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www.MyMonteBenefits.com

www.MyMonteBenefits.com gives you and your family members easy, one-stop access to everything you need to know about your Montefiore Benefits Program.

- **Spotlight On** – Check here often for useful articles, important notices and the latest information about Montefiore’s Benefits Program including Annual Enrollment materials.
- **Resource Center** – You’ll find Contact Information, Forms, Resources and Regulatory Notices (print versions are available upon request).
- **For Your Benefit**
 - *Montefiore’s Benefits Program* – Learn about your options for Healthcare coverage, Flexible Spending Accounts, Life, Accident & Disability Insurance and saving for your future financial security.
 - *Voluntary Benefits* – Direct access to Employee Discounts, Individual Insurance Policies and Special Promotions. You may enroll at any time during the year.
 - *Eligibility & Enrollment* – Find out who is eligible and how to enroll in Montefiore’s Benefits Program.
 - *Life Events* – Learn how changes in your marital and family status affect your benefits.
- **Retirement Center** – Essential information if you are thinking of retiring.

Montefiore Benefits Program

Montefiore’s Benefits Program covers many different areas, which can be tailored to best fit your needs, forming a comprehensive benefits package.

Before you enroll in Montefiore’s Benefits Program, it is important to familiarize yourself with your benefit options. Be sure to register for the Benefits Orientation webinar on www.MyMonteBenefits.com.

Select “IF YOU WORK FOR: Montefiore Medical Center – Enter Here”.

- Click on the Benefits Orientation photo.
- Under the Security Guards section, everything you need to know as a new plan participant is available to view and/or print, including a Rate Sheet and Medical Comparison.
- Click on the Security Guards Orientation “Register Here” link.
- Once you register you will be emailed a link to the Benefits Webinar.



ELIGIBILITY & ENROLLMENT

You are eligible to enroll in the Montefiore Associate Benefits Program if you are employed by Montefiore Medical Center and in an eligible position covered by a collective bargaining agreement with the Special and Superior Officers Benevolent Association and are a regular or temporary Security Guard and work at least 50% of a full-time schedule.

Your family members are also eligible for coverage. Eligible family members include your spouse and children (including stepchildren, legally adopted children, and children for whom you are legal guardian) whom you can cover through December 31 of the year they reach age 26.

Enrollment

When you first begin at Montefiore and each year thereafter during the Fall Annual Benefits Election Period, you have the opportunity to elect your benefit options.

You enroll online at Montefiore's Enrollment Website – www.montebenefits.com – or call the Benefits Enrollment Call Center at 888.860.6166 Monday through Friday between 8am and 8pm EST. You'll speak to an enrollment specialist who will help you enroll.

If you have any questions:

- About the enrollment process or the Enrollment Website, you can use the online Chat feature for assistance (Monday through Friday between 8am and 8pm EST). Just click on the Chat icon on the top, right toolbar after you log in.
- Regarding your benefits, contact the HR Benefits Office at 914.349.8531 or at montebenefits@montefiore.org.

Enrolling a Family Member

To enroll a family member, you must provide proof of that individual's family status with a copy of the following documentation:

- Marriage License or the first page of your most recent tax return (1040 form).
- Birth Certificate, Affidavit of Dependency, final Adoption Decree or Court Order.
- Please send the documents via email, fax or mail to:
- Email: mmcdepverify@winstonbenefits.com
- Fax: 732.903.1166
- Mail: Winston Financial Services
Montefiore Dependent Audit
PO Box 430
Manasquan, NJ 08736



ELIGIBILITY & ENROLLMENT

Verify Your Personal Information

If you need to make any changes to your personal information, please email the HR Benefits Office at montebenefits@montefiore.org.

- You are required to enter a Primary Contact name and telephone number. It is important for Montefiore to know who to contact on your behalf in the event of an emergency.
- Enter your family member information. You must include each dependent's name, date of birth and Social Security Number.
- List your beneficiary designation(s) information for life insurance coverage. Be sure you have each beneficiary's name, date of birth and Social Security Number.

Select Your Benefits

- You may elect or waive coverage in each benefit area. If you wish to waive coverage you must actively elect that option.
- When you enroll, indicate whether you use tobacco. If you have used tobacco products and answer "Yes" to the tobacco use question(s), you will be assessed a higher tobacco user premium on your Medical (if any) and Supplemental Life Insurance. If you do not answer the tobacco use question, you will pay the higher tobacco user premium for Medical and Supplemental Life Insurance coverage even if you are not a tobacco user.
- Make your benefit elections for Medical, Dental, Vision, Supplemental Life Insurance, Dependent Life Insurance, Supplemental AD&D, LTD and Group Legal Services.
- You must make a Healthcare and/or Dependent Care Flexible Spending Account election each year if you want either or both of these accounts.
- Designate a beneficiary for your Life and AD&D Insurance.

Complete Your Enrollment

After you have completed your "To Do" list, select "Complete Enrollment" to review your elections. You can:

- Return to the benefits selection process and make changes, as long as the Election Period is open.
- Select "Exit Enrollment" to complete the selection process and receive a confirmation number. A benefits summary displays your confirmation number.

The benefits selection process is not complete until you receive a confirmation number.

If You Don't Enroll

If you don't enroll within 30 days after you become eligible, you will default to the following coverages and will not be able to make any changes during the year until the next Annual Benefits Election Period, unless you have a qualified change in status:

- MonteCare EPO – medical coverage for yourself only.
- Preventive & Diagnostic Dental Care Option – single dental coverage for preventive and diagnostic care only.
- Basic Life and AD&D Insurance each equal to one times your annual base salary (up to a maximum of \$250,000).
- Business Travel Accident (BTA) and Mandatory Basic Long Term Disability Insurance.

You will not have coverage for any family members.



HEALTHCARE

Medical

Montefiore pays the full cost of medical coverage for you and your eligible family members if you are a regular full-time security guard. Eligible part-time security guards are required to contribute toward the cost of coverage on a pro-rata basis based on the number of hours worked.

Your medical benefits pay for a variety of medical services and supplies in and out of the hospital. As an eligible security guard you can choose MonteCare EPO or elect no coverage.

Provider Networks

MonteCare EPO requires you to use in-network providers to receive benefits. Your share of the cost will be higher when you use Empire Network Non-preferred Facilities.

IN-NETWORK PROVIDERS	MONTECARE EPO
Hospitals and Other Facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Empire Network <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Preferred Facilities ◦ Non-preferred Facilities • Montefiore Network (including Montefiore Moses Hospital, Jack D. Weiler Hospital (Einstein), The Children's Hospital at Montefiore, Montefiore Mt. Vernon Hospital, Montefiore Wakefield Hospital, Montefiore New Rochelle Hospital, Westchester Square, White Plains Hospital, Montefiore Nyack Hospital, Montefiore St. Luke's Cornwall Hospital, Montefiore Ambulatory Surgical Facilities, Department of Radiology, Montefiore Imaging Center, Advanced Endoscopy Center, Burke Rehabilitation Hospital, and New York GI Center)
Skilled Nursing Facility, Hospice	Empire Network and Schaffer Extended Care Center
Laboratories	Quest Laboratories, LabCorp and any hospital laboratory participating in the Empire and Montefiore Networks (including Montefiore Moses Hospital, Jack D. Weiler Hospital (Einstein), The Children's Hospital at Montefiore, Montefiore Mt. Vernon Hospital, Montefiore Wakefield Hospital, Montefiore New Rochelle Hospital, Westchester Square, Montefiore Nyack Hospital and Montefiore St. Luke's Cornwall Hospital)
Pharmacies	Express Scripts participating retail pharmacies, home delivery pharmacy service and Montefiore outpatient pharmacies
Physicians, Therapists, and Counseling for Mental Health and Substance Abuse	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Montefiore Integrated Provider Association (MIPA) • Empire Network • Highland Medical, P.C. • Montefiore Behavioral Care Integrated Provider Association (MBCIPA) • Empire Behavioral Health Network

Note: If you do not enroll within 30 days of the date you first become eligible, you will automatically be enrolled in MonteCare EPO medical coverage for **yourself only**.

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MONTECARE EPO – YOUR COST IF YOU USE:

	MONTEFIORE NETWORK	EMPIRE NETWORK		OUT-OF-NETWORK
Financial				
Individual/Family Deductible	None	\$500/\$1,000		Not covered
Individual/Family Out-of-pocket Maximum (Deductible + Copayment + Coinsurance)	\$5,350/\$10,700	\$5,350/\$10,700		Not covered
		PREFERRED FACILITIES	NON-PREFERRED FACILITIES	
Inpatient Care • Illness or Injury • Mental Health/Substance Abuse Care • Physical/Occupational Therapy or Rehab	\$0	20% ¹ coinsurance after deductible if pre-certified by Conifer Value Based Care ² ; an additional 10% after deductible if the inpatient care is not pre-certified by Conifer	40% ¹ coinsurance after deductible if pre-certified by Conifer Value Based Care ² ; an additional 10% after deductible if the inpatient care is not pre-certified by Conifer	Not covered except in the case of an emergency admission
High-Tech Radiology Services (including diagnostic MRI, MRA, CAT Scan, PET, Nuclear Cardiology)	\$0	20% ¹ coinsurance after deductible	40% ¹ coinsurance after deductible	Not covered
Outpatient Surgery	\$0	20% ¹ coinsurance after deductible	40% ¹ coinsurance after deductible	Not covered
Hospice – 210 days	\$0	\$0		Not covered
Skilled Nursing Facility – 120 days	\$0	\$0		Not covered
Emergency Room Care				
• Bona Fide Emergency	\$100 copay; waived if admitted	\$100 copay; waived if admitted		\$100 copay; waived if admitted
• Other than Bona Fide Emergency	20% coinsurance	20% ¹ coinsurance after deductible		Not covered
• Urgent Care Facility	\$0	\$30 copay/visit		Not covered
• Urgent Care Professional	\$15 copay per visit	\$30 copay/visit		Not covered
Preventive Care – Routine Physical Exam with PCP including OB/GYN; Routine Child Exam/Immunizations; Routine Mammography	\$0	\$0		Not covered
Outpatient Diagnostic and Laboratory Tests X-rays, Bone Density, Blood, Urine, etc.	\$0	20% ¹ coinsurance after deductible		Not covered
Physician Services (office visits)				
• Primary Care Physician including OB/GYN and Mental Health/Substance Abuse Care	\$15 copay/visit	20% ¹ coinsurance after deductible		Not covered
• Specialists	\$15 copay/visit	20% ¹ coinsurance after deductible		Not covered
• Chiropractic Care – 10 visits	\$50 copay/visit	20% ¹ coinsurance after deductible		Not covered
• Surgery	\$0	20% ¹ coinsurance after deductible		Not covered
Home Health Care – 200 visits	\$0	\$0		Not covered
Maternity	\$0	20% ¹ coinsurance after deductible		Not covered
Allergy Testing and Treatment	\$15 copay/visit; \$0 for treatment	20% ¹ coinsurance after deductible		Not covered
Physical, Occupational and Speech Therapy	\$0	20% ¹ coinsurance after deductible		Not covered

¹ If services are billed by a facility, then percentages are applied to covered charges which are based on the rate paid to like-kind Empire in-network facilities if the facility is within the Empire area (i.e., the New York metropolitan area including NJ and CT) or the facility's actual charge if it is outside of the Empire area.

² Pre-certification will ensure that services are medically necessary and provided in an appropriate treatment setting.



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Prescription Drug Benefits

Prescription drug benefits are available to participants in the MonteCare EPO medical plan.

IF YOU USE:	GENERIC	PREFERRED (FORMULARY)	NON-PREFERRED (NON-FORMULARY)	SPECIALTY
Montefiore Outpatient Pharmacies				
◦ 30-day supply for new prescriptions for chronic medications and seasonal allergy medications	\$0	\$20 copay	You pay 100% of discounted cost	\$20 copay
◦ 90-day supply for refills and all other medications	\$0	\$40 copay	You pay 100% of discounted cost	\$40 copay
Express Scripts				
• Retail Pharmacy (up to a 30-day supply for each prescription)	\$15 copay	\$45 copay	You pay 100% of discounted cost	\$100 copay
• Home Delivery Pharmacy Service				
◦ 30-day supply for new prescriptions for chronic medications and seasonal allergy medications	\$15 copay	\$45 copay	You pay 100% of discounted cost	\$100 copay
◦ 90-day supply for refills and all other medications	\$30 copay	\$90 copay	You pay 100% of discounted cost	\$150 copay

¹ If you use a non-participating pharmacy in an area where there is a participating pharmacy available, your reimbursement will be 75% of the R&C cost of the prescription.

Prescription Drug Out-of-Pocket Maximum

Your share of expenses for prescriptions obtained from Montefiore outpatient pharmacies, Express Scripts participating retail pharmacies, home delivery pharmacy service or out-of-network pharmacies is limited to \$1,500 for any one covered person (\$3,000 for a family) in a calendar year. Once that maximum is reached, the Plan pays 100% of any remaining prescription drug expenses for that individual for the rest of the calendar year.

If you purchase a brand name medication (preferred and non-preferred) when a generic equivalent is available, you are responsible for the retail or mail order generic copayment plus the difference in cost between the generic and the brand name medication. The difference in cost between generic and brand name medications is not included in the out-of-pocket maximum and is not eligible for 100% reimbursement after the out-of-pocket maximum has been met.



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Dental

You can waive coverage or select one of the following two options:

- Preventive & Diagnostic Dental Care with access to dentists in the Total Cigna DPPO Plan which includes Montefiore's Department of Dentistry
- Cigna Dental Care (DHMO).

Montefiore pays the full cost of dental coverage for you and your family members if you are a full-time security guard. Eligible part-time security guards are required to contribute towards the cost of coverage on a pro-rata basis based on the number of hours worked.

Note: If you do not enroll within 30 days of the date you first become eligible, you will automatically be enrolled in Preventive & Diagnostic dental coverage for **yourself only**.

	DHMO (IN-NETWORK ONLY)	PREVENTIVE & DIAGNOSTIC
Dentists	Use DHMO dentist	Use any dentist
Annual Deductible	None	None
Annual Maximum Benefits (for each covered person)	None	None
Preventive & Diagnostic Services	100%	100% ¹
Basic Services	70% coinsurance	Not covered
Major Services	70% coinsurance	Not covered
Orthodontics	50% coinsurance	Not covered
Lifetime Orthodontic Maximum	None	None

¹ Based on DPPO contracted fee schedules.

Vision

UnitedHealthcare Vision Plan provides benefits for routine eye exams, eyeglasses or contact lenses. The Plan offers a High and a Low option. You pay 100% of the premium for UnitedHealthcare vision coverage with before-tax dollars.

In-network, covered-in-full benefits (up to plan allowance and after applicable copay) include a comprehensive exam, eyeglasses with standard single vision, lined bifocal, or lined trifocal lenses, or lenticular lenses, standard scratch-resistant coating and the frame, or contact lenses in lieu of eyeglasses.

RATES	LOW OPTION	HIGH OPTION
Employee	\$2.30 Bi-weekly	\$3.54 Bi-weekly
Employee + One	\$4.10 Bi-weekly	\$6.79 Bi-weekly
Family	\$6.95 Bi-weekly	\$9.39 Bi-weekly
Copays for in-network services		
Exam	\$10.00	\$0
Materials	\$15.00	\$0
Benefit frequency		
Comprehensive Exam	Once every 12 months	Once every 12 months
Spectacle Lenses	Once every 12 months	Once every 12 months
Frames	Once every 24 months	Once every 12 months
Contact Lenses in Lieu of Eyeglasses	Once every 12 months	Once every 12 months
Frame benefit		
Private Practice Provider	\$150.00	\$150.00
Retail Chain Provider	\$150.00	\$150.00

Lens options

For both the Low Option and High Option plans, standard scratch-resistant coating lenses are covered in full. Other optional upgrades may be offered at a discount. (Discount varies by provider.) The High Option Plan covers the following additional lens options in full: standard progressive lenses, standard anti-reflective coating, polycarbonate lenses, ultraviolet coating, tints.

Contact lens benefit

Covered-in-full elective contact lenses – The fitting/evaluation fees, contact lenses, and up to two follow-up visits are covered in full (after a copay). If you choose disposable contacts, up to 4 boxes are included when obtained from a network provider. High Option Plan; 6 boxes are included.

All other elective contact lenses – A \$125.00 allowance is applied toward the fitting/evaluation fees and purchase of contact lenses outside the covered selection (materials copay does not apply). \$150 allowance for the High Option Plan.

Necessary contact lenses – Covered in full after applicable copay.

A Maternity Benefit to help ensure optimal eye health for pregnant and breastfeeding women is also available. The maternity vision benefit offers:

- Coverage for a second eye exam each plan year at no additional premium cost.
- Coverage for a new pair of glasses (frames and lenses) at no additional premium cost if the vision prescription changes .5 diopter or greater in a plan year.
- UnitedHealthcare Vision will not require proof of pregnancy.

Montefiore's Vision Plan includes UnitedHealthcare's Children's Eye Care Program for members up to age 13 – at no additional cost.

For covered children under the age of 13, the Children's Eye Care Program provides:

- A second eye examination each plan year.
- A second pair of glasses (frames and lenses) if as the result of the second exam there is a prescription change of 0.5 diopter or more. A diopter is the unit used to measure the optical power of the lens an eye requires.
- Depending on your Vision option, the same exam and materials copays that are effective for the first eye exam will apply and the frame and lens benefits will replicate the plan's core coverage levels.
- Polycarbonate lenses for dependent children are also available at no additional cost.

SERVICE	OUT-OF-NETWORK REIMBURSEMENTS UP TO (COPAYS DO NOT APPLY)	
	STANDARD	BUY-UP
Exam	\$50.00	\$50.00
Frames	\$45.00	\$45.00
Single Vision Lenses	\$50.00	\$50.00
Bifocal Lenses	\$60.00	\$60.00
Trifocal Lenses	\$80.00	\$80.00
Lenticular Lenses	\$80.00	\$80.00
Elective Contacts in Lieu of Eyeglasses	\$125.00	\$150.00
Necessary Contacts in Lieu of Eyeglasses	\$210.00	\$210.00

Laser vision benefit

UnitedHealthcare Vision is partnered with the Laser Vision Network of America (LVNA) to provide our members with access to discounted laser vision correction providers. Members receive 15% off usual and customary pricing, 5% off promotional pricing at over 500 network provider locations and even greater discounts through set pricing at LasikPlus locations. For more information, call **1.888.563.4497** or visit www.uhclasik.com.



FSA/GROUP LEGAL

Flexible Spending Accounts

You can establish a Flexible Spending Account (FSA) to pay out-of-pocket healthcare and/or dependent care expenses for you and your family members with dollars that are never taxed. Your contributions are deducted from each bi-weekly paycheck before taxes are calculated and withheld, lowering your taxable income.

- Use the Healthcare Account to pay out-of-pocket healthcare expenses for you and anyone you claim as a dependent on your federal income tax return – as well as children to age 26, regardless of whether they are dependent upon you – and whether or not they are enrolled in Montefiore’s medical and/or dental plans. You may contribute up to \$3,050 each year to this account.
- Use the Dependent Care Account to pay day care related expenses for children under age 13 and/or an incapacitated adult you claim as a dependent on your federal income tax return. The care must be necessary so that you (and your spouse if you are married) can work. You may contribute up to \$5,000 each year to this account.

Group Legal Services

Are you buying a home, getting married or planning to adopt a child? Discover how MetLife Legal Plans can help you. This coverage helps pay all or part of the cost of a wide range of personal legal services – for you and your covered family members – through a network of participating attorneys. You pay the full cost of coverage through regular payroll deductions on an after-tax basis. You may use any lawyer, although a greater portion of your cost is generally paid if you use the services of an in-network attorney.



BTA, LIFE & ACCIDENT INSURANCE

Business Travel Accident (BTA) Insurance

In addition to your Life and Accident Insurance, this plan pays benefits in case of your death or dismemberment as the result of an accident while traveling on Montefiore business. Montefiore provides BTA Insurance equal to four times your annual base salary (minimum benefit \$100,000; maximum benefit \$1,000,000) at no cost to you.

Life & Accident Insurance

Life Insurance is designed to pay a benefit to your beneficiary if you die from any cause while coverage is in effect. Accidental Death & Dismemberment (AD&D) Insurance pays a benefit to you or to your beneficiary for covered losses including loss of limbs, sight, speech and hearing, various forms of paralysis and coma. You make separate elections for Life and Accident Insurance.

- **Basic Life Insurance** – Montefiore provides Basic Life Insurance equal to one times your annual base salary (annual base salary is capped at \$250,000) – at no cost to you after you complete one year at Montefiore or you may waive coverage. For the first year, you pay the full cost of Basic Life Insurance. Age reductions do apply. If your annual salary is greater than \$50,000, you may lower your coverage to \$50,000 to avoid imputed income. If you elect \$50,000 or waive coverage and, in the future, decide to elect the full Basic Life Insurance amount, you will be required to submit Evidence of Insurability.
- **Supplemental Life Insurance** – You may elect Supplemental Life Insurance coverage from one to eight times your annual base salary (annual base salary is capped at \$250,000) up to a maximum of \$1,250,000. Age reductions do apply. Amounts in excess of the lesser of three times your annual base salary or \$750,000 require Evidence of Insurability. You pay the cost of Supplemental Life Insurance based on your age, whether or not you use tobacco and the amount of coverage you elect.
- **Dependent Life Insurance** – If you are insured for Life Insurance, you may select from two Dependent Life Insurance options or elect no coverage. The two options are:
 - \$10,000 for your spouse; \$5,000 for each child.
 - \$20,000 for your spouse; \$10,000 for each child.
- **Basic AD&D Insurance** – Montefiore provides Basic AD&D Insurance equal to one times your annual base salary (annual base salary is capped at \$250,000) – at no cost to you after you complete one year at Montefiore or you can waive coverage. Age reductions do apply.
- **Supplemental AD&D Insurance** – You may elect Supplemental AD&D Insurance coverage from one to eight times your annual base salary (up to a maximum of \$750,000). You must elect Basic AD&D coverage to elect Supplemental AD&D. No Evidence of Insurability is required. Premiums are based on the amount of coverage you elect. The combined amount of Basic and Supplemental AD&D insurance cannot exceed the lesser of nine times annual base salary or \$1,000,000.
- **Dependent AD&D Insurance** – If you elect Supplemental AD&D Insurance, you may also choose coverage for your spouse and/or child(ren) in \$10,000 increments (up to a maximum of the lesser of eight times your annual base salary or \$350,000 for your spouse and the lesser of one times your annual base salary or \$50,000 for each child). You pay the full cost of Dependent AD&D coverage.



PAID TIME OFF/DISABILITY

Paid Time Off

Choice Time combines your paid time off for vacation, holidays and sick days into a Choice Time Bank and Long Term Sick Account (LTSA). The LTSA is for absences due to your illness or injury lasting longer than five consecutive workdays.

Each pay period, you accrue hours equivalent to 1/26th of your annual allotment:

- 7 days in your Long Term Sick Account.
- 27 days in your Choice Time Bank (increasing to 37 days after 5 years of service, 42 days after 25 years of service).

Once the time is credited, you can use your Choice Time Bank at any time and for any reason, limited only by the operational needs of your department. Depending on your length of service and your non-exempt/exempt status, you can accrue up to a maximum of 36.5 to 56.5 days in your Choice Time Bank and 120 days in your LTSA.

Disability

Disability benefits continue part or all of your earnings if you are ill or injured and unable to work. Benefits are provided under the following programs:

- **Short Term Disability** – Includes Paid Sick Leave, Supplementary Sick Pay and New York State Statutory Disability benefits for up to 26 weeks. After you have been at Montefiore for 90 days and exhausted your Paid Sick Leave, Supplementary Sick Pay provides 2/3 of your annual base earnings up to a maximum weekly benefit of \$1,300, inclusive of New York State Statutory Disability or Worker's Compensation benefits.
- **Long Term Disability (LTD)** – Basic Long Term Disability (LTD) continues 60% of your predisability earnings up to a maximum benefit of \$3,000 a month if you are disabled for more than 26 weeks. If your covered earnings are more than \$60,000 annually, you have the option to purchase a Buy-up LTD benefit. Buy-up LTD benefits continue 60% of your predisability earnings up to an additional maximum benefit of \$2,000 a month. The combined maximum monthly LTD benefit is \$5,000 each month. You pay the cost of mandatory Basic LTD and any Buy-up LTD coverage you elect with after-tax dollars.



TUITION/SCHOLARSHIP/FINANCIAL SECURITY

Tuition Reimbursement

Montefiore's Tuition Reimbursement Program is designed to promote continuous professional development and growth for associates. Montefiore reimburses your tuition each academic year (September 1 through August 31), subject to certain maximum limitations, for job-related courses leading to an undergraduate or graduate degree at an accredited institution.

You are eligible for the Tuition Reimbursement Program if you are a regular full-time associate or a regular part-time associate working at least 50% of a full-time schedule. Part-time associates are eligible to receive a pro-rated benefit.

Scholarship Program

The Montefiore Scholarship Program was established to provide incentives and the opportunity for the children of Montefiore associates to undertake a college education. Full-time regular associates (employed by Montefiore for at least one year prior to application) with children enrolling in the upcoming fall semester at accredited two- or four-year colleges, are invited to apply for a scholarship under the Montefiore Scholarship Program. Scholarships are awarded based on demonstrated financial need. Applications must be submitted by July 1, in advance of the fall semester.

Financial Security

Montefiore makes contributions to the SSOBA Pension Plan on your behalf in accordance with the terms of the Collective Bargaining Agreement

The Montefiore Medical Center 403(b) Plan provides an excellent tool to help you save for your future financial security. You make your own investment decisions based on your investment strategy and the level of risk you are willing to accept. You can change your allocations and transfer amounts among investment options. You may be eligible to borrow from your accounts and under certain circumstances you may make a withdrawal. At any time during the year, to participate in the Plan, decline participation, direct your investments, change your contribution percentage or if you are eligible, make a "catch-up" contribution, contact Fidelity at **800.343.0860** or go to www.netbenefits.com/atwork.

Your Pre-Tax Payroll Directed Contributions

A pre-tax contribution is a contribution to the Plan that you elect to have automatically deducted from your paycheck before Federal and, in general, state and local income taxes. Pre-tax payroll contributions are subject to Federal Social Security taxes. Your account is credited with investment earnings based on your portfolio's performance and accumulate tax-free while they remain in the Plan.

Upon distribution, pre-tax payroll contributions and earnings in your account will be subject to income taxation. If you make a withdrawal before reaching age 59½, you may be subject to a 10% Federal tax penalty. You are always 100% vested in your contributions.



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Your Roth After-Tax Payroll Directed Contributions

A Roth contribution is a contribution to the Plan that you elect to have deducted from your paycheck after Federal, state and local, income taxes and Federal Social Security taxes are withheld.

Qualified distributions of Roth after-tax contributions plus any earnings on those contributions will be tax-free if you are at least 59½ years old and have maintained the Roth account for at least five years. If the distribution is not qualified, your earnings on the after-tax contributions are subject to income taxes at the time of withdrawal and a 10% early distribution tax.

Limits on Payroll Directed Contributions

You may elect to contribute up to 70% of your compensation to the Plan on a pre-tax basis, Roth after-tax basis or a combination of the two.

Maximum Contributions

You may simultaneously make both pre-tax payroll directed contributions and Roth after-tax payroll directed contributions to the 403(b) Plan. However, the combined maximum contribution cannot exceed the annual Internal Revenue Service maximum.

For 2023, you can save up to a maximum of \$22,500. If you are 50 or older in 2023, an additional catch-up contribution of \$7,500 – for a combined maximum of \$30,000 – will be made unless you “opt out” and choose not to contribute this additional catch-up amount.



VOLUNTARY BENEFITS

Montefiore's Voluntary Benefits present a variety of products and services for you and your family. Some offer group discounts and the convenience of payroll deduction. You have direct access and control of your benefits and can enroll at any time during the year.

Commuter Benefits Program

Whether you use mass transit, drive or a combination of both, you can save money just about any way you commute to work.

Through the Commuter Benefits Program you can qualify for significant tax advantages when you pay your mass transit and parking expenses through pre-tax payroll deductions. Your contributions are automatically deducted from your paycheck before taxes are calculated and withheld. This lowers your taxable income, so you save money on taxes!

It's convenient and easy to use with online ordering and home delivery plus direct payment – you don't have to wait for reimbursement. For more information contact WageWorks at **877.924.3967** or www.wageworks.com.

511NY Rideshare

511NY Rideshare is a no cost Ridematching, Traveler Services and Guaranteed Ride Program. You create a profile and find travelers who have similar travel routes and patterns. 511nyrideshare.org.

Employee Discounts

- Corporate Offers – Save up to 70% on Broadway tickets. www.CorporateOffers.com **646.290.6419**.
- Health Club Discounts and Virtual Exercise Resources – Physical fitness is important for wellness and wellbeing. Montefiore has discounted arrangements with fitness facilities in all boroughs and also provides access to many free and low-cost virtual offerings. (<https://www.mymontebenefits.com/to-your-health/fitness-programs>).
- PerksConnect – Discounts on products and services from nationally recognized merchants as well as participating local businesses. There are no fees to register and you pay nothing to use the card. montefiore.perksconnection.com **877.253.7100** Code: montefioremc.
- Pet Insurance – Nationwide Pet Insurance offers a choice of plans with different levels of coverage. Monthly premiums vary based on the type of plan you elect and the breed, age, and location of your cat or dog. There are also plans for avian and exotic animals. www.petsnationwide.com **877.738.7874**.
- Plum Benefits powered by TicketsatWork – Special offers give you access to the leading travel and entertainment corporate benefits program in the world, www.plumbenefits.com/signup **212.660.1888** Code: ac1025828.
- Wireless Discounts.
 - Verizon Connections – www.verizon.com/connections.
 - T-Mobile – Advantage Direct **866.464.8662** Code 12425TMOFAV.



VOLUNTARY BENEFITS

Special Promotions

- Automobile and Homeowners Insurance offered through:
 - Farmers Auto & Home® – www.myautohome.farmers.com 844.296.3581.
 - Travelers – www.travelers.com 888.695.4640.
- Lasik Surgery – Montefiore Laser and Eye Care Center at Montefiore Medical Specialists of Westchester offers LASIK Surgery discounts of 20% off of the regular charge for you and your family members. **718.920.2020.**
- Municipal Credit Union – Offers a full range of financial services. www.nymcu.org **212.693.4900.**
- Purchasing Power – Purchase new, brand-name computers, electronics and home appliances through payroll deductions. Shop Purchasing Power's secure website and enjoy the convenience of home delivery direct from the manufacturer. www.Montefiore.PurchasingPower.com **800.537.3134.**

Voluntary Insurance

You can purchase individual insurance policies offered at group rates.

- Voluntary Insurance Program (VIP) www.mymmcbenefits.com **866.795.0355.**
 - Critical Illness Insurance.
 - Personal Accident Insurance.
 - Universal Life Insurance with Long Term Care.



TO YOUR HEALTH!

- **Associate Health Improvement Program (A-HIP)** – Submit verified health improvements, in areas such as body mass index, and earn rewards for moving from higher risk zones to lower ones when submitted to Associate Wellness.
- **Carebridge EAP** – The EAP provides resources to associates and anyone in their household to cope with mental health and behavioral issues, family problems and professional matters. You can call toll-free, 844.300.6072 or email clientservice@carebridge.com. You can also visit www.myliferesource.com to find expert articles, resources, and unique tools addressing a large scope of EAP and Work-Life issues. Your website access code is C4NKN.
- **Creative Wellness Services** – The Associate Wellness Program Manager, a licensed art therapist, is available for FREE one-on-one consultations or departmental workshops for stress management and reduction and techniques for personal and professional self-care. For more information or to make an appointment call 347-418-4745 or email ssaklad@montefiore.org.

- **To Your Health! Wellness Portal:**
www.toyourhealth.montefiore.org

- Find Montefiore Programs & Events, health information and resources to help you take control of your health.
- Complete the Wellness Portal Health Questionnaire and earn a \$30 incentive! You will receive a detailed easy-to-understand report that identifies your personal health risks – along with a customized plan to help reduce or eliminate them.

- **Fitness Programs** – Virtual Exercise Resources, gym discounts and Montefiore fitness classes are available to support your fitness routine. (<https://www.mymontebenefits.com/to-your-health/fitness-programs>)
- **Nutrition Counseling** – Associates have access to FREE, individual, confidential nutrition consultations and departmental programs with the Associate Wellness Nutrition Manager, a registered dietitian, to advise you how to eat well and manage your weight. For more information, call 347.504.4944 or email WellnessRD@montefiore.org.
- **Supportive Wellness Services** – Associates can receive free, confidential appointments with the Associate Wellness Wellbeing Manager, a licensed psychologist, for stress management consultations, resiliency skills development, or coaching behavior goals – departmental/unit programs are also available. For more information or to make an appointment call 347.418.4739 or email bboatswa@montefiore.org.
- **WW** – Register through Montefiore's program to receive a 50% upfront discount and an additional 25% reimbursement upon meeting attendance goals. Weekly meetings are held virtually for Montefiore associates and virtually and in-person in the community. For more information, call 866.882.2226 or go to weightwatchers.com/us/Montefiore. (Employer ID: 65022).



REGULATORY NOTICES

Employers are required to provide regulatory notices regarding your rights and procedures to protect those rights. You may view, download or print a copy of these notices from MyMonteBenefits or request a print version of these notices from the HR Benefits Office by emailing montebenefits@montefiore.org or by calling 914.349.8531. [Here's a summary of the notices.](#)

Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) – If you or your children are eligible for Medicaid or CHIP and you're eligible for health coverage from your employer, your state may have a premium assistance program that can help pay for coverage, using funds from its Medicaid or CHIP programs.

Claiming Healthcare Benefits – Federal law requires your healthcare coverage to provide a process for filing claims for services and supplies that are urgent in nature in addition to procedures for post service claims.

Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA) – COBRA gives workers and their families who lose their health benefits under certain circumstances the right to choose to continue their group health benefits for limited periods of time.

Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) – FMLA provides up to 12 work weeks of unpaid leave for certain family and medical reasons. If you utilize FMLA leave, you can elect to continue your health coverage provided you pay the required premium. At the end of the leave, you generally have the right to return to the same job or an equivalent position.

Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act (GINA) – GINA prohibits employers, employment agencies, and labor unions from discriminating against employees based on genetic information. It also prohibits insurers from charging higher premiums based on genetic information or from using genetic information in underwriting decisions.

HIPAA Special Enrollment Rights – You may request a special enrollment in Montefiore's healthcare coverage under the following circumstances:

- Within 30 days of the date:
 - You or a family member loses other group health plan coverage (such as a spouse's plan).
 - You acquire a new family member through marriage, birth, adoption or legal guardianship.
- Within 60 days of the date you or a family member:
 - Is no longer eligible for coverage under the State's Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) or Medicaid.
 - Become eligible for premium assistance under the State's Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) or Medicaid.

Marketplace Notice – This notice provides some basic information about the Marketplace and employment-based health coverage offered by Montefiore-sponsored group health plans.



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Medicare Part D Notice – If you and/or your family members are Medicare-eligible, federal law offers more choices for prescription drug coverage.

Michelle's Law – This law extends health benefits eligibility for up to one year for a student dependent child who would otherwise lose coverage due to loss of student status as a result of a medically necessary leave of absence.

Newborns' and Mothers' Health Protection Act (Newborns' Act) – The Newborns' and Mothers Health Protection Act requires group health plans that offer maternity coverage to pay for at least a 48-hour hospital stay following childbirth (96-hour hospital stay in the case of Cesarean section).

New York City's Earned Safe and Sick Time Act (ESSTA) – ESSTA provides employees who work in New York City the right to use safe and sick leave for the care and treatment of themselves or a family member and to seek legal and social services assistance or take other safety measures if the employee or a family member may be the victim of any act or threat of domestic violence or unwanted sexual contact, stalking or human trafficking.

NY Paid Family Leave (PFL) – New York Paid Family Leave provides job security and paid time off from work for a specified period of time to care for a new child, a seriously ill family member or if a family member is called to active military service.

Non-Discrimination Notice – Montefiore's Benefits Plan complies with applicable Federal civil rights laws and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, physical appearance or age.

Notice of Privacy Practices – These privacy rules set limits on how health plans, pharmacies, hospitals, clinics, nursing homes and other direct-care providers use individually identifiable health information.

Summary of Benefits and Coverage (SBC) – A Summary of Benefits and Coverage (SBC) is a standardized summary describing the benefits and limitations of each medical option.

Transparency in Coverage Disclosure – Transparency in coverage (TIC) regulations require that Montefiore make machine-readable files (MRFs), for the plan we administer and maintain, available to the public. The files contain the negotiated rates for in-network providers and allowed amounts derived from historical claims for out-of-network providers. A machine-readable file is a digital representation of data or information in a file that can be imported or read by a computer system for further processing. They are not means for use by members.

Uniform Services Employment and Re-employment Rights Act of 1994 (USERRA) – USERRA protects the job rights of individuals who voluntarily or involuntarily leave employment positions to undertake military service or certain types of service in the National Disaster Medical System. USERRA also prohibits employers from discriminating against past and present members of the uniformed services, and applicants to the uniformed services.

Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act (WHCRA) – The Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act (WHCRA) requires group health plans and health insurance issuers, which provide coverage for medical and surgical benefits with respect to mastectomies, to also cover certain post-mastectomy benefits. These benefits include reconstructive surgery and the treatment of complications.

This overview provides only highlights of the Montefiore Associate Benefits & Wellness Program in effect on January 1, 2023 and does not attempt to cover all details. The actual provisions of the plans are governed by the legal documents for each. If there is a discrepancy between the information presented here and the legal documents, the legal documents will govern. Montefiore expects and intends to continue the plans indefinitely, but reserves the right to change, modify or terminate them, in whole or in part, at any time and for any reason.