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Hearing Aid (Retirees)

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If you need help with your hearing aid during the pandemic office closures, please call HearUSA at 800-442-8231, not your audiologist.

How does the HearUSA plan work?

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Hearing aid benefits are available to you and your covered dependents every 36 months. The Fund has chosen HearUSA to be the exclusive hearing aid network to provide members and their eligible dependents with a program for hearing tests and hearing aids.

You can purchase a hearing aid for a discounted price from HearUSA or use a nonparticipating provider and receive direct reimbursement of up to \$500 every 36 months. For out-of-network claims first contact HearUSA at 1-800-442-8231 prior to your appointment to be eligible for a maximum \$500 direct reimbursement.

To obtain service from HearUSA, members begin by calling the toll-free number (800) 442-8231 to schedule an appointment with a provider. You will be given the names of three participating HearUSA practitioners in your area and the nearest HearUSA store. You may continue to request additional names of participating practitioners until you are satisfied with your choices. If you have a specific hearing aid manufacturer in mind, you may also request the names of nearby HearUSA participating practitioners who carry hearing aids from that particular manufacturer. HearUSA offers hearing aids from 11 manufacturers.

Members and Dependents are eligible for:

- Free annual hearing screening
- In-plan Hearing Aid Benefit \$1,500 per ear (\$3,000 total) every 36 months.
- Guaranteed price discounts on all hearing aids
- Unlimited visits during the first year of purchase (adjustments, cleaning programming)
- Loaner hearing aids available when your hearing aids are being serviced
- 3-Year Warranty: repair and one-time replacement due to loss or damage (deductible applies)
- 3-Year supply of batteries
- 12-Month interest free financing available
- 10% off hearingshop.com for accessories and batteries using code EARUSA
- Out-of-network maximum direct reimbursement of \$500 every 36 months in lieu of in network purchase. For out-of-network claims first contact HearUSA at 1-800-442-8231 prior to your appointment to be eligible for a maximum \$500 direct reimbursement.

To learn more or to make an appointment with a HearUSA provider, you must contact HearUSA directly at 1-800-442-8231 and let them know that you are a member of the PSC-CUNY Welfare Fund, so they can determine your eligibility.

Hearing Aid Out-of-Network Reimbursement

For out-of-network claims, you must first contact HearUSA at 1-800-442-8231 prior to your appointment to be eligible for a maximum \$250 per ear (\$500 maximum) direct reimbursement.

Please send your hearing aid receipt or proof of payment to:

HEARUSA Network Claims Department P. O. Box 31927 West Palm Beach, Fl 33420

Or you may fax your claim to: ATTN: HEARUSA Network Claims department Fax # 561-651-2020

Please attach a letter to your claim stating your name, address, and phone #. Indicate that you are a PSC CUNY Welfare Fund member.

For information on claims processing, please call Shirley Bravo at 800-528-3277 Ext. 106.

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