Employee Benefits

- A presentation for new employees
Agenda

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- Vision Plan
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- Dependent Care FSA
- Wellness

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- Travel Accident Insurance
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• Vacation, Sick, PFH, paid Holidays
• Campus resources
• Ethics, safety and security policies
• Record completion at end of online module

Verifying Your Dependents

- The more dependents you add to plan, the more your premium increases, however once you add one child then adding additional children does not increase premium cost
- Proof of dependency must be provided for anyone added to the plan
- Documents can be uploaded during the enrollment process

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Health Maintenance Organization (HMO)

- Primary Care Physician (PCP) is first contact
- In-network PCP required for coverage
- Referrals required from PCP to see specialists
- Lower costs at point of service and predictable charges
- Preventive care covered at 100%
- No exclusion of pre-existing conditions
- Vision care discount plan
## HMO Illinois Coverage

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Finding Your Doctor
Blue Cross PPO, HMO IL plans [www.bcbsil.com]
Selecting Your Primary Care Physician

- Please note: You will need to provide both the 3 digit Medical Group/IPA and the 9 digit PCP number when enrolling.

**PCP #: 726451842**

**Group:** Advocate Trinity Physician Ptnrs; Advocate Health Care

**Address:** 9119 S Exchange Ave. Chicago, IL 60617

**Phone:** (773) 768-5000

**Office Hours:**
- Mon: 08:30 AM - 08:00 PM
- Tues: 08:30 AM - 05:00 PM
- Wed: 08:30 AM - 05:00 PM
- Th: 08:30 AM - 08:00 PM
- Fri: 08:30 AM - 05:00 PM
- Sat: 09:00 AM - 01:00 PM
- Sun: Closed

* These hours are not a guarantee of availability, please call your doctor/provider to verify.

**Extended Office Hours:** Evening and/or Weekend Hours

**Gender:** Female

**NPI:** 1407038367

**Board Certified:**
- Obstetrics-Gynecology: None

**Click here to view most current Board certification status.**

**Education:** University Of Illinois

**Graduation Date:** 06/30/2003

**Physician/Hospital Information Validation**

**HMO Illinois®**

**Plans Accepted on this Network**

- [View plans in this network](#)

**Provider Specialty:** Obstetrics-Gynecology

**Medical Group:** Advocate Trinity Physician Ptnrs

**Medical Group/IPA #: 353**

- ✔ Accepting Patients

- Click on the physician
- At the bottom of the page note the Medical Group/IPA #
- Enter this number during the enrollment process.
- You do not need to enter the PCP number
Preferred Provider Organization (PPO)

- BCBSIL is the administrator of plans
- Freedom to choose any doctor or specialist
- Coverage at 80% or 90% depending on choice of plan
- Co-pays count toward total out-of-pocket maximum
- No exclusion of pre-existing conditions
- Preventive care is covered at 100%
- Offers a vision care discount plan
# Preferred Provider Organization (PPO)

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Finding Your Doctor

• Not all Northwestern Medicine physicians participate
Finding Your NM Doctor

Find the Care You Need

Use the search bar above to find a doctor, specialist or facility. Or you can use the tiles below to navigate through our care directory.

Get help finding

Get medical care
Find general doctors, specialists, hospitals, urgent care centers, group practices, labs, and more.
Finding Your NM Doctor

Get Medical Care

- **Primary Care**: A professional who provides general care
- **Specialist**: Physicians who treat specific health conditions
- **Behavioral Health**: Treatment for traditional mental health disorders
- **Urgent Care**: Treatment for a condition that is not life threatening but requires prompt attention
- **Hospitals**: A facility that provides medical and surgical care
- **Diagnostics and Other Medical Services**: Includes services used to diagnose illness (such as laboratory tests and X-rays) and to manage or treat conditions (such as radiation therapy and dialysis)
Finding Your NM Doctor

126 results for Family Practice

The results below contain Northwestern Medicine Tier 1 providers. Please select "Any tier" from the choices on the right to search the entire PPO network. Please contact the Customer Service number on the back of your ID card to receive assistance on your benefits and participating medical providers.

Carol A Saltoun, MD
Northwestern Medicine Tier 1 Provider
Allergy/Immunology, Family Practice
- PROVIDER NOT YET REVIEWED
- Blue Distinction [1]
- 2 AWARDS
- 675 N St Clair St Galter 18 250, Chicago, IL 60611 (0.5 miles away)
  - 312-695-8624

John S Stracks, MD
Northwestern Medicine Tier 1 Provider
Family Practice
- PROVIDER NOT YET REVIEWED
- 1 AWARD
- 150 E Huron #1100, Chicago, IL 60611 (0.5 miles away)
  - 312-926-3627
  - 1 more location

Shibani C Munshi, MD
Northwestern Medicine Tier 1 Provider
Family Practice
- PROVIDER NOT YET REVIEWED
- Blue Distinction [1]
- 1 AWARD
- 150 E Huron #1100, Chicago, IL 60611 (0.5 miles away)
  - 312-926-3627
Value PPO with Health Savings Account (HSA)

- Available only to Value PPO participants
- Pre-tax contributions through payroll deduction
- For qualified health, dental, and vision care expenses
- Value PPO deductibles – Single $1,500/Family $3,000
- IRS HSA Limits – Single $3,500 -Family $7,000
- **Unused funds rollover and are portable**
# Health Savings Account (HSA)

University matches up to $\frac{1}{2}$ the annual maximum

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<td>You (only)</td>
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<td>$3,000 annual maximum*</td>
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*University match is up to $\frac{1}{2}$ of the Value PPO deductible but you can still contribute up to the IRS maximum via pre-tax payroll contributions. Up to $2,750 for You Only or up to $5,500 for Family.*
Using Your HSA Funds

- Use your debit card to pay for purchases at the point of sale/services
- Pay yourself back for expenses by withdrawing money from your HSA (subject to IRS guidelines)
- Use PayFlex’s online feature to pay providers directly from your account
# Prescription Drug Plans

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Prescription Drug Plans

• Choosing a more expensive brand over generic?
  – Generics preferred plan
• Pay half the difference in addition to copayment.
Using your BCBS cards

Health care plans are administered by BlueCross BlueShield.

Health Maintenance Organization (HMO)
HMO Cards are issued for each family member

Preferred Provider Organization (PPO)
PPO Cards are only issued in the name of employee
# Dental Plans

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<th>First Commonwealth DHMO</th>
<th>Dearborn National PPO</th>
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<td>Must select a dentist from participating dental groups – 6 digit ID</td>
<td>Flexibility to choose your own dentist</td>
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<td>No dental implant coverage</td>
<td>Dental implant coverage - $6000 In Network per person, $3000 Out of Network</td>
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<td>Adult and child orthodontia</td>
<td>Orthodontia for child dependents only ($3000 maximum lifetime)</td>
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<td>No deductibles</td>
<td>$50 calendar year deductible ($150 family maximum)</td>
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<td>Preventative Care Covered at 100%</td>
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<td>Unlimited benefit</td>
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<td>Lower costs at point of service</td>
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Vision Plan

EyeMed Vision Care is a standalone plan

- Coverage for annual exams with $10 copayment
- Coverage on frames, lenses, treatments, contacts, etc.
- Used instead of HMO/PPO vision discount
- Purchase **eyeglass lenses** and contact lenses in same year – eyeglass frames covered every other year
Flexible Spending Accounts (FSA)

- Set aside pretax earnings (in amounts you determine) via payroll deduction
- Minimum $240, maximum $2650 per year
- Pay expenses related to health and family care
- Unused funds will be forfeited
Spending Accounts

• Option to pay with debit card
  – Merchants must meet IRS data requirements
  – Many doctors, hospitals, dentists, pharmacies, etc.
  – Wal-Mart, Walgreens, Target, CVS, and others
Spending Accounts

- Option to submit paper claim form with itemized receipts
Spending Accounts

• Find a list of eligible expenses at www.payflex.com.
• Keep receipts of all purchases, even with the debit card.
• PayFlex may request receipts to demonstrate compliance.
• Grace period deadline for 2019 claims is March 15, 2020

• All claims MUST be submitted by March 31st. NO EXCEPTIONS.
Limited Use Flexible Spending Accounts

• Available **ONLY** to individuals who enroll in the Value PPO plan
• Reimburses dental and vision services.
• It may also be used for healthcare and prescription expenses **AFTER** the Value PPO annual deductible has been met.
• Minimum annual election amount is $240, the maximum amount is $2,650
Dependent Care FSA

- Available to full-time employees with eligible dependent(s). Spouse must be working or a student full-time.
- Annual contribution **Minimum $240 | Maximum $5,000**
  - **$2,500** per employee if both parents are participating
  - Match applies if annual family income is less than 130K
Dependent Care FSA

• Qualifying dependents
  – Children through the age of 12
  – Persons incapable of self-care (spouse, parent, in-law, sibling, or child over age 13)
  – Must be claimed as dependent on your tax return
## Dependent Care FSA

**Employee elects to contribute $5,000**

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<th>Percent of election reimbursed by NU:</th>
<th>Maximum NU reimbursement:*</th>
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* Your most recent IRS 1040 and the Dep Care Reimbursement form are required to enroll and verify income for the NU Reimbursement. The University Reimbursement is prorated during the calendar year. Your spouse must also work full-time or be a full-time student.
Dependent Care FSA

- Used for qualifying dependent care expenses
  - For medical, nursing, nursing home care, and personal assistance
  - For children under 13, day care, camp, and summer school
- Not regular grammar or middle-school tuition
- Paper claim form required
Wellness Program

Create and sustain a culture that educates, motivates, and empowers faculty, staff and retirees, and their eligible family members, to adopt and maintain healthy lifestyles.
Resources

Wellness Champions Committee

Evelyn Cordero, Wellness Coordinator
(847) 467-6246

Mailing List

www.northwestern.edu/yourlife/index.html
Programs

Fitness Classes
- FREE
- Variety of bi-weekly classes
- On campus
- Schedules available on the YourLife website

Onsite Nutrition Consultations
- FREE
- One-on-one with a Registered Dietitian
- On campus
- Schedules available on the YourLife website

Mindfulness Meditation
- FREE
- Variety of meditation formats; in-person guided, audio and artistic
- On campus
- Schedules available on the YourLife website
Extended Sick Time Program

- Benefit starts after accruing 6 months of Northwestern service
- Pays 100% of monthly salary
- There is a 7 calendar day waiting period
- Receive up to 180 days coverage (6 months minus 7 days)
- Incidental Sick Time, Vacation and Personal Floating Holiday time can be used to cover the 7 calendar waiting period.
Long Term Disability Plan

• Benefit coverage starts on Benefits Effective date

• **Basic Plan** pays 50% of last working salary up to a max of $11,500/month – 100% Northwestern University paid

• **Buy Up Plan** pays 60% of last working salary up to a max of $13,800/month – Northwestern and Employee paid

• Begins 180 days after disability (6 months)

• Pre-existing conditions in first year of employment apply
Life Insurance – Employee

Basic
• Paid for by Northwestern University
• Coverage 2 1/2 times annual
  ▪ $50,000 is system default and has no imputed income
  ▪ Not to exceed $250,000
• At age 65, coverage factor is reduced
• Administered by Dearborn National

Supplemental
• May elect up to 3 times salary without Evidence of Insurability (EOI) at hire
• Multiple of annual salary up to 5 times/$2,000,000 maximum
• EOI required for any amount above 3 times salary or more than $1M
• Premiums based on age and amount of coverage, fully employee paid
• Administered by Dearborn National
## Life Insurance – Family

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<td>- Maximum of:</td>
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<td>- 100% of Employee Basic + Supplemental Life</td>
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<td>OR</td>
<td>- Under age 26</td>
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<td>- $500,000 whichever comes first</td>
<td>- No EOI required</td>
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<td>- Evidence of Insurability (EOI) if greater than $30k</td>
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Travel Accident

- Administered by AXIS
- Fully paid by Northwestern
- Covered when travelling on University business
  - Excludes commute to and from work
- Coverage is 3 times employee’s base pay
  - Maximum of $500,000

http://www.northwestern.edu/risk/insurance/business-travel-accident-insurance.html
403(b) Voluntary Savings Plan

- All employees are immediately eligible
- Employee before-tax contributions only
- Contributions grow tax-deferred
- Saving now could make a big difference later

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This illustration assumes that monthly savings earn a hypothetical 3% annual return on the contributions made at the beginning of each month, compounded monthly and reinvested. This illustration does not predict or project actual investment performance.
403(b) Retirement Plan

• Eligible if age 24 with 1 Year of Service
• Employee and University before-tax contributions
• Northwestern Contribution (Unmatched)
  – 5% of your eligible pay is automatically contributed
• Employee Contribution Matched by Northwestern
  – Up to 5% of eligible pay (if you save 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5%)
## Retirement Plan Contributions

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*Immediate Vesting – all contributions are yours if you leave Northwestern.
Other 403(b) Plan Rules

• Retirement Plan’s 1 Year of Service may be waived if within 31 days of joining Northwestern you were:
  – employed for at least 12 months by a tax-exempt educational, research organization, or state educational organization, and
  – receiving employer contributions or accrued benefits from your employer’s qualified 403(b) or 401(a) retirement plan

• IRS annual before-tax employee contributions limit
  – $19,000 ($25,000 if age 50 or older) as of 2019
  – Contributions to the Retirement, Voluntary Savings and any prior plan count toward limit
403(b) Plan Investment Providers

- Once enrolled, choose your investments
- If you need help, set up an appointment
  - Fidelity call (800) 642-7131 or visit netbenefits.com/nu and select Contact Us
  - TIAA call (800) 732-8353 or visit tiaa.org/northwestern and select Contact Us
Identity Protection Coverage

- Benefit offering identity, financial, and privacy protection
- Coverage is the PrivacyArmor product through InfoArmor
- Effective for all benefits eligible faculty and staff
- Option to enroll family members at $11.95 per month, regardless of number of family members
- Includes the following:
  - $1,000,000 identity theft insurance policy
  - Privacy advocate remediation
  - Identity & credit monitoring
  - Financial transaction monitoring
  - Credit scores & reports
  - Threshold monitoring
  - Social media reputation monitoring
  - Lost wallet protection
  - Digital exposure report
  - Solicitation reduction

* Some services must be turned on directly at the InfoArmor site after enrolling in the plan
Educational Assistance Benefits for Northwestern University Employees

For Employees

Employee Reduced Tuition Benefit (at Northwestern)
Employee Certificate Tuition Benefit (at Northwestern)
Employee Portable Tuition Benefit (outside of Northwestern)

For Spouses/Dependents

Dependent Reduced Tuition Benefit (Spouse or Child at Northwestern)
Dependent Portable Tuition Benefit (Children only, outside of Northwestern)

For Employees, Spouses, and Dependent Children

Tuition Discount on Music Lessons at the Music Academy

More information is available:
https://www.northwestern.edu/hr/benefits/tuition/index.html
Employee Reduced Tuition Benefit

Eligibility

Full-time, benefits-eligible employee as of the first class of the term

Benefit Amount

- 90% discount on undergraduate and graduate study in any Northwestern school and professional development programs in the School of Professional Studies

Yearly Maximum

- $12,000 per calendar year

Apply online via myHR

All Employee Educational Assistance is taxable beyond $5,250.
Employee Enhanced Reduced Tuition Benefit

Eligibility

Full-time, benefits-eligible employee with at least 3 years of full-time, benefits-eligible service and earning less than $100K gross annually as of the first class of the term

Benefit Amount

- 90% discount on undergraduate and graduate study in any Northwestern school and professional development programs in the School of Professional Studies

Yearly Maximum

- No annual maximum

Apply online via myHR

All Employee Educational Assistance is taxable beyond $5,250.
Employee Reduced Tuition Benefit

How to Apply

1. Submit, through myHR Self Service, an online Employee Reduced Tuition Plan Application
2. Eligibility is confirmed; application is submitted to Student Accounts
3. Employee registers for course(s) via CAESAR
4. Student Accounts applies discount to balance
5. Employee pays remainder of balance (10%)

Applications are valid for the calendar year listed. It is best to submit your application a few weeks before you expect to be billed for classes.
Employee NU Certificate Tuition Benefit

Eligibility

Full-time, benefits-eligible employee with at least 1 year of full-time, benefits-eligible service as of the first class of the term

Benefit Amount

• 100% reimbursement on short term, non-credit certificate programs taken at Northwestern University

Yearly Maximum

• $12,000 per calendar year

Apply online via myHR

All Employee Educational Assistance is taxable beyond $5,250.
Employee Portable Tuition Benefit

Eligibility

- Full-time, benefits-eligible employees are qualified after one year of full-time, benefits-eligible service

Undergraduate and Graduate Education for job-related courses; Plan ID: EP

- Taken at qualified institutions outside of Northwestern
- Qualified institutions include accredited, FAFSA-approved colleges and universities
- 100% of tuition and fees up to $12,000 per calendar year

Maximum $12,000 per calendar year

Undergraduate and graduate assistance is taxable beyond $5,250/year
Dependent (Spouse & Children) Reduced Tuition Benefit

After 6 months of full-time, benefits-eligible service; Plan ID: DRU1

• 85% discount for School of Professional Studies undergraduate programs
• 85% discount for School of Professional Studies post-baccalaureate programs
• Dependent discount is applicable for credit-bearing courses only

After 5 years of continuous full-time, benefits-eligible service; Plan ID: DRU2

• 50% reduction in tuition for other Northwestern undergraduate school programs

Limited to 12 quarters lifetime maximum

Continuous part-time service can count towards “full-time service” if the employee is at full-time status when they are utilizing the benefit.
Dependent Reduced Tuition Benefit

How to Apply

1. Submit, through myHR Self Service, an online Dependent Reduced Tuition Plan Application

2. Supporting documentation required:
   • **Proof of financial dependency** – redacted, most recent 1040 form: page 1 showing student listed as a dependent of the employee and page 2 showing the signature portion

3. Eligibility is confirmed; application is submitted to Student Accounts

4. Child/Spouse registers for course(s) via CAESAR

5. Student Accounts applies discount to balance; student pays the balance (15% or 50%)

Applications are valid for the calendar year listed. It is best to submit your application a few weeks before you expect to be billed for classes. *Dependent tuition benefits are nontaxable.*
Dependent (Children Only) Portable Tuition Benefit

For dependent children up to age 26 for undergraduate study only

After 5 years of continuous full-time, benefits-eligible service; Plan ID: DP1

- 50% of tuition and eligible fees for undergraduate study at FAFSA-approved universities and institutions as a full-time student

Limited to 8 full-time semesters, or 12 full-time quarters

Continuous part-time service can count towards “full-time service” if the employee is at full-time status when they are utilizing the benefit.
Music Lesson Discount

Eligibility

• All full-time employees are eligible from the beginning of the first full term

25% reduction in non-degree lessons’ fees

• Complete the Music Academy Reduced Tuition form

• Return the form to the address below, fax to 7-3999, or email to: musicacademy@northwestern.edu

    Music Academy
    1818 Hinman Avenue
    Evanston, IL 60208
Commuter Benefits

• Post-tax transit with CTA, Metra, Pace, RTA benefits, as well as Commuter parking
• Sign up via Payflex at: www.payflex.com
  – It will take 2-3 weeks for your information to be loaded into the PayFlex system
  – When registering, use your employee ID number, not your SSN#
• Must enroll by the 5th day of the month prior to month of use
  – After the 5th of the month, all orders placed are final and no refunds will be issued.
Coverage Effective Dates

Health, Dental, Vision, Life, Long Term Disability, and Flexible Spending Accounts

• First of the month following your hire date, or
• First of the month (if hired on the first of any month)

403(b) Plans

• Retirement Plan: first of next month after accruing one year of Northwestern service and age 24 for Unmatched and Matching Plans
• Voluntary Savings Plan (VSP): first of the month following your online application
Enrollment Opportunities

• New hires must enroll within 31 days of hire date
• Open Enrollment begins in October/November each year
  – Re-enrollment required for FSA and HSA each year
  – Coverage begins January 1 of the next year

• For qualifying events, you must enroll no later than 31 days from the event for Health, Dental, Vision & FSA
  – Qualifying events are: marriage, birth, loss of coverage, certain changes in employment status, and divorce
  – You can find additional information on qualifying events and the required documentation here:
    http://www.northwestern.edu/hr/benefits/changes/index.html
After You Enroll

• You will receive:
  
  – New ID cards will be distributed within two weeks of enrollment.
  
  – If you enroll in the Value PPO Plan and the HSA, PayFlex will send an HSA Welcome Email with instructions on how to establish your account within ten days of enrollment.
Preview Enrollment

ONLINE PASSPORT
Your single sign-on access to University systems

User Name: 
Password: NetID Password

LOG IN

Trouble Logging In?
This page should not be bookmarked.
Preview Enrollment

Employee Self Service

- Personal Details
- Benefits
- Learning
- Careers
- Attestations
- Pay

Last Pay Date 09/30/2016
Welcome to My Benefits

Click on “My Health Benefits Elections” on the left sidebar to enroll in or make changes to:
- Health, Dental, Vision
- Health Care Flexible Spending Account
- Health Savings Account
- Dependent Care Flexible Spending Account
- Life Insurance
- Long-Term Disability Insurance

Click on “My Savings Plan Elections” on the left sidebar to enroll in or make changes to:
- Retirement Plan
- Voluntary Savings Plan
Welcome to your new portal. This site gives you easy access to information about your work life and benefits. We recommend that you bookmark this site as you will need information about your benefits.
Preview Enrollment

Northwestern myBenefits

You have new benefits being offered to you:
You have 31 days to elect your Current Enrollment benefits.

Get started
Add Dependents

Before you enroll in benefits

Do you need to add any dependents to your profile?

Note: You'll also be able to add dependents and select who you want to cover when you enroll in or edit your benefits.

Add Dependent

Next  Previous
To elect coverage, select **Begin Enrollment** and the system will walk you through enrollment. Please be sure to continue through the entire enrollment process, selecting the benefits in which you wish to enroll.
Finalizing Enrollment

You **MUST** finalize your enrollments. To do this you will need to click Complete Enrollment at the bottom of the screen.
Finally, you are presented with a summary screen. To save or print a confirmation sheet, select **Benefit Summary Report**.
Upload Documents

Proof of Dependency documents as well as Dependent Care Match applications with supporting documentation must be uploaded into the system before benefits will be effective.
Upload Documents
Contact Information

• You have 31 days from your date of hire to enroll in benefits and to finalize your benefits elections.

• Questions and Appointments
  – Main Number: 847-491-7513
  – Email: benefits@northwestern.edu
  – Website: northwestern.edu/hr/benefits

• Benefits Counselors

  • Ruthann Cameron   847 491-4019   Evanston   A - L
    – r-cameron@northwestern.edu
  • Sherry Shambee  847-491-2530   Evanston   M -Z
    – s-shambee@northwestern.edu
  • Angelica Viramontes  312-503-0150   Chicago   A - Z
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