

## Flexible Spending Accounts City of Boston

## One of the Few Gifts the IRS Gives!

Discover the benefit that SAVES YOU MONEY. This perk allows you to set aside a portion of your pay—BEFORE TAXES—to cover out-of-pocket expenses in these categories:

**HEALTH CARE.**\* Eligible expenses and services include: non-cosmetic medical, dental, and vision care services; orthodontics; prescription medications; prescription eyeglasses, contact lenses, laser eye surgery, mental health services, alternative health therapies (e.g. chiropractic, acupuncture), and MORE! Max. Annual Health Care Election: \$2,750.

Who's Covered? You, your legal spouse, and your dependents, as defined by the Internal Revenue Service, including those claimed on your tax return and adult children under age 26.

Grace Period. Health Care FSA participants get an extra 75 days at the end of the plan year to spend down the prior year's available balance.

**HSA Ineligibility.** If you or your spouse has a Health Savings Account ('HSA'), you are not eligible for the Health Care FSA plan.

Make Your Money Go

Enroll by <u>11/19/2021</u> for the 1/1/2022 - 12/31/2022 Plan Year

Complete an "Authorization for Pre-Tax Payroll Reduction" form & send it to Cafeteria Plan Advisors by the deadline shown above.

Already in the plan? Enroll for the new plan year via your online account portal—not the app!—by the deadline above. Go to our website, www.cpa125.com; log-in to your account; click ENROLL/ RE-ENROLL and follow the steps; click Submit at the end.

> Note: Re-enrollment is not automatic.

Benefit Cards. New Health Care FSA enrollees will receive 2 cards that can be used at most medical facilities, dental offices, optical shops, and pharmacies for eligible expenses. **Keep your cards!** They reload each plan year that you enroll for up to 5 plan years.

## COMMUTING<sup>†</sup>:

- TRANSIT PLAN.<sup>+</sup> For your mass-transit expenses (subway, train, bus, trolley, commuter boat, vanpools) used to commute to/from work. NOT for tolls, car/ride-hailing services, or for employees who buy Charlie Cards through the City. *Max. Monthly Election:* \$270. (up to \$3,240. per year)

**DEPENDENT CARE.\*\*** For your dependent children under age 13,

elderly dependents, and dependents with special needs. Eligible expenses

include day care, preschool, before/after school care, day camp, and elder

day care. Max. Annual Dep. Care Election: \$5,000. per family.

- PARKING PLAN.<sup>†</sup> For your parking expenses if you pay to park at work or at a mass-transit lot. *Max. Monthly Election: \$270.* (up to \$3,240. per year)

## **Track Your Account** and File Claims 24/7!

Log in to your employee portal via our website (www.CPA125.com), or use our app: CPA Flex Mobile.

The annual FSA admin. fee for 2022 is being paid by the City of Boston.

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Flexible Spending Plans administered by...

<sup>\*</sup> Not all Health Care expenses are FSA-eligible, such as cosmetic procedures or products even if performed or dispensed by a doctor (e.g. Botox, teeth whitening, veneers, etc.), couples/family counseling, general health/wellness expenses (i.e., toothbrushes, non-prescription sunglasses, gym dues, etc.), and federally non-permissible products. As of 1/1/20, non-prescription/over-the-counter medications were made FSA-eligible (not vitamins or supplements). Some expenses, such as medical equipment, and some services may be FSA-eligible with a physician's Letter of Medical Necessity. Visit <a href="https://fsastore.com/CPAEligibility">https://fsastore.com/CPAEligibility</a> for more info. on FSA-eligible products and services, including an A-Z look-up tool.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Overnight camp and school tuition are not FSA-eligible; day camp is eligible when utilized as childcare in order for the parent(s)/guardian(s) to be able to work; extra-curricular and enrichment programs/activities that aren't daycare/childcare based are not eligible; monies paid to a provider who doesn't report the funds as income on his/her taxes aren't FSA-eligible.

Employee-only benefit; not for spouse or dependent's expenses. Transit plan is for mass-transit as described above; vanpool = van that seats 6+ adults and a driver used exclusively to transport workers to/from work; folls, taxis, car & ride-hailing services (except Uber POOL, Lyft Line/Lyft Share), are not eligible. Monthly expense cap shown reflects max. federal tax benefit; state tax freatment will differ.