

Hospital indemnity insurance: why is it important?

Hospital stays can be pricey and often unexpected. Since most health care plans don't cover all expenses, taking steps to help protect yourself can make a big difference.

Studies show that you can spend on average \$10,000 for a hospital stay in the U.S.¹ A good reason why having hospital indemnity insurance makes good financial sense.

While in the hospital, it's likely you'll need various treatments, tests, and therapies to get up and about again. These services can create out-of-pocket costs beyond what your medical plan may cover in addition to deductibles, copays, and expenses that come with out-of-network care.

Unexpected hospital bills are difficult to manage when you lose your income or it becomes seriously reduced. Household expenses like your mortgage, car payment, child care, or household maintenance may become even harder to keep up with while you focus on recovering.

With an average cost of \$10,000 per hospital stay in the U.S., having hospital indemnity insurance makes good financial sense.¹

How it works.

Hospital indemnity insurance is coverage that can help safeguard your finances by providing you with a lump-sum payment—one convenient payment all at once—when you or your family need it most. The extra cash can help you focus on getting back on track — without worrying about finding the money to cover the costs of treatment. A flat amount is usually paid for a hospital admission and a per-day amount for your entire hospital stay.

And best of all, the payment is made directly to you, and is in addition to any other insurance you may have. It's yours to spend however you like, including for your or your family's everyday living expenses.

Whatever you need while recovering from a hospital stay, hospital indemnity insurance is there to make life a little easier.



Enroll today!

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Why should I enroll now?

- Competitive group rates
- Guaranteed acceptance³
- Easy payroll deduction
- Portable coverage so you can take it with you²



With MetLife Hospital Indemnity Insurance, you can take your coverage with you if you change jobs or retire.²

Hospital indemnity insurance helps you manage expenses if you or a loved one becomes unexpectedly hospitalized.

If you or a loved one is admitted to the hospital, this insurance helps cover the costs of care.

This plan provides benefits for hospitalization due to accidents and sicknesses⁴, like:

- Admission to a hospital
- Intensive Care Unit stays
- Hospital stays
- Admission to an Intensive Care Unit

Actual plan design and plan benefits may vary. See your Disclosure Statement or Outline of Coverage/Disclosure Document for full details on the coverage types, amounts and premium options under your plan.

Help protect yourself, your family and your budget from the financial impact of a hospital stay.

1. Costs for Hospital Stays in the United States, 2011. HCUP Statistical Brief #168. December 2013. Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, Rockville, MD. Accessed March 2017.
2. Eligibility for portability through the Continuation of Insurance with Premium Payment provision may be subject to certain eligibility requirements and limitations. For more information, contact your MetLife representative.
3. Coverage is guaranteed provided (1) the employee is actively at work and (2) dependents to be covered are not subject to medical restrictions as set forth in the Certificate. Some states require the insured to have medical coverage. Additional restrictions apply to dependents serving in the armed forces or living overseas.
4. There is a pre-existing exclusion for covered sicknesses. Hospital does not include certain facilities such as nursing homes, convalescent care or extended care facilities. See your Disclosure Statement or Outline of Coverage/Disclosure Document for full details.

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