit allows you to claim back some of the costs of attending a GP in their capacity as an out of hours GP under the HSE's GP Out of Hours Service or for the costs of a home visit by a GP .	
> Pathology: Consultant fees	This benefit allows you to claim back some of the consultant's fee for pathology.	
> Pathology: Cost of test	This benefit allows you to claim back some of the costs for pathology.	

Day-to-Day and Out-patie	nt Benefits
Benefit	Description / Criteria
> Personal Trainer	Under this benefit you can claim a contribution from us towards the cost of a personal training session with a qualified personal trainer*.
> Play Therapy	This benefit allows a child member to claim back some of the costs of play therapy facilitated by a play therapist*. This benefit is only available to members under 18 years of age.
> Positive Mental Health Training	Under this benefit we will contribute towards the Feeling Good 12-track Positive Mental Training audic programme (available as an in-app purchase) designed to help recovery from stress, anxiety and depression The benefit available is set out in your Table of Cover.
> Post cancer treatment sleeping caps	This benefit allows you to $claim$ a contribution from us towards the cost of a sleeping cap following cancer treatment.
> Psychologist	Under this benefit, we will contribute towards the costs of attending a psychologist * .
> Pre/post natal medical expenses	This benefit allows you to claim back some of the costs of pre/post natal care provided by a consultant, GP or a midwife* during and after your pregnancy. The following costs can be claimed per pregnancy: > Out-patient consultant's fees (obstetrician and gynaecologist), > Maternity scans > Antenatal classes run by a midwife* > Pre and post natal physiotherapist services provided by U Mamma** or by a chartered physiotherapist* with a specialty in women's health. This benefit covers pre/post natal care which is received between 9 months before and 3 months after your anticipated delivery date.
> Prescriptions abroad	This benefit allows you to claim back some of the cost of your prescriptions filled abroad.
> Prescriptions/Prescription Costs	This benefit allows you to claim back a contribution towards your prescriptions from a GP, consultant dentist or prescribing nurse*. The contribution is claimable on the total amount on your 'Prescription Claim Form' receipt and not per listed item.
> Private A&E cover	This benefit allows you to claim back some of the charge imposed by a private hospital when you attend the A&E department.
> Psycho-oncology counselling	This benefit allows you to claim back some of the costs of psycho-oncology counselling (counselling received after in-patient or day-case chemotherapy) where it is carried out by a psychologist* and you have been referred to the psychologist* by your consultant .
> Psychotherapy and counselling benefit (including practitioners at the Dean Clinic)	This benefit allows a member to claim back some of the cost of attending a psychotherapist* or a counsellor* or to claim back some of the costs of consultations with a practitioner at the Dean Clinic.
> Public A&E cover	This benefit allows you to claim back some of the charge imposed by a public hospital when you attend the A&E department without a referral letter from your GP .
> Radiology: Consultant fees	This benefit allows you to claim back some of the consultant's fee for radiology.
> Radiology: Cost of test	This benefit allows you to claim back some of the out-patient costs for radiology (i.e. X-Rays, mammograms and non-maternity ultrasounds) carried out in a an accredited medical facility .
> Retainers & fitted gum shields	Under this benefit you can claim a contribution from us towards the cost of a retainer or fitted gum shield provided by a dentist .
> SADS Screening	Under this benefit you can claim a contribution from us towards the cost of cardiac screening for sudder arrhythmic death syndrome. This benefit is only available where the SADS Screening is carried out in a clinica environment by a qualified practitioner .
> Self-Compassion Programme (MSC)	Under this benefit you can claim a contribution towards the Mindful Self-Compassion (MSC) programme for emotional resilience developed by Germer and Neff. This benefit is payable for an 8 week face to face or online programme delivered by a facilitator who has completed the MSC Teacher Training.
> Sexual health screening	This benefit allows you to claim back some of the costs of sexual health screening carried out by a GP or in a fully accredited medical centre.
> Sports Club / Gym Membership / Classes	This benefit provides a contribution towards the cost of your annual subscription to a Gym or a sports club governed by one of the National Governing Bodies of Sport in Ireland; or children's dance, gymnastics basketball, tennis, karate, taekwon-do, judo or swimming classes. You must provide evidence of the annua subscription that you have signed up to and confirmation of the total amount paid/payable for your membership (e.g. a receipt from your club). The following items are specifically excluded from this benefit a subscription to a social/members club, a course or module within a gym or sports club or any classes not listed in this benefit. This benefit can only be claimed once per policy year. The beneficiary named on a receipt must have this benefit under their plan in order to be eligible to claim.
> Sports Massage	Under this benefit you can claim a contribution from \mathbf{us} towards the cost of a sports massage performed by a massage therapist*.

Day-to-Day and Out-patient Benefits		
Benefit	Description / Criteria	
> Sports psychologist	$ Under this \textbf{benefit you} \text{can } \textbf{claim} \text{a contribution from } \textbf{us} \text{towards the cost of attending a sports psychologist}^{\star} $	
> Stress Reduction Programme (MBSR)	Under this benefit you can claim a contribution towards the Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction Programme (MBSR) developed by Kabat-Zinn. This benefit is payable for an 8 week face to face or online programme delivered by a certified MBSR trainer.	
> Vaccinations: Travel only	This benefit allows you to claim back some of the cost of vaccinations provided by a nurse or a GP .	
> Vaccinations: Travel only (HealthGuide 1-4 plans only)	This benefit allows you to claim back some of the cost of your travel vaccinations provided by the Executive Medical Care Ltd trading as Tropical Medical Bureau**.	
> Vaccinations: Travel or Flu	This benefit allows you to claim back some of the cost of travel or flu vaccinations provided by a nurse or a GP .	
> Vasectomy (GP or consultant)	Under this benefit we will contribute up to a maximum of €360 towards the cost of a vasectomy including any related consultations pre and post procedure . The vasectomy must be carried out by a GP or consultant who is registered with the Irish Medical Council. We will only accept one receipt, detailing the name of the procedure and date the procedure was performed and any related consultation dates. Vasectomy is only covered on selected plans , please contact Irish Life Health or check your Table of Cover to see if you are covered.	
> VO2 Max testing	This benefit allows you to claim back some of the costs of VO2 Max testing.	
> Voice coaching	This benefit allows you to claim back some of the cost of voice coaching carried out by a speech and language therapist*.	
> Yoga / Pilates classes	Under this benefit you can claim a contribution from us towards the cost of yoga or pilates classes provided by a yoga/pilates instructor*.	
> Zika screening	Under this benefit we will contribute towards the cost of a Zika screening consultation and/or test when provided by the Executive Medical Care Ltd trading as Tropical Medical Bureau**. This benefit can only be claimed once per policy year . You will also receive a point of sale discount directly from Tropical Medical Bureau**.	

* We will only cover the costs of visits to practitioners who have appropriate qualifications and registrations. Please see our Directory of Allied Health Professionals, Alternative (Complementary) and Other Practitioners in section 11.1 of this Membership Handbook for details of the qualifications and registrations which each practitioner must hold.

How to claim

You need to pay the practitioner/health care provider yourself and then claim the amount that is covered back from us during your policy year by scanning your original receipts and submitting them through our online claims tool (Irish Life Health Online Claiming) in your member area on www.irishlifehealth.ie. You must submit your receipts within six months of the end of your policy year. If your receipts are not received within these six months, your claim will not be paid.

You should keep your original receipts for your own records and in case we request them to be resubmitted. Please ensure that all receipts state:

- > The amount paid;
- > The full name of the **member** receiving **treatment** and their date of birth;
- > The date the treatment was received;
- > The type of practitioner that **you** attended;
- > The name, address and qualifications of the practitioner providing the care on the practitioner's headed paper.

When claiming for prescription costs **you** must also submit the prescription claim form issued by **your** pharmacist. When claiming for the emergency dental care **benefit you** must also submit a dental report. When claiming the home recovery **benefit you** must also submit the hospital discharge letter/statement issued to **you** by the **hospital** in which **you** received **your in-patient** care. When claiming for the Child Development Benefit the receipt must state which of the covered developmental/neurodevelopmental assessments were carried out.

When claiming the out of hours **GP** visits **benefit** the receipts **you** submit to **us** must show that **you** visited the **GP** in their capacity as an out of hours **GP** through the HSE's **GP** Out of Hours Service or that **your GP** visited **you** at home.

Benefit	Description / Criteria
Minor Injury Clinic Cover	Under this benefit we will cover some of the cost of attending one of our approved minor injury clinics. We will pay the minor injury clinic directly, up to the amount detailed on your Table of Cover for each visit , towards initial consultation and, if deemed necessary the following treatments related to the initial consultation: x-ray, stitching, full cast, temporary cast, splints and crutches. An age restriction for minors may apply to the clinic's services, please check with the Minor Injury Clinic centre in advance of travelling. We will not cover the charge for the following take home aids; boots and braces, these and any other balance should be paid by you to the minor injury clinic. Please note that any additional amount paid by you to the minor injury clinic cannot be claimed back under out-patient , Day-to-Day or any other benefit on your plan.

You can find the most current lists of facilities on our website www.irishlifehealth.ie/hospital-lists. The medical facilities which will be paid directly by us may change from time to time.

Benefit	Description / Criteria
Nurse on call	Nurse on call is a telephone based service that provides general, non-diagnostic information over the phone. Under this benefit you have access to the nurse on call service 24 hours a day 365 days a year.

How to claim

Telephone: 01 562 5150

Telephone. 01 302 3130		
Benefit	Description / Criteria	
PET-CT Scans MRI Scans CT Scans Cardiac MRI Scans Cardiac CT Scans	Under this benefit we will cover or contribute towards the costs of your scan. The amount that is covered and how it is covered will depend on whether you have your scan carried out in a scan facility that is covered in the appropriate table for your scan type in your List of Medical Facilities on pages 47-54 (i.e. an approved centre) or in a scan facility that is not included in your List of Medical Facilities (i.e. a non-approved centre). The maximum amount that can be claimed for non-approved centres in your policy year may be limited. This will be shown on your Table of Cover. The following criteria must be satisfied before your scan will be covered: MRI Scans You must be referred by a consultant or GP . For MRI scans in St. James's Hospital you must be referred by an oncologist or other clinician working in St. James's Hospital and the scan is required for the diagnosis, treatment or staging of a cancer.	
	CT Scans You must be referred by a consultant or GP. For CT scans in St. James's Hospital you must be referred by an oncologist	
	or other clinician working in St. James's Hospital and the scan is required for the diagnosis, treatment or staging of a cancer.	
	Cardiac MRI Scans	
	You must be referred by a consultant . All cardiac MRI scans must be carried out in an approved cardiac scan facility (see the tables of MRI and CT facilities in section 12 of this Membership Handbook).	
	Cardiac CT Scans	
	You must be referred by a consultant. All cardiac CT scans must be carried out in an approved cardiac scan facility list (see the tables of MRI and CT facilities in section 12 of this Membership Handbook). Calcium CT scoring is not covered under this benefit.	
	CT Colonography Scans	
	You must be referred by a consultant.	
	PET-CT and PSMA Scans	
	All PET-CT and PSMA scans must be pre-authorised by us . You must be referred by a consultant .	
	In addition the clinical indicators which relate to your type of scan must be satisfied before it will be covered. The clinical indicators which must be satisfied before you will be covered for a cardiac MRI or cardiac CT scan are set out in the List of Clinical Indicators for Cardiac MRI and Cardiac CT Scans. Calcium CT scoring is not covered under this benefit but may be claimed under Out-patient Radiology: cost of test where this benefit is available on your plan.	

How to claim

If your scan is carried out in an approved centre (i.e. a scan facility that is covered in the appropriate table for your scan type in your List of Medical Facilities), we will pay the scan facility directly. If your scan is carried out in a non-approved centre (i.e. a scan facility that is not covered in your List of Medical Facilities) you will have to pay for your scan yourself and claim the amount that is covered back from us, if cover for non-approved centres is included in your plan. You can claim the amount that is covered back from us during your policy year by scanning your original receipts and submitting them through our online claims tool (Irish Life Health Online Claiming) in your member area on www.irishlifehealth.ie. You must submit your receipts within six months of the end of your policy year. If your receipts are not received within these six months, your claim will not be paid.

You should keep your original receipts for your own records and we request them to be resubmitted.

Benefit	Description / Criteria
Digital Doctor	This benefit gives you unlimited consultations with Irish based GPs . Service provided by Centric Health Ltd**. You can speak to a GP anytime day or night over the phone, or if you would prefer a face-to-face consultation, the online video service is available 08:00 to 22:00, 7 days a week (excluding Christmas Day). If necessary, through this service GPs can also arrange to have a prescription sent to your local pharmacy following your consultation. Prescriptions can be sent 08:00 to 22:00, 7 days a week (excluding Christmas Day). Outside these times, the prescription will be sent the next working day . This service is not suitable for emergencies or urgent conditions as this may delay your treatment . This service is not intended to replace your usual GP , it is designed for episodic, once-off conditions and not for ongoing care.

Please call 01 562 5150 24 hours a day with your membership number to access this benefit.

How to calculate your cover under your day-to-day benefits and out-patient benefits

The amount that can be **claimed** under these **benefits** may be a set amount per visit or it may be a percentage of the cost of the visit up to a maximum amount per visit or per **policy year**. There may be a limit to the number of times in **your policy year** that **you** can **claim** a refund for a visit to a particular medical practitioner or for a particular service. In addition the number of refunds that **you** can **claim** for specified practitioners collectively may be limited (this is known as "combined visits"). Please note that there may be a limit on the total amount that **we** will pay for Day-to-day Benefits or Out-patient Benefits in a **policy year**. This limit will apply before the deduction of any applicable **policy excess**.

In addition an excess may apply to the total amount you claim under your Day-to-day Benefits or Out-patient Benefits in your policy year. So for example, where an excess applies to the Out-patient Benefits under your plan, it applies to the total amount you are claiming for all your Out-patient Benefits in your policy year. When you submit your receipts to us we will calculate the total amount due to be refunded to you under all your Out-patient Benefits, subtract the excess and refund you the balance.

For example:

	Example 1	Example 2
Cover shown on Table of Cover	€60 x 2 consultant visits	75% x 5 consultant visits
Number of times you visited your consultant in your policy year and how much you paid per visit	2 x €100	5 x €100
Total amount that you can claim (the number of times you visited a consultant multiplied by the maximum amount that can be claimed per visit)	2 x €60 = €120	5 x €75 = €375
Less out-patient excess	€150	€200
Money we pay you back	€0	€175

2.2 In-patient Benefits

In-patient Benefits typically cover the fees charged by your hospital, treatment centre and health care provider whilst you are admitted to a hospital or treatment centre covered under your plan as an in-patient or day case patient.

Hospital costs

The fees charged by your hospital or treatment centre for your medical care whilst you are admitted are known as hospital costs. They include the public hospital levy, hospital accommodation costs, charges for the use of the operating theatres, charges for radiology and pathology, nursing charges,

costs of prosthesis and charges for drugs administered for consumption whilst you are admitted. You can find the level of cover available for your hospital costs in a public hospital, private hospital and high-tech hospital in your Table of Cover (see section entitled "Hospital Cover"). You can check whether your hospital is public, private or high-tech in the tables of medical facilities in section 12 of this Membership Handbook. Please note that some hospitals may be classed as a high-tech hospital for Level 1 plans and a private hospital for all other plans. Treatment centres are classed as private hospitals in terms of your level of cover. Any excess specified on your Table of Cover in respect of private hospital cover will not apply to treatment centres but any shortfalls specified will.

^{**} The provider partners named under these **benefits** may change from time to time. Access to these **benefits** is subject to availability and the provider partners' terms and conditions of use. **Our** provider partners operate independently from **Irish Life Health** and **we** accept no liability for the provision of their services and are not liable for any point of sale or other discounts which may be offered by a provider partner. Provider partner **benefits** may change or cease during the **policy year** and such changes are outside of our control. While we aim for nationwide coverage with **our benefits**, a service may not be available in **your** locality. Please also note that **we** are not responsible for the content of the websites of these provider partners.

Medical facilities covered under your plan

The medical facilities covered under your plan are shown in your List of Medical Facilities. There are four of these lists but only one will apply to your plan. You can see which one applies to you in your Table of Cover. All the Lists of Medical Facilities are contained in the tables of medical facilities in section 12 of this Membership Handbook.

Where you are admitted to a medical facility covered under your plan and where it is medically necessary, your hospital costs will be fully covered subject to any limitations specified in your Table of Cover, such as excesses (subject to exceptions as outlined under In-patient or Day Case excess section below), shortfalls, copayments, private rooms covered at semi-private rates etc. Where necessary, we have agreements with medical facilities to ensure that this is the case. However, medical facilities are free to end their arrangement with us at any time so we cannot guarantee that this will continue to be the case for all the medical facilities covered under your plan throughout your policy year. Where this arrangement between us and a medical facility ends, the medical facility will no longer be covered by us and it will be removed from all the Lists of Medical Facilities. Similarly where we enter into new arrangements with medical facilities, they will be added to one or more of the Lists of Medical Facilities. Such changes will affect vour plan immediately. Up to date Lists of Medical Facilities are available on our website at www.irishlifehealth.ie. We recommend that you always check whether your medical facility is covered before being admitted by reviewing your List of Medical Facilities on our website or contacting our call centre on 01 562 5100.

Medical facilities not covered on your plan

We will not cover your hospital costs in a medical facility which is not covered in your List of Medical Facilities.

We have made every effort to ensure that all health services that are listed in the Minimum Benefit Regulations ("Prescribed Health Services") are available through at least one of the medical facilities covered in your List of Medical Facilities. In the unlikely event that a Prescribed Health Service is not available in one of those medical facilities, we will cover the Prescribed Health Service in a medical facility that is not covered in your List of Medical Facilities as if it was covered under your plan (i.e. to the level of cover available under your In-patient Benefits). However, you must notify us in advance that you wish to receive such medical services in a medical facility that is not covered under your plan. Please note that we will not cover you if you receive health services (other than emergency care), which are not listed in the Minimum Benefit Regulations, in a medical facility which is not covered under your plan.

We will cover your stay in a public hospital that is not covered under your List of Medical Facilities whilst you are receiving emergency care, provided the public hospital is listed on one of the Lists of Medical Facilities covered by Irish Life Health. You must have been admitted through the accident and emergency department. Any follow on care and/or elective treatments or procedures will only be covered in a medical facility which is covered under your plan. The only exception to this is if our medical advisers agree that you are not medically fit to travel, in which case we will cover your hospital costs in the same public hospital but this will need to be pre-authorised by us.

How long are your hospital costs covered for?

You can claim hospital costs under your In-patient Benefits for a total of 180 days in a calendar year (the "Maximum Period"). This Maximum Period includes the number of days for which you can claim hospital costs as a psychiatric patient. The number of days that you can claim as a psychiatric patient is shown in the psychiatric treatment benefits in your Table of Cover.

Please note that the Maximum Period includes any days for which you have already claimed hospital costs (including hospital costs as a psychiatric patient) under another plan with us or with another health insurer in a calendar year.

Your health care provider's fees

Consultants

Your in-patient benefit for consultant's fees covers the professional fees of consultants who are registered with Irish Life Health, where they provide you with the treatments and procedures listed in the Schedule of Benefits. Your consultant's fees will only be covered where your procedure or treatment is performed in a medical facility covered under your plan. However, there is a small number of treatments and procedures which will be covered when they are performed in your consultant's room. These are set out in the "non-hospital" section of the Schedule of Benefits.

Consultants registered with Irish Life Health

We will only cover consultants who are registered with Irish Life Health. Where your consultant is registered with us, the extent to which their professional fees are covered will depend on whether they have chosen to be a participating consultant or standard rate consultant.

- Participating consultants
- Participating **consultants** have agreed to accept payment from **us** in full settlement of their fees for performing the **procedures** and **treatments** in the Schedule of Benefits. This means that if **your consultant** is a participating **consultant**, **you** will be fully covered for the **procedures** and **treatments** listed in the Schedule of Benefits provided the **consultant** is operating within the rules imposed by the HSE relating to his capacity to practice privately.
- Standard rate consultants

Standard rate consultants (or part participating consultants) have not agreed to accept payment from us in full settlement of their fees. Only a small portion of the fees of standard rate consultants will be covered for performing the procedures and treatments in the Schedule of Benefits. Therefore, if your consultant is a standard rate consultant you will have to pay a large portion of their fees yourself. You will not be able to claim this back from us.

Consultants not registered with Irish Life Health

Where your consultant is not registered with Irish Life Health we will not cover their professional fees. The only exception to this is if your consultant's fees for performing your treatment or procedure are included in the Minimum Benefit Regulations. If they are, you can claim the amount set out in the Minimum Benefit Regulations back from us at the end of your policy year. It's important you know your consultant's fees are likely to be a lot more than the amount shown in the Minimum Benefit Regulations. If this happens, you'll have to pay the difference.

Dentists/Oral surgeons/Periodontists

Your in-patient benefit for consultant's fees also covers a limited number of dental/oral surgical procedures where they are performed by a dentist, oral surgeon or periodontist. (This excludes dental visits and emergency dental care which are covered under our Day-to-day Benefits and Out-patient Benefits).

The dental/oral surgical procedures that are covered under our In-patient Benefits are listed in the "Periodontal/Oral/Dental Surgery Ground Rules" section of the Schedule of Benefits. These procedures will only be covered where they are performed by the specified type of dental practitioner (i.e. a dentist, oral surgeon or periodontist). Please note many dental/oral surgical procedures require pre-authorisation. Your dentist/oral surgeon/periodontist's fees will only be covered where your oral/dental surgery is performed in a medical facility covered under your plan or in your dentist/oral surgeon/periodontist's room.

As with your consultant, your dentist, oral surgeon or periodontist must be registered with Irish Life Health. If they are not registered with us, you will not be covered (subject to cover prescribed under the Minimum Benefit Regulations if applicable). The extent to which your oral surgeon/periodontist's professional fees are covered will also depend on whether they have chosen to be a participating or a standard rate oral surgeon/periodontist. See the consultant section above for a full explanation on how your oral health care provider's status as participating or standard rate affects your cover. Please note that all dentists are classed as standard rate so we will only cover a limited portion of your dentist's fees for performing oral/dental surgery.

GPs

We will cover your GPs fees for performing a limited number of treatments and procedures in their surgery. Such procedures and treatments are covered under your in-patient benefit for consultant's fees. Your GP's fees for a routine visit will be covered under our Day-to-day Benefits or Out-patient Benefits. The treatments and procedures that will be covered under your In-patient Benefits are set out in the GP section of the Schedule of Benefits. If your treatment or procedure is not listed in the GP section, your GP's fees will not be covered. As with consultants and dental professionals, your GP must be registered with Irish Life Health before they will be covered and the extent to which their fees are covered will depend on whether they are a participating GP or a standard rate GP. Please see previous sections for a full explanation on the effect of your health care provider not being registered with Irish Life Health and not participating with Irish Life Health.

Changes to the status of your health care provider

Health care providers are free to alter their arrangement with Irish Life Health at any time. Therefore, by way of example, a participating health care provider may choose to become standard rate or to unregister with us at any time. Any changes to their status with us will affect how they are covered immediately. Therefore the level to which their fees are covered may change throughout your policy year. We recommend that you always check whether your health care provider is registered with Irish Life Health and whether they are participating or standard rate before undergoing any procedure or treatment or being admitted to a medical facility. You can do this by visiting our website or contacting our call centre on 01 562 5100.

Maternity treatment

In-patient benefits do not apply where you are admitted to a medical facility for the delivery of your baby (except for caesarean section deliveries). Whilst you are admitted for the delivery of your baby, you are a maternity patient and your Maternity Benefits apply. The level of cover available to you for your maternity care is set out in your Maternity Benefits on your Table of Cover. Where your maternity care ends, but you remain admitted for any medically necessary reason, your In-patient Benefits will apply and you will receive the level of cover available under the In-patient Benefits on your Table of Cover.

Psychiatric treatment

Where you are admitted to a psychiatric medical facility or a psychiatric unit in a medical facility, your hospital costs and consultant's fees will be covered under your In-patient Benefits at the level shown in the Hospital Cover section of your Table of Cover. Your plan will also include psychiatric treatment benefits. These benefits specify the maximum number of days for which you can claim your In-patient Benefits whilst you are a psychiatric patient for medically necessary treatment.

How In-patient Benefits are claimed

In most cases, we'll pay the amount for which you are covered under your In-patient Benefits directly to your medical facility and health care providers. They claim the amount for which you are covered from Irish Life Health on your behalf and we pay this to them directly. This is known as direct settlement. Please note that only the amount for which you are covered will be directly settled with your medical facility and health care provider.

Direct settlement applies to all claims for professional fees for health care providers that are registered with us. We will not directly settle any claims for the amounts shown in the Minimum Benefit Regulations for health care providers that are not registered with us. Your List of Medical Facilities shows the medical facilities that we will pay through direct settlement. Whether direct settlement is available for a particular medical facility may change from time to time. You should always check the most up to date Lists of Medical Facilities before being admitted to any medical facility to see whether direct settlement applies or whether you will have to pay the medical facility and claim it back from us.

Where direct settlement applies, your medical facility or health care provider will submit your claim form to us on your behalf. It is important to remember that they are only making the **claim** on your behalf and that you are responsible for ensuring that all aspects of the claim are correct. If your claim form contains any inaccurate information, we may treat your claim as fraudulent, decline the claim and possibly cancel your plan or policy (see section 7 of this Membership Handbook for further information on our fraud policy). You will need to sign your claim form before your medical facility or health care provider submits it to us. Your medical facility and health care providers should always specify the medical care you received on your claim form before you are asked to sign it. You should check this information very carefully to ensure that it is accurate. By signing this form you are confirming that you have received the medical care specified in the form and that all information contained in your claim form is true and accurate. When we've paid your claims, we'll send you a statement confirming payment and outlining the amounts paid on **your** behalf.

Where direct settlement is not available, you will have to pay your medical facility and your health care provider yourself and claim the amount that is covered back from us. You will need to submit a claim form to us specifying the medical care you received which is signed by all relevant health care providers and your medical facility together with all your receipts. Your medical facility and health care providers will be able to provide these for you. The completed claim form and receipts should be sent to our claims team (see section 10 of this Membership Handbook).

Please note we reserve the right to:

- refuse payment in respect of In-patient Benefits where you stayed in a medical facility overnight but our medical advisers determine that you should have been a day case.
- refuse payment in respect of day-case benefits where our medical advisers have determined that you should have been an out-patient.
- > only pay the amount that would have been covered, if your treatment or procedure had been carried out in the manner deemed appropriate by our medical advisers and only where treatment was medically necessary.

Shortfall

In some cases your benefit may not cover all your medical costs and you will need to pay a proportion of such costs yourself. This is known as a shortfall. For instance, if your hospital costs are subject to 90% cover, you will be required to pay the remaining 10% yourself. You can see if a shortfall applies and if so, how much it is, in your Table of Cover.

In-patient or day case excess

In some cases you may be required to pay an amount of your bill before your cover begins. This is known as an excess. You can see if you have an excess on your In-patient Benefits in your Table of Cover. Excesses on In-patient Benefits apply each time you are admitted to a medical facility subject only to the following exceptions:

- where you are admitted as an in-patient or day case patient for the purpose of receiving chemotherapy, the in-patient excess will only apply once for each course of treatment. Where it has been more than 12 months since your last chemotherapy session, your course of treatment will be considered to have ended and the excess will apply again for any further course of treatment.
- where you are admitted as a day case patient for the purpose of receiving psychiatric treatment in a medical facility, the day case excess will only apply once for each course of treatment provided all days relevant to that course of treatment are submitted as a single claim. Where it has been more than 3 months since your last admission, your course of treatment will be considered to have ended and the excess will apply again for any further course of treatment.
- > where your Table of Cover states that an **in-patient** or **day case excess** is only payable on a certain number of admissions.
- > We will not apply the in-patient excess where you are admitted as an in-patient or day case patient for the purpose of receiving radiotherapy treatment.

> We will not apply the in-patient excess where you are admitted as an in-patient or day case patient in the treatment centres covered in your List of Medical Facilities.

Co-payment for certain procedures

A co-payment is a large excess and is an amount that must be paid by you. You will need to make a co-payment for any of the orthopaedic procedures specified in the List of Orthopaedic Procedures Subject to Co-Payment and/or for any of the cardiac procedures Subject to Co-Payment where such orthopaedic and/or cardiac procedures Subject to Co-Payment where such orthopaedic and/or cardiac procedures are carried out in a high-tech or private hospital. Co-payments may apply in addition to any other shortfall or excess on your plan. This will be displayed on your Table of Cover.

Colorectal cancer screening

Please note that In-patient Benefits only cover the costs of colorectal cancer screening (colonoscopy, FIT or CT colon) where **vou** have:

- > a family history of polyposis coli;
- > a family history of hereditary non polyposis coli;
- > a first degree relative diagnosed with colorectal cancer before the age of 60 years; or
- > two **first degree relatives** who have been diagnosed with colorectal cancer.

Where **you** satisfy the above criteria, **your** colorectal cancer screening will be covered under **your** In-patient Benefits once every five years from when:

- > you reach the age of 40 years; or
- you reach an age which is 10 years younger than the age at which your first degree relative was first diagnosed with colorectal cancer.

Listed cardiac procedures and listed special procedures benefits

In most cases these **benefits** provide enhanced cover for **your hospital costs** in a high-tech hospital when **you** are undergoing the **procedures** specified in the List of Cardiac Procedures or the List of Special Procedures. This is because the **excesses** that apply to these **benefits** are generally lower than those that apply to **your** general **hospital costs** in a high-tech hospital. **You** can see if these **benefits** are available under **your plan** in the high-tech hospital section of **your** In-patient Benefits on **your** Table of Cover.

2.3 Maternity Benefits

Maternity Benefits can be categorised as In-patient Maternity Benefits, Out-patient Maternity Benefits and Other Maternity Benefits, depending on how they are claimed. In-patient Maternity Benefits cover your hospital costs and some of your consultant's fees when you are admitted to a medical facility covered under your plan as a maternity patient for the delivery of your baby. The costs of your pre and post natal care are not covered under your In-patient Maternity Benefits but may be covered under your Out-patient Benefits or Other Benefits.

In-patient Maternity Benefits	
Benefit	Description / Criteria
Public hospital cover for maternity	Under this benefit we will either: a) Cover your hospital costs for up to 3 nights where you are admitted to a public hospital. The type of hospital accommodation that will be covered under this benefit is the same as that covered under your public hospitals cover in your In-patient Benefits. However, please note that you will only be able to avail of a private room or semi private room where you have opted to be a private or semi private patient with the public hospital. The private or semi private fee imposed by the public hospital is not covered under this benefit but you may be able to claim back some of that fee under our pre/post natal medical expenses benefit if this benefit is available on your plan; or b) Pay the contribution specified in your Table of Cover towards your hospital costs. The type of cover available to you will depend on your plan and is set out in your Table of Cover. This benefit is only available where you have been admitted to a public hospital covered on your plan to give birth. This benefit is only available for the first three nights of your hospital stay. Where it is medically necessary for you to remain in hospital for more than 3 nights, your fourth and subsequent night's stay will be covered under your In-patient Benefits so the level of cover available for a public hospital stay under your in-patient benefits will apply. It is important to note that the level of in-patient cover under your in-patient benefits and your maternity benefits may be different. For example, if you have cover for a private room under your maternity benefits but a semi-private room under your in-patient benefits, you will only be covered for a semi-private room for your fourth and subsequent night's stay. In this case you should ask to be moved to a semi-private room after your third night or you will have to pay the balance.
In-patient maternity consultant fees	Please note that caesarean section deliveries are covered under your in-patient benefits and not under this benefit. Under this benefit we will either: Cover the professional fees of your baby's paediatrician; Cover your anaesthetist's and pathologist's professional fees; and Cover your consultant's professional fees for a routine delivery (procedure 2206) up to the amount set out in the Schedule of Benefits. (Please note that if your consultant charges more than this amount for delivering your baby you will be required to pay the balance yourself). Or: Pay the contribution specified in the Table of Cover towards your consultants' professional fees. The type of cover available under your plan is set out in your Table of Cover. Please note that where you are attending a public hospital this benefit is only available where you have opted to be a private or semi-private patient.
Grant-in-aid amount	This benefit allows you to claim back some of your hospital costs for maternity care in a private maternity hospital covered under your plan . If this benefit is available under your plan , the maximum amount which we will cover is set out in your Table of Cover.

How to claim

Where the **benefit** covers a contribution towards the costs of **your** maternity care, the maximum amount that **we** will contribute will be set out in **your** Table of Cover. If **your** medical expenses exceed this amount, **we** will pay the maximum contribution to **your medical facility** or **health care provider** and **you** will need to pay them the balance. If **your** care is provided by an approved **medical facility** based in Northern reland, all **claims** will be assessed and settled in euro. **Irish Life Health** will use the foreign exchange rate which applies at the date of the invoice received from the **medical facility** or at the time of purchase, as appropriate. Please see section 2.2 of this Membership Handbook for details of how In-patient Benefits are **claimed** and paid.

Out-patient Maternity Benefits	
Benefit	Description / Criteria
Home birth	This benefit allows you to claim back some of the medical costs involved in having a planned home birth, where such costs are directly associated with the delivery of your child and a midwife* was present at the birth. If this benefit is available under your plan the maximum amount that we will contribute is set out in your Table of Cover.

Foetal screening	Under this benefit we will either: a) cover the costs of foetal screening where you satisfy the clinical indicators set out in the Schedule of Benefits; or b) pay the contribution set out in your Table of Cover towards the costs of elective foetal screening, Only the following foetal screening tests are covered under this benefit: > Chorionic Villus Sampling with ultrasound guidance, > Amniocentesis with ultrasound guidance; or > Cordocentesis (intra uterine) with ultrasound guidance The level of cover that is available to you is set out in your Table of Cover. This benefit may only be claimed once per pregnancy.
Welcome Home Food Hamper	This benefit allows you to claim a Welcome Home Food Hamper and a 30 minute telephone consultation from the nutritionists at Gourmet Fuel**. The hamper includes 5 healthy dinners, lunches and snacks of your choice from the list provided on Gourmetfuel.com which is delivered to your home. To redeem this benefit, you will need to go to https://gourmetfuel.com/irishlifehealth/ and order through the online form. We will pay the service provider directly (by direct settlement). This benefit may only be claimed by one member (either parent) in respect of each birth and must be claimed within 12 months from the date on which your baby was born. To be eligible for this benefit, you must be covered under an in force policy with Irish Life Health at the time your baby is born and at the time you receive the service. To avail of the 30 minute phone consultation with a Gourmet Fuel** Nutritionist, please contact 01 2938799 or email info@gourmetfuel.com
GentleBirth App	This benefit provides you with unlimited access for one year to the GentleBirth App**. To access this benefit you must contact GentleBirth directly on www.gentlebirth.com/irishlifehealth
Breastfeeding consultancy	This benefit allows you to claim back some of the costs of a consultation with a qualified breastfeeding consultant.* The contribution under this benefit is payable for a limited number of breastfeeding consultancy sessions in your policy year . If this benefit is available under your plan , the maximum amount which we will cover per session and the maximum number of session for which it can be claimed is set out in your Table of Cover.
Partner benefit	This benefit allows you to claim back some of the following costs where your birth partner has to travel to be with you when you are admitted to a medical facility to give birth to your child: > Costs of their hotel or bed and breakfast accommodation; > Their travel costs to and from your home to the medical facility; > The costs of a child minder whilst they are visiting you in a medical facility. The contribution under this benefit is payable for the reasonable costs incurred within a specified number of days in your policy year. If this benefit is available under your plan, the maximum amount that we will contribute per day and the number of days for which it can be claimed is set out in your Table of Cover. The contribution can only be claimed for costs incurred on the day your baby is born, on the day before your baby is born or on the day after your baby is born and can only be claimed for consecutive days.
Post Natal Night Nurse Care	This benefit allows you to claim back some of the costs towards the services of a paediatric nurse* at home after you have your baby. This benefit must be claimed within 26 weeks of the date on which your child was born. The contribution under this benefit is payable for paediatric home nursing costs which are incurred up to a specified number of days/nights in your policy year . If this benefit is available under your plan the maximum amount that we will contribute per day and the maximum number of days/nights for which can be claimed will be set out in your Table of Cover.
Infertility benefit	Under this benefit we will cover a percentage of the cost of Intra Uterine Insemination (IUI) and In Vitro Fertilisation (IVF) with or without Intra Cytoplasmic Sperm Injection (ICSI) treatment for female members . If this benefit is available under your plan the amount that we will contribute up to a maximum amount is set out in your Table of Cover. To be eligible to claim this benefit , the female recipient of the treatment must be a member on an in force policy with Irish Life Health at the time of the procedure(s) . The benefit is limited to a maximum of two claims per member's lifetime with a minimum period of 4 weeks between fertility cycles.
AMH fertility test	Under this benefit a female member can claim a contribution from us towards the costs of receiving an anti-mullerian hormone assessment. This benefit is only available where the anti-mullerian hormone test is carried out in a clinical environment by a qualified practitioner .
Egg freezing	Under this benefit we will contribute towards the cost of egg freezing (where this procedure is not part of an IVF or ICSI cycle) for female members up to the amount set out on your Table of Cover. To be eligible to claim , the female member must be on an in force policy with Irish Life Health at the time of the procedure . This benefit is limited to one claim per lifetime.

Sperm freezing	Under this benefit we will contribute towards the cost of sperm freezing (where this procedure is not part of an IVF or ICSI cycle) for male members up to the amount set out on your Table of Cover. To be eligible to claim , the male member must be on an in force policy with Irish Life Health at the time of the procedure . This benefit is limited to one claim per lifetime.
Pre/Post-natal yoga & pilates	Under this benefit you can claim a contribution from us towards the cost of pregnancy yoga, pregnancy pilates, baby yoga and baby pilates classes provided by a yoga/pilates instructor*.

These **benefits** are claimed as Out-patient Benefits. **You** need to pay the practitioner/health care provider yourself and then **claim** the amount that is covered back from us during **your policy year** by scanning **your** original receipts and submitting them through **our** online claims tool (Irish Life Health Online Claiming) in **your member** area on www.irishlifehealth.ie. **You** must submit **your** receipts within six months of the end of **your policy year**. If **your** receipts are not received within these six months, **your claim** will not be paid. **You** should keep **your** original receipts for **your** own records and in case **we** request them to be resubmitted.

Please ensure that all original receipts state:

- > The amount paid
- > The full name of the **member** receiving **treatment**/service and their date of birth;
- > The type of treatment/service received;
- > The date the treatment/service was received;
- > The signature and contact details for the treating consultant and the hospital or treatment centre where you were treated (if applicable).

Other Maternity Benefits	
Benefit	Description / Criteria
Early discharge maternity benefit	Under this benefit you can claim a cash payment where you have given birth in a medical facility covered under your plan and are discharged after only one night. This benefit only applies where you were a private in-patient in a public hospital and your consultant has approved your discharge after only one night's stay as an in-patient . This benefit cannot be claimed in conjunction with the post-natal home help benefit or the alternative amount to post-natal home help benefit . If this benefit is available under your plan , the maximum amount that we will contribute is set out in your Table of Cover.

How to claim

You will need to provide us with a letter from the medical facility from which you were discharged showing the dates on which you were admitted and discharged. You may also need to provide us with evidence that your consultant has consented to your discharge after only one night's stay as an in-patient.

Benefit	Description / Criteria
Home Early Support following 1 or 2 nights' stay in hospital	Under this benefit you can claim support from a midwife* from Myhomecare** and a Post Natal Supporter (Doula) from Doula Care Ireland** in your home where you have given birth in a public hospital covered under your plan and are discharged after one or two nights. If this benefit is available under your plan, the number of hours support that will be covered is set out in your Table of Cover; you are entitled to support sessions with both a midwife* and a Doula. This benefit applies where you were a private or semi-private in-patient in a public hospital and your consultant has approved your discharge after one or two nights' stay as an in-patient.

How to claim

To access this service **you** must have a letter from the **public hospital** from which **you** were discharged showing the dates on which **you** were admitted and discharged. This care must be take place within six months from the date on which **your** baby was born. **You** must contact Myhomecare:* at www.myhomecare.ie and Doula Care Ireland** at www.doulacare.ie/irish-life-health to request the service. Please check **your** Table of Cover in **your member** area www.irishlifehealth.ie/secure/ie/login prior to booking to confirm eligibility.

Benefit	Description / Criteria
Postnatal Doula Support	Under this benefit we will cover the cost of post natal support in your home provided by Doula Care Ireland** after your baby is born. If this benefit is available under your plan , the number of support sessions that will be covered is set out in your Table of Cover.
	To be eligible for this benefit , you must be covered under an in force policy with Irish Life Health with this benefit available under your plan at the time your baby is born and at the time you receive the service. This service must be booked within 12 months from the date on which your baby was born.

How to claim

To redeem this benefit you will need to go to www.doulacare.ie/irish-life-health and book the service online.

Benefit	Description / Criteria
Postnatal Domestic Support	Under this benefit we will cover the cost of domestic support provided by Cpl Group Limited trading as Myhomecare.ie** after your baby is born. If this benefit is available under your plan , the amount of domestic support that will be covered is set out in your Table of Cover.
	To be eligible for this benefit , you must be covered under an in force policy with Irish Life Health at the time your baby is born and at the time you receive the service. You must request the service within six months from the date on which your baby was born. If you have not met these terms and conditions, Myhomecare.ie** will bill you directly.
	The receipt of domestic support is subject to Myhomecare.ie's** terms and conditions, availability and operating hours and outside the control of Irish Life Health. The service may be unavailable where www.Myhomecare.ie** are fully booked or where your home is not in an area serviced by them.
	If you wish to cancel a booking with Myhomecare.ie**, you must contact them directly to do so. You must give Myhomecare.ie** more than 24 hours' notice of any cancellation. If you fail to do so this benefit will be exhausted.
	Either you or a family member/friend who is 18 years old or older must be present in your home at all times when the domestic support assistant is in attendance. This benefit may only be claimed by one member (either parent) in respect of each birth.

To access this **benefit**, go to www.myhomecare.ie/irishlifehealth to book the service online. Please check **your** Table of Cover in **your member** area www.irishlifehealth.ie/secure/ie/login prior to booking to confirm eligibility.

- * We will only cover the costs of visits to practitioners who have appropriate qualifications and registrations. Please see our Directory of Allied Health Professionals, Alternative (Complementary) and Other Practitioners in section 11.1 of this Membership Handbook for details of the qualifications and registrations which each practitioner must hold.
- ** The provider partners named under these **benefits** may change from time to time. Access to these **benefits** is subject to availability and the provider partners' terms and conditions of use. **Our** provider partners operate independently from **Irish Life Health** and **we** accept no liability for the provision of their services and are not liable for any point of sale or other discounts which may be offered by a provider partner. Provider partner **benefits** may change or cease during the **policy year** and such changes are outside of **our** control. While **we** aim for nationwide coverage with **our benefits**, a service may not be available in **your** locality. Please also note that **we** are not responsible for the content of the websites of these provider partners.

2.4 Other Benefits

Other Benefits provide cover that complements our In-patient Benefits, Out-patient Benefits and Maternity Benefits.

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In-patient Charge)	(also known as the Public Statutory	Public hospitals charge in-patients a daily charge for a maximum of 10 days in any period of 12 consecutive months. This is known as the public hospital levy . Under this benefit we will cover the public hospital levy for a maximum of 10 days in any period of 12 consecutive months.

How to claim

Where the public hospital in question is covered under your plan, we will pay this charge directly to the public hospital. See section 2.2 of this Membership Handbook for information on how direct settlement operates. If the public hospital in question is not covered under your plan, you will have to pay your public hospital levy to the public hospital and claim this back from us. This benefit is subject to €1 excess which will be refunded to you.

Benefit	Description / Criteria
Post-operative home help	Under this benefit we will cover the cost of domestic support provided by Cpl Group Limited trading as Myhomecare. ie* where you have undergone a treatment or procedure which is set out in the List of Post-Operative Home Help (POHH) Procedures in a medical facility covered under your plan. The list is available on our website at www. irishlifehealth.ie/privacy-and-legal/schedule-of-benefits/
	To be eligible for this benefit you must be covered under an in force policy with Irish Life Health at the time the procedure took place and when the service is delivered. You must call to request the service within 3 weeks of the date of your discharge from the medical facility in which you received the treatment or procedure . You must receive the domestic support within 4 weeks of your discharge from the medical facility in which you received the treatment or procedure . If you have not met these terms and conditions, Myhomecare.ie* will bill you directly. If this benefit is available under your plan, the amount of domestic support covered is set out in your Table of Cover.

This **benefit** is not available where Myhomecare.ie* is unable to provide the domestic support service for any reason including where they are fully booked or where **your** home is not in an area serviced by Myhomecare.ie*. When the domestic support will be provided is subject to Myhomecare.ie's availability and their operating hours. The receipt of domestic support is subject to Myhomecare.ie's terms and conditions and outside the control of **Irish Life Health**.

This benefit cannot be claimed in conjunction with the alternative amount for post-operative home help benefit.

If you wish to cancel a booking with Myhomecare.ie*, you must contact them directly to do so. You must give Myhomecare.ie* more than 24 hours' notice of any cancellation. If you fail to do so this benefit will be exhausted and you will continue to be prevented from claiming the alternative amount for post-operative home help benefit.

Either you or a family member/friend who is 18 years old or older must be present in your home at all times when the domestic support assistant is in attendance.

How to claim

You must contact Myhomecare.ie* at www.myhomecare.ie/post-operative-home-help/ to request the service.

Benefit	Description / Criteria
Alternative amount for post-operative home help	This benefit allows you to claim €120 towards the costs of domestic support after you have undergone a procedure that is listed on the List of Post-Operative Home Help (POHH) Procedures. The list can be found at irishlifehealth.ie/privacy-and-legal/schedule-of-benefits/.
	This benefit cannot be claimed in conjunction with the post-operative home help benefit . To be eligible for this benefit you must be covered under an in force policy with Irish Life Health at the time the procedure took place and when the service is delivered. This benefit must be claimed within 4 weeks of the date of your discharge. This benefit cannot be claimed in conjunction with the post-operative home help benefit .

How to claim

Please call us to let us know if you wish to claim this benefit. If we have not received the claim from your treating hospital at the time of your call we will ask you to provide a letter from your treating consultant or your medical facility confirming the date of your treatment and procedure code.

Benefit	Description / Criteria
Oncotype dx	Under this benefit we will cover the cost of genomic testing for HER positive node negative breast cancer to indicate the recurrence score for breast cancer returning in a 10 year time period. This benefit is only available where the genomic testing has been pre-authorised by Irish Life Health .
Vasectomy (in Clane Hospital)*	Under this benefit we will cover your hospital costs and consultant's fees where you have a vasectomy carried out in Clane Hospital subject to €125 excess. This benefit is only available on Family Focus and Hospital Focus plans .

How to claim

These benefits are claimed in the same way as In-patient Benefits.

Please see section 2.2 of this Membership Handbook for details of how In-patient Benefits are claimed directly by medical facilities and health care providers.

Benefit	Description / Criteria
Convalescence benefit	This benefit allows you to claim back some of the cost of a stay in a convalescence home for a specified number of days in your policy year . If this benefit is available under your plan , the maximum amount that we will contribute per day and the maximum number of days for which this can be claimed is set out in your Table of Cover.
	This benefit is only available in respect of a stay in a convalescence home where you entered such convalescence home immediately after you were an in-patient in a medical facility covered under your plan for the purpose of receiving a medically necessary treatment or procedure
Child home nursing	Under this benefit we will contribute towards the costs of home nursing by a paediatric nurse**. The child home nursing must be received immediately after the member has been an in-patient for at least 5 days in a medical facility covered under their plan . The member's consultant must have advised that the home nursing care is medically necessary .
	The contribution under this benefit is payable for child home nursing costs which are incurred up to a specified number of days in your policy year . If this benefit is available under your plan the maximum amount that we will contribute per day and the maximum number of days for which can be claimed will be set out in your Table of Cover.

Benefit	Description / Criteria
Parent accompanying child	Under this benefit we will contribute towards the following costs where your child is an in-patient for more than 3 days and you have to travel to be with them: > costs of your hotel or bed and breakfast accommodation > your travel costs to and from the medical facility > the costs of food and drink consumed whilst you are visiting your child The contribution under this benefit is payable for reasonable costs incurred by you up to a specified number of days in your policy year . If this benefit is available under your plan the maximum amount which we will cover per day and the maximum number of days for which it can be claimed is set out in your Table of Cover. The contribution can only be claimed for costs incurred after your child has been an in-patient for 3 consecutive days i.e. the contribution can only be claimed for the costs you incur from the 4th day your child remains an in-patient . For the purposes of this benefit "child" means a child of 14 years of age or under.
In-patient support benefit	Under this benefit we will contribute towards the following costs where you have to travel more than 50 kilometres from your home to receive an in-patient treatment or procedure in a public hospital : > fuel costs to get to and from the public hospital (petrol or diesel) > public transport costs to get to and from the public hospital The contribution under this benefit is payable for reasonable costs incurred by you up to a specified number of days in your policy year . If this benefit is available under your plan the maximum amount which we will cover per day and the maximum number of days for which it can be claimed is set out in your Table of Cover. This benefit is only available for travel costs to and from a public hospital and only where the hospital in question is the nearest public hospital in which you can receive the treatment or procedure .
Cancer support benefit	Under this benefit we will contribute towards the costs of hotel or bed and breakfast accommodation where you have to stay in a hotel or bed and breakfast to enable you to receive chemotherapy or radiotherapy in a public or private hospital . This benefit is only available where you have to travel more than 50 kilometres from your home to receive chemotherapy or radiotherapy in the public or private hospital . This benefit is only available for the costs of a hotel or bed and breakfast on the night before and the night after you receive the chemotherapy or radiotherapy. If this benefit is available under your plan the maximum amount that we will contribute per day and per policy year is set out in your Table of Cover.
Genetic Testing: Initial consultation	Under this benefit we will contribute towards the cost of an initial consultation with an Irish Life Health approved oncology consultant with a specialist medical genetics qualification at Hermitage Clinic or the Mater Private Hospital, Dublin. Please note that a referral for this consultation is required from a GP or consultant . Please contact us on 01 562 5100 for details of our approved consultant(s) .
Genetic Testing: Test for specified genetic mutations	Under this benefit we will cover the cost of a test for genetic mutations associated with hereditary breast and ovarian cancer syndrome (BRCA1 and BRCA2) or hereditary non-polyposis colorectal cancer (HNPCC, Lynch Syndrome) at Hermitage Clinic or the Mater Private Hospital, Dublin where it is recommended by an Irish Life Health approved oncology consultant .
Hormone Replacement Therapy for Gender Dysphoria	Under this benefit , we will contribute towards the cost of Hormone Replacement Therapy for members with a diagnosis of Gender Dysphoria given by a consultant . This benefit is only available to members who are 18 years old and over who are undergoing a programme of care and have submitted a letter from their treating consultant confirming the date of their first consultation and that they are receiving feminising/masculinising hormone therapy as part of their programme to enable their transition goals. There is a lifetime maximum amount that can be claimed under this benefit on your plan . This will be shown on your Table of Cover.

You must settle the bill directly with the provider of the goods or services. Please send all original receipts to **us** in an envelope with **your** name, address and **membership number** (see 'Your Contacts').

Please ensure that all original receipts state:

- > The amount paid;
- > The full name of the member receiving treatment/service and their date or birth;
- > The type of treatment/service received;
- > The date the **treatment**/service was received;
- > The signature and contact details for the treating **consultant** and the hospital or **treatment centre** where **you** were treated (if applicable). Unfortunately **we** are unable to return **your** original receipts to **you**, so **we** suggest that **you** keep a copy of **your** receipts for **your** records.

When claiming for the convalescence benefit or child home nursing benefit **you** may also have to provide **us** with a medical report from **your consultant** confirming that the stay in a **convalescence home** or the home nursing is **medically necessary**.

Benefit	Description / Criteria
EXOGEN therapy	Under this benefit we will cover the cost of EXOGEN therapy provided by Bioventus Cooperitief UA*. The benefit is only available where it is recommended by your consultant and where the therapy has been pre-authorised by Irish Life Health . In addition agreed clinical criteria (available on request) must be satisfied before this therapy will be covered.

This benefit is claimed in the same way as In-patient Benefits.

Please see section 2.2 of this Membership Handbook for details of how In-patient Benefits are claimed directly by **medical facilities** and **health care provider**s.

Benefit	Description / Criteria
Genetic Testing for Cancer Treatment Options – Foundation One CDx	Under this benefit we will cover the cost of solid and liquid biopsy testing (FoundationOne CDx and FoundationOne Liquid CDx) provided by Roche Products (Ireland) Ltd*. for patients with primary lung cancer, cholangiocarcinoma, advanced breast cancer, advanced colorectal cancer and cancer of unknown primary origin. The benefit is only available where it is recommended by an Irish Life Health approved oncology consultant and where the testing has been pre-authorised by Irish Life Health . In addition agreed clinical criteria (available on request) must be satisfied before this testing will be covered. This benefit can only be claimed once per policy year .

How to claim

This benefit is claimed in the same way as In-patient Benefits.

Please see section 2.2 of this Membership Handbook for details of how In-patient Benefits are claimed directly by **medical facilities** and **health care providers**.

Benefit	Description / Criteria
Medicall ambulance costs	Under this benefit we will cover the cost of an ambulance when it is medically necessary , where it is required to transfer you between medical facilities or between a medical facility and a convalescence home covered under your plan . The benefit is only available where the ambulance is provided by Medicall Ambulance Limited* and where it is medically necessary . This benefit is only available where you were, or will be, a private patient in the medical facility covered under your plan to which you are being transferred from and to.

How to claim

We will pay Medicall Ambulance Limited* directly but you must sign the forms provided by Medicall Ambulance Limited to allow them to claim the costs of the service on your behalf.

Benefit	Description / Criteria
Healthy Minds	Where this benefit is available on your plan, you will have access to a dedicated counselling and advisory service via telephone or webchat, and access to an online portal which provides self-assessment tools and content (for members aged 16 years and over). If deemed clinically appropriate by your telephone counsellor, this benefit also includes up to 6 follow-up counselling sessions per presenting problem (for members aged 18 years and over) via telephone, video, or in-person. A period of 12 months must pass since your last counselling session before you can access further counselling sessions for the same presenting condition. The telephone and webchat counselling service is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. This benefit only relates to counselling provided by LifeWorks*.

How to claim

Online portal and webchat counselling: To access this **benefit** log on to irishlifehealth.lifeworks.com

Telephone counselling: To claim this benefit please call the dedicated phone line on 01 562 5150.

Face-to-face counselling: If **your** telephone counsellor considers it clinically appropriate, they will refer **you** to a counsellor for face-to-face counselling.

Benefit	Description / Criteria
Mental Health Guide	Our early intervention stress, depression and anxiety case management programme managed by Spectrum Mental Health Limited* provides Irish Life Health members with exploratory and therapeutic treatment following referral through your employer's EAP service where your employer has a group scheme with Irish Life Health or through the Irish Life Health Healthy Minds benefit. To support your journey, you will have a dedicated Spectrum Mental Health case manager who will set out a programme of care that is personalised to you. You will be asked questions to assess your signs and symptoms to support you in improving your condition.

Treatment programmes and duration will vary depending on how your condition presents but will include either online or in-person treatment or a combination of both. You must attend the treatment provider recommended by your Spectrum Mental Health case manager, If one of Spectrum Mental Health's approved treatment providers is not available in your area, the Spectrum Mental Health team will try to offer an alternative. Your Spectrum Mental Health case manager will be responsible for determining the delivery and length of your treatment programme and their decision is final. You'll be entitled to one treatment programme in your policy year.

If you wish to amend your appointment time, you will need to follow your treatment provider's policy on appointment changes. If you miss your appointment without informing your treatment provider, a new appointment can be scheduled at a charge to you. Clinical responsibility for treatment lies with your treatment provider and not Irish Life Health. This benefit/treatment programme is available to members aged 18 years and over.

Due to the nature of the assessments, **treatment** provided and the clinical interventions used within this **programme**, **your** Spectrum Mental Health case manager will decide if this **programme** is suitable for **you**.

The team and **programme** are managed by Spectrum Mental Health Limited*. Further information is available on our website at www.irishlifehealth.ie.

How to claim

We will pay Spectrum Mental Health Limited* directly.

Benefit	Description / Criteria
Health in the Home (HITH)	Under this benefit we will cover the costs of a home nursing service, provided by TCP Homecare Limited*, where your consultant has approved your early discharge from hospital and has consented to your treatment being continued at home. The home nursing is limited to administering your prescribed treatments such as intravenous antibiotics, specialised dressings such as negative pressure dressings and other therapies. This benefit is only available for home nursing immediately following a medically necessary in-patient stay in a medical facility covered under your plan, or to prevent admission/readmission to a medical facility covered under your plan. This benefit is not available where TCP Homecare Limited* cannot provide the home nursing service for any reason including where they are fully booked or where your home is not in an area serviced by TCP Homecare Limited*. The
	receipt of the home nursing service operated by TCP Homecare Limited* is subject to TCP Homecare Limited's* terms and conditions and is outside the control of Irish Life Health. This benefit must be pre-authorised by Irish Life Health.

How to claim

We will pay TCP Homecare Limited* directly.

Benefit	Description / Criteria
Care Connect	Under this benefit you can access specified health programmes provided by our provider partner Care-Connect*, as set out in the List of Care Connect health programmes, where you have been diagnosed with certain medical conditions. This benefit includes specialist case management, remote health monitoring and where appropriate, treatment interventions as required. Your GP or consultant must approve your suitability to receive these services at home. You must also meet the specified clinical indicators as set out in the List of Care Connect health programmes available at https://www.irishlifehealth.ie/privacy-and-legal/schedule-of-benefits. This benefit is not available where Care-Connect* cannot provide the service for any reason including where the member lacks the required hardware and connectivity or if the member lives in an area not serviced by Care-Connect*. The receipt of Care Connect health programmes operated by Care-Connect* is subject to their terms and conditions and is outside the control of Irish Life Health. This benefit is available to members aged 18 years and over and must be pre-authorised by Irish Life Health.

How to claim

To request this **benefit**, please go to www.care-connect.ie/#register and provide **your** details through the online form, or access through MyClinic in **your member** portal at www.irishlifehealth.ie/login. **We** will pay Care-Connect* directly.

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Benefit	Description / Criteria
Gender Affirmation benefit	Under this benefit , we will contribute towards your medical costs for gender affirmation surgical procedures as set out in the List of Gender Affirmation Surgical Procedures where you have been diagnosed with the condition Gender Dysphoria and where the procedures are carried out in a medical facility worldwide.
	We will contribute to the following:
	$Hospital\ costs; \textbf{\textit{we}}\ will\ contribute\ towards\ \textbf{\textit{your}}\ reasonable\ hospital\ costs\ for\ gender\ affirmation\ surgeries\ in\ a\ \textbf{\textit{medical}}\ facility\ worldwide;$
	> Consultant fees: we will contribute towards your reasonable consultant fees for gender affirmation surgeries worldwide.

There is a maximum amount that can be claimed under this **benefit** on **your plan** and a maximum number of **claims** per **member's** lifetime. This will be shown in **your** Table of Cover. **Your benefit** may not cover all of **your** medical costs and **you** will need to pay such costs **your**self.

Irish Life Health will have to pre-authorise each surgical procedure before the surgery is performed. Our medical advisers will assess the pre-authorisation request based on the information provided and the reasonable and customary medical expenses for similar medical care carried out in Ireland and around the world. The decisions of our medical advisers are final.

The following conditions apply to this benefit:

- > The procedure must be pre-authorised by Irish Life Health;
- > You must have a referral for the procedure from a consultant who is registered with the Medical Council of Ireland;
- > The following stages of transition must have been completed:
 - Mental health assessment by a psychiatrist
 - Hormone therapy
 - Real life experience (RLE) for at least one year prior to procedure
- > The surgical **procedure** must be performed within 31 days from when **you** leave **Ireland**;
- > The surgical procedure must be performed before your pre-authorisation expires. Your pre-authorisation will end after six months from when it is granted, or at the end of the policy year, whichever is sooner.

This benefit will not cover:

- > Mental health assessment
- > Hormone therapy
- > Any costs associated with RLE prior to procedure
- > The cost of obtaining a written medical opinion or report or completing a **pre-authorisation** form by **your consultant**
- > Cosmetic procedures
- > The costs of travelling to and from the country in which you wish to receive your surgical procedure
- > Reversal of previous gender affirmation procedure(s)

How to claim

If you wish to claim this benefit you must have your procedure(s) pre-authorised by us. To obtain pre-authorisation you will need to complete the Irish Life Health Gender Affirmation Procedures Pre-authorisation Form which is available on our website. Part of the Irish Life Health Gender Affirmation Procedures Pre-authorisation Form which is available on our website. Part of the Irish Life Health Gender Affirmation Procedures Pre-authorisation Form must be completed by your Medical Council of Ireland registered consultant. You may also be required to provide us with additional information including a detailed medical report from your consultant in Ireland and/or your treating consultant abroad. We will assess your pre-authorisation request within 15 working days and confirm the amount for which you are covered.

You will need to pay your medical facility and health care providers directly for your medical care. You can then claim the amount we have pre-authorised back from us by submitting your original receipts to us in an envelope and your name, address and membership number (see section 10 for details of where to send your receipts). Unfortunately, we are unable to return your original receipts to you, so we suggest that you keep a copy of your receipts for your records. You must submit your original receipts within three years of the date of the procedure(s). If your receipts are not received within this three year period, your claim will not be paid.

- * The provider partners named under these **benefits** may change from time to time. Access to these **benefits** is subject to availability and the provider partners' terms and conditions of use. Our provider partners operate independently from **Irish Life Health** and **we** accept no liability for the provision of their services and are not liable for any point of sale or other discounts which may be offered by a provider partner. Provider partner **benefits** may change or cease during the **policy year** and such changes are outside of **our** control. While **we** aim for nationwide coverage with **our benefits**, a service may not be available in **your** locality. Please also note that **we** are not responsible for the content of the websites of these provider partners.
- ** Please see our Directory of Allied Health Professionals, Alternative (Complementary) and Other Practitioners in section 11.1 of this Membership Handbook for details of the qualifications and registrations that must be held by the practitioner.

2.5 Overseas Benefits

We have two types of overseas benefits available on our plans; A&E Abroad benefits and Elective Overseas Referral benefits.

A&F Abroad

Our A&E Abroad benefits cover your medical costs and the costs of repatriation for you and your companion where you require emergency care outside Ireland. The table below explains all our A&E Abroad benefits but you should check your Table of Cover to see which of these benefits apply to you.

Our A&E Abroad **benefits** are not a substitute for travel insurance. **We** recommend that **you** purchase travel insurance prior to travelling outside **Ireland** and obtain a European Health Insurance Card before **you** travel (see www.ehic.ie).

All **claims** will be assessed and settled in euro. **Irish Life Health** will use the foreign exchange rate which applies at the date of the invoice we receive from the **medical facility** abroad or at the time of purchase, as appropriate.

Waiting periods may also apply, please see section 6.

Where you have not been admitted overnight for treatment as an inpatient, some of the costs incurred may be claimed under your outpatient benefits, please refer to the outpatient section of your table of cover to see what benefits you may claim for and whether these are subject to an excess.

Emergency Inpatient Treatment Abroad and related benefits	
Benefit	Description / Criteria
Hospital bill for in- patient treatment	Under this benefit we will cover your medical costs for emergency care in a medical facility abroad whilst on a temporary stay abroad not exceeding 31 days in duration where: > The emergency care is medically necessary; > The emergency care is authorised and arranged by Irish Life Health; > You are required to stay overnight or longer in a hospital bed
	 You began your emergency care abroad within 31 days of your departure from Ireland; You receive the emergency care in an internationally recognised hospital; You have not travelled against medical advice; You were not suffering from a terminal illness when you left Ireland; and You did not suspect when you left Ireland that you might require any medical care when you were abroad and a reasonable person in your position would not have suspected that you would require any medical care when you were abroad. There is a maximum amount that can be claimed under this benefit on your plan. This will be shown in your Table of Cover. We will not cover: non-medical expenses; costs incurred where you did not stay overnight in hospital medical care that has not been authorised and arranged by us; elective treatments or procedures or follow on care, regardless of whether this is related to your emergency care; medical care that could be delayed until your return to Ireland.

How to claim

We must authorise and arrange your in-patient emergency care. You must call our international assistance number 00353 148 17840 before you are discharged from the medical facility where you received your emergency medical care. You will also need to provide us with details of your travel insurance and your European Health Insurance Card. If you are unable to contact our international assistance number, a third party may do so on your behalf.

In most cases, where we have authorised and arranged your emergency care in advance, we will pay your medical facility and health care providers directly (by direct settlement). However, some medical facilities and health care providers abroad may not accept payment from us by direct settlement. Where this occurs, you must pay the medical facility and health care providers yourself and claim the amount covered under this benefit back from us. You will need to submit your original receipts to us to do so. You should send all receipts to us in an envelope with your name, address and membership number (see section 10 of this Membership Handbook). Unfortunately we are unable to return your original receipts to you, so we suggest that you keep a copy of your receipts for your records.

Benefit	Description / Criteria
Out-patient A&E abroad	Under this benefit you can claim a contribution from us towards the cost of the following emergency care where you receive it as an out-patient whilst you are abroad: > Emergency room/department fees > GP visits > Consultant visits > Prescription drugs > Radiology and pathology fees > Cost of one ambulance journey to a hospital or clinic for treatment > Emergency dental treatment required as the result of an accident. (Please refer to section 2.1 for further terms and conditions of Emergency Dental Care.)
	To avail of this benefit , the costs being claimed must have been incurred outside of Ireland on a pre-booked temporary stay abroad of not more than 31 days in duration and must have been incurred as a result of emergency care. The maximum amount that Irish Life Health will contribute under this benefit is set out in your Table of Cover. Non-medical expenses (e.g. phone calls, transport costs, miscellaneous expenses etc.) are not covered under this benefit . Your out-patient excess does not apply to this benefit .

You will need to pay the medical facility and health care providers yourself. You can claim the amount that is covered back from us during your policy year by scanning your original receipts and submitting them through our online claims tool (Irish Life Health Online Claiming) in your member area on www.irishlifehealth.ie. You must submit your receipts within six months of the end of your policy year. If your receipts are not received within these six months, your claim will not be paid. You should keep your original receipts for your own records and in case we request them to be resubmitted. Where receipts are not in English, you may need to provide a complete translation when submitting your claim.

Benefit	Description / Criteria
Repatriation expenses	Under this benefit we will arrange and cover the costs (up to a specified amount) of your transport back to Ireland where you are unable to use your return transport to return to Ireland for medical reasons. Our medical advisors will determine whether your medical condition requires you to have assistance to travel. The opinion of our medical advisors is final. You must be willing to travel as soon as you are medically fit to do so. If you fail to accept the transport we offer you this benefit will be exhausted. All repatriation travel must be arranged by us . We will not cover the cost of any travel that has not been arranged by us .
	The maximum amount that we will cover under this benefit is set out in your Table of Cover.
	This benefit is only available in conjunction with our 'hospital bill for in-patient treatment' benefit .
	Under this benefit we will also arrange and cover the return of your remains to Ireland should you die while on a temporary stay abroad not to exceed 31 days.

How to claim

Please call **our** international assistance number 00353 148 17840 and **we** will arrange **your** transport back to **Ireland. You** may be required to provide **us** with a medical certificate confirming **you** are fit to travel before **we** can arrange and cover the costs of **your** transport back to **Ireland**.

We will pay the transport providers directly where possible. If we are unable to pay your transport provider directly for any reason you will have to pay them yourself and claim this back from us. You will need to submit your original receipts to us to do so. You should send all receipts to us in an envelope with your name, address and membership number (see section 10 of this Membership Handbook). Unfortunately we are unable to return your original receipts to you, so we suggest that you keep a copy of your receipts for your records.

Benefit	Description / Criteria
Companion repatriation expenses	This benefit allows you to claim back the transport costs incurred by your companion to return to Ireland where they have missed their return mode of transport as a result of remaining with you whilst you were receiving your emergency care . The maximum amount that we will contribute under this benefit is set out in your Table of Cover. This benefit is only available in conjunction with our 'hospital bill for in-patient treatment' benefit .

How to claim

Your companion must arrange and pay for their transport back to Ireland. You can claim the contribution under this benefit from us by sending us their receipts. You must send all original receipts to us in an envelope with your name, address and membership number (see section 10 of this Membership Handbook). Unfortunately we are unable to return your original receipts to you, so we suggest that you keep a copy of your receipts for your receipts. Where receipts are not in English, you may need to provide a complete translation when submitting your claim.

Benefit	Description / Criteria
Expenses for companion who remains with you	This benefit allows you to claim back reasonable accommodation, local transport and food costs incurred by your companion as a result of such companion remaining with you whilst you are receiving your emergency care . The maximum amount that Irish Life Health will contribute under this benefit is set out in your Table of Cover. This benefit is only available in conjunction with our hospital 'bill for in-patient treatment' benefit .

How to claim

Your companion must pay the providers of the goods and services and keep their receipts. You can claim the contribution under this benefit from us by sending us their receipts. You must send all original receipts to us in an envelope with your name, address and membership number (see section 10 of this Membership Handbook). Unfortunately we are unable to return your original receipts to you, so we suggest that you keep a copy of your receipts for your receipts are not in English, you may need to provide a complete translation when submitting your claim.

Benefit	Description / Criteria
24 hour telephone assistance	Under this benefit you have access to a 24 hour telephone assistance line whilst you are abroad. This benefit is only available in conjunction with our 'hospital bill for in-patient treatment' benefit .

Please call 00353 148 17840

Please note that our A&E Abroad benefits will not apply where your emergency care is required:

- > for a nervous, mental or psychiatric condition;
- > for conditions and/or injuries arising from excessive alcohol consumption;
- > for conditions and/or **injuries** arising from **substance abuse**;
- > for conditions and/or injuries arising from deliberately injuring yourself;
- > for conditions and/or injuries arising from your own negligence;
- > for conditions and/or injuries arising from hazardous sports;
- > for conditions and/or injuries arising from breaking the law;
- > for conditions and/or injuries arising from air travel unless as a passenger on a licensed aircraft operated by a commercial airline:
- > for giving birth where you travelled abroad intending to give birth abroad or it could reasonably have been expected at the time of your departure that you would give birth abroad.
- in a country in which the Irish Department of Foreign Affairs has recommended that you should not travel;
- in a country in which the Irish Department of Foreign Affairs has recommended that you should avoid non-essential travel unless your journey is essential. Evidence of why your journey is essential will be required. Details of what we constitute essential travel to be, as well as the evidence you need to provide is detailed below.

If you have decided to travel despite the Department of Foreign Affairs advising to avoid non-essential travel to that country, you must call our Customer Care Team on 01 562 5100 in advance of travelling to ascertain whether we consider your travel to be essential. What we consider to be essential reasons for travel are if

- Your relative is in intensive care in hospital or has unexpectedly been given a terminal prognosis with a short life expectancy;
- ii. Your relative has died and you need to attend the funeral;
- iii. Your property abroad has been seriously damaged and you need to arrange and/or oversee professional repairs;
- You have an urgent work matter that cannot reasonably be cancelled, postponed or delayed;
- You have a full-time but short-term (not exceeding 31 days) placement at a recognised educational establishment where attendance must be in person.

Evidence must be provided in advance of travel and must be in a formal written format which clearly sets out all relevant dates, the subject and the source of the evidence. Examples of evidence are as follows:

- Where your relative is in intensive care in hospital or has unexpectedly been given a terminal prognosis with a short life expectancy we will require a letter from your relative's doctor recommending that you needed to be with your relative due to their medical condition (please do not state that medical condition);
- ii. Where your relative has died and you need to attend the funeral; we will require a notice of your relative's funeral in a recognised publication;
- iii. Where your property abroad has been seriously damaged and you need to arrange and/or oversee professional repairs we will require a police or property insurer's report confirming damage to your property;
- iv. Where you have an urgent work matter that cannot reasonably be cancelled, postponed or delayed, we will require, a formal letter/email from your employer stating you are travelling for an urgent work matter that cannot reasonably be cancelled, postponed or delayed;
- v. Where you have a full-time but short-term placement at a recognised educational establishment where attendance must be in person, we will require a formal letter from a recognised educational establishment confirming that you are travelling for a short-term (not exceeding 31 days) placement that cannot reasonably be cancelled, postponed or delayed.

The application of the above rules and acceptance of the evidence provided will be at **our** discretion and **our** decision will be final.

Elective Overseas Referrals

Our Elective Overseas Referral benefits cover some of the cost of having a surgical procedure performed abroad. We provide two benefits under our Elective Overseas Referral benefits; (A) 'benefit abroad for surgical procedures that are available in Ireland' and (B) 'benefit abroad for surgical procedures that are not available in Ireland'. The table below explains both our 'Elective Overseas Referral' benefits but you should check your Table of Cover to see if these benefits are covered under your plan.

All elective medical care received abroad must be pre-authorised by Irish Life Health. See the "How to Claim" section of the table below for details of how to have your elective overseas medical care pre-authorised by us.

Please note you will only be covered up to the amount preauthorised by us. Your overseas medical facility and health care providers may charge more than this amount. If they do, you will be responsible for paying the balance. In addition we do not pay overseas medical facilities and health care providers directly. You will need to pay your entire bill to the medical facility and/ or health care providers yourself. You can then claim the preauthorised amount from us by submitting your receipts.

When you submit an Irish Life Health Overseas Pre-Approval Form to us. our medical advisers will decide whether the

surgical procedure you require abroad is available in Ireland. This can require a complex medical assessment of the treatments and procedures you wish to receive abroad and the treatments and procedures available in Ireland to treat your condition. The decision of our medical advisers is final. In addition, their assessment is based entirely on the information you provide in advance of your undergoing your procedure (in your Irish Life Health Overseas Pre-Approval Form). The amount pre-authorised by us cannot be reassessed following your treatment regardless of whether the treatment you receive differs from that anticipated in your Irish Life Health Overseas Pre-Approval Form or otherwise.

If there are any unforeseen medical costs arising in relation to additional **medically necessary treatment** from the same episode of care, **we** will cover **you** for an amount up to the same amount of the costs that would have arisen and for which **you** would be covered for in **Ireland**.

Please note that the following conditions apply to Elective Overseas Referrals:

- > The **surgical procedure** must be performed within 31 days from when **you** leave **Ireland**;
- You must have been referred for the surgical procedure abroad by a participating consultant in Ireland or through the International Second Opinion Service benefit, if applicable

- The surgical procedure must be performed before your preauthorisation expires. Your pre-authorisation will end either six months from when it is granted, or at the end of the policy year;
- > The surgical procedure must be medically necessary and our medical advisers must agree that the surgical procedure will result in a reasonably favourable medical prognosis;
- > The proposed surgical procedure you require abroad must be related to and have the same objective as a procedure or treatment that you are covered for in Ireland; and
- The surgical procedure or, where the surgical procedure is not available in Ireland, the most similar surgical procedure available in Ireland, must not be controlled by a national register of waiting lists for transplants or other complex procedures.

You must have an Irish PPSN in order to claim any of the above benefits. If you do not have an Irish PPSN, you will not be covered for any medical or additional costs incurred while outside Ireland or the cost of repatriation to Ireland.

Elective Overseas Referral

Benefit

Description / Criteria

Benefit abroad for surgical procedures that are available in Ireland

Under this benefit we will cover the following:

- Hospital costs: We will cover your hospital costs in a medical facility abroad up to the amount that would be covered under your In-patient Benefits (Please refer to the Elective Overseas section on your Table of Cover) if you were to be admitted to a medical facility in Ireland to have the surgical procedure performed. Our medical advisers will base their assessment on the hospital costs that would be covered in the medical facility in Ireland, which, in their opinion, would have been most suitable for you.
- Consultant's fees: Consultants practicing overseas are treated as standard rate consultants. Under this benefit Irish Life Health will cover your consultant's fees to the same level as would be covered under your plan if you were treated by a standard rate consultant whilst admitted to a medical facility in Ireland to receive your surgical procedure. Please see section 2.2 of this Membership Handbook for information on how the professional fees of standard rate consultants are covered.

Our medical advisers will decide the hospital costs and the consultant's fees that would have been covered if you were admitted to a medical facility in Ireland to undergo the surgical procedure you wish to receive abroad. The decision of our medical advisers is final. The costs of traveling to and from the country in which you wish to receive your surgical procedure will not be covered. We will confirm the amount that we will cover under this benefit when we pre-authorise your overseas surgical procedure. In some cases your benefit may not cover all your medical costs and you will need to pay such costs yourself.

Benefit abroad for surgical procedures that are not available in Ireland Under this benefit we will cover the following:

- Hospital costs: We will cover your hospital costs in a medical facility abroad up to the amount that would be covered under your In-patient Benefits (Please refer to the Elective Overseas section on your Table of Cover) if you were to be admitted to a medical facility in Ireland to receive the most similar surgical procedure available in Ireland. Our medical advisers will base their assessment on the hospital costs that would be covered in the medical facility in Ireland, which, in their opinion, would have been most suitable for you.
- Consultant's fees: Consultants practicing overseas are treated as standard rate consultants. Under this benefit Irish Life Health will cover your consultant's fees to the same level as would have been covered under your plan if you were treated by a standard rate consultant whilst admitted to a medical facility in Ireland to receive your surgical procedure. Please see section 2.2 of this Membership Handbook for information on how the professional fees of standard rate consultants are covered.

Our medical advisers will decide the hospital costs and the consultant's fees that would be covered if you were admitted to a medical facility in Ireland to undergo a surgical procedure to treat the medical condition/conditions specified in your Irish Life Health Overseas Pre-Approval Form.

Benefit Description / Criteria Our medical advisers must believe that the surgical procedure that you wish to undergo abroad is medically proven to be a more effective method of treatment than the treatments and procedures available in Ireland to treat the condition/conditions specified in your Irish Life Health Overseas Pre-Approval Form. The decisions of our medical advisers are final. In some cases your benefit may not cover all your medical costs and you will need to pay such costs yourself. The costs of traveling to and from the country in which you wish to receive your surgical procedure will not be covered.

How to claim

If you wish to claim either of these benefits you must have all your medical care abroad pre-authorised by us. To obtain pre-authorisation you will need to complete the Irish Life Health Overseas Pre-Approval Form which is available on our website. Part 2 of the Irish Life Health Overseas Pre-Approval Form must be completed by your GP or Consultant. Where our medical advisers deem it necessary, you may also be required to provide us with additional information including a detailed medical report from your GP or Consultant in Ireland and/or your treating consultant abroad.

We will assess your pre-authorisation request within 15 working days and confirm the amount for which you are covered. You will need to pay your overseas medical facility and health care providers directly for your medical care. You can then claim the amount we have pre-authorised back from us by submitting your original receipts to us in an envelope with your name, address and membership number (see section 10 for details of where to send your receipts). Unfortunately we are unable to return your original receipts to you, so we suggest that you keep a copy of your receipts for your records.

Benefit	Description / Criteria
International Second Opinion Service	See Irish Life Health Member Benefits under section 2.6

2.6 Irish Life Health Member Benefits

As an Irish Life Health member, you are eligible to receive discounts on certain health related products or services. These are known as Irish Life Health Member Benefits and are explained in the table below. To claim your Irish Life Health Member Benefits, you will need to prove that to use an Irish Life Health member at the time of purchasing the products or booking/receiving the service. You can do this by providing your Irish Life Health membership number. The companies providing the products and services and the discounts that are available may change from time to time so you should check the most up to date information on our website at www.irishlifehealth.ie/benefits before you try to claim.

Please refer to your table of cover, member benefits are only available to members who have purchased a plan covering in-patient treatment.

Irish Life Health Member Benefits	
Benefit & Provider	Description / Criteria
Health screening Charter Medical Group* Telephone: 01 657 9000 Corporate Health Ireland* Telephone: 021 4350360 Cork, 01 670 1820 Dublin, 061 303 975 Limerick	Charter Medical Group and Corporate Health Ireland provide Irish Life Health members with a point of sale discount on health screening. This offer may not be used in conjunction with any other offer or promotion run by Charter Medical Group and Corporate Health Ireland. This discount can be claimed once per policy year. In addition to the discount, you may also be able to claim a contribution from us on the amount that you have paid to Charter Medical Group or Corporate Health Ireland for your health screening. To claim the contribution from us you need to settle the bill directly with Charter Medical Group or Corporate Health Ireland and scan your receipt to us through our online claims tool (Irish Life Health Online Claiming) in your member area on www.irishlifehealth.ie You should keep your original receipts for your own records.
Smoking Cessation Allen Carr's Easyway to Stop Smoking Programme* Telephone: 01 4999010 Website: www.easyway.ie or www.allencarr.ie	Allen Carr's Easyway to Stop Smoking Programme provide Irish Life Health members with a point of sale discount on its smoking cessation programme. This offer may not be used in conjunction with any other offer or promotion run by Allen Carr's Easyway to Stop Smoking Programme.

Benefit & Provider	Description / Criteria
Dental Access Package Smiles Town and Dental* Telephone: 01 507 9202 Website: www.smiles.ie	Smiles Town and Dental provide Irish Life Health members with a point of sale discount on a number dental treatments. This discount cannot be used in conjunction with any other offer or promotion run by Smiles Town ar Dental facilities. Where the treatment or procedure is not supplied for the entire mouth, the discount shale applied on a pro-rata basis.
Asthma care programme Asthma Care Ireland* Telephone: 1800 931 935 or 091 756229 Email: info@asthmacare.ie Website: www.asthmacare.ie	Asthma Care Ireland provide Irish Life Health members with a point of sale discount on its asthma caprogramme. The discount cannot be used in conjunction with any other offer or promotion run by Asthma Care Irelar and cannot be redeemed online.
Laser eye surgery Optilase* Telephone: 01 619 1400 Website: www.optilase.com	Lominol Limited t/a Optilase provide Irish Life Health members with a point of sale discount on LASIK LASEK treatments . Where the treatment is not supplied for both eyes, the discount shall be applied on pro-rata basis. This offer may not be used in conjunction with any other offer or promotion run by Lomin Limited t/a Optilase.
U Mamma U Mamma* Telephone: 01 2014900 Website: www.umamma.ie	U Mamma provide Irish Life Health members with a point of sale discount on pre and post natal treatment . This offer may not be used in conjunction with any other offer or promotion run by U Mamma.
4d scans Ultrasound Dimensions* 21 Main Street, Blackrock, Co. Dublin Telephone: 01 210 0232 Email: info@ultrasound.ie	Ultrasound Dimensions provide Irish Life Health members with a point of sale discount on 4D materni scans. This offer may not be used in conjunction with any other offer or promotion run by Ultrasour Dimensions.
Back-Up Spectrum Health* Telephone: 01 562 5150	Our physiotherapy case management programme provides Irish Life Health members with advison prevention and treatment for back, neck and spine pain. Please contact our approved provider of 1562 5150, and provide them with some initial details of your injury. To support your recovery, you whave a dedicated case manager and a programme of care that is personalised to you. You will be aske questions to assess your signs and symptoms to support you in improving your condition. Treatmer programmes and duration will vary depending on how your condition presents but will include face-to-far physiotherapy either online or in-person with one of our associated physiotherapists. You must attend the physiotherapist recommended by the Back-Up team. If one of our approved physiotherapists is not available in your area, the Back-Up team will try to offer an alternative. Once the programme has commenced, the Back-Up team are unable to facilitate requests for transfer to another approved practitioner. You'll be entitle to two Back-Up treatment programmes in your policy year for a nominal fee of 650 per in-person factor-face treatment programme. Each treatment programme must be completed within three months from the date it is begun.
	If you wish to amend your appointment time, you will need to follow your physiotherapist's policy of appointment changes. If you miss your appointment without informing your physiotherapist, a neappointment can be scheduled at a charge to you. Clinical responsibility for treatment lies with your physiotherapist and not Irish Life Health. Irish Life Healt cannot guarantee the availability of specific treatment modalities. The following patient groups are n
	eligible to avail of the Back-Up service: > Patients who are currently pregnant (however if you have written clearance from your GP then an assessment can be done which will determine your individualised treatment programme) > Patients who have an issue that is not located in the cervical, thoracic, lumbar or sacral regions of the neck or back > Patients who are under 18 years of age > Patients who are seeking rehabilitation following a spinal surgical procedure undertaken in the last 6 months. While we aim for nationwide coverage with our Back-Up panel, a physiotherapist may not be available in your locality. The Back-Up team and programme are managed by Spectrum Health Limited* and on network of ISCP physiotherapists Further information on Back-Up is available on our website at www.irishlifehealth.ie/member

Irish Life Health Member Benefits

Benefit & Provider

Description / Criteria

International Second Opinion Service

MediGuide* Telephone: 1800 902 251 MediGuide International LLC* provide Irish Life Health members with access to a medical second opinion. MediGuide's* Medical Second Opinion Service can help give you peace of mind if you, whether an adult or a child member, are diagnosed with a medical condition, including paediatric and fertility conditions. This means you can have an independent review of your diagnosis and treatment plan from one of a range of leading medical centres around the world.

Irish Life Health members may request a medical second opinion through MediGuide* under most circumstances, with the following exceptions:

Member has not received a diagnosis – a **member** must have been given an official diagnosis by his or her treating **consultant** as a prerequisite in order for the medical centre giving the second opinion to review the diagnosis and to provide **treatment** recommendations where appropriate on a particular medical condition;

- Member has not been evaluated by a treating consultant within the last 12 months recent medical records are required by the medical centre giving the second opinion in order to provide relevant treatment recommendations;
- Member has developed an acute or life threatening condition if a member requires immediate medical attention, they should seek the care of their treating consultant on an urgent basis, and not delay while awaiting the arrival of the medical second opinion;
- Physical evaluation of the member is required certain conditions will always require an in-person study and evaluation (for example, mental health conditions), such cases would not be eligible to receive a medical second opinion.

To access this service, please freephone MediGuide* directly on 1800 902 251. Remember to have **your Irish Life Health policy** number ready when **you** call. There is no charge for using this service. When **you** call, the customer care agent will explain the service and take some information from **you**. **Your** case will be reviewed by a team of experts in the specific field of medicine involved. **You** will be assigned a clinical case manager and a comprehensive, confidential report will be provided to **you** within 10 working days, after MediGuide* has received all the required medical records. **You** will be brought through the report by **your** clinical case manager to make sure **you** understand everything. This service offers **you** the reassurance of knowing if **your** diagnosis and **treatment** plan is right for **you** or give **you** alternative options and support, where appropriate. If **you** choose an alternative option, such as **treatment** in an international facility, an additional unique case management programme called Navigator can be accessed.

Navigator can assist **you** with case management and advice on recommended **medical facilities** and arrange admission, cost containment and claims settlement from medical providers, provide **you** with a cost estimate for the **treatment** package, arrange a translation service and provide travel arrangements assistance, if required.

Important information about the International Second Opinion Service

Any contact **you** make with MediGuide* around the International Second Opinion Service will be directly with MediGuide* itself. **Irish Life Health** does not provide this service and has no involvement in the International Second Opinion or Navigator Service. **Irish Life Health** has no access to **your** medical records or the medical second opinion nor do **we** provide MediGuide* with any medical information.

Please note there are limits to your health insurance cover. Treatments and procedures proposed as a result of the medical second opinion provided by MediGuide* may not be covered by your health insurance policy. Where cover may be available on your plan under your Elective Overseas Referral benefits, any proposed treatment or procedures must be pre-authorised by Irish Life Health before you travel abroad for treatment and must meet all the criteria in relation to the Elective Overseas Referral benefits, the decision of our medical advisers is final.

You will be liable for the cost of travel and all other costs such as **treatment** outside of those covered by your health insurance policy.

MediGuide* provides an independent and confidential service. MediGuide* is independent from Irish Life Health and Irish Life Health accepts no liability for this service. Your access to the MediGuide* International Second Opinion Service is subject to MediGuide'8 terms and conditions. In the event that the MediGuide* provider is based outside the EEA or Switzerland, you will be required to pay a deposit of no more than €2,000 to the MediGuide* provider. This fee is not covered by Irish Life Health and the terms and conditions around this payment should be discussed in full with MediGuide* in advance of you making the payment.

Wellness DNA Test
DNAfit*
Log on to **your** member are

Log on to **your** member area on www.irishlifehealth.ie to redeem

As an Irish Life Health member, you can receive a point of sale discount on a Wellness DNA Test from DNAfit*. To avail of this offer, you should log in to your member area at irishlifehealth.ie and under the Benefits section, click on the Wellness DNA Test link to redeem your discounted test. The test is available to members aged 18 years and over.

The discount applies to the Wellness DNA Test offered through this link and cannot be used for the purchase of other tests or in conjunction with other promotions being offered by DNAfit*. Any contact you make with DNAfit* around this service will be directly with DNAfit* itself. By availing of this benefit you are subject to DNAfit*s terms and conditions. Irish Life Health does not provide nor accepts liability for this. Irish Life Health has no access to your DNA results or test information nor do we provide DNAfit* with any medical information.

^{*} The provider partners named under these **benefits** may change from time to time. Access to these **benefits** is subject to availability and the provider partners' terms and conditions of use. **Our** provider partners operate independently from **Irish Life Health** and **we** accept no liability for the provision of their services and are not liable for any point of sale or other discounts which may be offered by a provider partner. Provider partner **benefits** may change or cease during the **policy year** and such changes are outside of **our** control. While **we** aim for nationwide coverage with **our benefits**, a service may not be available in **your** locality. Please also note that **we** are not responsible for the content of the websites of these provider partners.

3 Exclusions from Your Cover

We do not cover the following (subject to compliance with the Minimum Benefit Regulations):

- > Any costs that are not covered under a benefit listed on your Table of Cover;
- > Any costs incurred whilst a waiting period applies;
- > The cost of any medical care that our medical advisers believe is not medically necessary;
- Any costs that our medical advisers believe are not reasonable and customary costs;
- > The cost of any medical care that our medical advisers believe is not an established treatment;
- > Any costs incurred in a medical facility that is not covered under your plan;
- The cost of any treatment or procedure provided by a health care provider who is not registered with Irish Life Health;
- > Any costs associated with treatments and procedures that are not listed in the Schedule of Benefits;
- > Preventative or maintenance treatments and procedures unless listed in the Schedule of Benefits;
- Cosmetic surgery unless this is medically necessary to restore a member's appearance due to: (i) an accident,(ii) a genetic disfigurement at birth or (iii) a significant disfigurement caused by disease;
- > Any costs arising from or related to medical care not covered by Irish Life Health, including subsequent treatments, procedures or medical care which are required as a result of such medical care;
- > Gender affirmation treatments or procedures other than those covered under the gender affirmation benefit;
- > Any costs that relate in any way to transplants including any subsequent treatments, procedures or medical care other than those procedures listed on the Schedule of Benefits;
- Any nursing home care and convalescence care that is not covered under our convalescence benefit or Home Recovery Benefit;
- > Ambulance costs except those covered under our Medicall ambulance costs benefit:
- > Any shortfalls due to currency exchange fluctuations;
- > The costs of any form of vaccination except that covered under our vaccination benefit as a Day-to-day Benefit or an Outpatient Benefit;
- > Any costs associated with birth control, infertility treatment, assisted reproduction or their reversal except where such costs are listed on your Table of Cover.
- > Any treatment programmes for weight related disorders or eating disorders that are not provided by a consultant psychiatrist in a medical facility covered under your plan;
- > Any costs relating to participation in clinical studies or trials;
- > Any costs arising from or related to injury or illness caused by virtue of war, chemical, biological or nuclear disasters, civil disobedience or any act of terrorism;
- The cost of any medical care or other goods or services self-provided or self-prescribed by the insured or provided or prescribed by a member of the insured's immediate family;
 Expenses for which you are not liable;

- > The cost of any medical care or other goods or services which were not received by you;
- > Any costs not incurred during your policy year;
- Any costs associated with the treatment of symptoms which are not due to any underlying disease, illness or injury;
- > Nursery fees;
- > The cost of ophthalmic procedures for correction of shortsightedness, long-sightedness or astigmatism where the procedure is being performed to avoid wearing glasses or contact lenses other than those covered under the laser eye surgery benefit;
- > The cost of any medical care which is performed by, or under the direction of, a consultant who is not registered with the Irish Medical Council as a specialist in the area in question;
- > The cost of health screening except where the costs are covered under our health screening benefit, sexual health screening benefit, health screening at any centre benefit or where a contribution is available on health screening under our Irish Life Health Member Benefits;
- > Any penalty charge in lieu of Health Act contributions;
- Any psychologists fees other than those covered under the psycho-oncology counselling benefit, the psychologist benefit, the counselling benefit, the child psychologist benefit, the child/teen counselling benefit, the sports psychologist benefit and the psychotherapy and counselling benefit (including practitioners at the Dean Clinic);
- > The cost of prophylactic procedures to remove organs or glands that shows no sign of cancer in an attempt to prevent the development of cancer of the organ or gland in question, unless the procedure is listed in the Schedule of Benefits and it provides that it can be performed for that purpose;
- > The cost of drugs or medication unless they are covered under a Day-to-day Benefit or an Out-patient Benefit or are provided to you as part of your hospital costs whilst you are an inpatient or a day case patient in a medical facility covered under your plan;
- > The cost of a drug which is over and above the cost of a drug which is, in the opinion of our medical advisers, an alternative, generic or bio similar drug;
- > The cost of a drug not recommended for cover by the National Centre for Pharmacoeconomics, National Cancer Control Programme or the Health Service Executive unless preapproved by us prior to treatment;
- > The costs of drugs where they are used for a purpose which is different from that for which they were licensed by the Health Products Regulatory Authority;
- > The cost of rehabilitation services;
- > The costs of a robotic surgical procedure which are over and above the costs that would have been incurred had the surgical procedure been performed using traditional methods;
- > Any costs, legal or otherwise, incurred by a member as a result of making a claim or taking legal action against any person/ company/public body;
- > Medical expenses imposed for non-attendance or late cancellation of an appointment;
- > The costs of medical certificates, medical records / reports, or the costs associated with obtaining details of medical history;
- > Differences in foreign exchange rates, bank charges or other charges applied to foreign exchange.

4 Your Policy

Joining Irish Life Health

Your plan/policy lasts for one year which means that your policy/plan will run until the renewal date shown on your policy documentation unless cancelled by the policyholder or by us for the reasons outlined in this Membership Handbook. As soon as we receive your first premium, you will be covered from your chosen commencement date subject to the terms and conditions of your policy. When you've joined, you will have access to the secure membership area of our website where you can make changes to your cover and to your personal details. We may contact you by post, email, phone, SMS and through your Irish Life Health secure member area. Please note that if you are a group scheme member you may not be able to make changes to your plan via the secure membership area of our website. Please see section 8 for further details on group schemes.

You may add your newborn to your policy without charge until the first renewal after his/her birth. The newborn must be added within 13 weeks of the date of birth or waiting periods will apply.

Changing your policy

The policyholder can make changes to their policy or any of the plans listed on their policy at any time by logging onto the membership area on our website (www.irishlifehealth. ie/members/manage-my-plan) or by contacting us (or their broker) directly. Changes can affect the premium that is payable. If a change is made to the policy, we will issue new policy documents to the policyholder as soon as the change is completed. Please be aware that an upgrade waiting period may apply where there is an upgrade in cover (please see section 6 for further details on upgrade waiting periods). We cannot take instructions to make changes to the policy or any of the plans listed on the policy from a member. However, the policyholder can nominate a person to act on their behalf to make changes to the **policy** or any of the **plans**. If **you** wish to nominate someone, please call or write to us and let us know if they have authority to act on the entire policy or just specific plans.

Where a **plan** is altered prior to the end of the **policy year**, the Day-to-day Benefits and Out-patient Benefits will be applied on a **pro-rata** basis.

Renewing your plan

To renew your membership:

- If you pay in monthly instalments by direct debit, simply continue to make your direct debit payments. We will automatically renew your policy.
- If you pay your annual premium in advance by credit card, please contact us to arrange payment and renew your policy (see section 10 of this Membership Handbook for our contact details).

Where your premium is collected by monthly direct debit via your broker, your monthly direct debit will automatically roll over at your next renewal date. If you wish to amend this, change your bank details, or change your method of payment to an annual payment, please contact your broker directly.

Cancelling your policy

Your policy or any of the plans listed on your policy may be cancelled before the end of your policy year for one of three reasons:

1) You no longer want health insurance with Irish Life Health

The policyholder can choose to cancel the policy or any of the plans listed on the policy at any time. To do this, they just need to call our customer services team or let us know in writing. We will refund any amount due on cancellation to the policyholder. In the case of a policyholder who has passed away, we will issue a refund by cheque to the deceased's estate. If we're asked to remove a member from the policy, we reserve the right to tell them that they are no longer covered, however, please note that it is not our policy to do so. It is the policyholder's responsibility to inform the members on their policy of any changes that affect their cover

2) Premiums are not kept up to date

We will cancel the policy or any of the plans listed on your policy if you do not pay your premium when it falls due. We will cancel the policy or any of the plans listed on the policy from the date that your premiums were paid up to (the Cancellation Date). We will not pay any claims for goods or services received after the Cancellation Date. We will send you a letter or email giving you 14 days' notice of our intention to cancel. We will send this to the last postal or email address you provided.

3) Incorrect information / fraud

We may cancel the policy or any of the plans on the policy if

- > we are provided with incorrect information about any of the members named on the policy; or
- > if any of the members named on your policy try to or make a fraudulent claim.

Consequences of cancellation

Once a **plan** is cancelled, the **member** will no longer be covered. We will not pay any **claims** for goods or services received after the Cancellation Date. We will be entitled to recover any **claim** amount paid to a **member** for goods or services received after the Cancellation Date. The Out-patient Benefits and Day-to-day Benefits will be allocated on a **pro-rata** basis. (**e.g.** where the **GP** visits **benefit** covers a contribution of up to €30 for up to 8 visits and the **plan** is cancelled after six months, the number of visits for which the **member** can **claim** will be reduced to 4). The yearly **excess** applicable to those **benefits** will not be reduced on a **pro-rata** basis.

If a fully paid policy or plan is cancelled before the end of the policy year, we will reimburse the policyholder for the cover the member(s) have not received – i.e. from the Cancellation Date until the next renewal date. Please note we will apply a mid-term cancellation charge (you can find more information about this charge in the paragraph below). We will not return the amount of premium for any cover received before the date of cancellation. If we cancel a fully paid policy or plan before the end of the policy year due to the submission of a fraudulent or dishonest claim, we will not refund any of the premium that has already been paid.

Mid-term cancellation charge

We will apply a mid-term cancellation charge if:

- > you choose to cancel your policy or any of the plans listed in your policy before the end of your policy year;
- we are forced to cancel your policy or any of the plans listed in your policy due to non-payment of premium, because you or any of the members on the policy try to claim when you're/they're not entitled to or because you have provided us with incorrect information.

The mid-term cancellation charge is made up as follows:

- > An administration fee of €25;
- > The portion of the government levy which has not yet been paid by you. The government levy is a stamp duty which is payable on health insurance plans. A full explanation of the government levy is contained in the Definitions section of this Membership Handbook.

We reserve the right to deduct the amount for the mid-term cancellation charge against any amount due to be refunded. In all other cases we will send you an invoice in respect of the mid-term cancellation charge. A mid-term cancellation charge also applies to policies paid by direct debit.

Cooling Off

You can cancel your policy free of charge within 14 days from the date the policy was entered into or from the date you are given the policy documentation, whichever is the later. This is known as the cooling off period. We'll give you a full refund of premium unless you or any member has made a claim during this period.

If a claim has been made and you wish to cancel your policy from the start date, the cost of any out-patient claim will be deducted from the refund due and you will be liable for any charge relating to in-patient care. Should you wish to cancel your policy with effect from a date later than the start date, we will charge you for providing health insurance cover up to the date of cancellation and we will apply a mid-term cancellation charge in this case.

Paying your premiums

All premiums must be paid in euro. **We** have a number of payment options which are outlined below.

You can pay your premium monthly by direct debit or annually, in full, by debit or credit card only. We do not accept payment by cheque.

If you have chosen to pay by direct debit, we will collect your premium on a monthly basis and it's up to you to make sure your monthly payments are available for collection. The first payment in any policy year may be more or less than your monthly premium if your policy start date is different to your chosen direct debit collection date. This may also occur if you decide to change your direct debit collection date mid policy year.

Where **your** premium is collected by **your** broker, **your** monthly direct debit will automatically roll over at **your** next **renewal date**. If **you** wish to change **your** bank details or change to an annual payment, please contact **your** broker directly.

5 General Terms and Conditions

General rules

- Your policy is governed at all times by the laws of Ireland and the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of Ireland:
- > All policy documents and communications to members will be in English. We can provide policy documents and/or communications in braille or large print if requested;
- You can only take out health insurance in Ireland if you are a resident of Ireland. If you are not a resident of Ireland we will not be able to provide you with health insurance cover and we will decline any claims made by you whilst you are not a resident of Ireland;
- You may be required to validate the information contained in your claim form. We may contact you during the claims process for this purpose;
- > Where the amount that can be claimed under a benefit is greater than the amount you have been charged for the goods or services that are covered under that benefit, we will only cover the amount that you have been charged subject to any excess, shortfall or co-payment which may apply;
- > The availability of beds in a semi-private room or private room is determined by the medical facilities and is outside the control of Irish Life Health;
- > Where we cover the cost of goods or services that you have received as a result of an accident or injury for which another person/company/public body may be liable and you make a claim or take legal action against such other person/company/public body, you must include the cost of the goods or services covered by us in the damages you seek to recover from the person/company/public body. If you successfully recover some or all of the costs covered by Irish Life Health, by whatever means, you must reimburse us as soon as possible. We will not contribute towards the costs of pursuing such a claim or legal action;
- > Where you (or any other person for whom you are seeking health insurance) hold any form of health insurance with another company you must let us know at the inception of your policy. Where the costs of the goods or services which are covered under your plan with Irish Life Health are also insured by another insurer, such costs will be allocated between us and your other insurer on a pro-rata basis when you make a claim;
- You will be covered under the benefits available in the plan you hold on the date your medical care (or other service) commences or on the date you receive goods, subject to any waiting periods that may apply. If you reduce the level of cover on your plan, this lower level of cover becomes effective immediately;
- You must provide details of your membership with us to your medical facility and health care providers before undergoing your procedure or treatment or being admitted to a medical facility;
- > We will not return the original receipts you send us as part of your claim, however, we may return other original documents you submit to us provided you let us know you require us to return them to you at the time you submit them to us;
- > We will not pay your claim where you have failed to comply with any of the terms of our contractual documents;

- > We have absolute discretion whether or not to exercise our legal rights. Failure to exercise our legal rights shall not prevent us from doing so in the future:
- Irish Life Health and our agents reserve the right to review any information which relates to the medical care, goods or services that you are claiming for (including your medical records) where we are of the opinion that access to such information is required to process your claim and/or detect or prevent fraud. You must provide your medical facility and health care providers with any consents which they require to allow them to release such information to Irish Life Health and our agents. We will not pay your claim where we are unable to gain access to any information which we believe is necessary to enable us to process the claim or detect fraud;
- If any provision of this Membership Handbook is found by any court or administrative body of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable, the invalidity or unenforceability of such provision shall not affect the other provisions of this Membership Handbook and all provisions not affected by such invalidity or unenforceability shall remain in full force and effect.
- In the event that Irish Life Health disagrees with the classification of a member as a public or a private patient by a medical facility or a health care provider, our decision shall prevail and be final.
- > Any dispute between you and us (about our liability over a claim or the amount to be paid, where the amount of the claim is €5,000 or more) must be referred (within 12 months of the dispute arising) to an arbitrator appointed jointly by you and us. If we cannot agree on an arbitrator, the President of the Law Society of Ireland will decide on the arbitrator and the decision of that arbitrator will be final. We may not refer the dispute to arbitration without your consent where the amount of the claim is less than €5,000. If you do not refer such a dispute to arbitration within 12 months, we will treat the claim as abandoned.

6 Waiting periods

Waiting periods

A waiting period is the amount of time that must pass before **you** will be covered under **your plan** or before **you** will be covered to the level of cover available under **your plan**. Previous foreign health insurance coverage is not taken into account for waiting periods. There are a number of different types of waiting periods:

- > Initial waiting periods
- > Pre-existing condition waiting periods
- > Upgrade waiting periods

Initial waiting periods

Initial waiting periods apply when **you** take out health insurance for the first time or when **you** take out health insurance after **your** health insurance has lapsed for more than 13 weeks. **You** will not be covered during **your** initial waiting period.

Initial waiting periods do not apply in the following circumstances:

- > To claims made in respect of children who have been added to your policy within 13 weeks of the date of their birth
- > To claims made in respect of adopted children who have been added to your policy within 13 weeks of the date of their

- adoption
- > To claims in respect of emergency care for accidents and injuries.

The table below sets out the initial waiting periods applied by Irish Life Health. These waiting periods will apply from the date you took out health insurance with Irish Life Health or another insurer for the first time, or, from the date you took out health insurance with Irish Life Health or another insurer after your health insurance had lapsed for more than 13 weeks.

Initial Waiting Periods				
Benefit	Under 55 years old	55 years and older		
All In-patient Benefits including Overseas Benefits EXOGEN therapy Gender Affirmation Benefit Genetic Testing for Cancer Treatment Options – Foundation One CDx Health In the Home Care Connect Hormone Replacement Therapy for Gender Dysphoria Medicall Ambulance Cost Oncotype Dx PET CT Scans Public Hospital Levy	26 w	eeks		
Maternity In-patient benefits Home Birth Grant In Aid Egg Freezing Sperm Freezing Infertility benefit: IVF, ICSI, IUI	52 weeks			
All Day-to-Day Benefits Genetic Testing: Initial consultation Genetic Testing: Test for specified genetic mutations Post Operative Home Help Alternative amount for post- operative home help Convalescence Benefit Parent Accompanying Child In-patient Support Benefit Cancer Support Benefit	None	26 weeks		

Initial Waiting Periods				
Benefit	Under 55 years 55 years a old older			
Medical & Surgical Appliances All Out-patient Benefits Minor Injury Clinic Cover Minor Injury Clinic Cover (Pay & Claim) Healthy Minds Mental Health Guide	No	one		
Child Home Nursing	None	N/A		

Pre-existing condition waiting periods

Where you make a claim which relates to a pre-existing condition, a pre-existing condition waiting period will apply. A pre-existing condition is an ailment, illness or condition that, on the basis of medical advice, the signs or symptoms of which existed at any time in the six months before you took out health insurance for the first time or before you took out health insurance after your health insurance had lapsed for more than 13 weeks.

You will not be covered for a pre-existing condition during your pre-existing condition waiting period. Our medical advisers will decide whether your claim relates to a pre-existing condition. Their decision is final.

Pre-existing condition waiting periods do not apply in the following circumstances:

- > To claims made in respect of children who have been added to your policy within 13 weeks of the date of their birth
- > To **claims** made in respect of adopted children who have been added to **your policy** within 13 weeks of the date of their adoption.

The following table sets out the **pre-existing condition** waiting periods applied by **Irish Life Health**. These waiting periods will apply from the date **you** took out health insurance for the first time (with **Irish Life Health** or another insurer), or from the date **you** took out health insurance (with **Irish Life Health** or another insurer) after **your** health insurance had lapsed for more than 13 weeks

Pre-Existing Condition Wait	ting Periods		
Benefit	Under 55 years old	55 years and older	
All In-patient Benefits including Overseas Benefits Gender Affirmation Benefit Genetic Testing for Cancer Treatment Options – Foundation One CDx Hormone Replacement Therapy for Gender Dysphoria PET-CT Scans Health In the Home Care Connect	5 ує	ears	
Maternity In-patient Benefits Home Birth Grant In Aid Egg Freezing Sperm Freezing Infertility benefit: IVF, ICSI, IUI	52 w	eeks	
All Day-to-Day Benefits All Out-patient Benefits Minor Injury Clinic Cover Minor Injury Clinic Cover (Pay & Claim) Genetic Testing: Initial consultation Genetic Testing: Test for specified genetic mutations Healthy Minds Mental Health Guide Medicall Ambulance Cost	None		
Medical & Surgical Appliances Convalescence Benefit Child Home Nursing Parent Accompanying Child In-patient Support Benefit Cancer Support Benefit Public Hospital Levy Post Operative Home Help Alternative amount for post- operative home help Oncotype Dx	No	ne	

Upgrade waiting periods

An upgrade waiting period will apply when you upgrade your cover (i.e. you purchase a plan with more comprehensive cover than your previous plan). This may happen if you change your plan with us or when coming to Irish Life Health from another health insurer. We will apply an upgrade waiting period to claims where your treatment relates to a pre-existing condition. Where

an upgrade waiting period applies, we will cover you up to the level that was available under the benefit that you are claiming of your previous plan. Where the benefit you are claiming was not available on your previous plan, you will not be covered.

A pre-existing condition is any ailment, illness or condition that, on the basis of medical advice, the signs or symptoms of which existed at any time in the period of six months ending on the day

- > you took out health insurance for the first time
- > or you took out health insurance after your health insurance had lapsed for more than 13 weeks.
- > or you upgraded your cover to a higher level plan

In these circumstances, you will be covered up to the level of cover that was available on the plan that you previously held before ungrading **your** cover. Please see the ungrade waiting period table

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Upgrade Waiting Periods				
Benefit	Under 55 years old	55 years and older		
All In-patient Benefits including Overseas Benefits				
Gender Affirmation Benefit				
Genetic Testing for Cancer Treatment Options – Foundation One CDx	2 years			
Health In the Home				
Care Connect				
Hormone Replacement Therapy for Gender Dysphoria				
Medicall Ambulance Cost PET CT Scans				
Maternity In-patient benefits				
Grant in aid				
Egg Freezing	52 w	eeks		
Sperm Freezing				
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None

52 weeks

Alternative amount for postoperative home help Oncotype Dx Convalescence Benefit

Parent Accompanying Child In-patient Support Benefit Cancer Support Benefit Medical & Surgical Appliances

Upgrade Waiting Periods				
Benefit	Under 55 years old	55 years and older		
All Day-to-Day Benefits Genetic Testing: Initial consultation Genetic Testing: Test for specified genetic mutations	None	26 weeks		
All Out-patient Benefits Minor Injury Clinic Cover Minor Injury Clinic Cover (Pay & Claim) Healthy Minds Mental Health Guide Public Hospital Levy	None			
Child Home Nursing	None N/A			



7 Fraud Policy

We operate a fraud policy in respect of all claims made by you or on your behalf. We do regular audits of all claims. In all instances where fraud is suspected, we will carry out a full and comprehensive investigation. If a claim submitted by you or on your behalf is found to be fraudulent or dishonest in any way, the claim will be declined in its entirety, benefits under the policy will be forfeited and the policy and/or any plans listed on the policy may be cancelled. We reserve the right to refer the matter and details of the fraudulent claim to the appropriate authorities for prosecution.

8 Group Schemes

If your plan was started as part of a group scheme arrangement and the group scheme sponsor is acting on your behalf, you agree that the group scheme sponsor will have the following powers and responsibilities for the policy:

- > The group scheme sponsor may instruct us to start and cancel the policy;
- > The group scheme sponsor may instruct us to change your plan or level of cover;
- > The **group scheme sponsor** may instruct **us** to add or reduce the number of **members** on the **policy**;
- > The **group scheme sponsor** may amend or cancel any or all of the **plans** listed under the **policy**;
- > The group scheme sponsor must ensure that all premiums are paid on time as unpaid premiums may impact whether claims are paid;
- > The group scheme sponsor must ensure that all adequate consents from members are obtained prior to the policy entering into force, including consents from members for the processing of their personal data.

Members who are part of a group scheme arrangement may require the permission of the group scheme sponsor to amend their cover. In such circumstances, the members may be required to pay additional premium for such amended cover. If you join a group scheme after the scheme start or renewal date, your benefit entitlement may be adjusted on a pro-rata basis.

If your policy was arranged through a group scheme sponsor, your cover will continue as long as you fulfil the conditions for participation in the group scheme and the group scheme sponsor continues to pay your premium.

9 Premium Changes

We may change the premium payable for our plans from time to time. These changes will not affect you until your next renewal date unless you change your plan during your policy year. Please note that we deduct your tax relief from your premium so you don't have to claim it back from the Revenue Commissioners. The level of tax relief is set by the Government and may be changed at any time which is outside our control. We are legally obliged to apply tax changes immediately and this may result in a change to the amount that you are required to pay to us for the plans listed in your policy.

10 Your Contacts

When contacting **our** numbers below, please quote **your membership number** which is detailed on **your** digital membership card or **policy** documentation.

Irish Life Health customer service team

Contact **us** should **you** have any queries or in order to obtain **pre-authorisation**.

Address: Customer Care Team, Irish Life Health dac, PO Box 13028, Dublin 1

E-mail: heretohelp@irishlifehealth.ie Telephone: 01 562 5100

Corporate enquiries

E-mail: justaskus@irishlifehealth.ie Telephone: 01 562 5399

Claims submission

For Out-patient or Day-to-Day claims, submit your receipts through our online claims tool (Irish Life Health Online Claiming) in your member area on www.irishlifehealth.ie within six months of the end of your policy year. Where receipts are not in English, you may need to provide a complete translations when submitting your claim. We may ask you to submit a receipt for verification. For pay and reclaim In-patient claims, send your receipts to Claims Team, Irish Life Health dac, PO Box 13028, Dublin 1

Appeals

Should **you** wish to appeal a **claim** decision, **you** can contact the Customer Care Team:

By phone on 01 562 5100

By email: heretohelp@irishlifehealth.ie

By post at: Claims Support Team, PO Box 13028, Dublin 1

If you remain dissatisfied with the appeal decision, you may refer your appeal to the Financial Services and Pensions Ombudsman (FSPO) at the following address:

Financial Services and Pensions Ombudsman

Lincoln House, Lincoln Place, Dublin 2, D02 VH29.

Telephone: (01) 567 7000 Email: info@fspo.ie Website: www.fspo.ie

International assistance number

You must call this number in advance of receiving any emergency care outside Ireland

Telephone: 00353 148 17840

Nurse-on-call

All **Irish Life Health members** have unlimited access to a team of qualified nurses for non-emergency medical information. Nurseon-call is a telephone based service that provides general, non-diagnostic information over the phone.

All calls will remain fully confidential.

Telephone: 01 562 5150

Complaints

We aim to give excellent service to all our members; however, we recognise that things may occasionally go wrong. We will do our best to deal with your complaint as effectively and quickly as possible.

If you arranged your cover through broker initially then you should direct your complaint to the broker through whom you arranged your cover.

Alternatively you can contact the Complaints Team:

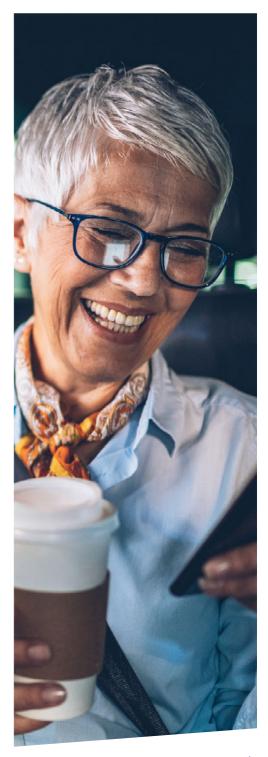
- > By phone on 01 562 5100
- > By email: heretohelp@irishlifehealth.ie
- > By post at: The Complaints Team, PO Box 13028, Dublin 1

If you remain dissatisfied with Irish Life Health, you may refer your complaint to the Financial Services and Pensions Ombudsman (FSPO) at the following address:

Financial Services and Pensions Ombudsman

Lincoln House, Lincoln Place, Dublin 2, D02 VH29.

Telephone: 01 567 7000 Email: info@fspo.ie Website: www.fspo.ie



11 Definitions

Accident

An incident that happens unexpectedly and unintentionally, resulting in **injury**.

Acute

Short and sharp onset and which requires immediate medical attention

Authorise(d)

Irish Life Health must agree before certain treatments and procedures will be covered, **you** must call **Irish Life Health** to seek authorisation.

Benefit

Benefits are the individual pieces of cover that make up your plan. Each benefit covers a different type of medical expense or associated cost.

Claim

Where a member (or a medical facility or a health care provider on their behalf) requests payment from Irish Life Health of the costs that are covered by a benefit available under their plan.

Clinical environment

A hospital, **out-patient** facility or clinic that is involved in the direct medical observation, assessment and **treatment** of patients.

Clinical indicators

The medical criteria that must be satisfied in order for a **treatment** or **procedure** to be deemed to be **medically necessary** by **our medical advisers.**

Consultant

Consultant means a medical practitioner who:

- > is engaged in hospital practice;
- > holds all necessary qualifications to act as a consultant in the Republic of Ireland;
- by reason of his/her training, skill and experience in a designated specialty (including appropriate specialist training) is consulted by other registered medical practitioners and undertakes full clinical responsibility for patients in his or her care, or that aspect of care on which he or she has been consulted, without supervision in professional matters by any other person and:
- > holds a current full registration as a specialist with the Medical Council of Ireland and is listed on the Specialist Division of the Register of Medical Practitioners maintained by the Medical Council of Ireland.

In relation to **treatments** and **procedures** which are performed outside **Ireland**, a **consultant** is a surgeon, physician or anaesthetist who is legally qualified and recognised to provide the **treatment** or **procedure** in that country on a tertiary referral basis.

Convalescence home

A nursing home registered pursuant to the Health (Nursing Homes) Act 1990 which is approved by the Health Information and Quality Authority and retains a current registration with that body. Details can be found at www.higa.ie/find-a-centre

Cosmetic surgery

Treatments or procedures or part of a treatment or procedure which are purely aesthetic and are intended to improve the member's appearance for psychological or personal reasons and which are not medically necessary.

Day case

A patient who is admitted to a **medical facility** but who does not stay overnight. This includes patients who are admitted to a **medical facility** to receive **side room procedures**.

Dentist

A dental practitioner, who:

- > holds a current full registration with the Irish Dental Council,
- > is on the Register of Dentists,
- > is qualified to practice as a primary medical care physician,
- > holds a primary medical qualification

Direct settlement

Where we settle your bill with your medical facility or health care providers directly so you don't have to pay them and claim it back from us.

EEA

The **EEA** includes EU countries and also Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway.

E.G.

An abbreviation meaning "for example".

Elective treatments or procedures

Any **treatment** or **procedure** that is scheduled in advance because it does not involve **emergency care**.

Emergency care

Medical care required to treat a sudden, unexpected, **acute** medical or surgical condition that without **medical care** within 48 hours of onset would result in death or cause serious impairment of critical bodily functions.

Established treatment

A treatment or procedure that is, in the opinion of our medical advisers, an established clinical practice for the purpose for which it has been prescribed, is supported by publication in Irish or international peer reviewed journals, and is proven and not experimental.

Excess

The part of a ${\bf claim}$ which must be paid by the ${\bf member}$ and which applies after all co-payments and shortfalls are paid.

First degree relative

A blood related parent, brother, sister, son or daughter of a **member**.

Follow on care

Medical care received after emergency care ends including convalescence or rehabilitation.

General practitioner / GP

A medical practitioner who holds all necessary qualifications to act as a general practitioner in **Ireland**, holds a current full registration with the Irish Medical Council and is registered with **Irish Life Health**.

Government levy

A stamp duty which health insurers must pay to the Revenue Commissioners on each health insurance plan sold. The government levy is paid into a central fund and is redistributed by the government to maintain a health insurance system where a person's age or health does not determine the level of premium they pay. The government levy is included in your premium for each of the plans listed in your policy. Where your premiums are being paid monthly, we disburse the cost of the government levy evenly across your payments. Details of the amount of the government levy are set out in your policy documentation.

Group scheme

A collection of **members** who are insured by **Irish Life Health** as a group under the instructions of a **group scheme sponsor**.

Group scheme sponsor

A **group scheme sponsor** is a natural or legal person whether an employer, association, professional body or otherwise who arranges or facilitates for a group of persons to receive health insurance cover from **Irish Life Health** as a **group scheme**.

Hazardous sports

Any dangerous sporting activity including, but not limited to: hunting, shooting, mountaineering, rock climbing, motor sports including motor cycle sport, quad-biking, aviation other than as a fare paying passenger, ballooning, bungee jumping, hang gliding, microlighting, parachuting, paragliding or parascending, potholing or caving, power boat racing, water rafting, competitive yachting or sailing, bobsleighing, off-piste skiing, competitive canoeing or kayaking, boxing, wrestling, karate, judo or martial arts, scuba diving, any professional sporting activity, or extreme sports such as free diving, base jumping and ice climbing.

Health care provider

A consultant, GP, dentist, oral surgeon or periodontist.

Hospital costs

Charges imposed by a medical facility on an in-patient for medically necessary services provided by such medical facility to such in-patient, excluding the costs of take home drugs and the costs of telephone calls made whilst the patient was admitted. The professional fees of consultants are not part of your hospital costs.

I.E.

An abbreviation meaning "that is to say/ specifically"

Immediate family

Your parent, child, sibling, spouse and partner.

Iniurv

A wound or trauma inflicted on the body by an external force.

In-patient

A patient who is admitted to a **medical facility** and who occupies a bed overnight or for longer for **medically necessary** reasons.

Irish Life Health

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Internationally recognised hospital

An institution that is, in the opinion of **our medical advisers**, legally licensed as a medical or surgical hospital under the laws of the country in which it is situated.

Ireland

The Republic of Ireland excluding Northern Ireland.

Level 1 plans

These are: Select, Select Starter, Select with Day 2 Day and Emergency packs, Select with Day 2 Day pack, Select with Emergency Access pack, Day2Day Focus, Day2Day Focus.1, Health Starter, Level 1 Everyday, Health Level 1, Level 1 Hospital, me plan level 1, me plan level 1 with day-to-day 50, me plan level 1 with day-to-day me, Value Focus, we plan level 1, we plan level 1 with day-to-day 50 and day-to-day a.

Medical adviser

A fully qualified **GP**, **consultant** or nurse who holds all the necessary registrations to practice in **Ireland** and who provides medical advice to **Irish Life Health**.

Medical care

Care relating to the science or practice of medicine.

Medical facility

A hospital, scan centre, or treatment centre.

Medically necessary

Medical care which is prescribed by a consultant, GP, dentist, oral surgeon or periodontist, and which, in the opinion of our medical advisers, is generally accepted as appropriate with regard to good standards or medical practice and:

- i) is consistent with the member's symptoms or diagnosis or treatment;
- ii) is necessary for such a diagnosis or **treatment**;
- iii) is not provided primarily for the convenience of the member, the medical facility or health care provider or at the request of the member:
- iv) is furnished at the most appropriate level, which can be safely and effectively provided to the **member**;
- v) is for procedures and investigations that are medically proven and appropriate;
- vi) does not include extended convalescence or palliative care.

Medically proven

Clinical and medical practice that the results reported for a procedure were actual, significant, based on appropriate research and able to pass the legislative requirements (if any) and relevant medical regulations imposed by the relevant Europeans Medical Agency or medical body, and is not subject to limitation by the Regulatory or Advisory bodies.

Member

A person named on a **policyholder's policy**. Each **member** will be covered to the level of **benefits** available under the **plan** assigned to him/her by the **policyholder**.

Membership number

The number assigned by **us** to a **member**. Each person named on the **policy** has a separate **membership number**, as set out in the **policy** documentation.

Minimum Benefit Regulations

The Health Insurance Act 1994 S.I. 83/1996 (Minimum Benefit) Regulations, 1996 made pursuant to the Health Insurance Act 1994 as amended. The Minimum Benefit Regulations set out the minimum payments that all health insurers must make in respect of health services that are listed in those regulations. These health services are known as prescribed health services. You are guaranteed to receive cover to the level set out in the Minimum Benefit Regulations in respect of prescribed health services.

Newborn

A child under 13 weeks of age who is born to or adopted by a member.

Oral surgeon

A dentist who is on the Specialist Register of Oral Consultants maintained by the Dental Council of Ireland and who is registered with Irish Life Health.

Out-patient

A patient who receives a **procedure**, **treatment** or medical service without being an **in-patient** or **day case**.

Periodontist

A **dentist** who has completed a 3 year post graduate training course which is, or is recognised as, equivalent to training courses accredited by the European Federation of Periodontists.

Plan

A package of health insurance **benefits**. **Policyholders** choose the **plans** which apply to each **member** named on their **policy** when they take out their **policy**.

Policy

The health insurance contract between the **policyholder** and **Irish Life Health** under which the **policyholder** and **members** (if applicable) are insured by **Irish Life Health**.

Policyholder

The person who holds a contract of insurance with **Irish Life Health** for the **benefit** of themselves and the **members** named on their **policy**. The **policyholder** is responsible for paying the premiums for all the **plans** listed in that **policy**.

Policy year

The period for which a **policyholder** and **members** are insured under a **policy**. All **policies** run for a period of one year.

Pre-authorisation / pre-authorised / pre-authorise

Irish Life Health must agree in advance before certain **treatments** and **procedures** will be covered. This consent is known as **pre-authorisation**.

The Schedule of Benefits sets out the **treatments** and **procedures** that require **pre-authorisation**.

Pre-existing condition

Any ailment, illness or condition that, on the basis of medical advice, the signs or symptoms of which existed at any time in the period of six months ending on the day on which **you** became insured for the first time or took out health insurance after a break in cover for more than 13 weeks.

Private hospital

A hospital categorised as a **private hospital** in the tables of **medical facilities** in section 12 of this Membership Handbook.

Private room

- A room in a private hospital which contains only one bed, or
- A room in a public hospital which contains only one bed

Procedure

A medical process or course of action. Use of the term 'procedure' will include surgical procedures, where appropriate.

Pro-rata

In proportion, proportional or proportionally as appropriate. Where benefits are available on a pro-rata basis, the **benefit** entitlement may be adjusted based on the number of days the **member** is actually insured for.

Public hospital

A publicly funded hospital other than a nursing home which provides services to a person pursuant to his or her entitlements under Chapter 11 of Part IV of the Irish Health Act 1970 and is categorised as a **public hospital** in the tables of **medical facilities** in section 12 of this Membership Handbook.

Public hospital levy

The public hospital levy is a daily charge imposed by public hospitals on in-patients and day case patients. The public hospital levy will be charged for a maximum of 10 days in any period of 12 consecutive months.

Qualified practitioner

A fully qualified GP, consultant or nurse who holds all the necessary registrations to practice in Ireland

Reasonable and customary costs

Medical expenses that are of a similar level to those **claimed** by the majority of **our members** for similar **medical care** carried out in **Ireland**.

Rehabilitation

Long term, sub-acute **treatment** that aims to restore a person's maximum physical or mental capabilities after a disabling illness or **injury** that cannot normally be restored by **medical care**.

Relative

Your parent/parent in-law/step parent/step parent in-law, sibling/sibling in law, spouse/ partner (including common law and civil partnerships or fiancé(e), child/child in law/step child/ foster child, grandparent, grandchild, uncle, aunt, nephew, niece, cousin.

Renewal date

The day after the final day of a **policy year**. The **policyholder's** next **renewal date** is shown on the **policyholder's policy** documentation.

Semi-private room

- > A room in a **private hospital** which contains not more than three beds, or
- > A multiple occupancy room in a public hospital

Side room procedure

A treatment or procedure which is classified as a **side room** procedure in the Schedule of Benefits.

Surgical procedure/surgery

The **treatment** of disease, **injury** or deformity by instrumental intervention.

Substance abuse

A mental or physical condition caused directly or indirectly by taking any chemical substance or solvent unless a general practitioner or **consultant** has prescribed it.

Tax relief

Tax relief on health insurance payments. Everybody is entitled to tax relief on some or all of the premium they pay for health insurance. Tax relief on health insurance premiums is applied at source. This means that we claim your tax relief from the

Revenue Commissioners on **your** behalf and automatically reduce the premium **you** pay **us** for the **plans** listed on **your** policy by this amount.

Terminal illness

An incurable disease, which, in the opinion of **our medical advisers** or an attending **consultant**, will result in a life expectancy of less than one year.

Transplants

The transfer of tissue or organ(s) from its original position to a new position(s) necessary to treat irreversible end stage failure of the relevant tissue or organ(s) including heart, combined heart and lung, lung (single and bilateral), simultaneous pancreas and kidney, liver, small bowel, kidney, simultaneous small bowel and liver, bone marrow or stem cells and which are subject to the National Waiting List for Organ Transplants.

Treatment

Any health service a person needs for the medical investigation, cure, or alleviation of the symptoms of illness or **injury**.

Treatment centre

A private **in-patient** or **out-patient** clinic categorised as a **treatment centre**, addiction centre or ophthalmic clinic in the table of **medical facilities** in section 12 of this Membership Handbook.

Visit

A consultation with an approved medical provider, allied health professional, specified provider partner or other practitioner listed in this handbook.

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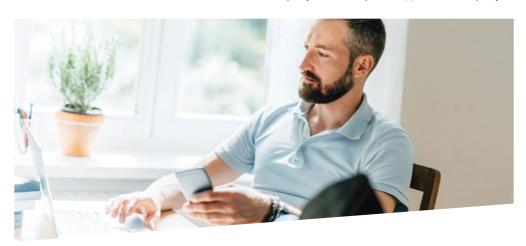
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Working day

Monday to Friday excluding bank holidays.

You, your

The policyholder and any member(s) named under a policy.



11.1 Directory of Allied Health Professionals, Alternative (Complementary) and other practitioners

Allied Health Professional	ls, Alternative (Complementary) and other practitioners
Acupuncturist	A person who is on the professional register of one of the following bodies: > The Acupuncture Council of Ireland (TCMCI Ltd) > The Acupuncture Foundation Professional Association > The Professional Register of Traditional Chinese Medicine
Baby massage therapist	A member of Baby Massage Ireland, (BMI) the Irish chapter of International Association of Infant Massage
Breastfeeding consultant	A member of the Association of Lactation Consultants in Ireland (ALCI) and who holds International Board Certified Lactation Consultant (IBCLC) membership.
Carer	A person who is registered with Home Instead as a CAREGiver.
Chiropodist	A member of one of the following Societies: > The Society for Chiropodists/Podiatrists > Society of Chiropodists and Podiatrists in Ireland > Institute of Chiropodists and Podiatrists in Ireland > Irish branch of the British Chiropody and Podiatry Association > The Irish Chiropodists/Podiatrists Organisation Ltd
Chiropractor	A member of one of the following Associations: > The Chiropractic Association of Ireland > Mc Timony Chiropractic Association of Ireland
Developmental specialist	A member of the Psychological Society of Ireland
Dietician	A dietetic professional who is registered with CORU (Health & Social Care Professionals Council)
Homeopath	A person who is on the professional register of one of the following Societies: > The Irish Society of Homeopaths > The Irish Medical Homeopathic Society
Life Coach	The life coach must be a Master or Professional coach registered with one of the following bodies; International Coach Federation (ICF) Ireland or Life and Business Coaching Association of Ireland (LBCAI) or have a degree in psychology/ sports science and a postgraduate qualification in psychology (min. masters)
Massage therapist	$\label{thm:continuous} A \text{member of the Irish Massage Therapists Association or Athletic Rehabilitation Therapy Ireland.}$
Medical herbalist	A member of the Irish Institute of Medical herbalists (IIMH).
Menopause Specialist	A menopause practitioner accredited by the British Menopause Society, North American Menopause Society or the International Menopause Society.
Midwife	A person who is registered as a midwife with Bord Altranais agus Cnáimhseachais na hÉireann (Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland).
Nurse (also including paediatric nurse)	A nurse who is registered with Bord Altranais agus Cnáimhseachais na hÉireann (Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland).
Nutritionist	A person who is registered with Nutritional Therapist of Ireland (NTOI)

Allied Health Professional	s, Alternative (Complementary) and other practition	oners			
Occupational therapist	An occupational therapy professional who is registered wi	th CORU (Health & Social Care Professionals Council)			
Optometrist	An eye health professional who is registered with CORU (Health & Social Care Professionals Council)				
Orthodontist	A person who is registered as an Orthodontist with the Dental Council of Ireland.				
Orthoptist	A person who holds a BSc or BMedSci in Orthoptics and is registered with the Irish Association of Orthoptists or the British and Irish Orthoptic Society				
Osteopath	A member of The Osteopathic Council of Ireland.				
Personal Trainer	A personal trainer or fitness instructor holding a European	n Qualification Framework Level 4 accreditation.			
Physiotherapist or Physical Therapist	A professional who is engaged in the assessment, treatment and management of musculoskeletal disorders and registered with CORU (Health & Social Care Professionals Council) or is a member of the Irish Society of Chartered Physiotherapists (ISCP)				
Play Therapist	lem:lember of the Irish Play Therapy Association (IPTA), or the Irish Association of Play Therapy & Psychotherapy (IAPTP) or Play Therapy Ireland (PTI).				
Podiatrist	A member of one of the following Societies:				
	> Society of Chiropodists and Podiatrists in Ireland	Irish branch of the British Chiropody and Podiatry Association The Irish Chiropodists/Podiatrists Organisation Ltd.			
Pregnancy pilates instructor	Standard pilates practice hours requirement plus must have completed a pregnancy pilates course which is recognised by Pilates Teacher Training Ireland (PTTI).				
Pregnancy yoga instructor	Standard yoga practice hours requirement plus must herecognised by Yoga Alliance USA, Yoga Alliance Profession				
Psychologist	A member of the Psychological Society of Ireland.				
Psychotherapist or Counsellor	An accredited member of the Irish Association for Counselling and Psychotherapy (IACP) or the Irish Council for Psychotherapy (ICP).				
Reflexologist	A member of the National Register of Reflexologists (Ireland), Irish Reflexologists' Institute.				
Reiki Practitioner	A member of Reiki Federation Ireland or the Reiki Associa	ition of Ireland.			
Speech and language therapist	A speech and language therapy professional who is regis Council)	tered with CORU (Health & Social Care Professionals			
Sports Psychologist	A member of the Psychological Society of Ireland.				
Yoga/pilates instructor	A person who has completed at least 200 accredited train USA, Yoga Alliance Professionals (UK) or Yoga Therapy Ir accredited training hours recognised by Pilates Teacher T	reland or a person who has completed at least 150			

12 Lists of Medical Facilities

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National Maternity Hospital, Holles St, Dublin 2 Public hospital Yes Covered C	overed
Our Ladys Hospica Blackrock (part cover only) Public hospital	ot Covered
Our Lady's Hospica Harold's Cross (part only) Public hospital	ot Covered
Our Lady's Hagnital for Sick Children Crumlin	overed
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St Columcillo's Haspital Loughlinstown Co	ot Covered

A. Hospitals	Hospital type	Direct Settlement	List 1	List 2	List 3	List 4
St. Edmundsbury Private Hospital, Lucan, Co. Dublin	Private hospital	Yes	Covered Δ	Not Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered
St. James's Hospital, Dublin 8	Public hospital	Yes	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
St. John of God Hospital, Stillorgan, Co. Dublin	Private hospital	Yes	Covered Δ	Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered
St. Joseph's Hospital, Raheny, Dublin 5	Public hospital	Yes	Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered
St. Luke's Hospital, Rathgar, Dublin 6	Public hospital	Yes	Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered
St. Michael's Hospital, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin	Public hospital	Yes	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
St. Patrick's University Hospital, Dublin 8	Private hospital	Yes	Covered △	Not Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered
St. Vincent's Hospital, Fairview, Dublin 3	Public hospital	Yes	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
St. Vincent's Private Hospital, Dublin 4	Private hospital	Yes	Covered Δ	Covered	Covered	Not Covered
St. Vincent's University Hospital, Dublin 4	Public hospital	Yes	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Tallaght University Hospital, Dublin 24	Public hospital	Yes	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Galway	1 abite nospital	103	COVERCE	Covered	Covered	Covered
Merlin Park Regional Hospital	Public hospital	Yes	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Bon Secours Hospital, Renmore	Private hospital	Yes	Covered Δ	Not Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered
Galway Clinic	Private hospital High Tech Hospital	Yes	Covered Δ	Covered	Covered	Not Covered
,	for Level 1 plans*					
Portiuncula Hospital	Public hospital	Yes	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
University College Hospital Galway	Public hospital	Yes	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Kerry						
Bon Secours Hospital, Tralee	Private hospital	Yes	Covered △	Not Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered
Kerry University Hospital	Public hospital	Yes	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Kildare						
UPMC Kildare Hospital, Clane	Private hospital	Yes	Covered Δ	Covered	Covered	Not Covered
Naas General Hospital	Public hospital	Yes	Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered
Kilkenny	T dolle Hoopital	103	COVERCE	.,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	1100 0010100	1100 0010100
Lourdes Orthopaedic Hospital, Kilcreene	Public hospital	Yes	Covered	Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered
St. Luke's General Hospital	Public hospital	Yes	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
UPMC Aut Even	Private hospital	Yes	Covered Δ	Covered	Covered	Not Covered
Laois	1 Hvate Hospital	103	COVERCUA	Covered	COVERCU	TVOC COVERCE
Midland Regional Hospital (Portlaoise)	Public hospital	Yes	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Leitrim	1 ablic nospital	103	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
	Dublic becarited	Vac	Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered
Our Lady's Hospital (Manorhamilton) Limerick	Public hospital	Yes	Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered
Bon Secours Hospital Limerick at Barringtons	Private hospital	Yes	Covered Δ	Covered	Covered	Not Covered
Mid-Western Regional Orthopaedic Hospital	Public hospital	Yes	Covered	Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered
-			Covered Δ			
Mid-Western Radiation Oncology Unit	Private hospital	Yes		Covered	Covered	Not Covered Covered
Milford Care Centre	Public hospital	Yes	Covered	Covered Not Covered		
St. John's Hospital University Hospital Limerick (Mid-Western Regional Hospital)	Public hospital Public hospital	Yes	Covered Covered	Not Covered Covered	Not Covered Covered	Not Covered Covered
University Maternity Hospital, Limerick	Public hospital	Yes	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Louth	1 abtic nospitat	103	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
	Public hospital	Yes	Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered
Louth County Hospital, Dundalk						
Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital, Drogheda	Public hospital	Yes	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Mayo	0.111.1	V		6 1	0 1	<u> </u>
Mayo University Hospital (Castlebar)	Public hospital	Yes	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Meath	Dudile beautiful	V	Carrana	Nat Carra	Not Court	NI-+ C
Our Lady's Hospital (Navan)	Public hospital	Yes	Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered
Monaghan						
Monaghan General Hospital	Public hospital	Yes	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Offaly						
Midland Regional Hospital (Tullamore)	Public hospital	Yes	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Roscommon						
Roscommon County Hospital	Public hospital	Yes	Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered

A. Hospitals	Hospital type	Direct Settlement	List 1	List 2	List 3	List 4
Sligo						
Kingsbridge Private Hospital (Garden Hill)	Private hospital	Yes	Covered Δ	Covered	Covered	Not Covered
Sligo University Hospital	Public hospital	Yes	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Tipperary						
Mid-Western Regional Hospital Nenagh (St. Joseph's)	Public hospital	Yes	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
South Tipperary General Hospital (Clonmel)	Public hospital	Yes	Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered
Waterford						
UPMC Whitfield Clinic, Butlerstown North	Private hospital	Yes	Covered Δ	Covered	Covered	Not Covered
UPMC Whitfield Cancer Centre	Private hospital	Yes	Covered Δ	Not Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered
University Hospital Waterford	Public hospital	Yes	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Westmeath						
Midland Regional Hospital (Mullingar)	Public hospital	Yes	Covered	Covered	Covered	Not Covered
Charter Medical Private Hospital, Ballinderry	Private hospital	Yes	Covered Δ	Covered	Covered	Not Covered
Wexford						
Ely Hospital HSE South, Ferrybank	Public hospital	Yes	Covered	Covered	Covered	Not Covered
Wexford General Hospital	Public hospital	Yes	Covered	Covered	Covered	Not Covered
Northern Ireland						
Antrim						
Royal Victoria Hospital (Belfast)	Private hospital	No	Covered Δ	Not Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered
Ulster Independent Clinic (Belfast)	Private hospital	Yes	Covered Δ	Not Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered
Derry						
Altnagelvin Area Hospital	Private hospital	Yes	Covered Δ	Not Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered
Kingsbridge Private Hospital North West, Ballykelly	Private hospital	Yes	Covered Δ	Not Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered

B. Treatment centres	Facility Type	Direct Settlement	List 1	List 2	List 3	List 4
Clare						
Bushypark Treatment Centre, Ennis Cork	Addiction centre	Yes	Covered $^{\dagger}\Delta$	Covered [†]	Covered [†]	Not Covered
Cuan Mhuire (Farnanes)	Addiction centre	Yes	Covered $^{\dagger}\Delta$	Covered [†]	Covered [†]	Not Covered
Tabor Lodge, Belgooly	Addiction centre	Yes	Covered $^{\dagger}\Delta$	Covered [†]	Covered [†]	Not Covered
Dublin						
Eccles Clinic, Dublin 7	Treatment centre	Yes	Covered △	Covered	Covered	Not Covered
Medical Optics, Dublin 3 (covered up to the level of private hospital benefits listed on the Table of Cover for Level 1 plans*)	Ophthalmic Clinic	Yes	Covered Δ	Covered	Covered	Not Covered
M.S. Care Centre, Rathgar, Dublin 6	Respite care	Yes	Covered Δ	Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered
NEDRC (National Eating Disorder Recovery Centre), Ballsbridge, Dublin 4	Treatment centre	Yes	Covered Δ	Covered	Covered	Not Covered
Oxycare, Santry	Treatment centre	Yes	Covered Δ	Covered	Covered	Not Covered
Park West Clinic, Nangor Road, Dublin 12	Treatment centre	Yes	Covered Δ	Covered	Covered	Not Covered
Progressive Vision, Dublin 18 (covered up to the level of private hospital benefits listed on the Table of Cover for Level 1 plans*)	Ophthalmic Clinic	Yes	Covered Δ	Covered	Covered	Not Covered
Rutland Centre, Knocklyon, Dublin 16	Addiction centre	Yes	Covered $^{\dagger}\Delta$	Covered [†]	Covered [†]	Not Covered
Donegal						
White Oaks Treatment Centre	Addiction centre	Yes	Covered $^{\dagger}\Delta$	Covered [†]	Covered [†]	Not Covered
Galway						
Cuan Mhuire, Coolarne	Addiction centre	Yes	Covered $^{\dagger}\Delta$	Covered [†]	Covered [†]	Not Covered
Oxygeneration	Treatment centre	Yes	Covered Δ	Covered	Covered	Not Covered
Kerry						
The Grove, Abbeylands, Ardfert, Co. Kerry	Addiction centre	Yes	$Covered^{\scriptscriptstyle{\dagger}} \Delta$	Covered [†]	Covered [†]	Not Covered
Kildare						
Cuan Mhuire, Athy	Addiction centre	Yes	$Covered^{\scriptscriptstyle{\dagger}} \Delta$	Covered [†]	Covered [†]	Not Covered
Kilkenny						
Aislinn Treatment Centre, Ballyragget	Addiction centre	Yes	$Covered^{\scriptscriptstyle{\dagger}} \Delta$	Covered [†]	Covered [†]	Not Covered
Limerick						
Cuan Mhuire (Bruree)	Addiction centre	Yes	$Covered^{\scriptscriptstyle{\dagger}} \Delta$	Covered [†]	Covered [†]	Not Covered
Citygate MHD Rooms, Citygate House, Raheen Business Park, Limerick	Ophthalmic Clinic	Yes	Covered Δ	Covered	Covered	Not Covered
Mayo						
Hope House (Foxford)	Addiction centre	Yes	Covered $^{\dagger}\Delta$	Covered [†]	Covered [†]	Not Covered
Tipperary						
Aiséirí Centre (Cahir)	Addiction centre	Yes	$Covered^{\scriptscriptstyle{\dagger}} \Delta$	Covered [†]	Covered [†]	Not Covered
Wexford						
Aiséirí Centre (Roxborough)	Addiction centre	Yes	$Covered^{\scriptscriptstyle{\dagger}} \Delta$	Covered [†]	Covered [†]	Not Covered
Wicklow						
Medical Optics, Bray	Ophthalmic Clinic	Yes	Covered Δ	Covered	Covered	Not Covered

C. Scan Facilities: Approved MRI Scan Facilities	Facility Type	Direct Settlement	Approved Cardiac Scan Facilities	List 1	List 2	List 3	List 4
Belfast							
Ulster Independent Clinic (Belfast)	Private hospital	Yes	No	Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered
Cork							
Alliance Medical: Cork University Hospital	Public hospital	Yes	Yes	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Alliance Medical Mercy University Hospital	Scan centre	Yes	Yes	Covered	Covered	Covered	Not Covered
Alliance Medical Mater Private Cork	Public hospital	Yes	Yes	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Affidea Cork, The Elysian	Scan centre	Yes	No	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Bon Secours Hospital	Private hospital	Yes	No	Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered
Southscan MRI at South Infirmary / Victoria University Hospital	Public hospital	Yes	No	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Donegal							
Affidea Letterkenny	Scan centre	Yes	No	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Dublin							
Alliance Medical Cherrywood, Cherrywood Business Park, Dublin 18	Scan centre	Yes	No	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Alliance Medical Smithfield, Dublin 7	Scan centre	Yes	Yes	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Affidea Dundrum, Rockfield Medical Campus, Balally, Dublin 16	Scan centre	Yes	No	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Affidea at The Meath Primary Care Centre, Dublin 8	Scan centre	Yes	No	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Affidea Northwood, Santry, Dublin 9	Scan centre	Yes	No	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Affidea Tallaght, Dublin 24	Scan centre	Yes	No	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Beacon Hospital, Sandyford, Dublin 18	Private hospital	Yes	Yes	Covered	Covered	Covered	Not Covered
Blackrock Clinic, Co. Dublin	Private hospital	Yes	Yes	Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered
Bon Secours Hospital (Glasnevin), Dublin 9	Private hospital	Yes	No	Covered	Covered	Covered	Not Covered
Hermitage Clinic, Old Lucan Road, Dublin 20	Private hospital High-tech hospital for Level 1 plans *	Yes	Yes	Covered	Covered	Covered	Not Covered
Mater Private Hospital, Dublin 7	Private hospital	Yes	No	Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered
Sports Surgery Clinic, Santry, Dublin 9	Private hospital	Yes	No	Covered	Covered	Covered	Not Covered
St. James's Hospital, Dublin 8	Public hospital	Yes	No	Covered**	Covered**	Covered**	Covered**
Galway							
Bon Secours Hospital, Renmore	Private hospital	Yes	No	Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered
Galway Clinic	Private hospital High-tech hospital for Level 1 plans *	Yes	Yes	Covered	Covered	Covered	Not Covered
Alliance Medical Merlin Park Hospital	Scan centre	Yes	Yes	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Alliance Medical Portiuncula Hospital, Ballinasloe	Scan centre	Yes	No	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Kerry							
Alliance Medical Bon Secours Hospital, Tralee	Scan centre	Yes	No	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Kildare							
Affidea at Vista Primary Care Centre	Scan centre	Yes	No	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Alliance Medical UPMC Kildare Hospital, Clane	Scan centre	Yes	No	Covered	Covered	Covered	Not Covered
Kilkenny							
Affidea, Dean Street Clinic, Kilkenny	Scan centre	Yes	No	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
UPMC Aut Even Limerick	Private hospital	Yes	No	Covered	Covered	Covered	Not Covered
Alliance Medical Bon Secours Limerick at Barringtons	Scan centre	Yes	Yes	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered

C. Scan Facilities: Approved MRI Scan Facilities	Facility Type	Direct Settlement	Approved Cardiac Scan Facilities	List 1	List 2	List 3	List 4
Limerick Clinic, City Gate House, Raheen Business Park	Scan centre	Yes	No	Covered	Covered	Covered	Not Covered
Louth							
Alliance Medical Our Lady Of Lourdes Hospital, Drogheda	Scan centre	Yes	Yes	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Offaly							
Alliance Medical Midland Regional Hospital, Tullamore	Scan centre	Yes	No	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Sligo							
Affidea at Sligo General Hospital	Scan centre	Yes	No	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Tipperary							
Alliance Medical South Tipperary General Hospital	Scan centre	Yes	No	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Waterford							
Affidea Dunmore Road, Waterford	Scan centre	Yes	No	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
UPMC Whitfield Clinic, Butlerstown North	Private hospital	Yes	No	Covered	Covered	Covered	Not Covered
Westmeath							
Alliance Medical Charter Medical Private Hospital, Mullingar	Scan centre	Yes	No	Covered	Covered	Covered	Not Covered

C. Scan Facilities: Approved CT Scan Facilities	Facility Type	Direct Settlement	Approved Cardiac Scan Facilities	List 1	List 2	List 3	List 4
Cork							
Affidea Cork, The Elysian	Scan centre	Yes	No	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Alliance Medical, Mater Private Cork	Scan centre	Yes	Yes	Covered	Covered	Covered	Not Covered
Bon Secours Hospital (Oncology CT only)	Private hospital	Yes	No	Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered
Dublin							
Beacon Hospital, Sandyford, Dublin 18	Private hospital	Yes	Yes	Covered	Covered	Covered	Not Covered
Beaumont Consultants Private Clinic, Santry, Dublin 9	Private hospital	Yes	No	Covered	Covered	Covered	Not Covered
Blackrock Clinic, Co. Dublin	Private hospital	Yes	Yes	Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered
Bon Secours Hospital, Glasnevin Dublin 9	Private hospital	Yes	No	Covered	Covered	Covered	Not Covered
Alliance Medical Smithfield, Dublin 7	Scan centre	Yes	No	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Affidea Dundrum, Rockfield Medical Campus, Balally, Dublin 16	Scan centre	Yes	No	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Affidea Tallaght, Dublin 24	Scan centre	Yes	No	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Hermitage Clinic, Old Lucan Road, Dublin 20	Private hospital High-tech hospital for Level 1 plans *	Yes	Yes	Covered	Covered	Covered	Not Covered
Mater Private Hospital, Dublin 7	Private hospital	Yes	No	Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered
St. James's Hospital, Dublin 8	Public hospital	Yes	No	Covered**	Covered**	Covered**	Covered**
St. Vincent's Private Hospital, Dublin 4	Private hospital	Yes	No	Covered	Covered	Covered	Not Covered
Galway							
Bon Secours Hospital, Renmore	Private hospital	Yes	No	Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered
Galway Clinic	Private hospital High-tech hospital for Level 1 plans *	Yes	Yes	Covered	Covered	Covered	Not Covered
Alliance Medical Merlin Park Hospital	Scan centre	Yes	No	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Kerry							
Bon Secours, Tralee	Private hospital	Yes	No	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Kildare							
Alliance Medical UPMC Kildare Hospital, Clane	Scan centre	Yes	No	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered

C. Scan Facilities: Approved CT Scan Facilities	Facility Ty	pe	Direct Settlement	Approved Cardiac t Scan Facilities	List 1	List 2	2	Li	ist 3	List 4	
Limerick											
Alliance Medical Bon Secours Limerick at Barringtons	Scan centre	e	Yes	No	Covered	Covered		Cover	red	Covered	
Waterford UPMC Whitfield, Butlerstown	Private hospital		Yes	No	Covered	Covered		Cover	red	Not Covered	
C. Scan Facilities:			Direct								
Approved PET-CT Facilities		Facilit		Settlement	List 1	List 2		Li		List 4	
Cork											
Alliance Medical: Cork University Hospital Pub		Public	hospital	Yes	Covered	Covered		Cover	red	Covered	
Dublin											
Beacon Hospital, Sandyford, Dublin 18		Private	e hospital	es Covered		Covered		Covered		Not Covered	
Blackrock Clinic, Co. Dublin		Private	e hospital	Yes	Covered	Not Cove	ered	Not Covered		Not Covered	
Hermitage Clinic, Old Lucan Road, Dub	lin 20	High-t	e hospital, ech hospital vel 1 plans *	Yes	Covered	Covered		Covered		Not Covered	
Mater Private Hospital, Dublin 7		Private	e hospital	Yes	Covered	Not Cove	Not Covered		overed	Not Covered	
St. James's Hospital, Dublin 8		Public	blic hospital Yes		Covered	Covered		Covered		Covered	
St. Vincent's Private Hospital, Dublin 4		Private	e hospital	Yes	Covered	Covered			red	Not Covered	
Galway											
Privat Galway Clinic High-		High-t	e hospital, ech hospital vel 1 plans *	Yes	Covered	Covered	Covered Covered		red	Not Covered	
Waterford											
UPMC Whitfield, Butlerstown		Private	e hospital	Yes	Covered	Covered		Cover	red	Not Covered	
D. Minor Injury Clinic: Approved Direct Settlement Minor Injury Clinics			Facility Typ	e	Direct Settlement	List 1	Li	ist 2	List 3	List 4	
Cork	_										
Affidea Expresscare Clinic, The Elysian, Dublin	Cork		Minor Injury	Clinic	Yes	Covered	Cov	ered	Covered	Covered	
Affidea Expresscare Clinic, Northwood,	Dublin 9		Minor Injury Clinic		Yes	Covered Cov		ered	Covered	Covered	
Affidea Expresscare Clinic, Tallaght, Dublin 24			Minor Injury		Yes	Covered	Cov	ered	Covered	Covered	
D. Minor Injury Clinic: Approved Pay & Claim (including HSE) Minor Injury Clinics			Facility Typ	e	Direct Settlement	List 1	L	ist 2	List 3	List 4	
Clare Ennis Injury Unit, Ennis Hospital			Minor Injury	Clinic (HSE)	No	Covered	Cov	rered	Covered	Covered	
Cork The Mercy Injury Unit, Gurranbraher			Minor Injury	Clinic (HSE)	No	Covered	Cov	rered	Covered	d Covered	
Mallow Injury Unit, Mallow General Hos	snital		Minor Injury		No	Covered		rered	Covered		
Bantry Injury Unit, Bantry General Hospital		Minor Injury		No	Covered		rered	Covered			
Dublin											
Children's Hospital Ireland at Connolly, Blanchardstown		Urgent Care	Centre (CHI)	No	Covered	Cov	rered	Covered	Covered		
Laya Health & Wellbeing Clinic, Cherrywood Business Park, Dublin 18		Minor Injury	Clinic	No	Covered	Cov	rered	Covered	d Covered		
Mater Smithfield Rapid Injury Clinic, Dublin 7		Minor Injury		No	Covered	Cov	rered	Covered	Covered		
St. Columcille's Injury Unit, Loughlinstown, Co Dublin		Minor Injury	Clinic (HSE)	No	Covered	Cov	rered	Covered	d Covered		
Galway Laya Health & Wellbeing Clinic, Briarhill		Minor Injury	Clinic	No	Covered	Cov	vered	Covered	d Covered		
Limerick		,									
Laya Health & Wellbeing Clinic, Ennis Road			Minor Injury	Clinic	No	Covered	Cov	rered	Covered	Covered	
St. John's Injury Unit, St. John's Hospital, Limerick			Minor Injury	Clinic (HSE)	No	Covered	Cov	rered	Covered	d Covered	

D. Minor Injury Clinic: Approved Pay & Claim (including HSE) Minor Injury Clinics	Facility Type	Direct Settlement	List 1	List 2	List 3	List 4
Louth						
Dundalk Injury Unit, Louth County Hospital	Minor Injury Clinic (HSE)	No	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Monaghan						
Monaghan Injury Unit, Monaghan Hospital, Hill Street	Minor Injury Clinic (HSE)	No	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Roscommon						
Roscommon Injury Unit, Roscommon University Hospital	Minor Injury Clinic (HSE)	No	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Tipperary						
Cashel Injury Unit	Minor Injury Clinic (HSE)	No	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered
Nenagh Injury Unit, Tyone, Nenagh	Minor Injury Clinic (HSE)	No	Covered	Covered	Covered	Covered

Please note: Hospitals may be managed by a different hospital or hospital group, the hospital in which **you** are receiving treatment must be specifically named on the applicable Hospital List for cover to apply. If **your** treating hospital is not specifically named on the applicable Hospital List, then **you** will not be covered for that hospital.

Δ First Cover and First Cover Extra plans do not provide any in-patient cover for private hospitals, high-tech hospitals or treatment centres.

- * Level 1 plans are: Select, Select Starter, Select with Day 2 Day and Emergency packs, Select with Day 2 Day pack, Select with Emergency Access pack, Day2Day Focus, Day2Day Focus. 1, Health Starter, Level 1 Everyday, Health Level 1, Level 1 Hospital, me plan level 1, me plan level 1 with day-to-day 50, me plan level 1 with day-to-day 50 and we plan level 1 with day-to-day a.
- ** Referrals must be made by an oncologist or other clinician at St. James's Hospital and must be related to the diagnosis, treatment or staging of a cancer. These lists are subject to change and are correct at time of going to print, 1 November 2022. For the most up-to-date lists, visit www.irishlifehealth.ie.
- † Cover may be limited to specific treatment programmes only. Length of stay covered under your plan will be determined by the specific programme or evidence based model employed by the treatment centre based on what is deemed medically necessary and clinically appropriate for the member's presenting condition.

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