

Abortion Access Plan

Basic Information, FAQs, and Scenarios

Basic Information

The Abortion Access Plan (AAP) covers abortion services for people who have either a:

- Non-PEBB Providence Health Plan that does not cover abortion services, or
- Plan purchased by a nonprofit religious organization that does not cover abortion services (e.g., churches or institutions operated by churches).

The plan must be issued in Oregon and may not cover abortion services at any level (even with a high deductible).

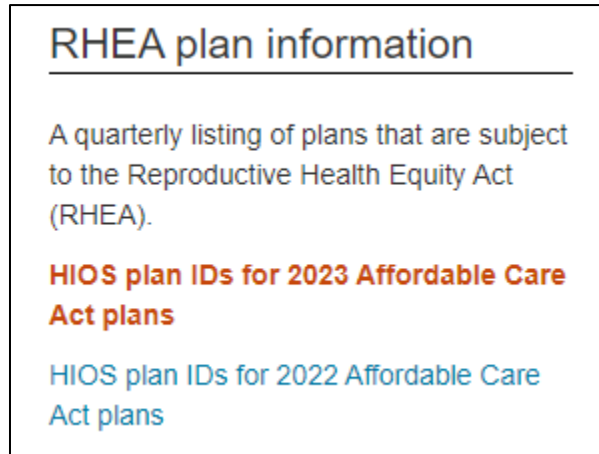
FAQ

Q What are the resources to determine if a plan is regulated in Oregon and subject to RHEA coverage requirements?

A Go to:

<https://dfr.oregon.gov/insure/health/understand/coverage/Pages/reproductive-health.aspx>,

and then scroll down to RHEA plan information where you will find a link to *HIOS plan IDs for [year] Affordable Care Act Plans*.



Q Does AAP cover services/visits such as ectopic pregnancies, early pregnancy loss, if multiple service appointments are needed, or if the patient changes their mind and doesn't receive an abortion service?

A Yes. AAP will reimburse for services related to medication management of ectopic pregnancies (i.e., methotrexate), management of early pregnancy loss, if multiple appointments are needed, or the patient ultimately does not receive abortion services (e.g., patient decision, no pregnancy, non-viable pregnancy).

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If there is some likelihood that the patient's insurance will cover the services provided (e.g., ultrasound only visit), then the provider should try and bill the insurance first and balance bill AAP, if needed. Treatment for ectopic pregnancies beyond medication management is covered by Providence and insurance plans purchased by nonprofit religious organizations and thus, should be billed directly to those plans.

Q Will claims be submitted to Ahlers (the RH Program's 3rd party claims processor)?

A No, claims will be submitted directly to the RH Program. They will be processed on a monthly basis.

Q How do we submit claims to AAP?

A Complete the Abortion Access Claims Form and securely email the claim to: rh.billing@oha.oregon.gov or through the RH Program's secure fax line: 971-673-0271. Include Abortion Access Plan in the subject of the email. Please do not include any individually identifiable patient information in the body or subject line of the fax or email. More information about completing and submitting the claims form can be found in the 'Instructions for Completing the AAP Claims Form' document.

Q Will the RH Program ask for repayment if a patient turns out to be ineligible for coverage under AAP?

A No, because clinics are required make reasonable efforts to determine that the patient was enrolled in an eligible plan, the RH Program will not recoup payment even if it is later determined that the patient wasn't eligible for the program.

Q What about plans that say the procedure is covered after the deductible is met?

A Patients enrolled in high deductible health plans are not eligible for AAP.

A AAP was created to cover members enrolled in one of the following two plan types:

1. Providence (non-PEBB) plans that do not include an additional rider (e.g., Unified Life) for abortion coverage.

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2. Plans purchased by nonprofit religious organizations (churches or institutions operated by churches) that don't cover abortion services.

Q What do we do if we think the patient's health insurance plan is subject to RHEA but is not in compliance??

A Call Consumer Hotline 888-877-4894 (toll-free)

Email: DFR.InsuranceHelp@dcbs.oregon.gov

File complaints: <https://dfr.oregon.gov/help/complaints-licenses/Pages/file-complaint.aspx>

Scenarios

The patient lives and works in Idaho for a religious organization and travels to Oregon for abortion services.

A AAP is only for people with insurance plans issued/based in Oregon.

The patient's insurance covers abortion services but only after they've met the high deductible.

A Patients enrolled in high deductible health plans are not eligible for AAP. AAP is only available to people enrolled in a non-PEBB Providence plan or a health plan purchased by a non-profit religious organization (e.g., churches or institutions operated by churches) that does not cover abortion services.

The patient has Providence commercial as primary and OHP as secondary. Do we bill OHP instead of this fund?

A Bill OHP. However, if client has Providence as primary and Medicare as secondary, bill AAP.

For questions about the Abortion Access Plan, email rh.billing@oha.oregon.gov and include Abortion Access Plan in the subject line of the email.