



LOCAL 36 BENEFIT FUNDS

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Dear Member,

The Trustees of the International Association of Sheet Metal, Air, Rail and Transportation Workers ("SMART") Local Union No. 36 Welfare Fund are pleased to notify you of benefit changes that will soon be taking place. Effective April 1, 2021, the Fund will be utilizing AmWINS Rx as a pharmacy benefit manager in place of Optum Rx. This will be effective for all Local 36 St. Louis and Arkansas active participants, contractor office employee participants, and Non-Medicare retirees. As a participant in a plan utilizing AmWINS Rx, you will have access to a network of pharmacies that includes most national chains and many local neighborhood pharmacies.

Included in this mailing is a Summary of Material Modifications outlining changes in the Plan that will be effective on April 1, 2021. The copayment structure and out-of-pocket maximum in the Plan, which is listed below, will remain unchanged.

	Generic	Tier 2 Preferred (formulary) Brand	Tier 3 Non-Preferred Brand
30-day Co-payment	\$10	\$50	50% co-pay no cap
90-day Co-payment	\$25	\$125	
Calendar Year Out-of-Pocket Maximum (Tier 1 & 2 combined):	\$2,850 individual \$5,700 family		Not applicable

The Welfare Fund’s Specialty Drug Program will continue as set out in the SPD and may be referred to by AmWINS as the Specialty Assistance Program (ASAP). In addition, AmWINS Rx is providing two new drug savings programs for select drugs: The Patient Assistance Program (PAP) and the Non-Specialty Copay Assistance Program (NSCAP). If you are on one of these medications, a member of the AmWINS Rx Team will be in contact with you to discuss program enrollment.

Medications play an important role in keeping you as healthy as possible. AmWINS Rx will strive to provide you and your Welfare Fund with excellent service and easy-to-use tools to help you get the

prescriptions you need with a goal of helping you obtain the maximum value from your pharmacy benefits. Follow these tips to save time and money.

- **Go generic:** Save money by choosing generic medications. Generics have the same active ingredients as their brand-name counterparts. Ask your doctor, "Is there a generic you can prescribe?"
- **Stay in network:** Fill prescriptions at a pharmacy in the AmWINS Rx Retail Network. AmWINS Rx network includes most national chains and many local, neighborhood pharmacies.
- **Switch to digital:** Manage your medicines easily on all your devices. Check benefits and more at www.amwinsrx.com. Find preferred drugs and network pharmacies.
- **Home delivery:** Never run out of the medicine you take every day with a 90-day supply delivered right to your door. Skip the lines and save on gas! Sign up for Elixir Pharmacy at www.elixirsolutions.com via the member center tab. Please note, you will not be able to register for home delivery with Elixir Pharmacy until after April 1, 2021.
- **Choose preferred medications:** When multiple drugs treat the same condition, choose a "preferred" drug, and save money. It is easy to find out if your drug is preferred or to find a preferred alternative by using the medication lookup tool on the AmWINS Rx Member Portal at www.amwinsrx.com/membercenter. Please take this opportunity to search for your current medications on the AmWINS Rx Formulary. If your current medication is not listed as a Tier 1 or Tier 2 medication on the AmWINS Rx Formulary, please speak with your physician about formulary alternatives. This will help to keep your cost at the lowest tiered benefit available.

To help prepare you for this beneficial change, you can also expect to receive new identification cards for your family in the next few weeks. This identification card will be utilized for all your benefits from the Welfare Fund when seeking medical, mental health and substance use disorder, vision, and prescription drug benefits and will provide all information needed when seeking services. This card, which adds the AmWINS Rx logo and processing information, will replace your current card and should be used **after** April 1, 2021.

If you have any questions or need more information about the mail-order transition, please contact AmWINS Rx's Customer Service Center at 800-956-7682, Monday – Friday 8:00 am to 8:00 pm.

We expect that you will be pleased with these changes. Please contact the Fund Office at 314-652-8175 if you have any questions or concerns.

Respectfully,

Administrative Staff

SMART Local 36 Welfare Fund