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Plan Benefits Summary



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Hospital Choice Network

The Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Alabama Hospital Choice Network is a local Alabama effort to evaluate cost, quality and patient experience in member hospitals. Hospitals are categorized into either Lower Member Cost Share or Higher Member Cost Share, based on their performance.

Only Alabama general acute care hospitals are eligible for participation in the Hospital Choice Network. Rehabilitation hospitals, psychiatric hospitals, specialty facilities, out-of-state hospitals, VA hospitals and long-term care hospitals are exempt from Hospital Choice Network scoring.

All hospitals are evaluated annually with changes made effective January 1. In addition, reviews are completed on a quarterly basis allowing hospitals to improve their status. To review the evaluation criteria for all hospitals and/or the level of Member Cost Share for a particular hospital, please use the “Find a Doctor” tool on our website at **AlabamaBlue.com**. The Member Cost Share level will be included in the information provided for each hospital that participates in the Hospital Choice Network. For more information on the evaluation criteria, click on the name of the hospital and then click on the “Cost”, “Quality” or “Patient Experience” tabs. If you have any questions, please call the Customer Service number on the back of your ID card.

Prescription Drugs: ValueONE Network

ValueONE Network Facts:

- 41,000 major national and regional pharmacy chains, retailers and grocers, and independent pharmacies participate in the ValueONE Network. This includes many national pharmacies you may already be using.
- Pharmacies that participate in the ValueONE Network can fill up to a 90-day supply of certain medications at the same location.
- If you do not use a ValueONE Network pharmacy, you may be responsible for the full cost of your prescription medication. Benefits may not be provided for out-of-network pharmacies.
- To maximize your pharmacy benefits, you will need to transfer all your prescriptions to a ValueONE Network Pharmacy.

How Do I Find a ValueONE Network Pharmacy?

You can locate all of the participating pharmacies in your area at

AlabamaBlue.com/ValueONEPharmacyLocator. To search for pharmacies in your area, enter your ZIP code in the “Location” search field and then click “Search.”

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BENEFIT	IN-NETWORK	OUT-OF-NETWORK
<i>Benefit payments are based on the amount of the provider's charge that Blue Cross and/or Blue Shield plans recognize for payment of benefits. The allowed amount may vary depending upon the type provider and where services are received.</i>		
SUMMARY OF COST SHARING PROVISIONS (Includes Mental Health Disorders and Substance Abuse)		
Calendar Year Deductible The in-network and out-of-network calendar year deductibles are separate and do not apply to each other	\$600 Individual; \$1,200 Family	\$600 Individual; \$1,200 Family
Calendar Year Out-of-Pocket Maximum (including in-network calendar year deductible) Deductibles, copays and coinsurance for in-network services and out-of-network Mental Health Disorders and Substance Abuse emergency services apply to the out-of-pocket maximum	\$6,000 Individual; \$12,000 Family After you reach your individual Calendar Year Out-of-Pocket Maximum, applicable expenses for you will be covered at 100% of the allowed amount for remainder of calendar year	There is no out-of-pocket maximum for out-of-network services
INPATIENT HOSPITAL AND PHYSICIAN BENEFITS (Includes Mental Health Disorders and Substance Abuse)		
Precertification is required for inpatient admissions (except medical emergency services and maternity); notification within 48 hours for medical emergencies. Generally, if precertification is not obtained, no benefits are available. Call 1-800-248-2342 (toll-free) for precertification.		
Inpatient Hospital	Lower Member Cost Share: Covered at 100% of the allowed amount after \$250 per day hospital copay days 1-5 for each admission Higher Member Cost Share: Covered at 100% of the allowed amount after \$500 per day hospital copay days 1-5 for each admission	Covered at 80% of the allowed amount after \$800 per admission deductible Note: In Alabama, available only for medical emergency services and accidental injury
Inpatient Physician Visits and Consultations	Covered at 100% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible Mental Health Disorders and Substance Abuse Services covered at 100% of the allowed amount; no copay or deductible	Covered at 80% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible; in Alabama, covered at 50% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible Mental Health Disorders and Substance Abuse Services covered at 80% of the allowed amount; no copay or deductible
OUTPATIENT HOSPITAL BENEFITS (Includes Mental Health Disorders and Substance Abuse)		
Precertification is required for some outpatient hospital benefits. Precertification is also required for some provider-administered drugs; visit AlabamaBlue.com/ProviderAdministeredPrecertificationDrugList . If precertification is not obtained, no benefits are available.		
Outpatient Surgery (Including Ambulatory Surgical Centers)	Lower Member Cost Share: Covered at 100% of the allowed amount after \$250 hospital copay Higher Member Cost Share: Covered at 100% of the allowed amount after \$500 hospital copay	Covered at 80% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible; in Alabama, not covered
Emergency Room (Medical Emergency)	Covered at 100% of the allowed amount after \$250 hospital copay	Covered at 100% of the allowed amount after \$250 hospital copay and subject to calendar year deductible Mental Health Disorders and Substance Abuse Services covered at 100% of the allowed amount after \$250 hospital copay
Emergency Room (Accident) Note: If you have a medical emergency as defined by the plan after 72 hours of an accident, refer to Emergency Room (Medical Emergency) above.	Covered at 100% of the allowed amount after \$250 hospital copay	Covered at 100% of the allowed amount after \$250 hospital copay and subject to calendar year deductible when services are rendered within 72 hours of the accident; 80% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible when services are rendered after 72 hours of the accident and not a medical emergency as defined by the plan

BENEFIT	IN-NETWORK	OUT-OF-NETWORK
Emergency Room Physician	Covered at 100% of the allowed amount after \$50 physician copay	Covered at 100% of the allowed amount after \$50 physician copay and subject to calendar year deductible Mental Health Disorders and Substance Abuse Services covered at 100% of the allowed amount after \$50 physician copay
Outpatient Diagnostic Lab, X-ray & Pathology	Lower Member Cost Share: Covered at 100% of the allowed amount after \$250 hospital copay Higher Member Cost Share: Covered at 100% of the allowed amount after \$500 hospital copay	Covered at 80% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible; in Alabama, not covered
Dialysis, IV Therapy, Chemotherapy & Radiation Therapy	Covered at 100% of the allowed amount; no copay or deductible	Covered at 80% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible; in Alabama, not covered
Intensive Outpatient Services and Partial Hospitalization for Mental Health and Substance Abuse	Covered at 100% of the allowed amount after \$50 per day hospital copay	Covered at 80% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible; in Alabama, not covered
PHYSICIAN BENEFITS (Includes Mental Health Disorders and Substance Abuse)		
Precertification is required for some physician benefits. Precertification is also required for some provider-administered drugs; visit AlabamaBlue.com/ProviderAdministeredPrecertificationDrugList . If precertification is not obtained, no benefits are available.		
IN-NETWORK SERVICES NOT SUBJECT TO \$600 CALENDAR YEAR DEDUCTIBLE		
Office Visits & In-Person Consultations	Covered at 100% of the allowed amount after \$30 primary care physician copay or \$50 specialist physician copay	Covered at 80% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible
Telephone and Online Video Physician Consultations Program A service, through Teladoc™, to diagnose, treat and prescribe medication (when necessary) for certain medical issues. To enroll, go to Teladoc.com/Alabama or call 1-855-477-4549.	Covered at 100% of the allowed amount subject to a \$30 copayment per consultation	Not covered
Second Surgical Opinion	Covered at 100% of the allowed amount after \$50 physician copay	Covered at 80% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible
CAT Scan, MRI, PET/SPECT, ERCP, angiography/arteriography, cardiac cath/arteriography, UGI endoscopy, muga-gated cardiac scan & colonoscopy	Covered at 100% of the allowed amount after \$250 copay per visit	Covered at 80% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible
Diagnostic Lab, X-ray, Pathology, Dialysis, IV Therapy, Chemotherapy & Radiation Therapy	Covered at 100% of the allowed amount; no copay or deductible	Covered at 80% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible
IN-NETWORK SERVICES SUBJECT TO \$600 CALENDAR YEAR DEDUCTIBLE		
Surgery & Anesthesia	Covered at 100% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible	Covered at 80% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible
Maternity Care	Covered at 100% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible	Covered at 80% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible
Note: In Alabama, out-of-network physician services covered at 50% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible		
PREVENTIVE CARE BENEFITS		
Routine Immunizations and Preventive Services - See AlabamaBlue.com/PreventiveServices and AlabamaBlue.com/StandardACAPreventiveDrugList for a listing of the specific drugs, immunizations and preventive services or call our Customer Service Department for a printed copy. - Certain immunizations may also be obtained through the Pharmacy Vaccine Network. See AlabamaBlue.com/VaccineNetworkDrugList for more information.	Covered at 100% of the allowed amount; no copay or deductible	Not covered
Note: In some cases, office visit copays or facility copays may apply		

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PEDIATRIC VISION BENEFITS		
Pediatric Eye Exam Limited to one exam (including refraction) per member per calendar year up to the end of the month in which the member turns 19.	Covered at 80% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible	Not covered
Pediatric Glasses or Contact Lenses Limited to one pair of prescription glasses per member per calendar year; contact lenses are limited to one 12-month supply per calendar year. Benefits are available up to the end of the month in which the member turns 19.	Covered at 80% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible	Covered at 80% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible
PRESCRIPTION DRUG BENEFITS (Includes Mental Health Disorders and Substance Abuse)		
Precertification is required for some drugs; if no precertification is obtained, no benefits are available.		
Prescription Drug Card The pharmacy network for the plan is the ValueONE Network . - Locate a ValueONE Network Pharmacy at AlabamaBlue.com/ValueONEPharmacyLocator Prescription drugs (other than maintenance prescription drugs) can be dispensed for up to a 30-day supply. - View the Source+Rx 2.0 list that applies to the plan at AlabamaBlue.com/2020SourcePlusRx2DrugList Maintenance prescription drugs can be dispensed for up to a 90-day supply but the copayment is applicable for each 30-day supply. - View the Maintenance Drug List that applies to the plan at AlabamaBlue.com/MaintenanceDrugList - Some copays maybe combined for diabetic supplies Tier 5 and 6 (Specialty) drugs can be dispensed for up to a 30-day supply. The only network pharmacy for some Tiers 5 and 6 (Specialty) drugs is the Pharmacy Select Network . - View the Specialty Drug List that applies to the plan at AlabamaBlue.com/SelfAdministeredSpecialtyDrugList	Covered at 100% of the allowed amount after the following copays: Tier 1 Drugs: \$10 copay per prescription Tier 2 Drugs: \$20 copay per prescription Tier 3 Drugs: \$40 copay per prescription Tier 4 Drugs: \$80 copay per prescription Tier 5 (Preferred Specialty) Drugs: \$125 copay per prescription Tier 6 (Non-Preferred Specialty) Drugs: \$250 copay per prescription	Not covered

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Mail Order Pharmacy Service - Up to 90-day supply with one copay - Mail Order drugs are available through Home Delivery Network (Enroll online at AlabamaBlue.com/HomeDeliveryNetwork or call 1-800-391-1886) Note: If you have less than a 90-day supply, you will pay the same copay as a 90-day supply when using this mail order service.	Covered at 100% of the allowed amount after the following copays: Tier 1 Drugs: \$25 copay per prescription Tier 2 Drugs: \$50 copay per prescription Tier 3 Drugs: \$100 copay per prescription Tier 4 Drugs: \$200 copay per prescription Tier 5 (Preferred Specialty) Drugs: Not covered Tier 6 (Non-Preferred Specialty) Drugs: Not covered	Not covered
BENEFITS FOR OTHER COVERED SERVICES (Includes Mental Health Disorders and Substance Abuse)		
Precertification is required for some other covered services; please see your benefit booklet. If precertification is not obtained, no benefits are available.		
Allergy Testing & Treatment	Covered at 80% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible	Covered at 80% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible
Ambulance Service	Covered at 80% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible	Covered at 80% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible
Chiropractic Services Limited to 15 visits per member per calendar year	Covered at 80% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible	Covered at 80% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible; in Alabama, not covered
Durable Medical Equipment (DME)	Covered at 80% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible	Covered at 80% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible; in Alabama, covered at 50% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible
Rehabilitative Occupational, Physical and Speech Therapy Occupational, physical and speech therapy limited to combined maximum of 30 visits per member per calendar year	Covered at 80% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible	Covered at 80% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible; in Alabama, covered at 50% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible
Habilitative Occupational, Physical and Speech Therapy Occupational, physical and speech therapy limited to combined maximum of 30 visits per member per calendar year	Covered at 80% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible	Covered at 80% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible; in Alabama, covered at 50% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible
Autism-Related Rehabilitative and Habilitative Occupational and Speech Therapy Children ages 0-18 with an autism diagnosis are allowed unlimited visits for occupational and speech therapy	Covered at 80% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible	Covered at 80% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible; in Alabama, covered at 50% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible
Home Health and Hospice	Covered at 100% of the allowed amount; no copay or deductible	Covered at 80% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible; in Alabama, not covered
PEDIATRIC DENTAL BENEFITS		
Benefits are available up to the end of the month in which the member turns 19. See your benefit booklet for visit and treatment limits.		
Diagnostic and Preventive Services Examples include: Dental exams, routine cleanings, fluoride treatment, bitewing x-rays, full mouth x-rays and panoramic film, tooth sealants and topical fluoride varnish	Covered at 100% of the allowed amount; no copay or deductible	Not covered

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Basic Services Examples include: Tooth color and silver amalgam fillings, simple tooth extractions, non-surgical root canal, emergency treatment for pain and repairs to crowns, inlays, onlays and dentures	Covered at 80% of the allowed amount; no copay or deductible	Not covered
Major Services Examples include: Oral surgery, general anesthesia, periodontic exams, removal of diseased gum tissue and bone, crowns, onlays, core buildup, dentures, implants and bridges	Covered at 50% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible	Not covered
Medically Necessary Orthodontic Services	Covered at 50% of the allowed amount subject to calendar year deductible	Not covered
HEALTH MANAGEMENT AND ADDITIONAL BENEFITS (Includes Mental Health Disorders and Substance Abuse)		
Individual Case Management	Coordinates care in event of catastrophic or lengthy illness or injury. For more information, please call 1-800-821-7231 .	
Chronic Condition Management	Coordinates care for chronic conditions such as asthma, diabetes, coronary artery disease, congestive heart failure, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease and other specialized conditions.	
Baby Yourself®	A maternity program; for more information, please call 1-800-222-4379 . You can also enroll online at AlabamaBlue.com/BabyYourself .	
Air Medical Services	Air ambulance service, at no charge, to a network hospital of the member's choice near their home if hospitalized while traveling more than 150 miles from home; limited to two air medical transports per member per year. To arrange transportation, call AirMed at 1-877-872-8624 .	

Useful Information to Maximize Benefits

- To maximize your benefits, always use in-network providers for services covered by your health benefit plan. To find in-network providers, check a provider directory, provider finder website (**AlabamaBlue.com**) or call 1-800-810-BLUE (2583).
- In-network hospitals, physicians and other healthcare providers have a contract with a Blue Cross and/or Blue Shield Plan for furnishing healthcare services at a reduced price (examples: BlueCard® PPO, PMD). In-network pharmacies are pharmacies that participate with Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Alabama or its Pharmacy Benefit Manager(s). In Alabama, in-network services provided by mental health disorders and substance abuse professionals are available through the Blue Choice Behavioral Health Network. Sometimes an in-network provider may furnish a service to you that is not covered under the contract between the provider and a Blue Cross and/or Blue Shield Plan. When this happens, benefits may be denied or reduced. Please refer to your benefit booklet for the type of provider network that we determine to be an in-network provider for a particular service or supply.
- Out-of-network providers generally do not contract with Blue Cross and/or Blue Shield Plans. If you use out-of-network providers, you may be responsible for filing your own claims and paying the difference between the provider's charge and the allowed amount. The allowed amount may be based on the negotiated rate payable to in-network providers in the same area or the average charge for care in the area.
- Please be aware that providers/specialists may be listed in a PPO directory or provider finder website, but not covered under this benefit plan. Please check your benefit booklet for more detailed coverage information.
- Teladoc® is an independent company providing phone and online physician consultation services to Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Alabama members.
- Please refer to your benefit booklet or contact Blue Cross directly about coverage for your hospital charges and other related medical services. Approval for air medical services does not mean that hospitalization and other medical expenses will be covered. All coverage determinations for medical benefits are subject to the terms, conditions, limitations and exclusions of the health plan. Air medical transport services are provided through a contract with AirMed International, LLC, an independent company that does not provide Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Alabama products. Blue Cross is not responsible for any mistakes, errors or omissions that AirMed, its employees or staff members make. Air medical services terminate if coverage by your health plan ends.

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Check your benefit booklet for more detailed coverage information.
Please visit our website, AlabamaBlue.com.

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- Provides free aids and services to people with disabilities to communicate effectively with us, such as qualified sign language interpreters and written information in other formats (large print, audio, accessible electronic formats, other formats)
- Provides free language services to people whose primary language is not English, such as qualified interpreters and information written in other languages

If you need these services, contact our 1557 Compliance Coordinator. If you believe that we have 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 in person or by mail, fax, or email at: Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Alabama, Compliance Office, 450 Riverchase Parkway East, Birmingham, Alabama 35244, Attn: 1557 Compliance Coordinator, 1-855-216-3144, 711 (TTY), 1-205-220-2984 (fax), 1557Grievance@bcbsal.org (email). If you need help filing a grievance, our 1557 Compliance Coordinator 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 <https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf>, or by mail or phone at: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 200 Independence Avenue, SW, Room 509F, HHH Building, Washington, D.C. 20201, 1-800-368-1019, 1-800-537-7697 (TDD). Complaint forms are available at <http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html>.

Foreign Language Assistance

Spanish: ATENCIÓN: si habla español, tiene a su disposición servicios gratuitos de asistencia lingüística. Llame al 1-855-216-3144 (TTY: 711)

Korean: 주의: 한국어를 사용하시는 경우, 언어 지원 서비스를 무료로 이용하실 수 있습니다. 1-855-216-3144 (TTY: 711)번으로 전화해 주십시오.

Chinese: 注意：如果您使用繁體中文，您可以免費獲得語言援助服務。請致電1-855-216-3144（TTY: 711）。

Vietnamese: CHÚ Ý: Nếu bạn nói Tiếng Việt, có các dịch vụ hỗ trợ ngôn ngữ miễn phí dành cho bạn. Gọi số 1-855-216-3144 (TTY: 711).

Arabic: انتباه: إذا كنت تتحدث العربية، توجد خدمات مساعدة فيما يتعلق باللغة، بدون تكلفة، متاحة لك. اتصل بـ 1-855-216-3144 (الهاتف النصي: 711).

German: ACHTUNG: Wenn Sie Deutsch sprechen, stehen Ihnen kostenlos sprachliche Hilfsdienstleistungen zur Verfügung. Rufnummer: 1-855-216-3144 (TTY: 711).

French: ATTENTION : Si vous parlez français, des services d'aide linguistique vous sont proposés gratuitement. Appelez le 1-855-216-3144 (ATS: 711).

French Creole: ATANSYON: Si w pale Kreyòl Ayisyen, gen sèvis èd pou lang ki disponib gratis pou ou. Rele 1-855-216-3144 (TTY: 711).

Gujarati: ધ્યા ન આપો: જો તમે ગુજરા તી બોલતા હોય, તો ભાષા સહ તા સેવા , તમારા માટે નિ:શુલ્ક ઉપલબ્ધ છે. 1-855-216-3144 પર યલ યરો (TTY: 711).

Tagalog: PAUNAWA: Kung nagsasalita ka ng Tagalog, maaari kang gumamit ng mga serbisyo ng tulong sa wika nang walang bayad. Tumawag sa 1-855-216-3144 (TTY: 711).

Hindi: ध्या न दें: अगर आपकी भाषा हिंदी है, तो आपके लिए भाषा सह ता सेवा । ँ नि:शुल्क उपलब्ध है। 1-855-216-3144 (TTY: 711) पर कॉल करें।

Laotian: ໂປດຊາບ: ຖ້າວ່າ ທ່ານເວົ້າພາສາ ລາວ, ການບໍລິການຊ່ວຍເຫຼືອດ້ານພາສາ, ໂດຍບໍ່ເສັຽຄ່າ, ແມ່ນມີອັ້ນໃຫ້ທ່ານ. ໂທ 1-855-216-3144 (TTY: 711).

Russian: ВНИМАНИЕ: Если вы говорите на русском языке, то вам доступны бесплатные услуги перевода. Звоните 1-855-216-3144 (телетайп: 711).

Portuguese: ATENÇÃO: Se fala português, encontram-se disponíveis serviços linguísticos, grátis. Ligue para 1-855-216-3144 (TTY: 711).

Polish: UWAGA: Jeżeli mówisz po polsku, możesz skorzystać z bezpłatnej pomocy językowej. Zadzwoń pod numer 1-855-216-3144 (TTY: 711).

Turkish: DİKKAT: Eğer Türkçe konuşuyor iseniz, dil yardımı hizmetlerinden ücretsiz olarak yararlanabilirsiniz. 1-855-216-3144 (TTY: 711) irtibat numaralarını arayın.

Italian: ATTENZIONE: In caso la lingua parlata sia l'italiano, sono disponibili servizi di assistenza linguistica gratuiti. Chiamare il numero 1-855-216-3144 (TTY: 711).

Japanese: 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。1-855-216-3144（TTY: 711）まで、お電話にてご連絡ください。