

Eligibility



Dependents

You can enroll your eligible dependents for medical, dental, vision, voluntary life insurance, critical illness, and accident coverage. Eligible dependents are defined as:

Your spouse (unless legally separated) or **domestic partner**.

Your children, including:

- Your naturally born children;
- Your legally adopted child. An adopted child is considered a dependent from the moment the child is placed in the custody of the adoptive parents.
- A stepchild, foster child, or any child of whom you have legal custody, who resides in your household in a regular parent-child relationship and is principally dependent on you for his/her support and maintenance and is named as an exemption on your most recent federal income tax return (proof may be required).
- Any child whom you are required to provide health care coverage for under a Qualified Medical Child Support Order.

Initial Eligibility Period

The initial eligibility period begins the day you become benefit eligible (per your employer's eligibility guidelines) and ends 30 days from that date.

Qualifying Events

Unless you experience a life-changing qualifying event, you cannot make changes to your benefits until the next open enrollment period. Qualifying events include things like:

- **Marriage, divorce or legal separation**
- **Birth or adoption of a child**
- **Change in child's dependent status**
- **Death of a spouse, child or other qualified dependent**
- **Change in service area**
- **Change in employment status or a change in coverage under another employer-sponsored plan**

Requests for a qualifying event must be received within 30 days of the event date. The change will be added to your coverage as of the date of the event.