Deductible and Maximum Out-of-Pocket Cost are Increasing in 2026



The Change: The federal government has made changes to the maximum out-of-pocket limits for 2026 and beyond. For 2026, the maximum out-of-pocket limit for an individual is \$10,600 and for a family is \$21,200.

Who is Affected:

- Everyone enrolled in a Marketplace plan will be affected by these changes.
- It is especially important for those with chronic conditions or who anticipate significant medical needs to understand these limits.

Possible Solutions/Options:

- **Know Your Limits:** Understand your plan's deductible and out-of-pocket maximum and budget accordingly.
- Consider a Plan with Cost-Sharing Reductions: If your income is at or below 250% FPL, a Silver plan with Cost-Sharing Reductions (CSRs) can significantly lower your deductible and out-of-pocket costs.
- **Consider Gap or Indemnity Plans:** These plans are designed to work with your health insurance plan to lower your out of pocket cost.

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