TRAVEL RIDER

Committed to Healthcare Access

BlueCross and BlueShield of VermontTM understands that access to healthcare can come with very personal and difficult decision making. Needing to travel to receive the care should not be a barrier or a burden for a member. The Travel Rider will reimburse a member up to \$2,500 in qualified travel expenses.

Abortion Services and Gender Affirming Care Travel Benefit – Rider Option for Group Accounts

Category	Benefit
Eligibility	 Travel Rider for covered services when the member is in a state where a law precludes or limits Abortion and/or Gender Affirming Services. There are no radius requirements however you need to be residing in a state where the service is precluded or limited by law.
Member Cost Share	 For members in an HDHP that is HSA compatible deductible will apply. This will accumulate to out-of-pocket maximum when cost share (deductible) is required for members in HDHP.
Benefit Maximum	• \$2,500 annual benefit.
Travel	 Coverage for air, train, bus, taxi travel, tolls, parking, mileage, rental car & hotel/motel consistent with IRS PUB 502 limitations which will include reimbursement rate for either member or member + a traveling companion subject to terms and conditions of the member contract. No daily travel maximum. Member claims form submission is only mechanism for reimbursement.
Lodging	 Lodging is limited to \$50 per person per night (up to \$100 if a companion travels).
Meals	· Not covered.
Companion(s)	 Travel/hotel for companion will be included (limited to 1 companion).
Non-Covered Expenses	 Non-covered expenses include meals, alcohol, tobacco, entertainment/souvenirs, expenses for other persons other than patient (see note above regarding companion), personal care items such as toiletries, telephone calls, taxes, tips/ gratuity, childcare expenses, lost wages, clothing, travel insurance.
Other	 There will be no Prior Authorization for abortion services; Prior Authorization is currently required for gender affirming care. Network requirements for medical care will apply. Travel rider reimbursement will always process at the preferred level of benefit subject to terms and conditions of member contract.











