



County of San Mateo & Blue Shield of California

New 2021 Blue Shield Medicare
Advantage (PPO) Retiree Plan!



Agenda

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What's New with Blue Shield Medicare Advantage (PPO)?

- Flat copays with predictable and stable member cost share
- Consistent In and Out of Network benefits
- Access any Medicare Participating provider nationwide
- Additional benefits such as HEAL, Silver Sneakers, and Routine Vision coverage!
- One single ID card for Medical and Rx benefits
- Lower monthly plan premium

What is Different from the Current COB+GPDP?

	Blue Shield COB PPO	Blue Shield Medicare PPO	Notes:
Primary Payor	Medicare	Blue Shield	Blue Shield becomes Primary payor to expedite claims
Benefits	Variable Coinsurance costs	Defined Copays	More of a standard HMO benefit design but also includes Out-of-Network benefits
Rx	Included	Included	Same robust formulary
Providers	BSC PPO Providers & Out-of-Network providers	BSC PPO Providers & Medicare Participating Providers	BSC GMAPD PPO includes BSC Medicare PPO network, Blue Card national network, and all Medicare Participating providers.
ID Cards	2 BSC ID cards (Medical & Rx)	1 BSC ID card	Single ID card

Benefit Highlights

<p>Lower Monthly Premium You must continue to pay your Medicare Part B premium</p>	<p>Contact your Benefits Administrator regarding your monthly stipend.</p>
<p>Office visit</p>	<p>PCP: \$10 copay per visit Specialist: \$20 copay per visit</p>
<p>Annual Physical Exam</p>	<p>\$0 copay</p>
<p>TeleDoc</p>	<p>\$0 copay</p>
<p>Emergency Care & Urgently Need Services</p>	<p>ER: \$20 copay per visit Urgent: \$10 copay per visit</p>
<p>Inpatient Hospital Care</p>	<p>\$0 copay per admission</p>
<p>Outpatient diagnostic test, X-rays, lab services, and radiology services</p>	<p>\$0 copay</p>

Benefit Highlights (cont.)

Ambulance Services	\$50 copay per trip
Chiropractic Services <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Medicare-covered- Routine (non-Medicare covered)	\$20 copay per visit \$15 copay per visit, up to 20 visits per year
Podiatry Services <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Medicare-covered	\$20 copay per visit
Vision Services <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Eye Exam- Frames/Lenses & Contacts	\$10 copay \$150 allowance
Silver Sneakers	Included!

Pharmacy Coverage

- Same cost share plan design
- Same robust formulary as today
- Same Pharmacy Network

Rx Plan Benefits	No Deductible & No Coverage Gap
Tier 1: Generic Drugs	\$10 copay (30-day supply)
Tier 2: Preferred Brand Drugs	\$20 copay (30-day supply)
Tier 3: Non-Preferred Drugs	\$35 copay (30-day supply)
Tier 4: Specialty Tier Drugs	30% coins up to max \$150

Pharmacy Network

Blue Shield Medicare (PPO) and Blue Shield of California Medicare Rx Plan

Access to network pharmacies all over the country - more than 5,600 California pharmacies.

Blue Shield of California Medicare Rx Plan's pharmacy network includes all major drugstore chains and most independent pharmacies throughout California. The plan has pharmacies that offer preferred cost-sharing and pharmacies that offer standard cost-sharing. Pharmacies that offer preferred cost-sharing are pharmacies where the plan has negotiated a lower cost-sharing for our members for covered drugs than at pharmacies that offer standard cost-sharing.

For example, you can obtain a 90-day supply of covered drugs for the amount of only two 30-day copays when you visit one of our pharmacies that offer preferred cost-sharing. They include:

Costco, CVS Pharmacy, CVS Pharmacy at Target, Safeway and Vons pharmacies, Albertsons/Sav-on/Osco pharmacies, Ralphs, Walmart and many more!

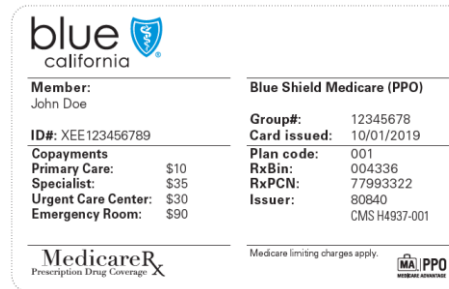


What's Next?

- If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out:

County of San Mateo	Blue Shield of California
Benefits Division	Group Customer Service
benefits@smcgov.org	800-776-4466
650-363-1919	

- Open Enrollment is October 13 – November 13.
- You will automatically be enrolled seamlessly for 1/1/21 effective date. No extra paperwork!
- You will receive single new ID card and plan materials in early December.



Q & A



Blue Shield of California is an PPO plan with a Medicare contract. Enrollment in Blue Shield of California depends on contract renewal. Blue Shield Medicare (PPO) offers individual and employer group retiree plans to Medicare beneficiaries who have Part A and Part B. Individual plans are open to all Medicare beneficiaries who reside within a plan's specific service area. Blue Shield Medicare (PPO) individual and employer group retiree plans have different service areas, benefits, and provider networks. This information is not a complete description of benefits. Contact the plan for more information. Limitations, copayments, and restrictions may apply. Benefits, premiums and/or copayments/coinsurance may change on January 1 of each year. The provider network may change at any time. You will receive notice when necessary.

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