

Note: This authorization will become effective on the date Blue Cross NC enters this authorization into its business system, typically five (5) days following receipt. If you want this authorization to become effective on a later date, please insert the date here:

→ / /
MONTH DAY YEAR

I would like this authorization to expire on (enter date): →

/ /
MONTH DAY YEAR

OR

WHEN MY COVERAGE EXPIRES

(If no expiration date is provided, this authorization will expire twelve (12) months from the date of receipt.)

I understand that I may revoke this authorization at any time by giving Blue Cross NC written notice mailed to the address below. I also understand that the revocation will not affect any action Blue Cross NC took in reliance on this authorization before Blue Cross NC received my written notice of revocation.

I also understand that this authorization will not affect the provision of or payment for my health plan benefits.

I also understand that if the persons or entities I authorize to receive my PHI are not subject to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act ("HIPAA") or other federal health information privacy laws, they may re-disclose the PHI and it may no longer be protected by HIPAA.

However, if this information is protected by the Federal Substance Abuse Confidentiality Regulations, the recipient may not re-disclose such information without my further written authorization unless otherwise provided for by state or federal law.

Signature: _____

TODAY'S DATE
 / /
MONTH DAY YEAR

If signed by an Individual Other than the Member (Print your Full Name): _____

Describe your authority to act for the member

(e.g., power of attorney, court order, parent of minor child, etc.): _____

NOTE: Please attach the legal document naming you as the personal representative if you have not previously submitted it to us.

Return this authorization to:

**Commercial Operations / IDC
Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina
PO Box 2291
Durham, NC 27702-2291**

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, call the Customer Service or TTY number on the back of your member ID card.

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. If you need these services, call the Customer Service or TTY number on the back of your member ID card.

Discrimination is Against the Law

Blue Cross NC complies with applicable federal civil rights laws and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability or sex.

Blue Cross NC does not exclude people or treat them differently because of race, color, national origin, age, disability or sex.

