HMO Special Needs Plan (SNP)

BlueCare Plus Tennessee, an Independent Licensee of the BlueCross BlueShield Association
BlueCare Plus Tennessee is an HMO SNP plan with a Medicare contract and a contract with the Tennessee Medicaid program. Enrollment in BlueCare Plus Tennessee depends on contract renewal.
What is BlueCare Plus (HMO SNP)℠
What is a Medicare Advantage Plan?

A Medicare Advantage Plan is a type of Medicare health plan offered by a private company that contracts with Medicare to provide all Part A and Part B benefits. There are many different kinds of Medicare Advantage plans, including HMO, PPO, Special Needs Plan (SNP) and some others.
What is a Special Needs Plan (SNP)?

A Medicare Advantage plan designed for Medicare beneficiaries with unique special needs. There are different types of Special Needs Plans; we offer a “Dual Eligible” Special Needs Plan called BlueCare Plus℠. BlueCare Plus includes Part D prescription benefit.
Dual Special Needs Plan (D-SNP)

- BlueCare Plus operates as the individual’s point of contact for both Medicare and Medicaid.
- Promotes quality of care and cost effectiveness through the coordination of care for members with complex, chronic or catastrophic health care needs.
Unique CMS Requirements for DSNP

- A Model of Care that must be approved by National Committee of Quality Assurance (NCQA) for Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS).
- Provider participation in Interdisciplinary Care Teams (ICT).
- Provider training in the Model of Care.
- A Medicare Improvement for Patients and Providers Act (MIPPA) agreement with the TennCare Bureau.
What is a MIPPA Agreement?

BlueCare Plus MIPPA Agreement with the TennCare Bureau:

- Requires DSNP’s and Medicaid MCO’s to work together in an accountable manner to coordinate the delivery of Medicare and Medicaid covered services to beneficiaries.
- Has requirements pertaining to enrollment, member cost sharing, tag lines on marketing materials, etc.
- Electronic file submitted to the Bureau of TennCare for crossover payments (co-pays, coinsurance and deductibles).
What is an Interdisciplinary Care Team?

- The Interdisciplinary Care Team (ICT) is a key component of a successful model of care (MOC).
- The team consists of health care professionals from diverse fields working together for the common goal for the patient.
- The composition of the ICT is individualized according to the member’s needs.
The Who, What, When, Where of the ICT

**Who**
- ICT consists of the PCP, member, BlueCare Plus Care Coordinator and other health professionals working with the member

**What**
- Opportunity to discuss barriers

**When**
- Based on member stratification; annually or more often based on member health status

**Where**
- Teleconference (generally 15 to 30 minutes)
- Webinar
- On site
# PCP Participation is Key

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*Thank you for your participation!*
### Additional Benefits with BlueCare Plus

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Providers Most Frequently Asked Questions for Service Line
How do I identify a BlueCare Plus member?

- ID Card
- ZEU is the member ID number
- Call the Provider Service line 1-800-299-1407
What is the cost sharing for this plan?

- **No cost sharing for the member**
- **One claim**
  - TennCare uses this information to fulfill its crossover claims payment function for member cost sharing.

- **Member billing**
  - A dual eligible member is a Medicare enrollee who is eligible for TennCare and for whom TennCare has a responsibility for payment of the Medicare Cost Sharing Obligations under the State Plan.
  - Providers should not bill BlueCare Plus members for coinsurance, copayments or deductibles for medical services.
  - Register with TennCare/Medicaid number in order to have crossover claims processed.
What is the cost sharing for this plan? (cont’d)

- If you are a provider who has not received payment from the Bureau of TennCare for the copayment, coinsurance and/or deductible within sixty (60) days of the remittance date, please contact TennCare Cross-Over Claims Provider Hotline at: 1-800-852-2683.

- If a dual eligible member loses their Medicaid eligibility, BlueCare Plus will:
  • Cover for 90 days.
  • Assist the member in transition to another plan.
Top Three Claim Errors/Denials/Rejects
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+ **Z50** – Indicates a non-covered procedure has been filed on the claim
  - BlueCare Plus mirror Medicare regulations and guidance.
  - Verify the procedure is reimbursable.

+ **Z51** – Indicates an invalid procedure has been filed on the claim
  - http://bluecareplus.bcbst.com/provider-resources/NCDs_and_SAD_List.html

+ **Z45** – Exceeds units
  - Ensure you are using the correct number of units before filing the claim. You may refer to the CMS Correct Coding Initiative page. [www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coding/NationalCorrectCodInitEd/index.html](http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coding/NationalCorrectCodInitEd/index.html)
Latest Information and Initiatives

➕ Partnering with Million Hearts

• We are now a partner of Million Hearts, a national initiative to prevent one million heart attacks and strokes by 2017.

➕ Reporting of observation stays

• Implementation of observation notification to BlueCare Plus on Sept. 1, 2014.
Latest Information and Initiatives

+ HIPPS codes required

• CMS has instructed Medicare Advantage Organizations that as of July 1, 2014, dates of service HIPPS codes are required to be submitted on MAO claims for skilled nursing facilities and inpatient rehabilitation facilities.
**Latest Information and Initiatives**

**Physician Assessment Form (PAF)**

- Includes PCP analysis and health care plan to encourage members to seek regular medical care.
- Additionally, the PAF provides a mechanism to allow the BlueCare Plus Management staff to coordinate resources for our members, thus reducing time-consuming work for your staff.
- Completed once every calendar year for each of our BlueCare Plus members.
Latest Information and Initiatives

**P4G (Pay for Gaps)**

- Our goal in partnering more closely with our primary care physicians is to ensure our members get their recommended care, and one way to do that is through incentives or quality bonuses.
- BlueCare Plus will begin the P4G program early fall.
- Work with our PCPs to identify those members with gaps in preventive services.
- BlueCare Plus is initiating a pilot program with full implementation January 1, 2015.
Contact BlueCare Plus

Provider Service Line  1-800-299-1407
BlueCare Plus Website  bluecareplus.bcbst.com

Contact Us

We’re here to help answer your questions.

Email Us  Call Us  Write Us  Special Needs?

Tell us who you are and select a link from the drop-down menu below to get in touch with us via secure e-mail form.

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