

ILLINOIS EHB BENCHMARK PLAN (2025-2027)

SUMMARY INFORMATION

Plan Type	Small Group Market
Issuer Name	Blue Cross Blue Shield of Illinois
Product Name	PPO
Plan Name	Blue PPO Gold 011
Supplemented Categories (Supplementary Plan Type)	Pediatric dental (CHIP) Pediatric vision (FEDVIP)

BENEFITS AND LIMITS

A Benefit	B EHB	C Is the Benefit Covered?	D Quantitative Limit on Service?	E Limit Quantity	F Limit Unit	G Exclusions	H Explanations
Primary Care Visit to Treat an Injury or Illness	Yes	Covered	No				
Specialist Visit	Yes	Covered	No				
Other Practitioner Office Visit (Nurse, Physician Assistant)	Yes	Covered	No				
Outpatient Facility Fee (e.g., Ambulatory Surgery Center)	Yes	Covered	No				
Outpatient Surgery Physician/Surgical Services	Yes	Covered	No				
Hospice Services	Yes	Covered	No				
Routine Dental Services (Adult)	No	Covered	No				Limitations vary based on procedures.
Infertility Treatment	Yes	Covered	No				Limitations vary based on procedures.
Long-Term/Custodial Nursing Home Care	No	Not Covered	No				
Private-Duty Nursing	Yes	Covered	No			Inpatient Private Duty Nursing Service is not covered.	If Private Duty Nursing Service is recommended by your Physician, you must call the Medical Services Advisory Program (MSA) at least 1 business day prior to receiving services.
Routine Eye Exam (Adult)	No	Covered	No				
Urgent Care Centers or Facilities	Yes	Covered	No				
Home Health Care Services	No	Not Covered	No				
Emergency Room Services	Yes	Covered	No				
Emergency Transportation/Ambulance	Yes	Covered	No				
Inpatient Hospital Services (e.g., Hospital Stay)	Yes	Covered	No				
Inpatient Physician and Surgical Services	Yes	Covered	No				
Bariatric Surgery	Yes	Covered	No				
Cosmetic Surgery	No	Not Covered	No				Cosmetic surgery for the correction of congenital deformities or for conditions resulting from accidental injuries, scars, tumors or diseases is covered.
Skilled Nursing Facility	Yes	Covered	No				If Skilled Nursing Facility is recommended by your Physician, you must call the Medical Services Advisory Program (MSA) at least 1 business day prior to receiving services.
Prenatal and Postnatal Care	Yes	Covered	No				Benefits will be available for that care from the moment of birth up to the first 31 days, thereafter, you must add the newborn child to your Family Coverage.
Delivery and All Inpatient Services for Maternity Care	Yes	Covered	No				
Mental/Behavioral Health Outpatient Services	Yes	Covered	No				
Mental/Behavioral Health Inpatient Services	Yes	Covered	No				
Substance Abuse Disorder Outpatient Services	Yes	Covered	No				
Substance Abuse Disorder Inpatient Services	Yes	Covered	No				
Generic Drugs	Yes	Covered	No				
Preferred Brand Drugs	Yes	Covered	No				
Non-Preferred Brand Drugs	Yes	Covered	No				
Specialty Drugs	Yes	Covered	No				
Outpatient Rehabilitation Services	No	Not Covered	No				
Habilitation Services	Yes	Covered	No				Treatment must be medically necessary and therapeutic and not investigational.

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Chiropractic Care	Yes	Covered	Yes	25	Visit(s) per Benefit Period		
Durable Medical Equipment	Yes	Covered	No				
Hearing Aids	Yes	Covered	Yes	2	Item(s) per 3 Years		Benefits are for bone anchored hearing aids. Quantity limit applies to hearing aids for children.
Imaging (CT/PET Scans, MRIs)	Yes	Covered	No				Benefit provided for outpatient services and when these services are related to surgery or medical care.
Preventive Care/Screening/Immunization	Yes	Covered	No				
Routine Foot Care	No	Not Covered	No				Only covered for persons diagnosed with diabetes.
Acupuncture	No	Not Covered	No				
Weight Loss Programs	No	Not Covered	No				
Routine Eye Exam for Children	Yes	Covered	Yes	1	Exam(s) per Benefit Period		
Eye Glasses for Children	Yes	Covered	Yes	1	Item(s) per Benefit Period		
Dental Check-Up for Children	Yes	Covered	No				
Rehabilitative Speech Therapy	No	Not Covered	No				
Rehabilitative Occupational and Rehabilitative Physical Therapy	No	Not Covered	No				
Well Baby Visits and Care	Yes	Covered	No				
Laboratory Outpatient and Professional Services	Yes	Covered	No				Benefit provided for outpatient services and when these services are related to surgery or medical care.
X-rays and Diagnostic Imaging	Yes	Covered	No				Benefit provided for outpatient services and when these services are related to surgery or medical care.
Basic Dental Care - Child	Yes	Covered	No				
Orthodontia - Child	Yes	Covered	No				Limitations vary based on procedures.
Major Dental Care - Child	Yes	Covered	No				Limitations vary based on procedures.
Basic Dental Care - Adult	No	Covered	No				Limitations vary based on procedures.
Orthodontia - Adult	No	Not Covered	No				
Major Dental Care – Adult	No	Covered	No				
Abortion for Which Public Funding is Prohibited	No	Covered	No				Abortions are only covered when the life of the mother would be endangered if the fetus were carried to term, or when the pregnancy is the result of an act of rape or incest.
Transplant	Yes	Covered	No			No benefits will be provided for heart, lung, heart/lung, liver, pancreas or pancreas/kidney transplants performed at any Hospital that does not have a Blue Cross and Blue Shield approved Human Organ Transplant Coverage Program.	
Accidental Dental	Yes	Covered	No				
Dialysis	Yes	Covered	No				
Allergy Testing	Yes	Covered	No				
Chemotherapy	Yes	Covered	No				
Radiation	Yes	Covered	No				
Diabetes Education	Yes	Covered	No				Services must be rendered by a physician, or duly certified, registered or licensed health care professional with expertise in diabetes management.
Prosthetic Devices	Yes	Covered	No				
Infusion Therapy	Yes	Covered	No				
Treatment for Temporomandibular Joint Disorders	Yes	Covered	No				
Nutritional Counseling	Yes	Covered	No				

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Reconstructive Surgery	Yes	Covered	No				Only includes benefits for mastectomy-related services.

PRESCRIPTION DRUG EHB-BENCHMARK PLAN BENEFITS BY CATEGORY AND CLASS

CATEGORY	CLASS	SUBMISSION COUNT
Analgesics	Nonsteroidal Anti-inflammatory Drugs	19
Analgesics	Opioid Analgesics, Long acting	8
Analgesics	Opioid Analgesics, Short-acting	16
Anesthetics	Local Anesthetics	1
Anti-Addiction/ Substance Abuse Treatment Agents	Alcohol Deterrents/Anti-craving	3
Anti-Addiction/ Substance Abuse Treatment Agents	Opioid Dependence	4
Anti-Addiction/ Substance Abuse Treatment Agents	Opioid Reversal Agents	1
Anti-Addiction/ Substance Abuse Treatment Agents	Smoking Cessation Agents	2
Antibacterials	Aminoglycosides	3
Antibacterials	Antibacterials, Other	14
Antibacterials	Beta-lactam, Cephalosporins	8
Antibacterials	Beta-lactam, Penicillins	5
Antibacterials	Carbapenems	0
Antibacterials	Macrolides	4
Antibacterials	Quinolones	5
Antibacterials	Sulfonamides	2
Antibacterials	Tetracyclines	4
Anticonvulsants	Anticonvulsants, Other	7
Anticonvulsants	Calcium Channel Modifying Agents	3
Anticonvulsants	Gamma-aminobutyric Acid (GABA) Modulating Agents	8
Anticonvulsants	Sodium Channel Agents	7
Antidementia Agents	Antidementia Agents, Other	1
Antidementia Agents	Cholinesterase Inhibitors	3
Antidementia Agents	N-methyl-D-aspartate (NMDA) Receptor Antagonist	1
Antidepressants	Antidepressants, Other	8
Antidepressants	Monoamine Oxidase Inhibitors	3
Antidepressants	SSRIs/SNRIs (Selective Serotonin Reuptake Inhibitors/ Serotonin and Norepinephrine Reuptake Inhibitors)	13
Antidepressants	Tricyclics	11
Antiemetics	Antiemetics, Other	7
Antiemetics	Emetogenic Therapy Adjuncts	6
Antifungals	No USP Class	10
Antigout Agents	No USP Class	6

CATEGORY	CLASS	SUBMISSION COUNT
Antimigraine Agents	Calcitonin Gene-Related Peptide (CGRP) Receptor Antagonists	0
Antimigraine Agents	Ergot Alkaloids	3
Antimigraine Agents	Prophylactic	4
Antimigraine Agents	Serotonin (5-HT) Receptor Agonist	7
Antimyasthenic Agents	Parasympathomimetics	1
Antimycobacterials	Antimycobacterials, Other	2
Antimycobacterials	Antituberculars	9
Antineoplastics	Alkylating Agents	5
Antineoplastics	Antiandrogens	5
Antineoplastics	Antiangiogenic Agents	3
Antineoplastics	Antiestrogens/Modifiers	4
Antineoplastics	Antimetabolites	5
Antineoplastics	Antineoplastics, Other	5
Antineoplastics	Aromatase Inhibitors, 3rd Generation	4
Antineoplastics	Enzyme Inhibitors	2
Antineoplastics	Molecular Target Inhibitors	36
Antineoplastics	Monoclonal Antibody/Antibody-Drug Conjugates	0
Antineoplastics	Retinoids	2
Antineoplastics	Treatment Adjuncts	4
Antiparasitics	Anthelmintics	3
Antiparasitics	Antiprotozoals	13
Antiparkinson Agents	Anticholinergics	2
Antiparkinson Agents	Antiparkinson Agents, Other	4
Antiparkinson Agents	Dopamine Agonists	5
Antiparkinson Agents	Dopamine Precursors and/or L-Amino Acid Decarboxylase Inhibitors	3
Antiparkinson Agents	Monoamine Oxidase B (MAO-B) Inhibitors	2
Antipsychotics	1st Generation/Typical	11
Antipsychotics	2nd Generation/Atypical	10
Antipsychotics	Treatment-Resistant	1
Antispasticity Agents	No USP Class	3
Antivirals	Anti-cytomegalovirus (CMV) Agents	1
Antivirals	Anti-hepatitis B (HBV) Agents	5
Antivirals	Anti-hepatitis C (HCV) Agents	6
Antivirals	Antiherpetic Agents	3

CATEGORY	CLASS	SUBMISSION COUNT
Antivirals	Anti-HIV Agents, Integrase Inhibitors (INSTI)	5
Antivirals	Anti-HIV Agents, Non-nucleoside Reverse Transcriptase Inhibitors (NNRTI)	6
Antivirals	Anti-HIV Agents, Nucleoside and Nucleotide Reverse Transcriptase Inhibitors (NRTI)	17
Antivirals	Anti-HIV Agents, Other	7
Antivirals	Anti-HIV Agents, Protease Inhibitors (PI)	9
Antivirals	Anti-influenza Agents	4
Antivirals	Antiviral, Coronavirus Agents	0
Anxiolytics	Anxiolytics, Other	3
Anxiolytics	Benzodiazepines	8
Anxiolytics	SSRIs/SNRIs (Selective Serotonin Reuptake Inhibitors/ Serotonin and Norepinephrine Reuptake Inhibitors)	5
Bipolar Agents	Bipolar Agents, Other	8
Bipolar Agents	Mood Stabilizers	4
Blood Glucose Regulators	Antidiabetic Agents	19
Blood Glucose Regulators	Glycemic Agents	1
Blood Glucose Regulators	Insulins	11
Blood Products and Modifiers	Anticoagulants	8
Blood Products and Modifiers	Blood Products and Modifiers, Other	7
Blood Products and Modifiers	Hemostasis Agents	1
Blood Products and Modifiers	Platelet Modifying Agents	8
Cardiovascular Agents	Alpha-adrenergic Agonists	4
Cardiovascular Agents	Alpha-adrenergic Blocking Agents	4
Cardiovascular Agents	Angiotensin II Receptor Antagonists	8
Cardiovascular Agents	Angiotensin-converting Enzyme (ACE) Inhibitors	10
Cardiovascular Agents	Antiarrhythmics	14
Cardiovascular Agents	Beta-adrenergic Blocking Agents	12
Cardiovascular Agents	Calcium Channel Blocking Agents, Dihydropyridines	7
Cardiovascular Agents	Calcium Channel Blocking Agents, Nondihydropyridines	2
Cardiovascular Agents	Cardiovascular Agents, Other	6
Cardiovascular Agents	Diuretics, Loop	4
Cardiovascular Agents	Diuretics, Potassium-sparing	2
Cardiovascular Agents	Diuretics, Thiazide	5
Cardiovascular Agents	Dyslipidemics, Fibric Acid Derivatives	2

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Cardiovascular Agents	Dyslipidemics, HMG CoA Reductase Inhibitors	7
Cardiovascular Agents	Dyslipidemics, Other	7
Cardiovascular Agents	Mineralocorticoid Receptor Antagonists	2
Cardiovascular Agents	Sodium-Glucose Co-Transporter 2 Inhibitors (SGLT2i)	3
Cardiovascular Agents	Vasodilators, Direct-acting Arterial	3
Cardiovascular Agents	Vasodilators, Direct-acting Arterial/Venous	3
Central Nervous System Agents	Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder Agents, Amphetamines	4
Central Nervous System Agents	Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder Agents, Non-amphetamines	5
Central Nervous System Agents	Central Nervous System, Other	13
Central Nervous System Agents	Fibromyalgia Agents	3
Central Nervous System Agents	Multiple Sclerosis Agents	8
Dental and Oral Agents	No USP Class	7
Dermatological Agents	Acne and Rosacea Agents	11
Dermatological Agents	Dermatitis and Pruritus Agents	15
Dermatological Agents	Dermatological Agents, Other	13
Dermatological Agents	Pediculicides/Scabicides	6
Dermatological Agents	Topical Anti-infectives	16
Electrolytes/ Minerals/ Metals/ Vitamins	Electrolyte/Mineral Replacement	4
Electrolytes/ Minerals/ Metals/ Vitamins	Electrolyte/Mineral/Metal Modifiers	5
Electrolytes/ Minerals/ Metals/ Vitamins	Phosphate Binders	3
Electrolytes/ Minerals/ Metals/ Vitamins	Potassium Binders	1
Electrolytes/ Minerals/ Metals/ Vitamins	Vitamins	1
Gastrointestinal Agents	Anti-Constipation Agents	6
Gastrointestinal Agents	Anti-Diarrheal Agents	4
Gastrointestinal Agents	Antispasmodics, Gastrointestinal	3
Gastrointestinal Agents	Gastrointestinal Agents, Other	11
Gastrointestinal Agents	Histamine2 (H2) Receptor Antagonists	2
Gastrointestinal Agents	Protectants	2
Gastrointestinal Agents	Proton Pump Inhibitors	5
Genetic or Enzyme or Protein Disorder: Replacement, Modifiers, Treatment	No USP Class	6
Genitourinary Agents	Antispasmodics, Urinary	7
Genitourinary Agents	Benign Prostatic Hypertrophy Agents	8
Genitourinary Agents	Genitourinary Agents, Other	6

CATEGORY	CLASS	SUBMISSION COUNT
Hormonal Agents, Stimulant/ Replacement/ Modifying (Adrenal)	No USP Class	8
Hormonal Agents, Stimulant/ Replacement/ Modifying (Pituitary)	No USP Class	4
Hormonal Agents, Stimulant/ Replacement/ Modifying (Prostaglandins)	No USP Class	1
Hormonal Agents, Stimulant/ Replacement/ Modifying (Sex Hormones/ Modifiers)	Anabolic Steroids	1
Hormonal Agents, Stimulant/ Replacement/ Modifying (Sex Hormones/ Modifiers)	Androgens	3
Hormonal Agents, Stimulant/ Replacement/ Modifying (Sex Hormones/ Modifiers)	Estrogens	17
Hormonal Agents, Stimulant/ Replacement/ Modifying (Sex Hormones/ Modifiers)	Progestins	18
Hormonal Agents, Stimulant/ Replacement/ Modifying (Sex Hormones/ Modifiers)	Selective Estrogen Receptor Modifying Agents	5
Hormonal Agents, Stimulant/ Replacement/ Modifying (Thyroid)	No USP Class	2
Hormonal Agents, Suppressant (Adrenal or Pituitary)	No USP Class	7
Hormonal Agents, Suppressant (Thyroid)	Antithyroid Agents	2
Immunological Agents	Angioedema Agents	2
Immunological Agents	Immunoglobulins	1
Immunological Agents	Immunological Agents, Other	10
Immunological Agents	Immunostimulants	2
Immunological Agents	Immunosuppressants	12
Inflammatory Bowel Disease Agents	Aminosalicylates	4
Inflammatory Bowel Disease Agents	Glucocorticoids	6
Metabolic Bone Disease Agents	No USP Class	13
Ophthalmic Agents	Ophthalmic Agents, Other	1
Ophthalmic Agents	Ophthalmic Anti-allergy Agents	6
Ophthalmic Agents	Ophthalmic Anti-Infectives	15
Ophthalmic Agents	Ophthalmic Anti-inflammatories	10
Ophthalmic Agents	Ophthalmic Beta-Adrenergic Blocking Agents	4
Ophthalmic Agents	Ophthalmic Intraocular Pressure Lowering Agents, Other	6
Ophthalmic Agents	Ophthalmic Prostaglandin and Prostanoid Analogs	4
Otic Agents	No USP Class	9
Respiratory Tract/ Pulmonary Agents	Antihistamines	8
Respiratory Tract/ Pulmonary Agents	Anti-inflammatories, Inhaled Corticosteroids	8
Respiratory Tract/ Pulmonary Agents	Antileukotrienes	3

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Respiratory Tract/ Pulmonary Agents	Bronchodilators, Anticholinergic	6
Respiratory Tract/ Pulmonary Agents	Bronchodilators, Sympathomimetic	13
Respiratory Tract/ Pulmonary Agents	Cystic Fibrosis Agents	3
Respiratory Tract/ Pulmonary Agents	Mast Cell Stabilizers	1
Respiratory Tract/ Pulmonary Agents	Phosphodiesterase Inhibitors, Airways Disease	2
Respiratory Tract/ Pulmonary Agents	Pulmonary Antihypertensives	9
Respiratory Tract/ Pulmonary Agents	Pulmonary Fibrosis Agents	2
Respiratory Tract/ Pulmonary Agents	Respiratory Tract Agents, Other	3
Skeletal Muscle Relaxants	No USP Class	6
Sleep Disorder Agents	Sleep Promoting Agents	8
Sleep Disorder Agents	Wakefulness Promoting Agents	2