## Medical expenses that qualify for reimbursement

Over-the-counter (OTC) drugs and medicines require a prescription to qualify as a deduction.

Items that qualify if used for medical purposes and you have submitted a written note from a medical practitioner to us:

Acne treatment • dietary supplements or herbal medicines for a specific medical problem • glucosamine/chondroitin orthopedic shoes and inserts (but only for the cost over and above non-orthopedic shoes) • OTC hormone therapy and treatment for menopause • lactose intolerant medication • prenatal vitamins • St. John's Wort for depression weight-loss medications for a specific disease (including obesity)

These services and equipment are deductible if you are not reimbursed by other insurance or public/private institution:

acupuncture air conditioning used for alleviating illness

anesthetist artificial limbs or teeth blood donor braille books & magazines iron lung contact lenses and solutions

dentist diathermy

doctors drugs (Rx or insulin)

eye examination glasses healing services hospital

phones for the deaf therapy treatments

obstetrician nurse operations ophthalmologist optometrist oral surgery orthodontist oral surgery physician physiotherapist psychologist sanitarium specialist surgeon hearing devices hospital bills

operating costs laetrile, when prescribed by a doctor

nursing care obstetrical expense orthodontia oxygen equipment

▶ retirement home fees, portion allocable to medical care

- ▶ special television devices (closed captioning devices)
- ▶ health spa in (Rx & to extent value of home not increased)
- ► rental of medical or healing equipment
- ► transportation expenses relative to illness
- ► lip reading sessions for deaf
- ► halfway house residency

ambulance hire

automobile modification

chiropractor crutches x-rays

elastic hose, medically prescribed

gynecologist laboratory midwife oculist optician orthodontist pediatrician psychoanalyst sex therapist therapy

food/beverages (special) lasik/RK eye surgery seeing eye dog special education

- ▶ support or corrective devices
- ► weight loss problem when prescribed
- ▶ operation & related treatments
- ▶ membership in cooperative health association
- ▶ lifetime care at medical facility
- ► Christian science practitioners