

Flowing Wells Unified School District

Sheakley

Flexible Benefits

EMPLOYEE INFORMATION PACKET

What are "Flexible Benefits"?

Flexible Benefits started when Congress passed Section 125 of the Internal Revenue Code in 1978. Section 125 allows a certain amount, estimated for a given year, to be deducted directly from your paycheck and claimed for reimbursement when used for qualified expenses. These deductions are taken before taxes, reducing your total taxable income.

Example:

Mary is single with three children and Mary earns \$3,000.00 per month. She pays \$300.00 a month in childcare expenses and \$25.00 a month for prescriptions. The calculations below show how much Mary will save by participating in the Flexible Benefit Plan her company offers.

Mary with 125

- \$3,000.00 Income
- \$325.00 Expenses
- = \$2,675.00 Taxable Income
- \$229.12 Federal Tax
- \$81.36 State Tax
- \$207.69 Social Sec/Medicare
- = \$2,156.83 Mary's Income

Mary's savings of \$79.69 per month will save her \$956.28 total for the whole year!

Mary without 125

- \$3,000.00 Income
- \$271.25 Federal Tax
- \$97.11 State Tax
- \$229.50 Social Sec/Medicare
- = \$2,402.14 Net Income
- \$325.00 Expenses
- = \$2,077.14 Mary's Income

Healthcare Reimbursement

Healthcare Reimbursement enables you to deduct medical, dental and vision expenses before taxes, up to the maximum annual amount set by your employer. A claim is then filed to receive reimbursements for the expense(s). Eligible expenses include, but are not limited to, charges for medical, dental or vision office visits, prescription drugs, x-rays, laboratory work, orthodontia, periodontics, bridges, crowns, eye exams, glasses, contacts, LASIK eye surgery, ambulance and emergency room fees, diabetic supplies and many other products and services.

*A more complete list of eligible and ineligible goods and services can be found later in this packet.

Dependent Care Reimbursement

Dependent Care Reimbursement enables you to deduct childcare (day care), babysitting or elder care expenses before taxes, up to a maximum of \$5,000 per family or \$2,500 if married and filing separately. A claim is then filed to receive reimbursement for the expense(s). Eligible expenses include charges for before or after school care or programs (that are custodial in nature and <u>not</u> educational, i.e. tutoring), babysitting, day care, summer camps and elder care.

The following rules apply:

- Documentation must be provided for the expense with a receipt showing the date(s) of service, amount charged and the provider's name and federal tax ID or social security number.
- A dependent must be under the age of 13 or disabled (at any age).
- The service must be provided while you and your spouse work or attend school full-time.
- Expenses cannot exceed the lower income of either spouse.
- If using a day care center, it must be licensed.
- Babysitting services provided by a relative under the age of 19 are ineligible.
- Overnight camps and food costs for day camps are not eligible.



Procedures & Services

- All expenses for the Plan Year should be conservatively estimated. Any funds left in the account at the end of the claims run-out period for the Plan Year will be forfeited back to your employer.
- During Open Enrollment for each new Plan Year, you will be given the opportunity to participate in the Plan. <u>Elections are not</u> <u>carried over. You MUST re-enroll.</u>
- Your election cannot be changed during the Plan Year unless there is a change in status that is a qualifying event. All changes must be consistent with your new election choice and must be made within 30 days of the qualifying event. For a full list of events and to discuss options for a specific event, please contact your Benefits Department or Sheakley's Customer Service team.
- As the contribution amount you elected is deducted from your paycheck, it is posted to your Healthcare and/or Dependent Care Reimbursement Account(s) based on the pay schedule provided by your employer.
- To receive funds from your account(s), you must complete and submit an online claim form, complete a manual claim form and fax or email it in along with all supporting receipts/documentation for your claim or submit a claim via the mobile app. Documentation must show 1) the date of service (not date of payment), 2) the specific type of service, and 3) the amount you have paid or owe. Cancelled checks, bank statements, and credit/debit card receipts are not considered valid documentation.
- Once your claim is reviewed and approved, a reimbursement will be issued in the form of a check or, if applicable, a direct deposit. Checks are mailed the next business day following the date of processing. Direct deposit reimbursements may take 2-4 business days to post to your account, depending on your employer's chosen processing timeframe.
- In general, claims are processed for reimbursement twice per week, on Wednesday and Friday. Claims received by 5:00pm EST on Monday are processed on Wednesday. Claims received by 5:00pm EST on Wednesday are processed on Friday. These are our guaranteed processing timeframes. Claims may be processed more quickly depending on claim volume and the time of year.
- All claims must be for services incurred during your coverage period within the Plan Year. "Incurred" is defined as the date in which services are provided (not paid). "Coverage Period" is defined as the first of the month in which your first contribution is deducted and the last day of the month in which your last contribution is deducted.
- In the event you terminate employment, the end of the month in which you made your final contribution to the Plan becomes your termination date. Services incurred after your termination date are not eligible for reimbursement.
- Be sure to notify your employer and/or Sheakley's Customer Service team of any change in address. You can do so by updating it via the employee web portal, by completing a Change Form (available through your employer) or by emailing us at <u>125@sheakley.com</u>.
- Access to your online account is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week at:

https://sheakleyCDHee.lh1ondemand.com/Login.aspx

Account registration instructions are included later in this packet and in the "Quick Start Guide" available from your employer. We strongly urge all participants to register their online account because important updates regarding the Plan, accounts status letters, claims denied/dismissed letters and other important information is posted regularly.

For specific information regarding your Plan, the grace period, yearly limits, Plan Year dates, etc., please refer to your Summary Plan Description (on file with your employer) or contact our Customer Service team. Customer Service representatives are available to assist you from 8:00am to 5:00pm EST, Monday through Friday, except on holidays.

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The Healthcare F.S.A.



The Healthcare F.S.A. allows participants to set aside pre-tax dollars to pay for eligible medical, dental and vision expenses that are not covered by your insurance. Expenses for you, your spouse, your child(ren) and any other dependents you claim on your taxes are eligible for reimbursement under this plan.

The IRS considers medical expenses to be "unpredictable", so the full annual election is available on the first day of the Plan Year. If the entire annual election is reimbursed early in the Plan Year, the remaining contributions that are made will go towards "paying back" the funds that were advanced.

A list of common eligible and ineligible expenses is included with this packet. If a specific item or service is not listed, please contact our Customer Service team to check the eligibility prior to the item's purchase or the rendering of services.

Note to H.S.A. Owners

If you currently participate in a high-deductible health plan and have a Health Savings Account (H.S.A.), contact your employer to determine your F.S.A. eligibility. If you are eligible to participate, the Healthcare F.S.A. will be a Limited Healthcare F.S.A. and may only be used for dental and vision expenses. All medical expenses must be paid for with your H.S.A. until your deductible has been met. After that, you may submit healthcare expenses for reimbursement through your F.S.A.

Important Note Regarding Over-the-Counter Items

Please note that, due to a change in the IRS code in 2011, claims for over-the-counter (OTC) products containing any kind of medicine can only be reimbursed when accompanied by a doctor's note stating the medical necessity.

Healthcare Claim Reimbursement

It is important to remember that healthcare claims are paid out based on the date of service, **not the date of payment**. Pre-payments for services are not eligible for reimbursement until the service has been rendered. Additionally, payments made for services where the date of service is in a previous Plan Year are ineligible for reimbursement using current Plan Year funds.

When submitting claims, third-party documentation must be provided for each expense being claimed. The documentation must provide the following three items:

- 1. The Date of Service (not Date of Payment)
- 2. The Specific Type of Service
- 3. The Amount Paid or Owed

**Credit/debit card receipts, copies of checks, online payment confirmations and bank statements are not valid forms of documentation per IRS regulations.



Eligible Items & Services

Dental & Vision Services

Artificial Teeth Contact Lenses Crowns/Bridges Dental Implants **Dental Sealants Dental X-Rays** Dentures Exams/Cleanings Extractions Fillings Occlusal/Bite Guards Orthodontia Eve Exam Glasses/Contacts LASIK/PRK **Prescription Sunglasses**

Insurance Related Items

Copay Amounts Deductibles Differential Expenses (medical) Pre-Existing Conditions Private Hospital Room

Lab Exams/Tests

Blood Tests Body Scan Cardiograph Colonoscopy CT Scan EKG Endoscopy Fluoroscopy Laboratory Fees Metabolism Tests MRI PET Scan Sweat Tests Ultrasound Urine/Stool Analysis X-Rays

Obstetric Services

Childbirth Classes (Lamaze) Lactation Consultation Midwife Expenses OB/GYN Exams Pre/Post-natal Treatment Prepaid Maternity Fees

Other Medical Treatments

Abortion (legal) Acupuncture Alcoholism (inpatient treatment) **Ambulance Services** Anesthesiology Breast Reconstruction Surgery Cancer Screening **Clinical Trials** Counseling (Psychiatry/Psychology) Dialysis **Drug Addiction Treatment** Gastric Bypass Surgery Genetic Testing Hearing Exams **Hospital Services** Infertility Treatment In-vitro Fertilization Norplant Insertion or Removal Patterning Exercises Physical Exam (if not employment related) Physical/Occupational Therapy **Smoking Cessation Program** Speech Therapy Sterilization Procedures Temporary Cord Blood Storage Temporary Egg & Sperm Storage Transplants (including Organ Donor) Treatment for Handicapped **Tubal Ligation** Vaccinations/Immunizations Vasectomy Well Baby Care

Practitioners

Allergist Cardiologist Chiropractor Dermatologist Endocrinologist Gastroenterologist **Genetic Counselor** Homeopath (office visit only) Naturopath (office visit only) Nephrologist Oncologist Ophthalmologist/Optometrist Osteopath (office visit only) Physician (licensed) Physician Assistant Psychiatrist/Psychologist

Other Equipment, Supplies & Services

Abdominal/Back Supports Ankle/Wrist Supports Automated External Defibrillator **Birth Control & Contraceptives** Blood Pressure Monitoring Device Blood Sugar Test Kits & Supplies **Braille Books & Magazines Breast Pump & Lactation Supplies Compression Hose/Stockings** Contact Lens Equipment/Solution Cold/Hot Packs for Injuries Condoms **CPAP** Devices and Supplies Crutches / Walkers / Wheelchairs **Diabetic Supplies / Insulin** Ear Plugs **Elastic Bandages Erectile Dysfunction Treatment** First Aid Kits / Bandages Flu Shots Glucose Monitoring Equipment Guide Dog, Care & Training Hearing Aids and Batteries Heart Rate Monitor Heating Pads Hospice Care Hospital Bed **Incontinence Supplies** Learning Disability Assistance Lodging for Medical Care (limited) Mastectomy-related Bra Medical Alert Bracelet or Necklace Medical Care outside the U.S. (if eligible) Orthotics, Inserts & Supports Ostomy, Colostomy Supplies **Ovulation Monitor Oxygen Equipment Pregnancy Test Kits** Prosthesis **Reading Glasses** Splints/Casts Sunscreen (SPF 30 or higher) Support Braces Syringes (for medical use) Thermometer Transportation Expenses (essential to care) Vaporizer/Humidifier (for medical care)

Medications

Prescription Drugs

*This is not a complete list of all eligible goods and services. If a particular item or service is not listed, please contact Sheakley Customer Service (800.877.6630 or <u>125@sheakley.com</u>) to determine the eligibility prior to incurring the expense.



Items Requiring a Note / Ineligible Items

Items Requiring a Doctor's Note or Prescription

These items and services can only be covered when accompanied by a doctor's note or prescription. Items and services must be used to treat a specific medical condition.

Acid Controllers Acne Medications Allergy & Sinus Medications Antacids Analgesics Anti-Diarrheal Medication Anti-Gas Products Anti-Itch & Insect Bite Creams Antihistamines Antibiotic Ointment Aspirin/Ibuprofen Baby Rash Ointment & Cream Cosmetic Surgery - covered only when treating a congenital abnormality, a personal injury resulting from an accident, trauma or disease Cough, Cold & Flu Medicine Decongestants **Dietary or Herbal Medicines Digestive Aids** Ear Wax Removal Treatments **Eczema Treatments**

Equipment, Supplies & Materials related to Physical or Mental Handicap Expectorants Feminine Anti-Fungal Treatments **Fever-Reducing Medications** Fiber Supplements First Aid Creams Glucosamine & Chondroitin Gym or Health Club Membership Fees Hand Sanitizer Headache/Migraine Medications (OTC) Hemorrhoid Preparations Hormone Therapy Laxatives Lip Products, medicated Marriage Counseling Massage Therapy Medicated Shampoos & Soaps (unless prescribed by a medical practitioner for a specific scalp/skin infection/condition **Menstrual Pain Relievers** Motion Sickness Medications

Nasal Strips or Sprays Nutritionist Orthopedic Shoes (you may only be reimbursed for the extra cost over buying normal, non-orthopedic shoes) Pain Relievers (Pills, Creams, Gels) **Personal Trainer Fees** Prenatal Vitamins (OTC) Probiotics Respiratory Treatments (OTC) Sleep Aids and Sedatives Stomach Remedies Supplements (including Vitamins) Throat Lozenges **Toothache Relievers** Varicose Vein Treatment Visine and other medicated Eye Drops Wart Removal Medication & Kits Weight Loss Drugs Wigs (for hair loss due to disease) Yeast Infection Medications

Ineligible Items & Services

These items are not eligible for reimbursement through the F.S.A.

Baby Formula Breast Implants (cosmetic) **Burial Expenses COBRA** Premiums Concierge/Boutique Practice Fees **Cosmetic Surgery** Cosmetics **CPR Classes** Dehumidifier Dental Bleaching/Whitening **Diet Foods** Dietary Supplements (for general health) **Discount Plan Expenses** Ear Piercing **Educational Classes** Electrolysis / Hair Removal **Electronic Cigarettes**

- Exercise Equipment for general health **Feminine Hygiene Products Facial Creams & Cleansers Financing Charges** Home Drug Testing Kits Hot Tubs / Jacuzzis Household Help (Maid Service) Illegal Operations, Treatments & Medicine Items Paid by Insurance Late Fees Maternity Clothing Mattresses Missed/Cancelled Appointment Fees Moisturizers Newborn Care Classes Nursing Pillows Nursing Home Fees
- Personal Hygiene Products Prepayments for Services Propecia/Rogaine for cosmetic hair growth Premiums for Health Insurance Special Foods Sports Drinks (Gatorade, Powerade, etc.) Suntan Lotion **Tanning Salon Fees Teeth Whitening Kits** Toiletries Toothpaste & Toothbrushes (electric or otherwise, even if a dentist recommends them) Ultrasound (voluntary, not ordered) Veneers (for cosmetic reasons) Warranties (for vision/hearing equipment) Wig Maintenance (for styling/cleaning)

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The Dependent Care F.S.A.



The Dependent Care Flexible Spending Account allows participants to set aside pre-tax dollars to pay for eligible daycare, preschool, babysitting and certain care expenses for disabled or elderly parents.

The IRS considers dependent care expenses to be "predictable", so, unlike the healthcare F.S.A., the full annual election is <u>not</u> available on the first day of the Plan Year. It's a "pay-as-you-go" program where you can only be reimbursed the balance of your contributions at the time of your claim submission.

Daycare Expenses

Childcare expenses incurred while both parents are working, actively seeking work or going to school full time are eligible for reimbursement. These expenses are covered until the child reaches the age of 13, at which time they are ineligible and the participant MUST cease participation in the Plan.

• Pre-School Tuition

Since this Plan is designed to reimburse expenses for care and not education, the IRS allows pre-school tuition to be reimbursed as it is not deemed to be educational. Once your child enters kindergarten, only before and after school programs and childcare are eligible for reimbursement.

Before and After School Care

The cost of before and after school care is eligible for reimbursement as long as the care is custodial and not educational in nature.

Babysitting

Care provided by a relative, friend or neighbor may be reimbursed as long as the care is work-related and not for personal/recreational reasons. The provider cannot be the participant's child or stepchild who is under the age of 19 or someone that the participant claims on their taxes.

Camps

Summer day camps are eligible to the extent that the primary purpose is custodial in nature and not educational. Programs specifically designed to tutor are not eligible for reimbursement. **Overnight camps and food costs associated with a camp are not eligible for reimbursement.**

• Custodial and Elder Care

These expenses may only be covered if they are <u>not</u> for medical care and the individual cared for spends at least 8 hours each day in the participant's household.

Dependent Care Reimbursement

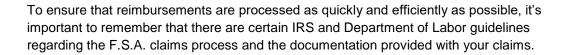
As indicated above, dependent care reimbursement differs from healthcare reimbursement in that it's a "pay-as-you-go", meaning that claims are only paid out based on the amount you've contributed to the Plan at the time of your submission. Your full annual election is NOT available on the first day of the Plan Year.

Example: If you submit a claim for \$500, but have only contributed \$250 to your account thus far, you will only be reimbursed a total of \$250 right now. However, as you continue to contribute to your account, additional reimbursements will be processed until the original claim amount is paid in full.

Dependent care reimbursements are based on date of service and <u>not</u> date of payment. If your provider requires you to pre-pay for care, you will only be reimbursed after that month has passed and the service is incurred. When submitting for reimbursement, we recommend that you break down each monthly expense into a weekly amount so that you can receive funds at the end of each week instead of the end of each month.



The Reimbursement Process





One of the biggest misconceptions is that if you pay for a service, it is eligible to be reimbursed. This isn't necessarily true. It is once a service has been rendered, regardless of whether or not payment has been made, that it becomes eligible for reimbursement.

Additionally, bills for services and items with dates in a previous Plan Year cannot be submitted for reimbursement with funds from the current Plan Year.

Please remember that all services for which you are seeking reimbursement <u>MUST</u> have been incurred while you were actively covered by the Plan. Services incurred before or after your coverage period are ineligible for reimbursement.

Providing correct Documentation ensures speedy Reimbursement

When submitting a claim for reimbursement, either online or manually, IRS regulations require that you provide third-party documentation for all expenses. A service invoice from the provider, a cash register receipt listing purchased items or an Explanation of Benefits (EOB) from your insurance provider are all acceptable forms of third-party documentation.

The documentation submitted with your claim **MUST** include the following:

- 1. The Date of Service (not the Date of Payment)
- 2. The Specific Type of Service or Item Purchased
- 3. The Amount Paid or Owed (proof of payment is not required)
- 4. The Federal Tax ID or Social Security Number of the Provider (Dependent Care Claims Only)

*Credit/debit card receipts, copies of checks, online payment confirmations and bank statements are not valid forms of documentation per IRS regulations.

If a claim does not have the correct documentation, it will be denied and you will receive a notice in your online account providing the reason for the denial. You may then submit the required additional documentation for review. Please do not submit the claim again or it may be denied as a duplicate claim.

Payment Processing and Disbursement of Payments

In general, claims are processed for payment twice per week, on Wednesday and Friday (except for holidays or if your employer has an alternate processing schedule).

Any claims received Monday by 5:00pm EST are processed on Wednesday. Any claims received Wednesday by 5:00pm EST are processed on Friday. The is our guaranteed processing schedule, however claims may be processed more quickly depending on claim volume and the time of year.

Check reimbursements, if applicable, are mailed on the next business day immediately following the date of processing (except for holidays). Direct deposit reimbursements, if applicable, take 2 or 4 business days to post to your account, depending on the schedule chosen by your employer.



To set up direct deposit for your Flexible Spending Account, you may complete this form and submit it to Sheakley for processing OR you may log in to your online account and set it up there.

If you currently have direct deposit set up with Sheakley, you do not need to submit a form for each new Plan Year.

Account Information

Employer Name	Employee Name		Last 4 of SSN
Flowing Wells Unified School Dist	rict		
Name of Bank	Routing Number (9 digits)	Account Number	
This is a checking account		This is a savings accou	int.
If possible, please If you do not have a check, ple	e attach a voided check with ase confirm the routing and	-	ending.

Acceptance of Terms

I authorize Sheakley Pension Administration to send Flexible Spending reimbursements electronically, or by any other commercially accepted method, to my account indicated above. I understand that payments may be delayed by bank closures due to national holidays.

If my banking information changes for any reason and at any time during my participation, I understand that I must provide this updated information to Sheakley. I understand that if a reimbursement is delayed due to outdated information, I will not hold Sheakley Pension Administration accountable.

PARTICIPANT SIGNATURE: ____

Completed forms may be faxed to 513.326.8082 or emailed to 125@sheakley.com. If you have any questions, please contact us at 800.877.6630.

DATE:

OFFICE USE ONLY		
Date Received:		
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The F.S.A. Benefit Card



Your employer has chosen to provide you with the Sheakley benefits card as part of their F.S.A. program. The card provides instant reimbursement for eligible goods and services at point-of-sale, eliminating the need to submit manual claims. The card can be used to pay for eligible expenses including copays, prescriptions, hospital charges, dental procedures, vision exams, day care fees (if allowed by your employer) and parking/transit passes (if applicable to your Plan).

Although use of the card eliminates the need to submit a claim form, it does not mean that you won't have to submit documentation for any expenses paid for with the card. Due to your privacy rights, the information provided on card transactions is limited to the merchant information present in the card machine. If the nature of the transaction isn't apparent or could possibly be for an ineligible expense, IRS regulations require Sheakley to request documentation to substantiate (validate) the expense.

If a transaction requires additional documentation, you will receive and email with the request. Additional documentation must be provided within 30 days or the transaction will be deemed ineligible, your account suspended and your card blocked until you repay the Plan or submit the requested documentation. While the card is blocked, any manual claims submitted will offset the ineligible card swipe until it is "paid" in full.

Sheakley will not contact providers to obtain additional information on card transactions. It is the participant's responsibility to contact their providers and provide the documentation upon request.

Important Things to Remember about the Benefit Card

- You will be provided with to 2 cards (in the primary account holder's name) to use with the account when you enroll.
- If you wish to have more than 2 cards, you may request additional cards online and a charge of \$5.00 will be applied to your FSA account for each additional card.
- Since all Benefit Card communication is done via email, a valid email address is required in order to receive a card.
- If your card is lost, a replacement can be requested online. A charge of \$5.00 will be applied to your FSA.
- When you use your card for any transaction over \$50.00, make sure to obtain a receipt or invoice showing the date of service, type of service and amount swiped on the card in case additional documentation is requested.
- Each time you use your Benefit Card, you will receive an email confirming the use of your card. If you feel a transaction is fraudulent, you must notify Sheakley as soon as possible. We cannot remove the charge from your account, but we can provide you with information on how to dispute the charge. A fraudulent claim notice must be filed with the card company within 30 days of the original transaction.
- The Benefit Card is good for up to 3 consecutive Plan Years and <u>should not</u> be discarded at the end of the Plan Year or when you exhaust your funds.



To: Flowing Wells Unified School District Flexible Benefits Participants

Below are instructions to register your online Flexible Benefits account once you have enrolled in the Plan and the Plan Year has started. This is a password-protected website where you can keep up with various benefit news and information, including your Account Balance, Claims Submitted and Year-to-Date Payments. It is highly recommended that you register your account as soon as possible because the majority of Sheakley's communication to participants is done via this website.

To register your account and log in for the first time, follow the steps below.

Go to https://sheakleyCDHee.lh1ondemand.com/Login.aspx

- 1. Under "Existing User?" enter your username and temporary password in the fields provided and click **LOGIN**.
 - a. Your **username** is your first initial + your last name + the last 4 digits of your SSN. (example: jsample1234)
 - b. Your temporary password is the last 5 digits of your SSN + your first name + your ZIP code + your last name. (example: 01234john45246sample)

Existing User?	
Login to your account	
Username	Forgot Username?
Password	Forgot Password?
Login	

- Next, please choose 3 security questions and enter the answers in the fields provided and the click NEXT.
- 3. You will then be prompted to create a password of your own. Once done, click SUBMIT.

*Passwords must have a minimum of 6 characters, not be one of your last 3 passwords, contain upper and lowercase letters and contain at least one number.

You are now logged into the Sheakley FSA portal!

If you have any questions or are unable to register, please call Customer Service any time Monday through Friday from 8:00am – 5:00pm EST at 800.877.6630.