

## Guide to the Benefits Debit Card

### **Advantages of the Discovery Benefits Debit Card**

- Less out-of-pocket expenses at the time of service
- No waiting for reimbursement
- Merchant is paid directly at the point of sale
- Increased use of funds, less chance to forfeit at the end of the year
- Benefits Debit Card is valid for three years

### **How It Works:**

Use the Discovery Benefits Debit Card to pay for eligible services and products. Payments are automatically withdrawn from your reimbursement account, so there are less out-of-pocket costs. Merchants with the Inventory Information Approval System (IIAS) can provide all IRS-required information right at the point of sale. Your debit card will also work at pharmacies and drug stores that meet the IRS' 90% rule. Documentation needs to be provided for purchases made at a 90% merchant. An IIAS and 90% merchant list can be located on our website at [www.discoverybenefits.com](http://www.discoverybenefits.com).

PIN numbers can be set up for your Benefits Debit Card. In order to set up a PIN number, please call Discovery's automated response system at 866.451.3399, option 1 to identify that you are a participant, option 1 to identify which plan and option 3 to select PIN. Please have your card available for reference in order to expedite the process. **Note:** HSAs are exempt from this PIN process. PINs will only allow you to pay for eligible goods and services at the point-of-sale; cash-back and ATM transactions will not be allowed.

### **Documentation/Receipts:**

Due to IRS regulations, certain debit card transactions need to be substantiated. Substantiating means validating a transaction to ensure the debit card was used for IRS approved items/services within the allowed time frame. If documentation is required for a debit card transaction you will receive email notifications to log in to your account to view Receipt Reminders. The Receipt Reminder will display the documentation required and your next steps. *\*\*If you do not have an email address on file, a Receipt Reminder will be mailed.*

Debit card use will be put on temporary hold if documentation is not received within the designated time period. You will be asked to pay back the plan or offset the ineligible amount with documentation for eligible out-of-pocket expenses incurred within the same plan year. The Benefits Debit Card will be reactivated as soon as the appropriate documentation or repayment is received.

### **When Documentation Is Not Needed:**

Co-payments tied to the account holder's health plan. These amounts need to be communicated to Discovery Benefits by your employer.

Purchases made at merchants using the Inventory Information Approval System (IIAS). These merchants will approve eligible expenses at the point of purchase. When using your debit card at these merchants, swipe your debit card for the entire purchase. The items that are eligible expenses will be approved, and the merchant will ask for a secondary form of payment for ineligible items. To find a full list of merchants utilizing IIAS, visit our website at [www.discoverybenefits.com/extras](http://www.discoverybenefits.com/extras) or click the link at the bottom of this document.

Recurring expenses that match the same provider and dollar amount for previously substantiated transactions. (e.g., orthodontia claims, maintenance prescription drugs/services).

***When Documentation Is Needed:***

Debit card transactions that do not meet the above criteria will need additional documentation due to IRS regulations. If documentation is required for a debit card transaction you will receive email notifications to log in to your account to view Receipt Reminders. The Receipt Reminder will display the documentation required and your next steps. *\*\*If you do not have an email address on file, a Receipt Reminder will be mailed.*

**Documentation Requirements:**

Documentation for **medical expenses**, which is required by the IRS, includes a receipt/statement containing: