

Summary of Benefits and Coverage: What this Plan Covers & What it Costs

Coverage for: Individual/Family | Plan Type: PPO



This is only a summary. If you want more detail about your coverage and costs, you can get the complete terms in the policy or plan document at <u>www.bcbstx.com/member/policy-forms/</u> or by calling 1-888-697-0683.

Important Questions	Answers	Why this Matters:
What is the overall <u>deductible</u> ?	Network \$6,000 Individual/ \$12,700 Family Out-of-Network \$12,000 Individual/ \$25,400 Family Doesn't apply to certain services that charge a copay, in-network preventive care, and prescription drugs. Copays don't count toward the deductible.	You must pay all the costs up to the <u>deductible</u> amount before this plan begins to pay for covered services you use. Check your policy or plan document to see when the <u>deductible</u> starts over (usually, but not always, January 1st). See the chart starting on page 2 for how much you pay for covered services after you meet the <u>deductible</u> .
Are there other deductibles for specific services?	No.	You don't have to meet <u>deductibles</u> for specific services, but see the chart starting on page 2 for other costs for services this plan covers.
Is there an <u>out-of-pocket</u> <u>limit</u> on my expenses?	Yes. For Network \$6,000 Individual/ \$12,700 Family For Out-of-Network \$12,000 Individual/ \$25,400 Family	The <u>out-of-pocket</u> limit is the most you could pay during a coverage period (usually one year) for your share of the cost of covered services. This limit helps you plan for health care expenses.
What is not included in the <u>out-of-pocket limit</u> ?	Premiums, balance-billed charges, and health care this plan does not cover.	Even though you pay these expenses, they don't count toward the <u>out-of-pocket limit</u> .
Does this plan use a <u>network</u> of <u>providers</u> ?	Yes. See <u>www.bcbstx.com</u> or call 1-888-697-0683 for a list of Network Providers.	If you use an in-network doctor or other health care provider , this plan will pay some or all of the costs of covered services. Be aware, your in-network doctor or hospital may use an out-of-network provider for some services. Plans use the term in-network, preferred , or participating for providers in their network . See the chart starting on page 2 for how this plan pays different kinds of providers .
Do I need a referral to see a <u>specialist</u> ?	No. You don't need a referral to see a specialist.	You can see the <u>specialist</u> you choose without permission from this plan.
Are there services this plan doesn't cover?	-	Some of the services this plan doesn't cover are listed on page 4. See your policy or plan document for additional information about <u>excluded services</u> .

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- **Copayments** are fixed dollar amounts (for example, \$15) you pay for covered health care, usually when you receive the service.
- <u>Coinsurance</u> is *your* share of the costs of a covered service, calculated as a percent of the <u>allowed amount</u> for the service. For example, if the health plan's <u>allowed amount</u> for an overnight hospital stay is \$1,000, your <u>coinsurance</u> payment of 20% would be \$200. This may change if you haven't met your <u>deductible</u>.
- The amount the plan pays for covered services is based on the <u>allowed amount</u>. If an out-of-network <u>provider</u> charges more than the <u>allowed</u> <u>amount</u>, you may have to pay the difference. For example, if an out-of-network hospital charges \$1,500 for an overnight stay and the <u>allowed</u> <u>amount</u> is \$1,000, you may have to pay the \$500 difference. (This is called <u>balance billing.</u>)
- The plan may encourage you to use Network **providers** by charging you lower **<u>deductibles</u>**, **<u>copayments</u>**, and <u>coinsurance</u> amounts.

Common Medical Event	Services You May Need	Your Cost If You Use an Network Provider	Your Cost If You Use an Out-of-Network Provider	Limitations & Exceptions
	Primary care visit to treat an injury or illness	\$30 copay/visit	No Charge	none
If you visit a health care	Specialist visit	\$50 copay/visit	No Charge	
provider's office or clinic	Other practitioner office visit	\$30 copay PCP/ \$50 copay specialist	No Charge	Acupuncture not covered.
	Preventive care/screening/immunization	No Charge	No Charge	none
IC	Diagnostic test (x-ray, blood work)	No Charge	No Charge	
If you have a test	Imaging (CT / PET scans, MRIs)	No Charge	No Charge	none
	Preferred generic drugs	No Charge	No Charge	
If you need drugs to	Non-preferred generic drugs	\$10 retail/\$20 mail	50% coinsurance plus	One Copay per 30-Day Supply, up to
treat your illness or		copay/ prescription	retail copay	a 90-Day Supply. Standard Formulary
condition	Preferred brand drugs	\$50 retail/\$100 mail	50% coinsurance plus	
More information about		copay/prescription	retail copay	services will be covered with no cost
prescription drug	Non-preferred brand drugs	\$100 retail/\$200 mail	1	to the member.
<u>coverage</u> is available at		copay/prescription	retail copay	
www.bcbstx.com/	Specialty drugs	\$150 copay/	50% coinsurance plus	· · · ·
member/rx drugs.html		prescription	copay	women's preventative services will be covered with no cost to the member.
If you have outpatient	Facility fee (e.g., ambulatory surgery center)	\$200 copay/visit	\$300 copay/visit	Elective abortion is not covered.
surgery	Physician/surgeon fees	No Charge	No Charge	Elective abortion is not covered.

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If you need immediate medical attention	Emergency room services	\$500 copay/visit	\$500 copay/visit	Copay amount waived if admitted. If admitted, Inpatient Hospital services deductible will apply.
metrical attention	Emergency medical transportation Urgent care	No Charge \$75 copay/visit	No Charge No Charge	none
If you have a hospital stay	Facility fee (e.g., hospital room)	\$250 copay/visit	\$350 copay/visit	Deductible/coinsurance applies after copay is met. \$250 penalty for failure to preauthorize.
	Physician/surgeon fee	No Charge	No Charge	none
	Mental/Behavioral health outpatient services	\$30 copay/visit or No Charge for other outpatient services	No Charge	Outpatient: Network \$200/OON \$300 Outpatient Surgery copay, facility only. Certain services must be
	Mental/Behavioral health inpatient services	\$250 copay/visit	\$350 copay/visit	preauthorized. Pre-authorization is
If you have mental health, behavioral health, or substance	Substance use disorder outpatient services	\$30 copay/visit or No Charge for other outpatient services	No Charge	required for Psychological testing; Neuropsychological testing; Electroconvulsive therapy; Repetitive
abuse needs	Substance use disorder inpatient services	\$250 copay/visit	\$350 copay/visit	Transcranial magnetic Stimulation; and Intensive Outpatient Treatment. Inpatient: Deductible/coinsurance applies after copay is met. \$250 penalty for failure to preauthorize.
If you are pregnant	Prenatal and postnatal care	\$30 copay/initial visit	No Charge	Copay applies to first prenatal visit (per pregnancy)
	Delivery and all inpatient services	\$250 copay/visit	\$350 copay/visit	Deductible/coinsurance applies after copay is met.

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	Home health care	No Charge	No Charge	Limited to 60 visits per year.
	Rehabilitation services	No Charge	No Charge	Limited to combined 35 visits per year,
If you need help	Habilitation services	No Charge	No Charge	including Chiropractic.
recovering or have other special health needs	Skilled nursing care	No Charge	No Charge	Limited to 25 days per year. \$250 penalty for failure to preuathorize.
special nearth needs	Durable medical equipment	No Charge	No Charge	none
	Hospice service	No Charge	No Charge	\$250 penalty for failure to preauthorize.
	Eye exam	No Charge	Reimbursed up to \$30	One visit per calendar year. Up to age 19.
If your child needs dental or eye care	Glasses	No Charge	Reimbursed up to \$30 frames/\$25 single vision lenses	One pair per calendar year. Up to age 19.
	Dental check-up	Not Covered	Not Covered	none

Excluded Services & Other Covered Services:

Services Your Plan Does NOT Cover (This isn't a complete list. Check your policy or plan document for other excluded services.)			
Acupuncture	Long-term care	Termination of pregnancy (Except in limited	
Bariatric surgery	• Private-duty nursing (Only covered for extended	circumstances)	
• Dental Care (Adult and Child)	care expenses)	Weight loss programs	



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Other Covered Services (This isn't a complete list. Check your policy or plan document for other covered services and your costs for these services.)

Chiropractic care	• Infertility treatment (Diagnosis covered but	Routine eye care (Adult)
• Cosmetic surgery (Only for the correction of	treatment and Invitro not covered)	• Routine foot care (Only covered in connection with
congenital deformities or for conditions resulting	• Non-emergency care when traveling outside the	diabetes, circulatory disorders of the lower
from accidental injuries, scars, tumors or diseases	. U.S.	extremities, peripheral vascular disease, peripheral
When Medically Necessary.)		neuropathy, or chronic arterial or venous
• Hearing aids (Limited to 1 for each ear every 3		insufficiency)
years)		

Your Rights to Continue Coverage:

Federal and State laws may provide protections that allow you to keep this health insurance coverage as long as you pay your **premium**. There are exceptions, however, such as if:

- You commit fraud
- The insurer stops offering services in the State
- You move outside the coverage area

For more information on your rights to continue coverage, contact the insurer at 1-888-697-0683. You may also contact your state insurance department at http://www.tdi.texas.gov..

Your Grievance and Appeals Rights:

If you have a complaint or are dissatisfied with a denial of coverage for claims under your plan, you may be able to **appeal** or file a **grievance**. For questions about your rights, this notice, or assistance, you can contact: Texas Department of Insurance at (800) 578-4677 or visit <u>http://www.tdi.texas.gov</u>.

Does this Coverage Provide Minimum Essential Coverage?

The Affordable Care Act requires most people to have health care coverage that qualifies as "minimum essential coverage." This plan or policy <u>does provide</u> minimum essential coverage.

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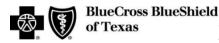


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Language Access Services:

Spanish (Español): Para obtener asistencia en Español, llame al 1-888-697-0683. Tagalog (Tagalog): Kung kailangan ninyo ang tulong sa Tagalog tumawag sa 1-888-697-0683. Chinese (中文): 如果需要中文的帮助,请拨打这个号码 1-888-697-0683. Navajo (Dine): Dinek'ehgo shika at'ohwol ninisingo, kwiijigo holne' 1-888-697-0683.

——To see examples of how this plan might cover costs for a sample medical situation, see the next page.—



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Coverage Examples:

About These Coverage Examples:

These examples show how this plan might cover medical care in given situations. Use these examples to see, in general, how much financial protection a sample patient might get if they are covered under different plans.



Don't use these examples to estimate your actual costs under the plan. The actual care you receive will be different from these examples, and the cost of that care also will be different.

See the next page for important information about these examples.

Having a baby

(normal delivery)

- Amount owed to providers: \$7,540 Plan pays \$1,340
- Patient pays \$6,200

Sample care costs:

Hospital charges (mother)	\$2,700
Routine obstetric care	\$2,100
Hospital charges (baby)	\$900
Anesthesia	\$900
Laboratory tests	\$500
Prescriptions	\$200
Radiology	\$200
Vaccines, other preventive	\$40
Total	\$7,540

Patient pays:

Deductibles	\$6,000
Copays	\$0
Coinsurance	\$0
Limits or exclusions	\$200
Total	\$6,200

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Managing type 2 diabetes (routine maintenance of

a well-controlled condition)

Amount owed to providers: \$5,400

Plan pays \$2,920

Patient pays \$2,480

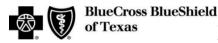
Sample care costs:

Prescriptions	\$2,900
Medical Equipment and Supplies	\$1,300
Office Visits and Procedures	\$700
Education	\$300
Laboratory tests	\$100
Vaccines, other preventive	\$100
Total	\$5,400

0 Patient pays:

Total	\$80 \$2,480
Coinsurance Limits or exclusions	\$0 \$80
Copays	\$0
Deductibles	\$2,400

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Coverage Examples:

Questions and answers about Coverage Examples:

What are some of the assumptions behind the Coverage Examples?

- Costs don't include **premiums**.
- Sample care costs are based on national averages supplied by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, and aren't specific to a particular geographic area or health plan.
- The patient's condition was not an excluded or preexisting condition.
- All services and treatments started and ended in the same coverage period.
- There are no other medical expenses for any member covered under this plan.
- Out-of-pocket expenses are based only on treating the condition in the example.
- The patient received all care from in-network **providers**. If the patient had received care from out-of-network **providers**, costs would have been higher.

What does a Coverage Example show?

For each treatment situation, the Coverage Example helps you see how **<u>deductibles</u>**, **<u>copayments</u>**, and <u>coinsurance</u> can add up. It also helps you see what expenses might be left up to you to pay because the service or treatment isn't covered or payment is limited.

Does the Coverage Example predict my own care needs?

✗ No. Treatments shown are just examples. The care you would receive for this condition could be different based on your doctor's advice, your age, how serious your condition is, and many other factors.

Does the Coverage Example predict my future expenses?

✗ No. Coverage Examples are not cost estimators. You can't use the examples to estimate costs for an actual condition. They are for comparative purposes only. Your own costs will be different depending on the care you receive, the prices your providers charge, and the reimbursement your health plan allows.

Can I use Coverage Examples to compare plans?

✓ Yes. When you look at the Summary of Benefits and Coverage for other plans, you'll find the same Coverage Examples. When you compare plans, check the "Patient Pays" box in each example. The smaller that number, the more coverage the plan provides.

Are there other costs I should consider when comparing plans?

✓ Yes. An important cost is the premium you pay. Generally, the lower your premium, the more you'll pay in out-of-pocket costs, such as copayments, deductibles, and coinsurance. You should also consider contributions to accounts such as health savings accounts (HSAs), flexible spending arrangements (FSAs) or health reimbursement accounts (HRAs) that help you pay out-of-pocket expenses.