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## Blue Preferred® Rx LG Prescription Drug Coverage

### PD-TTC \$15/\$30/\$60-RXCM

### Benefits-at-a-glance

### Effective Date: On or after October, 2018

This is intended as an easy-to-read summary and provides only a general overview of your benefits. It is not a contract. Additional limitations and exclusions may apply. Payment amounts are based on BCBSM's approved amount, less any applicable deductible and/or copay/coinsurance. For a complete description of benefits please see the applicable BCBSM certificates and riders, if your group is underwritten or any other plan documents your group uses, if your group is self-funded. If there is a discrepancy between this Benefits-at-a-Glance and any applicable plan document, the plan document will control.

**Specialty Pharmaceutical Drugs** - The mail order pharmacy for specialty drugs is Walgreens Specialty Pharmacy, LLC, an independent company. Specialty prescription drugs (such as Enbrel® and Humira®) are used to treat complex conditions such as rheumatoid arthritis, multiple sclerosis and cancer. These drugs require special handling, administration or monitoring. Walgreens Specialty Pharmacy will handle mail order prescriptions only for specialty drugs while many in-network retail pharmacies will continue to dispense specialty drugs (check with your local pharmacy for availability). Other mail order prescription medications can continue to be sent to Express Scripts. (Express Scripts is an independent company providing pharmacy benefit services for Blues members.) A list of specialty drugs is available on our Web site at [bcbsm.com/pharmacy](http://bcbsm.com/pharmacy). If you have any questions, please call Walgreens Specialty Pharmacy customer service at 1-866-515-1355

We will not pay for more than a 30-day supply of a covered prescription drug that BCBSM defines as a "specialty pharmaceutical" whether or not the drug is obtained from a 90-Day Retail Network provider or mail-order provider. We may make exceptions if a member requires more than a 30-day supply. BCBSM reserves the right to limit the quantity of select specialty drugs to no more than a 15-day supply for each fill. Your copay/coinsurance will be reduced by one-half for each fill once applicable deductibles have been met.

**Select Controlled Substance Drugs** - BCBSM will limit the initial fill of select controlled substances to a 15-day supply. The member will be responsible for only one-half of their cost-sharing requirement typically imposed on a 30-day fill. Subsequent fills of the same medication will be eligible to be filled as prescribed, subject to the applicable cost-sharing requirement. Select controlled substances affected by this prescription drug requirement are available online at [bcbsm.com/pharmacy](http://bcbsm.com/pharmacy).

### Member's responsibility (copays and coinsurance amounts)

**Note:** Your prescription drug copays and coinsurance amounts, including mail order copay and coinsurance amounts, are subject to the **same** annual out-of-pocket maximum required under your medical coverage. The following prescription drug expenses will not apply to your annual out-of-pocket maximum.

- any difference between the Maximum Allowable Cost and BCBSM's approved amount for a covered brand name drug
- the 25% member liability for covered drugs obtained from an out-of-network pharmacy

Benefits		90-day retail network pharmacy	* In-network mail order provider	In-network pharmacy (not part of the 90-day retail network)	Out-of-network pharmacy
Tier 1 - Generic or select prescribed over-the-counter drugs	1 to 30-day period	You pay \$15 copay	You pay \$15 copay	You pay \$15 copay	You pay \$15 copay plus an additional 25% of BCBSM approved amount for the drug
	31 to 83-day period	No coverage	You pay \$30 copay	No coverage	No coverage
	84 to 90-day period	You pay \$30 copay	You pay \$30 copay	No coverage	No coverage

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Benefits		90-day retail network pharmacy	* In-network mail order provider	In-network pharmacy (not part of the 90-day retail network)	Out-of-network pharmacy
Tier 2 - Preferred brand-name drugs	1 to 30-day period	You pay \$30 copay	You pay \$30 copay	You pay \$30 copay	You pay \$30 copay plus an additional 25% of BCBSM approved amount for the drug
	31 to 83-day period	No coverage	You pay \$60 copay	No coverage	No coverage
	84 to 90-day period	You pay \$60 copay	You pay \$60 copay	No coverage	No coverage
Tier 3 - Nonpreferred brand-name drugs	1 to 30-day period	You pay \$60 copay	You pay \$60 copay	You pay \$60 copay	You pay \$60 copay <b>plus</b> an additional 25% of BCBSM approved amount for the drug
	31 to 83-day period	No coverage	You pay \$120 copay	No coverage	No coverage
	84 to 90-day period	You pay \$120 copay	You pay \$120 copay	No coverage	No coverage

**Note:** Over-the-counter (OTC) drugs are drugs that do not require a prescription under federal law. They are identified by BCBSM as select prescription drugs. A prescription for the select OTC drug is required from the member's physician. In some cases, over-the-counter drugs may need to be tried before BCBSM will approve use of other drugs. \* BCBSM will not pay for drugs obtained from out-of-network mail order providers, including Internet providers.

### Covered services

Benefits	90-day retail network pharmacy	* In-network mail order provider	In-network pharmacy (not part of the 90-day retail network)	Out-of-network pharmacy
FDA-approved drugs	100% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance	100% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance	100% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance	75% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance
Prescribed over-the-counter drugs - when covered by BCBSM	100% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance	100% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance	100% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance	75% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance
State-controlled drugs	100% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance	100% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance	100% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance	75% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance
FDA-approved <b>generic</b> and <b>select brand-name</b> prescription preventive drugs, supplements and vitamins as required by PPACA (non-self-administered drugs are not covered)	100% of approved amount	100% of approved amount	100% of approved amount	75% of approved amount
Other FDA-approved <b>brand-name</b> prescription preventive drugs, supplements and vitamins as required by PPACA (non-self-administered drugs are not covered)	100% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance	100% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance	100% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance	75% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance
FDA-approved <b>generic</b> and <b>select brand name</b> prescription contraceptive medication (non-self-administered drugs are not covered)	100% of approved amount	100% of approved amount	100% of approved amount	75% of approved amount

Benefits	90-day retail network pharmacy	* In-network mail order provider	In-network pharmacy (not part of the 90-day retail network)	Out-of-network pharmacy
Other FDA-approved <b>brand name</b> prescription contraceptive medication (non-self-administered drugs are not covered)	100% of approved amount less plan copay/ coinsurance	100% of approved amount less plan copay/ coinsurance	100% of approved amount less plan copay/ coinsurance	75% of approved amount less plan copay/ coinsurance
Disposable needles and syringes - when dispensed with insulin or other covered injectable legend drugs	100% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance for the insulin or other covered injectable legend drug	100% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance for the insulin or other covered injectable legend drug	100% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance for the insulin or other covered injectable legend drug	75% of approved amount less plan copay/coinsurance for the insulin or other covered injectable legend drug

**Note:** Needles and syringes have no copay/ coinsurance.

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## Features of your prescription drug plan

Custom Drug List	<p>A continually updated list of FDA-approved medications that represent each therapeutic class. The drugs on the list are chosen by the BCBSM Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee for their effectiveness, safety, uniqueness and cost efficiency. The goal of the drug list is to provide members with the greatest therapeutic value at the lowest possible cost.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Tier 1 (generic)</b> - Tier 1 includes generic drugs made with the same active ingredients, available in the same strengths and dosage forms, and administered in the same way as equivalent brand-name drugs. They also require the lowest copay/coinsurance, making them the most cost-effective option for the treatment.</li> <li>• <b>Tier 2 (preferred brand)</b> - Tier 2 includes brand-name drugs from the Custom Drug List. Preferred brand name drugs are also safe and effective, but require a higher copay/coinsurance.</li> <li>• <b>Tier 3 (nonpreferred brand)</b> - Tier 3 contains brand-name drugs not included in Tier 2. These drugs may not have a proven record for safety or as high of a clinical value as Tier 1 or Tier 2 drugs. Members pay the highest copay/coinsurance for these drugs.</li> </ul>
Prior authorization/step therapy	<p>A process that requires a physician to obtain approval from BCBSM <b>before</b> select prescription drugs (drugs identified by BCBSM as requiring preauthorization) will be covered. <b>Step Therapy</b>, an initial step in the "Prior Authorization" process, applies criteria to select drugs to determine if a less costly prescription drug may be used for the same drug therapy. Some over-the-counter medications may be covered under step therapy guidelines. This also applies to mail order drugs. Claims that do not meet Step Therapy criteria require preauthorization. Details about which drugs require preauthorization or step therapy are available online site at <a href="http://bcbsm.com/pharmacy">bcbsm.com/pharmacy</a>.</p>
Drug interchange and generic copay/ coinsurance waiver	<p>BCBSM's drug interchange and generic copay/ coinsurance waiver programs encourage physicians to prescribe a less-costly generic equivalent.</p> <p>If your physician rewrites your prescription for the recommended generic or OTC alternate drug, you will only have to pay a generic copay/ coinsurance. In select cases BCBSM may waive the initial copay/ coinsurance after your prescription has been rewritten. BCBSM will notify you if you are eligible for a waiver.</p>
Mandatory maximum allowable cost drugs	<p>If your prescription is filled by any type of network pharmacy, and the pharmacist fills it with a brand-name drug for which a generic equivalent is available, you <b>MUST</b> pay the <b>difference</b> in cost between the BCBSM approved amount for the brand-name drug dispensed and the maximum allowable cost for the generic drug <b>plus</b> your applicable copay regardless of whether you or your physician requests the brand name drug. <b>Exception:</b> If your physician requests and receives authorization for a nonformulary brand-name drug with a generic equivalent from BCBSM and writes "Dispense as Written" or "DAW" on the prescription order, You pay only your applicable copay. <b>Note:</b> This MAC difference will not be applied toward your annual in-network deductible, nor your annual coinsurance/copay maximum.</p>
Quantity limits	<p>To stay consistent with FDA approved labeling for drugs, some medications may have quantity limits.</p>