

United Healthcare Community Plan is giving you this information so that you can be informed about the cost of health care. These services are among your covered benefits, so as long as you use a participating provider, your health plan will cover the costs and you won't be charged any out of pocket expenses, unless there is a copay.

# Compare Your Care

## How much does it cost?

Keeping the cost of health care low means everyone can get care when needed. Here's a sample comparing average costs from hospitals or clinics. These are estimated costs based on 2011 data.

### Common Symptoms

Symptom	Doctor's Office Care	Doctor's Visit Cost	ER Care	ER Visit Cost
<b>Common Cold</b>	You feel terrible with runny nose, cough, sore throat. You go to the doctor. They say go home, rest and drink fluids.	\$34.50 – \$34.80	You feel terrible with runny nose, cough, sore throat. You put off seeing your doctor during the day. At midnight you go to the ER. The ER doctor says to go home, rest and drink fluids.	\$63.35 – \$92.75
<b>Sore Throat</b>	Your throat hurts. You go to the doctor. Price includes seeing doctor and Strep test. Test was negative.	\$33.00 – \$34.50	Your throat really hurts in the middle of the night. You go the ER. Includes ER charges and test for Strep. The test was negative.	\$65.60 – \$83.00
<b>Ear ache</b>	Your 2-year-old is pulling on his/her ear. You go to the doctor. Office visit and exam. There is no infection.	\$42.50 – \$43.00	Your 2-year-old is pulling on his/her ear. You go to the ER. ER visit and exam. There is no infection.	\$49.00 – \$68.60

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## Common Symptoms (Cont.)

Symptom	Doctor's Office Care	Doctor's Visit Cost	ER Care	ER Visit Cost
<b>Nausea and Vomiting</b>	Your 10-year-old son has been vomiting for 4 hours. He feels achy and sick. You go to your pediatrician. She says a stomach virus is going around. It may last 24 hours. Go home and rest until symptoms pass. Give fluids and light bland diet for 48 hours. Cost includes office visit.	\$41.70 – \$44.00	Your 10-year-old son has been vomiting for 4 hours. He feels achy and sick. You go to the ER. The ER doctor says a stomach virus is going around. It may last 24 hours. Go home and rest until symptoms pass. Give fluids and light bland diet for 48 hours. Cost includes ER visit.	\$94.00 – \$107.00
<b>Fever</b>	You have had a fever of 102 degrees for 48 hours and feel achy. Over the counter fever reducers help. You are able to drink plenty of fluids. You don't have any other health conditions. You visit your doctor. Your PCP says to take Ibuprofen for the fever. Get plenty of rest and drink a lot of fluids.	\$36.40 – \$38.30	You have had a fever of 102 degrees for 48 hours and feel achy. Over the counter fever reducers help. You are able to drink plenty of fluids. You don't have any other health conditions. You visit the ER. The ER doctor says to take Ibuprofen for the fever. Get plenty of rest and drink a lot of fluids.	\$68.00 – \$82.00
<b>Back Pain</b>	You have had low back pain for a week. You can't remember pulling a muscle or doing more activities than usual. The pain doesn't impact daily tasks, but is uncomfortable. Your doctor recommends ibuprofen and rest.	\$40.80 – \$42.00	You have had low back pain for a week. You can't remember pulling a muscle or doing more activities than usual. The pain doesn't impact daily tasks, but is uncomfortable. The ER doctor recommends ibuprofen and rest.	\$94.00 – \$113.00