
2024 Blue Cross and Blue Shield Service Benefit Plan - Standard and Basic Option
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Benefit Description

Orthopedic and Prosthetic Devices (cont.)

Not covered:

- *Shoes (including diabetic shoes)*
- *Over-the-counter orthotics*
- *Arch supports*
- *Heel pads and heel cups*
- *Wigs (including cranial prostheses), except for scalp hair prosthesis for hair loss due to the treatment of cancer, as stated above*
- *Over the counter hearing aids, enhancement devices, accessories or supplies (including remote controls and warranty packages), and hearing aids when prior approval was not obtained*

Standard Option - You Pay

All charges

Basic Option - You Pay

All charges

Benefit Description

Durable Medical Equipment (DME)

Durable medical equipment (DME) is equipment and supplies that are:

1. Prescribed by your attending physician (i.e., the physician who is treating your illness or injury);
2. Medically necessary;
3. Primarily and customarily used only for a medical purpose;
4. Generally useful only to a person with an illness or injury;
5. Designed for prolonged use; and
6. Used to serve a specific therapeutic purpose in the treatment of an illness or injury.

We cover rental or purchase of durable medical equipment, at our option, including repair and adjustment. Covered items include:

- Home dialysis equipment
- Oxygen equipment
- Hospital beds
- Wheelchairs
- Crutches
- Walkers
- Continuous passive motion (CPM) devices
- Dynamic orthotic cranioplasty (DOC) devices
- Insulin pumps
- Other items that we determine to be DME, such as compression stockings

Note: We cover DME at Preferred benefit levels only when you use a Preferred DME provider. Preferred physicians, facilities, and pharmacies are not necessarily Preferred DME providers.

Standard Option - You Pay

Preferred: 15% of the Plan allowance (deductible applies)

Participating: 35% of the Plan allowance (deductible applies)

Non-participating: 35% of the Plan allowance (deductible applies), plus any difference between our allowance and the billed amount

Basic Option - You Pay

Preferred: 30% of the Plan allowance

Participating/Non-participating: You pay all charges

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