WAC 284-43-7260  Deductibles for over-the-counter contraceptives and voluntary male sterilization in HSA qualifying plans.  (1) A qualifying health plan and a qualifying student health plan for a health savings account ("HSA-qualifying plan") is subject to all of the requirements under RCW 48.43.072. An HSA-qualifying plan may apply a deductible to coverage of over-the-counter contraceptive supplies or services and voluntary male sterilization only at the minimum level necessary to preserve the enrollee's ability to claim tax exempt contributions and withdrawals from the enrollee's health savings account under Federal Internal Revenue Service laws and regulations.

(2) The individual and family deductibles applied to over-the-counter contraceptive supplies and services and male sterilization under an HSA-qualifying plan must be the minimum deductibles set by the Federal Internal Revenue Service for a plan to be an HSA-qualifying plan under 26 U.S.C. Sec. 223 (c)(2)(A) and other Federal Internal Revenue Service laws, regulations, and guidance. For the 2019 plan year, IRS Bulletin 2018-12 allows HSA-qualifying plans to offer benefits for male sterilization or male contraceptives without a deductible or with a deductible below the standard minimum deductible for the 2019 plan year only. Therefore, for 2019, HSA-qualifying plans sold in this state may decide not to charge any deductible for male sterilization or male contraceptives for the 2019 plan year.

(a) The deductibles, if any, applied to over-the-counter contraceptive services and supplies and male sterilization must accrue to the overall individual and family plan deductibles.

(b) Once the individual and family plan deductibles that may apply to over-the-counter contraceptive services and supplies and male sterilization have been reached, all over-the-counter contraceptive services and supplies and male sterilization must be covered with no cost-sharing, even if the overall plan deductibles have not yet been met.

(c) No person covered under an HSA-qualifying individual plan may be required to pay a higher deductible for over-the-counter contraceptive services and supplies and male sterilization than the minimum individual deductible set by the Federal Internal Revenue Service for a plan to be an HSA-qualifying plan. No person covered under an HSA-qualifying family plan may be required to pay a higher deductible for over-the-counter contraceptive services and supplies and male sterilization than the minimum family deductible set by the Federal Internal Revenue Service for a plan to be an HSA-qualifying plan, even if the applicable plan's family deductible has not yet been met. Example: A plan's family deductible for an HSA-qualifying family plan may be more than the minimum family deductible. However, the deductible applicable to over-the-counter contraceptive supplies and services and male sterilization must be at the minimum family deductible, which is two thousand seven hundred dollars in 2019.

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