

Benefits summary for Basic I



Benefits per calendar year	You pay in-network	You pay out-of-network ¹
Deductible, individual/family	\$500/\$1,000	\$5,000/\$10,000
Out-of-pocket maximum, individual/family ²	\$2,500/\$5,000	\$10,000/\$20,000
Lifetime maximum	Unlimited	Unlimited

Preventive services

Preventive care for adults and children	\$0, no deductible	50%, no deductible
Mammogram		
Routine gynecological exam/Pap test (1 per calendar year)		
Pediatric immunizations		50%, after deductible
Nutrition counseling (6 visits per benefit period ³)		

Physician services

Primary care office visit	\$30 copayment, no deductible	50%, after deductible
Specialist office visit	\$50 copayment, no deductible	
Spinal manipulations (20 visits per calendar year ³)		
Physical/occupational therapy (20 visits per calendar year ³)		

Hospital/other medical services

Inpatient hospital services/days ⁴	20%, after deductible/unlimited days	50%, after deductible/ 70 days
Emergency room (not waived if admitted)	20%, after deductible	20%, after in-network deductible
Maternity hospitalization ⁴		50%, after deductible
Outpatient surgery		
Ambulance (emergency)	\$0, after deductible	\$0, after deductible
Outpatient lab/pathology	20%, after deductible	50%, after deductible
Routine radiology/diagnostic		
MRI/MRA, CT/CTA scan, PET scan ⁴		
Durable medical equipment ⁴		
Outpatient mental health care ⁴	20%, after deductible/30 visits per calendar year ³	50%, after deductible/ 20 visits per calendar year max ³
Inpatient mental health care ⁴	20%, after deductible/30 days per calendar year ³	50%, after deductible/ 20 days per calendar year max ³
Substance abuse treatment		
Detox ⁴	20%, after deductible, 7 days per admission/ 4 admissions lifetime maximum ³	50%, after deductible, 7 days per admission/ 4 admissions lifetime maximum ³
Rehabilitation ⁴	20%, after deductible, 30 days per benefit period/ 90 days lifetime maximum ³	50%, after deductible, 30 days per benefit period/ 90 days lifetime maximum ³
Outpatient ⁴	20%, after deductible, 60 visits per year/ 120 visits lifetime maximum ³	50%, after deductible, 60 visits per year/ 120 visits lifetime maximum ³
Prescription drug	No deductible: \$10 generic/ 50% brand, \$250 copayment max per prescription	50%, no deductible

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What's not covered?

- services not medically necessary;
- services or supplies that are experimental or investigative except routine costs associated with clinical trials;
- hearing aids, hearing examinations/tests for the prescription/fitting of hearing aids, and cochlear electromagnetic hearing devices;
- assisted fertilization techniques such as in vitro fertilization, GIFT, and ZIFT;
- alternative therapies/complementary medicine;
- dental care, including dental implants, and nonsurgical treatment of temporomandibular joint syndrome (TMJ);
- routine foot care, unless medically necessary or associated with the treatment of diabetes;
- foot orthotics, except for orthotics and podiatric appliances required for the prevention of complications associated with diabetes;
- contraceptive devices;
- immunizations for travel or employment;
- service or supplies payable under workers' compensation, motor vehicle insurance, Medicare, or other legislation of similar purpose;
- cosmetic services/supplies;
- self-injectable drugs (except as specified under the prescription drug benefits);
- coverage for any preexisting condition, illness, or injury for which medical advice was recommended or received within the 12-month period that precedes the effective date of coverage is excluded for the first 12 months (does not apply to members under age 19);
- vision care;
- serious mental illness.

¹ It is important to note that all percentages are percentages of the plan allowance, not the provider's actual charge. Out-of-network, non-participating providers may bill you for differences between the plan allowance, which is the amount paid by Personal Choice, and the provider's actual charge. This amount may be significant. Claims payments for out-of-network professional providers (physicians) are based on Independence Blue Cross's (IBC) own fee schedule. For services rendered by hospitals and other facility providers, the allowance may not refer to the actual amount paid by Personal Choice to the provider. Under IBC contracts with hospitals and other facility providers, IBC pays using bulk purchasing arrangements that save money at the end of the year but do not produce a uniform discount for each individual claim. Therefore, the amount paid by IBC at the time of any given claim may be more or it may be less than the amount used to calculate your liability.

² Out-of-pocket maximum includes coinsurance and deductible. The dollar amount specified does not include any expense incurred for copays, penalties or outpatient mental/psychiatric/serious mental illness care services for Basic I and Basic II plans.

³ Combined in- and out-of-network.

⁴ Some benefits require precertification. If you use an out-of-network provider and do not obtain a precertification, the penalty is a 50% reduction in benefit.

This summary represents only a partial listing of benefits and exclusions of the Personal Choice program. These managed care plans may not cover all of your health care expenses. Read your contract, member handbook, and/or benefit booklet carefully to determine which health care services are covered. If you need more information, please call 1-800-ASK-BLUE (1-800-275-2583).



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