

PPO BLUE OPTIONS DEDUCTIBLE II V.5

Deductible Levels: \$0/\$500/\$2,000

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Where you get care can impact what you pay for care.

This health plan includes a tiered provider network called PPO Blue Options v.5. Members in this plan pay different levels of **cost share** (copayments, coinsurance, and/or deductibles) depending on the benefits tier of the provider furnishing the services. A provider's benefits tier may change. Overall changes to the benefits tiers of providers will happen no more than once each calendar year. For help in finding the benefits tier of a provider, visit the online provider search tool at bluecrossma.com/findadoctor and search for PPO Blue Options v.5.



This health plan meets Minimum Creditable Coverage Standards for Massachusetts residents that went into effect January 1, 2014, as part of the Massachusetts Health Care Reform Law.

YOUR CHOICE

Your Deductible

Your deductible is the amount of money you pay out-of-pocket each plan year before you can receive coverage for certain in-network general hospital services or for out-of-network services. If you are not sure when your plan year begins, contact Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts. Your deductibles are as follows:

Enhanced Benefits Tier: None

Standard Benefits Tier: \$500 per member (or **\$1,000** per family)

Basic Benefits Tier: \$2,000 per member (or **\$4,000** per family)

Out-of-Network: \$4,000 per member (or **\$8,000** per family)

Any amount applied toward the Standard Tier deductible will also be applied towards the Basic Tier deductible and out-of-network deductible (and vice versa).

When You Choose Preferred Providers

You have the option of selecting in-network providers who are part of the PPO Blue Options network (preferred providers). You'll generally receive a higher level of benefits—and pay lower out-of-pocket costs—when you choose preferred providers. See the charts for your cost share.

Within the network, certain preferred primary care providers and preferred general hospitals are ranked into three benefits tiers based on cost and nationally accepted quality performance criteria selected by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts.

Where you receive care will determine your out-of-pocket costs for most services under the plan. By choosing Enhanced Benefits Tier preferred providers each time you get care, you can generally lower your out-of-pocket costs.

- **Enhanced Benefits Tier**—Includes preferred providers in Massachusetts that meet the standards for quality and are low cost relative to our benchmark. You pay the lowest out-of-pocket costs when you choose providers in the Enhanced Benefits Tier.

- **Standard Benefits Tier**—Includes preferred providers in Massachusetts that meet the standards for quality and moderate cost relative to our benchmark. This benefits tier includes preferred hospitals that do not meet the standards for quality but are low or moderate cost relative to our benchmark. You pay mid-level out-of-pocket costs when you choose providers in the Standard Benefits Tier. Also includes providers without sufficient data for measurement on one or both benchmarks. To ensure members have provider access in certain geographic areas, the Standard Benefits Tier includes some providers whose scores would otherwise put them in the Basic Benefits Tier.

- **Basic Benefits Tier**—Includes preferred hospitals in Massachusetts that are high cost relative to our benchmark. Also includes preferred primary care providers in Massachusetts who did not meet the standards for quality and/or are high cost relative to our benchmark. You pay the highest out-of-pocket costs when you choose providers in the Basic Benefits Tier.

Note: Primary care providers were measured based on their HMO patients as part of their provider group, and hospitals were measured based on their individual facility performance. Provider groups can be composed of an individual provider, or a number of providers who practice together. Tier placement is based on cost and quality benchmarks where measurable data is available. Preferred providers without sufficient data for cost and quality are placed in the Standard Benefits Tier. Preferred primary care providers that do not meet benchmarks for one or both of the domains and preferred hospitals that do not meet benchmarks for cost or that use nonstandard reimbursement are placed in the Basic Benefits Tier.

It is important to consider the tier of both your provider and the facility where your provider has admitting privileges before you choose a preferred primary care provider or receive care. For example, if you require hospital care and your Enhanced Benefits Tier preferred primary care provider refers you to an Enhanced Benefits Tier preferred hospital, you would pay the lowest cost sharing for both your provider and hospital services. Or, if your Enhanced Benefits Tier preferred primary care provider refers you to a Basic Benefits Tier preferred hospital for care, you will pay the lowest copayments for preferred primary care provider services, but the highest copayments for hospital services, except in an emergency.

How to Find a Preferred Provider

To find a preferred provider:

- Look up a provider on Find a Doctor at bluecrossma.com/findadoctor. If you need a copy of your directory or help choosing a provider, call the Member Service number on your ID card.

- Visit the Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts website at bluecrossma.org

Note: In some out-of-state PPO service areas, different levels of preferred providers may not be available. In this case, your cost share will be the same as it would be for an Enhanced Benefits Tier preferred provider.

When You Choose Non-Preferred Providers

You can also obtain covered services from out-of-network providers (non-preferred providers), but your out-of-pocket costs are higher. See the charts for your cost share. Payments for out-of-network benefits are based on the Blue Cross Blue Shield allowed charge as defined in your benefit description. You may be responsible for any difference between the allowed charge and the provider's actual billed charge (this is in addition to your deductible and/or your coinsurance).

Your Out-of-Pocket Maximum

Your out-of-pocket maximum is the most that you could pay during a plan year for deductible, copayments, and coinsurance for covered services. Your out-of-pocket maximums for medical benefits are **\$4,850** per member (or **\$9,700** per family) for in-network services and **\$7,500** per member (or **\$15,000** per family) for out-of-network services. Any amount applied toward the in-network medical out-of-pocket maximum will also be applied toward the out-of-network medical out-of-pocket maximum (and vice versa). Your out-of-pocket maximum for prescription drug benefits is **\$2,000** per member (or **\$4,000** per family).

Emergency Room Services

In an emergency, such as a suspected heart attack, stroke, or poisoning, you should go directly to the nearest medical facility or call **911** (or the local emergency phone number). You pay a copayment per visit for in-network or out-of-network emergency room services. This copayment is waived if you are admitted to the hospital or for an observation stay. See the chart for your cost share. Additionally, because you may not have a choice during an emergency, if you are admitted for an inpatient stay from the emergency room, you will be responsible for an Enhanced Benefits Tier copayment regardless of the tier of the hospital.

Telehealth Services

Telehealth services are covered when the same in-person service would be covered by the health plan and the use of telehealth is appropriate. Your health care provider will work with you to determine if a telehealth visit is medically appropriate for your health care needs or if an in-person visit is required. For a list of telehealth providers, visit the Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts website at bluecrossma.org, consult Find a Doctor, or call the Member Service number on your ID card.

Utilization Review Requirements

Certain services require **pre-approval/prior authorization** through Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts for you to have benefit coverage; this includes non-emergency and non-maternity hospitalization and may include certain outpatient services, therapies, procedures, and drugs. You should work with your health care provider to determine if pre-approval is required for any service your provider is suggesting. If your provider, or you, don't get pre-approval when it's required, your benefits will be denied, and you may be fully responsible for payment to the provider of the service. Refer to your benefit description for requirements and the process you should follow for Utilization Review, including Pre-Admission Review, Pre-Service Approval, Concurrent Review and Discharge Planning, and Individual Case Management.

Value Care Offering Coverage

Your cost share may be waived or reduced for designated in-person and telehealth office visits for certain outpatient services. These services may include: primary care provider office visits; mental health or substance use treatment (including outpatient psychotherapy, patient evaluations, and medication management visits); chiropractor services; acupuncture services; or physical and/or occupational therapy services. See your benefit description (and riders, if any) for exact coverage details.

Dependent Benefits

This plan covers dependents until the end of the calendar month in which they turn age 26, regardless of their financial dependency, student status, or employment status. See your benefit description (and riders, if any) for exact coverage details.

Covered Services	Your Cost In-Network	Your Cost Out-of-Network
Preventive Care		
Well-child care exams, including routine tests, according to age-based schedule as follows:	Nothing	20% coinsurance after deductible
• 10 visits during the first year of life		
• Three visits during the second year of life (age 1 to age 2)		
• Two visits for age 2		
• One visit per calendar year for age 3 and older		
Routine adult physical exams, including related tests (one per calendar year)	Nothing	20% coinsurance after deductible
Routine GYN exams, including related lab tests (one per calendar year)	Nothing	20% coinsurance after deductible
Routine hearing exams, including routine tests	Nothing	20% coinsurance after deductible
Hearing aids (up to \$2,000 per ear every 36 months for a member age 21 or younger)	All charges beyond the maximum	20% coinsurance after deductible and all charges beyond the maximum
Routine vision exam (one every 24 months)	Nothing	20% coinsurance after deductible
Family planning services—office visits	Nothing	20% coinsurance after deductible
Outpatient Care		
Emergency room visits	\$250 per visit (waived if admitted or for observation stay)	\$250 per visit, no deductible (waived if admitted or for observation stay)
Office or health center visits, when performed by your PCP, nurse midwife, physician assistant, or nurse practitioner (billed by PCP):*		
– Enhanced Benefits Tier	\$20 per visit	20% coinsurance after deductible
– Standard Benefits Tier	\$35 per visit	20% coinsurance after deductible
– Basic Benefits Tier	\$55 per visit	20% coinsurance after deductible
Specialists and other covered provider visits	\$55 per visit	20% coinsurance after deductible
Mental health or substance use treatment	\$20 per visit	20% coinsurance after deductible
Outpatient telehealth services	Same as in-person visit	Same as in-person visit Only applicable in-network
• With a covered provider	\$20 per visit	
• With the in-network designated telehealth vendor		
Chiropractors' office visits	\$55 per visit	20% coinsurance after deductible
Acupuncture visits (up to 12 visits per calendar year)	\$55 per visit	20% coinsurance after deductible
Short-term rehabilitation therapy—physical, occupational, and speech (up to 60 visits per calendar year)**	\$55 per visit	20% coinsurance after deductible
Diagnostic X-rays and lab tests, when performed:		
• In a general hospital		
– Enhanced Benefits Tier	\$20 per category per service date	20% coinsurance after deductible
– Standard Benefits Tier	\$40 per category per service date after deductible††	20% coinsurance after deductible
– Basic Benefits Tier	\$60 per category per service date after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible
• By other covered providers	\$20 per category per service date	20% coinsurance after deductible
CT scans, MRIs, PET scans, nuclear cardiac imaging tests, when performed:		
• In a general hospital		
– Enhanced Benefits Tier	\$75 per category per service date	20% coinsurance after deductible
– Standard Benefits Tier	\$75 per category per service date after deductible††	20% coinsurance after deductible
– Basic Benefits Tier	\$450 per category per service date after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible
• By other covered providers	\$75 per category per service date	20% coinsurance after deductible
Home health care and hospice services	Nothing	20% coinsurance after deductible
Oxygen and equipment for its administration	Nothing	20% coinsurance after deductible
Durable medical equipment—such as wheelchairs, crutches, hospital beds	20% coinsurance***	40% coinsurance after deductible***
Prosthetic devices	20% coinsurance	40% coinsurance after deductible
Surgery and related anesthesia, when performed by your PCP, nurse midwife, physician assistant, or nurse practitioner (billed by PCP):*		
• In an office or health center		
– Enhanced Benefits Tier	\$20 per visit†	20% coinsurance after deductible
– Standard Benefits Tier	\$35 per visit†	20% coinsurance after deductible
– Basic Benefits Tier	\$55 per visit†	20% coinsurance after deductible
• By other covered providers	\$55 per visit†	20% coinsurance after deductible

* For services by a physician assistant or nurse practitioner designated as primary care and not billed by the PCP, the Enhanced Tier PCP office visit cost share will be applied. If these providers are designated by the plan as specialty care, the specialist visit cost share will be applied.

** No visit limit applies when short-term rehabilitation therapy is furnished as part of covered home health care, the treatment of autism spectrum disorders, or speech therapy.

*** In-network cost share waived for one breast pump per birth, including supplies (20% coinsurance after deductible out-of-network).

† Copayment waived for restorative dental services and orthodontic treatment or prosthetic management therapy for members under age 18 to treat conditions of cleft lip and cleft palate.

†† The select Standard Benefits Tier hospitals noted in this chart include Athol Memorial Hospital, Baystate Franklin Medical Center, Berkshire Medical Center, Falmouth Hospital, Martha's Vineyard Hospital, and Nantucket Cottage Hospital. The deductible does not apply for any covered services furnished by these hospitals.

Covered Services	Your Cost In-Network	Your Cost Out-of-Network
Outpatient Care (continued)		
Surgery and related anesthesia, when performed:		
• At a surgical day care unit of a general hospital		
– Enhanced Benefits Tier	\$500 per admission	20% coinsurance after deductible
– Standard Benefits Tier	\$500 per admission after deductible/ \$550 per admission at select hospitals*	20% coinsurance after deductible
– Basic Benefits Tier	\$1,500 per admission after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible
• At an ambulatory surgical facility	\$500 per admission	20% coinsurance after deductible
Inpatient Care (including maternity care)		
General hospital care (as many days as medically necessary)		
– Enhanced Benefits Tier	\$500 per admission	20% coinsurance after deductible
– Standard Benefits Tier	\$500 per admission after deductible/ \$550 per admission at select hospitals*	20% coinsurance after deductible
– Basic Benefits Tier	\$1,500 per admission after deductible	20% coinsurance after deductible
Chronic disease hospital care (as many days as medically necessary)	\$500 per admission	20% coinsurance after deductible
Mental hospital or substance use facility care (as many days as medically necessary)	\$500 per admission	20% coinsurance after deductible
Rehabilitation hospital care (up to 60 days per calendar year)	Nothing	20% coinsurance after deductible
Skilled nursing facility care (up to 100 days per calendar year)	Nothing	20% coinsurance after deductible
Prescription Drug Benefits**		
At designated retail pharmacies (up to a 30-day formulary supply for each prescription or refill)***	\$20 for Tier 1 \$40 for Tier 2 \$60 for Tier 3 \$120 for Tier 4	Not covered
Through the designated mail service or designated retail pharmacy (up to a 90-day formulary supply for each prescription or refill)***	\$40 for Tier 1 \$80 for Tier 2 \$120 for Tier 3 \$360 for Tier 4	Not covered

* The select Standard Benefits Tier hospitals noted in this chart include Athol Memorial Hospital, Baystate Franklin Medical Center, Berkshire Medical Center, Falmouth Hospital, Martha's Vineyard Hospital, and Nantucket Cottage Hospital. The deductible does not apply for any covered services furnished by these hospitals.

** Generally, Tier 1 refers to low-cost generic drugs; Tier 2 refers to other generic drugs; Tier 3 refers to preferred brand-name drugs; Tier 4 refers to non-preferred brand-name drugs.

*** Cost share may be waived for certain covered drugs and supplies.

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Wellness Participation Program Fitness Reimbursement: a program that rewards participation in qualified fitness programs or equipment (See your benefit description for details.)	\$300 per calendar year per policy
Weight Loss Reimbursement: a program that rewards participation in a qualified weight loss program (See your benefit description for details.)	\$300 per calendar year per policy
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QUESTIONS?

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Limitations and Exclusions. These pages summarize the benefits of your health care plan. Your benefit description and riders define the full terms and conditions in greater detail. Should any questions arise concerning benefits, the benefit description and riders will govern. Some of the services not covered are: cosmetic surgery; custodial care; most dental care; and any services covered by workers' compensation. For a complete list of limitations and exclusions, refer to your benefit description and riders. **Note:** Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Massachusetts, Inc. administers claims payment only and does not assume financial risk for claims.

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- Free aids and services to people with disabilities to communicate effectively with us, such as qualified sign language interpreters and written information in other formats (large print or other formats).
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If you need these services, call Member Service at the number on your ID card.

If you believe that Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts has failed to provide these services or discriminated in another way on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, sex, sexual orientation, or gender identity, you can file a grievance with the Civil Rights Coordinator by mail at Civil Rights Coordinator, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts, One Enterprise Drive, Quincy, MA 02171-2126; phone at **1-800-472-2689 (TTY: 711)**; fax at **1-617-246-3616**; or email at civilrightscoordinator@bcbsma.com.

If you need help filing a grievance, the Civil Rights Coordinator is available to help you.

You can also file a civil rights complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights, online at ocrportal.hhs.gov; by mail at U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 200 Independence Avenue, SW Room 509F, HHH Building, Washington, DC 20201; by phone at **1-800-368-1019** or **1-800-537-7697 (TDD)**.

Complaint forms are available at hhs.gov.

PROFICIENCY OF LANGUAGE ASSISTANCE SERVICES

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Arabic/عَرَبِيَّة:

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Gujarati/ગુજરાતી: ધ્યાન આપો: જો તમે ગુજરાતી બોલતા હો, તો તમને ભાષાકીય સહાયતા સેવાઓ વિના મૂલ્યે ઉપલબ્ધ છે. તમારા આઈડી કાર્ડ પર આપેલા નંબર પર Member Service ને કોલ કરો (TTY: 711).

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