Tax Information Sheet for Employees with Domestic Partners

Coverage Costs

If you enroll your domestic partner and his or her eligible children in a health care or dental plan, the value of the benefits provided may be taxable to you as ordinary income. The taxability of the benefits depends on whether your domestic partner (and children, if any) qualifies as a dependent under the Internal Revenue Code.

The Internal Revenue Code allows employers to provide employees and their eligible dependents with certain benefits such as health and dental plans on a tax-free basis if they are "tax-qualified" dependents. In addition, IRS rules permit employees to make pretax contributions to health and dental plans, and health and dependent care reimbursement plans for themselves and their tax-qualified dependents. These tax advantages are available only for employees and dependents who meet IRS requirements for tax-qualified dependents.

If your domestic partner and his/her children are not tax-qualified dependents, then the cost of the plans must be included in your gross income. The income generated by these taxable benefits is called "imputed income". Further, amounts contributed by you for these benefits must be on an after-tax rather than a before-tax basis. This means that any contributions you make to pay for benefits under the health or dental plans would be made on an after-tax basis. Also, you will not be reimbursed for any expenses for your domestic partner and his or her children under the Health Care Reimbursement Plan or the Dependent Care Reimbursement Plan.

Tax-Qualified Dependent Status

We cannot provide you with advice regarding the tax-qualified dependent status of your domestic partner or his or her children. If you are considering claiming your partner or his or her children as a tax-qualified dependent, then you should see your individual tax advisor. You should **not** claim your domestic partner or his or her children as tax-qualified dependents on the Certification of Domestic Partnership unless you intend to claim those individuals as dependents on your personal income tax return.

Imputed Income

As described above, if your partner is not a tax-qualified dependent, then you may need to pay taxes on imputed income. In general, "imputed income" is the value of a taxable benefit that is required to be included in your gross income and will be subject to federal, state and social security taxes.

The taxes that you will be required to pay on the imputed income will be deducted from your paycheck automatically in accordance with the withholding allowance that you have claimed on Form W-4. Your tax liability will include federal and state income taxes, as well as your share of social security taxes. You should consult your tax or financial advisor regarding the impact of the imputed income on your individual income taxes.

Bi Weekly Deduction and Imputed Income for Domestic Partner Coverage

			Cost breakdown if the children are tax dependents							Cost breakdown if the children are not tax dependents of the employee							
	BiWeekly		Imputed		Pre Tax		Post Tax		Imputed		Pre Tax		C 1111	Post Tax			
PPO	Deduction		Income		Deduction		Deduction		Income		Deduction		Deduction				
Employee + Spouse < \$50,000	\$	225.43	\$	472.44	\$	67.95	\$	157.48									
Employee + Spouse \$50,000 - \$80,000	\$	254.68	\$	455.07	\$	79.83	\$	174.85									
Employee + Spouse \$80,000 - \$140,000	\$	285.33	\$	436.88	\$	92.28	\$	193.05									
Employee + Spouse > \$140,000	\$	317.32	\$	417.88	\$	105.28	\$	212.04									
Employee + Spouse Part Time	\$	329.53	\$	415.54	\$	112.10	\$	217.43									
Family < \$50,000	\$	225.43	\$	276.22	\$	147.54	\$	77.89	\$	472.44	\$	67.95	\$	157.48			
Family \$50,000 - \$80,000	\$	254.68	\$	266.49	\$	167.06	\$	87.62	\$	455.07	\$	79.83	\$	174.85			
Family \$80,000 - \$140,000	\$	285.33	\$	256.29	\$	187.51	\$	97.82	\$	436.88	\$	92.28	\$	193.05			
Family > \$140,000	\$	317.32	\$	245.66	\$	208.87	\$	108.45	\$	417.88	\$	105.28	\$	212.04			
Family Part Time	\$	329.53	\$	243.99	\$	217.01	\$	112.52	\$	415.54	\$	112.10	\$	217.43			

			Co	ost breakd			ldre	n are tax	Cost breakdown if the children are not tax							
					dep	pendents			dependents of the employee							
	BiWeekly		I	mputed	Pre Tax		Post Tax		Imputed		Pre Tax			Post Tax		
POS/HRA	Deduction			Income		Deduction		Deduction		Income		Deduction		Deduction		
Employee + Spouse < \$50,000	\$	150.17	\$	472.44	\$	40.65	\$	109.52								
Employee + Spouse \$50,000 - \$80,000	\$	179.42	\$	455.07	\$	52.53	\$	126.89								
Employee + Spouse \$80,000 - \$140,000	\$	210.06	\$	436.88	\$	64.98	\$	145.08								
Employee + Spouse > \$140,000	\$	242.05	\$	417.88	\$	77.98	\$	164.07								
Employee + Spouse Part Time	\$	247.03	\$	415.54	\$	80.62	\$	166.41								
Family < \$50,000	\$	150.17	\$	276.22	\$	100.19	\$	49.98	\$	472.44	\$	40.65	\$	109.52		
Family \$50,000 - \$80,000	\$	179.42	\$	266.49	\$	119.72	\$	59.70	\$	455.07	\$	52.53	\$	126.89		
Family \$80,000 - \$140,000	\$	210.06	\$	256.29	\$	140.16	\$	69.90	\$	436.88	\$	64.98	\$	145.08		
Family > \$140,000	\$	242.05	\$	245.66	\$	161.52	\$	80.53	\$	417.88	\$	77.98	\$	164.07		
Family Part Time	\$	247.03	\$	243.99	\$	164.83	\$	82.20	\$	415.54	\$	80.62	\$	166.41		

			Cost breakdown if the children are tax							Cost breakdown if the children are not tax						
			dependents							dependents of the employee						
	Bi	iWeekly	Imputed		Pre Tax		Post Tax		Imputed		Pre Tax		Post Tax			
HDHP/HSA	De	Deduction		Income	Deduction		Deduction		Income		Deduction			Deduction		
Employee + Spouse < \$50,000	\$	90.73	\$	472.44	\$	24.88	\$	65.85								
Employee + Spouse \$50,000 - \$80,000	\$	119.99	\$	455.07	\$	36.75	\$	83.24								
Employee + Spouse \$80,000 - \$140,000	\$	150.62	\$	436.88	\$	49.21	\$	101.41								
Employee + Spouse > \$140,000	\$	182.62	\$	417.88	\$	62.21	\$	120.41								
Employee + Spouse Part Time	\$	194.83	\$	415.54	\$	69.02	\$	125.81								
Family < \$50,000	\$	90.73	\$	276.22	\$	67.94	\$	22.79	\$	472.44	\$	24.88	\$	65.85		
Family \$50,000 - \$80,000	\$	119.99	\$	266.49	\$	87.47	\$	32.52	\$	455.07	\$	36.75	\$	83.24		
Family \$80,000 - \$140,000	\$	150.62	\$	256.29	\$	107.91	\$	42.71	\$	436.88	\$	49.21	\$	101.41		
Family > \$140,000	\$	182.62	\$	245.66	\$	129.27	\$	53.35	\$	417.88	\$	62.21	\$	120.41		
Family Part Time	\$	194.83	\$	243.99	\$	137.41	\$	57.42	\$	415.54	\$	69.02	\$	125.81		
DENTAL																
Employee + Spouse	\$	17.74	\$	4.97	\$	4.58	\$	13.16								
Family	\$	25.17	\$	16.19	\$	19.45	\$	5.72	\$	30.70	\$	4.58	\$	20.59		