

Prime Care Connect medical coverage is designed for those with limited household income and intended to reduce the financial reasons that may prevent them from getting appropriate and timely health care. The Ohio State University Health Plan provides support to help determine those who are qualified to participate in this coverage.

Application can be made during Ohio State’s Open Enrollment period or within 30 days of a change in the number of family members which results in you meeting ALL eligibility requirements. A decrease in household income during the plan year is not an event that allows enrollment during the plan year. **Household income is based on the prior year’s tax return.** If approved and application was made due to an event, Prime Care Connect coverage will be effective on the event date. If approved, and application was made during Open Enrollment, coverage will be effective January 1 of next year. A letter will be sent from OSU Health Plan advising you of the final decision. If you are enrolled in one of the university’s other medical coverage options and your application is approved, your coverage will be automatically changed to Prime Care Connect.

If you believe that you meet ALL eligibility criteria, contact the **OSU Health Plan** at **614-292-4700 or 800-678-6269** and a customer service representative will provide information to help you with the application process. Forms will be mailed and you will be asked to complete and sign a brief application, provide proof of household income, and any other necessary documentation, and return the completed paperwork to OSU Health Plan. All applications are treated as confidential. Eligibility approvals will be sent to the Office of Human Resources for processing enrollment; however, no information contained in the application is made available to your employer.

The premium deduction for Prime Care Connect is the same as Prime Care Advantage, but the member and their enrolled dependents will have lower out-of-pocket cost due to reduced copayments, coinsurance and out-of-pocket maximum. Coverage details can be found in the Faculty and Staff Health Plan Specific Plan Details Document at hr.osu.edu/benefits/medical.

Benefit Component	Network	
	Premier	Standard
Annual Deductible¹	Individual: \$150; Family: \$300	
Coinsurance	You pay 15%	You pay 25%
Annual Out-of-Pocket Maximum	Individual: \$1,500; Family: \$3,000	
Preventive Care	You pay \$0	
Office Visit: Primary Care Provider (PCP)²	You pay \$0	You pay \$20 copay
Office visit: Specialist	You pay \$20 copay	You pay \$30 copay
Urgent Care	You pay \$35 copay	
Emergency Room (waived if admitted)	You pay \$100 copay	
Inpatient Hospitalization	You pay \$200 copay	You pay \$300 copay
Outpatient Surgery	You pay \$100 copay	You pay \$150 copay

These specific criteria must be met to qualify for Prime Care Connect:

Eligibility Requirements

- Full-time Ohio State faculty or staff employee (75%–100%) in a Regular or Temp appointment, **and**
- Taxable household income that does not exceed 225% of the federal poverty level (listed below).
Note: COTC, OSUP and Graduate Associates are not eligible for this coverage.

Persons in Family	Maximum Household Income
1	\$28,980
2	\$39,195
3	\$49,410
4	\$59,625
5	\$69,840
6	\$80,055
7	\$90,270
8	\$100,485
9 and up	add \$10,215 per additional person

¹ A separate deductible applies for infertility treatment.

² A PCP is a generalist physician designated as a family medicine, general internal medicine, geriatric medicine or general pediatrics provider. Primary care services can also be provided by a primary care nurse practitioner who practices with a PCP. This benefit also applies to University Health Connect, Convenient Care, and The Little Clinic visits.