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## **WHAT TO KNOW FOR 2025**

## The plan year is changing to a calendar year

The City of Houston is updating the 2026 plan year enrollment to reflect a calendar year. In preparation for this change, this will be the last spring enrollment for employees, retirees, and survivors.

### What does that mean for you?

- The elections you make during this enrollment period will be effective May 1, 2025 - December 31, 2025, which is 8 months for the plan year instead of 12 months.
- There will be a second enrollment in November 2025 for all benefits to be effective January 1, 2026
   December 31, 2026.
- All deductibles and maximum out-of-pocket expenses will be pro-rated to reflect the shortened plan year.
- Healthcare Flexible Spending Account elections will be divided among 16 deductions and the maximum contribution is reduced to \$2,400 due to the shortened plan year.
- Starting with the 2026 plan year, your benefits enrollment will be streamlined. Enrollment for all benefits will be in November each year and deductibles, out-of-pocket maximums and flex spending accounts will align the calendar year.

### There are no premium changes

That is correct! Plans will also remain unchanged.

- Medical Insurance Cards
- New insurance cards will be issued for all
- medical plans.
  - Log on to <u>myCigna.com</u> at any time to request, view or print additional medical benefits cards.





# *WHAT DO YOU NEED TO DO?*

Nothing! If you are satisfied with your current benefits\*, you don't need to do anything.

All your current elections will roll over into the new plan year, except for the Healthcare Flexible Spending Account (HFSA).

You only need to log into Benefitplace to add coverage, make changes to your existing coverage re-enroll in the HFSA or update your beneficiaries.

\*You must re-enroll in the HFSA each year.

Want to make changes?

Don't wait until the last minute!

Open Enrollment ends

March 31, 2025 at 10:59pm CST.

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### Disclaimer

If a conflict exists between this enrollment guide and the official plan documents for each plan, the official plan documents will prevail. The City of Houston reserves the right to change, modify, increase or terminate any benefits.

## ENROLLMENT OPPORTUNITIES

There are several opportunities to elect, drop, add, or modify benefit coverage for yourself and/or your dependents. It's important to carefully consider the benefit options available to you and your dependent(s), as there are only a few opportunities to select coverage or make changes to your benefits.

### **Initial Enrollment**

### (New Employees)

You have only thirty (30) days from your hire date to make initial enrollment elections and submit supporting documents for any eligible dependents you would like to cover.

After enrollment, your benefits will begin the 1st or 16th day of the month following your 30th day of employment.

### **Annual Open Enrollment**

### (All Employees)

The annual open enrollment is one time a year event. This is an opportunity to review and make changes to your benefits elections. During this time, you can add, drop, or change medical, dental, vision, the Healthcare Flexible Spending Account (HFSA), voluntary life, and supplemental insurance.

The open enrollment period for plan year 2025 is Monday, March 3 - Monday, March 31, 2025. Changes made during open enrollment will be effective on May 1, 2025. Voluntary life insurance will be effective on May 1, 2025 or the 1st or the 16th of the month following the date of Evidence of Insurability (EOI) approval.

### **Special Enrollments**

### (Qualified Life Events)

Life happens. A change in your situation, like getting married, having a baby or losing health coverage, can make you eligible for a special enrollment period, allowing you to enroll or make changes to your coverage outside the annual open enrollment.

To a change to your benefits due to a Qualifying Life Event (QLE), log into Benefitplace and request the change within 31 days of the event and upload supporting documentation. If documentation is not uploaded within 31 days, your newly elected dependent coverage will not be processed.

Newborns are temporarily covered for medical for 31 days. After 31 days, if you do not enroll your newborn your newborn's coverage will terminate, even if you have Employee + Child(ren) or Employee + Family coverage. The coverage will be terminated back to date of birth.

### Examples of QLE:

- Losing existing health coverage, including job-based, and individual plans
- Losing eligibility for Medicare, Medicaid, CHIP
- Turning 26 and losing coverage through a parent's plan
- · Getting married or divorced
- Having a baby or adopting a child
- Death in the family
- Moving outside of the HMO network
- Student moving to or from the place they attend school

# ELIGIBILITY AND ENROLLING

### Who is eligible?

- Full-time employees
- Elected officials
- Part-time employees who consistently worked 30 or more hours per week over the past 12 months.
- City of Houston retirees based on eligibility.

Please note that contractors, temporary and seasonal employees ARE NOT eligible for benefits.

### What do you need to enroll (employees)?

- Your network log in and password
- Date of birth for all dependents (NOTE: birth certificates and marriage certificates MUST be uploaded into Benefitplace and verified before you are able to add your eligible dependents to your benefits
- Social Security numbers or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) for all dependents

### How to enroll

- Log in to HROne Connect at HROneConnect.houstontx.gov.
- Under Organizational Updates, choose the Benefitplace or Open Enrollment tile.
- Once in Benefitplace, select Get Started from the home page.
- Review your contact information and communication preferences (Note: If any
  of your contact or demographic information is incorrect, please return to HR One
  Connect to edit and save that information).
- Review or add your dependents, then select Begin Enrollment to enroll in benefits.

### **Uploading supporting documents**

When you add a new dependent, you will need to submit supporting documents (see page 6 for required documentation)

- Log in to HROne Connect at HROneConnect.houstontx.gov.
- Under Organizational Updates, choose the Benefitplace or Open Enrollment tile.
- Once in Benefitplace, select **Profile** from the home page.
- In the drop-down menu, choose Document Center.
- Any documentation needed will be highlighted on your account. Choose Add document. Attach the requested document, then select Save Document.
- A message will display confirming your documentation has been uploaded. From this page, you can either View and manage your documents or Return to the homepage.

## DEPENDENT ELIGIBILITY

Full-time and part-time employees who consistently worked 30 or more hours per week over the past 12 months are eligible for benefits. Dependent eligibility is as follows:

Employee relationship	Required supporting documentation	Coverages available
Legal spouse Ex-spouses are not eligible without a court order*	<ul> <li>Social Security Number or ITIN</li> <li>Marriage Certificate (front and back) or Declaration of Registration of Informal Marriage</li> <li>Copy of Court Order or Divorce Decree</li> </ul>	Eligible for: medical, dental, vision, basic and voluntary life insurance and supplement coverage
Biological child	<ul> <li>Social Security Number or ITIN</li> <li>Birth Certificate or Verification of Birth Facts**</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Eligible for: medical, dental, vision, basic and voluntary life insurance and supplement coverage</li> <li>Coverage available up to age 26</li> </ul>
Adopted child	<ul><li>Social Security Number or ITIN</li><li>Birth Certificate</li><li>Adoption Documents</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Eligible for: medical, dental, vision, basic and voluntary life insurance and supplement coverage</li> <li>Coverage available up to age 26</li> </ul>
Legal custody/guardianship foster child Children for whom you have legal guardianship or legal foster care	<ul><li>Social Security Number or ITIN</li><li>Birth Certificate</li><li>Guardianship Documents</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Eligible for: medical, dental, vision, basic and voluntary life insurance and supplement coverage</li> <li>Coverage available up to age 26</li> </ul>
Court ordered dependent Dependent for whom a court order has been received requiring you to provide healthcare coverage	<ul> <li>Social Security Number or ITIN</li> <li>Birth Certificate</li> <li>Adoption/Guardianship Documents</li> <li>Copy of Court Order</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Eligible for: medical, dental, vision, basic and voluntary life insurance and supplement coverage</li> <li>Coverage available up to age 26</li> </ul>
Stepchild	<ul> <li>Social Security Number or ITIN</li> <li>Birth Certificate</li> <li>Marriage Certificate (front and back)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Eligible for: medical, dental, vision, basic and voluntary life insurance and supplement coverage</li> <li>Coverage available up to age 26</li> </ul>
Disabled children age 26 and over	<ul> <li>Social Security Number or ITIN</li> <li>Birth Certificate</li> <li>Proof of child's condition and dependency must be submitted within 31 days upon receiving third-party medical administrator's approval for coverage</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Eligible for: medical, dental, vision, basic and voluntary life insurance and supplement coverage</li> <li>Contact the Benefits Division for appropriate paperwork to continue coverage</li> </ul>

Required documents must be submitted and verified before dependents can be covered under any of the City of Houston benefits plans. Submitted documents must be County Clerk certified or court-filed documents. Each submitted document will be reviewed by the Benefits Division for approval before processing changes to coverage.

- \* An ex-spouse must be dropped and added as a court-ordered spouse within 31 days of the divorce or they are deemed ineligible. The divorce decree must be specific in that the employee must be ordered to maintain coverage through their COH policy.
- \*\* Verification of Birth Facts are accepted for the first 31 days of birth. The employee has to provide a copy of the certified birth certificate and SSN within 60 days of child's birth. Birth certificates are required for any dependent child who is not a newborn.

### Important note about upcoming dependent audit

The Benefits Division will be conducting an audit in preparation for the calendar year change. If you are covering **ineligible dependents** on any City of Houston sponsored health plans, please remove them during open enrollment, prior to our audit. An eligible dependent means your legal spouse, and any child (natural, adopted, foster, stepchild, a child for whom you are legal guardian and/or have legal support obligations) and is under age 26. A dependent may be your child who is age 26 or older, primarily supported by you, and incapable of self-sustaining employment by reason of mental or physical disability or handicap which arose while the child was covered as a dependent under this Plan, or while covered as a dependent under a prior City plan without a break in coverage. **Proof of the child's condition and dependence must be submitted within 31 days after the child/children ceases to qualify.** 

## **MEDICAL PLANS**

City of Houston offers you three (3) unique medical plans. All plans include preventive care services and a four-tier prescription drug plan. Full-time and part-time employees who consistently worked 30 or more hours per week over the past 12 months are eligible for benefits. The three (3) plans offered are the Cigna Open Access, the Cigna Limited Network, and the Consumer-Driven Health Plan (CDHP).

- Cigna Open Access Under the Open Access plan you will be able to visit any
  of the more than 572,800 providers in Cigna's national network, but only true\*
  emergency services are available out-of-network. This is the most expensive
  option.
- Cigna Limited Network Under the Limited Network Plan, all your medical care comes from one of three provider groups — Kelsey-Seybold, Renaissance or Village Medical. This is the middle-of-the-road option.
- Consumer-Driven Health Plan (CDHP) The CDHP plan offers the same broad network as the Cigna Open Access plan, plus access to out-ofnetwork services at higher deductibles and coinsurance as well as a Health Reimbursement Account. This is the least expensive option.

## • • • Mental Health & Substance

- O Abuse Benefits
- Don't forget you have mental health and substance abuse benefits through Cigna
  - Total Behavioral Health regardless of the medical plan in which you are enrolled.

    Call 800-997-1406.

### Duplicate Coverage

If both you and your spouse work for the city, you may be covered as an employee or a retiree, or as a dependent — but not both.

Dependents may be enrolled under only one parent or quardian.

## Cigna Limited Plan members

Review your Cigna insurance card when you receive it and verify your Primary Care Physican (PCP) is with the vendor (Kelsey Seybold, Village or Renaissance) you wish to have. If it is not, call Cigna at 800-997-1406 to make the change.





<sup>\*</sup>A true emergency is when an illness or injury places a person's health or life in serious jeopardy and treatment cannot be delayed. Examples include difficulty breathing, chest pain, a head injury or ingestion of a toxic substance.

## **MEDICAL PLAN RATES**

Below are the medical plan rates for the 2025 plan year.

Medical Plan Biweekly Rates						
	Consumer-Driven Health Plan (CDHP)				Open Access Plan	
Tier	Before Wellness Discount	After Wellness Discount	Before Wellness Discount	After Wellness Discount	Before Wellness Discount	After Wellness Discount
Employee Only	\$51.01	\$26.01	\$37.50	\$12.50	\$95.10	\$70.10
Employee + Children	\$103.10	\$78.10	\$142.63	\$117.63	\$235.26	\$210.26
Employee + Spouse	\$181.58	\$144.08*	\$234.30	\$196.80*	\$357.82	\$320.32*
Employee + Family	\$233.36	\$196.16*	\$312.73	\$275.23*	\$497.99	\$460.49*

 $<sup>\</sup>hbox{* After Wellness Discount based upon employee AND covered spouse completing the wellness program.}\\$ 

### **Tobacco User Fee**

If you and/or your dependents use tobacco products, you will be charged the bi-weekly tobacco user fee of \$17.50. If you and/or any of your dependents indicated tobacco use, you will be charged the tobacco user fee.

By enrolling and participating in a smoking/tobacco cessation program, you may become eligible to remove the tobacco user fee of \$17.50.

### **Wellness Discount**

Each year, employees who decide to actively engage in the Wellness Program offerings are provided opportunities to receive wellness incentive discounts towards medical plan premium rates.

If you complete the City's wellness program, you receive a \$25 biweekly discount. If your covered spouse completes the City's wellness program, you receive a \$12.50 biweekly discount.

See Page 16 for more information on how you can complete Wellness in Three Easy Steps.





## **MEDICAL PLAN COMPARISON**

Plan features Consumer-Dri		en Health Plan	Limited Network	Open Access Plan	
Fiallieatores	In Network	Out-of-Network	Plan	Open Access Flan	
Plan Year	May 1, 2025 - December 31, 2025	May 1, 2025 - December 31, 2025	May 1, 2025 - December 31, 2025	May 1, 2025 - December 31, 2025	
Medical Service Deductible	Individual \$1,150 Family \$2,350	Individual \$3,350 Family \$4,700	Individual \$125 Family \$400	Individual\$550 Family \$1,100	
Plan Year Out-of-Pocket Max	Individual \$5,800 Family \$11,600	Individual \$11,600 Family \$23,000	Individual \$5,800 Family \$11,600	Individual \$5,800 Family \$11,600	
Prescription Plan Deductible	Yes. Combined medical and pharmacy deductible, except for certain preventive medications which are not subject to deductible.		Individual \$100 Family \$300 (except for certain preventive medications which are not subject to deductible.)	No	
Health Reimbursement Account	Yes. The City pays the first \$350 to \$700 depending on coverage tier.		No	No	
Network Options	Includes Cigna's national network Out-of-network services provided with higher co-insurance and deductibles.		Choose from one of the provider groups. Only true emergencies* are covered out of the provider group.	Includes Cigna's national network. Only true emergencies* are covered out of network.	
PCP	20% after deductible is met	40% after deductible is met	\$35	\$40	
Specialist	20% after deductible is met	40% after deductible is met	\$65	Tier I Specialist \$65 Non-Tier 1 Specialist \$80	
Outpatient surgery	20% after deductible is met	40% after deductible is met	\$350 per surgery Maximum of \$700 per plan year after deductible is met	30% after deductible is met	
Inpatient facility	20% after deductible is met	40% after deductible is met	\$600 per day Maximum of \$3,000 per plan year after deductible is met	30% after deductible is met	
Emergency room	20% after deductible is met	20% after deductible is met	\$400	30% after deductible is met	
Urgent care services	20 after deduc		\$65	\$75	
Wellness Programs	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Prescription Drug Plan	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	

<sup>\*</sup> A true emergency is when an illness or injury places a person's health or life in serious jeopardy and treatment cannot be delayed. Examples include difficulty breathing, chest pain, a head injury or ingestion of a toxic substance.





## PHARMACY PLAN

When it comes to filling your prescriptions, choice, convenience and cost are important to you. There are over 4,000 retail pharmacies in your network for 30-day prescriptions and 31,000 retail pharmacies for 90-Day prescriptions.

### **Free Medications**

**Preventive Generic Medications: Preventive** 

medications are used to prevent conditions like high blood pressure, high cholesterol, heart attack, stroke, diabetes, asthma, prenatal nutrient deficiency, etc. The City's prescription drug plan covers most of these medications at no cost to you. Go to <a href="maycligna.com">myCigna.com</a> website, app or call Cigna Express Scripts at 800-997-1406 to learn which medications are free. You can also use the Drug Cost tool to estimate costs of any medications that are not on the no cost list.

No Cost Smoking Cessation and Contraceptive Medications: The City's pharmacy plan covers prescription and over-the-counter smoking cessation and contraceptive products with no copay, coinsurance or deductible.

Patient Assurance Program: Certain preferred brand insulin drugs are eligible for a maximum copayment of \$25 for a 30-day supply and \$75 for a 90-day supply at participating in-network pharmacies.

Pharmacy Plan Features Comparison					
Dhawaaaaalaa	Consumer-Driv	en Health Plan	Limited Network	Open Access	
Pharmacy plan features	In Network Out-of-Network		Plan	Open Access Plan	
Prescription deductible	Yes. Combined medical and pharmacy deductible, except for certain preventive medications which are not subject to deductible.		\$100 individual / \$300 family	No	
Retail Generic	20%		\$10 or cost	\$10 or cost	
Retail Preferred	Plan pays 80% after the	deductible is met Plan pays 40% after the	\$45	20% (\$45 min/\$100 max)	
Retail Non-preferred	deductible is met		\$60	40% (\$55 min/\$150 max)	
Retail Specialty	Specialty medications are 30-day supply only	deductible is met	\$100	40% (\$100 min/\$300 max)	
Free mail-order prescriptions through Cigna Home Delivery Pharmacy	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		pressure, osteoporosis, pren lar related drugs and supplie		

### Participating Pharmacies: 30-day

- CVS/Target
- H-E-B Pharmacy
- Kelsey-Seybold
- Walgreens
- Walmart

Visit <u>Cigna.com/Rxgonetwork</u> to see a complete list of pharmacies in your network.

### Participating Pharmacies: 90-day

- CVS/Target
- Walmart

Visit <u>Cigna.com/Rxgonetwork</u> to see a complete list of pharmacies in your network.

## **VISION PLAN**

Eye health is another important component in your overall health. The City offers a stand-alone vision plan administered by Superior Vision.

Vision Plan Biweekly Rates				
Tier	Superior Vision			
Employee only	\$4.54			
Employee + children	\$8.21			
Employee + spouse	\$7.76			
Employee + family \$12.31				
Plan Features				
Plan year May 1 - December 31, 2025				
Annual routine eye exam	\$20			
Yearly eyewear benefit for either eyeglasses or contact lenses	\$25 \$150 retail allowance for frames \$150 retail allowance for contact lenses			
The following standard lens options are covered at 100 percent: single vision, bifocal, trifocal, lonticular, progressives, high index, polycarbonate, UV coating, photochromic, anti-reflective, scratch coat, and tints.	Included in yearly eyewear benefit			
Lasik benefit	\$300 toward cost of Lasik			



## **DENTAL PLANS**

### Cigna Dental Care® (DHMO) Plan Facts

- No dollar maximums
- No deductibles
- Benefits start right away with no waiting periods
- No claim forms to file when using network dentists
- You will select a Cigna Dental Care network general dentist to manage all of your dental health care needs who will refer you to any network specialists. (Referrals are not required for pediatric dentists for children under age 7 and orthodontists.)

### Total Cigna DPPO Plan Facts

- Freedom to visit any licensed dentist or specialist
- No specialty referrals required
- The plan will cover eligible dental expenses after you satisfy any applicable waiting periods and meet any deductibles
- The plan is based on coinsurance levels that determine the percentage of costs covered by the plan for different types of services

For more information or to enroll, visit <u>cityofhoustonbenefits.org</u>.

Biweekly Dental Rates			
Tier	Cigna Dental Care® (DHMO)	Total Cigna DPPO	
Employee only	\$4.45	\$16.87	
Employee + one	\$10.79	\$38.56	
Employee + two or more	\$14.78	\$52.80	
	Plan Features		
Plan Year	May 1 - December 31, 2025	May 1 - December 31, 2025	
Service area	Throughout the United States except for 13 states*	Throughout the United States	
Annual maximum benefit	No annual maximum benefit	\$1,300 for Class I, II, & III Expenses	
Annual deductible	No annual deductible	\$30 per individual / \$100 per family	
Primary dentist referrals for specialty care	Yes	No	
Claim forms	No	In-Network: No / Out-of-Network: Yes	
Preventive services: Cleaning and oral examinations, bitewing X-rays	Preventive services - \$0	Class I Expenses: Plan pays 100% No deductible	
Basic services**: Extractions, root canals, oral surgery, restorative services (excluding gold fillings) and periodontal scaling	Extraction, Coronal remnants: \$9 Periodontal scaling: \$14-\$24 Root canal therapy, molar: Premolar — \$300 / Anterior - \$200	Plan pays 80% after the deductible is met	
Major services**: Initial fixed bridgework, crowns and dentures, replacement of bridgework	Crown, titanium : \$210 - \$300 Complete denture, maxillary: \$260 upper and lower each	Class III Expenses: Plan pays 50% after the deductible is met	
Orthodontic services**: Covered services up to two years	\$40.00 - \$1,080.00 Coverage provided for twenty-four (24) months of active treatment.	Class IV Expenses: Plan pays 50% No Ortho Deductible Lifetime Maximum: \$1,000 Children & Adults	

<sup>\*</sup>DHMO NOT available in Alaska, Maine, Montana, New Hampshire, New Mexico, North Dakota, South Dakota, Vermont, and Wyoming.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Refer to Cigna Dental Care Access DHMO Charge Summary and the Total Cigna DPPO Summary for more detailed information. You can find them online at <a href="mailto:cityofhoustonbenefits.org">cityofhoustonbenefits.org</a>.

## How to find out if your current dentist participates in a Cigna Dental Plan

- 1. Go to www.cigna.com
- 2. Select "Find a Doctor, Dentist or Facility" tab
- 3. Under "How are you Covered?" select "Employer or School"
- 4. Enter address, city, or zip
- 5. Select "Doctor by Type"
- 6. Select "General Dentist" from drop down
- 7. Under "Please Select a Plan" enter address, city or zip after "I Live In" and choose continue.
- 8. Select either Cigna Dental Care Access or Total Cigna DPPO depending upon which type plan you are interested in.
- 9. Review list of dentists in the city you typed in.

### Your dentist not in the Cigna network?

To nominate a Dental Provider, you can submit a Dental Provider Nomination Form for contracting outreach. Forms are available at <u>cityofhoustonbenefits</u>. <u>org</u> or you can request one from the Cigna

Pre-Enrollment Line at 800-401-4041.



### Important note

If you enroll in the DHMO, you are required to select a Primary Care Dentist (PCD). If your current dentist is not in the Cigna Dental Care Access (DHMO) network, you will be auto-assigned to a dentist near your zip code. After May 1, 2025, you may call Cigna at 800-997-1406 to select a different PCD from the Cigna network. PCD changes are effective the first of the following month.

### • • Dental Insurance Cards

- Dental insurance cards are dispersed to new enrollees and to current members
- that change to a different plan. Please
  - note, the Dental Office/Dental Provider name is printed on the ID card Carrier and not on the actual ID card itself.

### For more information

For detailed information, visit cityofhoustonbenefits.org to download PDFs:

- DPPO and DHMO FAOs
- Transition of Care FAQs
- Provider directories
- DPPO Orthodontics in Progress FAQs
- DHMO Orthodontics in Progress FAQs

### Need help?

If you need help choosing a dental plan, contact the pre-enrollment help line at 800-401-4041.



### **Provider**

Total Administrative Services
Corporation

800-422-4661

tasconline.com

### 2025 HFSA At a Glance

Minimum contribution:

\$240 a year

Maximum contribution:

\$2,400 a year

Plan Year:

May 1, 2025 - December 31, 2025

Incur claims:

May 1, 2025 - December 31, 2025

Deadline to file claims:

April 1, 2026

# FLEXIBLE SPENDING ACCOUNTS

There are two options available: The Healthcare Flexible Spending Account for health-related expenses and the Dependent Care Reimbursement Plan for dependent care expenses.

The provider for both plans is Total Administrative Services Corporation (TASC).

### **Healthcare Flexible Spending Account**

The Healthcare Flexible Spending Account (HFSA) allows you to stretch your budget further. The HFSA is a voluntary pre-tax benefit plan that allows you to set aside money from your paycheck to be used to pay the out-of-pocket medical, prescription, dental and vision expenses that you and your eligible dependents incur.

You never pay taxes on the money you put into your account, giving you more bang for your buck when you use pre-tax money to reimburse qualified healthcare expenses.

#### How does it work?

After enrollment, you will receive a TASC Card. The full amount is available on May 1, 2025 or upon activation of your account.

Use your TASC Card to pay of eligible expenses at the point of purchase instead of paying out-of-pocket and requesting a reimbursement.

You can also use the online account or mobile app to submit a claim.

Any missed deductions during an unpaid leave of absence will be deducted before the end of the benefit year.

### Selecting an Election Amount

Four factors to keep in mind when selecting an election amount:

- 1. Your total election amount is available on May 1, 2025 December 31, 2025, so the HFSA can help regulate your healthcare spending and take care of the unexpected expenses along the way.
- 2. The minimum annual election amount is \$240 and the maximum is \$2,400.
- 3. As an HFSA participant, you have a 90-day period (January 1, 2026 April 1, 2026) to file claims and request reimbursement for expenses incurred prior to the end of the HFSA Plan Year on December 31, 2025.
- 4. Contributions are based on 16 pay periods during this short plan year (May 1, 2025 December 31, 2025).

#### Rollover

The HFSA maximum rollover amount is \$500. The minimum amount of rollover is \$50. Any amount left above \$500 will be forfeited.

### **Dependent Care Reimbursement Plan**

Dependent Care Reimbursement Plan (DCRP) enrollment will occur in November.

The plan year is January 1 - December 31. The maximum contribution for DCRP per year is \$5,000 (family); \$2,500 (married filing separately).

## How do I manage my Flexible Spending Accounts?

TASC's web and mobile tools ensure easy access, account management, and benefit fund security for you.

#### TASC Universal Benefit Account

Your one-stop online access to all enrolled accounts includes:

- TASC Card lock lock your card in case of loss
- Pay the provider
- Email alerts
- Seamless account management
- TASC Wallet

### TASC Mobile App

Track and manage all TASC benefits and access helpful tools, anywhere and anytime—with just one app! The TASC mobile app includes special features that make it easy to keep TASC accounts safe and secure.

- TASC Card lock lock your card in case of loss
- Fingerprint (touch ID) and facial recognition
- Picture to pay
- Expense eligibility check
- Mobile alerts
- Seamless account management
- TASC wallet
- Beneshop
- Receipt Repository







### For more information

For detailed information, visit cityofhoustonbenefits.org to download PDFs:

- FSA Eligible Expenses
- Card Experience
- Web Experience
- Mobile Experience
- Dependent Care FSA Qualifications

## WELLNESS IN 3 EASY STEPS

Employees and covered spouses participating in a Cigna medical plan are eligible to participate in the wellness program and earn a medical rate discount for their 2025 medical benefits.

### 1. Annual Exam

Employees and covered spouses: Visit your physician for your annual physical exam by September 30, 2025, to earn 40% wellness completion credit.

Obtain your biometric measurements from your annual preventive exam. Your biometric measurements must be from February 1, 2025, or later.

You need up-to-date measurements for your blood pressure, total and HDL cholesterol, height, weight, and waist circumference.

### 2. Health Assessment

Employees and covered spouses: Use your up-to-date measurements to complete the online Health Assessment on <a href="maycigna.com">myCigna.com</a> between May 1, 2025 – November 14, 2025, to earn 40% wellness completion credit.

Achieve 80% by Completing Steps 1 & 2 to Earn Your Wellness Incentive Discount

### 3. Wellness Engagement

Employees and covered spouses: Go the extra mile to complete the final 20% of the Wellness Program and earn extra rewards by completing one of the four wellness engagement options between March 17, 2025 and November 14, 2025.

## **WELLNESS ENGAGEMENT OPTIONS**

### **Option A: Preventive Care**

Available: February 1, 2025 Deadline: September 30, 2025

Complete two preventive care activities. Earn 10% wellness completion credit for each goal.

- Annual Mammogram
- Annual Cervical Cancer Screening
- Annual Colonoscopy
- Flu Shot
- Prostate Cancer Screening
- Annual Dental Exam
- Annual Vision Exam\*
- Hepatitis A and B Vaccination\*
- Pneumonia Vaccination\*
- Tetanus Vaccination\*
- Varicella Vaccination\*
- Zoster (shingles) Vaccination\*
- COVID-19 Vaccination\*
- Validated Fitness Facility Attendance\*

\*Self-reported. All others reported through a Cigna claim.

## Option B: Health Coaching and Tobacco Cessation Program

Available: March 17, 2025 Deadline: November 14, 2025

Achieve a fitness, diet or health goal with the help of a trained health coach. Coaches can counsel you in weight loss, medication adherence, disease management and many other health concerns. Achieve a goal as determined by you and your clinician. Note that it takes a minimum of three coaching sessions to meet a goal. Complete an onsite or Virtual Tobacco Cessation class\*\* or Cigna Tobacco Cessation Telephonic Coaching Program, which includes nicotine replacement.

\*\*Class will be in a virtual or onsite group setting with an onsite coach.

## Option C: Onsite/Virtual Health Education Programs

Available: May 1, 2025

Deadline: November 14, 2025

Attend or participate in a City of Houston facilitated onsite or virtual program. Programs may include, but are not limited to: multi-week lifestyle management and chronic disease management programs, Fitbit challenges, Weight Watchers (WW), Kelsey Diabetes Care Program, Department Wellness programs, and City Fit Onsite Fitness programs.

### **Option D: Achieve a Health Goal**

Available: February 1, 2025 Deadline: September 30, 2025

Obtain two labs within the guidelines below. Note: All labs must be reported via a Physician fax form available on myCigna.com or done at a lab within Cigna's lab network (LabCorp, Quest).

- Achieve a fasting blood sugar of less than 100 or non-fasting blood sugar of less than 140.
- Achieve a healthy cholesterol ratio of 5.0 (male) or 4.4 (female).

### **Important**

New hires whose medical benefits become effective on or after May 1, 2025 are exempt from the 2025 wellness program.

See the wellness website for a full list of exemptions.

### For More Information

Contact the Wellness Team at WConnection@houstontx.gov or get more information by going to HoustonWellnessConnection.org.



## Get rewarded for a good decision

When you enroll in Cigna Healthy Pregnancies, Healthy Babies and complete the program, including your postpartum check-in, you'll be eligible to receive a:

\$350 VISA debit card redeemed through myCigna.
com if you enroll in the first trimester

Or

\$200 VISA debit card redeemed through myCigna.com if you enroll in the second trimester.



# PREGNANCY AND PARENTAL LEAVE

## Cigna Healthy Pregnancies, Healthy Babies program

Pregnant employees or dependents can enroll in the Cigna Healthy Pregnancies, Healthy Babies program designed to help you and your baby stay healthy during your pregnancy and in the days and weeks after your baby's birth. Through the program, you have access to maternity specialists have nursing experience and are here to support you during your whole pregnancy. You can connect with Cigna through the Cigna Healthy Pregnancy app found on the Google Plan and Apple AppStore. This valuable resources offers you an easy way to track and learn about your pregnancy. It also provides support for baby's first two years.

### Use the app to:

- Click to call a Cigna maternity specialist or case manager.
- Keep a list of things to talk about with your provider, and set reminders.
- Watch educational videos about your baby's weekly development and get personalized notifications on developmental milestones and to-dos for baby's first two years.
- View our content library with helpful information on topics such as behavioral health, coping with loss, and pediatrics for baby's first two years.

### Prenatal, Parental and Infant Wellness Policy

Paid prenatal, parental and infant wellness leaves are available to eligible employees to cover their absences away from work due to prenatal wellness healthcare appointments and/or other absences related to the pregnancy.

Eligible employees can receive:

- A maximum of 160 hours of paid prenatal leave for prenatal wellness healthcare appointments and other absences related to the pregnancy;
- A maximum of 320 hours of paid parental leave to bond and care for a child
  after the birth or placement of a child with the employee for adoption or
  foster care to be used within the first year after childbirth or placement of
  a child with the employee for adoption or foster care (maximum number of
  hours will increase to 480 effective September 1, 2023); and
- A maximum amount of forty (40) hours of infant wellness leave following the birth of a child or placement of a child with the employee for adoption or foster care to be used during the infant's first year after birth.

Visit <u>www.houstontx.gov/hr/benefits/ppi.html</u> for eligibility requirements, more information and resources on PPI, or email <u>ppileaves@houstontx.gov</u>.

## LIFE INSURANCE

### **Basic Life**

The City provides all full-time employees with Basic Life Insurance at the value of 1 times your base salary, rounded to the nearest multiple of \$1,000, to a maximum of \$300,000, but no less than \$16,000 prior to any applied reductions at no cost. With submission of appropriate documentation, your spouse is eligible for a \$2,000 life insurance benefit at no cost. Dependent children up to age 26 may also qualify for a \$1,000 life insurance benefit at no cost.

If your life situation changes at any time — such as marriage, divorce or death — you should update your beneficiary as soon as possible.

Dearborn National (Life Insurance) has merged with BlueCross BlueShield of Texas and is now known as BlueCross BlueShield of Texas on customer service lines, forms and communication materials.

### **Voluntary Life**

You have the option of purchasing Voluntary Life Insurance up to four times your base salary rounded to the nearest \$1,000 no to exceed a combined Basic Life & Voluntary Life maximum of \$1,000,000.

New hires must enroll within 30 days of your eligibility date and can elect up to three times your base salary without completing an Evidence of Insurability (EOI) form. Coverage in excess of three times requires an EOI. You can add coverage for a spouse at half of your salary, up to a maximum of \$50,000 and coverage for children is \$10,000. To apply for Voluntary Life Insurance for your spouse or children you must be enrolled in Voluntary Life Insurance as the primary insured. If you are electing within 30 days of your eligibility date, spouse and child coverage does not require an EOI.

Premiums are based on your age, salary and coverage options. Applicable rates are available on Benefitplace at <a href="https://example.com/HROneConnect.houstontx.gov">HROneConnect.houstontx.gov</a> under Organizational Updates.

### Who is Eligible for Voluntary Life Coverage?

All elected officials, full-time and part-time active status employees and retirees of the City of Houston who have completed the initial waiting period are eligible for voluntary life insurance.

- Full-time employee is an employee working forty (40) hours per week.
- Part-time employee is an employee that works least thirty (30) hours per week.
- Seasonal and temporary employees are not eligible.

Employees currently enrolled in voluntary life coverage can enroll their eligible dependents subject to any evidence of insurability requirements.



### **Important**

If you are electing or increasing Voluntary Life Insurance, you must complete an Evidence of Insurability (EOI) form to be approved. If you would like to elect Voluntary Life Insurance coverage for your dependent(s), you must enroll in Voluntary Life Insurance. NOTE: EOI is not required for children.

Enrollment or changes are available during Open Enrollment or as a New Hire only unless you experience a qualifying life event (QLE).



### Duplicate Coverage

Duplicate Voluntary Life Insurance Coverage is not permitted as follows:

- As both a City retiree and a City employee, for the same benefit.
- As both a City retiree or City employee and as a dependent of a City employee, for the same benefit.
- As a dependent of more than one City retiree, or City employee, for the same benefit.

Any individual found to have duplicate benefits coverage for the same benefit will be dropped, from the duplicate coverage.

If you find you or your dependent are currently duplicating coverage under the policy please reach out to the Human Resources Benefits Division at 832-393-6000 to make appropriate changes.

# LIFE INSURANCE Continued How do I Enroll in Voluntary Life?

If you are initially applying for, or increasing your Voluntary Life Insurance benefit follow these steps:

### 1. Make your Voluntary Life Insurance selections:

Follow the instructions for logging into Benefitplace on page 5. Go through the steps until you get to the section on life insurance.

After enrollment, you will receive a packet from BlueCross BlueShield Life Insurance by mail that will include an Evidence of Insurability (EOI) form.

### 2. Submit your forms by one of the options below:

### Mailing Address:

BlueCross BlueShield Life Insurance Attention: Medical Underwriting P.O. Box 7072
Downers Grove, IL 60515

### Fax:

855-691-7157 BlueCross BlueShield Life Insurance Attention: Medical Underwriting

Deductions from your paycheck will begin upon approval by BlueCross BlueShield Life Insurance. If you do not receive notification within 30 days of submitting your forms, contact them directly at 877-442-4207.

### Dependent Voluntary Life Coverage FAQs

My spouse and I are both City employees. Can I enroll my spouse for dependent voluntary life insurance?

No. If your spouse is covered as an employee, they cannot be covered as a dependent under your plan.

My spouse and I are both City employees. Can we both enroll our children for dependent voluntary life insurance?

No. If you are both covered as employees, only one of you may enroll your eligible dependent children for voluntary life insurance.

I am a City employee and my spouse is retiring from the City. If my spouse does not take the retiree life insurance, can I enroll them in voluntary life coverage?

Yes. If your spouse decides not to elect life insurance coverage as a retiree, you can add them to your voluntary life insurance coverage.

I am a City employee and so is my parent. Can one or both of my parents cover me as a dependent under their voluntary life insurance coverage?

No. You cannot be covered as a dependent child of another City employee.

## SUPPLEMENTAL INSURANCE

The City of Houston's Supplemental Insurance offerings are provided by Continental American Insurance Company and include Group Hospital Indemnity, Group Critical Illness with Cancer and Group Accident Insurance. They will help protect you and your family against unexpected costs due to medical conditions and hospitalization. Individual and family supplemental coverage may be a good fit for some employees who want extra financial protection.

### **Group Hospital Indemnity**

Group Hospital Indemnity provides financial assistance to enhance your current coverage, so you may be able to avoid dipping into savings or having to borrow to address out-ofpocket-expenses. Expenses like transportation and meals for family members, help with child care, or time away from work.

- One-time hospital admission benefit of \$500
- \$100 a day for ICU confinement (up to 30 days)
- \$150 a day for hospital room confinement (up to 30 days)
- \$400 a day for hospital room confinement if confined over 30 days (pays day 31-180 days)
- \$125 for outpatient surgery
- \$50 health screening benefit
- Additional benefits for treatment such as outpatient doctor's visits and an emergency room visit, inpatient and outpatient surgery and anesthesia

### **Group Critical Illness with Cancer**

Having group critical illness insurance means that you may have added financial resources to help with medical costs or ongoing living expenses.

- Up to a \$20,000 lump sum is paid directly to you upon diagnosis
- Covers cancer, heart attack, stroke, kidney failure major organ transplant, bone marrow transplant, sudden cardiac arrest, coronary artery bypass surgery, non-invasive cancer, skin cancer, coma, severe burn, loss of speech/sight/hearing, paralysis, family lodging and transportation
- Different additional and reoccurrence diagnoses are payable at 100% if separated by at least 6 consecutive months. Cancer diagnoses must be separated by 12 months Cancer-free and treatmentfree.
- \$75 health screening benefit
- No lifetime limit on payout
- Childhood Conditions Rider

### **Group Accident Insurance**

Protection for the unexpected, that's the benefit of the Group Accident Plan.

After an accident, you may have expenses you've never thought about. Can your finances handle them? It's reassuring to know that an accident insurance plan can be there for you in your time of need.

- Covered expenses include ambulance rides, emergency room visits, surgery and anesthesia, prescriptions, major diagnostic testing, burns
- 24 Hour Coverage
- Wellness Benefit \$50/year/insured
- Hospital Admission \$1500/Accident
- Hospital Confinement \$250/day
- Benefits are paid directly to you, unless otherwise assigned
- Coverage is guaranteed-issue (which means you may qualify for coverage without having to answer health questions)
- Benefits are paid regardless of any other medical insurance

#### **Need additional support?**

Contact the Continental American Insurance Company 888-687-1883

### **Important**

All premiums for these plans are Pre-Tax deductions. This means you may only add or terminate during Open Enrollment.







# EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

### What is the EAP?

The Employee Assistance Program (EAP) is a free benefit provided by the City of Houston to employees and their immediate family members. EAP Counselors work in a consultative role with managers and supervisors to address employee and organizational challenges. The City of Houston uses a hybrid model: both Internal and External EAP.

### City of Houston EAP — Internal

### 832-393-6510 | 602 Sawyer St. Suite 410

- Confidential counseling and coaching for work-related concerns
- Assessment and referral
- Support the coordination of substance abuse services
- Disruptive Events and Crisis Response
- Additional services Include:
  - Mediation & Management Consultation
  - Training by Request
  - Teletherapy
- 6 free sessions per issue available to all employees and immediate family 24/7,
   365 days a year
- Hours: Monday Friday 8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.

### City of Houston EAP — Guidance Resources

855-378-7485 | Confidential Emotional Support (Personal & Family Concerns)

Work-Life Solutions: Information, referrals, and resources for work-life needs

Addressing work-life balance issues by providing practical information and referrals. Child and elder care; Educational options; Community information; Event planning; Home improvement; Buying/selling a home, relocation; Assistance with shopping and locating items.

## Legal Support: Expert legal information from licensed ComPsych staff attorneys

- Unlimited access Family law; Wills; Bankruptcy; Estate planning; Real estate;
   ID theft.
- Local, quality referrals 30-minute in-person consultation Discounted legal fees

## Financial Resources: Financial information from ComPsych staff financial experts

- Unlimited access Budgeting; Income tax; Credit; Real estate; Debt; Retirement planning
- Confidential and objective

Online Support: <u>guidanceresources.org</u>
WebID: HOUSTONEAP

Articles, HelpSheets, tutorials, streaming videos, and self-assessments



### Final Paycheck Beneficiary Form

It is important to complete and submit a Final Paycheck Beneficiary Form to ensure that in the unfortunate event of your death your designated beneficiary(s) will receive any due compensation you would have otherwise received.

If no form is on file at the time of death your pay will be processed in accordance with applicable laws.

You can find a copy of this form on Page 26 of this guide.

## Important notice regarding Voluntary Life Insurance coverage

Duplicate Voluntary Life Insurance coverage is not permitted as follows:

- As both a City retiree and a City employee, for the same benefit.
- As both a City retiree or City employee and as a dependent of a City retiree or City employee, for the same benefit.
- As a dependent of more than one City employee for the same benefit.
- Any individual found to have duplicate benefits coverage for the same benefit (including life insurance) will automatically be dropped, from the duplicate coverage.

See page 20 for more information.

### **Medical Insurance Cards**

New insurance cards will only be issued to new enrollees or employees changing plans and/or coverage.

Log on to <u>myCigna.com</u> at any time to request or print additional medical benefits cards.

### Reminder

The City of Houston medical plans have coverage for the following:\*

- Gender Dysphoria Services
- Bariatric surgery
- Chriopractic Services
- Hearing aids
- Reduction mammoplasty (breast reduction surgery)
- Varicose vein surgery

\*Medical necessity, coverage limits and other requirements may apply.

More information can be found in the plan documents online at <a href="https://www.cityofhoustonbenefits.org">www.cityofhoustonbenefits.org</a>.

## **LEGAL NOTICES**

#### Plan Documents

The Summary of Benefits and Coverage (SBC) document will help you choose a health plan. The SBC shows you how you and the plan would share the cost for covered health care services.

This is only a summary. For more information about your coverage, refer to the 2023 plan documents. SBCs and plan documents for each of the plans can be found on the HR website at <a href="cityofhoustonbenefits.org">cityofhoustonbenefits.org</a>. For general definitions of common terms, such as allowed amount, balance billing, coinsurance, copayment, deductible, provider, or other terms see the Glossary. You can view the Glossary at <a href="https://www.healthcare.gov/sbc-glossary">https://www.healthcare.gov/sbc-glossary</a> or call 800-997-1406 to request a copy. You may obtain a printed copy of the SBC or plan documents at no charge by contacting the Benefits Division at 832-393-6000 and it will be sent to you within seven days.

Note: Information about the cost of plans is provided on page 8.

### **COBRA Notification Obligations**

Under federal law, Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA), the City of Houston is required to offer covered employees and/ or covered family members the opportunity for continued health coverage at group rates when coverage under the health plan would otherwise end due to certain qualifying events. Continuation of coverage under COBRA is the same as that provided to active employees and subject to the same requirements.

Evidence of good health is not required to continue coverage. Failure to notify the plan administrator within 60 days of a qualifying event or from the loss of coverage date will result in a loss of any potential COBRA rights you may have had.

### **Notice of Privacy Practices**

The City of Houston's group health plans, which include medical, dental and vision plans; the wellness program; flexible spending accounts; and the Employee Assistance Program, are designed to protect your privacy. In fact, even though we provide health benefits plans and programs for you, we do not have access to your medical records. That information is maintained by your doctor and your health plan provider. Federal and state laws require us to maintain the privacy of any information regarding your health care and treatment that is personally identifiable to you, and that is transmitted or maintained by the plans, regardless of the form. This includes information and identifiable factors such as your name, age, and address.

A Notice of Privacy Practices is posted at <a href="www.houstontx.gov/hr">www.houstontx.gov/hr</a> and describes how medical information about you may be used and disclosed, and how you can get access to this information. The notice also explains the plans' privacy practices, legal duties, and your rights concerning your protected health information. You can visit the website to review and retrieve the privacy notice.

### **Notice of Wellness Program Participation**

The Wellness Program is administered for City of Houston employees and certain retirees covered under a Cigna medical plan, with the goal of improving employee health and preventing disease. All activities, programs, and initiatives related to the wellness program adhere to federal regulations pertaining to employer-sponsored wellness programs, including

the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). Participation in the wellness program is voluntary and requires you to complete a health assessment that asks a number of different questions about your health-related activities and behaviors, with the goal of assessing whether you have or are predisposed to certain medical conditions, such as heart disease or diabetes. In order to complete your health risk assessment, you will be asked for your biometric numbers including height, weight, blood pressure, body mass index (BMI), and blood cholesterol levels. These health numbers can be obtained through a lab or at your doctor's office. The results of your health assessment are used to guide you to other wellness program resources, such as lifestyle management courses and health coaching. After completing the health risk assessment, you will be asked to complete one Wellness Engagement Option. These options are wide-ranging and diverse and seek to guide employees into healthier living through promotion of healthy eating habits, weight management, physical activity, immunization adherence, and taking advantage of health coaching and annual physicals.

Employees who complete an annual physical and the health assessment will receive a discount on their medical plan rate up to \$900 (for employees and covered spouses). Employees who choose not to participate in and complete the wellness program will not receive a discount on their medical plan rate and will pay the full employee share of cost for coverage. Employees on Family Medical Leave or Military Deployment for two or more months, or who become pregnant during the insurance plan year are exempt from having to complete the wellness program.

### **Important**

If you are unable to access the privacy notice, or prefer a copy by mail, contact the privacy officer at one of the following:

Privacy Officer
City of Houston
Human Resources Department
611 Walker - 4th Floor
Houston, Texas 77002
privacyofficer@houstontx.gov
832-393-6199



## FINAL PAYCHECK BENEFICIARY FORM

The Final Paycheck Beneficiary Form is provided for you to elect a beneficiary to receive any pay, which you would otherwise have received, payable based on your employment. Pay includes, but is not limited to wages, value of unused vacation accruals (VAC), compensable sick leave (CSL) if applicable, modified sick plan (MSP) and paid time off (PTO) owed to you upon your death as an active employee. Please complete the form on the following page legibly and have it notarized.

### **City of Houston Notaries**

Human Resources Benefits Representative 611 Walker–4th Floor Houston, Texas 77002 832-393-6000

> Operation Hours: Monday–Friday 8 a.m.–5 p.m.

#### Final Paycheck Beneficiary Form

**9** 611 Walker, 4th Floor, TX 77002 I **€** 832-393-6000

For HR use only

Date Received

Submit completed form via DocuSign for Election A & B. For Election C, spouse's signature and notarization is required. Submit completed form to the Secure Document Portal at bit.ly/COHBenefitsForm

Final paycheck - If my separation of employment with City of Houston is by reason of my death, I affirm the beneficiary designated herein on this form, to receive my final paycheck, which I would have otherwise received, payable based on my employment. Pay includes, but is not limited to wages, value of unused vacation accruals, value of compensable (CLS) sick leave hours, value of modified sick plan (MSP) leave hours, and paid time off (PTO) hours, if any supported by City ordinances, policies, procedures, and/or recognized labor union agreements in effect at the time of my death and payable through the City of Houston payroll system. Pay does not include any payments, resulting from my participation in City-sponsored programs or plans, payable from external sources.

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## CONTACTS

### City of Houston Benefits Division

611 Walker, 4th Floor
Houston, Texas 77002
832-393-6000
benefits@houstontx.gov
retireebenefits@houstontx.gov
cityofhoustonbenefits.org

### Cigna Medical

800-997-1406
On-site Cigna Team:
832-393-6305 (A-F)
832-393-6192 (G-M)
832-393-6191 (N-S)
832-393-6193 (T-Z)
cityofhoustonserviceinquiries@cigna.com
myCigna.com

### Cigna Mental Health and Substance Abuse

800-997-1406 myCigna.com

### Cigna Express Scripts Pharmacy for Mail Order

800-997-1406

### Cigna Dental

800-997-1406 myCigna.com

### **Employee Assistance Program (EAP)**

832-393-6510 855-378-7485 TTY:711 employeeassistanceprogram@houstontx.gov guidanceresources.org Web ID: HOUSTONEAP

### **Superior Vision**

800-507-3800 superiorvision.com

## Total Administrative Services Corporation (HFSA & DCRP)

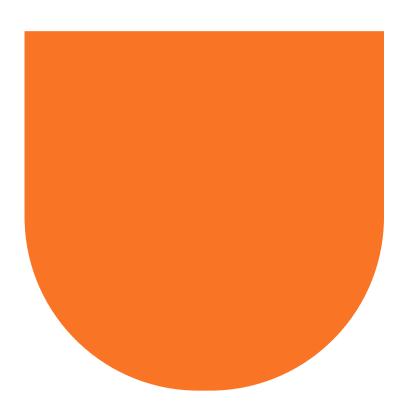
800-422-4661 tasconline.com

## Continental American Insurance Company (Supplemental Insurance)

888-687-1883

#### BlueCross BlueShield Life Insurance

877-442-4207 ancillaryquestionsTX@bcbstx



### **Retirement Benefits**

### **Empower Retirement/Deferred Compensation**

713-426-5588 832-393-9062 877-313-7693 empower-retirement.com

## Houston Firefighters' Relief and Retirement Fund 281-372-5100

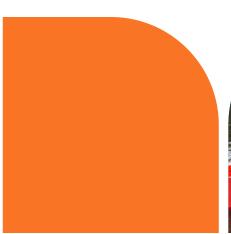
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### **Houston Municipal Employees Pension System**

713-595-0100 hmeps.org

### **Houston Police Officers Pension System**

713-869-8734 hpops.org











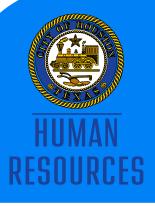












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