

PRAIRIE STATE COLLEGE - JANUARY 1, 2012

BENEFIT HIGHLIGHTS

Program Basics

Payment Options

(Generic / Formulary Brand / Non-Formulary Brand)

Retail

Copayments are for up to a 34-day supply at a contracting retail pharmacy.

\$10/\$40/\$60

Mail Service

Maintenance medications are available for up to a 90-day supply and are subject to the appropriate copayment amount.

\$20/\$80/\$120

Contraceptives

Available at retail and mail service at the appropriate copayment level based on drug classification.

As indicated above

Self-Injectibles

Available at retail and mail service at the appropriate copayment level.

As indicated above

Diabetic Supplies

Available at retail and mail service at the formulary brand copayment level.

\$40

- Supplies include: blood glucose test strips, lancets, diagnostic agents used with urine testing, glucagons.

Reimbursement for non-contracting pharmacies

Benefits at a non-contracting pharmacy are covered at 75% of the amount that would have been paid at a contracting pharmacy minus the appropriate copayment amount.

What is the Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois formulary?

The BCBSIL formulary is a regularly updated list of preferred drugs determined by our Pharmacy and therapeutic Committee, a national panel comprised of individuals who hold a medical or pharmacy degree who evaluate U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)-approved drugs based on comparative clinical standards, including efficacy, safety, uniqueness and cost-effectiveness. The formulary includes all generic drugs and select group of brand drugs. The BCBSIL formulary is "open," meaning that benefits are payable for drugs that are not on the formulary, but are subject to the highest copayment level.

How can I find out if a drug is on the formulary, and if it is a generic or a brand name drug?

As part of the enrollment literature, members may receive a list of some of the most commonly prescribed formulary drugs. If a particular drug does not appear on the list, members can:

- Refer to the pocket edition of the BCBSIL formulary.
- Visit the BCBSIL Web site at www.bcbsil.com.
- Discuss the most appropriate drug therapy with their physician or pharmacist. Using generic drugs whenever possible will help save money.

How can I find a contracting pharmacy?

Visit our Web site at www.bcbsil.com to find a contracting pharmacy.