



**MICHIGAN OFFICE OF
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Vaccine Coverage Guide

for Medicare PPO Members

Understanding your health plan coverage just got easier.

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Be informed.

Staying up to date on your immunizations can reduce your risk of contracting serious illnesses.

Your retirement system health plan covers many vaccines to keep you healthy. As a Medicare health plan, the plan must cover all services covered by Original Medicare and must follow Original Medicare's coverage rules. Therefore, some of the vaccines are covered by your medical plan, administered by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan. Other vaccines are covered by your prescription drug plan, administered by Optum Rx.

BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF MICHIGAN VACCINES — Covered by your retirement system medical plan administered by Blue Cross

Vaccine category	Vaccine brand name		What are my out-of-pocket costs?
Coronavirus (COVID-19)	Janssen Covid-19 Vaccine Moderna Covid Vaccine Moderna Covid-19 Bival Booster Moderna Covid-19 Vac (Booster) Moderna Covid-19 Vacc 6m-5Y Novavax Covid-19 Vaccine Pfizer Biontech Covid-19 Vac Tris	Pfizer Biontech Covid-19 Vaccine Pfizer Covid-19 Vac 6m-4 y Pfizer Covid-19 Vac Bival 5-11 Pfizer Covid-19 Vac Bivalent Pfizer Covid-19 Vac Tris 5-11 Y Sanofi Covid-19 (booster) Spikevax Covid-19 Vaccine	\$0
Hepatitis B (Hep B) The plan covers these shots if you are at medium or high risk for Hepatitis B. Check with your primary care provider to see if you're at medium or high risk for Hepatitis B.	Engerix-B Hepelisav-B Pediarix	Prehevbrio Recombivax HB Twinrix	
Influenza (Flu)	Afluria Quadrivalent Fluad Quadrivalent Fluarix Quadrivalent Flublok Quadrivalent	Flucelvax Quadrivalent Flulaval Quadrivalent Flumist Quadrivalent Fluzone Quadrivalent	
Pneumococcal (pneumonia)	Prevnar 13 Prenvar 20	Pneumovax 23 Vaxneuvance	

WHERE CAN I GET VACCINATED?

You can get the vaccines in the chart above at the following locations:

- Participating pharmacies.
 - To locate a participating pharmacy, click the *Medical Plans* link and select *Medicare Plus Blue Group PPO* at www.bcbsm.com/mpsers.
- Retail health clinic or Health Department.
- Doctor's office.

HOW TO GET REIMBURSED.

Occasionally, members may have to pay out of pocket first for covered vaccines. If you receive a vaccine at a location that is unable to bill Blue Cross, you'll have to pay the out-of-pocket cost and submit a request to Blue Cross for reimbursement.

For medical plan reimbursement requests, you will need to complete the online reimbursement claim form from your online Blue Cross member account at www.bcbsm.com/mpsers or on the Blue Cross mobile app.

Keep in mind that the medical and prescription drug plans are administered separately. This means Blue Cross and Optum Rx can only answer questions about the coverage they provide and cannot answer questions about the other plans.

You'll need to review both charts in this guide to help you understand your retirement system vaccine coverage and out-of-pocket costs. The charts are organized by carrier, so you will see vaccines covered by your Blue Cross medical plan on page 1. On page 2, you'll see vaccines covered by your Optum Rx prescription drug plan.

OPTUM RX VACCINES — Covered by your retirement system prescription drug plan, administered by OptumRx

Vaccine category	Vaccine brand names	What are my out-of-pocket costs?
Dengue	Dengvaxia	\$0
Haemophilus B	Acthib, Hiberix, Pedvax	
Hepatitis A	Havrix, Twinrix*, Vaqta	
Hepatitis B	Engerix-B** Heplisav-B** Pediarix	
	Prehevbrio** Recombivax HB** Twinrix*	
Human Papillomavirus (HPV)	Gardasil 9	
Measles, Mumps, Rubella	MMR II, Priorix	
Meningococcal	Bexsero, Menactra, Menquadfi, Menveo, Penbraya, Trumenba	
Polio	Ipol	
Rabies	Imovax**, Rabavert**	
Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV)	Abrysvo, Arexvy	
Shingles	Shingrix, Varivax	
Tetanus	Adacel*, Boostrix*, Diphtheria-Tetanus Toxoids DT*, Tdvax*, Tenivac*	
Other	BCG Vaccine, Ixchiq, Ixiaro, Jynneos, Stamaril, Ticovac, Typhim, YF-Vax	

*Combination product that contains other vaccines.

**Requires prior authorization to determine medical plan vs prescription drug plan coverage.

WHERE CAN I GET VACCINATED?

You can get the vaccines in the chart above at the following locations:

- In-network pharmacy. To locate an in-network pharmacy, log in to your online member account at www.optumrx.com or call the number on your prescription ID card.
- Retail health clinic or Health Department.
- Doctor's office. Your doctor can administer the vaccine or you can ask them to send an electronic prescription to your local, in-network pharmacy.

HOW TO GET REIMBURSED.

If you receive a vaccine at your doctor's office, retail health clinic or Health Department, you'll have to pay the out-of-pocket cost and submit a request for reimbursement for it to be covered.

For prescription drug plan reimbursement requests, you will need to complete the online reimbursement claim form at dmrforms.optumrx.com/online-claim-form. Costs for a visit to the doctor's office are not reimbursable.

Need more information?

Pension account, health insurance enrollment and eligibility questions

MICHIGAN OFFICE OF RETIREMENT SERVICES

1-800-381-5111

TTY users should call **711**.

Monday through Friday

8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Eastern time

michigan.gov/orsschools

Prescription drug plan questions

OPTUM RX

1-855-577-6517

TTY users should call **711**.

24 hours a day, seven days a week

www.optumrx.com/enroll/mpser

Medical plan questions

BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF MICHIGAN

1-800-422-9146

TTY users should call **711**.

Monday through Friday

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