

Foreign travel: Nonemergency, nonurgent care Applies to:



**Blue Cross
Blue Shield**
of Michigan

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Medicare Plus Blue PPOSM Medicare Plus Blue Group PPOSM Both

Foreign travel: Non-emergency, nonurgent care

Medical care provided outside the United States that isn't urgent or an emergency.

Original Medicare

Original Medicare doesn't cover medical costs during foreign travel unless the services are for emergency or urgent care.

Medicare Plus Blue Group PPO

Medicare Plus Blue Group PPO plans provide at least the same level of benefit coverage as Original Medicare (Part A and Part B) and provide enhanced benefits beyond the scope of Original Medicare within a single health care plan. This flexibility allows BCBSM to offer enriched plans by using Original Medicare as the base program and adding benefit options.

Select Medicare Plus Blue Group PPO plans cover medical care and services provided outside the United States.

Reimbursement

Medicare Plus Blue Group PPO plans will reimburse members for covered services based on reasonable charges minus the member cost-sharing amount. The currency exchange rate will be applied to the reimbursement amount.

Member cost-sharing

- Medicare Plus Blue Group PPO member in-network cost-sharing will be applied to foreign travel services obtained in a foreign country if those services are covered and payable in the United States.
- If a member receives a service that is not covered, he or she is responsible for the entire charge associated with that service.

Providers may verify member benefits, including cost-share amounts, via web-DENIS or by calling CAREN at 1-866-309-1719.

Member billing instructions

To be reimbursed for covered services, members must send the following information to the address below:

- Patient name and address
- Patient's Medicare Plus Blue Group PPO contract and group numbers
- Name and address of hospital and or physician
- Admission and discharge dates
- Specific dates of service
- Diagnosis
- Description of services

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- Itemized list of services rendered
- Charges per service
- Bills or itemized statements
- Paid receipts
- Bills or itemized statement

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