EMPLOYEE BENEFITS GUIDEBOOK 2025

2025 Open Enrollment

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2025 OPEN ENROLLMENT

The City of Berkley is committed to offering eligible employees and their family members comprehensive healthcare coverage. The benefits offered by the City of Berkley are a significant part of your overall compensation.

We are pleased to announce that we continue to offer online visits for the July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026 plan year. The copay is the same as an in-person office visit.

OPEN ENROLLMENT: The open enrollment period for making insurance or benefit changes will be **June 2nd - June 13th 2025.** These changes will become effective **July 1, 2025**. If you are interested in making changes to your current insurance/benefits, you may do so at this time. The choices that you make during open enrollment cannot be changed again until the next open enrollment, unless you qualify for a special enrollment during the plan year.

Please contact Jessica Stover at jstover@berkleymi.gov or at (248) 658-3356 if you are interested in making any changes.

Important: Your current benefit plan election will carry over into the new 2025-2026 plan year if you do not contact Human Resources. In addition, if you are electing coverage for the first time or need to change your family status, you will be required to complete an enrollment form as required by the insurance carrier.

If you have Medicare or will become eligible for Medicare in the next 12 months, a Federal law gives you more choices about your prescription drug coverage. Please see pages 26 - 27 for more details.

CITY OF BERKLEY
Group # 007006030
BCBSM Preferred PPO
Benefits-at-a-glance

This is intended as an easy-to-read summary and provides only a general overview of your benefits. It is not a contract. Additional limitations and exclusions may apply. Payment amounts are based on BCBSM's approved amount, less any applicable deductible and/or copay/coinsurance. For a complete description of benefits, please see the applicable BCBSM certificates and riders, if your group is underwritten, or any other plan documents your group uses, if your group is self-funded. If there is a discrepancy between this Benefits-at-a-Glance and any applicable plan document, the plan document will control.

Member's responsibility (deductibles, copays, coinsurance and dollar maximums)		
Benefits	**In-Network**	**Out-of-Network**
Deductibles	$500 for one member, $1,000 for the family (when two or more members are covered under your contract) each calendar year **Note:** Deductible may be waived for covered services performed in an in-network physician's office and for covered mental health and substance abuse services that are equivalent to an office visit and performed in an in-network physician's office.	$1,000 for one member, $2,000 for the family (when two or more members are covered under your contract) each calendar year **Note:** Out-of-network deductible amounts also count toward the in-network deductible
Flat-dollar copays	• $30 copay for office visits, online visits and office consultations • $30 copay for chiropractic and osteopathic manipulative therapy • $250 copay for emergency room visits • $30 copay for urgent care visits	• $250 copay for emergency room visits

BCBSM Medical (Continued)

Benefits	In-Network	Out-of-Network
Coinsurance amounts (percent copays) Note: Coinsurance amounts apply once the deductible has been met.	• 50% of approved amount for private duty nursing care • 20% of approved amount for mental health care and substance use disorder treatment • 20% of approved amount for most other covered services (coinsurance waived for covered services performed in an in-network physician's office	• 50% of approved amount for private duty nursing care • 40% of approved amount for mental health care and substance use disorder treatment • 40% of approved amount for most other covered services
Annual coinsurance maximums - applies to coinsurance amounts for all covered services - but **does not** apply to deductibles, flat-dollar copays, private duty nursing care coinsurance amounts and prescription drug cost-sharing amounts	$1,500 for one member, $3,000 for the family (when two or more members are covered under your contract) each calendar year	• $3,000 for one member, • $6,000 for the family (when two or more members are covered under your contract) each calendar year **Note:** Out-of-network coinsurance amounts also count toward the in-network coinsurance maximum.
Annual out-of-pocket maximums - applies to deductibles, flat-dollar copays and coinsurance amounts for all covered services - including cost-sharing amounts for prescription drugs, if applicable	$6,350 for one member, $12,700 for the family (when two or more members are covered under your contract) each calendar year	• $12,700 for one member, • $25,400 for the family (when two or more members are covered under your contract) each calendar year **Note:** Out-of-network cost-sharing amounts also count toward the in-network out-of-pocket maximum.
Lifetime dollar maximum	None	None
Preventive Care Services		
Health maintenance exam - includes chest x-ray, EKG, cholesterol screening and other select lab procedures	100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance), one per member per calendar year Note: Additional well-women visits may be allowed based on medical necessity.	Not covered
Gynecological exam	100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance), one per member per calendar year Note: Additional well-women visits may be allowed based on medical necessity.	Not covered
Pap smear screening - laboratory and pathology services	100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance), one per member per calendar year	Not covered
Voluntary sterilizations for females	100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance)	60% after out-of-network deductible
Prescription contraceptive devices - includes insertion and removal of an intrauterine device by a licensed physician	100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance)	100% after out-of-network deductible
Contraceptive injections	100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance)	60% after out-of-network deductible
Well-baby and child care visits	100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance) • 8 visits, birth through 12 months • 6 visits, 13 months through 23 months • 6 visits, 24 months through 35 months • 2 visits, 36 months through 47 months • Visits beyond 47 months are limited to one per member per calendar year under the health maintenance exam benefit	Not covered
Adult and childhood preventive services and immunizations as recommended by the USPSTF, ACIP, HRSA or other sources as recognized by BCBSM that are in compliance with the provisions of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act	100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance)	Not covered
Fecal occult blood screening	100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance), one per member per calendar year	Not covered
Flexible sigmoidoscopy exam	100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance), one per member per calendar year	Not covered

BCBSM Medical (Continued)

Benefits	In-Network	Out-of-Network
Prostate specific antigen (PSA) screening	100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance), one per member per calendar year	Not covered
Routine mammogram and related reading (One per member per calendar year)	100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance) Note: Subsequent medically necessary mammograms performed during the same calendar year are subject to your deductible and coinsurance	60% after out-of-network deductible Note: Out-of-network readings and interpretations are payable only when the screening mammogram itself is performed by an in-network provider.
Colonoscopy - routine or medically necessary (One per member per calendar year)	100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance) for the first billed colonoscopy Note: Subsequent colonoscopies performed during the same calendar year are subject to your deductible and coinsurance.	60% after out-of-network deductible
Physician Office Services		
Office visits - must be medically necessary	$30 copay per office visit	60% after out-of-network deductible
Online visits - by physician or **BCBSM** selected vendor, must be medically necessary	$30 copay per online visit	60% after out-of-network deductible
Outpatient and home medical care visits - must be medically necessary	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible
Office consultations - must be medically necessary	$30 copay per office consultation	60% after out-of-network deductible
Urgent care visits - must be medically necessary	$30 copay per urgent care visit	60% after out-of-network deductible
Emergency Medical Care		
Hospital emergency room	$250 copay per visit (copay waived if admitted or for an accidental injury)	$250 copay per visit (copay waived if admitted or for an accidental injury)
Ambulance services - must be medically necessary	80% after in-network deductible	80% after in-network deductible
Diagnostic Services		
Laboratory and pathology services	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible
Diagnostic tests and x-rays	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible
Therapeutic radiology	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible
Maternity services provided by a physician or certified nurse midwife		
Prenatal care visits	100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance)	60% after out-of-network deductible
Postnatal care visits	100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance)	60% after out-of-network deductible
Delivery and nursery care	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible
Hospital Care		
Semiprivate room, inpatient physician care, general nursing care, hospital services and supplies Note: Nonemergency services must be rendered in a **participating** hospital	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible
	Unlimited days	
Inpatient consultations	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible
Chemotherapy	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible

BCBSM Medical (Continued)

Alternatives to Hospital Care		
Benefits	**In-Network**	**Out-of-Network**
Skilled nursing care - must be in a **participating** skilled nursing facility	80% after in-network deductible	80% after in-network deductible
	Limited to a maximum of 120 days per member per calendar year	
Hospice care	100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance)	100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance)
	Up to 28 pre-hospice counseling visits before electing hospice services; when elected, four 90-day periods - provided through a **participating** hospice program **only**; limited to dollar maximum that is reviewed and adjusted periodically (after reaching dollar maximum, member transitions into individual case management)	
Home health care: • must be medically necessary • must be provided by a **participating** home health care agency	80% after in-network deductible	80% after in-network deductible
Infusion therapy: • must be medically necessary • must be given by a **participating** Home Infusion Therapy (HIT) provider or in a **participating** freestanding Ambulatory Infusion Center (AIC) • may use drugs that require preauthorization - consult with your doctor	80% after in-network deductible	80% after in-network deductible
Surgical Services		
Surgery - includes related surgical services and medically necessary facility services by a participating ambulatory surgery facility	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible
Presurgical consultations	100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance)	60% after out-of-network deductible
Voluntary sterilization for males Note: For voluntary sterilizations for females, see **"Preventive care services."**	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible
Voluntary Abortions	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible
Human Organ Transplants		
Specified human organ transplants - must be in a **designated** facility and coordinated through the BCBSM Human Organ Transplant Program (1-800-242-3504)	100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance)	100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance) - in designated facilities **only**
Bone marrow transplants - must be coordinated through the BCBSM Human Organ Transplant Program (1-800-242-3504)	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible
Specified oncology clinical trials **Note:** BCBSM covers clinical trials in compliance with PPACA	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible
Kidney, cornea and skin transplants	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible
Behavioral Health Services (Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder)		
Note: Some mental health and substance use disorder services are considered by BCBSM to be comparable to an office visit or medical online visit. When a mental health or substance use disorder service is considered by BCBSM to be comparable to an office visit, we will process the claim under your office visit or medical online visit benefit.		
Inpatient mental health care and **inpatient** substance use disorder treatment	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible
	Unlimited days	

BCBSM Medical (Continued)

Benefits	In-Network	Out-of-Network
Residential psychiatric treatment facility: • covered mental health services **must** be performed in a residential psychiatric treatment facility • treatment **must** be preauthorized • subject to medical criteria	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible
Outpatient mental health care: • Facility and clinic	80% after in-network deductible	80% after in-network deductible in participating facilities **only**
• Online visits—by physician or **BCBSM** vendor must be medically necessary	$30 copay per online visit	60% after out-of-network deductible
• Physician's office	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible
Outpatient substance use disorder treatment - in approved facilities **only**	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible (in-network cost-sharing will apply if there is no PPO network)
Autism Spectrum Disorders, Diagnoses and Treatment		
Applied behavior analysis (ABA) treatment - when rendered by an approved licensed behavior analyst - subject to preauthorization Note: Prior to seeking ABA treatment, the member must be evaluated by an interdisciplinary team including, but not limited to, a physician, behavioral health specialist, and a speech and language specialist for the services to be authorized. This interdisciplinary evaluation can be performed at an approved autism evaluation center (AAEC).	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible
Outpatient physical therapy, speech therapy, occupational therapy, nutritional counseling for autism spectrum disorder	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible
Physical, speech and occupational therapy with an autism diagnosis is unlimited		
Other covered services, including nutritional counseling and mental health services, for autism spectrum disorder	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible
Other Covered Services		
Outpatient Diabetes Management Program (ODMP) **Note**: Screening services required under the provisions of PPACA are covered at 100% of approved amount with no in-network cost-sharing when rendered by an in-network provider. **Note**: When you purchase your diabetic supplies via mail order you will lower your out-of-pocket costs.	• 80% after in-network deductible for diabetes medical supplies; • 100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance) for diabetes self- management training	60% after out-of-network deductible
Allergy testing and therapy	100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance)	60% after out-of-network deductible
Chiropractic spinal manipulation and osteopathic manipulative therapy	$30 copay per visit	60% after out-of-network deductible
	Limited to a **combined** 24-visit maximum per member per calendar year	
Outpatient physical, speech and occupational therapy - when provided for rehabilitation	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible Note: Services at nonparticipating outpatient physical therapy facilities are not covered.
	Limited to a **combined** 60-visit maximum per member per calendar year	

BCBSM Medical (Continued)

Durable medical equipment Note: DME items required under the provisions of PPACA are covered at 100% of approved amount with no in-network cost-sharing when rendered by an in-network provider. For a list of covered DME items required under PPACA, call BCBSM.	80% after in-network deductible	80% after in-network deductible
Prosthetic and orthotic appliances	80% after in-network deductible	80% after in-network deductible
Private duty nursing care	50% after in-network deductible	50% after in-network deductible

Additional Benefits

Life, Accidental Death & Dismemberment and Dependent Life Insurance available to:

⇒ All Full-Time employees scheduled to work at least 40 hours per week

Long Term Disability Insurance available to:

⇒ Please refer to your collective bargaining agreement for information on eligibility for LTD benefits.

Dental Coverage is available to all full-time employees scheduled to work at least 40 hours per week.

Vision Coverage is available to all full-time employees scheduled to work at least 40 hours per week.

BCBSM Prescription Plan

CITY OF BERKLEY
Group # 0070060300030
BCBSM Preferred RX Program
Benefits-at-a-glance

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Specialty Pharmaceutical Drugs - The mail order pharmacy for **specialty drugs** is AllianceRx Walgreens Prime, an independent company. Specialty prescription drugs (such as Enbrel® and Humira®) are used to treat complex conditions such as rheumatoid arthritis, multiple sclerosis and cancer. These drugs require special handling, administration or monitoring. AllianceRx Walgreens Prime will handle mail order prescriptions only for specialty drugs while many in-network retail pharmacies will continue to dispense specialty drugs (check with your local pharmacy for availability). Other mail order prescription medications can continue to be sent to the OptumRx home delivery pharmacy. (OptumRx is an independent company providing pharmacy benefit services for Blues members.) A list of specialty drugs is available on our Web site at **bcbsm.com/pharmacy**. If you have any questions, please call AllianceRx Walgreens Prime customer service at 1-866-515-1355.

We will not pay for more than a 30-day supply of a covered prescription drug that BCBSM defines as a "specialty pharmaceutical" whether or not the drug is obtained from a 90-Day Retail Network provider or mail-order provider. We may make exceptions if a member requires more than a 30-day supply. BCBSM reserves the right to limit the quantity of select specialty drugs to no more than a 15-day supply for each fill. Your copay/ coinsurance will be reduced by one-half for each fill once applicable deductibles have been met.

Select Controlled Substance Drugs - BCBSM will limit the initial fill of select controlled substances to a 5-day supply. Additional fills for these medications will be limited to no more than a 30-day supply. The controlled substances affected by this prescription drug requirement are available online at bcbsm.com/pharmacy.

Member's Responsibility (deductibles, copays, coinsurance and dollar maximums)

Note: Your prescription drug copays and coinsurance amounts, including mail order copay and coinsurance amounts, are subject to the **same** annual out-of-pocket maximum required under your medical coverage. The following prescription drug expenses will not apply to your annual out-of-pocket maximum.

- any difference between the Maximum Allowable Cost and BCBSM's approved amount for a covered brand name drug
- the 25% member liability for covered drugs obtained from an out-of-network pharmacy

Benefits		90-day retail network pharmacy	*In-network mail order provider	In-network pharmacy (not part of the 90-day retail network)	Out-of-network pharmacy
Tier 1 - Generic or select prescribed over -the-counter drugs	1 to 30-day period	You pay $10 copay	You pay $10 copay	You pay $10 copay	You pay $10 copay plus an additional 25% of BCBSM approved amount for the drug
	31 to 83-day period	No coverage	You pay $20 copay	No coverage	No coverage
	84 to 90-day period	You pay $20 copay	You pay $20 copay	No coverage	No coverage
Tier 2 - Preferred brand-name drugs	1 to 30-day period	You pay $40 copay	You pay $40 copay	You pay $40 copay	You pay $40 copay plus an additional 25% of BCBSM approved amount for the drug
	31 to 83-day period	No coverage	You pay $80 copay	No coverage	No coverage
	84 to 90-day period	You pay $80 copay	You pay $80 copay	No coverage	No coverage

BCBSM Prescription Plan (Continued)

Benefits		90-day retail network pharmacy	*In-network mail order provider	In-network pharmacy (not part of the 90-day retail network)	Out-of-network pharmacy
Tier 3 - Nonpreferred brand-name drugs	1 to 30-day period	You pay $80 copay	You pay $80 copay	You pay $80 copay	You pay $80 copay plus an additional 25% of BCBSM approved amount for the drug
	31 to 83-day period	No coverage	You pay $160 copay	No coverage	No coverage
	84 to 90-day period	You pay $160 copay	You pay $160 copay	No coverage	No coverage
Note: Over-the-counter (OTC) drugs are drugs that do not require a prescription under federal law. They are identified by BCBSM as select prescription drugs. A prescription for the select OTC drug is required from the member's physician. In some cases, over-the-counter drugs may need to be tried before BCBSM will approve use of other drugs * BCBSM will not pay for drugs obtained from out-of-network mail order providers, including Internet providers.					
Covered Services					
FDA-approved drugs		100% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance	100% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance	100% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance	75% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance
Prescribed over-the- counter drugs - when covered by BCBSM		100% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance	100% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance	100% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance	75% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance
State-controlled drugs		100% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance	100% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance	100% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance	75% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance
FDA-approved **generic** and **select brand-name** prescription preventive drugs, supplements and vitamins as required by PPACA (non-self- administered drugs are not covered)		100% of approved amount	100% of approved amount	100% of approved amount	75% of approved amount
Other FDA-approved **brand-name** prescription preventive drugs, supplements and vitamins as required by PPACA (non-self-administered drugs are not covered)		100% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance	100% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance	100% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance	75% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance
Adult and childhood select preventive immunization as recommended by the USPSTF, ACIP, HRSA, or other sources as recognized by BCBSM that are in compliance with the provisions of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act		100% of approved amount	No coverage	100% of approved amount	75% of approved amount
FDA-approved generic and select brand name prescription contraceptive medication (non-self- administered drugs are not covered)		100% of approved amount	100% of approved amount	100% of approved amount	75% of approved amount
Other FDA-approved brand name prescription contraceptive medication (non-self-administered drugs are not covered)		100% of approved amount less plan copay/ coinsurance	100% of approved amount less plan copay/ coinsurance	100% of approved amount less plan copay/ coinsurance	75% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance
Disposable needles and syringes - when dispensed with insulin or other covered injectable legend drugs Note: Needles and syringes have no copay/ coinsurance.		100% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance for the insulin or other covered injectable legend drug	100% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance for the insulin or other covered injectable legend drug	100% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance for the insulin or other covered injectable legend drug	75% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance for the insulin or other covered injectable legend drug

* BCBSM will not pay for drugs obtained from out-of-network mail order providers, including Internet providers.

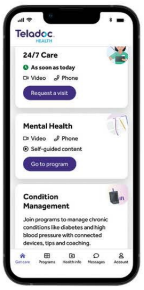
BCBSM Prescription Plan (Continued)

Benefits	90-day retail network pharmacy	*In-network mail order provider	In-network pharmacy (not part of the 90-day retail network)	Out-of-network pharmacy
Elective drugs Note: Elective lifestyle drugs are lifestyle drugs that treat sexual impotency or infertility, or help in weight loss. They are not designed to treat acute or chronic illnesses. These medications are prescribed for medical conditions that have no demonstrable physical harm if not treated. **(Smoking cessation drugs are not considered an elective lifestyle drug and are a payable benefit.)** BCBSM determines when a drug is an elective drug.	50% of approved amount	50% of approved amount	50% of approved amount	50% of approved amount

Features of your prescription drug plan	
Custom Drug List	A continually updated list of FDA-approved medications that represent each therapeutic class. The drugs on the list are chosen by the BCBSM Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee for their effectiveness, safety, uniqueness and cost efficiency. The goal of the drug list is to provide members with the greatest therapeutic value at the lowest possible cost. • **Tier 1 (generic)** - Tier 1 includes generic drugs made with the same active ingredients, available in the same strengths and dosage forms, and administered in the same way as equivalent brand-name drugs. They also require the lowest copay/coinsurance, making them the most cost-effective option for the treatment. • **Tier 2 (preferred brand)** - Tier 2 includes brand-name drugs from the Custom Drug List. Preferred brand name drugs are also safe and effective, but require a higher copay/coinsurance. • **Tier 3 (nonpreferred brand)** - Tier 3 contains brand-name drugs not included in Tier 2. These drugs may not have a proven record for safety or as high of a clinical value as Tier 1 or Tier 2 drugs. Members pay the highest copay/ coinsurance for these drugs.
Prior authorization/step therapy	A process that requires a physician to obtain approval from BCBSM **before** select prescription drugs (drugs identified by BCBSM as requiring preauthorization) will be covered. **Step Therapy**, an initial step in the "Prior Authorization" process, applies criteria to select drugs to determine if a less costly prescription drug may be used for the same drug therapy. Some over-the-counter medications may be covered under step therapy guidelines. This also applies to mail order drugs. Claims that do not meet Step Therapy criteria require preauthorization. Details about which drugs require preauthorization or step therapy are available online site at **bcbsm.com/pharmacy**.
Mandatory maximum allowable cost drugs	If your prescription is filled by an in-network pharmacy, and the pharmacist fills it with a brand-name drug for which a generic equivalent is available, you MUST pay the **difference** in cost between the BCBSM approved amount for the brand-name drug dispensed and the maximum allowable cost for the generic drug ***plus*** your applicable copay/ coinsurance regardless of whether you or your physician requests the brand-name drug. **Exception:** If your physician requests and receives authorization for a nonformulary brand-name drug with a generic equivalent from BCBSM and writes "Dispense as Written" or "DAW" on the prescription order, you pay only your applicable copay. **Note:** This MAC difference will not be applied toward your annual in-network deductible, nor your annual coinsurance/ copay maximum.
Quantity limits	To stay consistent with FDA approved labeling for drugs, some medications may have quantity limits.

Blue Cross Online Visits

Virtual care that's always there



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Virtual Care is included with your Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan and Blue Care Network health care plan.

24/7 CARE

Have a virtual visit with a U.S. board-certified doctor for minor illnesses such as colds, sore throats, urinary tract infections and pink eye. Visits are available for adults and children.

Medical visits are available 24/7, anywhere in the U.S., when your primary care provider isn't available. You don't need an appointment and the average wait time is 10 minutes. Prescriptions, if needed, can be sent to your preferred pharmacy.

MENTAL HEALTH

Through the Mental Health option, you can connect with a licensed therapist or U.S. board-certified psychiatrist when you're dealing with stressful situations or issues such as grief, anxiety and depression.

Mental health visits require an appointment, but many therapists and psychiatrists have evening and weekend availability.

SIGN UP TODAY

Visit bcbsm.com/virtualcare for a link to download the Teladoc Health app.

Family members ages 18 and older will need to create their own Virtual Care accounts. When updating or creating an account, choose your plan name and enter your member ID so your coverage is applied correctly. Call **1-800-835-2362** with any questions about your account or to arrange a telephone visit.

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All Virtual Care services from Teladoc Health are separate from virtual care other providers may offer. Remember to follow up with your primary care provider. Your plan may have copayments, deductibles and out-of-pocket costs.

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Blue Cross Fitness Your Way

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- **On your budget**
  - Only $29 a month, per person*
  - Requires a three-month commitment

  *Taxes may apply. Must be at least 18 years old.
- **On your time**
  - More than **10,000** national and local participating fitness locations including LA Fitness, Snap Fitness and Anytime Fitness
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  - 24/7 access to well-being support, health articles and online health coaching
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  - Stay motivated with social networking, rewards and the Daily Challenge
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3. Search for the Fitness Your Way deal, click *Redeem Now* then *Continue* to be directed to the Fitness Your Way home page
4. Once you're on the Fitness Your Way site, you can:
   - Search by ZIP code for participating locations
   - Review the *Frequently Asked Questions* before enrolling

You can also enroll by phone at 1-888-242-2060, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. in all U.S. time zones.Offer is subject to change at any time.

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Discounts with Blue365

Membership has its benefits

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan and Blue Care Network members can score big savings on a variety of health-related products and services.

Member discounts with Blue365 offers exclusive deals on things like:

- **Fitness and well-being:** Health magazines, fitness gear and gym memberships
- **Healthy eating:** Meal delivery kits and weight-loss programs
- **Lifestyle:** Travel and recreation
- **Personal care:** Lasik and eye care services, dental care and hearing aids

Cash in on discounts

Start saving today! Show your Blue Cross or Blue Care Network ID card at participating local retailers or use an offer code online.

You can view a full list of discount offers from your Blue Cross member account. To get started:

- Log in or register at **bcbsm.com** or the Blue Cross mobile app.
- Once you're logged in at **bcbsm.com**, select *Blue365® member discounts* from the *Health & Well-Being* tab.
- If you're on the Blue Cross mobile app, tap the menu icon (=), then *Discounts*.

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Discounts with Blue365 continued

Member discounts with Blue365

Take advantage of discounts from the businesses listed below and many more.

You can conveniently access discounts from any device — anytime, anywhere.

Blue Cross Blue Shield Blue Care Network of Michigan

Nonprofit corporations and independent licensees of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association

Program information valid as of May 2021.

The Blue365 program is brought to you by the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association. The Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association is an association of independent, locally operated Blue Cross and Blue Shield plans. Blue365 offers access to savings on items that members may purchase directly from independent vendors, which are different from items that are covered under health care plan policies with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan or Blue Care Network, its contracts with Medicare or any other applicable federal health care program. Neither Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, Blue Care Network nor the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association recommends, endorses, warrants or guarantees any specific vendor or item.

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Blue Cross Virtual Wellbeing

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VIRTUAL WELL-BEING

Blue Cross Virtual Well-Being offers webinars and resources to help develop and support a culture of well-being for your workforce, and to help your employees meet their overall well-being goals.

Employer webinars are held every Tuesday and focus on a variety of well-being topics with related content that can be downloaded to help engage employees.

Member webinars are held every Thursday and focus on ways to enhance personal well-being. Members can also participate in live, weekly meditation sessions, and watch on-demand Well-Being coach-guided yoga sessions, meditation and more.

- Virtual Well-Being is available to all Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan and Blue Care Network groups and members. Webinars are also available to nonmembers.
- All webinars begin at noon Eastern time and are 30 minutes or less, with time for questions at the end.
- Get ready-to-use resources to promote the program to your employees in the Blue Cross Virtual Well-Being toolkit in the *Health and well-being programs* folder at **bcbsm.com/engage**.
- Email any questions to **BlueCrossVirtualWell-Being@bcbsm.com**.

Register for upcoming webinars, watch past webinars or download well-being content at **bluecrossvirtualwellbeing.com.**

Important Notices Regarding Your Benefits Under the City of Berkley Health Plan

Federal law requires that employers provide specific disclosures to employees about their benefit plans and enrollment rights that may be available. Please review the information contained in this packet related to the following:

- Patient Protections Disclosure
- Women's Health & Cancer Rights Act
- Newborn's and Mother's Health Protection Act
- HIPAA Notice of Privacy Practices Reminder
- HIPAA Special Enrollment Rights
- Premium Assistance Under Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)
- Notice of Creditable Coverage

Patient Protections Disclosure

The City of Berkley Health Plan generally allows the designation of a primary care provider. You have the right to designate any primary care provider who participates in our network and who is available to accept you or your family members. For information on how to select a primary care provider, and for a list of the participating primary care providers, contact the number on the back of your ID card.

For children, you may designate a pediatrician as the primary care provider.

You do not need prior authorization from BCBSM or from any other person (including a primary care provider) in order to obtain access to obstetrical or gynecological care from a health care professional in our network who specializes in obstetrics or gynecology. The health care professional, however, may be required to comply with certain procedures, including obtaining prior authorization for certain services, following a pre-approved treatment plan, or procedures for making referrals. For a list of participating health care professionals who specialize in obstetrics or gynecology, contact the number on the back of your ID card.

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Women's Health & Cancer Rights Act

If you have had or are going to have a mastectomy, you may be entitled to certain benefits under the Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998 ("WHCRA"). For individuals receiving mastectomy-related benefits, coverage will be provided in a manner determined in consultation with the attending physician and the patient, for:

- All stages of reconstruction of the breast on which the mastectomy was performed;
- Surgery and reconstruction of the other breast to produce a symmetrical appearance;
- Prostheses; and
- Treatment of physical complications of the mastectomy, including lymphedema.

These benefits will be provided subject to the same deductibles and coinsurance applicable to other medical and surgical benefits provided under the plan. Therefore, the following deductibles and coinsurance apply:

BCBSM Preferred PPO Plan (Individual: Coinsurance - 50% for private duty nursing care, 20% for mental health care and substance abuse treatment and 20% for most other covered services and $500 deductible; Family: Coinsurance - 50% for private duty nursing care, 20% for mental health care and substance abuse treatment and 20% for most other covered services and $1,000 deductible)

If you would like more information on WHCRA benefits, please call your Plan Administrator at 248-658-3350 or mbaumgarten@berkleymich.net.

Newborn's and Mother's Health Protection Act

Group health plans and health insurance issuers generally may not, under Federal law, restrict benefits for any hospital length of stay in connection with childbirth for the mother or newborn child to less than 48 hours following a vaginal delivery, or less than 96 hours following a cesarean section. However, Federal law generally does not prohibit the mother's or newborn's attending provider, after consulting with the mother, from discharging the mother or her newborn earlier than 48 hours (or 96 hours as applicable). In any case, plans and issuers may not, under Federal law, require that a provider obtain authorization from the plan or insurance issuer for prescribing a length of stay not in excess of 48 hours (or 96 hours).

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Premium Assistance Under Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)

If you or your children are eligible for Medicaid or CHIP and you're eligible for health coverage from your employer, your state may have a premium assistance program that can help pay for coverage, using funds from their Medicaid or CHIP programs. If you or your children aren't eligible for Medicaid or CHIP, you won't be eligible for these premium assistance programs but you may be able to buy individual insurance coverage through the Health Insurance Marketplace. For more information, visit **www.healthcare.gov**.

If you or your dependents are already enrolled in Medicaid or CHIP and you live in a State listed below, contact your State Medicaid or CHIP office to find out if premium assistance is available.

If you or your dependents are NOT currently enrolled in Medicaid or CHIP, and you think you or any of your dependents might be eligible for either of these programs, contact your State Medicaid or CHIP office or dial **1-877-KIDS NOW** or **www.insurekidsnow.gov** to find out how to apply. If you qualify, ask your state if it has a program that might help you pay the premiums for an employer-sponsored plan.

If you or your dependents are eligible for premium assistance under Medicaid or CHIP, as well as eligible under your employer plan, your employer must allow you to enroll in your employer plan if you aren't already enrolled. This is called a "special enrollment" opportunity, and **you must request coverage within 60 days of being determined eligible for premium assistance**. If you have questions about enrolling in your employer plan, contact the Department of Labor at **www.askebsa.dol.gov** or call **1-866-444-EBSA (3272)**.

If you live in one of the following states, you may be eligible for assistance paying your employer health plan premiums. The following list of states is current as of January 31, 2024. Contact your State for more information on eligibility –

ALABAMA - Medicaid	**ALASKA - Medicaid**
Website: http://myalhipp.com/ Phone: 1-855-692-5447	The AK Health Insurance Premium Payment Program Website: http://myakhipp.com/ Phone: 1-866-251-4861 Email: CustomerService@MyAKHIPP.com Medicaid Eligibility: https://health.alaska.gov/dpa/Pages/default.aspx
ARKANSAS - Medicaid	**CALIFORNIA - Medicaid**
Website: http://myarhipp.com/ Phone: 1-855-MyARHIPP (855-692-7447)	Website: Health Insurance Premium Payment (HIPP) Program http://dhcs.ca.gov/hipp Phone: 916-445-8322 Fax: 916-440-5676 Email: hipp@dhcs.ca.gov
COLORADO - Health First Colorado (Colorado's Medicaid Program) & Child Health Plan Plus (CHP+)	**FLORIDA - Medicaid**
Health First Colorado Website: https://www.healthfirstcolorado.com/ Health First Colorado Member Contact Center: 1-800-221-3943/ State Relay 711 CHP+: https://hcpf.colorado.gov/child-health-plan-plus CHP+ Customer Service: 1-800-359-1991/ State Relay 711 Health Insurance Buy-In Program (HIBI): https://www.mycohibi.com/ HIBI Customer Service: 1-855-692-6442	Website: https://www.flmedicaidtplrecovery.com/flmedicaidtplrecov ery.com/hipp/index.html Phone: 1-877-357-3268

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GEORGIA - Medicaid	INDIANA - Medicaid
GA HIPP Website: https://medicaid.georgia.gov/health-insurance-premium-payment-program-hipp Phone: 678-564-1162, Press 1 GA CHIPRA Website: https://medicaid.georgia.gov/programs/third-party-liability/childrens-health-insurance-program-reauthorization- act-2009-chipra Phone: (678) 564-1162, Press 2	Healthy Indiana Plan for low-income adults 19-64 Website: http://www.in.gov/fssa/hip/ Phone: 1-877-438-4479 All other Medicaid Website: https://www.in.gov/medicaid/ Phone 1-800-457-4584
IOWA - Medicaid and CHIP (Hawki)	**KANSAS - Medicaid**
Medicaid Website: https://dhs.iowa.gov/ime/members Medicaid Phone: 1-800-338-8366 Hawki Website: http://dhs.iowa.gov/Hawki Hawki Phone: 1-800-257-8563 HIPP Website: https://dhs.iowa.gov/ime/members/medicaid- a-to-z/hipp HIPP Phone: 1-888-346-9562	Website: https://www.kancare.ks.gov/ Phone: 1-800-792-4884 HIPP Phone: 1-800-766-9012
KENTUCKY - Medicaid	**LOUISIANA - Medicaid**
Kentucky Integrated Health Insurance Premium Payment Program (KI-HIPP) Website: https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dms/member/Pages/kihipp.aspx Phone: 1-855-459-6328 Email: KIHIPP.PROGRAM@ky.gov KCHIP Website: https://kidshealth.ky.gov/Pages/index.aspx Phone: 1-877-524-4718 Kentucky Medicaid Website: https://chfs.ky.gov	Website: www.medicaid.la.gov or www.ldh.la.gov/lahipp Phone: 1-888-342-6207 (Medicaid hotline) or 1-855-618-5488 (LaHIPP)
MAINE - Medicaid	**MASSACHUSETTS - Medicaid and CHIP**
Enrollment Website: https://www.mymaineconnection.gov/benefits/s/?language=e n_US Phone: 1-800-442-6003 TTY: Maine relay 711 Private Health Insurance Premium Webpage: https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/ofi/applications-forms Phone: 1-800-977-6740 TTY: Maine relay 711	Website: https://www.mass.gov/masshealth/pa Phone: 1-800-862-4840 TTY: (617) 886-8102
MINNESOTA - Medicaid	**MISSOURI - Medicaid**
Website: https://mn.gov/dhs/people-we-serve/children-and- families/health-care/health-care-programs/programs-and- services/other-insurance.jsp Phone: 1-800-657-3739	Website: http://www.dss.mo.gov/mhd/participants/pages/hipp.htm Phone: 573-751-2005
MONTANA - Medicaid	**NEBRASKA - Medicaid**
Website: http://dphhs.mt.gov/MontanaHealthcarePrograms/HIPP Phone: 1-800-694-3084 Email: HHSHIPPProgram@mt.gov	Website: http://www.ACCESSNebraska.ne.gov Phone: 1-855-632-7633 Lincoln: 402-473-7000 Omaha: 402-595-1178

NEVADA - Medicaid	NEW HAMPSHIRE - Medicaid
Medicaid Website: http://dhcfp.nv.gov Medicaid Phone: 1-800-992-0900	Website: https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/programs- services/medicaid/health-insurance-premium-program Phone: 603-271-5218 Toll free number for the HIPP program: 1-800-852-3345, ext. 5218
NEW JERSEY - Medicaid and CHIP	**NEW YORK - Medicaid**
Medicaid Website: http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/ dmahs/clients/medicaid/ Medicaid Phone: 609-631-2392 CHIP Website: http://www.njfamilycare.org/index.html CHIP Phone: 1-800-701-0710	Website: https://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/ Phone: 1-800-541-2831
NORTH CAROLINA - Medicaid	**NORTH DAKOTA - Medicaid**
Website: https://medicaid.ncdhhs.gov/ Phone: 919-855-4100	Website: http://www.nd.gov/dhs/services/medicalserv/medicaid/ Phone: 1-844-854-4825
OKLAHOMA - Medicaid and CHIP	**OREGON - Medicaid**
Website: http://www.insureoklahoma.org Phone: 1-888-365-3742	Website: http://healthcare.oregon.gov/Pages/index.aspx http://www.oregonhealthcare.gov/index-es.html Phone: 1-800-699-9075
PENNSYLVANIA - Medicaid and CHIP	**RHODE ISLAND - Medicaid and CHIP**
Website: https://www.dhs.pa.gov/Services/Assistance/Pages/HIPP-Program.aspx Phone: 1-800-692-7462 CHIP Website: Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) (pa.gov) CHIP Phone: 1-800-986-KIDS (5437)	Website: http://www.eohhs.ri.gov/ Phone: 1-855-697-4347, or 401-462-0311 (Direct RIte Share Line)
SOUTH CAROLINA - Medicaid	**SOUTH DAKOTA - Medicaid**
Website: https://www.scdhhs.gov Phone: 1-888-549-0820	Website: http://dss.sd.gov Phone: 1-888-828-0059
TEXAS - Medicaid	**UTAH - Medicaid and CHIP**
Website: http://gethipptexas.com/ Phone: 1-800-440-0493	Medicaid Website: https://medicaid.utah.gov/ CHIP Website: http://health.utah.gov/chip Phone: 1-877-543-7669
VERMONT - Medicaid	**VIRGINIA - Medicaid and CHIP**
Website: Health Insurance Premium Payment (HIPP) Program | Department of Vermont Health Access Phone: 1-800-250-8427	Website: https://www.coverva.org/en/famis-select https://www.coverva.org/en/hipp Medicaid/CHIP Phone: 1-800-432-5924
WASHINGTON - Medicaid	**WEST VIRGINIA - Medicaid and CHIP**
Website: https://www.hca.wa.gov/ Phone: 1-800-562-3022	Website: https://dhhr.wv.gov/bms/ http://mywvhipp.com/ Medicaid Phone: 304-558-1700 CHIP Toll-free phone: 1-855-MyWVHIPP (1-855-699-8447)
WISCONSIN - Medicaid and CHIP	**WYOMING - Medicaid**
Website:https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/badgercareplus/p-10095.htm Phone: 1-800-362-3002	Website: https://health.wyo.gov/healthcarefin/medicaid/programs-and-eligibility/ Phone: 1-800-251-1269

To see if any other states have added a premium assistance program since January 31, 2024, or for more information on special enrollment rights, contact either:

U.S. Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration
www.dol.gov/agencies/ebsa
1-866-444-EBSA (3272)

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
www.cms.hhs.gov
1-877-267-2323, Menu Option 4, Ext. 61565

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OMB Control Number 1210-0137 (expires 1/31/2026)

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HIPAA Notice of Privacy Practices Reminder

Protecting Your Health Information Privacy Rights
City of Berkley is committed to the privacy of your health information. The administrators of the City of Berkley Health Plan (the "Plan") use strict privacy standards to protect your health information from unauthorized use or disclosure.

The Plan's policies protecting your privacy rights and your rights under the law are described in the Plan's Notice of Privacy Practices. You may receive a copy of the Notice of Privacy Practices by contacting Crystal VanVleck – City Manager at 248-658-3350 or cvanvleck@berkleymi.gov.

HIPAA Special Enrollment Rights

City of Berkley Health Plan Notice of Your HIPAA Special Enrollment Rights

Our records show that you are eligible to participate in the City of Berkley Health Plan (to actually participate, you must complete an enrollment form and pay part of the premium through payroll deduction).

A federal law called HIPAA requires that we notify you about an important provision in the plan - your right to enroll in the plan under its "special enrollment provision" if you acquire a new dependent, or if you decline coverage under this plan for yourself or an eligible dependent while other coverage is in effect and later lose that other coverage for certain qualifying reasons.

Loss of Other Coverage (Excluding Medicaid or a State Children's Health Insurance Program). If you decline enrollment for yourself or for an eligible dependent (including your spouse) while other health insurance or group health plan coverage is in effect, you may be able to enroll yourself and your dependents in this plan if you or your dependents lose eligibility for that other coverage (or if the employer stops contributing toward your or your dependents' other coverage). However, you must request enrollment within 30 days after your or your dependents' other coverage ends (or after the employer stops contributing toward the other coverage).

Loss of Coverage for Medicaid or a State Children's Health Insurance Program. If you decline enrollment for yourself or for an eligible dependent (including your spouse) while Medicaid coverage or coverage under a state children's health insurance program is in effect, you may be able to enroll yourself and your dependents in this plan if you or your dependents lose eligibility for that other coverage. However, you must request enrollment within 60 days after your or your dependents' coverage ends under Medicaid or a state children's health insurance program.

New Dependent by Marriage, Birth, Adoption, or Placement for Adoption. If you have a new dependent as a result of marriage, birth, adoption, or placement for adoption, you may be able to enroll yourself and your new dependents. However, you must request enrollment within 30 days after the marriage, birth, adoption, or placement for adoption.

Eligibility for Premium Assistance Under Medicaid or a State Children's Health Insurance Program – If you or your dependents (including your spouse) become eligible for a state premium assistance subsidy from Medicaid or through a state children's health insurance program with respect to coverage under this plan, you may be able to enroll yourself and your dependents in this plan. However, you must request enrollment within 60 days after your or your dependents' determination of eligibility for such assistance.

To request special enrollment or to obtain more information about the plan's special enrollment provisions, contact Crystal VanVleck – City Manager at 248-658-3350 or cvanvleck@berkleymi.gov.

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Important Warning

If you decline enrollment for yourself or for an eligible dependent, you must complete our form to decline coverage. On the form, you are required to state that coverage under another group health plan or other health insurance coverage (including Medicaid or a state children's health insurance program) is the reason for declining enrollment, and you are asked to identify that coverage. If you do not complete the form, you and your dependents will not be entitled to special enrollment rights upon a loss of other coverage as described above, but you will still have special enrollment rights when you have a new dependent by marriage, birth, adoption, or placement for adoption, or by virtue of gaining eligibility for a state premium assistance subsidy from Medicaid or through a state children's health insurance program with respect to coverage under this plan, as described above. If you do not gain special enrollment rights upon a loss of other coverage, you cannot enroll yourself or your dependents in the plan at any time other than the plan's annual open enrollment period, unless special enrollment rights apply because of a new dependent by marriage, birth, adoption, or placement for adoption, or by virtue of gaining eligibility for a state premium assistance subsidy from Medicaid or through a state children's health insurance program with respect to coverage under this plan.

Important Notices Regarding Your Benefits Under the City of Berkley Health Plan

Notice of Creditable Coverage

Important Notice from City of Berkley

About Your Prescription Drug Coverage and Medicare

Please read this notice carefully and keep it where you can find it. This notice has information about your current prescription drug coverage with City of Berkley and about your options under Medicare's prescription drug coverage. This information can help you decide whether or not you want to join a Medicare drug plan. If you are considering joining, you should compare your current coverage, including which drugs are covered at what cost, with the coverage and costs of the plans offering Medicare prescription drug coverage in your area. Information about where you can get help to make decisions about your prescription drug coverage is at the end of this notice.

There are two important things you need to know about your current coverage and Medicare's prescription drug coverage:

1. **Medicare prescription drug coverage became available in 2006 to everyone with Medicare. You can get this coverage if you join a Medicare Prescription Drug Plan or join a Medicare Advantage Plan (like an HMO or PPO) that offers prescription drug coverage. All Medicare drug plans provide at least a standard level of coverage set by Medicare. Some plans may also offer more coverage for a higher monthly premium.**
2. **City of Berkley has determined that the prescription drug coverage offered by the medical plan is, on average for all plan participants, expected to pay out as much as standard Medicare prescription drug coverage pays and is therefore considered Creditable Coverage. Because your existing coverage is Creditable Coverage, you can keep this coverage and not pay a higher premium (a penalty) if you later decide to join a Medicare drug plan.**

When Can You Join a Medicare Drug Plan?

You can join a Medicare drug plan when you first become eligible for Medicare and each year from October 15th to December 7th.

However, if you lose your current creditable prescription drug coverage, through no fault of your own, you will also be eligible for a two (2) month Special Enrollment Period (SEP) to join a Medicare drug plan.

What Happens to Your Current Coverage if You Decide to Join a Medicare Drug Plan?

If you decide to join a Medicare drug plan, your current coverage may be affected.

Summary of Options for Medicare Eligible Employees (and/or Dependents):

- Continue medical and prescription drug coverage and do not elect Medicare D coverage. **Impact** – your claims continue to be paid by City of Berkley health plan.
- Continue medical and prescription drug coverage and elect Medicare D coverage. **Impact** - As an active employee (or dependent of an active employee) the City of Berkley health plan continues to pay primary on your claims (pays before Medicare D).
- Drop the coverage (including medical as they cannot be elected independently) and elect Medicare Part D coverage. **Impact** – Medicare is your primary coverage. You will not be able to rejoin the **City of Berkley** health plan unless you experience a family circumstance change or until the next open enrollment period.

If you do decide to join a Medicare drug plan and drop your current coverage, be aware that you and your dependents will not be able to get this coverage back unless you experience a family status change or until the next open enrollment period.

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When Will You Pay a Higher Premium (Penalty) to Join a Medicare Drug Plan?

You should also know that if you drop or lose your current coverage with City of Berkley and don't join a Medicare drug plan within 63 continuous days after your current coverage ends, you may pay a higher premium (a penalty) to join a Medicare drug plan later.

If you go 63 continuous days or longer without creditable prescription drug coverage, your monthly premium may go up by at least 1% of the Medicare base beneficiary premium per month for every month that you did not have that coverage. For example, if you go nineteen months without creditable coverage, your premium may consistently be at least 19% higher than the Medicare base beneficiary premium. You may have to pay this higher premium (a penalty) as long as you have Medicare prescription drug coverage. In addition, you may have to wait until the following October to join.

For More Information About This Notice or Your Current Prescription Drug Coverage…

Contact the person listed below for further information. **NOTE:** You'll get this notice each year. You will also get it before the next period you can join a Medicare drug plan, and if this coverage through City of Berkley changes. You also may request a copy of this notice at any time.

For More Information About Your Options Under Medicare Prescription Drug Coverage…

More detailed information about Medicare plans that offer prescription drug coverage is in the "Medicare & You" handbook. You'll get a copy of the handbook in the mail every year from Medicare. You may also be contacted directly by Medicare drug plans.

For more information about Medicare prescription drug coverage:

- Visit www.medicare.gov
- Call your State Health Insurance Assistance Program (see the inside back cover of your copy of the "Medicare & You" handbook for their telephone number) for personalized help
- Call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227). TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048.

If you have limited income and resources, extra help paying for Medicare prescription drug coverage is available. For information about this extra help, visit Social Security on the web at www.socialsecurity.gov, or call them at 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778) .

Remember: Keep this Creditable Coverage Notice. If you decide to join one of the Medicare drug plans, you may be required to provide a copy of this notice when you join to show whether or not you have maintained creditable coverage and, therefore, whether or not you are required to pay a higher premium (a penalty).

Date:	**July 01, 2025**
Name of Entity/Sender:	**City of Berkley**
Contact—Position/Office:	**Crystal VanVleck-City Manager**
Office Address:	**3338 Coolidge Hwy** **Berkley, Michigan 48072-1636** **United States**
Phone Number:	**248-658-3350**

The information contained in this summary should in no way be construed as a promise or guarantee of employment or benefits. The company reserves the right to modify, amend, suspend, or terminate any plan at any time for any reason. If there is a conflict between the information in this notice and the actual plan policies, the policies will always govern. Complete details about the benefits can be obtained by reviewing current plan descriptions, contracts, certificates, and policies available from the HR Department.

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