

EMPLOYER SOLUTION TO CAP PLAN COSTS

SpouseSaver Incentive Account



In a typical employer health insurance plan, an employee may have coverage for most doctor and hospital visits, prescription drugs, wellness care, and surgical procedures. While insurance covers most of these medical expenses, the employee usually has out-of-pocket expenses like copays, coinsurance and deductibles. SpouseSaver by NueSynergy is an incentive funded with contributions made by you, the employer, that can help cover costs incurred by an employee's enrolled spouse.

What is SpouseSaver?

When employees enroll in a group health plan, they have the opportunity to add a spouse and dependents to the plan as well. While they'll still have this option, if an employee and his/her spouse both have access to health insurance through their employers or through another organization (i.e., alternate group plan), it can make a big difference how they decide to enroll – for the employer and the employee.

SpouseSaver is a NueSynergy product that provides an option for the spouse of a benefit eligible employee to enroll in an alternate health insurance plan for the opportunity to have up to 100% coverage of the spouse's in-network, out-of-pocket expenses.

Instead of the employee enrolling his/her spouse on the group health plan, the employee can choose the SpouseSaver option in which the spouse is incentivized to enroll in an alternate group plan, if one is available. The SpouseSaver option is offered by the eligible employee's company with a set contribution for his/her spouse.

Why do employers choose SpouseSaver?

Employers realize immediate premium savings and a decrease in claims when an employee's spouse is no longer on the group plan. Employers see a significant reduction in fixed expenses, which can be used to fund the SpouseSaver account while still decreasing plan costs from the prior year.

What are the benefits for the employee and spouse?

Because the employer has fewer claims costs and an overall reduction in plan premiums, they are able to offer better

coverage to employees whose spouses choose alternate group plans.

The spouse's alternate group health insurance plan paired with the SpouseSaver incentive account offering allows the employer to provide up to 100% coverage of the spouse's in-network, out-of-pocket expenses, like deductibles, copays and coinsurance.

Who can participate?

If an employee's spouse is currently on the group health plan, he/she can participate by moving from that plan and electing to enroll in alternate group coverage. In fact, if it makes sense for the employee, their dependent(s) can also move to the spouse's coverage to take full advantage of additional SpouseSaver account incentives offered by the employer.

How can employees and their spouses/dependents take advantage of the incentive?

In order to take advantage of the SpouseSaver, the eligible employee must provide the employer with proof that his/her spouse (and dependents, if applicable) has qualifying health coverage.



Significant employer savings. Predictable plan expenses.

Employee + Spouse coverage to Employee Only reduces risk.

Have questions or need more information? Call 855-890-7239.







Unique & Smart

SpouseSaver by NueSynergy is the ideal solution for many employers who have experienced high claims utilization from their employees' spouses included on the employer health plan.

Closing the Gap: In a typical group health plan, an employee typically has coverage for most doctor and hospital visits, prescription drugs, wellness care, and surgical procedures. While insurance covers most of these medical expenses, the employee usually has out-of-pocket expenses like copays, coinsurance and deductibles. The SpouseSaver incentive account can cover up to 100% of these costs, incurred by the spouse, with contributions made from the employer. *

Controlling Costs: The spouse is welcome to stay on the employee's group health plan, however, the SpouseSaver incentive account is only offered if the spouse has access to, and enrolls in, alternate group coverage.

Savings & Security

Employers benefit from SpouseSaver by realizing premium savings, claims reduction, and the security of fixed costs

Shifting the Risk: With Employee + Spouse coverage, once the employee and spouse reach their out-of-pocket maximum, the group plan pays 100% for the remainder of the plan year, making plan coverage expenses unpredictable. SpouseSaver caps the plan's risk at the set incentive account contribution amount.

Premium Savings: Instead of forcing an employee's spouse off of the group plan, the employer can offer SpouseSaver as an incentive when the spouse elects alternate coverage outside of their group health plan, like access to health insurance they may already have through their employer. Fewer participants translates into substantial premium savings – a large portion of which is paid by the employer.

Group Plan



Employee + Spouse Plan

Jerry elects
Employee + Spouse coverage
with no SpouseSaver



- Employer takes on risk of Jerry's spouse, Amber.
- Plan covers most doctor and hospital visits, prescription drugs, wellness care, and surgical procedures.
- Jerry and Amber pay out-of-pocket expenses (like copays, coinsurance, deductible).
- Once the out-of-pocket maximum is reached,
 Jerry's employer is responsible for 100% for the remainder of the plan year.

SpouseSaver Savings



Employee Only

Jerry elects Employee Only coverage and the employer's SpouseSaver option





Alternate Coverage

Amber elects her group or alternate coverage to take advantage of SpouseSaver



- Jerry's employer can control costs in the form of premium cost savings and claim reductions. With this savings, employees are offered more stability in premium costs.
- Jerry's group plan and Amber's alternate group plan cover most doctor and hospital visits, prescription drugs, wellness care, and surgical procedures.
- Amber's in-network, out-of-pocket expenses are paid with incentive account contributions made by Jerry's employer.
- Jerry's employer caps risk at the account contribution amount.

^{*} The SpouseSaver incentive account may impact the ability to contribute to an HSA if a spouse enrolls in an HSA-qualified high deductible health plan. Consult a tax professional for regulations and restrictions.