

## Pharmacies can bill for COVID-19 testing

In accordance with guidance issued April 8, 2020 by the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services and Executive Order 2020-104 issued by Michigan Governor Gretchen Whitmer and until further notice, pharmacies that participate in the Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan and Blue Care Network Vaccine Affiliation Program or have the ability to submit Medicare Part B medical claim forms can bill Blue Cross or BCN for COVID-19 testing services for patients with Blue Cross' PPO or BCN HMO<sup>SM</sup> commercial or Medicare Advantage coverage.

Blue Cross and BCN are making it easier for members to get COVID-19 diagnostic and antibody tests by giving them more options on where they can be tested when:

- It's medically necessary
- The test is ordered by an attending health care provider

The provider can be a licensed physician, pharmacist or attending clinician operating within the scope of their license.

### **Codes that can be billed**

These documents have the codes pharmacies can use to bill for COVID-19 testing:

- For commercial members (Blue Cross PPO and BCN HMO)
- For Medicare Advantage members (Medicare Plus Blue<sup>SM</sup> and BCN Advantage<sup>SM</sup>)

More information about COVID-19 testing is available on our public website at [bcbsm.com/coronavirus](https://bcbsm.com/coronavirus) and through COVID-19 information on Provider Secured Services.