



# BLUE CARE ELECT PREFERRED

WITH HOSPITAL CHOICE COST SHARING

Wellesley College

Student Health Plan 2025 - 2026

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This health plan option includes a tiered network feature called Hospital Choice Cost Sharing.

As a member in this plan, you will pay different levels of in-network cost share (such as copayments and/or coinsurance) for certain services depending on the preferred general hospital you choose to furnish those covered services. For most preferred general hospitals, you will pay the lowest in-network cost sharing level. However, if you receive certain covered services from any of the preferred general hospitals listed in this Summary of Benefits, you pay the highest in-network cost sharing level. A preferred general hospital's cost sharing level may change from time to time. Overall changes to add another preferred general hospital to the highest cost sharing level will happen no more than once each calendar year. For help in finding a preferred general hospital (not listed in this Summary of Benefits for which you pay the lowest in-network cost sharing level, check the most current provider directory for your health plan option or visit the online provider search tool at bluecrossma.org/hospitalchoice. Then click on the Planning Guide link on the left navigation to download a printable network hospital list or to access the provider search page.



This health plan meets Minimum Creditable Coverage Standards for Massachusetts residents that went into effect January 1, 2014, as part of the Massachusetts Health Care Reform Law.

### YOUR CHOICE

#### When You Choose Preferred Providers

You receive the highest level of benefits under your health care plan when you obtain covered services from preferred providers. These are called your "in-network" benefits.

This plan has two levels of hospital benefits for preferred providers. You will pay a higher cost share when you receive certain services at or by "higher cost share hospitals," including inpatient admissions, outpatient day surgery, and some other hospital outpatient services. See the charts for your cost share.

Note: If a preferred provider refers you to another provider for covered services (such as a lab or specialist), make sure the provider is a preferred provider in order to receive benefits at the in-network level. If the provider you are referred to is not a preferred provider, you are still covered, but your benefits, in most situations, will be covered at the out-of-network level-even if the preferred provider refers you. It is also important to check whether the provider you are referred to is affiliated with one of the higher cost share hospitals listed below. Your cost will be greater when you receive certain services at or by these hospitals, even if your preferred provider refers you.

#### **Higher Cost Share Hospitals**

Your cost share will be higher at the hospitals listed below. Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts will let you know if this list changes.

- Baystate Medical Center
- Brigham and Women's Hospital
- Dana-Farber Cancer Institute
- Massachusetts General Hospital
- Boston Children's Hospital
- Cape Cod Hospital
- Fairview Hospital
- Tall view Hospital
- UMass Memorial Medical Center

Note: Some of the general hospitals listed above may have facilities in more than one location. At certain locations, the lowest cost sharing level may apply.

#### How to Find a Preferred Provider

To find a preferred provider:

- Look up a provider on Find a Doctor at bluecrossma.com/findadoctor. If you need a copy of your directory or help choosing a provider, call the Member Service number on your ID card.
- Visit the Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts website at bluecrossma.org/studentbluema

#### When You Choose Non-Preferred Providers

You can also obtain covered services from non-preferred providers, but your out-of-pocket costs are higher. These are called your "out-of-network" benefits. See the charts for your cost share.

You must pay a plan-year deductible before you can receive coverage for certain out-of-network benefits under this plan. If you are not sure when your plan year begins, contact Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts. Your deductible is \$250 per member.

Payments for out-of-network benefits are based on the Blue Cross Blue Shield allowed charge as defined in your subscriber certificate. You may be responsible for any difference between the allowed charge and the provider's actual billed charge (this is in addition to your deductible and/or your coinsurance).

#### Your Out-of-Pocket Maximum

Your out-of-pocket maximum is the most that you could pay during a plan year for deductible, copayments, and coinsurance for covered services. Your out-of-pocket maximum for medical and prescription drug benefits is \$8,700 per member (or \$17,400 per family) for in-network and out-of-network services combined.

#### **Emergency Room Services**

In an emergency, such as a suspected heart attack, stroke, or poisoning, you should go directly to the nearest medical facility or call 911 (or the local emergency phone number). You pay a copayment per visit for in-network or out-of-network emergency room services. The copayment is waived if you are admitted to the hospital or for an observation stay. See the chart for your cost share.

#### **Telehealth Services**

Telehealth services are covered when the same in–person service would be covered by the health plan and the use of telehealth is appropriate. Your health care provider will work with you to determine if a telehealth visit is medically appropriate for your health care needs or if an in–person visit is required. For a list of telehealth providers, visit the Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts website at bluecrossma.org/studentbluema, consult Find a Doctor, or call the Member Service number on your ID card.

#### Your Virtual Care Team

Your health plan includes an option for a tech-enabled primary care delivery model where virtual care team covered providers furnish certain covered services. See your subscriber certificate (and riders, if any) for exact coverage details.

#### **Utilization Review Requirements**

Certain services require pre-approval/prior authorization through Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts for you to have benefit coverage; this includes non-emergency and non-maternity hospitalization and may include certain outpatient services, therapies, procedures, and drugs. You should work with your health care provider to determine if pre-approval is required for any service your provider is suggesting. If your provider, or you, don't get pre-approval when it's required, your benefits will be denied, and you may be fully responsible for payment to the provider of the service. Refer to your subscriber certificate for requirements and the process you should follow for Utilization Review, including Pre-Admission Review, Pre-Service Approval, Concurrent Review and Discharge Planning, and Individual Case Management.

#### **Dependent Benefits**

This plan covers dependents until the end of the calendar month in which they turn age 26, regardless of their financial dependency, student status, or employment status. See your subscriber certificate (and riders, if any) for exact coverage details.

Covered Services	Your Cost In-Network	Your Cost Out-of-Network
Preventive Care		
Well-child care exams, including routine tests, according to age-based schedule as follows:  • Ten visits during the first year of life  • Three visits during the second year of life (age 1 to age 2)  • Two visits for age 2  • One visit per calendar year for age 3 and older	Nothing	20% coinsurance after deductible
Routine adult physical exams, including related tests (one per calendar year)	Nothing	20% coinsurance after deductible
Routine GYN exams, including related lab tests (one per calendar year)	Nothing	20% coinsurance after deductible
Mental health wellness exams (at least one per calendar year)	Nothing	Nothing, no deductible
Routine hearing exams, including routine tests (one per calendar year)	Nothing	20% coinsurance after deductible
Hearing aids (up to \$2,000 per ear every 36 months for a member age 21 or younger)	All charges beyond the maximum	20% coinsurance after deductible and all charges beyond the maximum
Routine vision exams (one every 24 months, except one every 12 months until the end of the month a member turns age 19)	Nothing	20% coinsurance after deductible
Vision supplies (one set of prescription lenses and/or frames or contact lenses per calendar year until the end of the month a member turns age 19)	35% coinsurance	55% coinsurance after deductible
Family planning services—office visits	Nothing	20% coinsurance after deductible
Outpatient Care		
Emergency room visits	\$150 per visit (waived if admitted or for observation stay)	\$150 per visit, no deductible (waived if admitted or for observation stay)
Office or health center visits	\$25 per visit	20% coinsurance after deductible
Mental health or substance use treatment	\$25 per visit	20% coinsurance after deductible
Outpatient telehealth services  • With a covered provider  • With the in-network designated telehealth vendor	Same as in-person visit \$25 per visit	Same as in-person visit Only applicable in-network
Chiropractors' office visits	\$25 per visit	20% coinsurance after deductible
Acupuncture visits (up to 12 visits per calendar year)	\$25 per visit	20% coinsurance after deductible
Short-term rehabilitation therapy—physical and occupational (up to 60 visits for rehabilitation services and 60 visits for habilitation services per calendar year*)  • At other hospitals or by other covered providers  • At or by in-network higher cost share hospitals	\$25 per visit \$60 per visit	20% coinsurance after deductible Only applicable in-network
Speech, hearing, and language disorder treatment—speech therapy  • At other hospitals or by other covered providers  • At or by in-network higher cost share hospitals	\$25 per visit \$60 per visit	20% coinsurance after deductible Only applicable in-network
Diagnostic x-rays  • At other hospitals or by other covered providers  • At or by in-network higher cost share hospitals	Nothing \$100 per service date	20% coinsurance after deductible Only applicable in-network
Diagnostic lab tests  • At other hospitals or by other covered providers  • At or by in-network higher cost share hospitals	Nothing \$35 per service date	20% coinsurance after deductible Only applicable in-network
CT scans, MRIs, PET scans, and nuclear cardiac imaging tests  • At other hospitals or by other covered providers  • At or by in-network higher cost share hospitals	\$100 per category per service date \$550 per category per service date	20% coinsurance after deductible Only applicable in-network
Home health care and hospice services	Nothing	20% coinsurance after deductible
Oxygen and equipment for its administration	Nothing	20% coinsurance after deductible
Durable medical equipment—such as wheelchairs, crutches, hospital beds	20% coinsurance**	40% coinsurance after deductible**
Prosthetic devices	20% coinsurance	40% coinsurance after deductible
Surgery and related anesthesia in an office or health center	\$25 per visit***	20% coinsurance after deductible
Surgery and related anesthesia in an ambulatory surgical facility, hospital outpatient department, or surgical day care unit  In other general hospitals or by other covered providers  At or by in-network higher cost share hospitals	Nothing \$1,000 per admission	20% coinsurance after deductible Only applicable in-network

<sup>\*</sup> No visit limit applies when short-term rehabilitation therapy is furnished as part of covered home health care or for the treatment of autism spectrum disorders.

\*\* In-network cost share waived for one breast pump per birth, including supplies (20% coinsurance after deductible out-of-network).

\*\*\* Copayment waived for restorative dental services and orthodontic treatment or prosthetic management therapy for members under age 18 to treat conditions of cleft lip and cleft palate.

Covered Services	Your Cost In-Network	Your Cost Out-of-Network
Inpatient Care (including maternity care) in:		
<ul> <li>Other general hospitals (as many days as medically necessary)</li> <li>In-network higher cost share hospitals (as many days as medically necessary)</li> </ul>	Nothing \$1,000 per admission	20% coinsurance after deductible Only applicable in-network
Chronic disease hospital care (as many days as medically necessary)	Nothing	20% coinsurance after deductible
Mental hospital or substance use facility care (as many days as medically necessary)	Nothing	20% coinsurance after deductible
Rehabilitation hospital care (up to 60 days per calendar year)	Nothing	20% coinsurance after deductible
Skilled nursing facility care (up to 100 days per calendar year)	Nothing	20% coinsurance after deductible
Prescription Drug Benefits*		
At designated retail pharmacies (up to a 30-day formulary supply for each prescription or refill)**	\$20 for Tier 1 \$35 for Tier 2 \$55 for Tier 3	Not covered
Through the designated mail service pharmacy (up to a 90-day formulary supply for each prescription or refill)**	\$40 for Tier 1 \$70 for Tier 2 \$110 for Tier 3	Not covered
Specialty drugs when obtained from a designated specialty pharmacy (up to a 30-day formulary supply for each prescription or refill)	\$20 for Tier 1 30% coinsurance for Tier 4 30% coinsurance for Tier 5	Not covered

Generally, Tier 1 refers to generic drugs; Tier 2 refers to preferred brand-name drugs; Tier 3 refers to non-preferred brand-name drugs; Tier 4 refers to preferred brand-name specialty drugs; Tier 5 refers to non-preferred brand-name specialty drugs.

Get the Most from Your Plan: Visit us at bluecrossma.org/studentbluema or call 1-888-753-6615 to learn about discounts, savings, resources, and special programs available to you, like those listed below.

Wellness Participation Program Fitness Reimbursement: a program that rewards participation in qualified fitness programs or equipment (See your subscriber certificate for details.)	\$150 per calendar year per policy
Weight Loss Reimbursement: a program that rewards participation in a qualified weight loss program (See your subscriber certificate for details.)	\$150 per calendar year per policy



24/7 Nurse Line: Speak to a registered nurse, day or night, to get immediate guidance and advice. Call 1-888-247-BLUE (2583). No additional charge.

# **QUESTIONS?**

For questions about Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts, call 1-888-753-6615, or visit us online at bluecrossma.org/studentbluema.

Limitations and Exclusions. These pages summarize the benefits of your health care plan. Your subscriber certificate and riders define the full terms and conditions in greater detail. Should any questions arise concerning benefits, the subscriber certificate and riders will govern. Some of the services not covered are: cosmetic surgery; custodial care; most dental care; and any services covered by workers' compensation. For a complete list of limitations and exclusions, refer to your subscriber certificate and riders.

Cost share may be waived, reduced, or increased for certain covered drugs and supplies. Retail drugs are available in a 90-day supply at three times the standard retail cost share.

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# PEDIATRIC ESSENTIAL DENTAL BENEFITS

Your health plan coverage includes a dental policy that covers pediatric dental services as required under the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

This separate dental policy covers pediatric essential dental benefits for members until the end of the calendar month in which they turn age 19 as required by federal law.

You must meet a plan-year deductible for certain covered dental services. Your deductible is \$50 per member (no more than \$150 for three or more members enrolled under the same family membership).

Your out-of-pocket maximum is the most that you could pay during a plan year for deductible and coinsurance for covered dental services. Your out-of-pocket maximum is \$350 per member (no more than \$700 for two or more members enrolled under the same family membership).

To find participating dental providers, visit the Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts website at **bluecrossma.com/findadoctor** or call the Member Service number on your ID card.

Pediatric Essential Dental Benefits*	Your Cost In-Network**
Group 1: Preventive and Diagnostic Services: oral exams, X-rays, and routine dental care	Nothing, no deductible
Group 2: Basic Restorative Services: fillings, root canals, stainless steel crowns, periodontal care, oral surgery, and dental prosthetic maintenance	25% coinsurance after deductible
Group 3: Major Restorative Services: tooth replacement, resin crowns, and occlusal guards	50% coinsurance after deductible
Orthodontic Services: medically necessary orthodontic care pre-authorized for a qualified member	50% coinsurance, no deductible

All covered services are limited to members until the end of the month they turn age 19, and may be subject to an age-based schedule or frequency. For a complete list of covered services or additional information, refer to your subscriber certificate.

<sup>\*\*</sup> There are no out-of-network benefits for dental services.



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- 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 or other formats).
- 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, call Member Service at the number on your ID card.

If you believe that Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts has failed to provide these services or discriminated in another way on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, sex, sexual orientation, or gender identity, you can file a grievance with the Civil Rights Coordinator by mail at Civil Rights Coordinator, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts, 25 Technology Place, Hingham, MA 02043; phone at 1-800-472-2689 (TTY: 711); fax at 1-617-246-3616; or email at civilrightscoordinator@bcbsma.com.

If you need help filing a grievance, the Civil Rights 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, online at **ocrportal.hhs.gov**; by mail at U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 200 Independence Avenue, SW Room 509F, HHH Building, Washington, DC 20201; by phone at **1–800–368–1019** or **1–800–537–7697** (TDD).

Complaint forms are available at hhs.gov.



# PROFICIENCY OF LANGUAGE ASSISTANCE SERVICES

**Spanish/Español:** ATENCIÓN: Si habla español, tiene a su disposición servicios gratuitos de asistencia con el idioma. Llame al número de Servicio al Cliente que figura en su tarjeta de identificación (TTY: **711**).

**Portuguese/Português:** ATENÇÃO: Se fala português, são-lhe disponibilizados gratuitamente serviços de assistência de idiomas. Telefone para os Serviços aos Membros, através do número no seu cartão ID (TTY: **711**).

**Chinese/简体中文:** 注意:如果您讲中文,我们可向您免费提供语言协助服务。请拨打您 ID 卡上的号码联系会员服务部(TTY 号码: **711**)。

Haitian Creole/Kreyòl Ayisyen: ATANSYON: Si ou pale kreyòl ayisyen, sèvis asistans nan lang disponib pou ou gratis. Rele nimewo Sèvis Manm nan ki sou kat Idantitifkasyon w lan (Sèvis pou Malantandan TTY: 711).

**Vietnamese/Tiếng Việt:** LƯU Ý: Nếu quý vị nói Tiếng Việt, các dịch vụ hỗ trợ ngôn ngữ được cung cấp cho quý vị miễn phí. Gọi cho Dịch vụ Hội viên theo số trên thẻ ID của quý vị (TTY: **711**).

**Russian/Русский:** ВНИМАНИЕ: если Вы говорите по-русски, Вы можете воспользоваться бесплатными услугами переводчика. Позвоните в отдел обслуживания клиентов по номеру, указанному в Вашей идентификационной карте (телетайп: **711**).

#### Arabic/ةيبر:

انتباه: إذا كنت تتحدث اللغة العربية، فتتوفر خدمات المساعدة اللغوية مجانًا بالنسبة لك. اتصل بخدمات الأعضاء على الرقم الموجود على بطاقة هُويتك (جهاز الهاتف النصى للصم والدكم "٢٦٦": 711).

Mon-Khmer, Cambodian/ខ្មែរ: ការជូនដំណឹង៖ ប្រសិនបើអ្នកនិយាយភាសា ខ្មែរ សេវាជំនួយភាសាឥតគិតថ្លៃ គឺអាចរកបានសម្រាប់អ្នក។ សូមទូរស័ព្ទទៅផ្នែកសេវាសមាជិកតាមលេខ នៅលើប័ណ្ណសម្គាល់ខ្លួនរបស់អ្នក (TTY: **711**)។

French/Français: ATTENTION: si vous parlez français, des services d'assistance linguistique sont disponibles gratuitement. Appelez le Service adhérents au numéro indiqué sur votre carte d'assuré (TTY: 711).

**Italian/Italiano:** ATTENZIONE: se parlate italiano, sono disponibili per voi servizi gratuiti di assistenza linguistica. Chiamate il Servizio per i membri al numero riportato sulla vostra scheda identificativa (TTY: **711**).

Korean/한국어: 주의: 한국어를 사용하시는 경우, 언어 지원 서비스를 무료로 이용하실 수 있습니다. 귀하의 ID 카드에 있는 전화번호(TTY: **711**)를 사용하여 회원 서비스에 전화하십시오.

**Greek/Ελληνικά:** ΠΡΟΣΟΧΗ: Εάν μιλάτε Ελληνικά, διατίθενται για σας υπηρεσίες γλωσσικής βοήθειας, δωρεάν. Καλέστε την Υπηρεσία Εξυπηρέτησης Μελών στον αριθμό της κάρτας μέλους σας (ID Card) (TTY: **711**).

**Polish/Polski:** UWAGA: Osoby posługujące się językiem polskim mogą bezpłatnie skorzystać z pomocy językowej. Należy zadzwonić do Działu obsługi ubezpieczonych pod numer podany na identyfikatorze (TTY: **711**).

Hindi/हिंदी: ध्यान दें: यदि आप हिन्दी बोलते हैं, तो भाषा सहायता सेवाएँ, आप के लिए नि:शुल्क उपलब्ध हैं। सदस्य सेवाओं को आपके आई.डी. कार्ड पर दिए गए नंबर पर कॉल करें (टी.टी.वाई.: 711).

Gujarati/ગુજરાતી: ધ્યાન આપો: જો તમે ગુજરાતી બોલતા હો, તો તમને ભાષાકીય સહાયતા સેવાઓ વિના મૂલ્યે ઉપલબ્ધ છે. તમારા આઈડી કાર્ડ પર આપેલા નંબર પર Member Service ને કૉલ કરો (TTY: **711**).

**Tagalog/Tagalog:** PAUNAWA: Kung nagsasalita ka ng wikang Tagalog, mayroon kang magagamit na mga libreng serbisyo para sa tulong sa wika. Tawagan ang Mga Serbisyo sa Miyembro sa numerong nasa iyong ID Card (TTY: **711**).

**Japanese/日本語:** お知らせ:日本語をお話しになる方は無料の言語アシスタンスサービスをご利用いただけます。IDカードに記載の電話番号を使用してメンバーサービスまでお電話ください (TTY: **711**)。

**German/Deutsch:** ACHTUNG: Wenn Sie Deutsche sprechen, steht Ihnen kostenlos fremdsprachliche Unterstützung zur Verfügung. Rufen Sie den Mitgliederdienst unter der Nummer auf Ihrer ID-Karte an (TTY: **711**).

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توج: اگر زبان شما فارسی است، خدمات کمک زبانی ب صورت رایگان در اختیار شما قرار می گیرد. با شمار تلفن مندرج بر روی کارت شناسایی خود با بخش «خدمات اعضا» تماس بگیر بد (TTY: 711).

Lao/ພາສາລາວ: ຂໍ້ຄວນໃສ່ໃຈ: ຖ້າເຈົ້າເວົ້າພາສາລາວໄດ້, ມີການບໍລິການຊ່ວຍເຫຼືອດ້ານພາສາໃຫ້ທ່ານໂດຍ ບໍ່ເສຍຄ່າ. ໂທຫາຝ່າຍບໍລິການສະມາຊິກທີ່ໝາຍເລກໂທລະສັບຢູ່ໃນບັດຂອງທ່ານ (TTY: **711**).

Navajo/Diné Bizaad: BAA ÁKOHWIINDZIN DOOÍGÍ: Diné k'ehjí yáníłt'i'go saad bee yát'i' éí t'áájíík'e bee níká'a'doowołgo éí ná'ahoot'i'. Díí bee anítahígí ninaaltsoos bine'déé' nóomba biká'ígíiji' béésh bee hodíílnih (TTY: 711).