

# UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY WELLNESS SPENDING ACCOUNT (WSA) PRODUCT CATEGORIES

Please note the product category listings of included products and services are examples only and are subject to change.

For up-to-date information about eligible products and services, please call Alberta Blue Cross Customer Services at 403-234-9666 (Calgary and area) or toll-free at 1-800-661-6995.

# **Health support:** Products and services that improve health and well-being

# **Examples of eligible products or services**

- Cosmetic procedures
- Health assessments
- Natural health products (for example, vitamins and minerals)
- Nutritional counselling
- · Meal replacement bars and protein powder

- Pre-natal classes
- Smoking cessation programs (including smoking cessation audiobooks)
- · Stress management programs
- · Weight management program fees

# **Fitness and sports activities:** Participation in physical activity that promotes good health

# **Examples of eligible products or services**

- Fitness club memberships
- Physical activity fees (for example gym drop-in fees and lift tickets)
- Sports league or team memberships

- · Instruction for physical activities
- · Facility fees for eligible activities
- Registration fees for athletics, physical fitness, health and wellness events and sports leagues

# **Fitness and sports equipment:** Purchase of fitness and sports equipment that promotes good health

#### **Examples of eligible products or services**

 Purchase or rental of fitness equipment (for example, treadmill, elliptical)  Purchase or rental of sports equipment (for example, hockey skates, sticks and pads and bicycle helmet)

#### **Professional development:** Supporting continuous learning and career development

# **Examples of eligible products or services**

- Courses, conferences and seminars
- Liability insurancer

- Professional membership fees
- Software and books for professional development courses

# **Professional development travel:** Supports travel associated with professional development activities

# **Examples of eligible products or services**

- · Transportation to course or seminar
- Parking

- · Hotel accommodation
- Meals

# **Personal computing and mobile digital devices:** *Products and services for personal computing and mobile communication*

# **Examples of eligible products or services**

- Computers and peripherals (hardware)
- Computer equipment repair
- · Internet connection devices and Internet services
- Software

- · Cell phone and accessories
- GPS (car or hand-held)
- Personal Digital Assistant (PDA) and software
- Service and usage fees

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# Family care: Attendant care and facility costs

#### **Examples of eligible products or services**

#### **Child care**

- Day camps and day programs
- · Daycare
- Nannies

#### Family care

- Caregiver support programs
- Elder care and counselling
- · Guide dogs
- · Home care
- Home installed supportive aids
- Lifts

- · Long-term care facilities
- · Medical supplies
- · Nursing care and nursing homes
- · Rehabilitation centre
- · Respite care
- Travel expenses (if required for family care)

# Personal interest: Supporting continuous learning through personal interest courses.

#### **Examples of eligible products or services**

- Art classes and supplies\*
- Driving instruction
- \* Supplies are only covered when included within the course fee.

  They are not considered eligible when purchased outside of the course fee.
- Photography courses
- · Pottery classes and supplies
- · Textbooks and required supplies for personal interest courses

# **Work from home:** Products and supplies required to establish/maintain a work from home environment.

# **Examples of eligible products or services**

- · Office supplies
- · Desk chair
- Desk
- Web Cams

- Shredder
- Ergonomic equipment/devices (Example: standing desk, lumbar/wrist/foot support, laptopstand)