

2018 Medicare Star Ratings*

The Medicare Program rates all health and prescription drug plans each year, based on a plan's quality and performance. Medicare Star Ratings help you know how good a job our plan is doing. You can use these Star Ratings to compare our plan's performance to other plans. The two main types of Star Ratings are:

1. An Overall Star Rating that combines all of our plan's scores.
2. Summary Star Rating that focuses on our medical or our prescription drug services.

Some of the areas Medicare reviews for these ratings include:

- How our members rate our plan's services and care;
- How well our doctors detect illnesses and keep members healthy;
- How well our plan helps our members use recommended and safe prescription medications.

For 2018, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina received the following Overall Star Rating from Medicare.

★★★★½
3.5 Stars

We received the following Summary Star Rating for Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina's health/drug plan services:

Health Plan Services: ★★★★★½
3.5 Stars

Drug Plan Services: ★★★★★½
3.5 Stars

The number of stars shows how well our plan performs.

- ★★★★★ 5 stars - excellent
- ★★★★ 4 stars - above average
- ★★★ 3 stars - average
- ★★ 2 stars - below average
- ★ 1 star - poor

Learn more about our plan and how we are different from other plans at www.medicare.gov.

You may also contact us 7 days a week from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Eastern time at 800-665-8037 (toll-free) or 800-922-3140 (TTY).

Current members please call 888-310-4110 (toll-free) or 888-451-9957 (TTY).

*Star Ratings are based on 5 Stars. Star Ratings are assessed each year and may change from one year to the next.

Note:

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Non-Discrimination and Accessibility Notice

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina (Blue Cross NC) provides:

- Free aids and services to people with disabilities to communicate effectively with us, such as: qualified interpreters and/or written information in other formats (large print, accessible electronic formats, etc.)
- Free language services to people whose primary language is not English, such as: qualified interpreters and/or information written in other languages

If you need these services, contact:

Customer Service

Call: 1-800-665-8037, 1-800-922-3140 (TTY)

Hours: Daily, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

If you believe that Blue Cross NC has failed to provide these services or discriminated in another way on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability or sex, you can file a grievance with:

Blue Cross NC, P.O. Box 2291, Durham, NC 27702

**Attention: Civil Rights Coordinator-Privacy,
Ethics & Corporate Policy Office**

Call: 919-765-1663, 1-888-291-1783 (TTY)

Fax: 919-287-5613

E-mail: civilrightscordinator@bcbsnc.com

You can file a grievance in person or by mail, fax or email. If you need help filing a grievance, the Civil Rights Coordinator-Privacy, Ethics & Corporate Policy Office 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, electronically through the Office for Civil Rights Complaint Portal, available at:

Online: <https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/smartscreen/main.jsf>

**Mail: U.S. Department of Health & Human Services
200 Independence Avenue, SW Room 509F
HHH Building Washington, D.C. 20201**

Call: 1-800-368-1019, 1-800-537-7697 (TDD)

Complaint forms are available online at:

<http://www.hhs.gov/civil-rights/filing-a-complaint/index.html>

This notice and/or attachments may have important information about your application or coverage through Blue Cross NC. Look for key dates. You may need to take action by certain deadlines to keep your health coverage or help with costs. You have the right to get this information and help in your language at no cost. Contact:

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Multi-language Interpreter Services

ATTENTION: If you speak another language, language assistance services, free of charge, are available to you. Call 1-800-665-8037 (TTY: 1-800-922-3140).

ATENCIÓN: Si habla español, tiene a su disposición servicios gratuitos de asistencia lingüística. Llame al 1-800-665-8037 (TTY: 1-800-922-3140).

注意: 如果您講廣東話或普通話, 您可以免費獲得語言援助服務。請致電 1-800-665-8037 (TTY: 1-800-922-3140)。

CHÚ Ý: Nếu bạn nói Tiếng Việt, có các dịch vụ hỗ trợ ngôn ngữ miễn phí dành cho bạn. Gọi số 1-800-665-8037 (TTY: 1-800-922-3140).

주의: 한국어를 사용하시는 경우, 언어 지원 서비스를 무료로 이용하실 수 있습니다. 1-800-665-8037 (TTY: 1-800-922-3140) 번으로 전화해 주십시오.

ATTENTION: Si vous parlez français, des services d'aide linguistique vous sont proposés gratuitement. Appelez le 1-800-665-8037 (ATS: 1-800-922-3140).

ملحوظة: إذا كنت تتحدث اللغة العربية، فإن خدمات المساعدة اللغوية تتوافر لك بالمجان. اتصل برقم 1-800-665-8037. المبرقة الكاتبة: 1-800-922-3140.

LUS CEEV: Yog tias koj hais lus Hmoob, cov kev pab txog lus, muaj kev pab dawb rau koj. Hu rau 1-800-665-8037 (TTY: 1-800-922-3140).

ВНИМАНИЕ: Если вы говорите на русском языке, то вам доступны бесплатные услуги перевода. Звоните 1-800-665-8037 (телетайп: 1-800-922-3140).

PAUNAWA: Kung nagsasalita ka ng Tagalog, maaari kang gumamit ng mga serbisyo ng tulong sa wika nang walang bayad. Tumawag sa 1-800-665-8037 (TTY: 1-800-922-3140).

સુચના: જો તમે ગુજરાતી બોલતા હો, તો નિ:સુલ્ક ભાષા સહાય સેવાઓ તમારા માટે ઉપલબ્ધ છે. ફોન કરો 1-800-665-8037 (TTY: 1-800-922-3140).

ចំណាំ: ប្រសិនបើលោកអ្នកនិយាយជាភាសាខ្មែរ សេវាកម្មជំនួយផ្នែកភាសាមានផ្តល់ជូនសម្រាប់លោកអ្នកដោយមិនគិតថ្លៃ។ សូមទំនាក់ទំនងតាមរយៈលេខ៖ 1-800-665-8037 (TTY: 1-800-922-3140)។

ACHTUNG: Wenn Sie Deutsch sprechen, stehen Ihnen kostenlos sprachliche Hilfsdienstleistungen zur Verfügung. Rufnummer: 1-800-665-8037 (TTY: 1-800-922-3140).

ध्यान दें: यदि आप हिन्दी बोलते हैं तो आपके लिए मुफ्त में भाषा सहायता सेवाएं उपलब्ध हैं। 1-800-665-8037 (TTY: 1-800-922-3140) पर कॉल करें।

ໂປດຊາບ: ຖ້າວ່າ ທ່ານເວົ້າພາສາ ລາວ, ການບໍລິການຊ່ວຍເຫຼືອດ້ານພາສາ, ໂດຍບໍ່ເສັຽຄ່າ, ແມ່ນມີພ້ອມໃຫ້ທ່ານ. ໂທ 1-800-665-8037 (TTY: 1-800-922-3140).

注意事項: 日本語を話される場合、無料の言語支援をご利用いただけます。1-800-665-8037 (TTY: 1-800-922-3140)まで、お電話にてご連絡ください。

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