Weight management program guide

If your body mass index is 30 or higher, enroll in one of these programs:

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You have a weight management program requirement

Your qualification form shows your body mass index is 30 or higher, so you need to participate in one of the programs below to be at the enhanced level of your Healthy Blue Living plan. If you don’t enroll and participate in a program, or don’t meet the requirements, you’ll still have your benefits, but everyone on your health care plan will drop to the standard level with higher out-of-pocket costs.

You have two options:

• **Steps walking program, powered by WebMD®**: This program requires you to wear a step-counting device and average at least 5,000 steps per day. You’re responsible for uploading your steps and syncing your device with your online member account at bcbsm.com. This program is designed to work with Fitbit® devices. If you use a device from a different brand, it must be compatible with your account. To check all activity tracking brands that work with this program:
  1. Log in to your account at bcbsm.com.
  2. Select Health & Well-Being in the navigation menu, then WebMD.
  3. Select Go To WebMD.
  4. Select Sync Devices & Apps from the navigation drop-down menu.

To properly track your steps, you must use a physical wearable device. Syncing accounts you have with health apps won’t transfer your steps correctly.

• **WW®**: Attend at least 11 out of 13 workshops per a three-month subscription. Once the three-month subscription ends, you must reenroll in a new three-month subscription.

We’ll automatically reenroll you in last year’s program, if applicable

If you participated in one of the programs from your previous plan year, we’ll automatically reenroll you if:

• We received a new qualification form that shows your BMI is still 30 or higher.
• You participated in the program for the whole benefit year and met the program requirements.

If you want to change your program, call the Customer Service number on the back of your member ID card within the first 120 days of your plan year. If we reenroll you in the Steps walking program, you won’t receive a new Fitbit device. You’ll need to use the same device from your previous plan year.

Steps walking program, powered by WebMD

This program features a Fitbit Inspire™ activity tracker. We cover the cost of the Inspire device if you sign up for the program and order the device through your account at bcbsm.com or BCN Customer Service. The instructions about the Steps walking program in this guide are for Fitbit devices only. If you use another wearable device that tracks steps, you’re responsible for following the requirements of the program appropriately. We can’t provide instructions for other devices. You must average at least 5,000 steps per day for each three-month period from when you sign up for the program.

Here’s how to get started with the Steps walking program:

**Step 1: Enroll in the Steps walking program and order your Fitbit activity tracker.**

We encourage you to enroll through your online member account, but you can also call the Customer Service number on the back of your BCN member ID card.

1. Log in to your account at bcbsm.com.
2. Click My Coverage in the navigation menu.
3. Click Medical from the drop-down menu.
4. Click To-do List.
5. Click the weight management program link in the Health Measure Follow-up box.
6. Select the Steps walking program. (You’ll be redirected to a new page.)
7. Click Rewards in the navigation menu.
8. Click Order Now in the Don’t miss a Step! box. Your promo code will be provided under the Order Now button. Write it down and save it.
9. Once you’re redirected to the Fitbit online store, follow the instructions to select your Fitbit device and complete the order.

You’ll receive an order confirmation by email. Keep this for your records. Once your device has shipped, you’ll receive another email with your tracking number. It’ll arrive by mail in five to seven business days.

**Step 2: Set up your Fitbit device, following the included instructions, to set up a Fitbit account.**

Set up your device as soon as it arrives because that’s when the program begins.
Step 3: Sync your Fitbit account with your account at bcbsm.com.

This step is important. We don’t have access to your Fitbit account, so this is how we keep track of your steps to make sure you’re averaging 5,000 per day. If you don’t sync your Fitbit account with your account at bcbsm.com, your steps will show as zero, which will drop you to the standard level with higher out-of-pocket costs. Here’s how to link your accounts together:

1. Log in to your account at bcbsm.com.
2. Select Health & Well-Being in the navigation menu, then WebMD.
3. Select Go To WebMD.
4. Select Sync Devices & Apps from the navigation drop-down menu.
5. Scroll down the page and select Fitbit.
6. Select Connect Account and then follow the instructions on the page to finish the process.

Once your accounts are linked, your steps will show on your Fitbit and online member accounts. It may take up to one day for your steps to display. Remember, if you don’t use a Fitbit, the device you use must be a physical wearable device. Syncing accounts with other health apps won’t transfer your steps correctly.

Step 4: Wear your Fitbit device and start walking.

Make sure you wear your Fitbit device all day to average at least 5,000 steps per day.

Step 5: Upload your steps.

Open the Fitbit app daily to allow your steps data to refresh. Your steps will load if your Fitbit is within a few feet of your smartphone or tablet. You must use a Bluetooth-compatible smartphone, tablet or computer. The device doesn’t come with a plug-in dongle for a computer USB port.

The steps that show in your Fitbit account should be the same that show in your account at bcbsm.com. To confirm your steps are loading to your account:

- Log in to your account at bcbsm.com.
- Select Health & Well-Being in the navigation menu, then WebMD.
- Select Go To WebMD.
- Select Resources from the navigation drop-down menu, then Health Trackers.

If your online member account at bcbsm.com shows zero steps, follow the directions in Step 3 again. If it still doesn’t work, call the Customer Service number on the back of your BCN member ID card.

How we track your steps

We check your steps every three months from when you sign up for the program. If your average is below 5,000 steps per day for each three-month period, everyone on your plan drops to the standard level. This means higher copayments, deductible and coinsurance, depending on your plan. Don’t forget, you must link your Fitbit account with your account at bcbsm.com. We don’t have access to your Fitbit account, so we confirm your steps with your online member account.

Lost or damaged Fitbit device

If your Fitbit device is lost or damaged, call the Customer Service number on the back of your member ID card to see if you’re eligible for a replacement device. BCN won’t replace a personal device, other than Fitbit, if it’s lost or damaged. However, you may be eligible for a Fitbit Inspire device.

For technical questions about your Fitbit activity tracker

Call Fitbit Participant Support at 1-844-534-8248, email CWsupport@fitbit.com or go to help.fitbit.com/cwsupport* to resolve the following issues faster:

- Your activity tracker isn’t counting steps.
- The screen doesn’t work.
- Your steps are being counted inaccurately.
- The activity tracker isn’t syncing to the Fitbit software.

We can’t service or support technical questions about activity trackers other than Fitbit devices.

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