



# Vaccine Coverage Guide for Medicare PPO Members

Understanding your health plan coverage just got easier.

# Be informed.

Staying up to date on your immunizations can reduce your risk of contracting serious illnesses.

Your retirement system health plan covers many vaccines to keep you healthy. As a Medicare health plan, the plan must cover all services covered by Original Medicare and must follow Original Medicare's coverage rules. Therefore, some of the vaccines are covered by your medical plan, administered by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan. Other vaccines are covered by your prescription drug plan, administered by Optum Rx.

# You pay \$0 for vaccines covered by your retirement system health plan.

# **BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF MICHIGAN VACCINES** — Covered by your retirement system medical plan administered by Blue Cross

Vaccine category	Vaccine brand name		
Coronavirus (COVID-19)	Janssen Covid-19 Vaccine Moderna Covid Vaccine Moderna Covid-19 Bival Booster Moderna Covid-19 Vac (Booster) Moderna Covid-19 Vacc 6m-5Y Novavax Covid-19 Vaccine Pfizer Biontech Covid-19 Vac Tris	Pfizer Biontech Covid-19 Vaccine Pfizer Covid-19 Vac 6m-4 y Pfizer Covid-19 Vac Bival 5-11 Pfizer Covid-19 Vac Bivalent Pfizer Covid-19 Vac Tris 5-11 Y Sanofi Covid-19 (booster) Spikevax Covid-19 Vaccine	
Hepatitis B (Hep B) The plan covers these shots if you are at medium or high risk for Hepatitis B. Check with your primary care provider to see if you're at medium or high risk for Hepatitis B.	Engerix-B Heplisav-B Pediarix	Prehevbrio Recombivax HB Twinrix	
Influenza (Flu)	Afluria Quadrivalent Fluad Quadrivalent Fluarix Quadrivalent Flublok Quadrivalent	Flucelvax Quadrivalent Flulaval Quadrivalent Flumist Quadrivalent Fluzone Quadrivalent	
Pneumococcal (pneumonia)	Pneumovax 23 Prevnar 13	Prevnar 20 Vaxneuvance	

## WHERE CAN I GET VACCINATED?

You can get the vaccines in the chart above at the following locations:

- Participating pharmacies.
  - To locate a participating pharmacy, go to bcbsm.com/mpsers, click the Medical Plans link and select Medicare Plus Blue Group PPO. Then click Find a Pharmacy.
- Retail health clinic or Health Department.
- Doctor's office.

## HOW TO GET REIMBURSED.

Occasionally, members may have to pay out of pocket first for covered vaccines. If you receive a covered vaccine at a location that is unable to bill Blue Cross, you'll have to pay the out-of-pocket cost and submit a request to Blue Cross for reimbursement.

For medical plan reimbursement requests, you will need to complete the online reimbursement claim form from your online Blue Cross member account at **bcbsm.com/mpsers** or on the Blue Cross mobile app.

Keep in mind that the medical and prescription drug plans are administered separately. This means Blue Cross and Optum Rx can only answer questions about the coverage they provide and cannot answer questions about the other plans.

You'll need to review both charts in this guide to help you understand your retirement system vaccine coverage. The charts are organized by carrier, so you will see vaccines covered by your Blue Cross medical plan on page 1. On page 2, you'll see vaccines covered by your Optum Rx prescription drug plan.

# **OPTUM RX VACCINES** — Covered by your retirement system prescription drug plan, administered by OptumRx

Vaccine category	Vaccine brand name		
Chikungunya Virus	Ixchiq		
Dengue	Dengvaxia		
Haemophilus B	Acthib, Hiberix, Pedvax		
Hepatitis A	Havrix, Twinrix*, Vaqta		
Hepatitis B (Hep B)	Engerix-B** Heplisav-B*	Pediarix Prehevbrio**	Recombivax HB** Twinrix*
Human Papillomavirus (HPV)	Gardasil 9		
Japanese Encephalitis	Ixiaro		
Measles, Mumps, Rubella	MMR II, Priorix		
Meningococcal	Bexsero, Menactra, Menquadfi, Menveo, Penbraya, Trumenba		
Monkeypox; Smallpox	Jynneos		
Polio	Ipol		
Rabies	Imovax**, Rabavert**		
Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV)	Abrysvo, Arexvy, Mresvia		
Rotavirus	Rotarix, Rotateq		
Shingles	Shingrix		
Tetanus	Adacel*, Boostrix*, Daptacel*, Diphtheria-Tetanus Toxoids DT*, Infanrix*, Kinrix*, Pentacel*, Quadracel*, Tdvax*, Tenivac*, Vaxelis*		
Tick-Borne Encephalitis	Ticovac		
Tuberculosis	BCG Vaccine		
Typhoid	Typhim		
Varicella (Chickenpox)	Proquad*, Varivax, Varizig		
Yellow Fever	Stamaril, YF-Vax		

<sup>\*</sup>Combination product that contains other vaccines.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Requires prior authorization to determine medical plan vs prescription drug plan coverage.

# WHERE CAN I GET VACCINATED?

You can get the vaccines in the chart on Page 2 at the following locations:

- In-network pharmacy. To locate an in-network pharmacy, log in to your online member account at optumrx.com or call the number on your prescription ID card.
- Retail health clinic or Health Department.
- Doctor's office. Your doctor can administer the vaccine or you can ask them to send an electronic prescription to your local, in-network pharmacy.

# HOW TO GET REIMBURSED.

If you receive a covered vaccine at your doctor's office, retail health clinic or Health Department, you'll have to pay the out-of-pocket cost and submit a request for reimbursement for it to be covered.

For prescription drug plan reimbursement requests, you will need to complete the online reimbursement claim form at dmrforms.optumrx.com/online-claim-form. Costs for a visit to the doctor's office are not reimbursable.

# **Need more information?**

# Pension account, health insurance enrollment and eligibility questions

#### MICHIGAN OFFICE OF RETIREMENT SERVICES

## 1-800-381-5111

TTY users should call **711**. Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Eastern time

michigan.gov/orsschools

# Prescription drug plan questions

#### **OPTUM RX**

## 1-855-577-6517

TTY users should call **711**. 24 hours a day, seven days a week

optumrx.com/enroll/mpser

# Medical plan questions

#### **BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF MICHIGAN**

#### 1-800-422-9146

TTY users should call **711**. Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Eastern time

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