Eligibility & Update of Records

Who is eligible?

Wyoming resident who works or has worked on a Wyoming or neighboring state mine site (while residing in Wyoming) for at least 10 accumulative years.

How do I keep my eligibility?

- Miners will be terminated and no longer be eligible for benefits when the Board requests updates to their records and the miner does not respond.
- Miner will not be eligible for benefits during the time they are terminated.
- Miner will be reinstated on the date the Board receives the information requested if they are still a Wyoming resident.
- Benefits will not be paid retroactively.
Hearing Aid Assistance

This program offers Miners monetary support for purchasing hearing aids. The dollar amount will not exceed $2,000. The maximum times a miner may receive assistance for hearing aids is once every 5 years.

The Board will assist with repairs that are done by a hearing Aid Provider after the warranty or extended warranty period. The maximum amount paid for repairs will be $250 per hearing aid. There is a benefit maximum of 2 repairs for each hearing aid, for the life of that aid.

Prescription Drugs

This portion of the program the benefit is paid directly to the miner. The Miner will use their primary and any supplemental insurance, or other health care plan, prior to purchasing their prescription. The miner must file a claim for reimbursement of out of pocket expenses to EBMS using the Prescription Claim Form available on our website: http://mhb.state.wy.us

Eligibility Requirements

Effective July 1, 2018, miner must have 10 accumulative years on mine site(s) to be eligible for benefits. If the miner was actively enrolled in the program prior to June 30, 2018, then they are automatically grandfathered into the program.

Payer of Last Resort

WMHB is the payer of last resort for all benefits. Treatment must fall under one of the four health conditions listed above. All claims must be submitted to the miner’s insurance provider(s) prior to being submitted to WMHB. Also, if the miner participates in an HSA, or other health savings plan, these funds must be utilized before benefits will be paid from WMHB. Proof of exhaustion of funds will be required.

2x2x3 Deductible Program

Effective January 1, 2018, there will be a $2,000 deductible implemented after the first $2,000 is paid from the program. For example:

- WMHB pays the first $2,000 in eligible claims.
- The next $2,000 of submitted eligible claims is the responsibility of the Miner as a deductible.
- WMHB pays the next $3,000 in eligible claims submitted after the deductible is met.

Not Covered Conditions/Treatments

- General Wellness/Preventative Care Charges (e.g. Mammograms, PSA test, Health Fair Expenses, Routine Wellness Exams, etc.)
- Hyperlipidemia or High Cholesterol Treatment
- Acute Infections of Illness (e.g. acute bronchitis)
- Sinusitis
- Accidents & Poisonings
- Slips/Falls/Accidents/Fractures/Injuries occurring off the job. Occurring on the job must be filed as Worker’s Compensation
- Allergic Rhinitis Due to Pollen or Other Allergies
- Deviated Nasal Septum
- Chronic Rhinitis
- TMJ
- Hernia
- Rheumatoid Arthritis
- Massage performed in a nonclinical or professional establishment
- Diabetes
- Cancer
- Vision
- Dental
- Stroke

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