BlueCHiP for Medicare

2017

Group Plus (HMO)
Summary of Benefits

It takes a team

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Rhode Island

This booklet gives you a summary of what we cover and what you pay. It doesn't list every service that we cover or list every limitation or exclusion. To get a complete list of services we cover, call us and ask for the "Evidence of Coverage" or visit us at www.bcbsri.com/Medicare.

BlueCHiP for Medicare Group Plus (HMO): A Medicare Advantage Health Maintenance Organization (HMO) offered by BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF RHODE ISLAND with a Medicare contract.

You have choices about how to get your Medicare benefits

- One choice is to get your Medicare benefits through Original Medicare (fee-for-service Medicare). Original Medicare is run directly by the Federal government.
- Another choice is to get your Medicare benefits by joining a Medicare health plan such as **BlueCHiP for Medicare Group Plus (HMO)**.

Tips for comparing your Medicare choices

This Summary of Benefits booklet gives you a summary of what **BlueCHiP for Medicare Group Plus (HMO)** covers and what you pay.

- If you want to compare our plan with other Medicare health plans, ask the other plans for their Summary of Benefits booklets. Or, use the Medicare Plan Finder on www.medicare.gov.
- If you want to know more about the coverage and costs of Original Medicare, look in your current **"Medicare & You"** handbook. View it online at www.medicare.gov or get a copy by calling 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048.

Sections in this booklet

- Things to Know About **BlueCHiP for Medicare Group Plus (HMO)**
- Monthly Premium, Deductible, and Limits on How Much You Pay for Covered Services
- Covered Medical and Hospital Benefits
- Prescription Drug Benefits

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Things to Know About BlueCHiP for Medicare Group Plus (HMO)

Hours of Operation

- October 1 - February 14, seven days a week, 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- February 15 - September 30,
  Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.;
  Saturday & Sunday, 8:00 a.m. to noon

  You can use our automated answering system outside of these hours.

BlueCHiP for Medicare Group Plus (HMO) Phone Numbers and Website

- If you are a member of this plan, call (401) 277-2958 or 1-800-267-0439 (TTY: 711).
- If you are not a member of this plan, call (401) 351-2583 or 1-800-505-2583 (TTY: 711).
- Our website: www.bcbsri.com/medicare

Who can join?

To join **BlueCHiP for Medicare Group Plus (HMO)** you must be entitled to Medicare Part A, be enrolled in Medicare Part B, and live in our service area.

Our service area includes: Bristol, Kent, Newport, Providence, and Washington Counties in Rhode Island; all of Bristol County, Massachusetts; and the following ZIP codes in New London County, Connecticut: 06320, 06339, 06340, 06355, 06359, 06378, 06385, 06388.

Which doctors, hospitals, and pharmacies can I use?

BlueCHiP for Medicare Group Plus (HMO) has a network of doctors, hospitals, pharmacies and other providers. If you use providers that are not in our network, the plan may not pay for these services.

You must generally use network pharmacies to fill your prescriptions for covered Part D drugs.

You can see our plan's provider & pharmacy listings at our website (findadoctor.bcbsri.com/).

Or, call us and we will send you a copy of the provider and pharmacy directories.

What do we cover?

Like all Medicare health plans, we cover everything that Original Medicare covers - and *more*.

- **Our plan members get *all* of the benefits covered by Original Medicare. For some of these benefits, you may pay more in our plan than you would in Original Medicare.** For others, you may pay less.
- **Our plan members also get *more than what is* covered by Original Medicare.** Some of the extra benefits are outlined in this booklet.

BlueCHiP for Medicare Group Plus (HMO): We cover Part D drugs. In addition, we cover Part B drugs such as chemotherapy and some drugs administered by your provider.

- You can see the complete plan formulary (list of Part D prescription drugs) and any restrictions on our website, www.bcbsri.com/medicare.
- Or, call us and we will send you a copy of the formulary.

How will I determine my drug cost?

BlueCHiP for Medicare Group Plus (HMO): Our plan groups each medication into one of four "tiers." You will need to use your formulary to locate what tier your drug is on to determine how much it will cost you. The amount you pay depends on the drug's tier and what stage of the benefit you have reached. Later in this document we discuss the benefit stages that occur: Initial Coverage, Coverage Gap, and Catastrophic Coverage.

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Monthly Premium, Deductible, and Limits on How Much You Pay for Covered Services	
How much is the monthly premium?	$166 per month. In addition, you must keep paying your Medicare Part B premium.
How much is the deductible?	This plan does not have a deductible.
Is there any limit on how much I will pay for my covered services?	Yes. Like all Medicare health plans, our plan protects you by having yearly limits on your out-of-pocket costs for medical and hospital care. In this plan, you will pay nothing for Medicare-covered services from in-network providers. Your yearly limit(s) in this plan: • $3,000 for services you receive from in-network providers. If you reach the limit on out-of-pocket costs, you keep getting covered hospital and medical services and we will pay the full cost for the rest of the year. Please note that you will still need to pay your monthly premiums and cost-sharing for your Part D prescription drugs.
Is there a limit on how much the plan will pay?	Our plan has a coverage limit every year for certain in-network benefits. Contact us for the services that apply.
Covered Medical and Hospital Benefits Note: • Services with a [1] may require prior authorization.	
Outpatient Care and Services	
Acupuncture and Other Alternative Therapies	Not covered
Ambulance[1]	$50 copay Copayment applies per trip.
Chiropractic Care[1]	Manipulation of the spine to correct a subluxation (when 1 or more of the bones of your spine move out of position): • $20 copay
Dental Services[1]	Limited dental services (this does not include services in connection with care, treatment, filling, removal, or replacement of teeth): • 20% of the cost $0 copay for the following preventive dental benefits: -up to one oral exam every year -up to one cleaning every year -up to one dental X-ray every year

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Outpatient Care and Services *(continued)*	
Diabetes Supplies and Services[1]	Diabetes monitoring supplies: • You pay nothing when using OneTouch plan designated monitors and test strips. Diabetes self-management training: • You pay nothing Therapeutic shoes or inserts: • You pay nothing
Diagnostic Tests, Lab and Radiology Services, and X-Rays[1]	Diagnostic radiology services (such as MRIs, CT scans): • $50 copay Diagnostic tests and procedures: • You pay nothing Lab services: • You pay nothing Outpatient X-rays: • You pay nothing Therapeutic radiology services (such as radiation treatment for cancer): • You pay nothing One copayment per date of service, per provider applies. If service is received at a facility or office visit, the applicable cost-sharing may apply.
Doctor's Office Visits[1]	Primary care physician visit: • $0-10 copay, depending on the service Specialist visit: • $30 copay For primary care physician visit: Covered 100% if you see a BCBSRI designated patient-centered medical home (PCMH) provider. For specialist visit: Copayment does not apply to covered surgery services rendered in an outpatient office setting.
Durable Medical Equipment (wheelchairs, oxygen, etc.)[1]	You pay nothing
Emergency Care	$65 copay If you are admitted to the hospital within 1 day, you do not have to pay your share of the cost for emergency care. See the "Inpatient Hospital Care" section of this booklet for other costs.

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Outpatient Care and Services *(continued)*	
Foot Care (podiatry services)[1]	Foot exams and treatment if you have diabetes-related nerve damage and/or meet certain conditions: • $30 copay Routine foot care: • $30 copay Copayment does not apply to covered surgery services rendered in an outpatient office setting.
Hearing Services[1]	Exam to diagnose and treat hearing and balance issues: • $30 copay Routine hearing exam (for up to 1 every year): • $30 copay Copayment does not apply to covered surgery services rendered in an outpatient office setting.
Home Health Care[1]	You pay nothing
Mental Health Care[1]	Inpatient visit: Our plan covers up to 190 days in a lifetime for inpatient mental health care in a psychiatric hospital. The inpatient hospital care limit applies to inpatient mental services provided in a general hospital. Our plan covers 90 days for an inpatient hospital stay. Our plan also covers 60 “lifetime reserve days.” These are “extra” days that we cover. If your hospital stay is longer than 90 days, you can use these extra days. But once you have used up these extra 60 days, your inpatient hospital coverage will be limited to 90 days. • $250 copay per admission You pay these amounts each benefit period until you reach the in-network out-of-pocket maximum. Outpatient group therapy visit: • You pay nothing Outpatient individual therapy visit: • You pay nothing

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Outpatient Care and Services *(continued)*	
Outpatient Rehabilitation[1]	Cardiac (heart) rehab services (for a maximum of 2 one-hour sessions per day for up to 36 sessions up to 36 weeks): • You pay nothing Occupational therapy visit: • You pay nothing Physical therapy and speech and language therapy visit: • You pay nothing
Outpatient Substance Abuse[1]	Group therapy visit: • You pay nothing Individual therapy visit: • You pay nothing
Outpatient Surgery[1]	Ambulatory surgical center: •20% of the cost Outpatient hospital: • 20% of the cost Coinsurance applies to all services done in an outpatient hospital or an ambulatory surgical center, including, but not limited to hospital or facility charges, physician charges, and surgical charges.
Over-the-Counter Items	Not covered
Prosthetic Devices (braces, artificial limbs, etc.)[1]	Prosthetic devices: • You pay nothing Related medical supplies: • You pay nothing
Renal Dialysis[1]	You pay nothing
Transportation	Not covered
Urgent Care	$40 copay

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Outpatient Care and Services *(continued)*	
Vision Services[1]	Exam to diagnose and treat diseases and conditions of the eye (including yearly glaucoma screening): • $30 copay Routine eye exam (for up to 1 every year): • $30 copay Copayment does not apply to covered surgery services rendered in an outpatient office setting. There is no copayment for glaucoma screening. Contact lenses: • You pay nothing Eyeglasses (frames and lenses): • You pay nothing Eyeglass frames: • You pay nothing Eyeglass lenses: • You pay nothing Eyeglasses or contact lenses after cataract surgery: • You pay nothing Our plan pays up to $150 every year for eyewear.

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Preventive Care	
	You pay nothing Our plan covers many preventive services, including: • Abdominal aortic aneurysm screening • Alcohol misuse counseling • Bone mass measurement • Breast cancer screening (mammogram) • Cardiovascular disease (behavioral therapy) • Cardiovascular screenings • Cervical and vaginal cancer screening • Colonoscopy • Colorectal cancer screenings • Depression screening • Diabetes screenings • Fecal occult blood test • Flexible sigmoidoscopy • HIV screening • Medical nutrition therapy services • Obesity screening and counseling • Prostate cancer screenings (PSA) • Sexually transmitted infections screening and counseling • Tobacco use cessation counseling (counseling for people with no sign of tobacco-related disease) • Vaccines, including Flu shots, Hepatitis B shots, Pneumococcal shots • "Welcome to Medicare" preventive visit (one-time) • Yearly "Wellness" visit Any additional preventive services approved by Medicare during the contract year will be covered.

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Hospice	
	You pay nothing for hospice care from a Medicare-certified hospice. You may have to pay part of the cost for drugs and respite care.
Inpatient Care	
Inpatient Hospital Care[1]	Our plan covers an unlimited number of days for an inpatient hospital stay. • $250 copay per admission You pay these amounts each benefit period until you reach the in-network out-of-pocket maximum.
Inpatient Mental Health Care	For inpatient mental health care, see the "Mental Health Care" section of this booklet.
Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF)[1]	Our plan covers up to 100 days in a SNF. • You pay nothing per day for days 1 through 29 • $50 copay per day for days 30 through 100 You pay these amounts each benefit period until you reach the in-network out-of-pocket maximum.

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Prescription Drug Benefits	
How much do I pay?[1]	For Part B drugs such as chemotherapy drugs: • 20% of the cost Other Part B drugs: • 20% of the cost
Initial Coverage	
	You pay the following until your total yearly drug costs reach $3,700. Total yearly drug costs are the total drug costs paid by both you and our Part D plan. You may get your drugs at network retail pharmacies and mail order pharmacies. **Standard Retail Cost-Sharing** Tier / One-month supply / Two-month supply / Three-month supply Tier 1 (Generic) / $8 copay / $16 copay / $24 copay Tier 2 (Preferred Brand) / $24 copay / $48 copay / $72 copay Tier 3 (Non-Preferred Brand) / $52 copay / $104 copay / $156 copay Tier 4 (Specialty Tier) / 25% of the cost / Not Offered / Not Offered **Standard Mail Order Cost-Sharing** Tier / One-month supply / Three-month supply Tier 1 (Generic) / Not Offered / $20 copay Tier 2 (Preferred Brand) / Not Offered / $60 copay Tier 3 (Non-Preferred Brand) / Not Offered / $130 copay Tier 4 (Specialty Tier) / 25% of the cost / Not Offered If you reside in a long-term care facility, you pay the same as at a retail pharmacy. You may get drugs from an out-of-network pharmacy at the same cost as an in-network pharmacy.

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Coverage Gap	
	Most Medicare drug plans have a coverage gap (also called the "donut hole"). This means that there's a temporary change in what you will pay for your drugs. The coverage gap begins after the total yearly drug cost (including what our plan has paid and what you have paid) reaches $3,700. After you enter the coverage gap, you pay 40% of the plan's cost for covered brand name drugs and 51% of the plan's cost for covered generic drugs until your costs total $4,950, which is the end of the coverage gap. Not everyone will enter the coverage gap.
Catastrophic Coverage	
	After your yearly out-of-pocket drug costs (including drugs purchased through your retail pharmacy and through mail order) reach $4,950, you pay the greater of: • 5% of the cost, or • $3.30 copay for generic (including brand drugs treated as generic) and a $8.25 copayment for all other drugs.

Notes

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This information is not a complete description of benefits. Contact the plan for more information. Limitations, copayments, and restrictions may apply. [Benefits, premium and/or co-payments/co-insurance] 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.

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