

2025

ILLINOIS PRODUCER SELLING GUIDE

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SUCCESS STARTS HERE

Thank you for being a valued **Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois** producer.

As a producer for Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois you represent more than 85 years of health care leadership, offering Medicare-eligible Illinoisans a variety of affordable, high-quality coverage options.

Using this guide, you have the tools you need to help grow and retain your business. The materials offered here highlight the immense value you can provide as an expert resource and trusted advisor.

Let's get started.

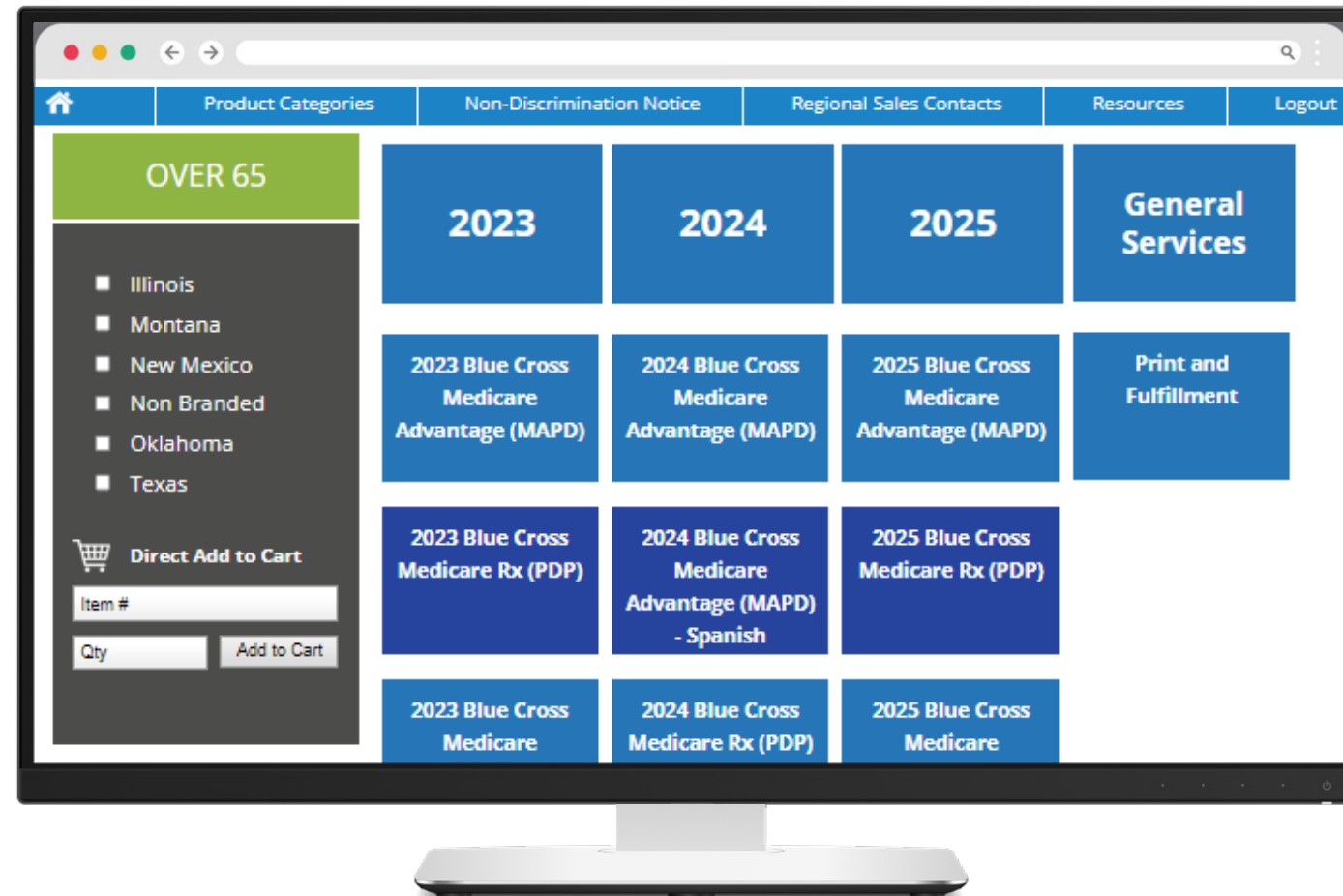
Log in to the [Producer Supply Portal](#) now to get easy access to the tools and information you'll need to succeed.

You can click through to the portal from any page in this document to choose the pre-approved support materials you want. Many allow for co-branding and personalization by producer agencies and individual producers.

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Your Producer Supply Portal



The Producer Supply Portal for Blue Cross Medicare OptionsSM is designed to make your sales efforts convenient and compliant. As a certified producer, you'll be able to access materials for:

- Blue Cross Medicare AdvantageSM Plans
- Blue Cross MedicareRx (PDP)SM Plans
- Blue Medicare Supplement Insurance Plans
- Blue Dental PlusSM



A plan for every need and budget

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois offers a variety of plan types and price points so you can provide the right coverage to your clients with confidence.



Medicare Advantage Prescription Drug



Prescription Drug Plan



Medicare Supplement

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RESOURCES AVAILABLE

Important plan information that can take you from start to finish.

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Medicare Advantage Prescription Drug Product Sizzle Sheet

A handy snapshot of what you need to know for selling our MAPD plans. Use as a quick reference guide for what's new and what's important for 2025.

- Product offerings
- Benefit updates
- Service and expansion areas

2025 Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas MAPD/MA Sizzle Sheet



We are here to help you succeed this selling season:

- Virtual Selling
- Online Marketing Tools
- Training Certification
- Product and Network Education/Training

Contact your BCBSTX Sales Rep or GA/NMO to learn more

Product Highlights

NEW Service Area Expansion

- Expanded to 1 additional county: Childress
- Now serving 228 of 254 Counties in Texas
- Options for over 4.7 million Medicare-eligible seniors

MAPD Product Features

- Dental Coverage
- Vision Coverage
- Hearing Coverage
- Transportation
- Optional Supplemental Benefits
- verify plan details for availability

NEW Plan Offerings

- NEW 2025 Blue Cross Medicare Advantage Balance PPO
- NEW 2025 Blue Cross Medicare Advantage Optimum PPO

NEW Over-the-Counter Benefits

- OTC now includes a debit card! Allowance for catalog & preferred retail stores
- DSNP - \$100 quarterly allowance (quarterly rollover/resets annually) food & produce for SSBCI members

Preferred Mail Order Pharmacies

- Amazon, Walgreens Mail Service and ESI

*For Basic HMO Contract 8133-005 New and Renewal Comp
*For Basic HMO Contract 8133-001 Renewal Comp Only
*For Value HMO Contract 8554-001 New and Renewal Comp
*For Value HMO Contract 9706-001, 005, 009 Renewal Comp Only
*For Saver HMO Contract 8554-004 New and Renewal Comp
*For Saver HMO Contract 9706-008 Renewal Comp Only

Product Offerings

12 PPO Plans:

- Blue Cross Medicare Advantage Choice Plus (PPO) - 2
- Blue Cross Medicare Advantage Choice Premier (PPO)**
- Blue Cross Medicare Advantage Classic (PPO)
- Blue Cross Medicare Advantage Complete (PPO)**
- Blue Cross Medicare Advantage Dental Premier (PPO)**
- Blue Cross Medicare Advantage Health Choice (PPO)
- Blue Cross Medicare Advantage Protect (PPO)**
- Blue Cross Medicare Advantage Saver Plus (PPO)
- Blue Cross Medicare Advantage Optimum (PPO) - 2**
- Blue Cross Medicare Advantage Balance (PPO)**

9 HMO Plans:


- Blue Cross Medicare Advantage Basic (HMO)-2**
- Blue Cross Medicare Advantage Dental Value (HMO)
- Blue Cross Medicare Advantage Saver (HMO)-2**
- Blue Cross Medicare Advantage Value (HMO)-4**

1 HMO D-SNP Plan:

- Blue Cross Medicare Advantage Dual Care Plus (HMO D-SNP)**

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Product sizzle sheets provide product highlights, offerings and availability by county.

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Prescription Drug Plan Product Sizzle Sheet

The important information PDP shoppers want to know—right at your fingertips—so it's easy to compare costs and coverage options.

- Product offerings
- Benefit updates
- Network updates
- Service area

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2025 Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas PDP Sizzle Sheet

- Fixed copayments and coinsurances
- A comprehensive drug list
- Convenience of nationwide coverage at thousands of pharmacies and mail-order choices
- Save on copays when a preferred pharmacy is used

PDP Product Highlights

NEW Medicare Part D OOP & Redesign

- Part D out-of-pocket (OOP) prescription costs to \$2,000
- The new defined standard Part D benefit design will have 3 phases:
 - Annual Deductible phase
 - Initial Coverage phase
 - Catastrophic phase
- Eliminates the Coverage Gap Discount Program (CGDP) and establishes the Manufacturer Discount Program.

Preferred Mail Order Pharmacies

- AllianceRx Walgreens Prime, ESI, Amazon

PDP Plans	Preferred Pharmacies
Blue Cross MedicareRx Choice (PDP) SM	Walgreens, H-E-B
Blue Cross MedicareRx Value (PDP) SM	Walgreens, Albertsons, Tom Thumb, United Supermarkets, Randalls, Walmart, H-E-B, Kroger, Market Street, Amigos, and independents

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PDP Product Offerings

- Blue Cross MedicareRx Choice (PDP)SM
- Blue Cross MedicareRx Value (PDP)SM



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For your clients who choose Original Medicare only, or have Original Medicare + a Medicare Supplement Insurance Plan, and need credible prescription drug coverage.

Medicare Supplement Product Sizzle Sheet

Maximize your Med Supp sales with these key selling points, plan details, and information about special plans and discounts from Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois.

- Product offerings
- New benefits
- Benefit updates
- Service area

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Important information about the variety of plans available. Easily compare coverage, costs and benefits to find the right fit for your clients.



EDUCATE YOUR CLIENTS

Help your clients take the first step towards the right Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois Medicare plan.

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Medicare Information Guides

Engage and educate with information that can help your clients make confident decisions when it's time to enroll.



Medicare Basics

Provides basic information about the parts of Medicare, plan types and costs, and enrollment periods. Appropriate for any prospect, at any time.



Ease into Medicare

Information for people enrolling in Medicare for the first time. Share with Age-in and Late retiree audiences prior to their Initial Enrollment or Special Enrollment periods.

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TOOLS FOR SUCCESS

Give your sales a lift using these convenient resources.

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Medicare Advantage Plan Comparison Charts

Plan Comparison Charts provide detailed benefit information by market for easy analysis between options. HMO and PPO charts available.

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Central Texas (PPO)	
Blue Cross Medicare Advantage™ plans	Offered in the following counties
Choice Plus (PPO) - H1666-006 Choice Premier (PPO) - H1666-003 Optimum (PPO) - H1666-022	Bastrop, Burnet, Caldwell, Chambers, Collin, Colorado, Cooke, Dallas, Denton, Fannin, Fayette, Fort Bend, Galveston, Hardin, Harris, Hays, Hill, Hood, Jefferson, Johnson, Lampasas, Lee, Liberty, Llano, Matagorda, Milam, Montgomery, Navarro, Rockwall, Tarrant, Travis, Wharton, Williamson, Wise
Dental Premier (PPO) - H4801-016 Health Choice (PPO) - H4801-018 Protect (PPO) - H4801-019	Anderson, Andrews, Aransas, Archer, Armstrong, Austin, Bailey, Baylor, Bee, Bell, Bexar, Blanco, Borden, Bosque, Bowie, Brazoria, Brazos, Brewster, Briscoe, Brooks, Burleson, Calhoun, Cameron, Camp, Carson, Cass, Castro, Cherokee, Childress, Clay, Cochran, Coke, Coleman, Collin, Concho, Coryell, Crane, Crosby, Culberson, Dallam, Dallas, Dawson, Deaf Smith, Delta, Denton, DeWitt, Dickens, Dimmit, Donley, Duval, Ector, Edwards, El Paso, Ellis, Erath, Falls, Fisher, Floyd, Foard, Fort Bend, Franklin, Freestone, Frio, Gaines, Galveston, Garza, Gillespie, Glasscock, Goliad, Grayson, Gregg, Grimes, Hale, Hall, Hamilton, Hansford, Hardeman, Harris, Harrison, Hartley, Haskell, Henderson, Hidalgo, Hockley, Hopkins, Houston, Howard, Hudspeth, Hutchinson, Inon, Jack, Jackson, Jeff Davis, Jefferson, Jim Hogg, Jim Wells, Karnes, Kaufman, Kenedy, Kent, Kimble, King, Kinney, Kleberg, Knox, La Salle, Lamar, Lamb, Lavaca, Leon, Liberty, Limestone, Live Oak, Loving, Lubbock, Lynn, Madison, Marion, Martin, Mason, Maverick, McCulloch, McLennan, Menard, Midland, Mills, Mitchell, Montague, Montgomery, Moore, Morris, Motley, Nacogdoches, Nueces, Oldham, Orange, Palo Pinto, Panola, Parker, Pecos, Polk, Potter, Presidio, Rains, Randall, Reagan, Red River, Reeves, Refugio, Roberts, Robertson, Runnels, Rusk, San Augustine, San Jacinto, San Patricio, San Saba, Schleicher, Shackelford, Shelby, Sherman, Smith, Somervell, Starr, Stephens, Sterling, Stonewall, Sutton, Swisher, Tarrant, Terry, Throckmorton, Titus, Tom Green, Travis, Trinity, Tyler, Upshur, Upton, Uvalde, Van Zandt, Victoria, Walker, Waller, Washington, Webb, Wheeler, Willacy, Williamson, Winkler, Wise, Wood, Yoakum, Young, Zapata, Zavala
Complete (PPO) - H4801-011	Anderson, Andrews, Aransas, Archer, Armstrong, Austin, Bailey, Baylor, Bee, Bell, Bexar, Blanco, Borden, Bosque, Bowie, Brazoria, Brazos, Brewster, Briscoe, Brooks, Burleson, Calhoun, Cameron, Camp, Carson, Cass, Castro, Cherokee, Childress, Clay, Cochran, Coke, Coleman, Concho, Coryell, Crane, Crosby, Culberson, Dallam, Dawson, Deaf Smith, Delta, DeWitt, Dickens, Dimmit, Donley, Duval, Ector, Edwards, El Paso, Ellis, Erath, Falls, Fisher, Floyd, Foard, Franklin, Freestone, Frio, Gaines, Garza, Gillespie, Glasscock, Goliad, Gregg, Grimes, Hale, Hall, Hamilton, Hansford, Hardeman, Harrison, Hartley, Haskell, Henderson, Hidalgo, Hockley, Hopkins, Houston, Howard, Hudspeth, Hutchinson, Inon, Jack, Jackson, Jeff Davis, Jim Hogg, Jim Wells, Karnes, Kenedy, Kent, Kimble, King, Kinney, Kleberg, Knox, La Salle, Lamar, Lamb, Lavaca, Leon, Limestone, Live Oak, Loving, Lubbock, Lynn, Madison, Marion, Martin, Mason, Maverick, McCulloch, McLennan, Menard, Midland, Mills, Mitchell, Moore, Morris, Motley, Nacogdoches, Nueces, Oldham, Orange, Palo Pinto, Panola, Parker, Pecos, Polk, Potter, Presidio, Rains, Randall, Reagan, Red River, Reeves, Refugio, Roberts, Robertson, Runnels, Rusk, San Augustine, San Jacinto, San Patricio, San Saba, Schleicher, Shackelford, Shelby, Sherman, Smith, Somervell, Starr, Stephens, Sterling, Stonewall, Sutton, Swisher, Terry, Throckmorton, Titus, Tom Green, Trinity, Tyler, Upshur, Upton, Uvalde, Van Zandt, Victoria, Walker, Waller, Washington, Webb, Wheeler, Willacy, Winkler, Wood, Yoakum, Young, Zapata, Zavala
Classic (PPO) - H4801-002	Collin, Dallas, Denton, Fort Bend, Galveston, Grayson, Harris, Hunt, Jefferson, Kaufman, Liberty, Montague, Montgomery, Tarrant, Travis, Williamson, Wise

Plans vary by county. Refer to the Summary of Benefits for plan availability and more information about what we cover and what you pay. Learn more at www.getbluetx.com/mapd/sb

Central Texas (PPO)						
Plan Premium	Blue Cross Medicare Advantage Choice Plus (PPO)™ H1666-006 \$0		Blue Cross Medicare Advantage Choice Premier (PPO)™ H1666-003 \$95		Blue Cross Medicare Advantage Optimum (PPO)™ H1666-022 \$142	
	In-Network	Out-of-Network	In-Network	Out-of-Network	In-Network	Out-of-Network
Part B Premium Reduction	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Primary Care Provider Visits	\$6 copay	\$30 copay	\$0 copay	\$30 copay	\$0 copay	\$30 copay
Specialist Visits	\$40 copay	\$75 copay	\$35 copay	\$75 copay	\$25 copay	\$75 copay
Maximum Out-of-Pocket	\$7,950	\$13,300	\$6,355	\$10,100	\$3,850	\$5,800
Inpatient Hospital Copay	\$390/day for days 1-6	\$500/day	\$275/day for days 1-5	\$500/day	\$195/day for days 1-6	\$500/day
Outpatient Hospital Copay	\$395	\$400	\$325	\$400	\$300	\$400
Labs	\$5-\$50	\$30-\$200	\$0-\$50	\$30-\$200	\$0-\$50	\$30-\$200
X-ray	\$5-\$100	\$30-\$200	\$0-\$100	\$30-\$200	\$0-\$100	\$30-\$200
CT Scan	\$0-\$325	\$0-\$400	\$0-\$300	\$0-\$400	\$0-\$300	\$0-\$400
MRI	\$0-\$325	\$0-\$400	\$0-\$300	\$0-\$400	\$0-\$300	\$0-\$400
Ambulance/Air Ambulance	\$275/20%		\$275/20%		\$275/20%	
Dental	\$0 copay; 2 exams, 2 cleanings, 1 X-ray		\$0 copay; 2 exams, 2 cleanings, 1 X-ray		\$0 copay; 2 exams, 2 cleanings, 1 X-ray	
Comprehensive	\$1,000 annually		\$1,000 annually		\$1,000 annually	
Vision	\$0 copay; 1 exam/year		\$0 copay; 1 exam/year		\$0 copay; 1 exam/year	
Glasses/Contacts Allowance	\$100 annual allowance		\$100 annual allowance		\$100 annual allowance	
Hearing	\$0 copay; 1 exam/year		\$0 copay; 1 exam/year		\$0 copay; 1 exam/year	
Hearing Aids	\$699 or \$999 copay		\$699 or \$999 copay		\$699 or \$999 copay	
Preferred Retail Pharmacy Copays	\$0/\$10/\$47/44%/25%		\$0/\$10/\$47/50%/30%		\$0/\$10/\$47/50%/33%	
Prescription Drug Deductible	\$590 (Tiers 3-5)		\$250 (Tiers 3-5)		\$0	
Preferred Pharmacy Network	Walgreens, Albertsons, Tom Thumb, United Supermarkets, Randalis, Walmart, H-E-B, Kroger, Market Street, Amigos, and independents		Walgreens, Albertsons, Tom Thumb, United Supermarkets, Randalis, Walmart, H-E-B, Kroger, Market Street, Amigos, and independents		Walgreens, Albertsons, Tom Thumb, United Supermarkets, Randalis, Walmart, H-E-B, Kroger, Market Street, Amigos, and independents	
Over-the-Counter Items ²	Not Covered		Not Covered		\$50 every 3 months	
Telehealth Services	\$0 copay; virtual visits		\$0 copay; virtual visits		\$0 copay; virtual visits	
Flexible Spend Card ³	Not Included		Not Included		Not Included	
Optional Supplemental Benefits Plan ⁴	Basic Silver		Basic Silver		Basic Silver	
Plan Premium	\$32.40		\$32.40		\$32.40	
Annual Allowance	\$1,000		\$1,000		\$1,000	
Dental ⁵	Not Included		Not Applicable		Not Applicable	
Routine Preventive	Not Included		Not Applicable		Not Applicable	
Basic Restorative Comprehensive	Not Included		Not Applicable		Not Applicable	
Major Restorative Comprehensive	20% coinsurance		50% coinsurance		50% coinsurance	
Vision	Not Included		Not Applicable		Not Applicable	
Glasses/Contacts Allowance	Not Included		Not Applicable		Not Applicable	

See reverse for additional benefit details

- Central East
- Central West
- Chicagoland
- Peoria Bloomington Springfield
- Rockford Rock Island Moline
- Southern Illinois
- Southwest Illinois

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Medicare Advantage Plan Option Guides

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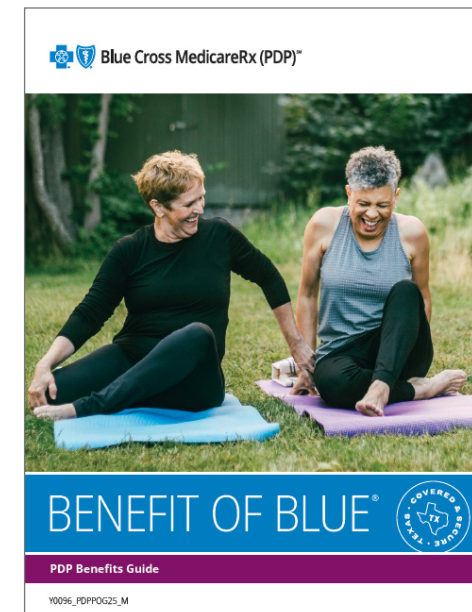
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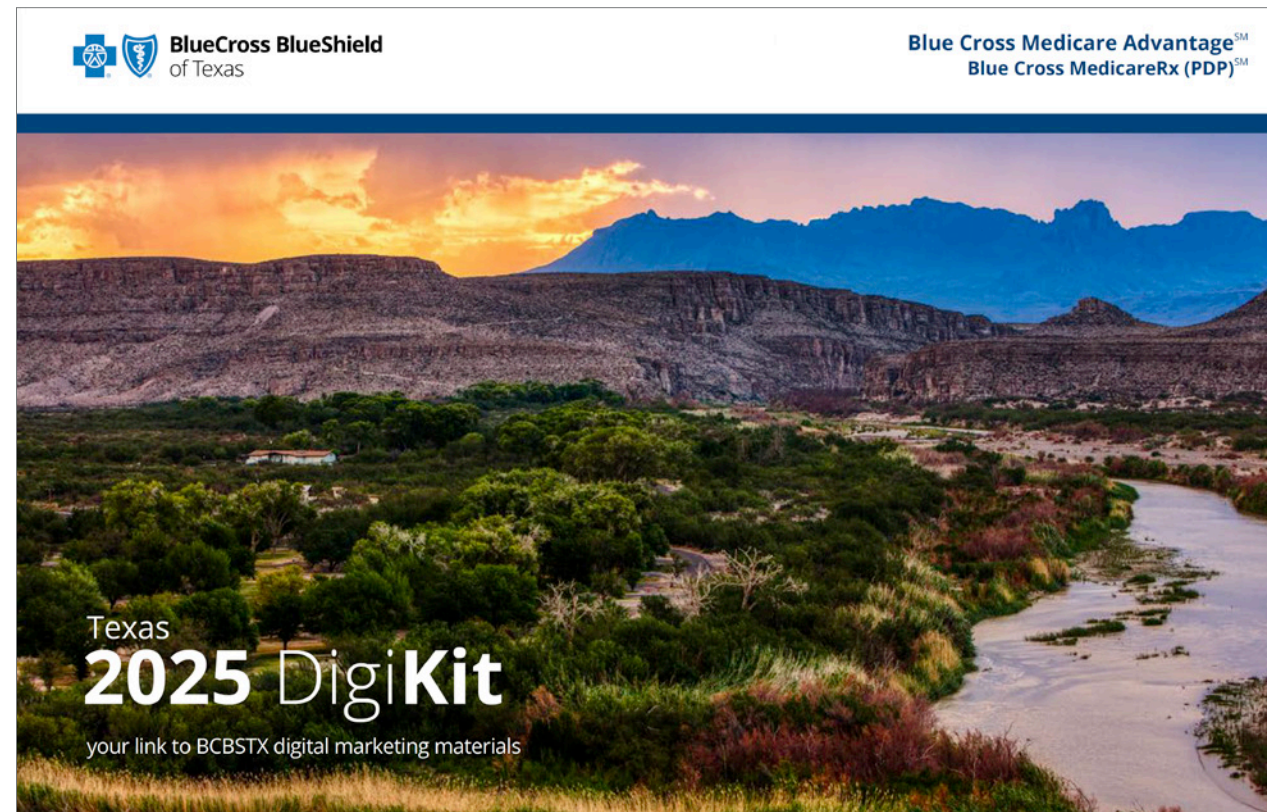


These guides provide specific and comprehensive details about Blue Cross plans—including their costs, coverage and benefit options.

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Medicare Advantage and Prescription Drug Plan DigiKit

This all-digital resource makes it easy to access all the forms, information and materials you'll need to enroll clients in our Medicare Advantage and Prescription Drug Plans.



Link to these important forms, documents and disclosures

- Enrollment forms
- Summary of benefits
- Formularies
- Pharmacy directories
- Scope of appointment form
- Non-discrimination disclosures
- Star ratings
- Provider finders
- Optional Supplemental Benefits enrollment forms

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Medicare Advantage Sales Presentations

From Medicare options to Medicare costs—and how manage them—the right information can make a big difference when it comes to sales success. Let our clear, organized presentations provide the foundation you need to educate and motivate your clients.

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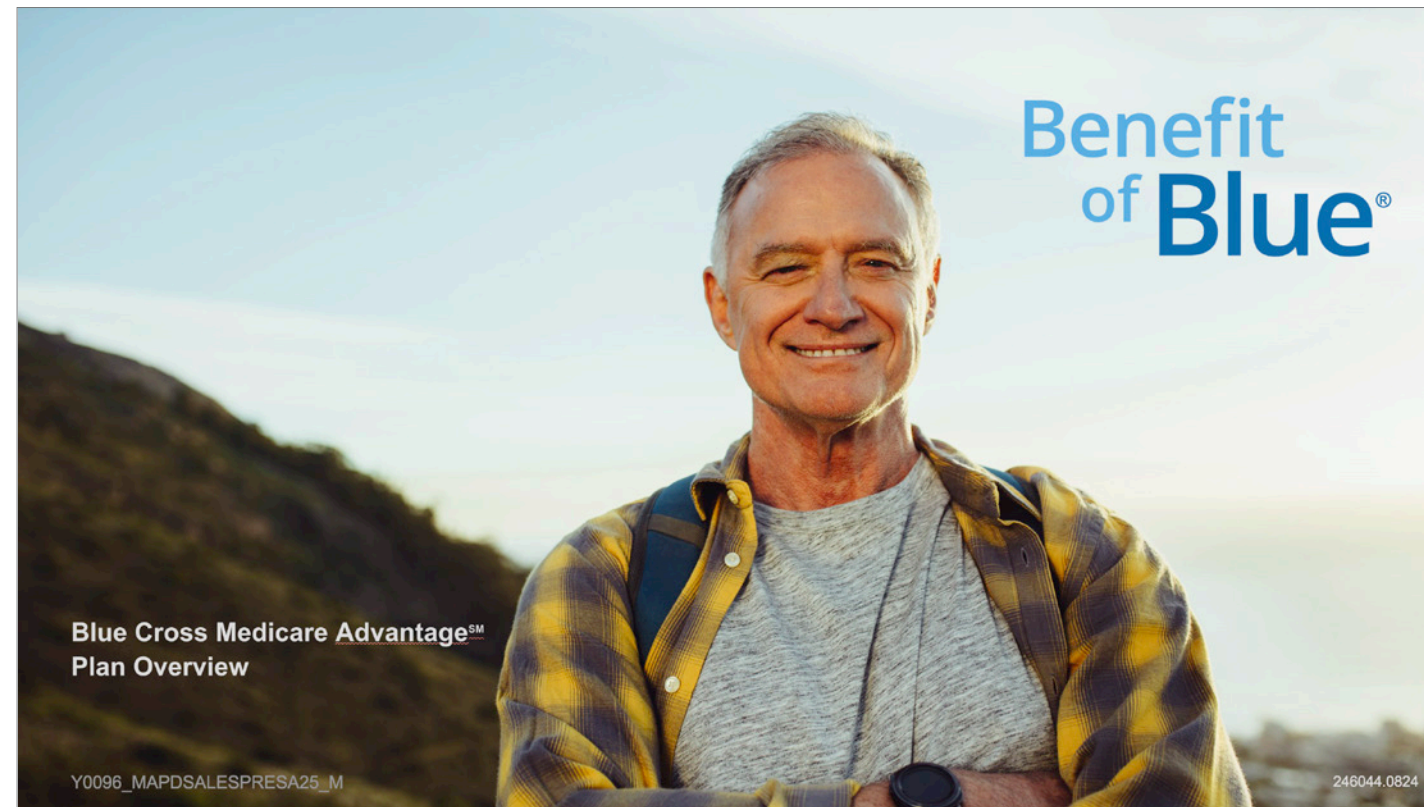
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Sales Presentation Best Practices

At a sales event, marketing activities and lead generation can take place, including discussing plan-specific information and collecting enrollment applications.

Helpful Tip

Be sure to choose the correct sales presentation based on what plan you're selling, and personalize it with your contact information.



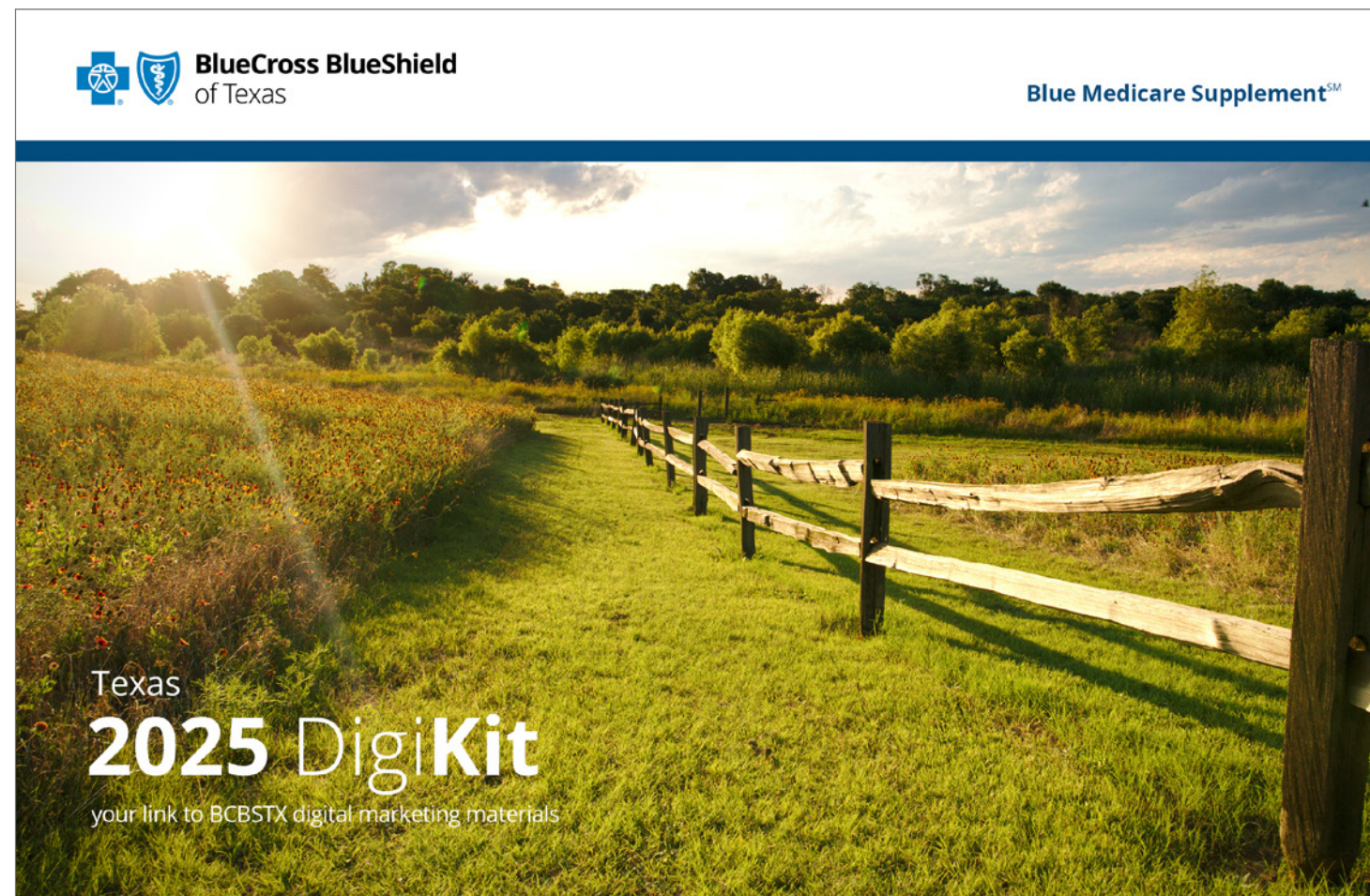
Easy-to-use PowerPoint files can be downloaded to your computer for in-office, in-home or group presentations.

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Medicare Supplement DigiKit

All the resources you need is just a click away! Use your DigiKit to access all the forms, information and materials you'll need to enroll clients in a Medicare Supplement Insurance Plan.



Links to these important forms, documents and disclosures

- Enrollment applications
- Non-discrimination disclosures
- Policy books
- Scope of appointment form
- Outlines of Coverage
- And more

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Medicare Supplement Sales Presentations

Bring simplicity and understanding to your Med Supp prospects and watch your sales grow. Whether you want to educate or motivate, these sales presentations have you covered.



Easy-to-use PowerPoint file can be downloaded to your computer for in-office, in-home or group presentations.

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GENERATE LEADS

Build your sales funnel and grow your business with preapproved marketing materials.



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Marketing materials to help you Connect. Nurture. Convert.

Pre-approved and ready for you to personalize and share.

All you need to do is add your contact information. Check out your options on the following pages to get started.

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These lead generation materials emphasize the value you offer as a local agent to Medicare beneficiaries in your community.

Use these pieces to engage and encourage existing and new clients to choose a Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois plan that meets their needs.



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How to use Direct Mail

Maximize effectiveness and cost-efficiency by following these best practices for direct mail lead generation.

Direct Mail Best Practices

1. Determine your mailing list
2. Download art from your Producer Supply Portal
3. Personalized mailers with your contact information/ organization's information
4. Add trackable phone numbers and/or website information
5. Provide printer or post office postage costs, or ensure your postal permit will cover mailing costs



Direct mail is considered to be more effective than other mass media options—especially for Medicare-eligible audiences. Even so, the most successful direct mail programs only deliver response rates of between 0.75 percent and 1.5 percent, so it's important to do everything to maximize your success.

Tracking

- During AEP mailboxes are full, and you don't want your mailing to get lost in the clutter. Plan to be in front of your prospects at least every other week. Also consider adding additional media exposure and events to your marketing plan, so your piece is more likely to be recognized and read.
- Most consumers research plans first, then shop, then decide. You'll want to be present and available at every one of these important stages.

Helpful Tips

- Create targeted, proven mailing lists. Data shows that consumers aged 65–75 are more likely to switch Medicare plans than older peers, so be sure that segment is included in your mailing list.
- Use segmented lists. If you're trying to target low-income consumers, they will likely respond better to low-price messages, while higher-income prospects may respond better to value-added benefits or expansive network messages.

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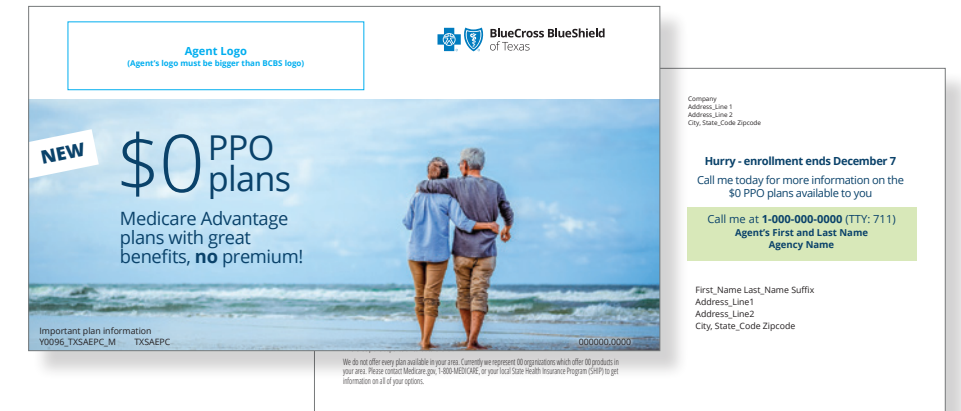
Direct Mail Options

Direct mail is an effective and cost-efficient way to generate leads. These pieces can be customized with your contact information, then sent to a targeted list to build your pipeline.

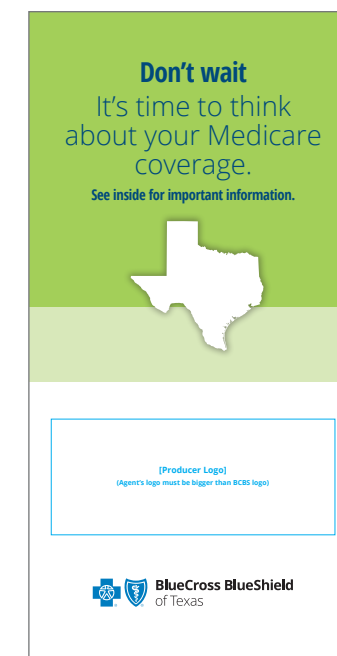


Blue Dental Plus post cards

Available on portal November 2024



New \$0 PPO plans post card



Medicare options self mailer

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Medicare Advantage lead card

Make every lead count by using this card to gain permission for future contact. You can hand it out at events, enclose it with mailings or keep it handy for in-person appointments.

MAPD



Yes, I am interested in learning more about Medicare.

By returning this card, you agree an authorized representative or licensed agent from Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois may contact you by mail. By providing your telephone number or email address, you agree that we may call you on your land line (home phone), call or text your cellular phone, or email you to answer your questions and provide additional information about Medicare products. Standard cellular phone and/or text message charges may apply from your wireless provider.

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City, State, ZIP _____

Phone (____) _____ **Email** _____

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Sales Support materials

Take your sales to the next level by making sure your clients have the right coverage and all the coverage they need for a healthy life. These flyers provide important details about the additional benefits and plans available from Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois.

Supplemental Benefit plan details

BlueCross BlueShield of Texas

Optional Supplemental Benefits
For an additional monthly premium, you can add more coverage to your plan. Adding supplemental benefits to your current plan is optional and provides you with additional dental coverage.

BASIC SILVER COVERAGE	
DENTAL	
Annual Allowance	\$1,000
Routine Preventive (annual) • 2 exams • 2 cleanings • 1 X-ray	\$0 copay
Basic Restorative Comprehensive	Not covered
Major Restorative Comprehensive • Endodontics • Periodontics • Prosthodontics • Other oral/maxillofacial surgery • Other services	In-Network 20% coinsurance Out of Network 50% coinsurance

Optional Supplemental Benefits available with the following plans:

- \$27.70 - H1666-006 Blue Cross Medicare Advantage Choice Plus (PPCP)SM
- \$26.70 - H4801-002 Blue Cross Medicare Advantage Classic (PPCP)SM
- \$26.40 - H4801-019 Blue Cross Medicare Advantage Saver Plus (PPCP)SM
- \$29.80 - H4801-019 Blue Cross Medicare Advantage Protect (PPCP)SM
- \$19.50 - H8153-005 Blue Cross Medicare Advantage Basic (HMO)SM
- \$46.70 - H8554-004 Blue Cross Medicare Advantage Saver (HMO)SM
- \$24.20 - H9706-008 Blue Cross Medicare Advantage Saver (HMO)SM
- \$30.80 - H9706-009 Blue Cross Medicare Advantage Value (HMO)SM

HMO and PPO plans provided by Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas, which refers to HMO Insurance Services Company (HSC) and PPO Insurance Company (PPOIC). HMO and PPO insurance plans are provided by Health Care Service Corporation, a Mutual Holding Company (MHC), HSC, HMO, and PPOIC, an independent licensee of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association. HSC, HMO, and PPOIC are Medicare Advantage organizations with a Medicare contract, enrollment in their state(s).

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Part D sales flyer

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GET MORE. SAVE MONEY.

Add a prescription drug plan to your coverage

You know the benefits of having a Medicare Supplement Insurance Plan. Protect yourself from high out-of-pocket costs with a prescription drug plan. Part D prescription drug plans are designed to save you money and help cover prescription drug costs.

Call [Agency Name] today and let's see if adding a prescription drug plan is right for you. For a low monthly premium, you could enjoy:

- Copays as low as \$0 for some drugs at preferred pharmacies
- Fixed copayments and coinsurance
- Hundreds of covered prescriptions to save you money
- Thousands of in-network pharmacies to fill your prescriptions

Call today to learn about your options, and complete your Medicare coverage with a prescription drug plan.

[Agency Name]
[Agency Name]
[1-800-000-0000] (TTY:711)
[Agent's Email Address]

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Blue Dental Plus sales flyer

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Keep your smile happy and healthy.

Blue Dental PlusSM provides the coverage you need.

If your current Medicare coverage doesn't offer the dental care you need, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois has a solution that can keep your smile—and your budget—healthy.

Blue Dental Plus has two affordable options to help you save on dental care expenses and provide more complete protection for your health.

For a low monthly premium, you could:

- Enjoy access to large network of dental providers
- Get routine dental care like exams, cleanings, X-rays, fillings and more
- Save on major dental expenses like extractions, root canals, crowns and dentures

Call [Agency Name] today to complete your Medicare coverage by adding an affordable Blue Dental Plus plan.

[Agency Name]
[Agency Name]
[1-800-000-0000] (TTY:711)
[Agent's Email Address]

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Print Ads to drive calls

Most people want the “human touch” when choosing and enrolling in their Medicare plan. Use these ads to gain traction as a trusted advisor and get the phone ringing.

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Get Answers to Your Medicare Plan Questions

We can help.
Call today, with no obligation.

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Agent’s First and Last Name


Agency Name

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REFERRAL PROGRAM

Not every sales superhero is a certified producer—that's why the Sales Referral program may be right for you.



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Program Overview

The Referral Program saves you time — no need to get certified to sell Medicare plans. Referral producers give clients a referral card with:

- The toll-free BCBS Product Specialist number
- The referring producer's name and BCBS producer ID number

Our Product Specialists take it from there. If that prospect becomes a confirmed enrollment and meets certain other requirements, you'll receive \$100 for Medicare Advantage Prescription Drug and \$25 for stand-alone Prescription Drug plans.*

Eligibility Requirements

You MUST:

- Be licensed to sell health insurance in your state
- Be contracted with the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Plan in your state
- Not be a certified/appointed Medicare producer
- Complete the Medicare Options Producer Referral Participation form
- Submit a referral log within 10 business days of making the referral

Referral Process

The Referral Program is based on prospects coming to you for help rather than you soliciting leads. When a prospect contacts you for information on our MAPD and PDP plans, whether they need one question answered or 10, follow these three simple steps:

- Inform the prospect that you chose to participate in the Referral Program and a qualified Product Specialist will be helping them instead.
- Give your client a referral card. The card includes the toll-free phone number to our Product Specialists and your name and BCBS producer ID number.
- Submit a referral log with your client's information within 10 business days of making the referral.

NOTE: If you choose to opt out of the Referral Program, you can either become a certified producer (in which case you need to complete the annual training and exam requirements) or not participate with the Referral Program for the rest of the benefit year. Your Participation Agreement in the Referral Program will be automatically terminated upon your certification and appointment to sell Medicare plans.

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Referral Payments

Referral payments will be reflected on your monthly commission report, in the amount specified on the fee schedule and by these terms:

- The qualified referral is enrolled in the plan for 90 days after the effective date. A referral payment will not be paid for any member that does not stay on the plan for a minimum of 90 days.
- Referral payments will be 100% earned with no charge backs, unless it is a retro term or rescission.
- No renewal commissions will be paid.

Additional and is an ALTERNATIVE to being a certified producer. Both the referral and certification programs.

Future renewal compensation from MAPD and PDP sales effective dates state that producers must certify annually to receive renewal renewals for business sold in previous years.

Any of these activities for the Referral Program:

- Door-to-door soliciting
- Outbound telemarketing, or
- Any other activity that is viewed as soliciting or steering a prospect to act in a certain way

Unless you opt out. If you choose to opt out of the Referral Program, contact our Producer Service Center at **855-782-4272** for more information.

- Lives, or will be living, in our service area on the effective date of coverage
- Is a new lead for MAPD and PDP
- Has accepted a referral card and follows the required process to obtain information and enrolls in an MAPD or PDP plan*

* \$25 PDP referral payment payout excludes Basic PDP plans.

Go to Blue Access for Producers™.

Click on the right-hand side of the page and click on Products and Forms. In the Referral Program and you'll see the agreement form, referral log, fee schedule, and more. Click on the referral log icon to submit. It will automatically open your email to send it to the Producer Service Center if the agreement was accepted. If you have questions, contact your Regional Sales Manager.

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Download this information to learn more about this program, and how to become a Referral Producer.

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HOW TO ENROLL

Here's what you need to move your clients off the fence and in to membership



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Enrollment information

Times to Enroll

Enrollment Periods

- Annual Enrollment Period (AEP): October 15–December 7
- Initial Enrollment Period (IEP): seven (7) months (your birthday month plus three months prior and after)
- Initial Coverage Election Period (ICEP). IEP AND ICEP USUALLY COINCIDE
- General Enrollment Period Picking Up Part B: (January 1–March 31, effective July 1). Penalty may apply
- Open Enrollment Period annually through March 31. Beneficiaries can make one change to a MAPD or PDP (and back to original Medicare).
- Medicare Supplement enrollment occurs year round

Special Enrollment Periods

- Change in circumstances
- Moving
- Group or other creditable coverage changes
- Your current plan exits (AEP, and December 8–last day of February)
- Those on LIS and Medicaid now can change plans monthly

Medicare Supplement Plan Year

The plan year is the 12-month period during which your Medicare Supplement policy is effective. It is determined by the coverage start and end dates. For example, a Medicare Supplement policy that starts and (renews) on July 1 will continue for the 12-month period through June 30 of the following year.

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Next Steps

Next steps for Medicare Advantage enrollments

- Prepare for Welcome Kit and Welcome Call
- SilverSneakers www.silversneakers.com
- Tru Hearing www.truhearing.com
- Transportation (see calling directions on page 31)
- Dental Coverage (always choose DPPO!) https://c4.go2dental.com/member/dental_search/searchprov.cgi?brand=il&product=ppo&State=il&ReturnSite=http://www.bcbsil.com/providers/dppo.htm
- Vision Coverage (always choose Select!) www.eyemedvisioncare.com/bcbsilind
- Rewards and Incentive Program www.bcbsil.healthmine.com

Late Enrollment Penalty

If a beneficiary enrolls in a stand-alone PDP more than 63 consecutive days after his or her IEP, the beneficiary may be subject to a Late Enrollment Penalty.

The cost of the LEP depends on how long the beneficiary went without creditable prescription drug coverage.

The LEP is calculated by multiplying 1% of the “national base beneficiary premium” times the number of full, uncovered months the beneficiary was eligible but didn’t join a PDP and went without other creditable prescription drug coverage.

The final amount is rounded to the nearest \$0.10 and added to the beneficiary’s monthly premium.

The national base beneficiary premium may increase each year, so the penalty amount may also increase each year.

The LEP will not apply if the beneficiary has Creditable Coverage.

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Billing and payment

Billing and Payment Information

- Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)
- Paper Bill (sent 15 days prior to the due date)
- Social Security Administration (SSA) Deduction
- Railroad Retirement Board Deduction
- The member selects a payment method at the time of enrollment
- Members who do not select a billing option on their enrollment form will automatically receive a paper billing statement
- Important note: if they receive a bill directly, they should pay it; setting up social security deduction or EFT may take at least one payment cycle
- Agents do not collect premiums
- Those on a zero-premium plan will only receive a bill if they are paying a late penalty premium

Blue Cross Medicare Advantage

P.O. Box 258222
Oklahoma City, OK 73126

Overnight Payments

Blue Cross Medicare Advantage (PPO)
3232 West Reno
Lockbox #258822
Oklahoma City, OK 73107

Blue Cross Medicare Rx (PDP)

PO Box 268845
Oklahoma City, OK 73126-8845

Mail International Claims to:

BCBS World Wide Center
PO Box # 261630
Miami, FL 33126

or: www.bcbsglobalcore.com

Membership Rewards

www.BlueRewardsIL.com

Resources

Medicare

www.medicare.gov/

Extra Help and Medicare Guidance

www.medicare.gov/manage-your-health

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CONTACT INFORMATION

We won't leave you stranded. Here's helpful information for the support you need.



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Important resources

Plan Information

Please see the links below for providers, formularies and plan documents

<https://www.bcbsil.com/medicare/tools-resources/forms-documents>

Additional portal items

- 0% cost sharing limited to diabetic testing supplies (meters, strips and lancets) obtained through the pharmacy for a LifeScan branded product (OneTouch Verio Flex, OneTouch Verio, OneTouch Ultra Mini and OneTouch Ultra 2)
- Scope of Appointment (available on the supply portal)
- World Wide Travel Claims:
www.bcbsglobalcore.com
- Brand Guidance

Transportation (if available)

Blue Medicare Ride Assistance is the available transportation vendor. Please call the reservation line here:
844-452-9379 BCBS Medicare Reservations

Issues with the reservation, has there been a delay, etc.
Please call Ride Assist at:
844-452-9380 IL BCBS Medicare Ride Assist

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Contact information

Members

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Regarding	Contact
Medicare Advantage Help Desk	(888) 723-7423
Medicare Advantage Enrollment Fax Line	(855) 895-4747
PDP / MAPD / Part D Help Desk Policy, application and POR related inquiries	(888) 723-7423
PDP / Part D Enrollment Fax Line	(855) 297-4245
Medicare Supplement Help Desk	(877) 587-6638
Medicare Supplement Enrollment Fax Line	(855) 867-6714
Commissions and Contracting / Producer Administration Phone	(855) 782-4272
Producer Administration Fax	(918) 549-3039

Regarding	Contact
Commissions and Contracting Producer Service Center Email Commission and certification related inquiries	producer_service_center@bcbsok.com
AHIP or HCSC Certification Inquiries	bmrxcertification@hcsc.net or via BAP
BAP Help Desk (IT Help Desk) Issues with the ComplianceWire website related inquiries	(888) 706-0583
Supply Line Supply and Supply Portal related inquiries	(888) 655-1357 bcbsupport@summitdm.com
Producer Hotline Supply Portal Product Questions	cmsalessupport@bcbstx.com
Supply Website Ordering PDP/MAPD supplies	www.yourcmsupplyportal.com
AHIP (external number) Inquiries concerning AHIP's website or training	(866) 234-6909

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Medicare Advantage Prescription Drug (MAPD)

Member Services (MAPD/MA Only)	(877) 744-8592 (TTY 711)
Urgent Care Telehealth	(888) 680-8646 (TTY 1-800-770-5531)
24/7 Nurseline	(800) 631-7023 (TTY 711)
Over-the-Counter (OTC) Products	(866) 268-2674
SilverSneakers Fitness Program	(866) 584-7389 (TTY 711)
TruHearing	(833) 898-1317

Prescription Drug Plan (PDP)

Member Services	1-800-624-1723
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Medicare Supplement

Blue Medicare Supplement Insurance Customer Service Legacy	1-800-654-9390
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Blue Care Dental

Blue Care Dental	1-888-262-0926
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Agent support

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Blue Access For Producers (BAP)

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<p>Blue Access for Producers (BAP):</p> <p>www.bcbsil.com/producer</p>	<p>Your 9-digit HCSC-provided producer ID.</p>	<p>Upon registering, a randomly generated, unique password will be sent to the email address on file.</p> <p>Logging in with the randomly generated password, the system will prompt the agent to change to a new, unique and memorable password.</p>	<p>24 hours after receipt of welcome letter and producer ID</p>
<p>It is essential when enrolling a beneficiary online, that you log into BAP using your PRODUCER NUMBER, and not your agency number. If not, your agent of record status and commissions are put at risk. If submitting a paper application, the same rule applies.</p>			

Thank You

