



2019 PPO Summary of Benefits

Blue Medicare PPOSM

Contracts H3404-003-001, H3404-003-002

January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019

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PPO Summary of Benefits

This is a summary of drug and health services covered under Blue Medicare PPO Enhanced Plan **January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019.**

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina is a PPO plan with a Medicare contract. Enrollment in the plan depends on contract renewal. The benefits information provided is a summary of what we cover and what you pay. It does not list every service that we cover or list every limitation or exclusion. To get a complete list of services we cover, please request the Evidence of Coverage. Call customer service at **1-877-494-7647**, access online at **www.BlueCrossNC.com/Medicare** or call the Blue Cross NC Direct Sales Team.

Blue Medicare (PPO) has a network of doctors, hospitals, pharmacies and other providers. You'll get your health care at lower prices by using in-network providers.

To join the Blue Medicare PPO Plan, you must be entitled to Medicare Part A, be enrolled in Medicare Part B and live in our service area.

Our service area includes the following counties in North Carolina:

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Alamance, Alexander, Anson, Buncombe, Cabarrus, Catawba, Davidson, Forsyth, Guilford, Haywood, Henderson, Madison, McDowell, Mecklenburg, Mitchell, Orange, Polk, Randolph, Rockingham, Rowan, Stokes, Surry, Transylvania, Yancey

Enhanced H3404-003-002

Beaufort, Bertie, Bladen, Brunswick, Caldwell, Caswell, Chatham, Chowan, Cleveland, Columbus, Cumberland, Duplin, Edgecombe, Franklin, Gaston, Gates, Harnett, Hertford, Hoke, Iredell, Johnston, Jones, Lee, Martin, Nash, Person, Pitt, Richmond, Robeson, Sampson, Scotland, Wake, Warren, Washington, Watauga, Wayne, Wilkes, Wilson

Please note:

Out-of-network/non-contracted providers are under no obligation to treat Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina (Blue Cross NC) members, except in emergency situations. For a decision about whether we will cover an out-of-network service, we encourage you or your provider to ask us for a pre-service organization determination before you receive the service. Please call our customer service number or see your Evidence of Coverage for more information, including the cost sharing that applies to out-of-network services.

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| What You Should Know | | Enhanced | |
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| | | H3404-003-001 | H3404-003-002 |
| Monthly Premium: | You must continue to pay your Medicare Part B premium. | \$77.70 | \$87.70 |
| Deductible: | These plans have no medical deductible. | \$0 | \$0 |

| Benefit | What You Should Know | Enhanced | |
|---|--|---------------------------------------|---|
| | | In-Network | Out-of-Network |
| Annual Out-of-Pocket Maximum: | | \$5,900 | \$8,850 |
| Inpatient Hospital Care:* Cost share applies per day. Benefit period applied per admission. | Days 1–6: Days 7–90: Days 91 & beyond: | \$310 copay \$0 copay \$0 copay | 40% of cost 40% of cost 40% of cost |
| Outpatient Services:* | Ambulatory Surgical Center: Outpatient Hospital: | \$175 copay \$275 copay | 40% of cost 40% of cost |
| Doctor Visit: | Primary: Specialist: | \$20 copay \$50 copay | 40% of cost 40% of cost |
| Preventive Care: | Any additional preventive services approved by Medicare during the contract year will be covered. | \$0 copay | \$0 copay |
| Emergency Care: | If you are admitted to the hospital within 48 hours, you do not have to pay your share of the cost for emergency care. Emergency services are covered worldwide. | \$90 copay | \$90 copay |
| Urgently Needed Services: | | \$65 copay | \$65 copay |

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Note: This chart shows your portion of the costs. *May require prior authorization.

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| | | | Enhanced H3404-003-001 H3404-003-002 | |
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| Benefit | What You Should Know | | In-Network | Out-of-Network |
| Diagnostic Services/ Labs/Imaging:* | Diagnostic Tests, Labs, Radiology Services and X-rays. | | 20% of cost | 40% of cost |
| Hearing Services: | Medicare-Covered Hearing Exam: | Exam to diagnose and treat hearing and balance issues. | \$50 copay | 40% of cost |
| | Routine Hearing Exam: | One per ear, per year Must use TruHearing providers (In-network and out-of-network) | \$45 copay | \$45 copay |
| | Hearing Aids: | | \$699-\$999 | \$699-\$999 |
| Dental Services:* | Limited dental services. This does not include services in connection with care, treatment, filling, removal or replacement of teeth. | | \$50 copay | 40% of cost |
| Vision Services: | Routine Eye Exam: | Once every 12 months. Plan pays up to \$100 for routine eye exams. | \$25 copay | 40% of cost |
| | Medicare-Covered Glaucoma Test: | For people who are at high risk of glaucoma. | \$0 copay | \$0 copay |
| | Medicare-Covered Eye Exam: | For the diagnosis and treatment of injuries of the eye. Treatment of illness/injuries of the eye. | \$25 copay | 40% of cost |
| | Eyewear After Cataract Surgery: | One pair of eyeglasses or one pair of contact lenses. | 20% of cost | 40% of cost |

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* TruHearing® is a registered trademark of TruHearing, Inc. TruHearing is an independent company and does not offer Blue Cross NC products or services. These programs may be changed or discontinued at any time.

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| Benefit | What You Should Know | In-Network | Out-of-Network |
| Mental Health Services:* | Inpatient: (Cost share applies per day. Benefit period applied per admission.) | Days 1–6: \$276 copay | 40% of cost |
| | Days 7–90: \$0 copay | Days 91–190: \$0 copay | 40% of cost |
| | Outpatient: | Group/individual/ substance abuse. \$40 copay | 40% of cost |
| Skilled Nursing Facility:* Cost share applies per day. Benefit period applied per admission. | Days 1–20: | \$0 copay | 40% of cost |
| | Days 21–60: | \$172 copay | 40% of cost |
| | Days 61–100: | \$0 copay | 40% of cost |
| Outpatient Rehabilitation Services: | Occupational, Physical & Speech Language Therapy: | \$40 copay | 40% of cost |
| | Cardiac Rehab Services:* | 20% of cost | 40% of cost |
| Ambulance Services:* | Covers medically necessary air and ground ambulance services. | \$250 copay | \$250 copay |
| Transportation: | | Not Covered | Not Covered |
| Medicare Part B Drugs:* | | 20% of cost | 40% of cost |
| Podiatry Services (Foot Care):* | | \$50 copay | 40% of cost |
| Medical Equipment & Supplies: | Durable Medical Equipment & Supplies:* | 20% of cost | 40% of cost |
| | Prosthetics:* | 20% of cost | 40% of cost |
| | Diabetic Shoes or Inserts: | 20% of cost | 40% of cost |
| | Diabetes Supplies: | \$0 copay | 40% of cost |
| Exercise and Healthy Aging Program: Select locations | | \$0 copay | \$0 copay |

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H3404-003-001
H3404-003-002

What You Should Know

Deductible: These plans have no drug deductible. \$0

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| Benefit | Preferred Retail or Mail-Order Pharmacies | | | Non-preferred Retail or Mail-Order Pharmacies | | |
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| | 1-month 30-day supply | 2-months 60-day supply | 3-months 90-day supply | 1-month 30-day supply† | 2-months 60-day supply | 3-months 90-day supply |
| Tier 1 - Preferred Generic: | \$3 copay | \$6 copay | \$9 copay | \$15 copay | \$30 copay | \$45 copay |
| Tier 2 - Generic: | \$6 copay | \$12 copay | \$18 copay | \$20 copay | \$40 copay | \$60 copay |
| Tier 3 - Preferred Brand-name: | \$37 copay | \$74 copay | \$111 copay | \$47 copay | \$94 copay | \$141 copay |
| Tier 4 - Non-preferred Drug: | 45% of cost | 45% of cost | 45% of cost | 50% of cost | 50% of cost | 50% of cost |
| Tier 5 - Specialty: | 33% of cost | Tier 5 is limited to a one-month (30-day) supply | | 33% of cost | Tier 5 is limited to a one-month (30-day) supply | |
| Tier 6 - Select Care: | \$0 copay | \$0 copay | \$0 copay | \$1 copay | \$1 copay | \$1 copay |

† Long Term Care pharmacy benefit is covered the same as retail non-preferred for 31 days instead of 30 days.

Note:

- This chart shows your portion of the costs. Benefits shown are available at preferred pharmacies.
- Our preferred pharmacy and preferred mail-order pharmacy networks include: **EPIC, Walgreens, Walmart** and other local pharmacy networks. To find a pharmacy near you, go to www.BlueCrossNC.com/Medicare. Click on "Find Doctor/Drug/Facility" (center top of the page).
- The Preferred Pharmacy Network is a select network of national and local independent pharmacies designed to help save you money on your prescriptions. You may choose non-preferred pharmacies to fill prescriptions, but your costs may be higher. Our pharmacy network may change at any time. You will receive notice when necessary.
- Cost sharing may vary depending on the pharmacy you choose and when you enter another phase of the Part D benefit. For more information on the additional pharmacy-specific cost sharing and the phases of the benefit, please call us or access our Evidence of Coverage online.



Prescription Drug Coverage

(Preferred Pharmacy Benefits)

Blue Medicare PPO™ Enhanced

H3404-003-001 & H3404-003-002

| | | |
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| Deductible: | | \$0 (all tiers) |
| Initial Coverage Level (ICL): Cost sharing amounts are for a 30-day supply at a preferred retail or preferred mail-order pharmacy. | Tier 1 - Preferred Generic: | \$3 copay |
| | Tier 2 - Generic: | \$6 copay |
| | Tier 3 - Preferred Brand-name: | \$37 copay |
| | Tier 4 - Non-preferred Drug: | 45% of cost |
| | Tier 5 - Specialty: | 33% of cost |
| | Tier 6 - Select Care: | \$0 copay |
| Coverage Gap: After total drug costs reach \$3,820. | Tier 6: | \$0 copay |
| | Generic: | 37% of cost |
| | Brand-name: | 25% of cost |
| Catastrophic: After your out-of-pocket drug costs reach \$5,100. | Generic: | 5% of cost or \$3.40 copay (whichever is greater) |
| | Brand-name: | 5% of cost or \$8.50 copay (whichever is greater) |

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- You reach the coverage gap once you and your plan have spent \$3,820 on covered drugs. You reach the catastrophic level once your out-of-pocket drug costs reach \$5,100.

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If you want to know more about the coverage and costs of Original Medicare, look in your current “Medicare & You” handbook. If you have questions or need to request a copy of the handbook, see the contact information below.

This Blue Medicare PPO Enrollment Kit is available in other formats such as Braille and large print.

If you have questions about Blue Medicare PPO from Blue Cross NC, call the number below to speak with us directly.

Note:

- Limitations, copayments and restrictions may apply.
- Benefits, premiums and/or copayments and/or coinsurance may change on January 1 of each year.
- The formulary, pharmacy network and/or provider network may change at any time. You will receive notice when necessary.
- This information is not a complete description of benefits. Contact the plan for more details.
- All other marks and trade names are the property of their respective owners.

Medicare & You handbook information:

Contact Medicare



Phone: 1-800-MEDICARE
(1-800-633-4227)

Hours: 7 days a wk., 24 hrs. a day

Online: www.medicare.gov



TTY/TTD: 1-877-486-2048

How to Find a Drug or Pharmacy:

Go to www.BlueCrossNC.com/Medicare



Click on “Find a Doctor, Drug or Pharmacy” (top right corner)

For more information about Blue Medicare PPO plans:

Members Contact Blue Cross NC Customer Service



Phone: 1-877-494-7647

TTY: 1-888-451-9957



Hours: 7 days a wk., 8 a.m. – 8 p.m.



Non-members Contact the Blue Cross NC Direct Sales Team

Phone: 1-800-665-8037

TTY: 1-800-922-3140



Hours: 7 days a wk., 8 a.m. – 8 p.m.



Pre-Enrollment Checklist

Before making an enrollment decision, it is important that you fully understand our benefits and rules. If you have any questions, you can call and speak to a customer service representative at **-877-494-7647**.

Understanding the Benefits

- Review the full list of benefits found in the Evidence of Coverage (EOC), especially for those services that you routinely see a doctor. Visit www.BlueCrossNC.com/Medicare or call **-877-494-7647** to view a copy of the EOC.
- Review the provider directory (or ask your doctor) to make sure the doctors you see now are in the network. If they are not listed, it means you will likely have to select a new doctor.
- Review the pharmacy directory to make sure the pharmacy you use for any prescription medicines is in the network. If the pharmacy is not listed, you will likely have to select a new pharmacy for your prescriptions.

Understanding Important Rules

- In addition to your monthly plan premium, you must continue to pay your Medicare Part B premium. This premium is normally taken out of your Social Security check each month.
- Benefits, premiums and/or copayments/co-insurance may change on January 1, 2019.
- Except in emergency or urgent situations, we do not cover services by out-of-network providers (doctors who are not listed in the provider directory).