

HIP/KNEE SPINE RIDER COTTAGE HOSPITAL - SANTA BARBARA AMENDMENT

to

BENEFIT BOOKLET

Your Benefit Booklet is amended by this amendment. All other provisions of the Benefit Booklet which are not inconsistent with this amendment remain in effect. This amendment becomes effective on the effective date of your Benefit Booklet.

The following changes are made to your benefit booklet:

The following change is made to the section entitled **TYPES OF PROVIDERS**:

The provision **Centers of Medical Excellence** is deleted and replaced by:

Centers of Medical Excellence. The *claims administrator* is providing access to the following separate *Centers of Medical Excellence* (CME) networks. The facilities included in each of these CME networks are selected to provide the following specified medical services:

- **Transplant Facilities.** Transplant facilities have been organized to provide services for the following specified transplants: heart, liver, lung, combination heart-lung, kidney, pancreas, simultaneous pancreas-kidney, or bone marrow/stem cell and similar procedures. Subject to any applicable co-payments or deductibles, CME have agreed to a rate they will accept as payment in full for covered services. **These procedures are covered only when performed at a CME or Blue Distinction facility.**
- **Bariatric Facilities.** Hospital facilities have been organized to provide services for bariatric surgical procedures, such as gastric bypass and other surgical procedures for weight loss programs. **These procedures are covered only when performed at a Blue Distinction Facility.**
- **Orthopedic Surgery Facilities.** Hospital facilities have been organized to provide inpatient services only for hip replacements, knee replacements and certain spine procedures listed in this *benefit booklet*. **These procedures are covered only when performed at a Blue Distinction+ facility; however an exception has been made for members of the SISC school districts in Santa Barbara County. These members can also have inpatient services for hip replacements, knee replacements and Spine Surgeries Cottage Hospitals. Hip and Knee replacements have a limit of \$30,000 for the hospital portion of the surgery. Spine surgeries do not have a limit.**

A *participating provider* in the Prudent Buyer Plan network is not necessarily a CME facility or Blue Distinction facility.

The following exception is added to the **Co-Payments** section:

- Your Co-Payment for orthopedic surgical procedures (knee replacements, hip replacements and spinal procedures) determined to be *medically necessary* and performed at Cottage Hospital will be the same as for *participating providers*. See UTILIZATION REVIEW PROGRAM.

The following change is made to **MEDICAL BENEFIT MAXIMUMS** in the **SUMMARY OF BENEFITS: MEDICAL BENEFITS** section:

The following provision is added:

Hip, Knee Replacement or Spine Surgery

- For inpatient services for Hip or Knee Replacement Surgery provided by Cottage Hospital up to **\$30,000** per surgery
- For inpatient services Spine Surgery provided by Cottage Hospital no limit, subject to Anthem contracted rate and par benefits

The following change is made to the section entitled **YOUR MEDICAL BENEFITS - MEDICAL CARE THAT IS COVERED:**

The following provision is added:

Hip, Knee Replacement or Spine Surgery. Inpatient services and supplies provided for *medically necessary* hip, knee replacement or spine surgery when performed by Cottage Hospital. Benefits for the following services are as follows:

- Total Knee Replacement
- Revision Knee Replacement
- Total Hip Replacement
- Revision Hip Replacement
- Discectomy
- Decompression (without fusion)
- Primary Fusion
- Revision Fusion

Covered services are subject to any applicable deductibles, co-payments and medical benefit maximums set forth in the SUMMARY OF BENEFITS.

Inpatient services and supplies for Hip or Knee Replacement Surgery provided by Cottage Hospital are limited to a maximum of \$30,000 per surgery. Any amount exceeding \$30,000 is the member's responsibility to pay. This maximum does not apply to emergencies or to surgeries for which there are complications.

To find a Cottage Hospital, please contact Customer Service and/or visit <http://www.anthem.com/ca/SISC>.

Hip, knee replacement or spine surgery services are subject to pre-service review to determine medical necessity. Benefits are provided for inpatient services for medically necessary Hip, knee replacement or spine surgery. Please refer to UTILIZATION REVIEW PROGRAM for information on how to obtain the proper reviews.

The following change is made to the section entitled **UTILIZATION REVIEW PROGRAM - UTILIZATION REVIEW REQUIREMENTS AND EFFECT ON BENEFITS:**

The following bullet is added:

- Hip, knee replacement or spine surgical services performed at Cottage Hospital, if:
 - ◆ The services are to be performed for hip, knee replacement or spine surgery;

- ◆ The *physicians* on the surgical team and the facility in which the surgical procedure is to take place are approved for the surgical procedure requested; and
- ◆ The hip, knee replacement or spine surgical procedure will be performed at Cottage Hospital.

The following definition is added:

Cottage Hospital is a provider who has achieved designation as a hospital for Knee/Hip Replacement or Spine Surgery.

Applicable to the following Districts

SISC - ALLAN HANCOCK CCD
 SISC - ALLAN HANCOCK COLLEGE
 SISC - ALLAN HANCOCK JOINT COMMUNITY COLLEGE
 SISC - BALLARD ELEMENTARY
 SISC - BALLARD UNION SCHOOL DIST
 SISC - BLOCHMAN ELEMENTARY
 SISC - BLOCHMAN UNION ELEMENTARY
 SISC - BLOCHMAN UNION SCHOOL DIST
 SISC - BUELLTON UNION
 SISC - BUELLTON UNION ELEMENTARY
 SISC - BUELLTON UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
 SISC - CARPINTERIA USD
 SISC - CASMALIA SCHOOL DISTRICT
 SISC - COLD SPRINGS ELEMENTARY
 SISC - COLLEGE ELEMENTARY
 SISC - COLLEGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
 SISC - CUYAMA JOINT UNIFIED
 SISC - FAMILY PARTNERSHIP CHARTER SCHOOL
 SISC - GOLETA UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
 SISC - GOLETA USD
 SISC - GUADALUPE
 SISC - GUADALUPE UNION ELEMENTARY
 SISC - GUADALUPE UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
 SISC - HOPE SCHOOL DISTRICT
 SISC - LOMPOC UNIFIED
 SISC - LOMPOC UNIFIED SCH DISTRICT
 SISC - LOS OLIVOS ELEMENTARY
 SISC - LOS OLIVOS SCHOOL DISTRICT
 SISC - MONTECITO UNION ELEMENTARY
 SISC - MONTECITO UNION SCHL DIST
 SISC - ORCUTT UNION ELEMENTARY
 SISC - ORCUTT UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
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 SISC - S.E.L.P.A.
 SISC - SANTA BARBARA CITY COLLEGE

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SISC - SANTA BARBARA ELEMENTARY
SISC - SANTA BARBARA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
SISC - SANTA YNEZ VALLEY CHARTER SCHOOL
SISC - SANTA YNEZ VALLEY UNION HIGH
SISC - SOLVANG ELEMENTARY
SISC - SOLVANG SCHOOL DISTRICT
SISC - VISTA DEL MAR UNION ELEMENTARY
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