



# Department of Civil Service

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## SEHP 21-14

**TO:** Student Employee Health Plan (SEHP) Health Benefits Administrators  
**FROM:** Employee Benefits Division  
**SUBJECT:** Reissuance of SEHP Benefit Cards  
**DATE:** December 17, 2021

Effective January 1, 2022, a new federal law requires the inclusion of annual out-of-pocket costs on employee health insurance benefit cards and this requirement impacts all NYSHIP plans.









On December 20, 2021, new SEHP benefit cards will be mailed for all enrollees and covered dependents. These cards replace the ones that were reissued in July 2021 and the expiration date on them is August 31, 2022, or whenever coverage ends, if sooner.

The benefit card vendor is working from a list based on the information in NYBEAS on December 8, 2021; therefore, enrollments and changes with a process date of December 9, 2021, or later will receive the newly designed benefit card as part of the regular weekly production schedule.

Enrollees can begin using the new benefit cards immediately and securely shred or destroy all other cards. Enrollees do not need to activate this card or place a call to the Department or the Empire Plan administrators prior to use.

The new benefit cards will include annual deductible and out-of-pocket maximum information. To accommodate differences in these amounts, there will be two versions of the cards (Individual and Family). The cards have also been redesigned to incorporate Plan and administrator logos, the group number and bin number as well as the Department of Civil Service website.

The new SEHP Individual coverage benefit cards will appear as follows:

 <p><b>NYSHIP</b> New York State Health Insurance Program</p> <p><b>Student Employee Health Plan</b></p> <p>Administered by the New York State Department of Civil Service</p> <p><b>Smith, John</b> 123456789</p> <p>Effective until 08/31/22 or when coverage ends, whichever is sooner</p> <p><b>Hospital benefits</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$25 ER/\$200 per admission</li> <li>• \$15 outpatient visit and hospital-based urgent care</li> <li>• \$10 P/T</li> </ul> <p><b>Medical/Surgical benefits</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$10 office visit, office surgery, labs, radiology, chiropractic treatment, P/T, urgent care</li> </ul> <p><b>Mental Health/Substance Use benefits</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$25 ER/\$200 per admission or detox stay</li> <li>• \$10 outpatient visit</li> </ul> <p><b>Rx benefits</b></p> <p>Retail Pharmacy 30 days/Mail Service or Specialty Pharmacy 31-90 days*</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$5/\$5* Level 1 or generic</li> <li>• \$25/\$50* Level 2 or preferred brand name</li> <li>• \$45/\$90* Level 3 or non-preferred brand name</li> </ul> <p><b>In-network Out-of-Pocket Limits:</b></p> <p>Drug: \$3,050, Non-Drug: \$5,650</p> <p><b>Non-network Combined Deductible: \$100</b></p> <p><b>Physical Medicine Program Deductible: \$100</b></p>	<p> <b>You must call</b> Toll Free 1-877-7-NYSHIP (1-877-769-7447)</p> <p><b>Precertification required for:</b></p> <p>Admission to a hospital: Select the Hospital Program. For an emergency admission, call within 48 hours.</p> <p>Outpatient MRI, MRA, CT, PET and nuclear medicine tests: Select the Medical/Surgical Program.</p> <p>MHSU Services: see your <i>At A Glance</i> for precert services. For emergency admissions, call the MHSU Program within 48 hours.</p> <p>Home Care and Diabetic Supplies/Equipment: Select the Medical/Surgical Program.</p> <p><b>For details on your health benefits, visit <a href="http://www.cs.ny.gov/employee-benefits">www.cs.ny.gov/employee-benefits</a></b></p> <p>Submit hospital and hospice claims to your local Blue Plan. Hospital and related claims services provided by Empire HealthChoice Assurance, Inc., a licensee of the BlueCross and BlueShield Association.</p> <p>Submit medical provider claims in accordance with your participating provider agreement. Submit behavioral health provider claims to Beacon Health Options. All other non-hospital providers call 1-877-769-7447 for information about eligibility, benefits and claims submission.</p> <p> <b>PPO</b> HOSPITAL ONLY</p> <p> <b>BLUE CROSS PLAN 303</b></p> <p> <b>Blue Cross Prefix: YLS</b></p> <p> <b>United Healthcare</b> Group# 030500</p> <p> <b>beacon</b>  <b>CVS Caremark</b> Bin# 004336</p> <p><small>This card represents but does not guarantee enrollment in the New York State Health Insurance Program. It is insurance fraud for an enrollee or dependent to use the card to obtain services after eligibility for coverage ends.</small></p>
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