



**CWA District 4 – Retired Members Council**  
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**Legacy SBC Retirees Prescriptions**

Rx Co-Pays for retirees that retired on or before 4/4/04 are based on a formula of usage and inflation and are capped at a maximum amount. We did not reach the capped amounts for 2008 as the usage and/or inflation was not as high as expected; though we realize the co-pays are still very high. [Capped co-pay amounts]

Those who retired after 4/4/04 are still on the “actives” prescription plan and have different co-pays.

	If retired on or before 4/4/04:		If retired after 4/4/04:	
	Retail	Mail Order	Retail	Mail Order
Generic	\$10 [13]	\$20 [26]	\$8	\$16
Preferred	\$25 [26]	\$51 [52]	\$18	\$36
Non-Preferred	\$47 [52]	\$101 [104]	\$28	\$56

**Don't forget the 2 “fills” rule:** A prescription of the exact same strength and dosage can only be filled at a local pharmacy 2 times in a “rolling” year, even if the drug is prescribed at different times in the year [except Antibiotic's and Ritalin]. After 2 fills it is considered maintenance and should be filled through mail order. If you go beyond that; the penalty is no coverage at all.

**Other Co-pay Changes [Post 1/1/93 Retirees up to 4/4/04 Retirees]**

There is no change in co-pay amounts for Dr office visits and/or ER visits. The Co-pay for Dr office visits will remain at \$25. ER Visits will remain at \$75. **However, Hospital Co-pays will increase this year [from \$100] to \$200 per admission.**

**Remember to report all life event changes within 30 calendar days.**

**Remember to update Beneficiary information regularly.**

**Have a safe and healthy Holiday Season!**