

For physician offices

The latest COVID-19 provider information

Starting Jan. 1, 2022, bill Medicare Advantage plans for COVID-19 vaccines and monoclonal antibody treatments



Read more:

- December 2021 issue of *The Record*
- The upcoming January–February 2022 issue of *BCN Provider News*

Behavioral health services delivered via synchronous telemedicine

Read more:

- October 29 Provider Alert

Intensive outpatient program and partial hospital program services now payable via telemedicine on an ongoing basis

Read more:

- October 29 Provider Alert
- December 2021 issue of *The Record*

Additional autism interventions now payable via telemedicine on an ongoing basis and restrictions are removed from protocol modification

Read more:

- October 29 Provider Alert
- December 2021 issue of *The Record*

Additional COVID-19 provider communications can be found here:

• *Coronavirus (COVID-19) information updates for providers* webpage located within *BCBSM Newsletters and Resources* or *BCN Provider Publications and Resources* on web-DENIS

• bcbsm.com/coronavirus

Click on *Health Care Providers*

Health e-BlueSM data entry due soon

The deadline for entering data in Health e-Blue for 2021 treatment opportunities is midnight, Jan. 22, 2022. Data entered after this deadline won't count for 2021 incentives. The deadline for submitting electronic medical record files is Feb. 4, 2022.

Prior authorization requirements expanding for Medicare Plus BlueSM, BCN commercial and BCN Advantage members on Jan. 1



We're expanding our prior authorization requirements for Medicare Plus Blue, BCN commercial and BCN AdvantageSM members. For certain procedure codes, you'll need to complete questionnaires in the e-referral system when you submit prior authorization requests for dates of service on or after Jan. 1, 2022.

Read more:

- Page 34 of the November–December 2021 *BCN Provider News*
- December 2021 issue of *The Record*

Acupuncturists invited to apply to be part of Blue Cross' provider networks





Enrollment forms and practitioner agreements are available at bcbsm.com/providers for acupuncturists who want to join a Blue Cross network. Once approved, acupuncturists can begin participating in a Blue Cross network starting March 1, 2022. Read more: *December 2021 issue of The Record*

Holiday office closings

Blue Cross and BCN offices will be closed Dec. 23 through Dec. 24 and Dec. 30 through Dec. 31.

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Summary of upcoming changes effective Jan. 1, 2022

We're transitioning to a new pharmacy benefit manager

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- Page 26 of the September–October 2021 *BCN Provider News*
- September 2021 issue of *The Record*

2022 member ID cards to display deductible, out-of-pocket maximum

Read more:

- December 2021 issue of *The Record*
- The upcoming January–February 2022 issue of *BCN Provider News*

Direct reimbursement available to genetic counselors

Read more:

- Page 3 of the November–December 2021 *BCN Provider News*
- October 2021 issue of *The Record*

Starting Jan. 1, 2022, we'll change how we cover some drugs

Read more:

- Page 24 of the November–December 2021 *BCN Provider News*
- November 2021 issue of *The Record*

AIM to ask for clinical information for BCN commercial radiology and cardiology prior authorization requests starting Jan. 1

Read more:

- Page 35 of the November–December 2021 *BCN Provider News*

Summary of upcoming changes, cont.

Benefit changes coming Jan. 1 for UAW Retiree Medical Benefits Trust members




Read more:

- December 2021 issue of *The Record*

Blue Cross updates continuity of care requirements to align with law

Read more:

- December 2021 issue of *The Record*
- The upcoming January–February 2022 issue of *BCN Provider News*

Our new, updated enrollment flyers assist providers joining our network

We've updated some of our enrollment flyers to help providers joining Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan or Blue Care Network. The *Enrollment documents helpful hints* flyers are step-by-step guides that walk providers through each section of their enrollment application.

Read more:

- December 2021 issue of *The Record*
- The upcoming January–February 2022 issue of *BCN Provider News*





Overview of care management and utilization management programs now available

Blue Cross and BCN have implemented many care management programs for members and utilization management programs for providers. We recently published the *Care management and utilization management programs: Overview for providers* document to help you navigate these programs.

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- The upcoming January–February 2022 issue of *BCN Provider News*

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