Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options (HMO-SNP) Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options CW (HMO-SNP) 2026 Summary of Benefits



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Introduction

This document is a brief summary of the benefits and services covered by Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options. It includes answers to frequently asked questions, important contact information, an overview of benefits and services offered, and information about your rights as a member of Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options. Key terms and their definitions appear in alphabetical order in the last chapter of the *Member Handbook*, otherwise known as the *Evidence of Coverage*.

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A. Disclaimers



This is a summary of health services covered by Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options for January 1, 2026 – December 31, 2026. This is only a summary. Please read the *Member Handbook* for the full list of benefits. If you don't have a *Member Handbook*, call Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options Member Services at the number at the bottom of this page to get one or visit **www.thpmp.org/sco-member**.

- Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options is an HMO-SNP with a Medicare Contract. Enrollment in Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options depends on contract renewal.
- The HMO-SNP is available to anyone who has both MassHealth Standard (Medicaid) and Medicare Parts A and B. You aren't eligible to enroll into Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options if you are enrolled in any other health insurance plan, with the exception of Medicare. Other eligibility requirements and restrictions may apply.
- Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options is a voluntary MassHealth (Medicaid) program in association with EOHHS and CMS.
- Estate Recovery Awareness: MassHealth is required by federal law to recover money from the estates of certain MassHealth members who are age 55 years or older, and who are any age and are receiving long-term care in a nursing home or other medical institution. For more information about MassHealth estate recovery, please visit www.mass.gov/estaterecovery.
- Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options complies with applicable Federal civil rights laws and doesn't discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex (including pregnancy, sexual orientation, and gender identity).
- For more information about **Medicare**, you can read the *Medicare & You* handbook. It has a summary of Medicare benefits, rights, and protections, and answers to the most frequently asked questions about Medicare. You can get it at the Medicare website (<u>www.medicare.gov</u>) or by calling 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227). TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048.
- For more information about **MassHealth Standard (Medicaid)**, you can contact the Office of the Ombudsman by phone at 1-855-781-9898 (Toll Free), videophone (VP) users may call 1-(339) 224-6831, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

- You can get this document for free in other formats, such as large print, Braille, or audio. Call Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options at the number listed in the footer at the bottom of the page. The call is free.
- This document is available for free in Spanish. Other languages are available upon request.
- Your request for this document in an accessible format or language will be applied on a standing basis unless you request otherwise.

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English ATTENTION: If you speak another language, free language assistance services are available to you. Appropriate auxiliary aids and services to provide information in accessible formats are also available free of charge. Call 1-855-670-5934 (TTY: 711) or speak to your provider.

Español (Spanish) ATENCIÓN: Si habla español, tiene a su disposición servicios gratuitos de asistencia lingüística. También están disponibles de forma gratuita ayuda y servicios auxiliares apropiados para proporcionar información en formatos accesibles. Llame al 1-855-670-5934 (TTY: 711) o hable con su proveedor.

Português (Portuguese) ATENÇÃO: Se fala Português, estão disponíveis para si serviços gratuitos de assistência linguística. Estão também disponíveis gratuitamente ajudas e serviços auxiliares adequados para fornecer informações em formatos acessíveis. Ligue para 1-855-670-5934 (TTY - Dispositivo das telecomunicações para surdos: 711) ou fale com o seu prestador.

中文 (Simplified Chinese) 注意:如果您说[中文],我们将免费为您提供语言协助服务。我们还免费提供适当的辅助工具和服务,以无障碍格式提供信息。致电 1-855-670-5934(文本电话:711)或咨询您的服务提供商。

Kreyòl Ayisyen (Haitian Creole) ATANSYON: Si w pale Kreyòl Ayisyen, gen sèvis èd aladispozisyon w gratis pou lang ou pale a. Èd ak sèvis siplemantè apwopriye pou bay enfòmasyon nan fòma aksesib yo disponib gratis tou. Rele nan 1-855-670-5934 (TTY: 711) oswa pale avèk founisè w la.

Việt (Vietnamese) LƯU Ý: Nếu bạn nói tiếng Việt, chúng tôi cung cấp miễn phí các dịch vụ hỗ trợ ngôn ngữ. Các hỗ trợ dịch vụ phù hợp để cung cấp thông tin theo các định dạng dễ tiếp cận cũng được cung cấp miễn phí. Vui lòng gọi theo số 1-855-670-5934 (Người khuyết tật: 711) hoặc trao đổi với người cung cấp dịch vụ của bạn.

РУССКИЙ (Russian) ВНИМАНИЕ: Если вы говорите на русский, вам доступны бесплатные услуги языковой поддержки. Соответствующие вспомогательные средства и услуги по предоставлению информации в доступных форматах также предоставляются бесплатно. Позвоните по телефону 1-855-670-5934 (TTY: 711) или обратитесь к своему поставщику услуг.

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ភាសាខ្មែរ (Khmer) សូមយកចិត្តទុកដាក់៖ ប្រសិនបើអ្នកនិយាយ ភាសាខ្មែរ សេវាកម្មជំនួយភាសាឥតគិតថ្លៃគឺមានសម្រាប់អ្នក។ ជំនួយ និងសេវាកម្មដែលជាការជួយដ៏សមរម្យ ក្នុងការផ្តល់ព័ត៌មានតាមទម្រង់ដែលអាចចូលប្រើប្រាស់បាន ក៏អាចរកបានដោយឥតគិតថ្លៃផងដែរ។ ហៅទូរសព្ទទៅ 1-855-670-5934 (TTY: 711) ឬនិយាយទៅកាន់អ្នកផ្តល់សេវារបស់អ្នក។

Français (French) ATTENTION: Si vous parlez Français, des services d'assistance linguistique gratuits sont à votre disposition. Des aides et services auxiliaires appropriés pour fournir des informations dans des formats accessibles sont également disponibles gratuitement. Appelez le 1-855-670-5934 (TTY: 711) ou parlez à votre fournisseur.

Italiano (Italian) ATTENZIONE: se parli Italiano, sono disponibili servizi di assistenza linguistica gratuiti. Sono inoltre disponibili gratuitamente ausili e servizi ausiliari adeguati per fornire informazioni in formati accessibili. Chiama l'1-855-670-5934 (tty: 711) o parla con il tuo fornitore.

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हिंदी (Hindi)न दें: यदि आप हिंदी बोलते हैं, तो आपके लिए निःशुल्क भाषा सहायता सेवाएं उपलब्ध होती हैं। सुलभ प्रारूपों में जानकारी प्रदान करने के लिए उपयुक्त सहायक साधन और सेवाएँ भी निःशुल्क उपलब्ध हैं। 1-855-670-5934 (TTY: 711) पर कॉल करें या अपने प्रदाता से बात करें।

ગુજરાતી (Gujarati) ધ્યાન આપો: જો તમે ગુજરાતી બોલતા હો તો મફત ભાષાકીય સહાયતા સેવાઓ તમારા માટે ઉપલબ્ધ છે. યોગ્ય ઑક્ઝિલરી સહાય અને ઍક્સેસિબલ કોંર્મેટમાં માહિતી પૂરી પાડવા માટેની સેવાઓ પણ વિના મુલ્યે ઉપલબ્ધ છે. 1-855-670-5934 (TTY: 711) પર કૉલ કરો અથવા તમારા પ્રદાતા સાથે વાત કરો.

ລາວ(Laos) ເຊີນຊາບ: ຖ້າທ່ານເວົ້າພາສາ ລາວ, ຈະມີບໍລິການຊ່ວຍດ້ານພາສາແບບບໍ່ເສຍຄ່າໃຫ້ທ່ານ. ມີເຄື່ອງຊ່ວຍ ແລະ ການບໍລິການແບບບໍ່ເສຍຄ່າທີ່ເໝາະສົມເພື່ອໃຫ້ຂໍ້ມູນໃນຮູບແບບທີ່ສາມາດເຂົ້າເຖິງໄດ້. ໂທຫາເບີ 1-855-670-5934 (TTY: 711) ຫຼື ລົມກັບຜູ້ໃຫ້ບໍລິການຂອງທ່ານ.



B. Frequently asked questions (FAQ)

The following table lists frequently asked questions.

Frequently Asked Questions	Answers
What's a Senior Care Options (SCO) Plan?	A Senior Care Options (SCO) Plan is an organization made up of doctors, hospitals, pharmacies, providers of Long-term Services and Supports (LTSS), which we also refer to as Home and Community-based Services (HCBS), and other providers. It also has Care Managers and Geriatric support Services Coordinators (GSSC) to help you manage all your providers and services and supports. They all work together to provide the care you need. Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options is a SCO Plan that provides benefits of MassHealth (Medicaid) and Medicare to enrollees in the SCO program. In order to enroll in Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options, you must be age 65 or older, be eligible for MassHealth Standard (Medicaid), be a Massachusetts resident living in our service area, and not be enrolled in any other comprehensive health insurance (except Medicare).

Frequently Asked Questions	Answers
Will I get the same Medicare and MassHealth Standard (Medicaid) benefits in Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options that I get now?	You'll get most of your covered Medicare and MassHealth Standard (Medicaid) benefits directly from Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options. You'll work with a team of providers who will help determine what services will best meet your needs. This means that some of the services you get now may change based on your needs, and your doctor and your care team's assessment. You may also get other benefits outside of your health plan the same way you do now, directly from a State agency like the Department of Behavioral Health or the Department of Developmental Services.
	When you enroll in Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options, you and your care team will work together to develop an Individualized Care Plan (ICP) to address your health and support needs, reflecting your personal preferences and goals.
	If you're taking any Medicare Part D drugs that Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options doesn't normally cover, you can get a temporary supply and we'll help you to transition to another drug or get an exception for Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options to cover your drug if medically necessary. For all other services, you can keep using your doctors and getting your current services for 90 days, or until your ICP is complete. For more information, call Member Services at the number listed in the footer at the bottom of the page.

Frequently Asked Questions	Answers		
Can I use the same doctors I use now?	This is often the case. If your providers (including doctors, hospitals, therapists, pharmacies, and other health care providers) work with Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options and have a contract with us, you can keep going to them.		
	 Providers with an agreement with us are "in-network." Network providers participate in our plan. That means they accept members of our plan and provide services our plan covers. You must use the providers in Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options' network. If you use providers or pharmacies that aren't in our network, the plan may not pay for these services or drugs. 		
	If you need urgent or emergency care or out-of-area dialysis services, you can use providers outside of Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options' plan.		
	 As a new enrollee you have the right to receive access to services consistent with the access you previously had, and you are permitted to retain your current provider for up to 90 days if that provider isn't in our network, or until you are assessed and a plan of care is implemented, whichever is sooner. 		
	To find out if your providers are in the plan's network, call Member Services at the number listed in the footer at the bottom of the page or read Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options' <i>Provider and Pharmacy Directory</i> on the plan's website at www.thpmp.org/sco-member.		
	If Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options is new for you, we will work with you to develop an Individualized Care Plan to address your needs.		
What's a Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options Care Manager?	A Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options Care Manager is one main person for you to contact. This person helps to manage all your providers and services and makes sure you get what you need.		

Frequently Asked Questions	Answers
What are Long-term Services and Supports (LTSS)?	Long-term Services and Supports, which we also refer to as Home and Community-based Services (HCBS), are help for people who need assistance to do everyday tasks like bathing, toileting, getting dressed, making food, and taking medicine. Most of these services are provided at your home or in your community. In some cases, a county or other agency may administer these services, and your Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options Care Manager will work with that agency.
What's a Geriatric Services Supports Coordinator (GSSC)?	A Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options GSSC is a person on your care team who is an expert in home and community-based services and supports. This person helps you get services that help you live independently in your home. The GSSC is based out of your local Aging Services Access Point (ASAP).
What happens if I need a service but no one in Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options' network can provide it?	Most services will be provided by our network providers. If you need a service that can't be provided within our network, Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options will pay for the cost of an out-of-network provider.
Where's Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options available?	The service area for this plan includes Barnstable, Bristol, Essex, Hampden, Hampshire, Middlesex, Norfolk, Plymouth, Suffolk, and Worcester Counties in Massachusetts. You must live in one of these areas to join the plan.

Frequently Asked Questions	Answers
What's prior authorization?	Prior authorization means an approval from Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options to seek services outside of our network or to get services not routinely covered by our network before you get the services. Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options may not cover the service, procedure, item, or drug if you don't get prior authorization.
	If you need urgent or emergency care or out-of-area dialysis services, you don't need to get prior authorization first. Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options can provide you or your provider with a list of services or procedures that require you to get prior authorization from Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options before the service is provided.
	Refer to Chapter 4 of the <i>Member Handbook</i> to learn more about prior authorization. Refer to the Benefits Chart in Chapter 4 of the <i>Member Handbook</i> to learn which services require prior authorization.
	If you have questions about whether prior authorization is required for specific services, procedures, items, or drugs, call Member Services at the number listed in the footer at the bottom of the page for help.
What's a referral?	A referral means that your primary care physician (PCP) must give you approval to go to someone that isn't your PCP. A referral is different than a prior authorization. If you don't get a referral from your PCP, Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options may not cover the services. Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options can provide you with a list of services that require you to get a referral from your PCP before the service is provided. You don't need a referral to use certain specialists, such as women's health specialists.
	Refer to the <i>Member Handbook</i> to learn more about when you will need to get a referral from your PCP.

Frequently Asked Questions	Answers
Do I pay a monthly amount (also called a premium) under Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options?	Most members won't have to pay monthly premiums, including the Medicare Part B premium, for their health coverage. Some MassHealth Standard (Medicaid) members with higher incomes may need to pay Medicare Part B Premiums. Additionally, if you pay a premium to MassHealth for Standard, you must continue to pay the premium to MassHealth to keep your coverage. For more information, call the MassHealth (Medicaid) Customer Service Center at 1-800-841-2900 or 711 for people who have difficulty with hearing or speaking. You must have special telephone equipment to call it.
Do I pay a deductible as a member of Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options?	No. You do not pay deductibles in Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options.
What's the maximum out-of-pocket amount that I will pay for medical services as a member of Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options?	There is no cost sharing for medical services in Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options, so your annual out-of-pocket costs will be \$0.

C. List of covered services

The following table is a quick overview of what services you may need, your costs, and rules about the benefits.

Health need or concern	Services you may need	Your costs for in- network providers	Limitations, exceptions, & benefit information (rules about benefits)
You need hospital care (continued on the next page)	Inpatient hospital stay	\$0	Except in an emergency, your health care provider must tell the plan of your hospital admission.
			Under Medicare, our plan covers 90 days for any inpatient hospital stay.
			Coverage for additional days in an acute care hospital is provided by MassHealth (Medicaid) as medically necessary.
			Our plan covers 60 "lifetime reserve days" to supplement care in a rehabilitation or long-term hospital. These are "extra" days that we cover. If your hospital stay is longer than 90 days, you can use these extra days. But once you have used up these extra 60 days, your inpatient hospital coverage will be limited to 90 days.
			Prior authorization may be required.

Health need or concern	Services you may need	Your costs for in- network providers	Limitations, exceptions, & benefit information (rules about benefits)
You need hospital care (continued)	Outpatient hospital services, including observation	\$0	A referral may be required from your PCP before you receive these services. Your PCP will provide this referral if needed. A referral isn't required for outpatient observation, Electroconvulsive Therapy (ECT), and Repetitive Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation (rTMS) services. Prior authorization may be required.
	Ambulatory surgical center (ASC) services	\$0	A referral may be required from your PCP before you receive these services. Your PCP will provide this referral if needed. Prior authorization may be required.
	Doctor or surgeon care	\$0	A referral may be required from your PCP before you receive these services. Your PCP will provide this referral if needed. Prior authorization may be required.
You want a doctor (continued on the next page)	Visits to treat an injury or illness	\$0	
	Care to keep you from getting sick, such as flu shots and screenings to check for cancer	\$0	There are timeframes that apply to preventive services that determine how often you can get these services. See the Member Handbook to learn more.

Health need or concern	Services you may need	Your costs for in- network providers	Limitations, exceptions, & benefit information (rules about benefits)
You want a doctor (continued)	Wellness visits, such as a physical	\$0	One physical exam per calendar year.
	"Welcome to Medicare" (preventive visit, one time only)	\$0	
	Specialist care	\$0	A referral may be required from your PCP before you receive these services. Your PCP will provide this referral if needed. A referral isn't required to see an in-network psychiatrist.
	Transportation to a doctor's office	\$0	Ambulance, taxi, and chair car transport for non-emergency medical appointments. Mode of transportation determined by medical necessity.
			Services must be provided by the planapproved transportation provider. Limitations may apply.
You need emergency care (continued on the next page)	Emergency room services	\$0	Emergency care may be furnished by innetwork providers or by out-of-network providers when network providers are temporarily unavailable or inaccessible. Your plan includes worldwide coverage for emergency care. Prior authorization and referrals aren't required.

Health need or concern	Services you may need	Your costs for in- network providers	Limitations, exceptions, & benefit information (rules about benefits)
You need emergency care (continued)	Urgent care	\$0	Urgently needed care may be furnished by in-network providers or by out-of-network providers when network providers are temporarily unavailable or inaccessible. Your plan includes worldwide coverage for urgent care. Prior authorization and referrals aren't required.
	Ambulance services	\$0	Prior authorization may be required for non- emergency ambulance services.
You need medical tests	Diagnostic radiology services (for example, X-rays or other imaging services, such as CAT scans or MRIs)	\$0	Prior authorization may be required.
	Lab tests and diagnostic procedures, such as blood work	\$0	Prior authorization may be required.
	Screening tests, such as tests to check for cancer	\$0	There are timeframes that apply to preventive services such as screening tests, that determine how often you can get these services. See the Member Handbook to learn more.

Health need or concern	Services you may need	Your costs for in- network providers	Limitations, exceptions, & benefit information (rules about benefits)
You need hearing/auditory services	Hearing screenings	\$0	No referral is required for a diagnostic hearing exam or the annual routine hearing exam, but you must use a plan provider.
	Hearing aids and services	\$0	You pay nothing for hearing aids or instruments, or for services related to the care, maintenance, and repair of hearing aids, or instruments and supplies. Covers one aid per ear per member every 60 months.
You need dental care	Dental checkups and preventive care	\$0	You pay nothing for preventive cleanings, routine exams, and X-rays. Services must be performed by a DentaQuest provider.
	Oral and maxillofacial surgery	\$0	Limitations may apply. Services must be performed by a DentaQuest provider.
	Periodontics	\$0	Limitations may apply. Services must be performed by a DentaQuest provider.
	Prosthodontics	\$0	Limitations may apply. Services must be performed by a DentaQuest provider.
	Restorative and emergency dental care	\$0	Limitations may apply. Services must be performed by a DentaQuest provider.

Health need or concern	Services you may need	Your costs for in- network providers	Limitations, exceptions, & benefit information (rules about benefits)
You need eye care	Eye exams	\$0	You must use a participating vision care provider (EyeMed Vision Care) to receive the covered eye exam benefits. A referral may be required from your PCP for the diagnostic eye exam. Your PCP will provide the referral if needed. Referral isn't required for annual routine eye exams.
	Eyeglasses and/or contact lenses	\$0	\$300 allowance for eyeglasses (lenses, frames, or a combination of the two) and/or contact lenses per calendar year. You must purchase your lenses and frames from a participating vision provider (EyeMed Vision Care) to receive the \$300 allowance. Otherwise, the benefit will be limited to \$180 per year. Other limitations apply. Only one purchase is allowed per calendar year up to the benefit amount; any unused amount after the single purchase will expire and can't be applied toward another purchase during the calendar year.
	Other vision care	\$0	Such as screening services and therapeutic eyeglasses.

Health need or concern	Services you may need	Your costs for in- network providers	Limitations, exceptions, & benefit information (rules about benefits)
You need behavioral health services (continued on the next page)	Behavioral health services	\$0	Services include, but aren't limited to: Diversionary services, including community support, psychiatric day treatment, adult rehabilitation services for substance use disorders, program of assertive community treatment, and structured outpatient addiction programs.

Health need or concern	Services you may need	Your costs for in- network providers	Limitations, exceptions, & benefit information (rules about benefits)
You need behavioral health services (continued on the next page)			Behavioral health emergency services, including emergency screening services, medication management services, and short- term crisis counseling.
			 Standard outpatient services, including diagnostic evaluation, treatment (individual, group, couples/family), and opioid replacement therapy.
			 Emergency services program (ESP), including assessment, intervention, and stabilization.
			 Special procedures (including Repetitive Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation (rTMS) services, which requires prior authorization).

Health need or concern	Services you may need	Your costs for in- network providers	Limitations, exceptions, & benefit information (rules about benefits)
You need behavioral health services (continued)	Inpatient care for people who need behavioral health services	\$0	Our plan covers up to 190 days in a lifetime for inpatient behavioral health care in a psychiatric hospital. The inpatient hospital care limit doesn't apply to inpatient behavioral health services provided in a general hospital.
			Our plan covers 90 days for an inpatient hospital stay.
			Our plan also covers 60 "lifetime reserve days." These are "extra" days that we cover. If your hospital stay is longer than 90 days, you can use these extra days. But once you have used up these extra 60 days, your inpatient hospital coverage will be limited to 90 days.
			MassHealth (Medicaid) benefits cover all approved stays in excess of the Medicare limit.
	Outpatient care and community- based services for people who need behavioral health services	\$0	

Health need or concern	Services you may need	Your costs for in- network providers	Limitations, exceptions, & benefit information (rules about benefits)
You need substance use disorder services (continued on the next page)	Outpatient substance use disorder services	\$0	Additional coverage provided by MassHealth (Medicaid).
	Inpatient substance use disorder services	\$0	Hospital services that provide a detoxification regimen of medically directed evaluation, care, and treatment for psychoactive substance use disorder enrollees in a medically managed setting.
	Acute treatment services for substance use disorders	\$0	24-hour, seven days a week, medically monitored addiction treatment services that provide evaluation and withdrawal management. Detoxification services are delivered by nursing and counseling staff under a physician-approved protocol and physician-monitored procedures and include: bio-psychosocial assessment; individual and group counseling; psychoeducation groups; and discharge planning. Members with co-occurring disorders receive specialized services to ensure treatment for their co-occurring psychiatric conditions. These services may be provided in licensed freestanding or hospital-based programs.

Health need or concern	Services you may need	Your costs for in- network providers	Limitations, exceptions, & benefit information (rules about benefits)
You need substance use disorder services (continued)	Clinical support services for substance use disorders	\$0	24-hour treatment services, which can be used independently or following Acute Treatment Services for substance use disorders and including intensive education and counseling regarding the nature of addiction and its consequences; outreach to families and significant others; and aftercare planning for individuals beginning to engage in recovery from addiction. Members with co-occurring disorders receive coordination of transportation and referrals to behavioral health providers to ensure treatment for their co-occurring psychiatric conditions.

Health need or concern	Services you may need	Your costs for in- network providers	Limitations, exceptions, & benefit information (rules about benefits)
You need a place to live with people	Skilled nursing care	\$0	Our plan covers up to 100 days each benefit period in a skilled nursing facility.
available to help you (continued on the next page)			Your primary care team (PCT) will direct you to a subset of the facilities in our Tufts Health Plan SCO network that can best coordinate your care and meet your individual needs. This means in most cases you won't have full access to the network facilities for these services.
			Prior authorization may be required before you receive skilled nursing care services.
			MassHealth Standard (Medicaid) benefits cover all approved stays in excess of the Medicare limit.

Health need or concern	Services you may need	Your costs for in- network providers	Limitations, exceptions, & benefit information (rules about benefits)
You need a place to live with people available to help you (continued on the next page)	Institutional care (nursing home care)	\$0	Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options will direct you to selected facilities to best manage your specific needs while receiving care in an institutional setting. You will work with your PCT to select a facility from the identified options. This means in most cases you won't have access to the full network for these services. If applicable, you must pay the Patient Paid Amount (PPA), for which you are responsible, directly to the nursing facility.

Health need or concern	Services you may need	Your costs for in- network providers	Limitations, exceptions, & benefit information (rules about benefits)
You need a place to live with people available to help you (continued)	Adult Foster Care and Group Adult Foster Care	\$0	Adult Foster Care is for members who need daily help with personal care but want to live in a family setting rather than in a nursing home or other facility. The caregiver provides personal care, assistance with medication adherence, meals, homemaking, laundry, medical transportation, companionship, and 24-hour supervision. AFC members live with trained paid caregivers who provide daily care. Caregivers may be individuals, couples, or larger families. Group Adult Foster Care includes personal care services for eligible members with disabilities who live in GAFC-approved housing. Housing may be an assisted living residence or specially designated public or subsidized housing. Before you receive these services, you must first discuss these services with your
			Care Manager. Prior authorization may be required.

Health need or concern	Services you may need	Your costs for in- network providers	Limitations, exceptions, & benefit information (rules about benefits)
You need therapy after a stroke or accident	Occupational, physical, or speech therapy	\$0	A referral may be required from your PCP before you receive these services. Your PCP will provide this referral if needed. Prior authorization may be required.
You need help getting to health services	Ambulance services	\$0	Prior authorization may be required for non- emergency ambulance services.
	Emergency transportation	\$0	
	Transportation to medical appointments and services	\$0	Ambulance, taxi, and chair car transport for non-emergency medical appointments. Mode of transportation determined by medical necessity.
			Services must be provided by the planapproved transportation provider. Limitations may apply.

Health need or concern	Services you may need	Your costs for in- network providers	Limitations, exceptions, & benefit information (rules about benefits)
You need drugs to treat your illness or condition (continued on the	Medicare Part B drugs	\$0	Except in an emergency situation, prior authorization may be required. Medicare Part B drugs may be subject to Step Therapy requirements.
next page)			Part B drugs include drugs given by your doctor in their office, some oral cancer drugs, and some drugs used with certain medical equipment. Read the <i>Member Handbook</i> for more information on these drugs.
			The plan will generally cover your drugs at no cost if:
			Your prescription is written by a doctor or other prescriber
			You use a network pharmacy to fill your prescription
			Your drug is on the plan's List of Covered Drugs (Drug List)
			Your drug is used for a medically accepted indication

Health need or concern	Services you may need	Your costs for in- network providers	Limitations, exceptions, & benefit information (rules about benefits)
You need drugs to treat your illness or condition (continued on the next page)	Medicare Part D drugs Your plan has 1 tier. All covered generic drugs and brand name drugs are in this tier.	\$0	There may be limitations on the types of drugs covered. Please refer to Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options' List of Covered Drugs (Drug List) for more information. You can get up to a 90-day supply of most of your prescription drugs through our mail order program and through some retail pharmacies. In most cases, your prescriptions are covered only if they are filled at the plan's network pharmacies. You may get drugs from an out-of-network pharmacy only when you aren't able to use a network pharmacy.

Health need or concern	Services you may need	Your costs for in- network providers	Limitations, exceptions, & benefit information (rules about benefits)
You need drugs to treat your illness or condition (continued)	Over-the-counter (OTC) drugs	\$0	There may be limitations on the types of drugs covered. Please refer to Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options' <i>List of Covered Drugs (Drug List)</i> for more information.
			Please see MassHealth Standard (Medicaid) OTC drug list.
			The plan provides coverage for the following additional drugs:
			Benzonatate
			Chondroitin/MSM
			Glucosamine/Chondroitin/MSM
			Glucosamine/MSM
			Lidocaine 4% Topical Patch
			Methylsulfonylmethane (MSM)
			Mucinex 600 mg
			Omega 3/Fish Oil
			 Robitussin Cough + Chest Congestion DM (liquid)
			Before you receive OTC medications, you must first obtain a prescription from your treating provider.

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You need help getting better or have special health needs	Rehabilitation services	\$0	A referral may be required from your PCP before you receive these services. Your PCP will provide this referral if needed. Prior authorization may be required.
	Medical equipment for home care	\$0	Except in an emergency, prior authorization may be required.
	Services to treat kidney disease	\$0	Including but not limited to dialysis, disease education services, and training.
	Diabetes self-management training, diabetic services and supplies	\$0	Including but not limited to glucose monitoring supplies (limited to Accu-Chek products manufactured by Roche Diabetes Care, Inc).
			Up to three pairs of therapeutic custom- molded shoes are covered for members with severe diabetic foot disease and who meet the requirements as defined by Medicare.
			Prior authorization required for therapeutic Continuous Glucose Monitors (CGMs). Covered therapeutic Continuous Glucose Monitors (CGMs) include Dexcom and FreeStyle Libre products that are considered Durable Medical Equipment (DME) by Medicare.

Health need or concern	Services you may need	Your costs for in- network providers	Limitations, exceptions, & benefit information (rules about benefits)
You need foot care	Podiatry services	\$0	A referral may be required from your PCP before you receive these services. Your PCP will provide this referral if needed.
	Orthotic services	\$0	A referral may be required from your PCP before you receive these services. Your PCP will provide this referral if needed. Orthotic devices covered under your durable medical equipment (DME) benefit require prior authorization.
You need durable medical equipment (DME) Note: This isn't a complete list of covered DME. For a complete list, contact Member Services or refer to Chapter 4 of the Member Handbook.	Wheelchairs, crutches, and walkers	\$0	Medical equipment/supplies are covered when medically necessary. Prior authorization may be required.
	Nebulizers	\$0	Medical equipment/supplies are covered when medically necessary. Prior authorization may be required.
	Oxygen equipment and supplies	\$0	Medical equipment/supplies are covered when medically necessary. Prior authorization may be required.
	Wander response system and personal emergency response systems	\$0	Medical equipment/supplies are covered when medically necessary. Prior authorization may be required.

Health need or concern	Services you may need	Your costs for in- network providers	Limitations, exceptions, & benefit information (rules about benefits)
You need help living at home (continued on the next page)	Home health agency care	\$0	Before you receive these services, you must first discuss these services with your Care Manager. A referral may be required from your PCP before you receive these services. Your PCP will provide this referral if needed. Prior authorization may be required.
	Home services, such as cleaning or housekeeping, or home modifications such as grab bars	\$0	Before you receive these services, you must first discuss these services with your Care Manager. Prior authorization is required for home modification services.
	Adult day health or other support services	\$0	Before you receive these services, you must first discuss these services with your Care Manager. Prior authorization may be required.
	Day habilitation services	\$0	Before you receive these services, you must first discuss these services with your Care Manager. Prior authorization may be required.

Health need or concern	Services you may need	Your costs for in- network providers	Limitations, exceptions, & benefit information (rules about benefits)
You need help living at home (continued)	Services to help you live on your own (home health care services or personal care attendant services)	\$0	Before you receive these services, you must first discuss these services with your Care Manager.
Additional services (continued on the next page)	Acupuncture services when provided by a licensed acupuncturist	\$0	Covered by Medicare up to 12 visits in 90 days for members with chronic low back pain. 8 additional visits covered for those demonstrating an improvement. No more than 20 visits administered annually.
			MassHealth Standard (Medicaid) benefits cover acupuncture services in excess of Medicare coverage, as well as for the treatment of other types of pain and as an anesthetic. Prior authorization is required beyond 20 visits.
	Acupuncture - Behavioral Health coverage	\$0	For persons withdrawing from dependence on substances or recovering from addiction. No visit limit.

Health need or concern	Services you may need	Your costs for in- network providers	Limitations, exceptions, & benefit information (rules about benefits)
Additional services (continued on the next page)	Chiropractic services	\$0	You pay nothing for the initial evaluation or the manual manipulation of the spine to correct subluxation.
			You pay nothing for up to 20 office visits per year for chiropractic manipulative treatment and radiology services.
			A referral may be required from your PCP before you receive these services. Your PCP will provide this referral if needed.
			Prior authorization may be required.

Health need or concern	Services you may need	Your costs for in- network providers	Limitations, exceptions, & benefit information (rules about benefits)
Additional services (continued on the next page)	Instant Savings card for over-the-counter (OTC) items, personal care items, and groceries	\$0	One card, two separate allowances, as follows: \$115 per calendar quarter allowance for Medicare-approved health-related OTC items. \$235 per calendar quarter allowance for food and beverages and other personal items covered under MassHealth (Medicaid). The two allowances are separate and can't be interchanged. Your unused balance at the end of each calendar quarter won't carry over to the next quarter. You may use each allowance toward the purchase of approved items covered under that allowance from participating retailers. Covered items under the allowance for Medicare-approved health-related items include first-aid supplies, dental care items, cold symptom supplies, at-home COVID tests, OTC hearing aids, OTC naloxone, and

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Additional services (continued on the next page)			more. Covered items under the MassHealth (Medicaid) benefit include shampoo, conditioner, bath tissue, produce boxes, and grocery items such as fresh foods, dairy, dry goods, and beverages.
			Once you receive your Instant Savings card it is ready to use. No activation is necessary. If you don't receive your Instant Savings card, or if you have any questions about using your card, call Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options Member Services at the number listed in the footer at the bottom of the page.
			Please note: if you are an existing member, your current Instant Savings card will continue to work in 2026, so don't throw it out. However, note that the card will work differently with two separate allowances as described above. If you lose your card, call Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options Member Services at the number listed in the footer at the bottom of the page and request a replacement.

Health need or concern	Services you may need	Your costs for in- network providers	Limitations, exceptions, & benefit information (rules about benefits)
Additional services (continued on the	Prosthetic services	\$0	Prior authorization may be required.
next page)	Radiation therapy	\$0	Prior authorization may be required.
	Telehealth - Medicare basic coverage	\$0	The same referral and prior authorization rules apply to telehealth services as corresponding in-person visits. We cover additional telehealth services beyond Medicare for primary care physician services, specialist services, and more.
	Transportation (non-medical purposes)	\$0	Up to 48 round trips per year (4 round trips per month) are provided for non-medical purposes (grocery shopping, church, other community events), with a limit of 20 miles each way. Members must use the planapproved transportation vendor to access this benefit.
	YMCA membership	\$0	Health club membership at your local YMCA facility in Massachusetts at \$0 cost to you.

Health need or concern	Services you may need	Your costs for in- network providers	Limitations, exceptions, & benefit information (rules about benefits)
Additional services (continued)	Wellness Allowance	\$0	The plan reimburses you up to \$200 per year toward an activity tracker (one per member per year), YMCA group movement classes and health programs, health club memberships, nutritional counseling, fitness classes like Pilates, Tai Chi, or aerobics, and wellness programs, including memory fitness activities. Reimbursement requests must be received by Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options no later than March 31st of the following year.
	Weight Management program	\$0	The plan reimburses you up to \$200 per year toward weight-management program fees for weight loss programs such as Weight Watchers or a hospital-based weight loss program. This benefit doesn't cover costs for pre-packaged meals/foods, books, videos, scales, or other items or supplies.

The above summary of benefits is provided for informational purposes only and isn't a complete list of benefits. For a complete list and more information about your benefits, you can read the Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options Member Handbook. If you don't have a Member Handbook, call Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options Member Services at the number listed in the footer at the bottom of the page to get one. If you have questions, you can also call Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options Member Services or visit www.thpmp.org/sco-member.

D. Services that Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options, Medicare, and MassHealth (Medicaid) don't cover

This isn't a complete list. Call Member Services at the number listed in the footer at the bottom of the page to find out about other excluded services.

Services Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options, Medicare, and MassHealth (Medicaid) don't cover

Personal items in your room at a hospital or a skilled nursing facility, such as a telephone or a television

Naturopath services (uses natural or alternative treatments)

Reversal of sterilization procedures and/or non-prescription contraceptive supplies

E. Your rights as a member of the plan

As a member of Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options, you have certain rights. You can exercise these rights without being punished. You can also use these rights without losing your health care services. We'll tell you about your rights at least once a year. For more information on your rights, please read the Member Handbook. Your rights include, but aren't limited to, the following:

- You have a right to respect, fairness, and dignity. This includes the right to:
 - o Get covered services without concern about medical condition, health status, receipt of health services, claims experience, medical history, disability (including behavioral health impairment), marital status, age, sex (including sex stereotypes and gender identity) sexual orientation, national origin, race, color, religion, creed, or public assistance
 - o Get information in other languages and formats (for example, large print or audio) free of charge
 - o Be free from any form of physical restraint or seclusion used as a means of coercion, discipline, convenience, or retaliation
- You have the right to get information about your **health care.** This includes information on treatment and your treatment options. This information should be in a language and format you can understand. This includes the right to get information on:
 - Description of the services we cover
 - How to get services
 - How much services will cost you (note: eligible members have no cost-share for covered services)

- Names of health care providers and care managers
- You have the right to make decisions about your care, including refusing treatment. This includes the right to:
 - Choose a primary care provider (PCP) and change your PCP at any time during the year
 - Choose a Geriatric Support Services Coordinator (GSSC)
 - Use a women's health care provider without a referral
 - Get your covered services and drugs quickly
 - Know about and participate in discussions regarding all treatment options and alternatives, no matter what they cost or whether they're covered (note: eligible members have no cost-share for covered services)
 - o Refuse treatment, even if your health care provider advises against it
 - o Stop taking medicine, even if your health care provider advises against it
 - o Ask for a second opinion. Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options will pay for the cost of your second opinion visit.

- Make your health care wishes known in an advance directive
- You have the right to timely access to care that doesn't have any communication or physical access barriers. This includes the right to:
 - o Get timely medical care for covered services within the time frames described in the Member Handbook and to file an appeal if you don't receive your care within those time frames.
 - Get in and out of a health care provider's office. This means barrier-free access for people with disabilities, in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.
 - Have interpreters to help with communication with your doctors, other providers, and your health plan. Call 1-855-670-5934 (TTY: 711) if you need help with this service.
 - Have your Member Handbook and any material from Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options translated into your prevalent language, and/or to have these materials read out loud to you if you have trouble seeing or reading. Oral interpretation services will be made available upon request and are free of charge.
 - Be free of any form of physical restraint or seclusion that would be used as a means of coercion, force, discipline, convenience, or retaliation.

- You have the right to seek emergency and urgent care when you need it. This means you have the right to:
 - Get emergency services without prior authorization in an emergency
 - Use an out-of-network urgent or emergency care provider, when necessary
- You have a right to confidentiality and privacy. This includes the right to:
 - o Ask for and get a copy of your medical records in a way that you can understand and to ask for your records to be changed or corrected
 - Have your personal health information kept private
 - Have privacy during treatment
- You have the right to make complaints about your **covered services or care.** This includes the right to:
 - File a complaint or grievance against us or our providers
 - o You can submit a complaint about Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options directly to Medicare. To submit a complaint to Medicare, go to www.medicare.gov/MedicareComplaintForm/hom e.aspx. You may also call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227). TTY/TDD users can call 1-877-486-2048.
 - You can submit a complaint about Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options anytime directly to MassHealth (Medicaid). You can do this by calling the MassHealth (Medicaid) Member Services Center

at 1-800-841-2900 (TTY 711) Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

 Appeal certain decisions made by the Board of Hearing for MassHealth (Medicaid) or the Independent Review Entity (IRE) for Medicare.

- Ask for a state fair hearing
- o Get a detailed reason for why services were denied

For more information about your rights, you can read the *Member Handbook*. If you have questions, you can call Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options Member Services at the number listed in the footer at the bottom of the page.

You can also call My Ombudsman at 1-855-781-9898 (TTY users should call 711), or Videophone (VP) 1-339-224-6831.

F. How to file a complaint or appeal a denied service

If you have a complaint or think Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options should cover something we denied, call Member Services at the number listed in the footer at the bottom of the page. You may be able to appeal our decision.

For questions about complaints and appeals, you can read Chapter 9 of the *Member Handbook*. You can also call Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options Member Services at the number listed in the footer at the bottom of the page.

You can also contact us at:

Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options Attn: Appeals and Grievances Department P.O. Box 474 Canton, MA 02021-0474

Phone: 1-855-670-5934 (TTY: 711) Fax: 1-617-972-9516



G. What to do if you suspect fraud

Most health care professionals and organizations that provide services are honest. Unfortunately, there may be some who are dishonest.

If you think a doctor, hospital, or pharmacy is doing something wrong, please contact us.

- Call Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options Member Services at the number listed in the footer at the bottom of the page.
- Or, call the MassHealth (Medicaid) Customer Service Center at 1-800-841-2900. TTY users may call 711.
- Or, call Medicare at 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227). TTY users may call 1-877-486-2048. You can call these numbers for free.

H. What to do if you want independent help with a complaint or concern

My Ombudsman is an independent program that can help you if you have questions, concerns, or problems related to SCO. You can contact My Ombudsman to get information or assistance. My Ombudsman services are free. My Ombudsman staff:

- Can answer your questions or refer you to the right place to find what you need.
- Can help you address a problem or concern with SCO or your SCO plan, Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options. My Ombudsman staff will listen, investigate the issue, and discuss options with you to help solve the problem.
- Help with appeals. An appeal is a formal way of asking your SCO plan, MassHealth (Medicaid), or Medicare to review a
 decision about your services. My Ombudsman staff can talk with you about how to make an appeal and what to expect
 during the appeal process.

You can call, write, or visit My Ombudsman at its office.

- Call 1-855-781-9898, Monday through Friday from 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.
 - o Use 7-1-1 to call 1-855-781-9898. This number is for people who are deaf, hard of hearing, or speech disabled.
 - o Use Videophone (VP) 1-339-224-6831. This number is for people who are deaf or hard of hearing.

- Email info@myombudsman.org.
- Write to or visit the My Ombudsman office at 25 Kingston Street, 4th floor, Boston, MA 02111.
 - Please refer to the My Ombudsman website or contact them directly for updated information about location and walk-in hours.
- Visit My Ombudsman online at www.myombudsman.org.

If you have general questions or questions about our plan, services, service area, billing, or member ID cards, please call Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options Member Services:

1-855-670-5934 (TTY: 711)

Calls to this number are free. Representatives are available 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., 7 days a week, 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. (Apr. 1 – Sept. 30, Mon. – Fri., 8 a.m. – 8 p.m.).

Member Services also has free language interpreter services available.

If you have questions about your health:

- Call your primary care provider (PCP). Follow your PCP's instructions for getting care when the office is closed.
- •You can also call Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options Member Services. A representative will connect you to an on-call nurse, who will listen to your problem and tell you how to get care. The number for Tufts Health Plan Senior Care Options Member Services is:

1-855-670-5934 (TTY: 711)

Calls to this number are free. Representatives are available 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., 7 days a week, 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. (Apr. 1 – Sept. 30, Mon. – Fri., 8 a.m. – 8 p.m.). Calls after business hours will be directed to an answering service which will connect you to the on-call nurse practitioner.

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