

Life is Full of Important Choices

Let us help you make the right choice for your Medicare insurance.



Your Guide to Medicare Supplement Insurance Plans^{*} from **Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas**, **a Division of Health Care Service Corporation**, a Mutual Legal Reserve Company

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How Does Medicare Work?

There are four parts to Medicare, each providing different types of health care services. Medicare Supplement Insurance is often added on top of Parts A, B, and D to form a more complete medical coverage.



several Medicare Supplement insurance plans, each with different benefits and premiums, so you can choose the plan that works best for your specific needs. Medicare Supplement insurance plans are identified by the separate letters A, B, C, D, F, High Deductible F, G, High Deductible G, K, L, M, and N. The basic benefits of each plan are exactly alike for all insurance companies.

If you already are a member of a Medicare Advantage plan, you cannot purchase a Medicare Supplement Insurance plan.

What Are My Plan Options and Coverage?

Medicare Supplement Insurance Plans are identified by the separate letters A, B, C, D, F, High Deductible F, G, High Deductible G, K, L, M and N. Each letter represents a different level of benefits. The chart below shows an overview of the different plan levels available from Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas.

	Basic Benefit Option	Comprehensive Plan Option	Budget-Conscious Plan Options			
	Plan A	Plan G	High Deductible Plan G ⁴	Plan K⁵	Plan L⁵	Plan N
Basic Benefits	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	100%/50%	100%/75%	copay applies ⁶
Skilled Nursing Coinsurance		\checkmark	\checkmark	50%	75%	\checkmark
Part A Deductible		\checkmark	\checkmark	50%	75%	\checkmark
Part B Excess ¹		\checkmark	\checkmark			
Foreign Travel Emergency Care ²		\checkmark	\checkmark			\checkmark
Annual Out-of- Pocket Limit ³				\$5,880	\$2,940	
Routine Eye Exam		\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark

Plans F and High Deductible F⁴ are also available but only if you were eligible for Medicare before January 1, 2020.



Household Discount

You may be eligible for a household discount if at least two members reside in the same household and are enrolled in a Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas Medicare Supplement Insurance Plan effective on or after January 1, 2020.

Learn more about your Medicare Supplement Insurance options at **www.getbluetx.com/medsupp**

What Does a Medicare Supplement Insurance Plan Cover?

All Medicare Supplement insurance plans help provide coverage for some of the costs that Medicare doesn't pay, including:

Copayments

An amount you may be required to pay as your share of the cost for a medical service or supply, like a doctor's visit, hospital outpatient visit, or prescription. A copayment is usually a set amount, rather than a percentage. For example, you might pay \$10 or \$20 for a doctor's visit or prescription.

Coinsurance

An amount you may be required to pay as your share of the cost for services after you pay any deductibles. Coinsurance is usually a percentage (for example, 20%).

Deductibles

The amount you must pay for health care before Original Medicare begins to pay.

Policy Numbers: Plan A: UWMSP(A)-2019, Plan F: UWMSP(F)-2019, Plan High Deductible F: UWMSP(F-HD)-2019, Plan G: UWMSP(G)-2019, Plan High Deductible G: UWMSP(G-HD)-2020, Plan K: UWMSP(K)-2019, Plan L: UWMSP(L)-2019, Plan N: UWMSP(N)-2019.

- ¹ Not to exceed any charge limitation established by the Medicare program or state law.
- ² Plans cover medically necessary emergency care services needed immediately because of an injury or illness of sudden and unexpected onset, beginning during the first 60 days of each trip outside the USA. There is a deductible of \$250 and a lifetime maximum benefit of \$50,000.
- ³ The out-of-pocket annual limit may increase each year for inflation (2020 limits shown).
- ⁴ Plans F and G also have a high deductible option, which require first paying a plan deductible of \$2,340 before the plan begins to pay. Once the plan deductible is met, the plan pays 100% of covered services for the rest of the calendar year. High deductible plan G does not cover the Medicare Part B deductible. However, high deductible plans F and G count your payment of the Medicare Part B deductible toward meeting the plan deductible.
- ⁵ Plans K and L provide for different cost-sharing for items and services than the other plans we offer. Once you reach the annual limit, the plan pays 100% of the Medicare copayments, coinsurance and deductibles for the rest of the calendar year. The out-of-pocket annual limit does NOT include charges from your provider that exceed Medicare approved amounts, called "excess charges." You will be responsible for paying excess charges.
- ⁶ Plan N requires a copayment of up to \$20 for office visits and a copayment of up to \$50 for ER.
- ⁷ Source: Continuous Tracking Program 2018; DSS Research, HCSC
- ⁸ TruHearing[®] is not insurance. TruHearing[®] is a registered trademark of TruHearing, Inc., which is an independent company providing discounts on hearing aids.

Why Choose Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas?

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas is a name you can trust, and has been serving the people of Texas for more than 80 years. Our Blue Medicare Supplement insurance plans offer in-depth coverage to help protect your health while also offering our high-level customer service and additional benefits.

Here Are 10 Great Reasons to Choose Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas:

- A choice of six Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas Medicare Supplement insurance plans to help you cover Medicare gaps.
- 2. Virtually hassle-free claims processing.
- **3.** A name recognized by doctors and specialists everywhere.
- **4.** Reliable coverage from a respected industry leader.
- **5.** Helpful individual service from Medicare Supplement insurance agents.
- 6. 99 percent of our subscribers say they are satisfied.⁷

- Blue Access for MembersSM (BAMSM) is a secure member website where you can find more about your policy, see if claims have been completed, sign up for alerts about claim activity, print a temporary ID card, view up to 18 months of claim history, and more.
- 8. More than 80 years of experience, know-how, and service to Texas residents.
- 9. Discounts on hearing aids through our partnership with TruHearing®⁸.
- **10.** Easy, online application is available.



The best time to buy a Medicare Supplement insurance policy is around the time you turn 65. You have guaranteed acceptance during the six-month Open Enrollment Period that begins on the first day of the month in which you turn 65 and are enrolled in Medicare Part B. If you are under age 65, have Medicare Part A and are within the six months following your enrollment for Medicare Part B, your acceptance is guaranteed for Plan A. If you are under age 65 and on Medicare, you will also have a six-month Open Enrollment Period when you reach age 65, beginning on the first day of the month in which you turn 65. In any scenario, you must have Medicare Part B to be eligible for a Medicare Supplement insurance policy.



Make the Right Choice for Your Peace of Mind.

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