

Liberty HealthShare News July 2021

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Many of us have become accustomed to the lack of cost transparency in our healthcare system.

Medical prices continue to climb. Yet, the average healthcare consumer doesn't know that they have the power to lower these costs.

This is one of the reasons healthsharing is different, our sharing process is straightforward, and we aim to empower you in being a wise, accountable healthsharing member.

We share the results of our collective resources each month. Members can see a visual representation of their stewardship and our community's collective good: our SharePower. It's our power to share each other's needs, as seen in these three areas: our SharePower received, the medical expenses received, and the medical costs shared in a month.

Our SharePower is a gift from one member to another member.

How our SharePower works:

Around the beginning of the month, members contribute to their sharing community. These contributions, called shares, vary in amount and are dependent on family size, health needs, and our member's chosen program level. The total amount of SharePower received is the combined sum of member shares in a month.

Our members share medical costs, price shop for healthcare and make frugal healthcare choices.

Additionally, early self-pay, medical discounts result in a smoother sharing process for our entire community. The result is lower medical expenses for all. The amount shown in our newsletter is the medical expenses that are submitted to our sharing community.

The kindness of our members is displayed in the medical expenses shared each month. Medical expenses are shared within our healthsharing process as they are received and reflect the positive stewardship of our members. As a result, millions in medical costs are shared across our community every month.

Understanding our SharePower and its purpose helps us to be mindful of how we manage our medical care and ensures that we all do our part in keeping our sharing community active and strong.

Healthsharing members care for each other in meaningful ways. Here are three ways that our members care for one another:

Remain committed to the sharing process:

Our healthsharing members understand that their commitment to our sharing community is the foundation of our ability to support one another in times of need. Being a responsible healthsharing member requires effort and commitment, but it is also a freeing way to care for your health and support the health of others within your community.

Explain what healthsharing is to your providers:

When you talk to your provider and explain that you are a self-pay patient and a member of an active, healthy sharing community, you are doing your part to ensure that healthsharing is a viable option in the future. It's essential to build rapport and relationships with your medical team. When providers support healthsharing, healthcare discounts and requested CPT codes are more easily accessible.

Do your part in keeping healthcare costs low:

Much like in your local community, in our healthsharing community, your actions have a ripple effect that can positively or negatively impact others. Healthsharing members who make thoughtful, deliberate healthcare decisions help make the sharing process more efficient for everyone.

Here's how you can help:

Search and compare medical services early, anticipate and budget for emergency medical needs, communicate openly with your providers, and always give us a call, if you have questions about your membership.

requires effort and commitment, but it is also a freeing way to care for your health and support the health and your fellow healthsharing members.

Receiving the best price **before** you schedule a medical service helps keep costs low for you and your fellow healthsharing members.

Click the video to learn more about our SharePower

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Asking for a self-pay discount and receiving discounts on medical services is vital to being a healthsharing member. Knowing how much you should be paying for a medical service or a fair price can seem elusive, but this isn't the case for Liberty HealthShare members.

Fair pricing for medical care protects our SharePower and the wellbeing of our community! With Healthcare Bluebook, our members have a valuable tool they can use to talk with their providers. You'll learn what a provider charges for a medical cost in your area versus what other providers charge. With this information, you will select a provider who offers fair pricing, better communicate with your medical team and use the comparison results to make the best decision for you and your community.

Compare Before You Schedule Your Care

Stewarding your healthcare costs will help you and other members save SharePower, and Healthcare Bluebook is our most powerful resource to help you do this.

You can save money on hundreds of standard medical services and procedures by knowing the cost ranges in your area, and Healthcare Bluebook provides you with a selection of Fair Price™ (Green) facilities.

You can compare prices between providers with a simple search to make cost-efficient healthcare choices in non-emergent situations. Search for your procedure, review the price range shown on the color bar, then scroll down the page and review the list of facility options by quality and cost. Choosing a quality, low-price provider is simple and doesn't have to feel complicated.

Did you know?

Medical bills are frequently 'upcoded' and priced higher than the actual costs of medical services to increase profit.

Healthsharing members are aware of this standard practice and request CPT and diagnosis codes to ensure they are receiving a fair price for care.

View Quality Ratings

Healthsharing members realize that the cost of a medical service doesn't equal the quality of the healthcare they receive. Evidence shows, the price of a healthcare service doesn't offer a consistent result on the quality of care, which is why we encourage you to take advantage of Healthcare Bluebook. This tool provides Liberty HealthShare members the ability to compare quality ratings and make informed decisions about their care.

Within a Healthcare Bluebook search, quality ratings are based on these common performance areas: patient complications, patient safety, mortality, and compliance with standards of care. You can view side-by-side comparison ratings and choose a provider or facility that offers you the highest quality at the lowest price.

You can access the Healthcare Bluebook tool in your ShareBox at sharebox.libertyhealthshare.org/hcbb and log in from your PC, laptop, or mobile device.

Then the Lord asked him, "What is that in your hand?" "A shepherd's staff," Moses replied. Exodus 4:2 NLT

What is God asking you to do? When God asks us to do something, it will often be something that we cannot do without Him. For many of us, our first response might be to offer excuses as to why we are not the right person for the job.

Moses was 80 years old. He was a fugitive for 40 years from Egypt and lived with his father-in-law. When God calls him to lead the people of Israel out of Egyptian bondage into freedom and the promised land, he offers lots of excuses as to why he is not the right person to do the job.

God asks him a simple question, "What is that in your hand?" As far as Moses is concerned, it was just a simple ordinary shepherd's staff, but it was much more than that. It represented his perception of himself and his problem, but it also represented his potential with God's help. Eventually, that staff played some significant roles in the job God called him to do.

We love to focus on our weaknesses, or at least they beg for our attention, but with God, all things are possible. With God, there is nothing that you can't do if He asks it of you. When you follow God, you will more than likely go down paths that you could never imagine. The faithful followers will always be asked to do things that call for His assistance, the Spirit's power, and great faith on our part.

What is that in your hand? Are you willing to use it for God? The very thing you think is a weakness may be what God wants to use the most. Let God use you today to do the unthinkable.

And He said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness."

2 Corinthians 12:9 NLT

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This month, we are pleased to introduce you to Kasey, one of our Prenotification Intake Specialists. Kasey has been serving our community since 2020 by assisting members and providers in creating prenotification requests so our members can receive the medical services they need. Prenotification of medical services is a very important aspect in our member journey and our dedicated staff, like Kasey, help guide our members through the process.

Kasey's favorite thing about being a member of the Liberty HealthShare team is knowing that she can rely on her peers for support and help at any time. She loves getting to know our members from all over the US and is happy to help our members get healthier and back to their normal, daily activities. "I always feel valued and that I'm helping in a positive way," Kasey said.

The Prenotification team works well together and alongside other departments, prioritizing our members healthcare while lowering medical expenses for all.

We asked Kasey about her favorite quote, "Never regret anything that made you smile," and she says that if you live with regret, you don't get to live to your full potential. While working at Liberty HealthShare, Kasey continues to live to her full potential and pursue goals like traveling with her daughter, and remaining happy and healthy with her family.

We are blessed to have Kasey as part of our family at Liberty HealthShare, where we encourage one another to be our best for our members. Make sure to check back next month to get to know another member of our team!

Congratulations to our members who have completed their HealthTrac journey in June!

These members have taken steps to improve their health and well-being for themselves, their families, and the entire Liberty HealthShare community.

Working one-on-one with a personal HealthTrac coach, each member has followed a program to help them in one or more areas, including diabetes, smoking cessation, weight loss, hypertension, heart disease, or high cholesterol. These members have done the hard work over the long term to meet their goals.

Here's some of what June's graduates had to say about the program and their coaches:

Taylor, you are a "hero" in my books! You kept me on my path of good health whenever I wanted to "stray!" You were neither judgmental nor critical, instead you kept me motivated and marked each of my successes. I am deeply grateful to have achieved this mile-marker and will continue to manage my good health. Eve T.

Thanks to Robin, my Healthtrac adviser, for working closely with me in order to achieve my goal! *Grace C.*

Thank you Emily for everything. You are beyond amazing! Amanda B.

This is easy when you are living a healthy life. Robert T.

Thanks for all the support! I feel great!! Christie D.

Thanks to Mim for being such a great coach! Pamela D.

Yay! Gold star for me! Kelli C.

Thanks! Paul H.

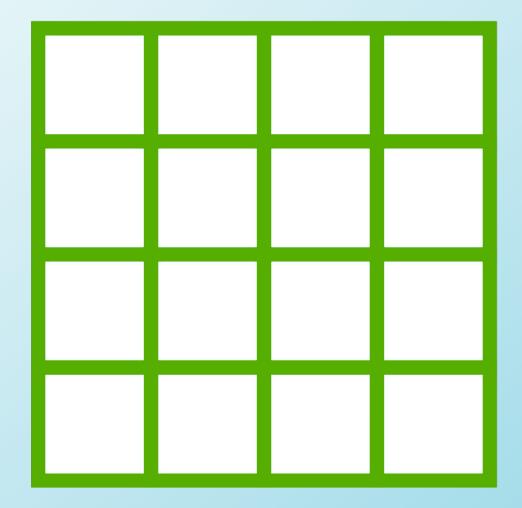
Congratulations... Amanda Bonds, Carl Mason, Chris Cousin, Christie Dieringer, Debbie Peterson, Diane Forsyth, Elisabeth Johnsen, Eve Turner, Grace Casillan, James Jordan, Jan Langley, Karen Cooper, Karen Woods, Kelli Cotter, Lunei Fitzsimmons-Gonzalez MD, Melissa Longo, Pamela Dotson, Paul Hasselquist, Rebecca Lohn, Robert Flanegin, Robert Truesdale, Tami Green

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BRAIN TEASER!

CREATE YOUR OWN PAPER PET!

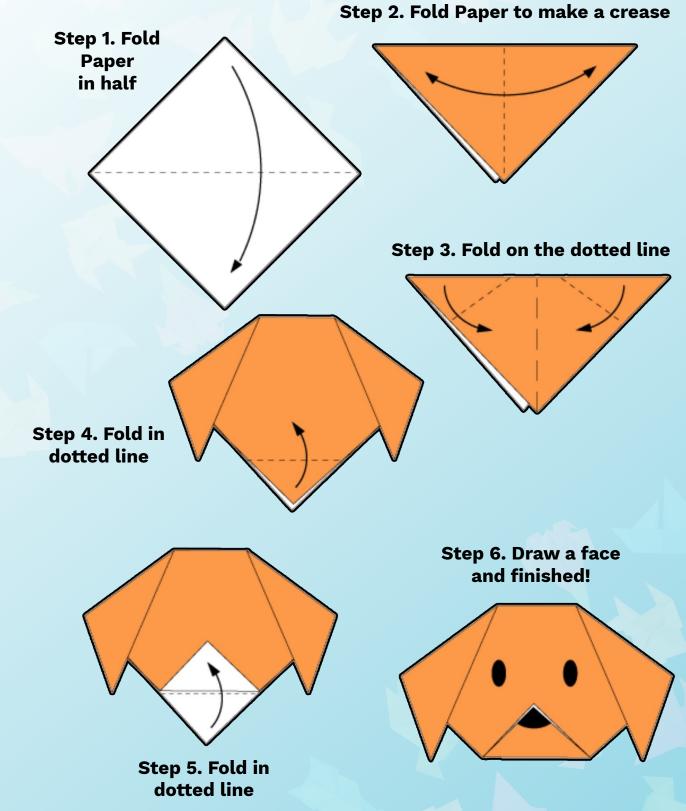




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IMPORTANT LIBERTY HEALTHSHARE MEMBER INFORMATION

ShareBox

Important Membership Tools

- Access membership guidelines
- Submit medical expenses
- View your AUA & sharing history
- Check status of submitted expenses
- View/change contact information
- PrayerBox request & provide prayer

Member Services

Need member services support? We encourage you to use ShareBox or email as the primary means to communicate. We will address your inquiry as soon as possible, but it may take a little longer due to COVID-19 safety measures aimed to protect our employees.

Prenote

If your provider prescribes a non-urgent treatment, testing, procedure or surgery, please send us a prenotification request form found in your ShareBox.

Urgent prenotifications should be called into our Prenote department at 855-585-4237.

Member Payments

All monthly shares should be sent via ShareBox. If you are unable to access your ShareBox, mail your monthly share to the following address: Payee: Gospel Light DBA Liberty HealthShare Payment Address: PO Box 771972, Detroit, Michigan 48277-1972

JUNE SHAREPOWER

Together in Health



SharePower Received:

\$27,298,443

Medical Expenses Shared:

\$27,112,547

Medical Expenses Received:

\$30,170,284

The amount of Medical Expenses Received represents eligible medical expenses repriced and processed for the month.

We Are Updating our Records!

In the coming months, you may be contacted by our enrollment department to update your authorized representative and/or End-of-Life financial assistance recipients. Please add our phone number 1-855-585-4237 to your contacts so our calls to you are not blocked by spam filters.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact our enrollment department at 1-855-585-4237 x 1768.

YOUR SHAREBOX

How to update your membership

It's important to keep your membership information, such as your address and contact information, up-to-date in your ShareBox. This can help improve sharing times for you and all of our members.

Log into your ShareBox. On the left-hand side click on "MEMBERSHIP," and review your email, phone, and address to ensure they are correct. You can also make program changes, update your sharing name, or update your share funding.

ENROLLMENT ANNIVERSARY:

On the anniversary of your enrollment date, you will be charged a \$75 renewal fee in addition to your suggested monthly share amount.

Contact Information

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