



## CONNECTICUT LABORERS' HEALTH FUND

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## Need a Hearing Aid?? Effective June 1, 2022 you have an OPTION!

May 6, 2022

To All Active Eligible, Non-Medicare Retirees, COBRA and Non-Jobsite:

Please be advised that the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut Laborers' Health Fund amended the Hearing Benefit, effective June 1, 2022, to include Audiologists in Aetna's Provider Network. You can still use the UCONN benefit as it remains in-force, as follows:

**UCONN:** The Health Fund pays 100% of the first \$2,000 per Hearing Aid (which includes the examination, etc.) All charges in excess of \$2,000 per Hearing Aid are then paid by the Health Fund at 80%. Once every three (3) consecutive years unless recommended by the Audiologist.

**Health Fund (Aetna):** Effective June 1, 2022 if you use an **Aetna Audiologist** the Health Fund (Aetna) will pay the first \$2,000 per Hearing Aid (which includes the examination, etc.) at 100%. Once every three (3) consecutive years unless recommended by the Audiologist.

**IMPORTANT: All Charges in excess of the \$2,000 per Hearing Aid have to be paid by you directly to the Audiologist.**

Once the Audiologist is paid in full, please submit to the Health Fund an itemized statement from the Aetna Audiologist which includes a description of the Hearing Aid, the cost as well as the amount you paid to the Audiologist. The Health Fund, on a self-insured basis, will reimburse you at 80% up to a Maximum Out of Pocket (OOP) amount of \$250 per Hearing Aid.

Example:	Hearing Aid Cost (Aetna Audiologist) =	\$2,950.00
	The Health Fund (Aetna) Pays:	<u>\$2,000.00</u>
	Your Out of Pocket (OOP):	\$950.00

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Health Fund Pays 80%, i.e.,	$\$950.00 \times 80\% = \$760.00$

Your Out of Pocket (OOP): \$190.00

To find an Aetna Audiologist go to: [www.aetnanavigator.com](http://www.aetnanavigator.com) for In-Network Medical Providers choose the Aetna Choice POSII Plan – then go to Medical Specialists.

You can also call the Aetna at 800 225-1263 or the Fund Office for assistance.

Sincerely,  
Board of Trustees