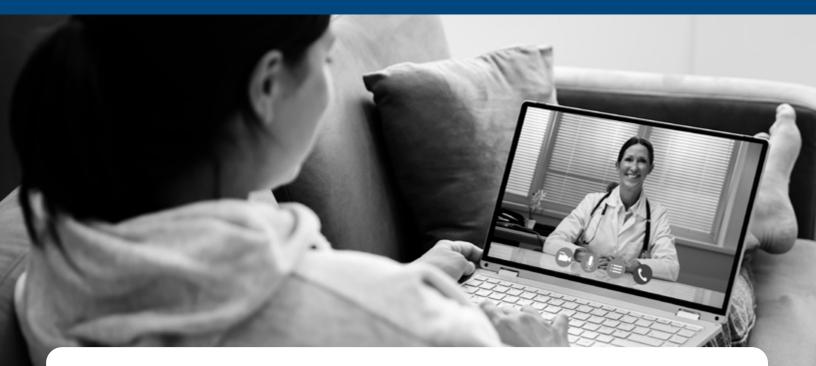


# BCN Virtual Option<sup>sm</sup> rider

Makes virtual visits more affordable for your employees and helps control costs



The Blue Care Network Virtual Option<sup>™</sup> rider is a health care benefit you can add to your plan's Certificate of Coverage.

# WHAT THE VIRTUAL OPTION RIDER DOES

- It provides your employees with a convenient and affordable choice for in-network, non-emergency care.
- It lowers your employees' copay or coinsurance (if applicable) for virtual health care visits versus in-person visits.
- It can reduce emergency room overuse for non-life-threatening situations and hospital readmissions.

Plan	Out-of-pocket cost	Benefit
		Certain virtual visits performed by BCN-participating
BCN Minimum Value <sup>sm</sup> HMO	\$10 to \$12.50	<ul> <li>primary care providers and specialists, including:</li> <li>Office visits</li> <li>Hospital discharge follow-up visits</li> </ul>
Blue Elect Plus <sup>sm</sup> POS		
Healthy <i>Blue</i> Living <sup>sm</sup> HMO		Medical evaluation and management
Any BCN high-deductible health plan	0% coinsurance after deductible	<ul> <li>Diagnostic psychiatric and psychological evaluation</li> <li>Mental health visits, crisis response and family therapy</li> </ul>

# The Virtual Option rider doesn't change the way your Blue Care Network plan works.

## For all members:

- Whether a visit is virtual or in person, they'll need prior authorization for certain health care services.
- They can find their in-person office visit cost by logging in to their **bcbsm.com** account or mobile app.

### For HMO plans:

- Your employees still need to **choose a primary care provider** to direct and coordinate their care.
- PCPs still process referrals for in-person or virtual specialist visits.

## For Blue Elect Plus point-of-service plans | Michigan residents:

- Your employees still choose a primary care provider to direct their care.
- Employees don't need referrals for in-person or virtual specialist visits, and they can schedule visits directly with BCN-participating providers.
- Some health care services require a BCN-participating provider.\* *Find one in your bcbsm.com* account or mobile app.
- Employees can see out-of-network providers virtually or in person, but they'll pay your medical plan's higher in-person visit cost, not the lower Virtual Option rider out-of-pocket cost.

### For Blue Elect Plus point-of-service plans | outside-of-Michigan residents:

- Your employees still don't need to choose a primary care provider to process referrals before they can see a specialist.
- Employees still need to see BlueCard<sup>®</sup> Traditional participating providers based outside of Michigan to receive lower-cost, in-network health care benefits.
- Employees can see providers who don't participate with BlueCard Traditional, but they'll pay your medical plan's higher in-person visit cost.

For more information, contact your sales representative or contracted agent, or visit **bcbsm.com/employers**.



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