

How it works

We set your annual deductible and family maximum on January 1 every year. These are based on your income from two years ago. You must file taxes every year to maintain Fair PharmaCare coverage.

Once you meet your deductible, PharmaCare pays 70% of eligible costs. You continue paying 30% of eligible costs until you have met your family maximum.

If you or your spouse were born before 1940, PharmaCare pays 75% of your eligible costs after you meet your deductible.

Deductible: The amount you pay for eligible costs before you get help.

Family maximum: The most you will spend on eligible costs in a year. Once you meet your family maximum, PharmaCare pays 100% of eligible costs.

Eligible costs: The maximum amount that PharmaCare will pay for a drug or pharmacy service. Only eligible costs go towards your deductible and family maximum.

What you need to register

For every member of your family:

- Name and date of birth
- 10-digit Personal Health Number

For you and your spouse (if you have one):

- Social Insurance Number (SIN)
- Net income (Line 23600 from your CRA Notice of Assessment from 2 years ago)
- If applicable, Registered Disability Savings Plan income (Line 12500)

If you need help filing your taxes, or a copy of your Notice of Assessment, contact the CRA at: 1-800-959-8281

When coverage starts

You will have temporary coverage immediately if you register online or by phone. If you register by mail, temporary coverage begins as soon as we process your registration form.

Once we check your income with the CRA, we will set your deductible and family maximum for the rest of the year.

Register now

Online: www.gov.bc.ca/AHDC

By phone: 1-800-663-7100 (toll free) or 604-683-7151 (Lower Mainland)

Monday to Friday 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Saturday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

By mail: Health Insurance BC, Fair PharmaCare
P.O. Box 9684 Stn Prov Govt
Victoria BC, V8W 9P7

Print off the form online or call us to mail one to you.

Information about Fair PharmaCare is available in several languages online and on the phone.

Get help paying your deductible

You can pay your deductible in monthly instalments and get help with eligible costs right away – as if you have already paid your deductible. Call us to ask about the Monthly Deductible Payment Option.

If your family income drops more than 10% after your deductible was calculated, you can apply for a lower deductible.

Learn more at www.gov.bc.ca/fairpharmacare.



Fair PharmaCare Plan

Helping you and your family pay for prescription drugs.

Register today!



BRITISH COLUMBIA

BCPharmaCare

Fair PharmaCare Plan

Fair PharmaCare is one of BC PharmaCare’s 12 plans. The plans help B.C. residents pay for some:

- Prescription drugs
- Medical devices and supplies
- Pharmacy services

The Fair PharmaCare plan is based on your family income. The lower your income, the more help you get. A family can be a single person or a couple—with or without children.

Coverage is based on net income from two years ago. When you register for Fair PharmaCare, you consent to PharmaCare checking your income with the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) each year.

It’s free to register.

When you fill a prescription, PharmaCare’s share of the cost is calculated automatically when you buy it. You pay only the costs that PharmaCare does not cover.

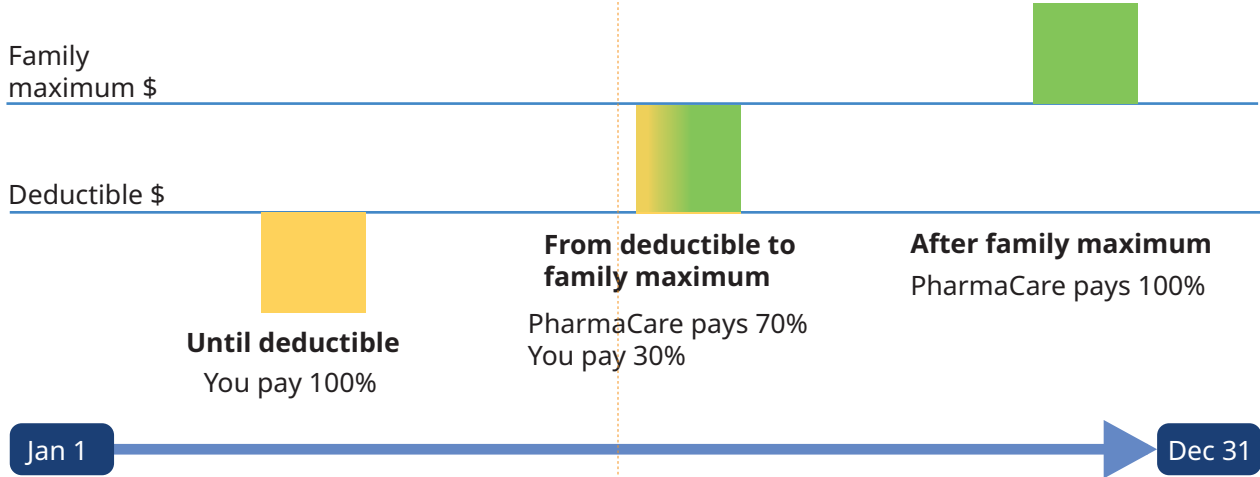
Eligibility

You can register for Fair PharmaCare if:

- You are a B.C. resident
- You are fully enrolled in the BC Medical Services Plan (MSP)
- You have a Social Insurance Number (SIN)
- You filed an income tax return with the CRA two years ago

If you could not file taxes two years ago (e.g. you worked outside of Canada), call us.

Fair PharmaCare Regular Assistance



Family income	Deductible	Family maximum
\$0 – \$13,750	None. Fair PharmaCare pays 100% of your eligible costs right away.	None.
\$13,750.01 – \$30,000	None. Fair PharmaCare pays 70% of your eligible costs right away.	\$100 – \$800
\$30,000.01 – \$45,000	\$650 – \$1,300	\$900 – \$1,700
\$45,000.01 – \$87,500	\$1,400 – \$2,500	\$1,875 – \$3,350
\$87,500.01 – \$125,000	\$2,750 – \$3,500	\$3,675 – \$4,675
\$125,000.01 – \$250,000	\$4,000 – \$7,000	\$5,350 – \$9,350
\$250,000.01 and up	\$8,000 – \$10,000	\$10,000

If you or your spouse were born before 1940, you could have a lower deductible and family maximum.

Many employer health plans require you to register for Fair PharmaCare. They often pay the deductible and your portion of prescription drug costs.