

# LOWER-COST MRIs

Spend

\$20\*

vs.

\$100s†

\* At an approved standalone Imaging Center (Base Medical Plan)

† At a typical hospital (Base Medical Plan, 20% share plus possible deductible of up to \$500)

When you visit your doctor and it's determined you need an MRI, many times the doctor will hand you an order and point you in the direction of where to get the MRI — frequently at a hospital. A hospital MRI is expensive.

You now have the choice of where to have your MRI — and your choice can save you money!

## CHOOSE from AMONG MULTIPLE IN-NETWORK FACILITIES

Effective April 1, 2024, our medical plan benefit has a standalone Imaging Center option that will dramatically help with the cost of an MRI. To qualify:

1. Receive a doctor's order for an MRI.
2. Log in to [aetna.com](https://aetna.com) and click on "Find Care & Pricing". Search for "Imaging and X-ray Centers" to find an approved in-network, standalone Imaging Center.
3. Take the order to that facility.
4. The Imaging Center will then take five to seven days to get an Aetna authorization, and then call you to set up your MRI appointment.
5. At the standalone Imaging Center, your MRI cost will be:
  - \$500 Base Medical Plan - **\$20 co-pay**
  - \$250 Buy-up Medical Plan - **\$10 co-pay**
  - \$3,500 HDHP Medical Plan - **covered 100% after deductible**

You may still have your MRI completed at a hospital or other facility *not* considered an *in-network* standalone Imaging Center, but your cost will be 20% *after* your deductible has been met — *considerably more than \$20*.

Once you have your MRI, you will be given a radiology report to take to your doctor to discuss next-steps in your treatment. Many Imaging Centers offer consultation options to discuss the findings of your report over the phone or in person with an Imaging Center doctor for an ADDITIONAL FEE. If you choose to meet with the Imaging Center doctor, you will be responsible for this ADDITIONAL FEE.

