

# HCF CORPORATE CARE BRONZE PLUS HOSPITAL PRODUCT SUMMARY

Corporate hospital cover that includes many essential treatments, designed for those who are healthy.



## FEATURES



### ACCIDENT SAFEGUARD

If you're involved in an accident, you'll get the benefits of our top level of hospital cover for up to 12 months, even if your treatment is normally excluded on your cover\*.



### NO EXCESS FOR KIDS AGED UNDER 25 OR FOR ACCIDENT-RELATED TREATMENT

You pay \$0 excess for kids aged under 25 or for accident-related treatment, no matter how many times you go to hospital.



### INVOLUNTARY UNEMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE

If you find yourself unexpectedly unemployed, we'll cover the cost of your health cover for up to 6 months\*.



### THE HCF THANK YOU APP

Browse personalised offers and discounts, earn rewards and track your savings with the HCF Thank You app\*\*.

## WHAT'S INCLUDED:

- ✓ Flexible excess options - choose from a \$250, \$500 or \$750 excess
- ✓ Cover for digestive system procedures, bone, joint and muscle procedures and more
- ✓ Travel and accommodation benefits for your hospital stay^^
- ✓ No gap to pay\* for hospital admission, surgeon and anaesthetist costs, and in-hospital diagnostic tests like blood tests and scans\* for endoscopies and hernia surgeries through participating hospitals and surgeons (except for hospital excess)
- ✓ Emergency ambulance cover^^

\* To be eligible, must attend a hospital emergency department within 24 hrs. Top hospital coverage applies for up to 12 months of the Accident. Other conditions apply. See [hcf.com.au/accident-safeguard](https://hcf.com.au/accident-safeguard)

^ Must have held HCF hospital cover for at least 12 months. Other eligibility criteria apply. See [hcf.com.au/unemployment-assistance](https://hcf.com.au/unemployment-assistance)

\*\* To be eligible, you must have an active HCF health, life or Overseas Visitors Health Insurance policy and your premiums must be up to date (excluding Ambulance Only Cover and RT Health Cover). Offers and partners are subject to change without advance notice. See the HCF Thank You app Terms and Conditions at [hcf.com.au/thank-you-app](https://hcf.com.au/thank-you-app)

\* To access the No-Gap Day Surgery program, you must have an active hospital policy with HCF (excluding Overseas Visitors Health Cover) that covers the relevant procedure and have held that cover with HCF for at least 12 months. You'll also need to have been accepted into that specific no-gap program by a participating hospital and surgeon. You may be required to pay a hospital excess, depending on your cover and if you're claiming for the first time in the calendar year. There may also be some small permitted gaps and additional costs for outpatient appointments, like a visit to your surgeon in their consulting rooms. For full program terms and conditions, see [hcf.com.au/no-gap-day-surgery](https://hcf.com.au/no-gap-day-surgery)

^ Diagnostic test, scans and blood tests must be carried out on the day of the procedure and undertaken as part of the procedure.

\*\* When you travel at least 200km round trip. Other terms and conditions apply. Go to [hcf.com.au/travel-accommodation](https://hcf.com.au/travel-accommodation) to find out more.

^^ Cover is limited to emergency transport to the nearest hospital by a State or Territory government ambulance provider (excludes transport from another hospital or medical facility). Benefits are not payable for ambulance services covered by a State or Territory government scheme.

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KEY FEATURES	
Excess options (per person per calendar year)	\$250, \$500 or \$750
No excess for kids aged under 25	✓
No excess for accident-related treatment	✓
Travel and accommodation benefit	✓
Available without extras cover	Yes

THIS POLICY INCLUDES COVER FOR:	
<b>Emergency ambulance*</b>	
<b>Non-emergency ambulance</b> (up to \$5,000 per person, per year)*	
<b>Accident Safeguard</b> – services that are not included or have Restricted Cover will be treated as covered services in the event of an accident that occurs after joining. Does not include podiatric surgery. Conditions apply. See <a href="http://hcf.com.au/accident-safeguard">hcf.com.au/accident-safeguard</a>	
<b>Brain and nervous system</b> e.g. stroke, brain or spinal cord tumours	
<b>Eye (not cataracts)</b> e.g. retinal detachment, tear duct conditions, eye infections and medically managed trauma to the eye	
<b>Ear, nose and throat</b> e.g. damaged ear drum, sinus surgery, removal of foreign bodies, stapedectomy and throat cancer	
<b>Tonsils, adenoids and grommets</b> e.g. hospital treatment of the tonsils, adenoids and insertion or removal of grommets	
<b>Bone, joint and muscle</b> e.g. carpal tunnel, fractures, hand surgery, joint fusion, bone spurs, osteomyelitis and surgery for bone cancer	
<b>Joint reconstructions (excluding joint replacement surgery)</b> e.g. torn tendons, rotator cuff tears and damaged ligaments	
<b>Kidney and bladder</b> e.g. kidney stones, adrenal gland tumour and incontinence	
<b>Male reproductive system</b> e.g. male sterilisation, circumcision and prostate cancer	
<b>Digestive system</b> e.g. oesophageal cancer, irritable bowel syndrome, gall stones and haemorrhoids	
<b>Hernia and appendix</b> e.g. hernia operations and appendicitis	
<b>Gastrointestinal endoscopy</b> e.g. colonoscopy and gastroscopy	
<b>Gynaecology</b> e.g. endometriosis, polycystic ovaries, female sterilisation and cervical cancer	
<b>Miscarriage and termination of pregnancy</b>	
<b>Chemotherapy, radiotherapy and immunotherapy for cancer</b>	
<b>Pain management</b> e.g. treatment of nerve pain and chest pain due to cancer by injection of a nerve block	
<b>Skin</b> e.g. surgery to remove melanoma, minor wound repair and abscesses	
<b>Breast surgery (medically necessary)</b> e.g. breast lesions, breast tumours, asymmetry due to breast cancer surgery and gynecomastia	
<b>Diabetes management (excluding insulin pumps)</b> e.g. stabilisation of hypo- or hyper-glycaemia, contour problems due to insulin injections	
<b>Lung and chest</b> e.g. lung cancer, respiratory disorders such as asthma, pneumonia and treatment of trauma to the chest	
<b>Blood</b> e.g. blood clotting disorders and bone marrow transplants	
<b>Dental surgery#</b> e.g. surgery to remove wisdom teeth and dental implant surgery	
<b>Sleep studies</b> e.g. sleep apnoea and snoring	

THIS POLICY INCLUDES RESTRICTED COVER FOR:	
Rehabilitation	
Palliative care	
Hospital psychiatric services	

THIS POLICY DOES NOT INCLUDE COVER FOR:	
Heart and vascular system	
Back, neck and spine	
Plastic and reconstructive surgery (medically necessary) e.g. burns requiring a graft, cleft palate, club foot and angioma	
Podiatric surgery (provided by a registered podiatric surgeon)	
Implantation of hearing devices	

THIS POLICY DOES NOT INCLUDE COVER FOR (CONT.):	
Cataracts	
Joint replacements	
Dialysis for chronic kidney failure	
Pregnancy and birth	
Assisted reproductive services	
Weight loss surgery	
Insulin pumps	
Pain management with device	
Elective cosmetic surgery	

**This product includes cover for accommodation, operating theatre, intensive care, government-approved prostheses, pharmaceuticals (excluding experimental and high cost non-PBS drugs) as part of your covered admission at an HCF-participating hospital.**

## EXCESS

An excess is a non-refundable amount of money a member agrees to pay towards the cost of services before benefits are payable when admitted to hospital. If hospitalised, the total excess amount of your cover will apply once per person per calendar year.

## OUT-OF-POCKET COSTS AND HOSPITAL AGREEMENTS

Under this policy, you may have to pay out-of-pocket costs above what you get from Medicare or your private health insurer. Before you go to hospital, you should ask your doctors, hospital and health insurer about any out-of-pocket costs that may apply to you.

The benefits paid for hospital treatment will depend on the type of cover you purchase and whether your fund has an agreement in place with the hospital in which you are treated. See 'Agreement Hospitals' on [privatehealth.gov.au](http://privatehealth.gov.au) for which hospitals have arrangements with your insurer.

## PREGNANCY AND BIRTH

To be covered for pregnancy and birth in hospital, make sure your cover includes full benefits for these services. If not, you may wish to upgrade to a cover that includes pregnancy and birth 12 months before the date of birth of your child to minimise your out-of-pocket expenses. If you're expecting, make sure you transfer to a family membership within 2 months of the birth of your child to ensure your baby is covered.

## RESTRICTED COVER

For these services, only Minimum Benefits are payable which means that you may have to pay significant out-of-pocket expenses in a private hospital. In a public hospital, if you elect to be a private patient, you may also have to pay out-of-pocket expenses.

## SERVICES NOT INCLUDED

These services are not included in your cover. No benefits are payable for any treatment related to these services, except in the case of Accident Safeguard. Always check with us to see if you're covered before going to hospital.

\* Cover is limited to emergency transport to the nearest hospital by a State or Territory government ambulance provider (excludes transport from another hospital or medical facility). Benefits are not payable for ambulance services covered by a State or Territory government scheme.

# Cover is limited to medically necessary non-emergency ambulance transport where your doctor requests ambulance transport because your condition requires monitoring and support in transit. Benefits are not payable for ambulance services covered by a State or Territory government scheme.

# Members must hold eligible extras cover if they want to claim benefits for eligible dental services performed in a hospital.

# THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW

## The following waiting periods apply:

HOSPITAL WAITING PERIODS	
<b>1 DAY</b>	Emergency ambulance.
<b>2 MONTHS</b>	Hospital psychiatric services, rehabilitation and palliative care. Members who have held a hospital cover for at least 2 months and upgrade to receive hospital psychiatric services as covered services may not be required to serve the waiting period for hospital psychiatric services. This exemption can only be accessed once in a member's lifetime.
<b>12 MONTHS</b>	Pre-Existing Conditions (excluding hospital psychiatric services, rehabilitation and palliative care).
<b>2 MONTHS</b>	All other hospital services, including accident-related treatment (for services included in your cover). Non-emergency ambulance.

## WHAT'S NOT COVERED?

There are a number of situations where our health insurance doesn't cover you, including for example:

- claims for services by providers not recognised by HCF, and that do not meet HCF's criteria as set out in the Fund Rules
- treatment for Pre-Existing Conditions (other than for hospital psychiatric services, rehabilitation or palliative care) within the 12-month waiting period
- experimental, high cost non-PBS drugs and TGA-approved drugs used for a purpose other than that for which they were approved.

Please refer to the HCF Member Guide or Fund Rules for a comprehensive list of exclusions.

### Note:

This product summary is not a complete description of your cover. Please refer to the HCF Member Guide or Fund Rules available at [hcf.com.au](https://www.hcf.com.au) or call **13 13 34** to check what you're covered for before receiving treatment.