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ASO Minimum Value Plan
 Benefit Summary

Blue Shield of California

Highlights: \$5,000 individual coverage deductible or \$10,000 family coverage deductible

Effective: October 1, 2016

THIS MATRIX IS INTENDED TO BE USED TO HELP YOU COMPARE BENEFITS AND IS A SUMMARY ONLY. THE PLAN CONTRACT SHOULD BE CONSULTED FOR A DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF COVERAGE BENEFITS AND LIMITATIONS.

	Participating Providers ¹	Non-Participating Providers ¹
Calendar Year Medical Deductible (All providers combined) (Note: For individual on family coverage plan, enrollee can receive benefits for covered services once individual deductible is met.)	\$5,000 per individual / \$10,000 per family	
Calendar Year Out-of-Pocket Maximum² (Includes the plan deductible) (For individual on family coverage plan, enrollee can receive 100% benefits for covered services once individual out-of-pocket maximum is met.)	\$6,350 per individual / \$12,700 per family	
Lifetime Benefit Maximum	None	
Covered Services	Member Copayment	
OUTPATIENT PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	Participating Providers¹	Non-Participating Providers¹
Professional (Physician) Benefits		
Physician and specialist office visits	\$60 per visit (For the 1 st 3 visits, thereafter 30%) (\$60 per visit - not subject to the calendar year deductible)	50% ²
Outpatient diagnostic x-ray, imaging, pathology, laboratory and other testing services	30%	Not Covered
Radiological and nuclear imaging (CT scans, MRIs, MRAs, PET scans and cardiac diagnostic procedures utilizing nuclear medicine)	30%	50% ²
Allergy Testing and Treatment Benefits		
Allergy testing, treatment and serum injections (separate office visit copayment may apply)	30%	50% ²
Preventive Health Benefits²²		
Preventive health services (as required by applicable Federal law)	No Charge (not subject to the calendar year medical deductible)	Not Covered
OUTPATIENT FACILITY SERVICES		
Outpatient surgery performed at a free-standing ambulatory surgery center	30%	No Charge ³
Outpatient surgery performed in a hospital or hospital affiliated ambulatory surgery center	30%	No Charge ³
Outpatient services for treatment of illness or injury and necessary supplies (except as described under "Rehabilitation Benefits" and "Speech Therapy Benefits")	30%	50% ²
Outpatient diagnostic x-ray, imaging, pathology, laboratory and other testing services	30%	Not Covered
Radiological and nuclear imaging (CT scans, MRIs, MRAs, PET scans and cardiac diagnostic procedures utilizing nuclear medicine)	30%	50% ^{2,3}
Bariatric surgery ⁴ (prior authorization is required; medically necessary surgery for weight loss, for morbid obesity only)	30%	No Charge ³
HOSPITALIZATION SERVICES		
Hospital Benefits (Facility Services)		
Inpatient physician services	30%	50% ^{2,8}
Inpatient non-emergency facility services (semi-private room and board, and medically necessary services and supplies, including subacute care)	30%	No Charge ⁵
Bariatric surgery ⁴ (prior authorization is required; medically necessary surgery for weight loss, for morbid obesity only)	30%	No Charge ⁵

Inpatient Skilled Nursing Benefits⁶ (combined maximum of up to 100 days per benefit period; prior authorization is required; semi-private accommodations)		
Free-standing skilled nursing facility	30%	30% ⁷
Skilled nursing unit of a hospital	30%	No Charge ⁵
EMERGENCY HEALTH COVERAGE		
Emergency room services not resulting in admission (copayment does not apply if the member is directly admitted to the hospital for inpatient services)	\$100 per visit + 30%	\$100 per visit + 30%
Emergency room services resulting in admission (when the member is admitted directly from the ER)	30%	30%
Emergency room physician services	30%	30% ⁸
AMBULANCE SERVICES		
Emergency or authorized transport (ground or air)	30%	30%
PRESCRIPTION DRUG COVERAGE^{9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18} (subject to deductible)	Participating Pharmacy	Non-Participating Pharmacy
Outpatient Prescription Drug Benefits		
Retail Prescriptions (up to a 30-day supply)		
Contraceptive drugs and devices ¹⁵	No Charge	Not Covered
Formulary generic drugs	\$9 per prescription	\$9 per prescription
Formulary brand drugs	\$35 per prescription	\$35 per prescription
Non-Formulary brand drugs	\$35 per prescription	\$35 per prescription
Mail Service Prescriptions (up to a 90-day supply)		
Contraceptive drugs and devices ¹⁵	No Charge	Not Covered
Formulary generic drugs	\$18 per prescription	Not Covered
Formulary brand drugs	\$90 per prescription	Not Covered
Non-Formulary brand drugs	\$90 per prescription	Not Covered
Specialty Pharmacies^{12,14} (up to a 30-day supply)		
Specialty drugs (includes orally administered anti-cancer medications)	\$35 per prescription	Not Covered
PROSTHETICS/ORTHOTICS		
Prosthetic equipment and devices (separate office visit copayment may apply)	30%	50% ²
Orthotic equipment and devices (separate office visit copayment may apply)	30%	Not Covered
DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT		
Breast pump	No Charge (not subject to the calendar year medical deductible)	Not Covered
Other durable medical equipment	30%	No Charge
MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES^{19,20}		
Inpatient hospital services	30%	No Charge ⁵
Residential care	30%	No Charge ⁵
Inpatient physician services	30%	50% ²
Routine outpatient mental health and substance abuse services (includes professional/physician visits)	\$60 per visit (For the 1 st 3 visits, thereafter 30%) (\$60 per visit - not subject to the calendar year deductible)	50% ²
Non-routine outpatient mental health and substance abuse services (includes behavioral health treatment, electroconvulsive therapy, intensive outpatient programs, office-based opioid treatment, partial hospitalization program, psychological testing and transcranial magnetic stimulation)	30%	50% ²
HOME HEALTH SERVICES		
	Participating Providers¹	Non-Participating Providers²
Home health care agency services ⁶ (up to 100 visits per calendar year)	30%	Not Covered ²¹
Home infusion/home injectable therapy and infusion nursing visits provided by a home infusion agency	30%	Not Covered ²¹
HOSPICE PROGRAM BENEFITS²¹		
Routine home care	30%	Not Covered ²¹
Inpatient respite care	30%	Not Covered ²¹
24-hour continuous home care	30%	Not Covered ²¹
Short-term inpatient care for pain and symptom management	30%	Not Covered ²¹
CHIROPRACTIC BENEFITS⁶		
Chiropractic spinal manipulation (up to 20 visits per calendar year)	30%	Not Covered
ACUPUNCTURE BENEFITS⁶		
Acupuncture services (up to 12 visits per calendar year)	30%	50% ²

REHABILITATION and HABILITATION BENEFITS (Physical, Occupational and Respiratory Therapy)		
Office location (an additional facility copayment may apply when services are rendered in a hospital or skilled nursing facility)	30%	Not Covered
SPEECH THERAPY BENEFITS		
Office location (an additional facility copayment may apply when services are rendered in a hospital or skilled nursing facility)	30%	50% ²
PREGNANCY AND MATERNITY CARE BENEFITS		
Prenatal and postnatal physician office visits (when billed as part of global maternity fee including hospital inpatient delivery services)	30%	50% ²
Abortion services (an additional facility copayment may apply when services are rendered in a hospital or outpatient surgery center)	30%	Not Covered
FAMILY PLANNING BENEFITS		
Counseling and consulting (includes insertion of IUD, as well as injectable and implantable contraceptives for women)	No Charge (not subject to the calendar year medical deductible)	Not Covered
Tubal ligation (an additional facility copayment may apply when services are rendered in a hospital or outpatient surgery center)	No Charge (not subject to the calendar year medical deductible)	Not Covered
Vasectomy (an additional facility copayment may apply when services are rendered in a hospital or outpatient surgery center)	30%	Not Covered
DIABETES CARE BENEFITS		
Devices, equipment, and non-testing supplies (for testing supplies see Outpatient Prescription Drug Benefits)	30%	50% ²
Diabetes self-management training	30%	50% ²
HEARING BENEFITS		
Audiological evaluations	30%	50% ²
Hearing aid instrument and ancillary equipment (Up to a maximum combined benefit of \$700 per pair every 24 months for the hearing aid and ancillary equipment.)	30%	30%
CARE OUTSIDE OF PLAN SERVICE AREA		
Benefits provided through the BlueCard® Program are paid at the participating level. Member's cost share will be either a copayment or coinsurance based on the lower of billed charges or the negotiated allowable amount for participating providers as agreed upon with the local Blue's Plan.		
Within US: BlueCard Program	See Applicable Benefit	See Applicable Benefit
Outside of US: BlueCard Worldwide	See Applicable Benefit	See Applicable Benefit

- 1 Unless otherwise specified, copayments/coinsurance are calculated based on allowable amounts. Participating providers agree to accept Blue Shield's allowable amount plus the plan's and any applicable member's payment as full payment for covered services. Non-Participating providers can charge more than these amounts. When members use Non-Participating providers, they must pay the applicable deductibles, copayments or coinsurance plus any amount that exceeds Blue Shield's allowable amount. Charges in excess of the allowable amount do not count toward the Calendar Year deductible or out-of-pocket maximum. Payments applied to your Calendar Year deductible accrue towards the out-of-pocket maximum.
- 2 Copayments/Coinsurance marked with this footnote does not accrue to Calendar Year out-of-pocket maximum. Copayments/Coinsurance and charges for services not accruing to the member's Calendar Year out-of-pocket maximum continue to be the member's responsibility after the Calendar Year out-of-pocket maximum is reached. This amount could be substantial. Please refer to the Plan Contract for exact terms and conditions of coverage.
- 3 The maximum allowed charges for non-emergency surgery and services performed in a non-participating ambulatory surgery center or outpatient unit of a non-participating hospital is \$350 per day. Members are responsible for 0% of this \$350 per day, and all charges in excess of \$350 per day. Amounts that exceed the benefit maximums do not count toward the calendar year out-of-pocket maximum and continue to be the member's financial responsibility after the calendar year maximums are reached.
- 4 Bariatric surgery is covered when prior authorized by Blue Shield; however, for members residing in Imperial, Kern, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, Santa Barbara and Ventura Counties ("Designated Counties"), bariatric surgery services are covered only when performed at designated contracting bariatric surgery facilities and by designated contracting surgeons. Coverage is not available for bariatric services from any other participating provider and there is no coverage for bariatric services from non-participating providers. In addition, if prior authorized by Blue Shield, a member in a Designated County who is required to travel more than 50 miles to a designated bariatric surgery facility will be eligible for limited reimbursement for specified travel expenses for the member and one companion. Refer to the Plan Contract for further details.
- 5 The maximum allowed charges for non-emergency hospital services received from a non-participating hospital is \$600 per day. Members are responsible for 0% of this \$600 per day, and all charges in excess of \$600 per day. Amounts that exceed the benefit maximum do not count toward the calendar year out-of-pocket maximum and continue to be the member's responsibility after the calendar year maximums are reached.
- 6 For plans with a calendar year medical deductible amount, services with a day or visit limit accrue to the calendar year day or visit limit maximum regardless of whether the calendar year medical deductible has been met.
- 7 Services may require prior authorization. When services are prior authorized, members pay the participating provider amount.
- 8 When these services are rendered by a Non-Participating Radiologist, Anesthesiologist, Pathologist and Emergency Room Physicians in a Participating facility, the member pays the Participating Provider copayment.
- 9 If the member requests a brand drug when a generic drug equivalent is available, the member is responsible for paying the difference in cost between the brand drug and its generic drug equivalent, in addition to the generic drug copayment. The difference in cost that the member must pay does not accrue to any calendar year medical or brand drug deductible and is not included in the calendar year out-of-pocket maximum responsibility calculations. Refer to the Plan Contract for details.
- 10 Please note that if you switch from another plan, your prescription drug deductible credit from the previous plan during the calendar year, if applicable, will not carry forward to your new plan.
- 11 Outpatient prescription drug copayments for covered drugs obtained from non-participating pharmacies will accrue to the participating provider maximum calendar year out-of-pocket maximum.
- 12 Specialty drugs are available from a Network Specialty Pharmacy. A Network Specialty Pharmacy provides specialty drugs by mail or upon member request, at an associated retail store for pickup.
- 13 Select formulary and non-formulary drugs require prior authorization by Blue Shield for Medical Necessity, or when effective, lower cost alternatives are available.
- 14 Specialty Drugs are Drugs requiring coordination of care, close monitoring, or extensive patient training that generally cannot be met by a retail pharmacy and are available at a Network Specialty Pharmacy. Specialty Drugs may also require special handling or manufacturing processes, restriction to certain Physicians or pharmacies, or reporting of certain clinical events to the FDA. Specialty Drugs are generally high cost.

- 15 Contraceptive drugs and devices covered under the outpatient prescription drug benefits do not require a copayment and are not subject to the calendar year medical deductible when obtained from a participating pharmacy. However, if a brand contraceptive is requested when a generic equivalent is available, the member is responsible for paying the difference between the cost to Blue Shield for the brand contraceptive and its generic drug equivalent. The difference in cost that the member must pay does not accrue to any calendar year medical or brand drug deductible and is not included in the calendar year out-of-pocket maximum calculation. In addition, select contraceptives may need prior authorization to be covered without a copayment.
- 16 To obtain prescription drugs at a non-participating pharmacy, the member must first pay all charges for the prescription and submit a completed Prescription Drug Claim Form for reimbursement. The member will be reimbursed the price paid for the drug less any applicable deductible, copayment or coinsurance (Generic, Formulary Brand, or Non-Formulary Brand) and any applicable out of network charge.
- 17 To obtain contraceptive drugs and devices at a non-participating pharmacy, the member must first pay all charges for the prescription and submit a completed Prescription Drug Claim Form for reimbursement. The member will be reimbursed the price paid for the drug less any applicable deductible, copayment or coinsurance (Generic, Formulary Brand, or Non-Formulary Brand) and any applicable out of network charge.
- 18 Blue Shield's Short-Cycle Specialty Drug Program allows initial prescriptions for select specialty drugs to be dispensed for a 15-day trial supply, as further described in the Plan Contract. In such circumstances, the applicable specialty drug copayment or coinsurance will be pro-rated.
- 19 Mental Health and Substance Abuse services are accessed through Blue Shield's Participating and Non-Participating providers.
- 20 Inpatient services for acute detoxification are covered under the medical benefit; see the Hospital Benefits (Facility Services) section of the Plan Contract for benefit details. Services for acute medical detoxification are accessed through Blue Shield using Blue Shield's participating providers or non-participating providers.
- 21 Services from non-participating providers for home health care and hospice services are not covered unless prior authorized. When these services are prior authorized, the member's copayment or coinsurance will be calculated at the participating provider level, based upon the agreed upon rate between Blue Shield and the agency.
- 22 Preventive Health Services, including an annual preventive care or well-baby care office visit, are not subject to the calendar year medical deductible. Other covered non-preventive services received during, or in connection with, the preventive care or well-baby care office visit are subject to the calendar year medical deductible and applicable member copayment/coinsurance.

Plan designs may be modified to ensure compliance with Federal requirements.

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