

Your health plan lets you compare hospital quality and the costs of the medical procedure.



When you need a medical procedure or treatment, getting quality care is your first priority. But knowing how much it's going to cost — and that you're not paying more than you have to — can make you feel better, too.

As an Anthem member, you have an easy way to compare hospital quality and costs, and to calculate what your share will be.

Estimate your share of the cost.

Did you know that different hospitals and facilities charge different amounts for the same services?

Now you can get an idea of what to expect your cost to be before you set foot in the hospital. By getting an estimate of your costs based on the benefits of your health plan, you can choose a facility that fits your budget.

Compare the quality of care.

In addition to costs, you can see and compare quality factors for specific procedures, such as average length of stay, safety, patient experience, complications and more. You'll find that the highest price may not always mean the highest quality of care. You can work with your doctor to make informed decisions you both feel good about.



To compare costs and quality of care:

- Log in to **anthem.com**
- Select ESTIMATE YOUR COST (Procedure or Treatment) then click on “Start Cost Search.”
- Select a category of the procedure or treatment from the drop-down list; for example, click on “Orthopedic.”
- Then select the type of procedure from the drop-down list. To compare costs, select a procedure under “Outpatient Services Cost Comparisons” or “Inpatient Services Cost Comparisons.” To compare quality measures, select a procedure under “Inpatient Services Quality Comparisons.”
- Identify who will have the procedure (yourself or a dependent on your policy).
- Your location will be filled in based on what we have on file; however, you can update the location at any time.
- Click the button to “Search Costs” or “Search Quality”



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