

## Stockbridge Community Schools Explanation of Special Medical Reimbursement Benefits

### Hearing Care Services

- These services require written authorization from a physician
- You must see a board certified physician, either an otologist or otolaryngologist
- The physician determines whether the hearing loss can be offset by a hearing aid
- The medical hearing loss exam is covered under the medical benefits and not included in this maximum benefit limitation of this section

**Limitations per ear:  
\$1,684 max per hearing Aid and \$250 Max for all other benefits combined.**

An Audiometric Examination for either or both ears:

Is performed by a physician specialist or audiologist or hearing aid specialist/ dealer, Is performed within 6 months of a medical hearing loss examination, Includes tests for measuring hearing perception relating to air conduction, bone conduction, and speech reception threshold and speech discrimination and includes a summary of findings.

A hearing aid evaluation test and a conformity test to either one or both ears, that is prescribed by a physician specialist, is performed following a medical hearing loss examination and audiometric examination and is performed by a physician specialist audiologist or hearing aid specialist dealer.

The actual cost of dispensing fee for a hearing aid for either or both ears. The hearing aid must be designed to be worn in the ear, behind the ear or on the body; Prescribed by a physician specialist audiologist or hearing aid specialist based on the most recent audiometric examination and hearing aid evaluation test: the make and model prescribed by the physician specialist, audiologist, or hearing aid specialist and provided by a specialist or dealer.

Expenses not covered for the hearing care include:

An audiometric exam by an audiologist or hearing aid specialist that are not prescribed by a physician-specialist. Hearing aids delivered more than 60 days after coverage ended. Charges for spare hearing aids; Replacement of hearing aids that are lost or broken, unless this benefit was not used for at least thirty-six (36) months: Hearing aids that do not meet Food and Drug Administration and Federal Trade Commission requirements.