

PrimaryCare Health Plan

Effective 1 August 2026

PLEASE NOTE:

All **benefits** and **benefit limits** in all sections apply to each person on the **Health Plan** unless otherwise stated. All **benefits** included in this **Health Plan document** are inclusive of GST charged by **healthcare providers**.

This **Health Plan** is subject to and should be read in conjunction with the **UniMed Terms and Conditions** and other documents that make up **your policy**. You can find the **UniMed Terms and Conditions** at unimed.co.nz/important-documents.

This plan refunds actual medical costs to the specified **benefit limits** unless otherwise stated.

General medical expenses

General practitioners	Per visit	Per policy year
Treatment and consultation by a general practitioner .	35	No maximum
GP after hours	Per visit	Per policy year
Home visits or consultations with a registered medical practitioner at an after-hours facility.	25	50
Registered practice nurse and registered nurse practitioner	Per visit	Per policy year
Treatment and consultation by a registered practice nurse or registered nurse practitioner.	35	No maximum
Prescriptions	Per visit	Per policy year
User part charges for prescription drugs on the New Zealand Pharmaceutical schedule and prescribed by a registered medical practitioner. Includes psychiatric prescription drugs prescribed by a registered medical practitioner.	5	35
Laboratory tests	Per visit	Per policy year
The cost of laboratory charges for blood or glucose tests, requested by a registered medical practitioner	20	No maximum

Specialists		Per policy year
Consultations following referral from a registered medical practitioner.		2,000
Mental health		Per policy year
This benefit covers the costs of reasonable charges for consultations with a psychiatrist, psychologist, psychotherapist or counsellor.		1,000
They must be registered either under the psychiatry scope with the Medical Council of New Zealand, as a psychologist with the New Zealand Psychologists Board, as a psychotherapist with the Psychotherapists Board of Aotearoa New Zealand, or as a counsellor with the New Zealand Association of Counsellors or New Zealand Christian Counsellors Association.		
Imaging		Per policy year
Treatment provided by a registered medical practitioner in private practice		Combined maximum 5,000
- o Bone density scan - o X-Rays and image intensifiers - o Ultrasound - o Mammography, including surveillance - o Scintigraphy - o CT scan - o MRI scan - o PET scan		
Dietitian/ nutritionist	Per visit	Per policy year
Consultation by a New Zealand registered dietitian or nutritionist on referral from a registered medical practitioner. Excludes food/food substitutes.	25	100
Physiotherapist	Per visit	Per policy year
Consultations and treatment provided by a physiotherapist with New Zealand registration, including acupuncture and manipulations.	25	155
Ambulance		Per policy year
Emergency ambulance call out, excluding injuries		120

ACC top-up non-surgical

The shortfall between what **ACC** pays and the actual costs for non-surgical expenses for services covered up to the **benefit limits**.

*NB: For a **claim** to qualify, **ACC** must have provided financial assistance towards treatment costs.*

Minor surgery

Registered medical practitioner or registered nurse/ nurse practitioner Not requiring general anaesthetic, including preceding consultation and performed in practice rooms.	Per visit 250	Per policy year No maximum
Registered specialist Not requiring general anaesthetic, including preceding consultation and performed in specialist rooms.		Per policy year 500
Minor skin lesions removed by a GP, registered nurse/ nurse practitioner Performed by a registered medical practitioner, registered nurse/ nurse practitioner in practice rooms, including preceding consultation.	Per visit 550	Per policy year 1,100

Oral surgery

Oral surgery performed by a registered oral surgeon excluding, under all **benefit** categories, the extraction or surgical removal of teeth, implantation of teeth or costs of dental implants.

In professional rooms Oral surgeon's fees including consultation and post op care Anaesthetist including anaesthetic supplies	Per visit 500 200	Per policy year No maximum No maximum
In private hospital Oral surgeon's fees including consultation and post op care Anaesthetist including anaesthetic supplies Operating theatre fee, all medication, dressings etc whilst in hospital Accommodation	Per admission 500 200 460 4,340	Per policy year No maximum No maximum No maximum No maximum

Health maintenance benefits

Vision care Treatment by a registered orthoptist		Per policy year 120
Cardiac diagnostic procedures ○ Holter monitoring ○ Treadmill exercise ○ Ambulatory blood pressure monitoring ○ Cardiovascular ultrasound ○ Stress echocardiography		Per policy year Combined maximum 200

Private hospital surgical benefits

Payments under this section are limited to the **reasonable charges** of the procedure up to the **benefit limits**.

Health Plan excess

The first \$150 of the total refundable costs per admission under this section are payable by the patient/**Member**.

Surgery (excess applies)	Per admission	Per policy year
An admission for non-acute qualifying surgical Procedure(s), together with that procedure's associated recovery time, performed by a registered medical specialist in a licensed private surgical hospital.		
o Surgeon's fee	1,550	
o Anaesthetist's fee	550	
o Hospital fees, in a licensed private hospital or private facility approved by UniMed for:		
• Accommodation	4,960	No maximum
• Theatre fees and anaesthetic supplies	850	
• Perfusionist	400	
• Intensive care nursing	750	
• Recovery nurse	40	
• X-Ray examination, ECG	500	
• Intravenous fluids, irrigating solutions, dressings, prescriptions and antibiotics	1,200	
o Pre op consultation	75	
o Emergency ambulance for hospital admission	120	
o Surgically implanted prostheses (50% of costs)	3,000	
o Laparoscopic disposables	750	
o Devices and appliances (crutches, toilet seat, shower stool, walking frame, darco shoe, moonboot, non-motorised wheelchair hire, mastectomy bra when recovering from surgery, and the initial pacemaker insertion)	200	

Spinal surgery (excess applies)	Per lifetime
This benefit covers the costs of spinal surgeries. A list of all spinal surgeries which fall under this benefit can be found in the List of Approved Healthcare Services at unimed.co.nz/important-documents . 'Surgery' benefit limits and any relevant excess applies.	200,000

Varicose Vein treatment (excess applies)

After three years' continuous cover **we** will cover the **reasonable charges** of approved **medically necessary** treatment for varicose veins either in a licensed private hospital or a **specialist** room. 'Surgery' or 'Minor surgery by a specialist' **benefit limits** and relevant **excess** applies.

Angiography	Per policy year
Angiograms, angioplasty including hospitalisation, specialist and ancillary fees	
Angiogram	2,000
Angioplasty	7,000

Post operative therapy	Per admission
Post operative therapy up to six months following surgery, cycle of chemotherapy and/or radiation oncology:	
- Occupational therapy - Physiotherapy - Speech and language therapy - Osteopath - Chiropractor - Dietitian/ nutritionist consultations - Lymphedema physiotherapy	Combined maximum 500 per surgical event , cycle of chemotherapy and/or radiation oncology.
<i>Costs for personal items such as food/food substitutes, materials or garments are excluded.</i>	

Lithotripsy (excess applies)	Per policy year
Performed by a registered medical specialist .	
Lithotripter	3,200
Urologist	600
Anaesthetist	350
Hospital	310
	4,460

Breast reconstruction (excess applies)
Breast reconstruction performed by a registered medical practitioner in private practice within two years of a required mastectomy. 'Surgery' **benefit limits** and any relevant **excess** applies.

Breast symmetry, post mastectomy	Per lifetime
The costs of unilateral breast reduction surgery in order to achieve breast symmetry after a mastectomy for the treatment of breast cancer. This procedure must occur within two years after a mastectomy claim approved by UniMed under this Health Plan .	3,000

ACC top-up surgery (excess applies)
Before any surgeries relating to an **ACC claim** are undertaken, **UniMed** must receive confirmation from **ACC** regarding their decision to accept or decline **your ACC claim** for surgery. If **ACC** accepts **your claim** but does not fully cover the cost of **your surgery**, **you** will be eligible for top-up cover if the surgery is covered by **your policy**. If **ACC** declines **your claim**, then **we** may cover the costs of surgery if it is covered by **your policy**. Any **claims** accepted will be subject to the applicable **benefit limits**.

Private hospital medical benefits	
Cover is provided for non-acute medical hospitalisation (includes geriatric) in a licensed private hospital, on admission and under the care of a registered medical practitioner. Refund of hospital accommodation fees, and ancillary hospital charges.	Per policy year 3,000

Psychiatric hospitalisation

In a licensed private hospital on admission and under the care of a **specialist** psychiatrist. Refund of hospital accommodation fees, and ancillary hospital charges.

Per policy year
3,000

Acute private hospitalisation medical/ surgical grant

An admission for an **acute** qualifying medical **condition** or surgical procedure under the care of a registered medical practitioner in a licensed private hospital.

Per policy year
1,860

Chemotherapy benefit

Benefit payable for treatment by a registered oncologist in private practice. **Benefit** applies to the cost of materials, chemotherapy drugs which are **Pharmac** approved, plus hospital accommodation together with approved ancillary hospital costs.

Per policy year
30,000

Included in this **benefit** is cover for non-Pharmac chemotherapy drugs that are **Medsafe** approved for the treatment of cancer, up to a maximum of \$4,600 per **policy year**.

Genetic/genomic testing is covered following a cancer diagnosis and referral by a registered oncologist.

Surveillance following cancer treatment

Following surgery or treatment for cancer, associated with an eligible **claim** under **your Health Plan**, cover exists for registered **specialist** consultations and investigations related to the cancer diagnosis. This **benefit** is not available for skin cancers/lesions removed by a minor surgery procedure performed by a **specialist** in their **specialist** room or a **general practitioner** in their practice room.

Per policy year
3,000 for five consecutive years from the end of treatment

Radiotherapy/ radiation therapy

We cover radiation oncology therapy provided in an approved private hospital facility. Cover includes Planning, Shielding and accessories, Field set-up and XRT simulation.

Per policy year
30,000

Non medical benefits

Bereavement grant

Upon death by natural or accidental causes prior to age 65 of any person on the **Health Plan**.

Per life
600

Loyalty benefits

Overseas treatment

Per event

Benefits apply after five years' continuous cover under this **Health Plan**. This **benefit** covers the **reasonable charges** for the identical procedure in New Zealand. The procedure must be available in New Zealand and eligible under the terms of **your policy** but the **Member** prefers to be treated overseas. The procedure must be performed by a medical practitioner who is registered to carry out the procedure in the country where the procedure is taking place. A referral for the procedure from a New Zealand registered medical practitioner will be required. Reimbursement of travel or accommodation costs is excluded. **Benefit** payable as reimbursement on production of invoices and prior approval is required for the treatment to be eligible.

\$1,500

Bowel Screening Kits

Every three policy years

Benefit applies after three years of continuous cover under this **Health Plan**, this **benefit** enables **you** to request one free bowel screening kit. Visit unimed.co.nz/members for terms of the **benefit** and information on how to request the kit. **Children** do not qualify for this **benefit**.

One kit for each person every three **policy years**.

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