

\$300/\$600 deductible, 20% coinsurance

Pharmacy: \$5 copayment/\$20 copayment/\$45 copayment

Summary of Benefits and Coverage: What this Plan Covers & What You Pay for Covered Services

Coverage Period Begins: 01-01-2025
Coverage For: VSTRS **Plan Type:** Indemnity




The Summary of Benefits and Coverage (SBC) document will help you choose a health [plan](#). The SBC shows you how you and the [plan](#) would share the cost for covered health care services. **NOTE:** Information about the cost of this [plan](#) (called the [premium](#)) will be provided separately. This is only a summary. For more information about your coverage, or to get a copy of the complete terms of coverage, www.vehi.org/vstrs-health-plan-information. For general definitions of common terms, such as [allowed amount](#), [balance billing](#), [coinsurance](#), [copayment](#), [deductible](#), [provider](#), or other underlined terms, see the Glossary. You can view the Glossary at www.healthcare.gov/sbc-glossary or call (800) 255-4550 to request a copy.

| Important Questions | Answers | Why This Matters: |
|---|---|---|
| What is the overall deductible ? | \$300 individual / \$600 family. Coinsurance and copayments do not apply to the deductible . | Generally, you must pay all of the costs from providers up to the deductible amount each plan year before this plan begins to pay. If you have other family members on the plan , each family member must meet their own individual deductible until the total amount of deductible expenses paid by all family members meets the overall family deductible . We apply any portion of your deductible that you pay for services occurring after September 30 each plan year towards your next year's deductible as well. Your plan year: 01-01-2025 through 12-31-2025. |
| Are there services covered before you meet your deductible ? | Yes, prescription drugs | This plan covers some items and services even if you haven't yet met the deductible amount. But a copayment or coinsurance may apply. |
| Are there other deductibles for specific services? | No. There are no other specific deductibles . | You don't have to meet deductibles for specific services. |
| What is the out-of-pocket limit for this plan ? | \$600 individual / \$1,200 family. Prescription drugs : \$600 individual / \$1,200 family. | The out-of-pocket limit is the most you could pay in a plan year for covered services. If you have other family members in this plan , they have to meet their own out-of-pocket limits until the overall family out-of-pocket limit has been met. |
| What is not included in the out-of-pocket limit ? | Copayments on certain services, premiums, balance-billing charges, and health care this plan doesn't cover. | Even though you pay these expenses, they don't count toward the out-of-pocket limit . |
| Will you pay less if you use a network provider ? | Yes. See www.bluecrossvt.org/find-doctor or call (800) 255-4550 for a list of network providers. | This plan uses a provider network . You will pay less if you use a provider in the plan's network . You will pay the most if you use an out-of-network provider , and you might receive a bill from a provider for the difference between the provider's charge and what your plan pays (balance billing). Be aware, your network provider might use an out-of-network provider for some services (such as lab work). For certain emergency services and/or services at an in-network hospital or surgical center (as explained below), the maximum amount you may pay is the plan's in network cost-sharing amount. In these circumstances, the providers cannot balance bill you. Check with your provider before you get services. |

*Deductible applies to these services.

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| Do you need a referral to see a specialist ? | No. | You can see the specialist you choose without a referral . |

 All [copayment](#) and [coinsurance](#) costs shown in this chart are after your [deductible](#) has been met, if a [deductible](#) applies.

| Common Medical Event | Services You May Need | What You Will Pay | | Limitations, Exceptions, & Other Important Information |
|--|--|---|--|---|
| | | Participating Provider (You will pay the least) | Non-Participating Provider (You will pay the most) | |
| If you visit a health care provider's office or clinic | Primary care visit to treat an injury or illness | 20% coinsurance * for primary care physician and mental health / substance use | 20% coinsurance * for primary care physician and mental health / substance use | Some services require prior approval . For clarification on mental health services visit www.bluecrossvt.org/members/coverage . |
| | Specialist visit | 20% coinsurance * | 20% coinsurance * | Some services require prior approval . |
| | Other practitioner office visit | 20% coinsurance * for chiropractic care, nutritional counseling, outpatient physical, speech and occupational therapy | 20% coinsurance * for outpatient physical, speech and occupational therapy; chiropractic care and nutritional counseling not covered | Some services require prior approval . Outpatient physical, speech and occupational therapy benefits are covered up to 30 visits combined. |
| | Preventive care/Screening/Immunization | 20% coinsurance * | 20% coinsurance * | You may have to pay for services that aren't preventive. Ask your provider if the services needed are preventive. Then check what your plan will pay for. For clarification on preventive services visit www.bluecrossvt.org/members/coverage . |
| If you have a test | Diagnostic test (x-ray, blood work) | 20% coinsurance * for office-based and outpatient hospital | 20% coinsurance * for office-based and outpatient hospital | Some services require prior approval . |
| | Imaging (CT/PET scans, MRIs) | 20% coinsurance * | 20% coinsurance * | Most services require prior approval . |
| If you need drugs to treat your illness or condition More information about prescription drug | Generic drugs | \$5 copayment / \$15 copayment | Not covered | All generic and brand diabetic prescription drugs and diabetic supplies when obtained through your prescription drug benefit are covered at 100%. Up to a 30-day supply / 90-day supply for most prescription drugs. Some prescriptions require prior approval . |

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| | | Participating Provider (You will pay the least) | Non-Participating Provider (You will pay the most) | |
| <p>coverage is available at www.bluecrossvt.org/pharmacies-medications. This plan follows the National Performance Formulary (NPF).</p> | Preferred brand drugs | \$20 copayment / \$60 copayment | Not covered | Up to a 30-day supply / 90-day supply for most prescription drugs. Some prescriptions require prior approval . |
| | Non-preferred brand drugs | \$45 copayment / \$135 copayment | Not covered | Up to a 30-day supply / 90-day supply for most prescription drugs. Some prescriptions require prior approval . |
| | Wellness drugs | Wellness prescription drugs process the same as any other prescription. | Not covered | Up to a 30-day supply / 90-day supply for most prescription drugs. Some prescriptions require prior approval . |
| <p>If you have outpatient surgery</p> | Facility fee (e.g., ambulatory surgery center) | 20% coinsurance * | 20% coinsurance * | Some services require prior approval . If you see an out-of-network provider at an in-network facility, the most the provider may bill you is the in-network cost-sharing amount. |
| | Physician/surgeon fees | 20% coinsurance * | 20% coinsurance * | Some services require prior approval . If you see an out-of-network provider at an in-network facility, the most the provider may bill you is the in-network cost-sharing amount. |
| <p>If you need immediate medical attention</p> | Emergency room care | 20% coinsurance * for facility and physician services | 20% coinsurance * for facility and physician services | Must meet emergency criteria. If you have an emergency medical condition, and get emergency services from an out-of-network provider or facility, the maximum you may pay is the standard in-network cost-sharing amount and you cannot be balance billed. |
| | Emergency medical transportation | 20% coinsurance * | 20% coinsurance * | Must meet emergency criteria. If you have an emergency medical condition, and get emergency services from an out-of-network provider or facility, the maximum you may pay is the standard in-network cost-sharing amount and you cannot be balance billed. |

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| | | Participating Provider (You will pay the least) | Non-Participating Provider (You will pay the most) | |
| | Urgent care | 20% coinsurance * | 20% coinsurance * | Applies to urgent care facilities. If you have an emergency medical condition, and get emergency services from an out-of-network provider or facility, the maximum you may pay is the standard in-network cost-sharing amount and you cannot be balance billed. |
| If you have a hospital stay | Facility fee (e.g., hospital room) | 20% coinsurance * | 20% coinsurance * | Out-of-state inpatient care requires prior approval . If you receive care from an out-of-network provider at an in-network hospital or ambulatory surgical center, the most the provider may bill you is the in-network cost-sharing amount and the provider cannot balance bill you. |
| | Physician/surgeon fees | 20% coinsurance * | 20% coinsurance * | Some services require prior approval . If you receive care from an out-of-network provider at an in-network hospital or ambulatory surgical center, the most the provider may bill you is the in-network cost-sharing amount and the provider cannot balance bill you. |
| If you need mental health, behavioral health, or substance abuse services | Outpatient services | 20% coinsurance * | 20% coinsurance * | Some services require prior approval . |
| | Inpatient services | 20% coinsurance * | 20% coinsurance * | Includes facility and physician fees. Requires prior approval . |
| If you are pregnant | Office visits | 20% coinsurance * | 20% coinsurance * | Depending on the type of services, a copayment , coinsurance , or deductible may apply. Maternity care may include tests and services described elsewhere in the SBC (i.e. ultrasound.). For a list of services visit www.bluecrossvt.org/members/coverage . |
| | Childbirth/delivery professional services | 20% coinsurance * | 20% coinsurance * | Out-of-state inpatient care requires prior approval . |
| | Childbirth/delivery facility services | 20% coinsurance * | 20% coinsurance * | Out-of-state inpatient care requires prior approval . |

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| If you need help recovering or have other special health needs | Home health care | 20% coinsurance * | 20% coinsurance * | Home infusion therapy requires prior approval . Outpatient physical, speech and occupational therapy benefits are covered up to 30 visits combined. |
| | Rehabilitation services | 20% coinsurance * inpatient; 20% coinsurance * cardiac / pulmonary services | 20% coinsurance * inpatient; cardiac / pulmonary services not covered | Inpatient rehabilitation services require prior approval . |
| | Habilitation services | 20% coinsurance * for inpatient services | 20% coinsurance * for inpatient services | Requires prior approval . Outpatient physical, speech and occupational therapy benefits are covered up to 30 visits combined. |
| | Skilled nursing care (facility) | 20% coinsurance * | Not covered | Requires prior approval . |
| | Durable medical equipment (including supplies) | 20% coinsurance * | 20% coinsurance * | May require prior approval . |
| | Hospice services | 20% coinsurance * | 20% coinsurance * | None |
| If your child needs dental or eye care | Eye exam | Not covered | Not covered | None |
| | Glasses | Not covered | Not covered | None |
| | Dental check-up | Not covered | Not covered | None |

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Excluded Services & Other Covered Services:

Services Your Plan Generally Does NOT Cover (Check your policy or plan document for more information and a list of any other excluded services.)

- Acupuncture
- Cosmetic Surgery (except with prior approval for reconstruction)
- Dental care (child and adult)
- Infertility Medications
- Long-term care
- Routine eye care
- Sexual dysfunction drugs
- Weight loss programs

Other Covered Services (Limitations may apply to these services. This isn't a complete list. Please see your plan document.)

- Abortion
- Bariatric surgery
- Chiropractic care (requires prior approval after 12 visits)
- Hearing aids (covered up to one per ear every three years)
- Non-emergency care when traveling outside the U.S. (www.bluecrossvt.org/members/coverage)
- Private-duty nursing (covered up to 14 hours per plan year)
- Routine foot care

Your Rights to Continue Coverage:

There are agencies that can help if you want to continue your coverage after it ends. The contact information for those agencies is: Department of Labor's Employee Benefits Security Administration at (866) 444-EBSA (3272) or www.dol.gov/ebsa/healthreform, or the Department of Health and Human Services at (877) 267-2323 x61565 or www.cciio.cms.gov. You may also contact the plan at (800) 247-2583. Other coverage options may be available to you, too, including buying individual insurance coverage through the [Health Insurance Marketplace](#). For more information about the [Marketplace](#), visit www.HealthCare.gov or call (800) 318-2596.

Your Grievance and Appeals Rights:

There are agencies that can help if you have a complaint against your plan for a denial of a claim. This complaint is called a grievance or appeal. For more information about your rights, look at the explanation of benefits you will receive for that medical claim. Your plan documents also provide complete information on how to submit a claim, appeal, or a grievance for any reason to your plan. For more information about your rights, this notice, or assistance, contact: (800) 255-4550.

Does this plan provide Minimum Essential Coverage? Yes.

Minimum Essential Coverage generally includes plans, health insurance available through the [Marketplace](#) or other individual market policies, Medicare, Medicaid, CHIP, TRICARE, and certain other coverage. If you are eligible for certain types of Minimum Essential Coverage, you may not be eligible for the premium tax credit.

Does this plan meet the Minimum Value Standards? Yes.

If your plan doesn't meet the Minimum Value Standards, you may be eligible for a premium tax credit to help you pay for a plan through the [Marketplace](#).

To see examples of how this plan might cover costs for a sample medical situation, see the next section.

About these Coverage Examples:



This is not a cost estimator. Treatments shown are just examples of how this plan might cover medical care. Your actual costs will be different depending on the actual care you receive, the prices your providers charge, and many other factors. Focus on the cost sharing amounts (deductibles, copayments and coinsurance) and excluded services under the plan. Use this information to compare the portion of costs you might pay under different health plans. Please note these coverage examples are based on self-only coverage.

Peg is Having a Baby
(9 months of in-network prenatal care and a hospital delivery)

- The plan's overall deductible \$300
- Specialist coinsurance 20%
- Hospital (facility) coinsurance 20%
- Other coinsurance 20%

This EXAMPLE event includes services like:

Specialist office visits (*prenatal care*)
 Childbirth/Delivery Professional Services
 Childbirth/Delivery Facility Services
Diagnostic tests (*ultrasounds and blood work*)
Specialist visit (*anesthesia*)

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|---------------------------|-----------------|
| Total Example Cost | \$12,700 |
|---------------------------|-----------------|

In this example, Peg would pay:

| <i>Cost Sharing</i> | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| <u>Deductibles</u> | \$300 |
| <u>Copayments</u> | \$0 |
| <u>Coinsurance</u> | \$300 |
| <i>What isn't covered</i> | |
| Limits or exclusions | \$60 |
| The total Peg would pay is | \$660 |

Managing Joe's Type 2 Diabetes
(a year of routine in-network care of a well-controlled condition)

- The plan's overall deductible \$300
- Specialist coinsurance 20%
- Hospital (facility) \$0
- Other coinsurance 20%

This EXAMPLE event includes services like:

Primary care physician office visits (*including disease education*)
Diagnostic tests (*blood work*)
Prescription drugs
Durable medical equipment (*glucose meter*)

| | |
|---------------------------|----------------|
| Total Example Cost | \$5,600 |
|---------------------------|----------------|

In this example, Joe would pay:

| <i>Cost Sharing</i> | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| <u>Deductibles</u> | \$300 |
| <u>Copayments</u> | \$70 |
| <u>Coinsurance</u> | \$200 |
| <i>What isn't covered</i> | |
| Limits or exclusions | \$20 |
| The total Joe would pay is | \$590 |

Mia's Simple Fracture
(in-network emergency room visit and follow-up care)

- The plan's overall deductible \$300
- Specialist coinsurance 20%
- Hospital (facility) coinsurance 20%
- Other coinsurance 20%

This EXAMPLE event includes services like:

Emergency room care (*including medical supplies*)
Diagnostic test (*x-ray*)
Durable medical equipment (*crutches*)
Rehabilitation services (*physical therapy*)

| | |
|---------------------------|----------------|
| Total Example Cost | \$2,800 |
|---------------------------|----------------|

In this example, Mia would pay:

| <i>Cost Sharing</i> | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| <u>Deductibles</u> | \$300 |
| <u>Copayments</u> | \$0 |
| <u>Coinsurance</u> | \$300 |
| <i>What isn't covered</i> | |
| Limits or exclusions | \$0 |
| The total Mia would pay is | \$600 |

The plan would be responsible for the other costs of these EXAMPLE covered services.

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DISCLAIMERS

General Exclusions

While your health plan covers a broad array of necessary services and supplies, it doesn't cover every possible medical expense. If you would like to review the list of general exclusions before enrolling, visit **bluecrossvt.org/contracts**, click on the plan in which you are enrolling and read the chapter entitled "General Exclusions." Once you enroll, you will receive an Outline of Coverage and a link to your Certificate of Coverage. Please read both carefully as they govern your specific benefits.

How We Protect Your Privacy

The law requires us to maintain the privacy of your health information by using or disclosing it only with your authorization or as otherwise allowed by law. You may find information about our privacy practices at **bluecrossvt.org/privacypolicies**.

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You can also file a civil rights complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights, electronically or through the Office for Civil Rights Complaint Portal, available at

<https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf>, or by mail or phone at:

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

200 Independence Avenue, SW Room 509F

HHH Building Washington, D.C. 20201

1-800-368-1019, 800-537-7697 (TDD)

Complaint forms are available at

<https://www.hhs.gov/ocr/complaints/index.html>

For free language-assistance service, call (800) 247-2583 (TTY/TDD: 711).

ARABIC

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TAGALOG

PAUNAWA: Kung nagsasalita ka ng Tagalog, maaari kang gumamit ng mga serbisyo ng tulong sa wika nang walang bayad. Tumawag sa (800) 247-2583 (TTY/TDD: 711).

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VIETNAMESE

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