# MESSA ABC Plan 1 Medical plan highlights

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Effective Date: 1/1/2024

**MESSA Account: L'Anse Creuse Schools** 

**Employee Group: 005A Teachers & Counselors** 

#### In-network health care benefits for you and your covered dependents

All services must be **medically necessary** and performed by a payable provider.

This is a brief summary of in-network benefits. If you obtain medical services from an out-of-network provider without a referral from an in-network provider, you may have to pay 100 percent of the cost or the applicable out-of-network cost share amounts. For coverage details, go to messa.org to log in to your member account or call the MESSA Member Service Center at 800.336.0013 or TTY 888.445.5614.

Plan features	In-network
Annual deductible The amount you pay for health care services and prescription drug purchases before your health insurance begins to pay. The annual deductible is based on the calendar year, Jan. 1 to Dec. 31.	Single coverage: \$1600  2-Person & Family coverage: \$3200  *Your deductible is subject to change each Jan. 1 according to IRS rules governing HSA-qualified plans.
	*When two or more lives are covered under this plan, the entire family deductible must be met before claims are paid for any individual.
Medical coinsurance A fixed percentage you pay for a medical service.	0%
Prescription drug coverage Under federal law governing HSA-qualified plans, prescription drugs are subject to the deductible (other than MESSA's free preventive prescriptions). After deductible is met, applicable prescription copayments and/or coinsurance apply.  See Free preventive prescriptions below.	3-Tier Rx
Annual out-of-pocket maximums  The most you have to pay for covered medical services and prescriptions in a calendar year, including deductible, copayments and coinsurance. Charges above approved amount and charges for services not covered under the plan do not count toward the out-of-pocket maximum.	Single coverage: \$3600 2-Person & Family coverage: \$7200
In-network services covered at no cost to you	
Free preventive prescriptions  MESSA ABC covers an extensive list of FREE preventive prescrip including cholesterol and blood pressure medications, weight lomore.	
Preventive care - Certain services such as annual exams, screenings, childhood and adult immunizations and certain preventive medications.	No cost to you
<b>Prenatal and postnatal care -</b> Prenatal and postnatal doctor visits.	

In-network services subject to deductible and applicable coinsurance		
Blue Cross online visit	Urgent care	
Office visit	Hospital emergency room (ER)	
Chiropractic services including modalities Up to 38 visits per calendar year.	Osteopathic manipulations Performed by an Osteopathic physician. Up to 38 visits per calendar year.	
Inpatient hospital	Autism - applied behavior analysis (ABA) services	
Outpatient physical, occupational and speech therapy Up to a combined benefit maximum of 60 visits per individual per calendar year.	Hearing aids There is a maximum benefit for a hearing aid for each ear during a 36-month period.	
Hearing care Hearing related services performed by an M.D. or D.O.	Acupuncture Must be performed by an M.D. or D.O.	
Diagnostic lab and X-ray	Radiation and chemotherapy	
Allergy testing and therapy	Bariatric surgery	
Mental health and substance abuse - inpatient and outpatient care	Ambulance	
Medical supplies	Durable medical equipment (DME)	
Prosthetics and orthotics	Home health care	
Skilled nursing facility Up to a maximum of 120 days per calendar year.	Human organ transplant Must be performed at an approved facility.	

#### Home delivery of prescription medications

MESSA members can save time and money by ordering prescription medications through the OptumRx mail order pharmacy. If your coverage includes a mandatory mail prescription rider, you must obtain most long-term maintenance medications from OptumRx. For more information, go to messa.org to log in to your member account and link to the OptumRx website. For general questions about your prescription coverage, call MESSA at 800.336.0013 or TTY 888.445.5614. For questions about a prescription order, call OptumRx at 800.903.8346

#### Medical care outside the U.S.

MESSA members have access to doctors and hospitals with the BCBS Global Core program. You may want to visit the BCBS Global Core program's website (www.bcbsglobalcore.com) to find in-network providers prior to your departure.

#### **Covered services and approved amounts**

**In-network providers** bill BCBSM directly. Payments for covered services are based on BCBSM's approved amounts. Your liability is limited to the plan deductible, copayment and coinsurance requirements.

**Out-of-network providers** may or may not bill BCBSM directly. The member is responsible to the provider for any deductibles, copayments, coinsurance and amounts that are in excess of the approved amount for the services as predetermined by MESSA and BCBSM. These amounts may be substantial.

Medical benefits underwritten by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan (BCBSM) & 4 Ever Life Insurance Company. BCBSM is an independent licensee of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association.

#### Life and accidental death & dismemberment insurance

Life insurance: \$5,000 policy for you.

Accidental death & dismemberment insurance (AD&D): \$5,000 policy for you.

AD&D terminates at age 65 or when employment ends, whichever comes later.

Life and AD&D insurance underwritten by Life Insurance Company of North America.

# MESSA ABC Plan 2 Medical plan highlights

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Plan features	In-network
Annual deductible The amount you pay for health care services and prescription drug purchases before your health insurance begins to pay. The annual deductible is based on the calendar year, Jan. 1 to Dec. 31.	Single coverage: \$2000  2-Person & Family coverage: \$4000  *When two or more lives are covered under this plan, the entire family deductible must be met before claims are paid for any individual.
Medical coinsurance A fixed percentage you pay for a medical service.	0%
Prescription drug coverage Under federal law governing HSA-qualified plans, prescription drugs are subject to the deductible (other than MESSA's free preventive prescriptions). After deductible is met, applicable prescription copayments and/or coinsurance apply.  See Free preventive prescriptions below.	3-Tier Rx
Annual out-of-pocket maximums  The most you have to pay for covered medical services and prescriptions in a calendar year, including deductible, copayments and coinsurance. Charges above approved amount and charges for services not covered under the plan do not count toward the out-of-pocket maximum.	Single coverage: \$4000 2-Person & Family coverage: \$8000
In-network services covered at no cost to you	
Free preventive prescriptions  MESSA ABC covers an extensive list of FREE preventive prescrip including cholesterol and blood pressure medications, weight lomore.	
Preventive care - Certain services such as annual exams, screenings, childhood and adult immunizations and certain preventive medications.	No cost to you
Prenatal and postnatal care - Prenatal and postnatal doctor visits.	

In-network services subject to deductible and applicable coinsurance		
Blue Cross online visit	Urgent care	
Office visit	Hospital emergency room (ER)	
Chiropractic services including modalities Up to 38 visits per calendar year.	Osteopathic manipulations Performed by an Osteopathic physician. Up to 38 visits per calendar year.	
Inpatient hospital	Autism - applied behavior analysis (ABA) services	
Outpatient physical, occupational and speech therapy Up to a combined benefit maximum of 60 visits per individual per calendar year.	Hearing aids There is a maximum benefit for a hearing aid for each ear during a 36-month period.	
Hearing care Hearing related services performed by an M.D. or D.O.	Acupuncture Must be performed by an M.D. or D.O.	
Diagnostic lab and X-ray	Radiation and chemotherapy	
Allergy testing and therapy	Bariatric surgery	
Mental health and substance abuse - inpatient and outpatient care	Ambulance	
Medical supplies	Durable medical equipment (DME)	
Prosthetics and orthotics	Home health care	
Skilled nursing facility Up to a maximum of 120 days per calendar year.	Human organ transplant Must be performed at an approved facility.	

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Life insurance: \$5,000 policy for you.

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Life and AD&D insurance underwritten by Life Insurance Company of North America.

# **MESSA Dental plan highlights**

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**MESSA Account: L'Anse Creuse Schools** 

**Employee Group: 005A Teachers & Counselors** 

Group/Subgroup: 00755-0006

MESSA dental plans are underwritten and administered by Delta Dental of Michigan, a non-profit dental care corporation known for its high quality dental programs. Delta Dental contracts with dentists throughout the U.S. to provide high quality care and 90% of Michigan dentists are in the Delta Dental provider network. MESSA members can easily locate Delta Dental contracting providers by visiting **www.messa.org** and using the provider directory search provided by Delta Dental.

<ul> <li>Prophylaxes <ul> <li>Topical Fluoride*</li> <li>Brush Biopsy</li> <li>Emergency Pallative</li> <li>2 Cleanings in 12 Months</li> </ul> </li> <li>*Fluoride treatments are payable twice in any period of 12 consecutive months for people up to age 19.</li> <li>Rider (If neither box below is checked, you do not have this coverage.)</li> <li>A Cleanings in 12 Months</li> <li>*Rider (If the box below is not checked, you do not have this coverage.)</li> <li>Sealants: payable on corcus in any period of 12 consecutive months. Full mouth panograph is payable once in any period on the same tooth.</li> <li>Rider (If the box below is not checked, you do not have this coverage.)</li> <li>Sealants: payable on occlusal surface of first permanent molars for patients up to age 9 and for second permanent molars for patients up to age 14</li> </ul>	Diagnostic & Preventive Services	Basic Services 50%	Major Services 50%	Orthodontics 50%
caries and restorations.	<ul> <li>Prophylaxes</li> <li>Topical Fluoride*</li> <li>Brush Biopsy</li> <li>Emergency Pallative</li> <li>2 Cleanings in 12 Months</li> <li>* Fluoride treatments are payable twice in any period of 12 consecutive months for people up to age 19.</li> <li>Rider (If neither box below is checked, you do not have this coverage.)</li> <li>3 Cleanings in 12 Months</li> </ul>	Restorative Crowns** Oral Surgery Endodontic Services — treatment for diseased or damaged nerves. Periodontic Services — treatment for diseases of the gum and teeth-supporting structures.  * Bitewing x-rays are payable once in any period of 12 consecutive months. Full mouth panograph is payable once in 5 years.  ** Payable once in any 5-year period on the same tooth.  Rider (If the box below is not checked, you do not have this coverage.)  Sealants: payable on occlusal surface of first permanent molars for patients up to age 9 and for second permanent molars for patients up to age 14 that are free from	construction of fixed bridgework, enosteal implants, partial and complete dentures.  • Payable once in any 5-year period for the	abnormal bite.  • Orthodontic exam, radiographs and extractions are covered under Diagnostic & Preventive Services and Basic Services.  Rider (If the box below is not checked, you do not have this coverage.)  Adult orthodontics: removes the age 19 restriction

For a complete listing of exclusions and limitations that apply to the plan, refer to the Delta Dental of Michigan certificate booklet.

# **MESSA Dental plan highlights**



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Diagnostic & Preventive Services 80%	Basic Services 80%	Major Services 80%	Orthodontics 80%
Oral Examination Prophylaxes Topical Fluoride* Brush Biopsy Emergency Pallative Cleanings in 12 Months  Fluoride treatments are payable twice in any period of 12 consecutive months for people up to age 19.  Rider (If neither box below is checked, you do not have this coverage.)  3 Cleanings in 12 Months  4 Cleanings in 12 Months	Radiographs (x-rays)* Restorative Crowns** Oral Surgery Endodontic Services — treatment for diseased or damaged nerves. Periodontic Services — treatment for diseases of the gum and teeth-supporting structures.  * Bitewing x-rays are payable once in any period of 12 consecutive months. Full mouth panograph is payable once in 5 years.  ** Payable once in any 5-year period on the same tooth.  Rider (If the box below is not checked, you do not have this coverage.)  Sealants: payable on occlusal surface of first permanent molars for patients up to age 9 and for second permanent molars for patients up to age 14 that are free from caries and restorations.	<ul> <li>Procedures for the construction of fixed bridgework, enosteal implants, partial and complete dentures.</li> <li>Payable once in any 5-year period for the same appliances.</li> </ul>	Necessary treatment and procedures required for the correction of abnormal bite.  Orthodontic exam, radiographs and extractions are covered under Diagnostic & Preventive Services and Basic Services.  Rider (If the box below is not checked, you do not have this coverage.)  Adult orthodontics: removes the age 19 restriction on Orthodontics coverage.
\$1,000 annual maximum per person  Diagnostic & Preventive Services, Basic	Services and Major Services		\$1,300 lifetime maximum per person Orthodontics

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# **VSP 2 S Benefits**

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In-network providers

Out-of-network providers (Maximum reimbursement to patient)

Most eye doctors are in VSP's Signature network. Staying in-network makes sure you get the most value from your benefits and limits your out-of-pocket costs. In-network doctors bill VSP directly as a convenience to you. A directory of Signature network doctors is available at messa.org or vsp.com. Call VSP member services at 800-877-7195 for assistance.

If you choose to see a doctor who is not in the VSP Signature network, your out-of-pocket costs will likely be higher and you must submit the itemized receipts to VSP for reimbursement. For more information, visit www.vsp.com or call VSP member services at 800-877-7195.

Benefit	In-network provider	Out-of-network provider maximum allowance
Examination		
Optometrist Ophthalmologist	\$6.50 copayment	\$28.50 \$38.50
Contact lenses (includes contact lens examination) *		
Elective lenses to improve vision	\$110 allowance	\$90
Medically necessary - to correct keratoconus, irregular astigmatism, irregular corneal curvature or vision to 20/70 in the better eye	MESSA pays 100% of the approved amount	\$175
Eyeglass frames	\$130 allowance after copayment	\$44
Eyeglass lenses  Single vision Bifocal Trifocal Lenticular	\$18 copayment	\$29 \$51 \$63 \$75
Eyeglass lens enhancements  Rose #1 or #2 tint Rimless Oversize Blended Photochromic	MESSA pays 100% of the approved amount	Member must pay the difference between the approved amount and the provider charge
Progressive	Not covered	
Tinted Single vision Bifocal Trifocal Lenticular	MESSA pays 100% of the approved amount	\$33 \$61 \$75 \$89
Polarized Single vision Bifocal Trifocal Lenticular	MESSA pays 100% of the approved amount	\$47 \$81 \$101 \$119

<sup>\*</sup> The cost of the eye exam is covered separately and does not count against the contact lens allowance.

# **VSP 3 G Benefits**

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Benefit	In-network provider	Out-of-network provider maximum allowance
Examination		
Optometrist Ophthalmologist	No copayment No copayment	\$35 \$45
Contact lenses (includes contact lens examination) *		
Elective lenses to improve vision	\$135 allowance	\$115
Medically necessary - to correct keratoconus, irregular astigmatism, irregular corneal curvature or vision to 20/70 in the better eye	MESSA pays 100% of the approved amount	\$200
Eyeglass frames	\$130 allowance	\$55
Eyeglass lenses  Single vision Bifocal Trifocal Lenticular	MESSA pays 100% of the approved amount	\$38 \$60 \$72 \$108
Rose #1 or #2 tint Rimless Oversize Blended Photochromic	MESSA pays 100% of the approved amount	Member must pay the difference between the approved amount and the provider charge
Progressive	Not covered	
Tinted Single vision Bifocal Trifocal Lenticular	MESSA pays 100% of the approved amount	\$42 \$70 \$84 \$118
Polarized Single vision Bifocal Trifocal Lenticular	MESSA pays 100% of the approved amount	\$56 \$90 \$110 \$138

<sup>\*</sup> The cost of the eye exam is covered separately and does not count against the contact lens allowance.

## MESSA Group Term Life Insurance plan highlights

Underwritten by Life Insurance Company of North America

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Employee Group: 005A Teachers & Counselors with medical

This is a brief summary of your coverage available under MESSA's Group Term Life and AD&D policy.

Please refer to your Life & Accident Insurance Certificate Booklet for complete information.

Plan features	Definition	Your Coverage
Group Term Life Insurance	The amount of your Group Term Life Insurance coverage.	\$60,000
Group AD&D Insurance	The amount of your Accidental Death and Dismemberment (AD&D) coverage.	\$60,000
Group Dependent Term Life Insurance: SPOUSE	This provides a life benefit equal to 50% of the member's benefit (not to exceed \$25,000) for the spouse and does not contain AD&D benefits.	N/A
Group Dependent Term Life Insurance: CHILD(REN)	This provides a life benefit equal to 25% of the member's benefit (not to exceed \$12,500) for all eligible children and does not contain AD&D benefits.	N/A

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It is important to note that Group Term Life Insurance in excess of \$50,000 and Group Dependent Term Life Insurance (if the benefit exceeds \$2,000) are taxable benefits.

## MESSA Group Term Life Insurance plan highlights

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Employee Group: 005A Teachers & Counselors without medical

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Please refer to your Life & Accident Insurance Certificate Booklet for complete information.

Plan features	Definition	Your Coverage
Group Term Life Insurance	The amount of your Group Term Life Insurance coverage.	\$70,000
Group AD&D Insurance	The amount of your Accidental Death and Dismemberment (AD&D) coverage.	\$70,000
Group Dependent Term Life Insurance: SPOUSE	This provides a life benefit equal to 50% of the member's benefit (not to exceed \$25,000) for the spouse and does not contain AD&D benefits.	\$10,000
Group Dependent Term Life Insurance: CHILD(REN)	This provides a life benefit equal to 25% of the member's benefit (not to exceed \$12,500) for all eligible children and does not contain AD&D benefits.	\$5,000

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### **MESSA Group LTD Plan Benefit Highlights**

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Long Term Disability (LTD) insurance provides benefits at a percentage of a member's salary in the event of total disability. Benefits begin after the satisfaction of a waiting period and continue as long as the member remains totally disabled as described under "Maximum Benefit Period" in the LTD certificate booklet.

This is a brief summary of your coverage available under MESSA's Group LTD insurance. Refer to the actual certificate booklet for complete information.

<b>Plan Features</b>	Definition	<b>Your Coverage</b>
Pre-Existing Conditions	Medical conditions for which the advice or treatment was received prior to effective date of coverage are included. However, doctor-verified disabilities in effect prior to the effective date would be excluded.	Waived
Waiting Period	Calendar Day (CD): The waiting period is based on actual calendar days.  Work Day (WD): The waiting period is based on the consecutive number of contracted work days.  Modified Fill (MF): Benefits begin on the latter of exhaustion of sick time/ bank or the specified number of calendar/work day waiting period.  Straight Wait (SW): Benefits begin after the specified number of calendar/ work day waiting period.	90 CDMF
Benefit Level	Percent of covered salary.	66 2/3%
Maximum Benefit Level	Monthly benefit up to the maximum amount bargained.	\$5,000
Minimum Maximum Benefit	There is a minimum monthly benefit of 5% of the gross monthly benefit or \$50, whichever is greater, after all offsets are applied, not to exceed the maximum monthly benefit.	5%
Offsets	Benefits are reduced by any income the employee receives or is entitled to receive such as vacation pay, salary continuation, workers' compensation, full auto wage loss benefit, any employer-paid group plan, retirement benefits you receive from your employer's retirement or pension plan, including Michigan Public School Employees' Retirement System (MPSERS), short-term disability, and others.	
Social Security Offsets	Primary: Social security retirement and social security disability are offsets.  Family: Any social security disability benefits received by the employee's family due to the employee's disability is an offset.	Family
Freeze on Offsets	Monthly disability benefits will not be reduced because of automatic, statutory or general cost of living increases in income from other sources after MESSA's initial benefit determination for each specified offset has been made. The exception to this is an unsuccessful return to work with increased salary, social security and retirement cost of living.	Yes
COLA	An employee's benefit may be increased while on claim due to increase in the cost of living. The increase is based on changes in the Consumer Price Index as of January 1 each year and is payable on the anniversary of the commencement of benefit payment. There is a maximum annual increase of 3%.	No
Own Occupation Maximum Benefit Period	Disability benefits may be payable during continuous disability. After the own occupation period, a member must be unable to perform any occupation for which he/she is qualified by training, experience or education. Benefits may be payable up to age 65. For benefits commencing at or after age 60, please see your benefit schedule.	2 Years
Mental / Nervous Conditions	These conditions are covered as any other illness unless you have a 2-year aggregate limitation.	Same as any other illness
Alcoholism / Drug Abuse	These conditions are covered as any other illness unless you have a 2-year aggregate limitation.	Same as any other illness