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## Simply Blue<sup>SM</sup> PPO Plan \$500 LG Simply Blue PPO<sup>SM</sup> LG Benefits-at-a-glance Effective for groups on their plan year

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.

**Preauthorization for Select Services** - Services listed in this BAAG are covered when provided in accordance with Certificate requirements and, when required, are preauthorized or approved by BCBSM except in an emergency.

Note: A list of services that require approval before they are provided is available online at bcbsm.com/importantinfo. Select Approving covered services.

Pricing information for various procedures by in-network providers can be obtained by calling the customer service number listed on the back of your BCBSM ID card and providing the procedure code. Your provider can also provide this information upon request.

**Preauthorization for Specialty Pharmaceuticals -** BCBSM will pay for FDA-approved specialty pharmaceuticals that meet BCBSM's medical policy criteria for treatment of the condition. The prescribing physician must contact BCBSM to request preauthorization of the drugs. **If preauthorization is not sought, BCBSM will deny the claim and all charges will be the member's responsibility.** 

Specialty pharmaceuticals are biotech drugs including high cost infused, injectable, oral and other drugs related to specialty disease categories or other categories. BCBSM determines which specific drugs are payable. This may include medications to treat asthma, rheumatoid arthritis, multiple sclerosis, and many other diseases as well as chemotherapy drugs used in the treatment of cancer, but excludes injectable insulin.

## Member's responsibility (deductibles, copays, coinsurance and dollar maximums)

**Note:** If an in-network provider refers you to an out-of-network provider, all covered services obtained from that out-of-network provider will be subject to applicable out-of-network cost-sharing.

Benefits	In-network	Out-of-network
Deductibles	\$500 for one member, \$1,000 for the family (when two or more members are covered under your contract) each calendar year	\$1,000 for one member, \$2,000 for the family (when two or more members are covered under your contract) each calendar year Note: Out-of-network deductible amounts also count toward the in network deductible.
Flat-dollar copays	<ul> <li>\$20 copay for office visits and office consultations</li> <li>\$20 copay for medical online visits</li> <li>\$20 copay for chiropractic and osteopathic manipulative therapy</li> <li>\$150 copay for emergency room visits</li> <li>\$20 copay for urgent care visits</li> </ul>	\$150 copay for emergency room visits
Coinsurance amounts (percent copays)  Note: Coinsurance amounts apply once the deductible has been met.	<ul> <li>50% of approved amount for private duty nursing care</li> <li>20% of approved amount for most other covered services</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>50% of approved amount for private duty nursing care</li> <li>40% of approved amount for most other covered services</li> </ul>
Annual coinsurance maximums - applies to coinsurance amounts for all covered services - but <u>does not</u> apply to deductibles, flat-dollar copays, private duty nursing care coinsurance amounts and prescription drug cost-sharing amounts	\$2,500 for one member, \$5,000 for the family (when two or more members are covered under your contract) each calendar year	\$5,000 for one member, \$10,000 for the family (when two or more members are covered under your contract) each calendar year  Note: Out-of-network coinsurance amounts also count toward the in-network coinsurance maximum.
Annual out-of-pocket maximums - applies to deductibles, flat-dollar copays and coinsurance amounts for all covered services -including cost-sharing amounts for prescription drugs, if applicable	\$6,350 for one member, \$12,700 for the family (when two or more members are covered under your contract) each calendar year	\$12,700 for one member, \$25,400 for the family (when two or more members are covered under your contract) each calendar year Note: Out-of-network cost- sharing amounts also count toward the in-network out-of- pocket maximum.
Lifetime dollar maximum	None	

Preventive care services		
Benefits	In-network	Out-of-network
Health maintenance exam -includes chest x-ray, EKG, cholesterol screening and other select lab procedures	100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance), one per member per calendar year	Not covered
	<b>Note:</b> Additional well-women visits may be allowed based on medical necessity.	

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Benefits	In-network	Out-of-network
Gynecological exam	100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance), one per member per calendar year	Not covered
	<b>Note:</b> Additional well-women visits may be allowed based on medical necessity.	
Pap smear screening -laboratory and pathology services	100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance), one per member per calendar year	Not covered
Voluntary sterilizations for females	100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance)	60% after out-of-network deductible
Prescription contraceptive devices -includes insertion and removal of an intrauterine device by a licensed physician	100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance)	100% after out-of-network deductible
Contraceptive injections	100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance)	60% after out-of-network deductible
Well-baby and child care visits	<ul> <li>100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance)</li> <li>8 visits, birth through 12 months</li> <li>6 visits, 13 months through 23 months</li> <li>6 visits, 24 months through 35 months</li> <li>2 visits, 36 months through 47 months</li> <li>Visits beyond 47 months are limited to one per member per calendar year under the health maintenance exam benefit</li> </ul>	Not covered
Adult and childhood preventive services and immunizations as recommended by the USPSTF, ACIP, HRSA or other sources as recognized by BCBSM that are in compliance with the provisions of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act	100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance)	Not covered
Fecal occult blood screening	100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance), one per member per calendar year	Not covered
Flexible sigmoidoscopy exam	100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance), one per member per calendar year	Not covered
Prostate specific antigen (PSA) screening	100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance), one per member per calendar year	Not covered
Routine mammogram and related reading	100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance)	60% after out-of-network deductible
	<b>Note:</b> Subsequent medically necessary mammograms performed during the same calendar year are subject to your deductible and coinsurance	<b>Note:</b> Out-of-network readings and interpretations are payable only when the screening mammogram itself is performed by an in-network provider.
	One per member pe	r calendar year
Colonoscopy -routine or medically necessary	100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance) for the first billed colonoscopy  Note: Subsequent colonoscopies performed during the same calendar year are subject to your deductible and coinsurance	60% after out-of-network deductible
	One per member pe	r calendar year

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Physician office services		
Benefits	In-network	Out-of-network
Office visits -must be medically necessary	\$20 copay for each office visit  Note: Simply Blue applies deductible and coinsurance to office services. Services include diagnostic (including complex), therapeutic and surgery. An office visit copay still applies to the exam Cost-sharing may not apply if preventive or immunization services are performed during the office visit.	60% after out-of-network deductible
Online visits - must be medically necessary  Note: Online visits by a non-BCBSM selected vendor are not covered	\$20 copay per online visit	60% after out-of-network deductible
Outpatient and home medical care visits -must be medically necessary	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible
Office consultations -must be medically necessary	\$20 copay for each office consultation with a primary care physician  Note: Simply Blue applies deductible and coinsurance to office services.  Services include diagnostic (including complex), therapeutic and surgery. An office visit copay still applies to the exam Cost-sharing may not apply if preventive or immunization services are performed during the office visit.	60% after out-of-network deductible

Urgent care visits		
Benefits	In-network	Out-of-network
Urgent care visits	\$20 copay for each urgent care visit  Note: Simply Blue applies deductible and coinsurance to office services.  Services include diagnostic (including complex), therapeutic and surgery. An office visit copay still applies to the exam Cost-sharing may not apply if preventive or immunization services are performed during the office visit.	60% after out-of-network deductible

Emergency medical care		
Benefits	In-network	Out-of-network
Hospital emergency room	\$150 copay per visit (copay waived if admitted)	\$150 copay per visit (copay waived if admitted)
Ambulance services -must be medically necessary	80% after in-network deductible	80% after in-network deductible

Diagnostic services		
Benefits	In-network	Out-of-network
Laboratory and pathology services	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible
Diagnostic tests and x-rays	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible

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Benefits	In-network	Out-of-network
Therapeutic radiology	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible

Maternity services provided by a physician or certified nurse midwife		
Benefits	In-network	Out-of-network
Prenatal care visits	100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance)	60% after out-of-network deductible
Postnatal care	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible
Delivery and nursery care	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible

Hospital care		
Benefits	In-network	Out-of-network
Semiprivate room, inpatient physician care, general nursing care, hospital services and supplies	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible
<b>Note:</b> Nonemergency services must be rendered in a <b>participating</b> hospital.	Unlimited	days
Inpatient consultations	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible
Chemotherapy	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible

Alternatives to hospital care		
Benefits	In-network	Out-of-network
Skilled nursing care -must be in a participating skilled nursing facility	80% after in-network deductible	80% after in-network deductible
	Limited to a maximum of 120 days	per member per calendar year
Hospice care	100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance)	100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance)
	Up to 28 pre-hospice counseling visits before electing hospice services; when elected, four 90-day periods -provided through a <b>participating</b> hospice program only; limited to dollar maximum that is reviewed and adjusted periodically (after reaching dollar maximum, member transitions into individual case management)	
<ul> <li>Home health care</li> <li>must be medically necessary</li> <li>must be provided by a participating home health care agency</li> </ul>	80% after in-network deductible	80% after in-network deductible
Infusion therapy  must be medically necessary  must be given by a participating Home Infusion Therapy (HIT) provider or in a participating freestanding Ambulatory Infusion Center (AIC)  may use drugs that require preauthorization- consult with your doctor	80% after in-network deductible	80% after in-network deductible

Surgical services		
Benefits	In-network	Out-of-network
Surgery -includes related surgical services and medically necessary facility services by a <b>participating</b> ambulatory surgery facility	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible
Presurgical consultations	100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance)	60% after out-of-network deductible

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Benefits	In-network	Out-of-network
Voluntary sterilization for males  Note: For voluntary sterilizations for females, see "Preventive care services."	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible
Elective abortions	Not covered	Not covered

Human organ transplants		
Benefits	In-network	Out-of-network
Specified human organ transplants - must be in a <b>designated</b> facility and coordinated through the BCBSM Human Organ Transplant Program (1-800-242-3504)	100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance)	100%(no deductible or copay/coinsurance)-in designated facilities <b>only</b>
Bone marrow transplants - must be coordinated through the BCBSM Human Organ Transplant Program (1-800-242-3504)	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible
Specified oncology clinical trials  Note: BCBSM covers clinical trials in compliance with PPACA.	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible
Kidney, cornea and skin transplants	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible

Mental health care and substance use disorder treatment		
Benefits	In-network	Out-of-network
Inpatient mental health care and inpatient substance use disorder treatment	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible
	Unlimited days	
Residential psychiatric treatment facility  covered mental health services must be performed in a residential psychiatric treatment facility  treatment must be preauthorized  subject to medical criteria	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible
Outpatient mental health care:  • Facility and clinic	80% after in-network deductible	80% after in-network deductible in participating facilities <b>only</b>
Online visits     Note: Online visits by a non-BCBSM selected vendor are not covered	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible
Physician's office	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible
Outpatient substance use disorder treatment -in approved facilities only	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible (in-network cost- sharing will apply if there is no PPO network)

Autism spectrum disorders, diagnoses and treatment		
Benefits	In-network	Out-of-network
Applied behavioral analysis (ABA) treatment - when rendered by an approved board-certified behavioral analyst- is covered through age 18, subject to preauthorization	80% after in-network deductible	80% after in-network deductible
<b>Note:</b> Diagnosis of an autism spectrum disorder and a treatment recommendation for ABA services must be obtained by a BCBSM approved autism evaluation center (AAEC) prior to seeking ABA treatment.		

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Benefits	In-network	Out-of-network
Outpatient physical therapy, speech therapy, occupational therapy, nutritional counseling for autism spectrum disorder	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible
	Physical, speech and occupational therapy with an autism diagnosis is unlimited	
Other covered services, including mental health services, for autism spectrum disorder	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible

Benefits	In-network	Out-of-network
Outpatient Diabetes Management Program (ODMP)  Note: Screening services required under the provisions of PPACA are covered at 100% of approved amount with no in-network cost-sharing when rendered by an in-network provider.  Note: When you purchase your diabetic supplies via mail order you will lower your out-of-pocket costs.	<ul> <li>80% after in-network deductible for diabetes medical supplies</li> <li>100% (no deductible or copay/coinsurance) for diabetes self- management training</li> </ul>	60% after out-of-network deductible
Allergy testing and therapy	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible
Chiropractic spinal manipulation and osteopathic manipulative therapy	\$20 copay per visit  Note: Simply Blue applies deductible and coinsurance to office services. Services include diagnostic (including complex), therapeutic and surgery. An office visit copay still applies to the exam	60% after out-of-network deductible
	Limited to a combined 12-visit maximum per member per calendar year	
Outpatient physical, speech and occupational therapy -provided for rehabilitation	80% after in-network deductible	60% after out-of-network deductible  Note: Services at nonparticipating outpatient physical therapy facilities are not covered.
	Limited to a <b>combined</b> 30-visit maximum per member per calendar year	
Durable medical equipment	80% after in-network deductible	80% after in-network deductible
<b>Note:</b> DME items required under the provisions of PPACA are covered at 100% of approved amount with no in-network cost-sharing when rendered by an in-network provider. For a list of covered DME items required under PPACA, call BCBSM.		
Prosthetic and orthotic appliances	80% after in-network deductible	80% after in-network deductible
Private duty nursing care	50% after in-network deductible	50% after in-network deductible
Prescription drugs	Not covered	Not covered

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