# **Preventive Care, Child**

2025 Blue Cross and Blue Shield Service Benefit Plan - Standard and Basic Option Section 5. Benefits

Section 5(a). Medical Services and Supplies Provided by Physicians and Other Healthcare Professionals

**Preventive Care, Child** 

Note: For Standard Option, we state whether or not the calendar year deductible applies for each benefit listed in this Section. There is no calendar year deductible under Basic Option.

## **Benefit Description**

#### **Preventive Care, Child**

Benefits are provided for preventive care services for children up to age 22. This includes:

- Well-child visits, examinations, and other preventive services described in the Bright Future Guidelines as provided by the American Academy of Pediatrics. For a complete list of the American Academy of Pediatrics Bright Future Guidelines go to <a href="https://brightfutures.aap.org">https://brightfutures.aap.org</a>
- Children's immunizations endorsed by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) including
  DTaP/Tdap, Polio, Measles, Mumps, and Rubella (MMR), and Varicella. For a complete list of
  immunizations go to the website at <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/imz-schedules/index.html">https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/imz-schedules/index.html</a>
  Note: U.S. FDA licensure may restrict the use of the immunizations and vaccines listed above to
  specific age ranges, frequencies, and/or other patient-specific indications, including gender.
- You may also find a complete list of preventive care services recommended under the U.S.
   Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF) A and B recommendations online at
   <a href="https://www.uspreventiveservicestaskforce.org/uspstf/recommendation-topics/uspstf-a-and-b-recommendations">https://www.uspreventiveservicestaskforce.org/uspstf/recommendation-topics/uspstf-a-and-b-recommendations</a>
- To build your personalized list of preventive services go to <a href="https://health.gov/myhealthfinder">https://health.gov/myhealthfinder</a>
- Nutritional counseling

Note: Preventive care benefits for each of the services listed below are limited to one per calendar year.

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- Screening for hepatitis B for children age 13 and over
- Screening for chlamydial infection
- Screening for gonorrhea infection
- Cervical cancer screening tests
  - Pap tests of the cervix
  - Human papillomavirus (HPV) tests of the cervix
- Screening for human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection
- Screening for syphilis infection
- Screening for latent tuberculosis infection for children ages 18 through 21

Note: If your child receives both preventive and diagnostic services from a Preferred provider on the same day, you are responsible for paying the cost-share for the diagnostic services.

Note: When nutritional counseling is via the contracted telehealth provider network, we provide benefits as shown here for Preferred providers. Refer to Section 5(h), *Wellness and Other Special Features*, for information on how to access a telehealth provider.

Note: Any procedure, injection, diagnostic service, laboratory, or X-ray service done in conjunction with a routine examination and not included in the preventive listing of services will be subject to the applicable member copayments, coinsurance, and deductible.

#### **Standard Option - You Pay**

Preferred: Nothing (no deductible)

Participating: 35% of the Plan allowance (deductible applies)

Non-participating: 35% of the Plan allowance (deductible applies), plus any difference between our allowance and the billed amount

Note: When billed by a facility, such as the outpatient department of a hospital, we provide benefits as shown here, according to the contracting status of the facility.

Note: We waive the deductible and coinsurance amount for services billed by Participating/Non-

participating providers related to Influenza (flu) vaccines. If you use a Non-participating provider, you pay any difference between our allowance and the billed amount.

#### **Basic Option - You Pay**

Preferred: Nothing

Participating/Non-participating: You pay all charges (except as noted below)

Note: For services billed by Non-participating laboratories or radiologists, you pay any difference between our allowance and the billed amount.

Note: We provide benefits for services billed by Participating/Non-participating providers related to Influenza (flu) vaccines. If you use a Non-participating provider, you pay any difference between our allowance and the billed amount.

Note: When billed by a facility, such as the outpatient department of a hospital, we provide benefits as shown here, according to the contracting status of the facility.

### **Benefit Description**

Obesity counseling, screening and referral to **intensive nutrition and behavioral weight-loss therapy, or counseling** under the USPSTF A and B recommendations are covered as part of prevention and treatment of obesity as follows:

- Unlimited nutritional counseling including nutritional counseling via the contracted telehealth provider network
- Unlimited visits for counseling on prevention and reducing health risks
- Unlimited visits for individual and group behavioral counseling for obesity
- And, for those children or adolescents with a body mass index (BMI) at or above the 85th percentile, unlimited **family-centered programs when medically identified to support obesity prevention and management by an in-network provider**.

Note: Benefits are available for anti-obesity medications. See Section 5(f) or 5(f)(a).

Note: See Section 5(b) for information related to benefits for the surgical treatment of severe obesity.

#### **Standard Option - You Pay**

Preferred: Nothing (no deductible)

Participating: 35% of the Plan allowance (deductible applies)

Non-participating: 35% of the Plan allowance (deductible applies), plus any difference between our allowance and the billed amount

Note: When billed by a facility, such as the outpatient department of a hospital, we provide benefits as shown here, according to the contracting status of the facility.

## **Basic Option - You Pay**

Preferred: Nothing

Participating/Non-participating: You pay all charges

Note: When billed by a Preferred facility, such as the outpatient department of a hospital, we provide benefits as shown here for Preferred providers.

### **Benefit Description**

Not covered:

- Self-administered health risk assessments (other than the Blue Health Assessment)
- Screening services requested solely by the member, such as commercially advertised heart scans, body scans, and tests performed in mobile traveling vans
- Physical exams required for obtaining or continuing employment or insurance, attending schools or camp, athletic exams, or travel
- Immunizations, boosters, and medications for travel or work-related exposure. Medical benefits may be available for these services.
- Phone consultations and online medical evaluation and management services (telemedicine) for preventive services, except as noted above for nutritional counseling.

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**Standard Option - You Pay** *All charges* 

**Basic Option - You Pay** *All charges*