

# STM: A Real-life Claim Example

Accident resulting in meniscus tear: A real-life claim example

## WITHOUT Insurance vs. WITH HCC Life Short-Term Medical Coverage



Your expenses WITHOUT insurance	
Treatment of torn meniscus	+ \$66,287.90
Negotiated PPO discounts:	- \$0
Insurance payments:	- \$0
Remaining expenses:	- \$0
Premium:	- \$0
<b>TOTAL MEDICAL EXPENSES:</b>	<b>= \$66,287.90</b>

WITH HCC Life STM Coverage	
Deductible: \$2,500.00	
Policy maximum: \$2 million	
Coinsurance: 20% of next \$5,000 following deductible	
Premium: \$1,808.94 / 180 days coverage	
<b>TOTAL MEDICAL EXPENSES:</b>	<b>= \$66,287.90</b>
Negotiated PPO discounts:*	- \$17,676.33
Insurance payments:	- \$45,111.57
Remaining expenses: <i>(deductible &amp; coinsurance)</i>	<b>= \$3,500.00</b>
Premium:	+ \$1,808.94
<b>MEMBER'S RESPONSIBILITY:</b>	<b>= \$5,308.94</b>

\* In some cases, HCCMIS' relationship with a preferred provider organization enables us to negotiate discounts that greatly reduce members' medical expenses. Here HCCMIS negotiated a reduced payment of \$17,676 through its PPO arrangement. The claimant paid less than \$5,400 out of pocket.

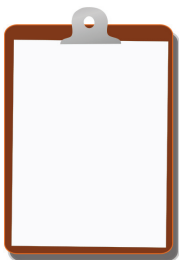
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WITHOUT **Insurance**  
**\$66,287.90**

WITH **HCC Life STM**  
**\$5,308.94**

With HCC Life STM, our member paid **92%** less than he would have without coverage.

## “So what’s the risk?”



The meniscus of the knee are two crescent-shaped bands of cartilage that help cushion and disperse weight where the tibia bone of the lower leg and femur bone of the upper leg meet. Activities such as squatting or kneeling, especially while lifting a heavy weight, may cause the ends of these bones to grind together and tear the meniscus. Sports requiring sudden stops, twists, or pivots can also injure the meniscus, as can natural degeneration from age. <sup>1</sup>

Symptoms of a meniscus tear range in severity from slight pain or stiffness to significant swelling to loss of knee stability or joint locking. The location of the tear can determine the type of treatment required. Certain meniscus injuries heal with rest, whereas others require surgical repair or even partial or complete removal of the torn cartilage (meniscectomy). <sup>2</sup>

The claim example provided is based on an actual U.S. domestic health insurance claim handled by HCCMIS. Coverage for similar domestic health insurance claims is not to be inferred from the example, as all claims are determined to be eligible/ineligible based on the applicable health insurance policy and the facts and circumstances of each claim.

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<sup>1</sup>“Torn Meniscus - What causes a meniscus to tear?”, Retrieved September 11, 2014 from the website: [http://www.medicinenet.com/torn\\_meniscus/page4.htm](http://www.medicinenet.com/torn_meniscus/page4.htm).

<sup>2</sup>“Meniscus Tear - Symptoms”, Retrieved September 11, 2014 from the website: <http://www.webmd.com/a-to-z-guides/meniscus-tear-symptoms>.