

Other Resources & Information:

PLACE
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Cost Sharing Companies:

www.libertydirect.org

www.medicalcostsharing.com

Medi-Share

www.mychristiancare4.pth4.calls.net/Medi-Share/

www.libertyhealthshare.org

Other Information:

www.aarp.org/health/health-insurance/info-08-2013/direct-primary-care.html

www.dpcare.org



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HEALTH CARE ALTERNATIVES

Direct Primary Care

It should be simpler.



What is Direct Primary Care (DPC) ?

Actually affordable fixed –cost healthcare.

There are several types of health care models described as DPC. Perhaps the defining characteristic of DPC practices is that they offer patients the full range of comprehensive primary services, including routine care, regular checkups, preventive care, and care coordination in exchange for a flat, recurring retainer fee that is typically billed to patients on a monthly basis. DPC practices are distinguished from other retainer-based care models, such as concierge care, by lower retainer fees. Direct Primary Care is not insurance and therefore there is no barrier between you and your medical provider.

What is the retainer fee?

The practice retainer or membership fee is a set recurring charge billed directly to patients to cover the comprehensive and coordinated primary care services provided by the DPC provider and practice staff under the terms of their retainer or membership contract. The value of the practice retainer fees is most commonly based on the array of primary care services covered under the contract.

Every year more requirements and time consuming tasks are put on provider's offices and under the current pay structure they go uncompensated. These tasks are time extensive to the provider and support staff thus creating a huge financial burden. Nearly 50% of a family provider's workday is spent outside of face-to-face visits such as conducting vital follow-up or helping to coordinate care for patients as they communicate with other clinical providers. The intent of the retainer fee structure in the DPC model is to ensure that family providers are appropriately paid for the entire range of value-added services they provide for their patients provide.

FAQ's:

How does it work?

Simple. Pay small application fee, sign up for monthly payment. Done.

Who can Join?

Everyone, families, children, young adults.

Can Employers participate?

Yes. Many employers purchase for their employees. It is a great choice for both.

Can I join if I have existing medical issues?

Yes, membership is not based on medical conditions.

Can I cancel my membership?

Yes, at anytime for any reason.

Can I join again later?

Yes. Re-enrollment fees usually apply.

Can I join if I have insurance?

Yes. Most DPC clinics do not bill insurances.

Is a DPC insurance?

No. DPC clinics is not "insurance".

Are there options for larger expenses?

Yes. There are many "Cost Sharing" programs. They work very similar to DPC, and some even reimburse a DPC membership fee. (see other resources & information)

Is there a tax penalty not having regular insurance?

Not if you have coverage through a cost sharing program, there is an exemption.

What should stand between you and your provider?



Absolutely nothing!

What benefits are there to joining a DPC clinic?

- ◆ Extended Visits
- ◆ Same Day Visits
- ◆ Urgent Care
- ◆ Unlimited visits
- ◆ More Access To Your Provider
Emails, Texts, Facetime/Skype
- ◆ Annual Flu Shots and Some Vaccines
- ◆ Some Lab Tests
- ◆ Annual Wellness Exams
- ◆ Sports Physicals
- ◆ Discounts for Non-covered Services
- ◆ Upfront Costs
- ◆ Extra Services Available (extra fee)
House Calls
After-hours Visits
- ◆ No Co-pays or Co-insurance
- ◆ No Deductibles
- ◆ Affordable Fixed Monthly Fee
- ◆ Simple

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