Premera Blue Cross Blue Shield of Alaska : Preferred Choice Plus QHDHP Embedded NGF

Coverage for: Individual or Family | **Plan Type:** PPO

The Summary of Benefits and Coverage (SBC) document will help you choose a health plan. The SBC shows you how you and the plan would share the cost for covered health care services. NOTE: Information about the cost of this plan (called the premium) will be provided separately. This is only a summary. For more information about your coverage, or to get a copy of the complete terms of coverage, call 1-800-508-4722 (TTY: 711) or visit us at www.premera.com. For general definitions of common terms, such as allowed amount, balance billing, coinsurance, copayment, deductible, provider, or other underlined terms see the Glossary. You can view the Glossary at https://www.healthcare.gov/sbc-glossary/ or call 1-800-508-4722 (TTY: 711) to request a copy.

Important Questions	Answers	Why This Matters:
What is the overall deductible?	$3,300 Individual / $6,600 Family.	Generally, you must pay all of the costs from providers up to the deductible amount before this plan begins to pay. If you have other family members on the plan, each family member must meet their own individual deductible until the total amount of deductible expenses paid by all family members meets the overall family deductible.
Are there services covered before you meet your deductible?	Yes. Does not apply to Preventive care, services listed below as "No charge"	This plan covers some items and services even if you haven't yet met the deductible amount. But a copayment or coinsurance may apply. For example, this plan covers certain preventive services without cost-sharing and before you meet your deductible. See a list of covered preventive services at https://www.healthcare.gov/coverage/preventive-care-benefits/.
Are there other deductibles for specific services?	No.	You don't have to meet deductibles for specific services.
What is the out-of-pocket limit for this plan?	In-network: $5,000 Individual / $10,000 Family, Out-of-network: $45,000 Individual / $90,000 Family	The out-of-pocket limit is the most you could pay in a year for covered services. If you have other family members in this plan, they have to meet their own out-of-pocket limits until the overall family out-of-pocket limit has been met.
What is not included in the out-of-pocket limit?	Premium, balance-billed charges, penalties for failure to obtain prior authorization for services, and health care this plan doesn't cover.	Even though you pay these expenses, they don't count toward the out-of-pocket limit.
Will you pay less if you use a network provider?	Yes. See www.premera.com or call 1-800-508-4722 for a list of network providers.	You pay the least if you use a provider in the Preferred network. You pay more if you use a provider in the Participating network. You will pay the most if you use an out-of-network provider, and you might receive a bill from a provider for the difference between the provider's charge and what your plan pays (balance billing). Be aware your network provider might use an out-of-network provider for some services (such as lab work). Check with your provider before you get services.
Do you need a referral to see a specialist?	No.	You can see the specialist you choose without a referral.

All copayment and coinsurance costs shown in this chart are after your deductible has been met, if a deductible applies.

Common Medical Event	Services You May Need	What You Will Pay		Limitations, Exceptions, & Other Important Information
		Network Provider (You will pay the least)	Out-of-Network Provider (You will pay the most)	
If you visit a health care provider's office or clinic	Primary care visit to treat an injury or illness	20% coinsurance	60% coinsurance	None
	Specialist visit	20% coinsurance	60% coinsurance	None
	Preventive care/screening/ immunization	No charge	60% coinsurance	You may have to pay for services that aren't preventive. Ask your provider if the services you need are preventive. Then check what your plan will pay for.
If you have a test	Diagnostic test (x-ray, blood work)	20% coinsurance for Preferred/40% coinsurance for Participating	60% coinsurance	None
	Imaging (CT/PET scans, MRIs)	20% coinsurance for Preferred/40% coinsurance for Participating	60% coinsurance	Prior authorization is required for some outpatient imaging tests. Penalty for non-contract provider: 50% of allowable charge to $1,500 per occurrence.
If you need drugs to treat your illness or condition More information about **prescription drug coverage** is available at https://www.premera.com/documents/052170_2025.pdf	Generic drugs	20% coinsurance	20% coinsurance (retail), not covered (mail)	Covers up to a 90 day supply (retail and mail). Certain preventive drugs are covered in full. Prior authorization is required for some drugs.
	Preferred brand drugs	20% coinsurance	20% coinsurance (retail), not covered (mail)	Covers up to a 90 day supply (retail and mail). Prior authorization is required for some drugs.
	Non-preferred brand drugs	20% coinsurance	20% coinsurance (retail), not covered (mail)	Covers up to a 90 day supply (retail and mail). Prior authorization is required for some drugs.
	Specialty drugs	20% coinsurance	Not covered	Covers up to a 30 day supply. Only covered at specific contracted specialty pharmacies. Prior authorization is required for some drugs.

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If you have outpatient surgery	Facility fee (e.g., ambulatory surgery center)	20% coinsurance for Preferred/40% coinsurance for Participating	60% coinsurance	Prior authorization is required for some services. Penalty for non-contract provider: 50% of allowable charge to $1,500 per occurrence.
	Physician/surgeon fees	20% coinsurance for Preferred/40% coinsurance for Participating	60% coinsurance	None
If you need immediate medical attention	Emergency room care	20% coinsurance	20% coinsurance	None
	Emergency medical transportation	20% coinsurance	20% coinsurance	None
	Urgent care	Hospital-based: 20% coinsurance Freestanding center: 20% coinsurance	Hospital-based: 20% coinsurance Freestanding center: 60% coinsurance	None
If you have a hospital stay	Facility fee (e.g., hospital room)	20% coinsurance for Preferred/40% coinsurance for Participating	60% coinsurance	Prior authorization is required for all planned inpatient stays. Penalty for non-contract provider: 50% of allowable charge to $1,500 per occurrence.
	Physician/surgeon fees	20% coinsurance for Preferred/40% coinsurance for Participating	60% coinsurance	None
If you need mental health, behavioral health, or substance abuse services	Outpatient services	Office visit: 20% coinsurance Facility: 20% coinsurance	60% coinsurance	None
	Inpatient services	20% coinsurance	60% coinsurance	Prior authorization is required for all planned inpatient stays. Penalty for non-contract provider: 50% of allowable charge to $1,500 per occurrence.
If you are pregnant	Office visits	20% coinsurance	60% coinsurance	Cost sharing does not apply for preventive services. Depending on the type of services, a coinsurance may apply. Maternity care may include tests and services described elsewhere in the SBC (such as, ultrasound).

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		Network Provider (You will pay the least)	Out-of-Network Provider (You will pay the most)	
	Childbirth/delivery professional services	20% coinsurance for Preferred/40% coinsurance for Participating	60% coinsurance	Cost sharing does not apply for preventive services. Depending on the type of services, a coinsurance may apply. Maternity care may include tests and services described elsewhere in the SBC (such as, ultrasound).
	Childbirth/delivery facility services	20% coinsurance for Preferred/40% coinsurance for Participating	60% coinsurance	Cost sharing does not apply for preventive services. Depending on the type of services, a coinsurance may apply. Maternity care may include tests and services described elsewhere in the SBC (such as, ultrasound).
If you need help recovering or have other special health needs	Home health care	20% coinsurance for Preferred/40% coinsurance for Participating	60% coinsurance	Limited to 130 visits per calendar year.
	Rehabilitation services	Outpatient: 20% coinsurance Inpatient: 20% coinsurance for Preferred/40% coinsurance for Participating	60% coinsurance	Limited to 45 outpatient professional visits per calendar year, limited to 30 inpatient days per calendar year. Includes physical therapy, speech therapy, and occupational therapy. Prior authorization is required for all planned inpatient stays. Penalty for non-contract provider: 50% of allowable charge to $1,500 per occurrence.
	Habilitation services	Outpatient: 20% coinsurance Inpatient: 20% coinsurance for Preferred/40% coinsurance for Participating	60% coinsurance	Limited to 45 outpatient professional visits per calendar year, limited to 30 inpatient days per calendar year. Includes physical therapy, speech therapy, and occupational therapy. Prior authorization is required for all planned inpatient stays. Penalty for non-contract provider: 50% of allowable charge to $1,500 per occurrence.
	Skilled nursing care	20% coinsurance for Preferred/40% coinsurance for Participating	60% coinsurance	Limited to 60 days per calendar year. Prior authorization is required for all planned inpatient stays. Penalty for non-contract provider: 50% of allowable charge to $1,500 per occurrence.

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		Network Provider (You will pay the least)	Out-of-Network Provider (You will pay the most)	
	Durable medical equipment	20% coinsurance for Preferred/40% coinsurance for Participating	60% coinsurance	Prior authorization is required for purchase of some durable medical equipment. Penalty for non-contract provider: 50% of allowable charge to $1,500 per occurrence.
	Hospice services	20% coinsurance for Preferred/40% coinsurance for Participating	60% coinsurance	Limited to 240 respite hours, limited to 10 inpatient days - 6 month overall lifetime benefit limit, except when approved otherwise.
If your child needs dental or eye care	Children's eye exam	20% coinsurance	20% coinsurance	Limited to one exam per calendar year (under age 19).
	Children's glasses	No charge	No charge	Frames and lenses: Limited to one pair per calendar year (under age 19).
	Children's dental check-up	Not covered	Not covered	None

Excluded Services & Other Covered Services:

Services Your Plan Generally Does NOT Cover (Check your policy or plan document for more information and a list of any other excluded services.)

- Bariatric surgery
- Cosmetic surgery
- Dental care (Adult)
- Infertility treatment
- Long-term care
- Private-duty nursing
- Weight loss programs

Other Covered Services (Limitations may apply to these services. This isn't a complete list. Please see your plan document.)

- Acupuncture
- Chiropractic care or other spinal manipulations
- Foot care
- Hearing aids
- Non-emergency care when traveling outside the U.S.
- Routine eye care (Adult)

Your Rights to Continue Coverage: There are agencies that can help if you want to continue your coverage after it ends. The contact information for those agencies is: for ERISA plans, contact the Department of Labor's Employee Benefit's Security Administration at 1-866-444-EBSA (3272) or www.dol.gov/ebsa/healthreform. For governmental plans, contact the Department of Health and Human Services, Center for Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight at 1-877-267-2323 x61565 or www.cciio.cms.gov. For church plans and all other plans, call 907-269-7900 or 1-800-467-8725 for the state insurance department, or the insurer at 1-800-508-4722 or TTY: 711. Other coverage options may be available to you too, including buying individual insurance coverage through the Health Insurance Marketplace. For more information about the Marketplace, visit www.HealthCare.gov or call 1-800-318-2596.

Your Grievance and Appeals Rights: There are agencies that can help if you have a complaint against your plan for a denial of a claim. This complaint is called a grievance or appeal. For more information about your rights, look at the explanation of benefits you will receive for that medical claim. Your plan documents also provide complete information to submit a claim, appeal, or a grievance for any reason to your plan. For more information about your rights, this notice, or assistance,

contact: your plan at 1-800-508-4722 or TTY: 711, or the state insurance department at 907-269-7900 or 1-800-467-8725, or Department of Labor's Employee Benefits Security Administration at 1-866-444-EBSA (3272) or www.dol.gov/ebsa/healthreform.

Does this plan provide Minimum Essential Coverage? Yes.
Minimum Essential Coverage generally includes plans, health insurance available through the Marketplace or other individual market policies, Medicare, Medicaid, CHIP, TRICARE, and certain other coverage. If you are eligible for certain types of Minimum Essential Coverage, you may not be eligible for the premium tax credit.

Does this plan meet the Minimum Value Standards? Yes.
If your plan doesn't meet the Minimum Value Standards, you may be eligible for a premium tax credit to help you pay for a plan through the Marketplace.

Language Access Services:
Spanish (Español): Para obtener asistencia en Español, llame al 1-800-508-4722.
Tagalog (Tagalog): Kung kailangan ninyo ang tulong sa Tagalog tumawag sa 1-800-508-4722.
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To see examples of how this plan might cover costs for a sample medical situation, see the next section.

About these Coverage Examples:

This is not a cost estimator. Treatments shown are just examples of how this plan might cover medical care. Your actual costs will be different depending on the actual care you receive, the prices your providers charge, and many other factors. Focus on the cost sharing amounts (deductibles, copayments and coinsurance) and excluded services under the plan. Use this information to compare the portion of costs you might pay under different health plans. Please note these coverage examples are based on self-only coverage.

Peg is Having a Baby
(9 months of in-network pre-natal care and a hospital delivery)

The plan's overall deductible	**$3,300**
Specialist coinsurance	**20%**
Hospital (facility) coinsurance	**20%**
Other coinsurance	**20%**

This EXAMPLE event includes services like:
Specialist office visits (*prenatal care)*
Childbirth/Delivery Professional Services
Childbirth/Delivery Facility Services
Diagnostic tests (*ultrasounds and blood work)*
Specialist visit *(anesthesia)*

Total Example Cost	**$12,700**

In this example, Peg would pay:

Cost Sharing	
Deductibles	$3,300
Copayments	$0
Coinsurance	$1,700
What isn't covered	
Limits or exclusions	$60
The total Peg would pay is	**$5,060**

Managing Joe's type 2 Diabetes
(a year of routine in-network care of a well-controlled condition)

The plan's overall deductible	**$3,300**
Specialist coinsurance	**20%**
Hospital (facility) coinsurance	**20%**
Other coinsurance	**20%**

This EXAMPLE event includes services like:
Primary care physician office visits (*including disease education)*
Diagnostic tests *(blood work)*
Prescription drugs
Durable medical equipment *(glucose meter)*

Total Example Cost	**$5,600**

In this example, Joe would pay:

Cost Sharing	
Deductibles	$3,300
Copayments	$0
Coinsurance	$400
What isn't covered	
Limits or exclusions	$20
The total Joe would pay is	**$3,720**

Mia's Simple Fracture
(in-network emergency room visit and follow up care)

The plan's overall deductible	**$3,300**
Specialist coinsurance	**20%**
Hospital (facility) coinsurance	**20%**
Other coinsurance	**20%**

This EXAMPLE event includes services like:
Emergency room care *(including medical supplies)*
Diagnostic test *(x-ray)*
Durable medical equipment *(crutches)*
Rehabilitation services *(physical therapy)*

Total Example Cost	**$2,800**

In this example, Mia would pay:

Cost Sharing	
Deductibles	$2,800
Copayments	$0
Coinsurance	$0
What isn't covered	
Limits or exclusions	$0
The total Mia would pay is	**$2,800**

Notice of availability and nondiscrimination 800-508-4722 | TTY: 711

Call for free language assistance services and appropriate auxiliary aids and services.
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