

Quality Improvement Program

The Quality Improvement Program (QIP) helps you get the care and services that you need when you need it. At the end of every year, we look to see how well we did in meeting those goals. We put goals in place at the start of each year. Then we look at our data and compare it to our goals that we put in place at the start of each year.

The goals of the program are to help you get:

- Your health care, behavioral health care and services when you need it.
- Answers to your questions and concerns as quickly as possible from Member Services;
- Health care and mental health care in the right place;
- Information on and access to services for your well-being and chronic illness;
- Your prescriptions;
- Assistance when there are incidents that can affect your health and well-being;
- Make sure that your behavioral health doctor and other health care providers:
 - Talk to each other;
 - Know your problems and treatment;
 - Know how to refer you to another doctor;
 - Give you the correct prescriptions for your behavioral health;
 - Make sure that you get a follow-up when you have both a health care and behavioral health care problem;
 - Have a wellness program in place; and
 - Can make sure that you can get assistance from our behavioral health staff if you have severe and frequent mental illness.

During the year, we looked to see if we met our goals. We were able to see an improvement when compared to the goals for the following:

- Controlling high blood pressure.
- Urging our members to follow up with a doctor after they have been in the hospital for mental illness.
- Urging members to get breast cancer screenings.
- How you were treated for alcohol or drug abuse.
- Blood sugar testing for members with diabetes.
- Having your doctor talk to you about:
 - End of life care;
 - Your medicines;
 - How well you can move around; and
 - Any pain you are in.
- The care you get from your doctor and specialist.
- How doctors talk to members in a way they can understand.

We also look to see how we can improve from last year to this year. Areas that we need to work on for this year are:

- You to get your flu shot;
- Making sure that you are getting care quickly;
- Making sure that you are satisfied with your health care;
- Having you complete a health risk assessment;
- Making sure that we can continue to answer your complaints and appeals within as soon as possible; and
- How quickly our member services answered calls.

If you have questions, please call Blue Cross Community MMAI Member Services at 1-877-723-7702 (TTY: 711). We are available seven (7) days a week. Our call center is open Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. Central time. On weekends and Federal holidays, voice messaging is available. If you leave a voice message, a Member Services representative will return your call no later than the next business day. The call is free.

ATTENTION: If you speak English, language assistance services, free of charge, are available to you. Call Member Services at 1-877-723-7702 (TTY: 711). We are available seven (7) days a week. Our call center is open Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. Central time. On weekends and Federal holidays, voice messaging is available. If you leave a voice message, a Member Services representative will return your call no later than the next business day. The call is free.

ATENCIÓN: Si habla español, los servicios de asistencia lingüística están a su disposición sin costo alguno para usted. Llame al 1-877-723-7702 (TTY: 7-1-1). Estamos a su disposición los siete (7) días de la semana. Nuestra central telefónica está abierta de lunes a viernes de 8:00 a. m. a 8:00 p. m., hora del centro. Para los fines de semana y días feriados federales, está disponible el servicio de mensajes de voz. Si deja un mensaje de voz, un representante de Atención al Asegurado le devolverá la llamada antes del próximo día laborable. La llamada es gratuita.

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Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois:

- Provides free aids and services to people with disabilities to communicate effectively with us, such as:
 - Qualified sign language interpreters
 - Written information in other formats (large print, audio, accessible electronic formats, other formats)
- Provides free language services to people whose primary language is not English, such as:
 - Qualified interpreters
 - Information written in other languages

If you need these services, contact Civil Rights Coordinator.

If you believe that Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois has failed to provide these services or discriminated in another way on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex, you can file a grievance with: Civil Rights Coordinator, Office of Civil Rights Coordinator, 300 E. Randolph St., 35th floor, Chicago, Illinois 60601, 1-855-664-7270, TTY/TDD: 1-855-661-6965, Fax: 1-855-661-6960, Civilrightscoordinator@hsc.net. You can file a grievance in person or by mail, fax, or email. If you need help filing a grievance, Civil Rights Coordinator is available to help you.

You can also file a civil rights complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights, electronically through the Office for Civil Rights Complaint Portal, available at <https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf>, or by mail or phone at:

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
200 Independence Avenue, SW
Room 509F, HHH Building
Washington, D.C. 20201

1-800-368-1019, 800-537-7697 (TDD)

Complaint forms are available at <http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html>.

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UWAGA: Jeżeli mówisz po polsku, możesz skorzystać z bezpłatnej pomocy językowej. Zadzwoń pod numer 1-877-723-7702 (TTY: 711).

注意：如果您使用繁體中文，您可以免費獲得語言援助服務。請致電 1-877-723-7702 (TTY: 711)

주의: 한국어를 사용하시는 경우, 언어 지원 서비스를 무료로 이용하실 수 있습니다. 1-877-723-7702 (TTY: 711) 번으로 전화해 주십시오.

PAUNAWA: Kung nagsasalita ka ng Tagalog, maaari kang gumamit ng mga serbisyo ng tulong sa wika nang walang bayad. Tumawag sa 1-877-723-7702 (TTY: 711).

ملحوظة: إذا كنت تتحدث اذكر اللغة، فإن خدمات المساعدة اللغوية تتوافر لك بالمجان. اتصل برقم 1-877-723-7702 (رقم هاتف الصم والبكم: 711).

ВНИМАНИЕ: Если вы говорите на русском языке, то вам доступны бесплатные услуги перевода. Звоните 1-877-723-7702 (телетайп: 711).

સુચના: જો તમે ગુજરાતી બોલતા હો, તો નિ:શુલક ભાષા સહાય સેવાઓ તમારા માટે ઉપલબ્ધ છે. ફોન કરો 1-877-723-7702 (TTY: 711).

خبردار: اگر آپ اردو بولتے ہیں، تو آپ کو زبان کی مدد کی خدمات مفت میں دستیاب ہیں۔ کال کریں 1-877-723-7702 (TTY: 711).

CHÚ Ý: Nếu bạn nói Tiếng Việt, có các dịch vụ hỗ trợ ngôn ngữ miễn phí dành cho bạn. Gọi số 1-877-723-7702 (TTY: 711).

ATTENZIONE: In caso la lingua parlata sia l'italiano, sono disponibili servizi di assistenza linguistica gratuiti. Chiamare il numero 1-877-723-7702 (TTY: 711).

ध्यान दें: यदि आप हिंदी बोलते हैं तो आपके लिए मुफ्त में भाषा सहायता सेवाएं उपलब्ध हैं। 1-877-723-7702 (TTY: 711) पर कॉल करें।

ATTENTION : Si vous parlez français, des services d'aide linguistique vous sont proposés gratuitement. Appelez le 1-877-723-7702 (ATS: 711).

ΠΡΟΣΟΧΗ: Αν μιλάτε ελληνικά, στη διάθεσή σας βρίσκονται υπηρεσίες γλωσσικής υποστήριξης, οι οποίες παρέχονται δωρεάν. Καλέστε 1-877-723-7702 (TTY: 711).

ACHTUNG: Wenn Sie Deutsch sprechen, stehen Ihnen kostenlos sprachliche Hilfsdienstleistungen zur Verfügung. Rufnummer: 1-877-723-7702 (TTY: 711).