



# SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PIPE TRADES PENSIONERS & SURVIVING SPOUSES HEALTH FUND

## SUPPLEMENT No. 20

To: All Participants  
From: Board of Trustees  
Date: June 2024  
Re: Occupational and Speech Therapy

**KEEP THIS NOTICE WITH THE SUMMARY PLAN DESCRIPTION**

Effective July 1, 2023, the Board of Trustees has amended the Plan to improve the benefits by expanding coverage of Occupational Therapy and Speech Therapy to areas and conditions other than those specified in the current Summary Plan Description.

This change applies to in-network and out-of-network charges and amends the 2019 Summary Plan Description as follows:

### SECTION **8. MEDICAL BENEFITS**

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**Occupational Therapy**

For occupational therapy, the Plan will pay 80% of the Blue Shield of California PPO Network Rate per visit, or 80% of the Allowable Charge, whichever is applicable, up to a maximum of \$1,200 per Calendar Year. The yearly maximum is combined with Physical Therapy.

These services require a prescription from your Physician. Services must be rendered by a licensed occupational therapist.

Occupational therapy rendered in an Inpatient Hospital will be paid under the Hospital benefit.

**Speech Therapy**

For speech therapy the Plan will pay 80% of the Blue Shield of California PPO Network Rate or 80% of the Allowable Charge up to a maximum of \$18.00 per visit, whichever is applicable.

These services require a prescription from your Physician. Services must be rendered by a qualified speech pathologist.

Speech therapy rendered in an Inpatient Hospital will be paid under the Hospital benefit.

This change also modifies the 2019 Summary Plan Description by removing item 37 from Section 15 (Exclusions and Limitations), paragraph A.

KEEP THE FUND OFFICE INFORMED OF YOUR ADDRESS.

If the Fund office does not have your current address, you will not be informed about important changes to your benefits and you may not receive all the benefits to which you are entitled. You can obtain a Change of Address Form from [www.scptac.org](http://www.scptac.org), or from the Fund office or your Local Union office. You may also use this QR code to complete a Change of Address Form.

You should also promptly advise the Fund office of any change in your family status, such as marriage, divorce, or death.

