

BlueCross BlueShield of Alabama

: Samford University

Summary of Benefits and Coverage: What this Plan Covers & What it Costs

This is only a summary. If you want more detail about your coverage and costs, you can get the complete terms in the policy or plan document at <u>AlabamaBlue.com</u> or by calling 1-800-292-8868.

Important Questions	Answers	Why this Matters:
What is the overall <u>deductible</u> ?	\$350 person / \$1050 family. Does not apply to preventive services, inpatient, noncovered services, physician outpatient, balance-billed charges and pre-certification penalties.	You must pay all the costs up to the <u>deductible</u> amount before this plan begins to pay for covered services you use. Check your policy or plan document to see when the <u>deductible</u> starts over (usually, but not always, January 1st). See the chart starting on page 2 for how much you pay for covered services after you meet the <u>deductible</u> .
Are there other <u>deductibles</u> for specific services?	Yes. \$400 person per admission deductible for out-of-network. There are no other specific <u>deductibles</u> .	You must pay all of the costs for these services up to the specific <u>deductible</u> amount before this plan begins to pay for these services.
Is there an <u>out–of–pocket</u> <u>limit</u> on my expenses?	Yes. \$1500 person / \$4500 family.	The <u>out-of-pocket limit</u> is the most you could pay during a coverage period (usually one year) for your share of the cost of covered services. This limit helps you plan for health care expenses.
What is not included in the <u>out–of–pocket limit</u> ?	Premium, balance-billed charges, health care this plan doesn't cover, copays, cost sharing for most out-of-network benefits, deductibles and pre- certification penalties.	Even though you pay these expenses, they don't count toward the <u>out-of-pocket limit</u> .
Is there an overall annual limit on what the plan pays?	No.	The chart starting on page 2 describes any limits on what the plan will pay for <i>specific</i> covered services, such as office visits.
Does this plan use a <u>network</u> of <u>providers</u> ?	Yes, this plan uses in-network providers. For a list of in-network providers, see <u>AlabamaBlue.com</u> or call 1-800-810-BLUE.	If you use an in-network doctor or other health care provider , this plan will pay some or all of the costs of covered services. Be aware, your in-network doctor or hospital may use an out-of-network provider for some services. Plans use the term in-network, preferred , or participating for providers in their network . See the chart starting on page 2 for how this plan pays different kinds of providers .
Do I need a referral to see a <u>specialist</u> ?	No. You don't need a referral to see a specialist.	You can see the specialist you choose without permission from this plan.

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If you aren't clear about any of the underlined terms used in this form, see the Glossary. You can view the Glossary at <u>www.dol.gov/ebsa/pdf/SBCUniformGlossary.pdf</u> or call 1-800-292-8868 to request a copy.

Are there services this plan doesn't cover?	Some of the services this plan doesn't cover are listed on page 8. See your policy or plan document for additional information about
	<u>excluded services</u> .

- <u>Copayments</u> are fixed dollar amounts (for example, \$15) you pay for covered health care, usually when you receive the service.
- <u>Coinsurance</u> is *your* share of the costs of a covered service, calculated as a percent of the <u>allowed amount</u> for the service. For example, if the plan's <u>allowed amount</u> for an overnight hospital stay is \$1,000, your <u>coinsurance</u> payment of 20% would be \$200. This may change if you haven't met your <u>deductible</u>.
- The amount the plan pays for covered services is based on the <u>allowed amount</u>. If an out-of-network <u>provider</u> charges more than the <u>allowed amount</u>, you may have to pay the difference. For example, if an out-of-network hospital charges \$1,500 for an overnight stay and the <u>allowed amount</u> is \$1,000, you may have to pay the \$500 difference. (This is called <u>balance billing</u>.)
- This plan may encourage you to use in-network **providers** by charging you lower **<u>deductibles</u>**, **<u>copayments</u>** and <u><u>coinsurance</u> amounts.</u>

Common Medical Event	Services You May Need	Your cost if you use an In Network Provider	Your cost if you use an Out of Network Provider	Limitations & Exceptions
	Primary care visit to treat an injury or illness	0% coinsurance & \$25 copay	20% coinsurance	Subject to overall deductible for out- of-network; \$15 copay for physician services at Samford Student Health Services for employees only; in Alabama, out-of-network coinsurance is 50%
If you visit a health care <u>provider's</u> office or clinic	Specialist visit	0% coinsurance & \$40 copay	20% coinsurance	Subject to overall deductible for out- of-network; \$15 copay for physician services at Samford Student Health Services for employees only; in Alabama, out-of-network coinsurance is 50%
	Other practitioner office visit	20% coinsurance for chiropractor	20% coinsurance for chiropractor	Subject to overall deductible
	Preventive care/screening/immunization	0% coinsurance & \$25 copay	Not Covered	Age and visit limitations apply; facility charges may apply

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	Diagnostic test (x-ray, blood work)	No Charge	20% coinsurance	Benefits listed are physician services; subject to overall deductible for out- of-network; in Alabama, out-of- network coinsurance is 50%; facility benefits are also available
If you have a test	Imaging (CT/PET scans, MRIs)	No Charge	20% coinsurance	Benefits listed are physician services; subject to overall deductible for out- of-network; in Alabama, out-of- network coinsurance is 50%; precertification may be required for coverage; facility benefits are also available
If you need drugs to	Tier 1 drugs	No Charge	Not Covered	Prior authorization required for specific drugs
treat your illness or condition	Tier 2 drugs	20% coinsurance	Not Covered	Prior authorization requirements for specific drugs; Subject to overall deductible
More information about <u>prescription</u> <u>drug coverage</u> is	Tier 3 drugs	40% coinsurance	Not Covered	Prior authorization requirements for specific drugs; Subject to overall deductible
available at <u>AlabamaBlue.com/ph</u> <u>armacy</u> .	Blue.com/ph	50% coinsurance	Not Covered	Prior authorization requirements for specific drugs; Subject to overall deductible; \$5,000 out-of-pocket maximum
If many have	Facility fee (e.g., ambulatory surgery center)	0% coinsurance & \$150 copay	0% coinsurance & \$150 copay	In Alabama, out-of-network not covered
If you have outpatient surgery	Physician/surgeon fees	0% coinsurance	20% coinsurance	Subject to overall deductible; in Alabama, out-of-network coinsurance is 50%

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If you need	Emergency room services	0% coinsurance & \$150 copay	0% coinsurance & \$150 copay	Benefits listed are for emergency room services for treatment of accidental injury; other medical emergencies may have higher patient responsibility; physician charges may apply
If you need immediate medical	Emergency medical transportation	20% coinsurance	20% coinsurance	Subject to overall deductible
attention	Urgent care	0% coinsurance & \$40 copay	20% coinsurance	Subject to overall deductible for out of network; \$15 copay for physician services at Samford Student Health Services for employees only; in Alabama, out of network covered at 50% subject to overall deductible
If you have a hospital stay	Facility fee (e.g., hospital room)	0% coinsurance & \$150 copay days 1- 5	20% coinsurance	Subject to per admission deductible for out-of-network; in Alabama, out-of- network benefits are only available for accidental injury; precertification is required for coverage
	Physician/surgeon fee	0% coinsurance	20% coinsurance	Subject to overall deductible; in Alabama, out-of-network coinsurance is 50%

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	Mental/Behavioral health outpatient services	0% coinsurance & \$40 copay	20% coinsurance	Benefits listed are outpatient physician services and are available through the Blue Choice Behavioral Health Network or PPO physician; subject to overall deductible for out-of-network; additional benefits are also available with higher patient responsibility; some services require precertification
If you have mental health, behavioral health, or substance abuse needs	Mental/Behavioral health inpatient services	al/Behavioral health inpatient services No Charge 20% coinsurance Service Blue C benefit patient	Benefits listed are inpatient physician services and are available through the Blue Choice Behavioral Health Network or PPO physician; additional benefits are also available with higher patient responsibility; precertification is required	
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		No Charge		Benefits listed are inpatient physician services and are available through the Blue Choice Behavioral Health Network or PPO physician; additional benefits are also available with higher patient responsibility; precertification is required

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If you are pregnant	Prenatal and postnatal care	0% coinsurance	20% coinsurance	Benefits listed are outpatient physician services; subject to overall deductible; physician copay may apply; in Alabama, out-of-network coinsurance is 50%
	Delivery and all inpatient services	0% coinsurance	20% coinsurance	Benefits listed are inpatient physician services; subject to overall deductible; in Alabama, out-of-network coinsurance is 50%

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	Home health care	No Charge	20% coinsurance	Subject to overall deductible for out- of-network; in Alabama, out-of- network not covered; precertification may be required for coverage
	Rehabilitation services	20% coinsurance	20% coinsurance	Subject to overall deductible; limited to combined maximum of 30 visits for occupational, physical and speech therapy per member per calendar year; in Alabama, out-of-network coinsurance is 50% for physical and occupational therapy
If you need help recovering or have other special health needs	Habilitation services	20% coinsurance	20% coinsurance	Subject to overall deductible; limited to combined maximum of 30 visits for occupational, physical and speech therapy per member per calendar year; in Alabama, out-of-network coinsurance is 50% for physical and occupational therapy
	Skilled nursing care	50% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	Subject to overall deductible; limited to a maximum of 120 days per member per calendar year; precertification is required for coverage
	Durable medical equipment	20% coinsurance	20% coinsurance	Subject to overall deductible
		No Charge	20% coinsurance	Subject to overall deductible; in Alabama, out-of-network not covered; precertification may be required for coverage
If your child needs	Eye exam	20% coinsurance	20% coinsurance	Additional benefits are available; limitations apply
dental or eye care	Glasses	20% coinsurance	20% coinsurance	Additional benefits are available; limitations apply
	Dental check-up	Not Covered	Not Covered	none

Acupuncture	Dental check-up, child	Private-duty nursing
Cosmetic surgery	Hearing aids	Routine foot care
Dental care (Adult)	• Long-term care	Weight loss programs

Other Covered Services (This isn't a complete list. Check your policy or plan document for other covered services and your costs for these services.)

•	Bariatric surgery (only morbid obesity in limited circumstances)	•	Infertility treatment (Assisted Reproductive Technology not covered)	•	Routine eye care (Adult) (limitations apply)
•	Chiropractic care	•	Non-emergency care when traveling outside the U.S.		

Your Rights to Continue Coverage:

If you lose coverage under the plan, then, depending upon the circumstances, Federal and State laws may provide protections that allow you to keep health coverage. Any such rights may be limited in duration and will require you to pay a **premium**, which may be significantly higher than the premium you pay while covered under the plan. Other limitations on your rights to continue coverage may also apply.

For more information on your rights to continue coverage, contact the plan administrator at the phone number listed in your benefit booklet. You may also contact your state insurance department, the U.S. Department of Labor, Employee Benefits Security Administration at 1-866-444-3272 or www.dol.gov/ebsa, or the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services at 1-877-267-2323 x61565 or www.cciio.cms.gov.

Your Grievance and Appeals Rights:

If you have a complaint or are dissatisfied with a denial of coverage for claims under your plan, you may be able to <u>appeal</u> or file a <u>grievance</u>. For questions about your rights, this notice, or assistance, you can contact the plan administrator at 1-800-292-8868. You may also contact the U.S. Department of Labor, Employee Benefits Security Administration at 1-866-444-3272 or <u>www.dol.gov/ebsa/healthreform</u>.

Does this Coverage Provide Minimum Essential Coverage?:

The Affordable Care Act requires most people to have healthcare coverage that qualifies as "minimum essential coverage." This plan or policy <u>does</u> <u>provide</u> minimum essential coverage.

Does this Coverage Meet the Minimum Value Standard?:

The Affordable Care Act establishes a minimum value standard of benefits of a health plan. The minimum value standard is 60% health coverage. **This** plan <u>does meet</u> the minimum value standard for the benefits it provides.

Language Access Services:

SPANISH (Español): Para obtener asistencia en Español, llame al 1-800-292-8868.

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

About these Coverage Examples:

These examples show how this plan might cover medical care in given situations. Use these examples to see, in general, how much financial protection a sample patient might get if they are covered under different plans.



Don't use these examples to estimate your actual costs under this plan. The actual care you receive will be different from these examples, and the cost of that care will also be different.

See the next page for important information about these examples.

Having a baby

(normal delivery)

- Amount owed to providers: \$7,540
 Plan pays \$7,010
- Patient pays \$530

Sample care costs:

Hospital charges (mother)	\$2,700
Routine obstetric care	\$2,100
Hospital charges (baby)	\$900
Anesthesia	\$900
Laboratory tests	\$500
Prescriptions	\$200
Radiology	\$200
Vaccines, other preventive	\$40
Total	\$7,540

Patient pays:

Deductibles	\$350
Copays	\$30
Coinsurance	\$ 0
Limits or exclusions	\$150
Total	\$530

Note: These numbers assume the patient has given notice of her pregnancy to the plan. If you are pregnant and have not given notice of your pregnancy, your costs may be higher. For more information, please contact: <u>AlabamaBlue.com.</u>

Managing type 2 diabetes

(routine maintenance of a well-controlled condition)

- Amount owed to providers: \$5,400
- **Plan pays** \$4,300
- Patient pays \$1,100

Sample care costs:

Prescriptions	\$2,900
Medical Equipment and Supplies	\$1,300
Office Visits and Procedures	\$700
Education	\$300
Laboratory tests	\$100
Vaccines, other preventive	\$100
Total	\$5,400

Patient pays:

Deductibles	\$350
Copays	\$180
Coinsurance	\$200
Limits or exclusions	\$370
Total	\$1,100

Note: These numbers assume the patient is participating in our diabetes wellness program. If you have diabetes and do not participate in the wellness program, your costs may be higher. For more information about the diabetes wellness program, please contact: <u>AlabamaBlue.com.</u>

Questions and answers about the Coverage Examples:

What are some of the assumptions behind the Coverage Examples?

- Costs don't include premiums.
- Sample care costs are based on national averages supplied by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, and aren't specific to a particular geographic area or health plan.
- The patient's condition was not an excluded or preexisting condition.
- All services and treatments started and ended in the same coverage period.
- There are no other medical expenses for any member covered under this plan.
- Out-of-pocket expenses are based only on treating the condition in the example.
- The patient received all care from innetwork **providers**. If the patient had received care from out-of-network **providers**, costs would have been higher.

What does a Coverage Example show?

For each treatment situation, the Coverage Example helps you see how <u>deductibles</u>, <u>copayments</u>, and <u>coinsurance</u> can add up. It also helps you see what expenses might be left up to you to pay because the service or treatment isn't covered or payment is limited.

Does the Coverage Example predict my own care needs?

No. Treatments shown are just examples. The care you would receive for this condition could be different based on your doctor's advice, your age, how serious your condition is, and many other factors.

Does the Coverage Example predict my future expenses?

No. Coverage Examples are <u>not</u> cost estimators. You can't use the examples to estimate costs for an actual condition. They are for comparative purposes only. Your own costs will be different depending on the care you receive, the prices your <u>providers</u> charge, and the reimbursement your health plan allows.

Can I use Coverage Examples to compare plans?

✓ Yes. When you look at the Summary of Benefits and Coverage for other plans, you'll find the same Coverage Examples. When you compare plans, check the "Patient Pays" box in each example. The smaller that number, the more coverage the plan provides.

Are there other costs I should consider when comparing plans?

 ✓ Yes. An important cost is the premium you pay. Generally, the lower your premium, the more you'll pay in out-ofpocket costs, such as <u>copayments</u>, <u>deductibles</u>, and <u>coinsurance</u>. You should also consider contributions to accounts such as health savings accounts (HSAs), flexible spending arrangements (FSAs) or health reimbursement accounts (HRAs) that help you pay out-of-pocket expenses.

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