



# MEWA Health Plan

## Insurance Solutions for Small Businesses

A Multiple Employer Welfare Arrangement, or MEWA, is a self-funded health care option for small employers. MEWAs allow small businesses to join together to purchase health insurance to capitalize on scale, share risk, and offer benefits to their employees outside of the traditional Affordable Care Act (ACA) plan.



Northwest Ohio Business Alliance (NWOBA) and Paramount Health Care partnered to create a self-funded MEWA for businesses.

### Who is Eligible?

Qualified employer groups with 1-50 employees, including sole proprietorships, that are in good standing with a participating chamber or the Better Business Bureau are eligible to join the NWOBA MEWA. Employers must be located within Paramount's service area in Ohio to be eligible to apply.

### Benefits of a MEWA

- Typically lower rates than the ACA compliant plans
- Multiple plan offerings, including HMO plans and Consumer Driven Health Plans
- Prescription drug benefits including affordability for the member and employer

#### Member Benefits include:

- **MyParamount** member portal allows members to electronically receive Explanations of Benefits (EOBs), view claims, check on authorizations, and more.
- **ProMedica OnDemand** allows for 24/7/365 virtual visits.
- **Personal Call Center Representative** allows members to request a dedicated representative to speak to every time they call Paramount.
- **Ask Paramount**, a free nurse line available 24/7/365.

For more information please contact your broker, Paramount or the Better Business Bureau.