



**BlueCross BlueShield  
of Illinois**

# Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois Provider Manual

## HMO Scope of Benefits Section

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois, a Division of Health Care Service Corporation, a Mutual Legal Reserve Company,  
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## Family Planning

### Benefit

Family planning services are generally in benefit including family planning counseling, prescribing of contraceptive drugs, contraceptive devices, injectable contraceptives and sterilization. Oral contraceptives, NuvaRing and the birth control patch are included in the pharmacy benefit.

### Interpretation

The actual drug or device is in benefit. In addition, the fitting, insertion, implantation and/or administration of the device or drug is also in benefit for the following:

- IUD
- Diaphragms
- Depo-Provera
- FDA Approved Implants

<b>Paid by</b>	Professional Charges	<b>IPA</b>
	Device Charges (except Diaphragms)	<b>IPA</b>
	Depo-Provera	<b>IPA</b>
	FDA Approved Implants	<b>IPA</b>
	<b>Diaphragms (member must submit bills to HMO for reimbursement with)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Name of medical supplier</li> <li>• Date(s) of purchase</li> <li>• Purchase price</li> <li>• IPA physician prescription or approval</li> <li>• Diagnosis</li> <li>• Receipt(s) verifying payment for supplies</li> </ul>	<b>HMO</b>

Pharmacies and suppliers are not required to bill the HMO. The member must forward bills to the HMO for reimbursement.

### Coverage Variations

A small percentage of HMO members receive pharmacy benefits from non-BCBSIL vendors and coverage may vary. Any member that has Prescription Drug coverage under the HMO is eligible for the birth control patch and oral contraceptives, except as noted below.

Effective July 1, 2017, contraceptives are not in benefit for members of the Archdiocese of Chicago Employer Group. The group numbers are: H00120, H00119, B00599, and B00598.

Effective Jan. 1, 2020, Wheaton College B93046: IUDs and Contraceptive Implants are not in benefit.

**Note: See related benefits interpretations on Abortion, Drugs, and Sterilization**