

TRICARE® Prime Remote

Providing care for active duty service members and their families in remote locations

TRICARE Prime Remote (TPR) is a benefit similar to TRICARE Prime, but is available to active duty service members (ADSMs) living and working in remote locations. TRICARE Prime Remote for Active Duty Family Members (TPRADFM) is available to eligible active duty family members (ADFMs) residing at the TPR-enrolled sponsor's qualifying TPR location. Enrollment is required for TPR and TPRADFM, which offer the same low out-of-pocket costs as TRICARE Prime, and care is received from TRICARE network providers (or a TRICARE-authorized provider if a network provider is unavailable). There are no annual enrollment fees for ADSMs and ADFMs enrolled in TPR or TPRADFM.

ELIGIBILITY

- Active duty personnel under full-time orders with a permanent duty assignment, who **live and work** more than 50 miles (*or approximately a one-hour drive*) from a military treatment facility in TPR-designated ZIP codes, must enroll in TPR. In some cases where geographic boundaries create undue hardship for travel, members living closer than 50 miles may be eligible for TPR.
- ADFMs residing at their TPR-enrolled sponsor's qualifying TPR location are eligible for TPRADFM. Once ADFMs enroll in TPRADFM, they may remain in TPRADFM as long as their sponsor is enrolled in TPR and they reside in the same TPR-qualifying location, or if their sponsor later receives an unaccompanied permanent change of assignment and they continue to reside in the same TPR location. If ADFMs choose not to enroll in TPRADFM, they will receive care under TRICARE Standard and TRICARE Extra, with applicable cost-shares and deductibles.

- National Guard and Reserve members who are called or ordered to active duty for a period of more than 30 consecutive days are eligible for TRICARE as ADSMs and are eligible for TPR if they live and work in a TPR-qualifying location.
- National Guard and Reserve family members of a sponsor who is called or ordered to active duty for a period of more than 30 consecutive days are eligible for TPRADFM if they reside at the sponsor's TPR-qualifying residence address on the day of their sponsor's activation or the effective date of early eligibility. Unlike ADSMs, activated National Guard and Reserve members do not need to enroll in TPR themselves for their family members to be eligible for TPRADFM. Once National Guard and Reserve family members enroll in TPRADFM, they may remain in TPRADFM as long as their National Guard and Reserve sponsor remains on active duty and they continue to reside at their sponsor's TPR-qualifying residence address, even if their sponsor later receives an unaccompanied permanent change of assignment.

ENROLLING

Eligible beneficiaries who wish to enroll in TPR or TPRADFM must complete and submit a *TRICARE Prime Enrollment Application and Primary Care Manager (PCM) Change Form* (DD Form 2876). Enrollment applications are available at any TRICARE Service Center and may be downloaded from www.tricare.mil/forms.

Enrollment for TPR beneficiaries is effective on the date the regional contractor receives the enrollment application. Enrollment for TPRADFM beneficiaries is effective based on the "20th of the month" rule. Applications received by regional contractors by the 20th of the month will become effective at the beginning of the following month (e.g., an enrollment received by December 20 would become effective January 1). If an application is received after the 20th of the month, coverage will become effective on the first day of the month following the next month (e.g., an enrollment received on December 27 would become effective February 1).

OBTAINING MEDICAL CARE

TPR and TPRADFM enrollees will receive most care from a primary care manager (PCM). PCMs provide preventive services, care for routine illnesses or injuries, coordinate access to urgent care, and manage referrals to specialists or hospitals if needed. If more than one network PCM is available, beneficiaries may choose the PCM they prefer. Beneficiaries who live in areas without TRICARE network providers may use any TRICARE-authorized provider for primary care. Beneficiaries may contact their regional contractors to locate TRICARE-authorized providers.

SPECIALTY CARE

If specialty care is needed, network PCMs will coordinate care directly with the regional contractor. For ADSMs, the regional contractor will refer all specialty care requests to the service point of contact (SPOC). The SPOC will review all requests and determine if the ADSM's health requires a fitness-for-duty determination. ADSMs with questions for the SPOC may call the Military Medical Support Office Customer Service line

at **1-888-MHS-MMSO** (**1-888-647-6676**). Specialty care referrals for TPRADFM beneficiaries are managed by the regional contractor and are not coordinated through the SPOC.

Note: Beneficiaries who do not have a network PCM will need to coordinate their own specialty care with their regional contractors or SPOC.

DENTAL CARE

Remote ADSMs are covered under the Active Duty Dental Program (ADDP). They may personally coordinate routine, covered dental procedures (e.g., examinations, cleanings, fillings) as long as the dental treatment is less than \$750 per procedure or appointment, or the cumulative total is less than \$1,500 for treatment plans completed within a consecutive 12-month period. The procedure must be covered under the ADDP benefit. A list of covered services is available at www.addp-ucci.com.

ADSMs must obtain an Appointment Control Number (ACN) from United Concordia Companies, Inc. (United Concordia) before receiving care for all courses of treatment, regardless of cost. ADSMs may obtain an ACN by filling out an *Appointment Request Form*, available online at www.addp-ucci.com.

Family members may be covered under the TRICARE Dental Program (TDP), a voluntary dental insurance program administered by United Concordia. For more information about the TDP, visit www.TRICAREdentalprogram.com.

FOR INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE

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Health Net Federal Services, LLC 1-877-TRICARE (1-877-874-2273) www.hnfs.com	Humana Military Healthcare Services, Inc. 1-800-444-5445 www.humana-military.com TRICARE Prime Remote 1-877-249-9179	TriWest Healthcare Alliance 1-888-TRIWEST (1-888-874-9378) www.triwest.com
Military Medical Support Office 1-888-MHS-MMSO (1-888-647-6676) www.tricare.mil/mmso	Active Duty Dental Program 1-866-984-ADDP (1-866-984-2337) www.addp-ucci.com	TRICARE Dental Program 1-800-866-8499 www.TRICAREdentalprogram.com
TRICARE Prime Remote Web Site www.tricare.mil/tpr	TRICARE Web Site www.tricare.mil	Military Health System Web Site www.health.mil

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