

SECTION 10

Special Programs

Stay Healthy Benefit

MCIC promotes preventive health through a Stay Healthy benefit. MCIC members 18 years and older may obtain reimbursement of up to \$50 annually on their health club or YMCA membership, weight loss clinic, smoking cessation class or any other structured program.

Members must submit receipts to MCIC along with a reimbursement form.

Hearing Aids

Hearing Exam

MCIC will pay participating providers for the cost of hearing exams less the benefit plan office co-pay.

Hearing Aids

MCIC will pay for new hearing aids if medically necessary once per ear in a 36 month period. Both the aid and the dispensing fee are subject to co-payments, co-insurance or deductibles of the benefit plan.

Reconditioning and repair of existing hearing aids is also covered at those same levels.

Coverage is limited to the standard model as determined by MCIC:

(Normally covered are behind-the-ear and in-the-ear hearing aids. Canal hearing aids, which are less visible than the in-the-ear hearing aids are considered "cosmetic" and not usually covered.)

Most MCIC plans have a 50% coinsurance on both the hearing aid and the dispensing fee charged with the hearing aid. Only standard hearing aids are allowed, the additional fees for completely-in-the-canal hearing aids are the members financial responsibility.