

**2023 Blue Cross and Blue Shield Service Benefit Plan - Standard and Basic Option****Section 5. Benefits****Section 5(e). Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Benefits****Residential Treatment Center**

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**Note:** For Standard Option, we state whether or not the calendar year deductible applies for each benefit listed in this Section. There is no calendar year deductible under Basic Option.

**Benefit Description****Residential Treatment Center**

**Precertification prior to admission is required.**

A preliminary treatment plan and discharge plan must be developed and agreed to by the member, provider (residential treatment center (RTC)), and case manager in the Local Plan where the RTC is located prior to admission.

We cover inpatient care provided and billed by an RTC for members enrolled and participating in case management through the Local Plan, when the care is medically necessary for treatment of a medical, mental health, and/or substance use disorder:

- Room and board, such as semiprivate room, nursing care, meals, special diets, ancillary charges, and covered therapy services when billed by the facility (see page [99](#) for services billed by professional providers)

Note: RTC benefits are not available for facilities licensed as a skilled nursing facility, group home, halfway house, or similar type facility.

Note: Benefits are not available for noncovered services, including: respite care; outdoor residential programs; services provided outside of the provider's scope of practice; recreational therapy; educational therapy; educational classes; biofeedback; Outward Bound programs; hippotherapy/equine therapy provided during the approved stay; personal comfort items, such as guest meals and beds, phone, television, beauty and barber services; custodial or long term care (see *Definitions*, page [153](#)); and domiciliary care provided because care in the home is not available or is unsuitable.

Note: For outpatient residential treatment center services, see the next Section.

**Standard Option - You Pay**

Preferred facilities: \$350 per admission copayment for unlimited days (no deductible)

Member facilities: \$450 per admission copayment for unlimited days, plus 35% of the Plan allowance

(no deductible)

Non-member facilities: 35% of the Plan allowance (no deductible), and any remaining balance after our payment

Note: Non-member facilities must, prior to admission, agree to abide by the terms established by the Local Plan for the care of the particular member and for the submission and processing of related claims.

**Basic Option - You Pay**

11/2/22 correction (red text)

Preferred facilities: ~~\$175~~ \$250 per day copayment up to ~~\$875~~ \$1,500 per admission for unlimited days

Member/Non-member facilities: You pay all charges