

What does Marketplace health insurance cover?

All private health insurance plans offered in the Marketplace will offer the same set of [essential health benefits \(/glossary/essential-health-benefits\)](#). These are services all plans must cover.

The essential health benefits include at least the following items and services:

- Ambulatory patient services (outpatient care you get without being admitted to a hospital)
- Emergency services
- Hospitalization (such as surgery)
- Maternity and newborn care (care before and after your baby is born)
- Mental health and substance use disorder services, including behavioral health treatment (this includes counseling and psychotherapy)
- Prescription drugs
- Rehabilitative and habilitative services and devices (services and devices to help people with injuries, disabilities, or chronic conditions gain or recover mental and physical skills)
- Laboratory services
- [Preventive and wellness services \(/what-are-my-preventive-care-benefits\)](#) and chronic disease management
- Pediatric services

Essential health benefits are minimum requirements for all plans in the Marketplace. Plans may offer additional coverage. You will see exactly what each plan offers when you compare them side-by-side in the Marketplace.

Learn more about how the [Health Insurance Marketplace works \(/what-is-the-health-insurance-marketplace\)](#), the [kinds of plans available \(/what-are-the-different-types-of-health-insurance\)](#), and the [four categories of coverage \(/glossary/health-plan-categories\)](#).

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