



Brain Injury Waiver

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Important Phone Numbers

24/7 Nurseline – 24-hour-a-day help line	1-888-343-2697, TTY/TDD: 711
Emergency Care	911
Blue Cross Community Health Plans Member Services We are available 24 hours a day, seven (7) days a week. The call is free. Website: www.bcchpil.com Service Area: The plan covers members who live in the state of Illinois.	1-877-860-2837, TTY/TDD: 711
Blue Cross Community Health Plans Special Investigation Department (SID)	1-800-543-0867
National Poison Control Center Calls are routed to the office closest to you.	1-800-222-1222
Non-Emergency Medical Transportation	1-877-831-3148, TTY/TDD: 1-866-288-3133
Behavioral Health Services	1-877-860-2837, TTY/TDD: 711
Mobile Crisis Response	1-800-345-9049, TTY/TDD: 711
Grievances and Appeals	1-877-860-2837, TTY/TDD: 711
Fraud and Abuse	1-800-543-0867, TTY/TDD: 711
Care Coordination	1-855-334-4780, TTY/TDD: 711
Adult Protective Services	1-866-800-1409 TTY: 1-888-206-1327
Nursing Home Hotline	1-800-252-4343, TTY: 1-800-547-0466
DentaQuest	1-877-860-2837, TTY/TDD: 711
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Introduction

Thank you for being a member of Blue Cross Community Health PlansSM. We are here to provide quality health care for you and your family. Our goal is to serve your health needs through all of life's changes.

This booklet has important information for members with Brain Injuries. If you qualify, the Illinois Department of Rehabilitation Services (DoRS) has waiver services to help you live as independently as possible. These services would be in addition to your medical and behavioral health benefits. See your Member Handbook for an explanation of these benefits.

Over-the-Counter Drugs and Supplies OTC drugs and supplies are medicines and items you buy at the pharmacy without a prescription. As a BCCHP member, starting 2022, you can order \$25 in approved OTC items one time quarterly (every three months) at no cost to you. Benefit amounts will not roll over to the next quarter. You can view the OTC Catalog at www.bcchpil.com. You can place an order online at www.mpaotc.com. First time users will need to register an account. You can also place an order by calling Member Services at **1-877-860-2837**. Your order will be shipped at no cost to your address within 7 to 10 days.

Eligibility

You can get Brain Injury Waiver services if:

- You are a U.S. citizen or legal alien and a resident of Illinois;
- You are eligible for Medicaid; and
- You have a brain injury needing nursing facility level of care.
- You must have a Determination of Need (DON) score of 29 or higher. You will be evaluated and scored by a state appointed assessor and will then receive an Individual Service Plan (ISP). The ISP defines the individual services and the approved number of hours for those services during the ISP certification period.

For additional information regarding the Illinois waivers programs as alternatives to nursing homes, please visit: <https://hfs.illinois.gov/medicalclients/hcbs.html> or call **1-217-524-7245**.

Determination of Need (DON)

To see if you qualify for waiver services, a care manager from a State of Illinois agency will conduct a Determination of Need (DON) in your home. You will be asked about your ability to complete daily activities, like:

- Eating
- Bathing
- Grooming
- Dressing
- Preparing Meals
- Managing Money

- Laundry and Housework

These are just a few examples of the activities considered to determine your need for additional assistance. The DON produces a score from 0 to 100. The higher the score, the higher the demonstrated need. You must have a DON score of 29 or higher to qualify.

Blue Cross Community Health Plans does not conduct the DON. This is done by staff of the Illinois Care Coordination Units or the Division of Rehabilitation Services. We will work with these agencies for your annual reassessment.

Services Provided

Services provided by this Waiver include:

Adult Day Care (Adult Day Service)

This is a daytime program for adults which provides direct care and supervision in community-based setting for the purpose of providing personal attention, and promoting social, physical, and emotional well-being in a structured setting.

Adult Day Transportation

Transportation to your Adult Day Program is available if needed. One ride to and from the center each day is allowed. This transportation cannot be used to go to other places like the doctor's office, pharmacy, or store. If you need a ride to your doctor's appointment, you can call Member Services and schedule transportation at least 72 hours before your doctor's appointment. For more information about this, please refer to your Member Handbook.

Cognitive Behavioral Therapies

Remedial therapies designed to decrease maladaptive behaviors and/or to enhance cognitive functioning of the individual. These services are intended to enable the individual to better manage their behavior and therefore be more capable of living independently.

Day Habilitation (Habilitation)

This service assists the individual with the acquisition, retention or improvement in self-help, socialization, and adaptive skills. These services are provided in a setting separate from the individual's home. These services focus on enabling the individual to attain or maintain a maximum functional level and may be coordinated with therapies listed in the plan of care.

Environmental Accessibility Adaptations

These are physical modifications to an individual's home to accommodate the individual's loss of function in the completion of their Activities of Daily Living. The modifications must be necessary to support the health, welfare, and safety of the member and to enable the member to function with greater independence in their home. Without the modification, a member would require some type of institutionalized living arrangement, such as a nursing facility or assisted living.

Adaptations that do not help the member's safety or independence are not included as part of this service, such as new carpeting, roof repair, central air, or home additions.

Home Delivered Meals

One or more ready-to-eat meals per day which are delivered to the individual's home. This service is provided to individuals who can feed themselves but are unable to prepare a meal.

Home Health Aide

This service is provided within the State's standards for a Certified Nursing Assistant. This person works under the supervision of a medical professional, nurse, physical therapist, to assist the individual with basic health services such as assistance with medication, nursing care, physical, occupational, and speech therapy.

Individual Provider (IP)

In-home caregiver selected, employed and supervised by the member. The caregiver may assist with or perform household tasks, personal care and, with the permission of a physician, certain health care procedures.

In Home Services (Homemaker)

These are services consisting of general household activities (meal preparation and routine household care) and personal care provided by a trained homemaker aide when the individual regularly responsible for these activities is unable to manage the home and care for themselves. Homemaker aides shall meet such standards of education and training as are established by the State for the provision of these activities. This service will only be provided if personal care services are not available or are insufficient to meet the care plan, or the individual is not able to manage a personal assistant.

Nursing

This service is provided within the scope of the State's Nurse Practice Act by a registered nurse, licensed practical nurse, or vocational nurse. This service provides skilled nursing services to an individual in their home for short-term acute healing needs, with the goal of restoring and maintaining a maximal level of function and health. These services are provided instead of a hospitalization, or a nursing facility stay. A doctor's order is required for this service.

Nursing-Intermittent

This service is used for purposes of evaluating customer needs (including assessments and wellness checks) and monitoring.

Personal Emergency Response System

A 24-hour emergency communication link for assistance outside the individual's home based on health, safety needs, and mobility limitations.

Physical, Occupational and Speech Therapy (Rehabilitation Services)

Services designed to improve and or restore a person's functioning; includes physical therapy, occupational therapy, and/or speech therapy.

Prevocational Services

These services prepare an individual for paid or unpaid employment by teaching concepts such as compliance, attendance, task completion, problem solving and safety. Activities in this service are not

primarily directed at teaching specific job skills, but at underlying habilitation goals, such as span and motor skills. All prevocational services will be reflected in the individual's plan of care as directed to habilitation, rather than explicit employment objectives.

Respite

This service provides relief for unpaid family or primary caregivers who are meeting all service needs of the member. Services may include personal assistant, homemaker, nurse, or adult day care. Services are available for a maximum of 240 hours per year.

Specialized Medical Equipment

This service includes devices, controls or appliances, specified in the plan of care, which enable individuals to increase their abilities to perform activities of daily living, or to perceive, control, or communicate with the environment in which they live.

This service also includes items necessary for life support, ancillary supplies, and equipment necessary to the proper functioning of such items and durable and non-durable medical equipment not available under the State Plan.

Supported Employment

These are intensive ongoing supports that enable individuals in a paid employment work setting. It is designed for those who are unlikely to find a job at or above minimum wage. Supported employment includes activities needed to sustain paid work, such as supervision and training.

When supported employment services are provided at a work site in which persons without disabilities are employed, payment will be made only for the adaptations, supervision and training required by individuals receiving waiver services as a result of their disabilities.

Therapies

These services are provided by a licensed therapist. They may be approved under the waiver if the individual is no longer eligible for therapies under the State plan, but continues to need long-term habilitative services.

Care Coordination and Care Plan Information

Your Care Plan Team

Your care plan team may include many different people (with your permission) including:

- You
- Your family
- Your doctor (Primary Care Provider)
- Behavioral health provider
- Pharmacist
- Homemaker
- Community partners such as church members
- Your Care Coordinator
- Others you want to include in your care team

Team members are there to help you get the services you need. They will help you make decisions about your care and work with you to reach your health care goals. Your Care Coordinator will help lead the team to make sure all your needs are met. This begins with a complete assessment of your needs. The care coordinator will review your current needs, services currently in place and identify additional in home or community support services that would improve your health. Your care coordinator will visit you monthly while you are on the Brain Injury Waiver. The team will also help you make changes to your plan to reflect your changing needs.

Members are asked to complete a Health Risk Screening (HRS) at least annually. Your Care Coordinator will work with your health plan to help you manage your care. They will be your health care “coach”. They will oversee the plan of care you and your Care Team decide is right. Care coordinators can help you reach your health goals using your benefits.

Your care coordinator will also:

- Plan in-person visits or phone calls with you
- Listen to your concerns
- Help you get services and find health issues before they get worse (preventive care)
- Help set up care with your doctor and other health care team members
- Help you, your family and your caregiver better understand your health condition(s), medications and treatments

Your care coordinator and Care Team will help you get the information and care you need to be healthy. And they will help you manage your health condition. This includes:

- Tips on how to help manage your weight, eat better and stay fit with an exercise program
- Brochures with heart-healthy tips on how to help control blood pressure and cholesterol
- Brochures on drugs and alcohol show you how to stop problems before they start
- Well care with tips about healthy behaviors and the need for routine exams, mammograms and cancer screenings
- Information about managing on-going medical conditions such as asthma, diabetes, and heart disease

If you did not receive a health risk screening (HRS) and would like to complete one, or if you want to inquire about care coordination services, please call Member Services.

You can contact your Care Coordinator by calling Member Services at **1-877-860-2837** (TTY/ TDD: **711**). It is important that you keep in touch with your Care Coordinator for help with services. Be sure to write down the name and phone number of your Care Coordinator. Your Care Coordinator will work with the State of Illinois care coordinator who completes your DON. Together they will make sure you have the services you need to meet your health goals.

Special Beginnings

Special Beginnings helps pregnant moms better understand and manage their pregnancies to deliver a healthy baby without complications. If you are pregnant or have delivered a baby within the last 84 days (as a BCCHP member), you are eligible for the program. Program participants receive:

- Education on pregnancy, postpartum, and newborn care.
- You may be eligible for program incentives just for going to prenatal visits and postpartum

appointments.

- Assistance in finding a provider, issues with access to care, and obtaining a breast pump and extra benefits (Dental, Vision, Transportation).

You may opt out of Special Beginnings at any time. To enroll or opt out of the Special Beginnings program, contact member services.

Disease Management

If you have hypertension (high blood pressure), diabetes or asthma, you are eligible for our disease management program. Members identified with hypertension, diabetes or asthma receives support based on the level of their need. All members have access to information and tools to help manage their condition on the web portal called Blue Access for Members (BAM). The web portal offers many resources to help you stay healthy. You can access the member web portal at www.bcchpil.com.

Members with moderate levels of risk are contacted by a care coordinator that specializes in the management of that condition. If you are enrolled in the program, you work with your care coordinator to develop specific goals with the purpose of improving your overall health.

The care coordinator provides:

- education and materials related to your diagnosis
- assistance with understanding and obtaining medications
- education regarding available benefits that would improve your health outcomes
- referrals to community programs and resources for additional education and support such as improving access to healthy foods and community exercise programs

You may opt out of disease management at any time if you do not wish to participate. To enroll or opt out of the disease management program, you may call Member Services.

Provider Choices

Your Care Coordinator will work with you to find providers and doctors who best meet your needs. You can search for in network Blue Cross Community Health Plans providers on our website at www.bcchpil.com by clicking on 'Find a Provider' under the 'Getting Care' tab, or you can call Member Services for help.

Language Assistance

Interpreter Services

You can get this document in Spanish or speak with someone about this information in other languages for free. Call **1-877-860-2837** (TTY/TDD: **711**). The call is free.

Usted puede obtener este documento en español o hablar con alguien, de forma gratuita, acerca de esta información en otros idiomas. Llame al **1-877-860-2837** (TTY/TDD: **711**). La llamada es gratuita.

Other Formats

You can also call Member Services, toll free, to request this information in other alternative formats such as Braille, large print and other forms.

Hearing and Vision Impairment

For our members with hearing problems, we offer TTY/TDD service free of charge. The line is open 24 hours a day/seven (7) days a week at **711**.

Rights & Responsibilities

Your rights

- A right to always be treated with respect and dignity in recognition of your privacy.
- Have your personal health information and medical records kept private except where allowed by law, and when necessary to provide care.
- Be protected from discrimination.
- Receive information from BCCHP in other languages or formats such as with an interpreter or Braille.
- Receive information on available treatment options and alternatives
- Receive information necessary to be involved in making decisions about your healthcare treatment and choices.
- A right to make recommendations regarding the organization's member rights and responsibilities policy
- Refuse treatment and be told what may happen to your health if you do.
- Receive a copy of your medical records and in some cases request that they be amended or corrected.
- Choose your own primary care provider (PCP) from the BCCHP. You can change your PCP at any time.
- File a complaint (sometimes called a grievance), or appeal without fear of mistreatment or backlash of any kind.
- Request and receive in a reasonable amount of time, information about your Health Plan, its providers and policies including member rights and responsibilities.

Your responsibilities

- Treat your doctor and the office staff with courtesy and respect.
- Carry your Blue Cross Community Health Plans ID card with you when you go to your doctor appointments and to the pharmacy to pick up your prescriptions.
- Keep your appointments and be on time for them.
- If you cannot keep your appointments cancel them in advance.
- Follow the instructions and treatment plan you get from your doctor and agree with goals to provide better care for your health.
- Tell your health plan and your caseworker if your address or phone number or any other information changes to provide care efficiently.
- Understand your health status and participate in developing mutually agreed-upon treatment goals to the degree possible.
- Read your member handbook so you know what services are covered and if there are any special rules.

Every member has the following rights and responsibilities without having his or her treatment adversely affected.

Non-Discrimination

You may not be discriminated against because of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, ancestry, marital status, physical or mental disability, unfavorable military discharge, or age.

If you feel you have been discriminated against, you have the right to file a complaint with Civil Rights Coordinator by calling, faxing or sending us a letter:

Phone: **1-855-664-7270**

Fax: **1-855-661-6960**

Mail: Office of Civil Rights Coordinator
300 E. Randolph St.
35th Floor Chicago, IL 60601

If you are unable to call, you may have someone call for you. If you are unable to write a letter yourself, you may have someone write it for you.

Confidentiality

All information about you and your case is confidential, and may be used only for purposes directly related to treatment, payment, and operation of the program including:

- Establishing your initial and continuing eligibility
- Establishing the extent of your assets, your income, and the determination of your service needs
- Finding and making needed services and resources available to you
- Assuring your health and safety

No information about you can be used for any other purpose unless you have signed a Standard Authorization form. You can request a copy of this form by calling Member Services at **1-877-860-2837**. A copy of this form can also be found on our website: <https://www.bcbsil.com/bcchp/resources/forms-and-documents>.

Freedom of Choice

You have the choice of nursing facility placement or home and community-based services. You also have the right to choose not to receive services.

You may choose which provider or agency you want to provide your Long-Term Supports and Services (LTSS). A list of providers approved by the Department of Rehabilitative Services and the Department of Aging to provide services in your service area will be reviewed with you by your Blue Cross Community Health Plans Care Coordinator.

Your Blue Cross Community Health Plans Care Coordinator will work with you to participate in your Service Plan development and in choosing types of services and providers to meet your needs. You will receive a copy of each Service Plan and any subsequent changes to the plan.

The services that you receive are for needs addressed on your Service Plan and not for the needs of other individuals in your home.

Transfer to Another Provider or Agency

You may request to transfer from one provider to another. If you want to transfer, you should contact your Blue Cross Community Health Plans Care Coordinator to help arrange the transfer.

Change in Residence

If you will be residing in another location in Illinois and want to continue to receive services, contact your Blue Cross Community Health Plans Care Coordinator. Your Care Coordinator will assist you by arranging service transfer to your location.

Service Plan

Your Service Plan establishes the type of service, the number of hours of service, how often the service will be provided, and the dates the services are approved. Your provider cannot change your Service Plan. If you need a change in services, you need to call your Blue Cross Community Health Plans Care Coordinator to review your needs and make changes to your Service Plan.

If You Want More Services than Your Service Plan Allows

You may ask your provider to give you more services than are listed on your Service Plan, but you will be required to pay 100 percent of the cost of those additional services.

Quality of Service

If you do not believe your provider or caregiver is following your Service Plan, or if your caregiver does not come to your home as scheduled, or if your caregiver is always late, you should call the caregiver agency and talk to your caregiver’s supervisor. If the problem is not resolved, you should call your Blue Cross Community Health Plans Care Coordinator. If the problem is still not resolved, you should call the Blue Cross Community Health Plans toll free number at **1-877-860-2837** to file a grievance.

Non-Discrimination of Caregivers

You must not discriminate against your caregivers because of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, ancestry, marital status, physical or mental disability, unfavorable military discharge, or age. To do so is a Federal offense.

Reporting Changes

When you become enrolled in the Blue Cross Community Health Plans program, you must report changes to your information including:

Change	Report to
Changes to your services or service needs	Blue Cross Community Health Plans care coordinator at 1-855-334-4780
Change of address or phone number, even if temporary	Blue Cross Community Health Plans care coordinator at 1-855-334-4780 or Enrollment Agency

Hospital or Nursing Home Admission

If you are entering a hospital, nursing home or other institution for any reason, you or your representative should inform your Blue Cross Community Health Plans Care Coordinator before or as soon as possible after you have entered such a facility. Your services cannot be provided while you are in these facilities, but can be provided as soon as you return home. Inform your Blue Cross Community Health Plans Care Coordinator when you will be discharged home, so we can check on your service needs.

Transition of Care Services

You are eligible for Transition of Care Services when you are scheduled for a planned inpatient surgical procedure or when you have an unplanned admission to an acute inpatient hospital or skilled nursing facility. Our services help you when you are being discharged home or to a lower level of care. We pay special attention to helping you move from one level of care to another, such as when you are discharged from a hospital or a skilled nursing facility back to your home. It is important that you understand your discharge instructions and have everything you need at home to recover. We work with you to make sure you have follow-up appointments scheduled. We also make sure you receive all ordered medications and services, including oxygen and durable medical equipment. This ensures a smooth discharge and recovery.

Care Coordinators can help you through the following:

- Arranging services you need, including scheduling and keeping provider appointments
- Ensuring complete communication and coordination of services to provide safe, timely, high-quality care as you move out of an acute inpatient hospitalization stay
- We provide guidance before planned admissions, such as a scheduled surgery. We also provide guidance after discharge when you have had an unplanned admission
- Care coordinators help you understand your conditions to reduce risks of relapse and support your ability to care for yourself.
- We also provide education related to medication safety and the importance of taking medications as the doctor ordered.
- Care coordinators review and clarify your doctor's orders related to care, diet, and activity levels so you understand and can follow the plan of care.

You are required to participate in care coordination on the Brain Injury Waiver program. To talk about eligibility, please call Member Services.

Absent from Home

You must inform your caregiver or provider if you plan to be absent from your home when your scheduled services are to be provided, such as a doctor's appointment, a general outing, or a short vacation. Notify your caregiver or provider when you will not be home and when you plan to return so they can resume services upon your return.

During your absence, give your caregiver or provider and your Blue Cross Community Health Plans Care Coordinator your temporary phone number and address, in case you need to be reached.

Delivery of Services

You Must Cooperate in the Delivery of Services

To assist your caregivers, you must:

- Notify your caregiver or provider at least one (1) day in advance if you will be away from home on the day you are to receive service.
- Allow the authorized caregiver into your home.
- Allow the caregiver to provide the services authorized on your Service Plan you approved.

Do not require the caregiver to do more or less than what is on your Service Plan. If you want to change your Service Plan, call your Blue Cross Community Health Plans Care Coordinator. Your caregiver cannot change your Service Plan.

You and others in your home must not harm or threaten to harm the caregiver or display any weapons. Not cooperating as noted above may result in the suspension or termination of your LTSS services. Your Blue Cross Community Health Plans Care Coordinator will work with you and the caregiver to develop a Care Management Agreement to restart your services.

Fraud, Abuse and Neglect

Fraud and Abuse Program

Fraud occurs when someone receives benefits or payments they are not entitled to. Many parties can commit health care fraud that must be reported, including but not limited to:

- Medical providers
- Behavioral health providers
- Patients or members
- Employees of health care companies
- Billers

Examples of fraud include:

- Overusing services that you don't need
- A provider billing for services not done
- False answers on an application
- Using someone's ID card

To report fraud, you can call Member Services, or the Blue Cross Community Health Plans Special Investigation Department (SID) at **1-800-543-0867**. All information is confidential.

Reporting Abuse, Neglect, Exploitation, or Unusual Incidents

The Health Care Worker Background Check Act applies to all unlicensed individuals employed or retained by a health care employer as home health aides, nurse aides, personal care assistants, private duty nurse aides, day training personnel, or an individual working in any similar health-related occupation where they provide direct care.

You can contact the Department of Public Health online or by phone at **1-217-785-5133** to verify status prior

to employment, or the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation for information on any Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) or Registered Nurse (RN) you want to employ to see if they have allegations of abuse, neglect or theft.

If you are the victim of abuse, neglect, or exploitation, you should report this to your Blue Cross Community Health Plans Care Coordinator right away, or contact the Blue Cross Community Health Plans Critical Incident Hotline at **1-855-653-8127**. You should also report the issue to one of the following agencies based on your age or placement. All reports to these agencies are kept confidential and anonymous reports are accepted.

Nursing Home Hotline

- **1-800-252-4343, TTY/TDD: 1-800-547-0466**

The Illinois Department of Public Health Nursing Home Hotline is for reporting complaints regarding hospitals, nursing facilities, home health agencies and the care or lack of care of the patients.

Supportive Living Program Complaint Hotline

- **1-800-226-0768**

Adult Protective Services

- **1-866-800-1409, TTY/TDD: 1-888-206-1327**

The Illinois Department on Aging Adult Protective Services Hotline is to report allegations of abuse, neglect, or exploitation for all adults 18 years old and over. Your Blue Cross Community Health Plans Care Coordinator will provide you with two (2) brochures on reporting abuse, neglect and exploitation. You can request new copies of these brochures at any time.

Illinois law defines fraud, abuse and neglect as:

- **Physical abuse** – Inflicting physical pain or injury upon a senior or person with disabilities.
- **Sexual abuse** – Touching, fondling, intercourse, or any other sexual activity with a senior or person with disabilities, when the person is unable to understand, unwilling to consent, threatened, or physically forced.
- **Emotional abuse** – Verbal assaults, threats of abuse, harassment, or intimidation.
- **Confinement** – Restraining or isolating the person, other than for medical reasons.
- **Passive neglect** – The caregiver's failure to provide a senior or person with disabilities with life's necessities, including, but not limited to, food, clothing, shelter, or medical care.
- **Willful deprivation** – Willfully denying a senior or person with disabilities medication, medical care, shelter, food, a therapeutic device, or other physical assistance, and thereby exposing that adult to the risk of physical, mental, or emotional harm — except when the person has expressed an intent to forego such care.
- **Financial exploitation** – The misuse or withholding of a senior or person with disabilities' resources to the disadvantage of the person or the profit or advantage of someone else.

Grievances and Appeals

We want you to be happy with services you get from Blue Cross Community Health Plans and our providers. If you are not happy, you can file a grievance or appeal. For more information, refer to the section on Grievances and Appeals in your Member Handbook. You may also call Blue Cross Community Health Plans Member Services at **1-877-860-2837** (TTY/TDD: **711**). We are available 24 hours a day, seven (7) days a week.

Limitations and restrictions may apply. For more information, call Blue Cross Community Health Plans Member Services at **1-877-860-2837** (TTY/TDD: **711**).

Non-Discrimination Notice

Health Care Coverage Is Important For Everyone

We do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin (including limited English knowledge and first language), age, disability, or sex (as understood in the applicable regulation). We provide people with disabilities with reasonable modifications and free communication aids to allow for effective communication with us. We also provide free language assistance services to people whose first language is not English.

To receive reasonable modifications, communication aids or language assistance free of charge, please call us at 1-855-710-6984.

If you believe we have failed to provide a service, or think we have discriminated in another way, you can file a grievance with:

Office of Civil Rights Coordinator	Phone:	1-855-664-7270 (voicemail)
Attn: Office of Civil Rights Coordinator	TTY/TDD:	1-855-661-6965
300 E. Randolph St., 35th Floor	Fax:	1-855-661-6960
Chicago, IL 60601	Email:	civilrightscoordinator@bcbsil.com

You can file a grievance in person or by mail, fax or email. If you need help filing a grievance, the Office of Civil Rights Coordinator is available to help you.

You may file a civil rights complaint with the US Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights, at:

US Dept of Health & Human Services	Phone:	1-800-368-1019
200 Independence Avenue SW	TTY/TDD:	1-800-537-7697
Room 509F, HHH Building	Complaint Portal:	https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/smartscreen/main.jsf
Washington, DC 20201	Complaint Forms:	https://www.hhs.gov/civil-rights/filing-a-complaint/index.html

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ATTENTION: If you speak another language, free language assistance services are available to you. Appropriate auxiliary aids and services to provide information in accessible formats are also available free of charge. Call 1-877-860-2837 (TTY: 711) or speak to your provider.

Español Spanish	ATENCIÓN: Si habla español, tiene a su disposición servicios gratuitos de asistencia lingüística. También están disponibles de forma gratuita ayuda y servicios auxiliares apropiados para proporcionar información en formatos accesibles. Llame al 1-877-860-2837 (TTY: 711) o hable con su proveedor.
العربية Arabic	تنبيه: إذا كنت تتحدث اللغة العربية، فستوفر لك خدمات المساعدة اللغوية المجانية. كما تتوفر وسائل مساعدة وخدمات مناسبة لتوفير المعلومات بتنسيقات يمكن الوصول إليها مجانًا. اتصل على الرقم 1-877-860-2837 (TTY: 711) أو تحدث إلى مقدم الخدمة.

中文 Chinese	注意：如果您说[中文]，我们将免费为您提供语言协助服务。我们还免费提供适当的辅助工具和服务，以无障碍格式提供信息。致电 1-877-860-2837（文本电话：711）或咨询您的服务提供者。
Français French	ATTENTION : Si vous parlez Français, des services d'assistance linguistique gratuits sont à votre disposition. Des aides et services auxiliaires appropriés pour fournir des informations dans des formats accessibles sont également disponibles gratuitement. Appelez le 1-877-860-2837 (TTY : 711) ou parlez à votre fournisseur.
Deutsch German	ACHTUNG: Wenn Sie Deutsch sprechen, stehen Ihnen kostenlose Sprachassistentendienste zur Verfügung. Entsprechende Hilfsmittel und Dienste zur Bereitstellung von Informationen in barrierefreien Formaten stehen ebenfalls kostenlos zur Verfügung. Rufen Sie 1-877-860-2837 (TTY: 711) an oder sprechen Sie mit Ihrem Provider.
ગુજરાતી Gujarati	ધ્યાન આપો: જો તમે ગુજરાતી બોલતા હો તો મફત ભાષાકીય સહાયતા સેવાઓ તમારા માટે ઉપલબ્ધ છે. યોગ્ય ઓકિડેલરી સહાય અને એક્સેસિબલ ફોર્મેટમાં માહિતી પૂરી પાડવા માટેની સેવાઓ પણ વિના મૂલ્યે ઉપલબ્ધ છે. 1-877-860-2837 (TTY: 711) પર કોલ કરો અથવા તમારા પ્રદાતા સાથે વાત કરો.
हिंदी Hindi	ध्यान दें: यदि आप हिंदी बोलते हैं, तो आपके लिए निःशुल्क भाषा सहायता सेवाएं उपलब्ध होती हैं। सुलभ प्रारूपों में जानकारी प्रदान करने के लिए उपयुक्त सहायक साधन और सेवाएं भी निःशुल्क उपलब्ध हैं। 1-877-860-2837 (TTY: 711) पर कॉल करें या अपने प्रदाता से बात करें।
Italiano Italian	ATTENZIONE: se parli Italiano, sono disponibili servizi di assistenza linguistica gratuiti. Sono inoltre disponibili gratuitamente ausili e servizi ausiliari adeguati per fornire informazioni in formati accessibili. Chiama l'1-877-860-2837 (tty: 711) o parla con il tuo fornitore.
한국어 Korean	주의: [한국어]를 사용하시는 경우 무료 언어 지원 서비스를 이용하실 수 있습니다. 이용 가능한 형식으로 정보를 제공하는 적절한 보조 기구 및 서비스도 무료로 제공됩니다. 1-877-860-2837 (TTY: 711)번으로 전화하거나 서비스 제공업체에 문의하십시오.
Diné Navajo	SHOOH: Diné bee yáníłt'í'gogo, saad bee aná'awo' bee áka'anída'awo'ít'áá jiik'eh ná hóló. Bee ahíł hane'go bee nida'anishí t'áá ákodaat'éhígíí dóo bee áka'anída'wo'í áko bee baa hane'í bee hadadilyaa bich'í' ahoot'í'ígíí éí t'áá jiik'eh hóló. Kohjíl' 1-877-860-2837 (TTY: 711) hodíilnih doodago nika'análwo'í bich'í' hanidzihi.
فارسی Farsi	توجه: اگر [وارد کردن زبان] صحبت می کنید، خدمات پشتیبانی زبانی رایگان در دسترس شما قرار دارد. همچنین کمک ها و خدمات پشتیبانی مناسب برای ارائه اطلاعات در قالب های قابل دسترس، به طور رایگان موجود می باشند. با شماره 1-877-860-2837 (تله تایپ: 711) تماس بگیرید یا با ارائه دهنده خود صحبت کنید.
Polski Polish	UWAGA: Osoby mówiące po polsku mogą skorzystać z bezpłatnej pomocy językowej. Dodatkowe pomoce i usługi zapewniające informacje w dostępnych formatach są również dostępne bezpłatnie. Zadzwoń pod numer 1-877-860-2837 (TTY: 711) lub porozmawiaj ze swoim dostawcą.
РУССКИЙ Russian	ВНИМАНИЕ: Если вы говорите на русский, вам доступны бесплатные услуги языковой поддержки. Соответствующие вспомогательные средства и услуги по предоставлению информации в доступных форматах также предоставляются бесплатно. Позвоните по телефону 1-877-860-2837 (TTY: 711) или обратитесь к своему поставщику услуг.
Tagalog Tagalog	PAALALA: Kung nagsasalita ka ng Tagalog, magagamit mo ang mga libreng serbisyong tulong sa wika. Magagamit din nang libre ang mga naaangkop na auxiliary na tulong at serbisyo upang magbigay ng impormasyon sa mga naa-access na format. Tumawag sa 1-877-860-2837 (TTY: 711) o makipag-usap sa iyong provider.
اردو Urdu	توجه دیں: اگر آپ اردو بولتے ہیں، تو آپ کے لیے زبان کی مفت مدد کی خدمات دستیاب ہیں۔ قابل رسائی فارمیٹس میں معلومات فراہم کرنے کے لیے مناسب معاون امداد اور خدمات بھی مفت دستیاب ہیں۔ 1-877-860-2837 (TTY: 711) پر کال کریں یا اپنے فراہم کنندہ سے بات کریں۔
Việt Vietnamese	LƯU Ý: Nếu bạn nói tiếng Việt, chúng tôi cung cấp miễn phí các dịch vụ hỗ trợ ngôn ngữ. Các hỗ trợ dịch vụ phù hợp để cung cấp thông tin theo các định dạng dễ tiếp cận cũng được cung cấp miễn phí. Vui lòng gọi theo số 1-877-860-2837 (Người khuyết tật: 711) hoặc trao đổi với người cung cấp dịch vụ của bạn.



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