

2023 Blue Cross and Blue Shield Service Benefit Plan - Standard and Basic Option

Section 5. Benefits

Section 5(a). Medical Services and Supplies Provided by Physicians and Other Healthcare Professionals

Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech Therapy, and Cognitive Rehabilitation Therapy

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

Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech Therapy, and Cognitive Rehabilitation Therapy

- Physical therapy, occupational therapy, and speech therapy
- Cognitive rehabilitation therapy

Note: When billed by a skilled nursing facility, nursing home, extended care facility, or residential treatment center, we pay benefits as shown here for professional care, according to the contracting status of the facility.

Standard Option - You Pay

Preferred primary care provider or other healthcare professional: \$25 copayment per visit (no deductible)

Preferred specialist: \$35 copayment per visit (no deductible)

Participating: 35% of the Plan allowance (deductible applies)

Non-participating: 35% of the Plan allowance (deductible applies), plus any difference between our allowance and the billed amount

Note: Benefits are limited to 75 visits per person, per calendar year for physical, occupational, or speech therapy, or a combination of all three.

Note: Visits that you pay for while meeting your calendar year deductible count toward the limit cited above.

Note: When billed by a facility, such as the outpatient department of a hospital, we provide benefits as shown on page [53](#), according to the contracting status of the facility.

Basic Option - You Pay

Preferred primary care provider or other healthcare professional: \$30 copayment per visit

Preferred specialist: \$40 copayment per visit

Note: You pay 30% of the Plan allowance for agents, drugs, and/or supplies administered or obtained in connection with your care. (See page [152](#) for more information about “agents.”)

Note: Benefits are limited to 50 visits per person, per calendar year for physical, occupational, or speech therapy, or a combination of all three.

Participating/Non-participating: You pay all charges

Note: See Section 5(c) for our payment levels for rehabilitative therapies billed for by the outpatient department of a hospital.

Benefit Description

Not covered:

- *Recreational or educational therapy, and any related diagnostic testing except as provided by a hospital as part of a covered inpatient stay*
- *Maintenance or palliative rehabilitative therapy*
- *Exercise programs*
- *Equine therapy and hippotherapy (exercise on horseback)*
- *Massage therapy*

Standard Option - You Pay

All charges

Basic Option - You Pay

All charges