

2025 Annual Notice of Changes



BCBSAZ Health Choice Pathway (HMO D-SNP)



Serving Apache, Coconino, Gila, Maricopa, Mohave,
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You are currently enrolled as a member of BCBSAZ Health Choice (HMO D-SNP). Next year, there will be changes to the plan's costs and benefits. **Please see page 6 for a Summary of Important Costs, including Premium.**

This document tells about the changes to your plan. To get more information about costs, benefits, or rules please review the *Evidence of Coverage*, which is located on our website at azblue.com/hcpathway. You may also call Member Services to ask us to mail you an *Evidence of Coverage*.

What to do now

1 ASK: Which changes apply to you

- Check the changes to our benefits and costs to see if they affect you.
 - Review the changes to medical care costs (doctor, hospital).
 - Review the changes to our drug coverage, including coverage restrictions and cost sharing.
 - Think about how much you will spend on premiums, deductibles, and cost sharing.
 - Check the changes in the 2025 “Drug List” to make sure the drugs you currently take are still covered.
 - Compare the 2024 and 2025 plan information to see if any of these drugs are moving to a different cost-sharing tier or will be subject to different restrictions, such as prior authorization, step therapy, or a quantity limit, for 2025.
- Check to see if your primary care doctors, specialists, hospitals, and other providers, including pharmacies, will be in our network next year.
- Check if you qualify for help paying for prescription drugs. People with limited incomes may qualify for “Extra Help” from Medicare.
- Think about whether you are happy with our plan.



2 **COMPARE:** Learn about other plan choices

- Check coverage and costs of plans in your area. Use the Medicare Plan Finder at the www.medicare.gov/plan-compare website or review the list in the back of your *Medicare & You 2025* handbook. For additional support, contact your State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) to speak with a trained counselor.
- Once you narrow your choice to a preferred plan, confirm your costs and coverage on the plan's website.

3 **CHOOSE:** Decide whether you want to change your plan

- If you don't join another plan by December 7, 2024, you will stay in BCBSAZ Health Choice Pathway.
- To **change to a different plan**, you can switch plans between October 15 and December 7. Your new coverage will start on **January 1, 2025**. This will end your enrollment with BCBSAZ Health Choice Pathway.
- Look in section 4, page 16 to learn more about your choices.
- If you recently moved into or currently live in an institution (like a skilled nursing facility or long-term care hospital), you can switch plans or switch to Original Medicare (either with or without a separate Medicare prescription drug plan) at any time. If you recently moved out of an institution, you have an opportunity to switch plans or switch to Original Medicare for two full months after the month you move out.

Additional Resources

- This document is available for free in Spanish.
- Please contact our Member Services number at **1-800-656-8991** for additional information. (TTY users should call **711**.) Hours are 7 days a week, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. This call is free.
- This document may be available in other formats such as Braille, large print, or other alternate formats. This document may be available in non-English languages. For additional information call the Member Services number listed above.
- **Coverage under this plan qualifies as Qualifying Health Coverage (QHC)** and satisfies the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act's (ACA) individual shared responsibility requirement. Please visit the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) website at **www.irs.gov/Affordable-Care-Act/Individuals-and-Families** for more information.

About BCBSAZ Health Choice Pathway

- BCBSAZ Health Choice Pathway (HMO D-SNP) is a Health Plan with a Medicare contract and a contract with the state Medicaid program. Enrollment in BCBSAZ Health Choice Pathway (HMO D-SNP) depends on contract renewal. The plan also has a written agreement with the Arizona Medicaid program to coordinate your Medicaid benefits.
- When this document says “we,” “us,” or “our,” it means Health Choice Arizona, Inc. When it says “plan” or “our plan,” it means BCBSAZ Health Choice Pathway.
- BCBSAZ Health Choice Pathway is a subsidiary of Blue Cross® Blue Shield® of Arizona (BCBSAZ), an independent licensee of the Blue Cross Blue Shield Association.



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Summary of Important Costs for 2025

The table below compares the 2024 costs and 2025 costs for BCBSAZ Health Choice Pathway in several important areas. **Please note this is only a summary of costs.** If you are eligible for Medicare cost-sharing assistance under AHCCCS (Medicaid), you pay \$0 for your deductible, doctor office visits, and inpatient hospital stays.

Cost	2024 (this year)	2025 (next year)
Monthly plan premium* * Your premium may be higher or lower than this amount. See Section 2.1 for details.	\$0 based on your level of AHCCCS (Medicaid) eligibility.	\$0 based on your level of AHCCCS (Medicaid) eligibility.
Doctor office visits	Primary care visits: \$0 copayment per visit Specialist visits: \$0 copayment per visit	Primary care visits: \$0 copayment per visit Specialist visits: \$0 copayment per visit
Part D prescription drug coverage (See Section 2.5 for details.)	Deductible: \$0 For all covered drugs: \$0 copayment	Deductible: \$0 For all covered drugs: \$0 copayment
Maximum out-of-pocket amount This is the <u>most</u> you will pay out-of-pocket for your covered Part A and Part B services. (See Section 2.2 for details.)	\$7,550 If you are eligible for Medicare cost-sharing assistance under AHCCCS (Medicaid), you are not responsible for paying any out-of-pocket costs toward the maximum out-of-pocket amount for covered Part A and Part B services.	\$8,400 If you are eligible for Medicare cost-sharing assistance under AHCCCS (Medicaid), you are not responsible for paying any out-of-pocket costs toward the maximum out-of-pocket amount for covered Part A and Part B services.

SECTION 1

Unless You Choose Another Plan, You Will Be Automatically Enrolled in BCBSAZ Health Choice Pathway in 2025

If you do nothing in 2024, we will automatically enroll you in our BCBSAZ Health Choice Pathway HMO D-SNP. This means starting January 1, 2025, you will be getting your medical and prescription drug coverage through BCBSAZ Health Choice Pathway (HMO D-SNP). If you want to change plans or switch to Original Medicare and get your prescription drug coverage through a Prescription Drug Plan you must do so between October 15 and December 7. The change will take effect on January 1, 2025.

SECTION 2

Changes to Benefits and Costs for Next Year

Section 2.1 – Changes to the Monthly Premium

Cost	2024 (this year)	2025 (next year)
Monthly premium (You must also continue to pay your Medicare Part B premium unless it is paid for you by Medicaid.)	\$0 based on your level of AHCCCS (Medicaid) eligibility.	\$0 based on your level of AHCCCS (Medicaid) eligibility.

Section 2.2 – Changes to Your Maximum Out-of-Pocket Amount

Medicare requires all health plans to limit how much you pay out of pocket for the year. This limit is called the maximum out-of-pocket amount. Once you reach this amount, you generally pay nothing for covered Part A and Part B services for the rest of the year.

Cost	2024 (this year)	2025 (next year)
Maximum out-of-pocket amount Because our members also get assistance from Medicaid, very few members ever reach this out-of-pocket maximum. If you are eligible for Medicaid assistance with Part A and Part B copays, you are not responsible for paying any out-of-pocket costs toward the maximum out-of-pocket amount for covered Part A and Part B services. Your costs for covered medical services (such as copays) count toward your maximum out-of-pocket amount. Your plan premium and your costs for prescription drugs do not count toward your maximum out-of-pocket amount.	\$7,550	\$8,400 Once you have paid \$8,400 out of pocket for covered Part A and Part B services, you will pay nothing for your covered Part A and Part B services for the rest of the calendar year.

Section 2.3 – Changes to the Provider and Pharmacy Networks

Amounts you pay for your prescription drugs may depend on which pharmacy you use. Medicare drug plans have a network of pharmacies. In most cases, your prescriptions are covered only if they are filled at one of our network pharmacies. Our network includes pharmacies with preferred cost sharing, which may offer you lower cost sharing than the standard cost sharing offered by other network pharmacies for some drugs.

Updated directories are located on our website at [azblue.com/hcpathway](https://www.azblue.com/hcpathway). You may also call Member Services for updated provider and/or pharmacy information or to ask us to mail you a directory, which we will mail within three business days.

There are changes to our network of providers for next year. **Please review the 2025 Provider Directory [azblue.com/hcpathway](https://www.azblue.com/hcpathway) to see if your providers (primary care provider, specialists, hospitals, etc.) are in our network.**

There are changes to our network of pharmacies for next year. **Please review the 2025 Pharmacy Directory [azblue.com/hcpathway](https://www.azblue.com/hcpathway) to see which pharmacies are in our network.**

It is important that you know that we may make changes to the hospitals, doctors and specialists (providers), and pharmacies that are a part of your plan during the year. If a mid-year change in our providers affects you, please contact Member Services so we may assist.

Section 2.4 – Changes to Benefits and Costs for Medical Services

Please note that the *Annual Notice of Changes* tells you about changes to your Medicare benefits and costs.

We are making changes to costs and benefits for certain medical services next year. The information below describes these changes.

Cost	2024 (this year)	2025 (next year)
Dental Services Comprehensive Dental Services (Supplemental)	You are covered up to \$4,000 maximum for comprehensive dental services per year.	You are covered up to \$3,500 maximum for comprehensive dental services per year.
Dental, Vision, Hearing Flex Card (Supplemental)	You have a \$1,000 maximum allowance for Dental, Vision, Hearing Flex Card per year.	Dental, Vision, Hearing Flex Card is <u>not</u> covered.
Routine Hearing Services (Supplemental)	You are covered up to \$2,500 maximum per year, both ears combined, towards the purchase of hearing aid(s).	You are covered up to \$1,500 maximum per year, both ears combined, towards the purchase of hearing aid(s).
Home and Bathroom Safety Devices and Modifications (Supplemental) In-Home Support Services (Supplemental) Support for Caregivers of Enrollees - Respite Care (Supplemental)	You have a \$900 annual maximum combined allowance per year between In-Home Support Services, Home and Bathroom Safety Devices and Modifications, Support for Caregivers of Enrollees (Respite Care), and Home Repairs.	You have a \$1,000 annual maximum combined allowance per year between In-Home Support Services, Home and Bathroom Safety Devices and Modifications, Support for Caregivers of Enrollees (Respite Care), and Home Repairs.
Home Repairs Special Supplemental Benefits for the Chronically Ill (SSBCI)	You have a \$900 annual maximum combined allowance per year between In-Home Support Services, Home and Bathroom Safety Devices and Modifications, Support for Caregivers of Enrollees (Respite Care), and Home Repairs.	You have a \$1,000 annual maximum combined allowance per year between In-Home Support Services, Home and Bathroom Safety Devices and Modifications, Support for Caregivers of Enrollees (Respite Care), and Home Repairs. Prior authorization may be required.

Cost	2024 (this year)	2025 (next year)
Home Repairs Special Supplemental Benefits for the Chronically Ill (SSBCI) (cont.)		To be eligible for this Special Supplemental Benefits for the Chronically Ill (SSBCI) benefit, you must be actively engaged with our care management program and have one of the following chronic conditions; Chronic heart failure (CHF), Chronic lung disorders, Diabetes, Post-Acute Sequelae of SARS CoV-2 infection (PASC)/Long COVID. Not all members qualify, as other coverage criteria may also apply.
Meals Benefit (Supplemental)	You pay a \$0 copay for up to 140 total meals per year. Post-Acute Meals: 70 meals per admit Chronic Meals: 70 meals per admit	You pay a \$0 copay for up to 28 total meals per year. Post-Acute Meals: 14 meals per admit Chronic Meals: 14 meals per admit
Over-the-Counter (OTC) & Healthy Food/Produce Card (Supplemental)	You pay a \$0 copay for \$600 every 3 months combined allowance for OTC products and Healthy Food and Produce. The allowance rolls over to the next quarter.	You pay a \$0 copay for \$125 every month combined allowance for OTC products and Healthy Food and Produce. The allowance does not roll over.
Transportation (Supplemental)	You pay a \$0 copay for 48 one-way trips per year.	You pay a \$0 copay for 24 one-way trips per year.
Routine Vision Care (Supplemental)	You are covered up to \$450 maximum per year for any of the following. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eyeglasses (lenses and frames) • Contact lenses instead of eyeglasses 	You are covered up to \$350 maximum per year for any of the following. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eyeglasses (lenses and frames) • Contact lenses instead of eyeglasses
Web/Phone-based technologies	Web/Phone-based technologies is covered.	Web/Phone-based technologies is <u>not</u> covered.

Section 2.5 – Changes to Part D Prescription Drug Coverage

Changes to Our Drug List

Our list of covered drugs is called a Formulary or Drug List. A copy of our Drug List is provided electronically.

We made changes to our Drug List, which could include removing or adding drugs, changing the restrictions that apply to our coverage for certain drugs, or moving them to a different cost-sharing tier. **Review the Drug List to make sure your drugs will be covered next year and to see if there will be any restrictions, or if your drug has been moved to a different cost-sharing tier.**

Most of the changes in the Drug List are new for the beginning of each year. However, we might make other changes that are allowed by Medicare rules that will affect you during the plan year. We update our online Drug List at least monthly to provide the most up-to-date list of drugs. If we make a change that will affect your access to a drug you are taking, we will send you a notice about the change.

If you are affected by a change in drug coverage at the beginning of the year or during the year, please review Chapter 9 of your *Evidence of Coverage* and talk to your doctor to find out your options, such as asking for a temporary supply, applying for an exception, and/or working to find a new drug. You can also contact Member Services for more information.

We currently can immediately remove a brand name drug on our Drug List if we replace it with a new generic drug version with the same or fewer restrictions as the brand name drug it replaces. Also, when adding a new generic, we may also decide to keep the brand name drug on our Drug List, but immediately move it to a different cost-sharing tier or add new restrictions or both.

Starting in 2025, we can immediately replace original biological products with certain biosimilars. This means, for instance, if you are taking an original biological product that is being replaced by a biosimilar, you may not get notice of the change 30 days before we make it or get a month's supply of your original biological product at a network pharmacy. If you are taking the original biological product at the time we make the change, you will still get information on the specific change we made, but it may arrive after we make the change.

Some of these drug types may be new to you. For definitions of drug types, please see Chapter 12 of your *Evidence of Coverage*. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) also provides consumer information on drugs. See FDA website: <https://www.fda.gov/drugs/biosimilars/multimedia-education-materials-biosimilars#For%20Patients>. You may also contact Member Services or ask your healthcare provider, prescriber, or pharmacist for more information.

Changes to Prescription Drug Benefits and Costs

Note: If you are in a program that helps pay for your drugs (“Extra Help”), **the information about costs for Part D prescription drugs does not apply to you.** We sent you a separate insert, called the *Evidence of Coverage Rider for People Who Get “Extra Help” Paying for Prescription Drugs* (also called the *Low-Income Subsidy Rider* or the *LIS Rider*), which tells you about your drug costs. If you receive “Extra Help” and you haven’t received this insert by September 30, 2024, please call Member Services and ask for the *LIS Rider*.

Beginning in 2025, there are three **drug payment stages:** the Yearly Deductible Stage, the Initial Coverage Stage, and the Catastrophic Coverage Stage. The Coverage Gap Stage and the Coverage Gap Discount Program will no longer exist in the Part D benefit.

The Coverage Gap Discount Program will also be replaced by the Manufacturer Discount Program. Under the Manufacturer Discount Program, drug manufacturers pay a portion of the plan’s full cost for covered Part D brand name drugs and biologics during the Initial Coverage Stage and the Catastrophic Coverage Stage. Discounts paid by manufacturers under the Manufacturer Discount Program do not count toward out-of-pocket costs.

Changes to the Deductible Stage

Stage	2024 (this year)	2025 (next year)
Stage 1: Yearly Deductible Stage	Because we have no deductible, this payment stage does not apply to you.	Because we have no deductible, this payment stage does not apply to you.

Changes to Your Cost Sharing in the Initial Coverage Stage

Stage	2024 (this year)	2025 (next year)
<p>Stage 2: Initial Coverage Stage</p> <p>During this stage, the plan pays its share of the cost of your drugs, and you pay your share of the cost.</p> <p>The costs in this row are for a one-month (31-day) supply when you fill your prescription at a network pharmacy.</p> <p>For information about the costs, look in Chapter 6, Section 5 of your <i>Evidence of Coverage</i>.</p> <p>Most adult Part D vaccines are covered at no cost to you.</p>	<p>Your cost for a one-month supply filled at a network pharmacy with standard cost sharing is \$0.</p> <p>You pay \$0 per prescription.</p> <hr/> <p>Once your total drug costs have reached \$5,030, you will move to the next stage (the Coverage Gap Stage).</p>	<p>Your cost for a one-month supply filled at a network pharmacy with standard cost sharing is \$0.</p> <p>You pay \$0 per prescription.</p> <hr/> <p>Once you have paid \$2,000 out of pocket for Part D drugs, you will move to the next stage (the Catastrophic Coverage Stage).</p>

Changes to the Catastrophic Coverage Stage

The Catastrophic Coverage Stage is the third and final stage. Beginning in 2025, drug manufacturers pay a portion of the plan's full cost for covered Part D brand name drugs and biologics during the Catastrophic Coverage Stage. Discounts paid by manufacturers under the Manufacturer Discount Program do not count toward out-of-pocket costs.

For specific information about your costs in the Catastrophic Coverage Stage, look at Chapter 6, Section 6, in your *Evidence of Coverage*.

SECTION 3

Administrative Changes

Description	2024 (this year)	2025 (next year)
<p>Over-the-Counter (OTC) & Healthy Food/Produce Card (Supplemental)</p>	<p>Over-the-Counter (OTC) & Healthy Food/Produce Card is provided by the OTC Network mybenefitscenter.com.</p>	<p>Over-the-Counter (OTC) & Healthy Food/Produce Card is provided by The Helper Bees bcbs-az.thehelperbeesportal.com.</p> <p>For additional questions after January 1, 2025, go to bcbs-az.thehelperbeesportal.com or call 1-888-454-1423 Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. local AZ time.</p> <p>See Chapter 4 of the <i>Evidence of Coverage</i> for details.</p>
<p>BCBSAZ Health Choice Pathway website</p>	<p>BCBSAZ Health Choice Pathway website is healthchoicepathway.com.</p>	<p>BCBSAZ Health Choice Pathway website is azblue.com/hcpathway.</p>
<p>Medicare Prescription Payment Plan</p>	<p>Not applicable</p>	<p>The Medicare Prescription Payment Plan is a new payment option that works with your current drug coverage, and it can help you manage your drug costs by spreading them across monthly payments that vary throughout the year (January – December).</p> <p>To learn more about this payment option, please contact us at 1-800-656-8991 or visit Medicare.gov.</p>

SECTION 4

Deciding Which Plan to Choose

Section 4.1 – If you want to stay in BCBSAZ Health Choice Pathway (HMO D-SNP)

To stay in our plan, you don't need to do anything. If you do not sign up for a different plan or change to Original Medicare by December 7, you will automatically be enrolled in our BCBSAZ Health Choice Pathway (HMO D-SNP).

Section 4.2 – If you want to change plans

We hope to keep you as a member next year, but if you want to change plans for 2025 follow these steps:

Step 1: Learn about and compare your choices

- You can join a different Medicare health plan,
- *OR* – You can change to Original Medicare. If you change to Original Medicare, you will need to decide whether to join a Medicare drug plan.

To learn more about Original Medicare and the different types of Medicare plans, use the Medicare Plan Finder (www.medicare.gov/plan-compare), read the *Medicare & You 2025* handbook, call your State Health Insurance Assistance Program (see Section 6), or call Medicare (see Section 8.2).

Step 2: Change your coverage

- To **change to a different Medicare health plan**, enroll in the new plan. You will automatically be disenrolled from BCBSAZ Health Choice Pathway (HMO D-SNP).
- To **change to Original Medicare with a prescription drug plan**, enroll in the new drug plan. You will automatically be disenrolled from BCBSAZ Health Choice Pathway (HMO D-SNP).
- To **change to Original Medicare without a prescription drug plan**, you must either:
 - Send us a written request to disenroll. Contact Member Services if you need more information on how to do so.
 - – *OR* – Contact **Medicare**, at **1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227)**, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and ask to be disenrolled. TTY users should call **1-877-486-2048**.

If you switch to Original Medicare and do **not** enroll in a separate Medicare prescription drug plan, Medicare may enroll you in a drug plan unless you have opted out of automatic enrollment.

SECTION 5

Deadline for Changing Plans

If you want to change to a different plan or to Original Medicare for next year, you can do it from **October 15 until December 7**. The change will take effect on January 1, 2025.

Are there other times of the year to make a change?

In certain situations, changes are also allowed at other times of the year. Examples include people with Medicaid, those who get “Extra Help” paying for their drugs, those who have or are leaving employer coverage, and those who move out of the service area.

Because you have AHCCCS (Medicaid), you can end your membership in our plan any month of the year. You also have options to enroll in another Medicare plan any month including:

- Original Medicare *with* a separate Medicare prescription drug plan,
- Original Medicare without a separate Medicare prescription drug plan (If you choose this option, Medicare may enroll you in a drug plan, unless you have opted out of automatic enrollment.), or
- If eligible, an integrated D-SNP that provides your Medicare and most or all of your Medicaid benefits and services in one plan

If you enrolled in a Medicare Advantage plan for January 1, 2025, and don't like your plan choice, you can also switch to another Medicare health plan (either with or without Medicare prescription drug coverage) or switch to Original Medicare (either with or without Medicare prescription drug coverage) between January 1 and March 31, 2025.

If you recently moved into or currently live in an institution (like a skilled nursing facility or long-term care hospital), you can change your Medicare coverage **at any time**. You can change to any other Medicare health plan (either with or without Medicare prescription drug coverage) or switch to Original Medicare (either with or without a separate Medicare prescription drug plan) at any time. If you recently moved out of an institution, you have an opportunity to switch plans or switch to Original Medicare for two full months after the month you move out.

SECTION 6

Programs That Offer Free Counseling about Medicare and Medicaid

The State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) is an independent government program with trained counselors in every state. In Arizona, the SHIP is called Arizona Health Insurance Assistance Program (Arizona SHIP).

It is a state program that gets money from the Federal government to give **free** local health insurance counseling to people with Medicare. Arizona SHIP counselors can help you with your Medicare questions or problems. They can help you understand your Medicare plan choices and answer questions about switching plans. You can call Arizona SHIP at **1-800-432-4040**. You can learn more about Arizona SHIP by visiting their website (<https://des.az.gov/services/older-adults/medicare-assistance>).

For questions about your AHCCCS (Medicaid) benefits, contact Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS) at **1-855-HEA-PLUS (1-855-432-7587)** or **602-417-4000**, TTY: **1-800-367-8939**, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Ask how joining another plan or returning to Original Medicare affects how you get your AHCCCS (Medicaid) coverage.

SECTION 7

Programs That Help Pay for Prescription Drugs

You may qualify for help paying for prescription drugs.

- **“Extra Help” from Medicare.** Because you have Medicaid, you are already enrolled in “Extra Help,” also called the Low-Income Subsidy. “Extra Help” pays some of your prescription drug premiums, yearly deductibles, and coinsurance. Because you qualify, you do not have a late enrollment penalty. If you have questions about “Extra Help,” call:
 - **1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227).** TTY users should call **1-877-486-2048**, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week;
 - The Social Security Office at **1-800-772-1213** between 8 a.m. and 7 p.m., Monday through Friday for a representative. Automated messages are available 24 hours a day. TTY users should call **1-800-325-0778**; or
 - Your State Medicaid Office.
- **Prescription Cost-sharing Assistance for Persons with HIV/AIDS.** The AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) helps ensure that ADAP-eligible individuals living with HIV/AIDS have access to life-saving HIV medications. Individuals must meet certain criteria, including proof of State residence and HIV status, low income as defined by the State, and uninsured/under-insured status. Medicare Part D prescription drugs that are also covered by ADAP qualify for prescription cost-sharing assistance through the Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS). For information on eligibility criteria, covered drugs, or how to enroll in the program, please call **1-800-334-1540** or **602-364-3610**.

SECTION 8

Questions?

Section 8.1 – Getting Help from BCBSAZ Health Choice Pathway (HMO D-SNP)

Questions? We're here to help. Please call Member Services at **1-800-656-8991**. (TTY only, call **711**.) We are available for phone calls 7 days a week, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Calls to these numbers are free.

Read your **2025 Evidence of Coverage** (it has details about next year's benefits and costs)

This *Annual Notice of Changes* gives you a summary of changes in your benefits and costs for 2025. For details, look in the *2025 Evidence of Coverage* for BCBSAZ Health Choice Pathway (HMO D-SNP). The *Evidence of Coverage* is the legal, detailed description of your plan benefits. It explains your rights and the rules you need to follow to get covered services and prescription drugs. A copy of the *Evidence of Coverage* is located on our website at **azblue.com/hcpathway**. You may also call Member Services to ask us to mail you an *Evidence of Coverage*.

Visit Our Website

You can also visit our website at **azblue.com/hcpathway**. As a reminder, our website has the most up-to-date information about our provider network (*Provider Directory*) and our *List of Covered Drugs (Formulary/Drug List)*.

Section 8.2 – Getting Help from Medicare

To get information directly from Medicare:

Call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227)

You can call **1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227)**, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. TTY users should call **1-877-486-2048**.

Visit the Medicare Website

Visit the Medicare website (**www.medicare.gov**). It has information about cost, coverage, and quality Star Ratings to help you compare Medicare health plans in your area. To view the information about plans, go to **www.medicare.gov/plan-compare**.

Read *Medicare & You 2025*

Read the *Medicare & You 2025* handbook. Every fall, this document is mailed to people with Medicare. It has a summary of Medicare benefits, rights and protections, and answers to the most frequently asked questions about Medicare. If you don't have a copy of this document, you can get it at the Medicare website (**<https://www.medicare.gov/Pubs/pdf/10050-medicare-and-you.pdf>**) or by calling **1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227)**, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. TTY users should call **1-877-486-2048**.

Section 8.3 – Getting Help from AHCCCS (Medicaid)

To get information from AHCCCS (Medicaid) you can call AHCCCS (Medicaid) at **1-855-HEA-PLUS, (1-855-432-7587)** or **602-417-4000**, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. except state holidays. TTY users should call **1-800-367-8939**.

Notice of Non-Discrimination

In Compliance with Section 1557 of the Affordable Care Act



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Blue Cross® Blue Shield® of Arizona (BCBSAZ) Health Choice Pathway (HMO D-SNP) complies with applicable Federal civil rights laws and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex (including pregnancy, sexual orientation, and gender identity). BCBSAZ Health Choice Pathway does not exclude people or treat them differently because of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex (including pregnancy, sexual orientation, and gender identity).

BCBSAZ Health Choice Pathway:

Provides free aids and services to people with disabilities to communicate effectively with us, such as:

- Qualified sign language interpreters
- Written information in other formats (large print, audio, accessible electronic formats, other formats)

Provides free language services to people whose primary language is not English, such as:

- Qualified interpreters
- Information written in other languages

If you need these services, contact:

BCBSAZ Health Choice Pathway

Address: PO Box 52033

Phoenix, AZ 85072

Phone: 1-800-656-8991, TTY: 711

8 a.m. to 8 p.m., 7 days a week

Fax: 480-760-4739

Email: HCHComments@azblue.com

If you believe that BCBSAZ Health Choice Pathway has failed to provide these services or discriminated in another way on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex (including pregnancy, sexual orientation, and gender identity), you can file a grievance by mail, fax, or email to:

BCBSAZ Health Choice Pathway

Address: PO Box 52033

Phoenix, AZ 85072

Phone: 1-800-656-8991

Fax: 480-760-4739

TTY: 711

Email: HCH.GrievanceForms@azblue.com

You can file a grievance by mail, fax, or email. If you need help filing a grievance, the Grievance Manager/Civil Rights Coordinator is available to help you.

You can also file a civil rights complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights, electronically through the Office for Civil Rights Complaint Portal, available at <https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf>, or by mail or phone at:

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
200 Independence Avenue, SW

Room 509F, HHH Building

Washington, D.C. 20201

1-800-368-1019, 1-800-537-7697 (TDD)

Complaint forms are available at

hhs.gov/hipaa/filing-a-complaint/index.html.

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Aviso de No Discriminación



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En cumplimiento con la Sección 1557 de la Ley de Cuidado de Salud de Bajo Costo

Blue Cross® Blue Shield® of Arizona (BCBSAZ) Health Choice Pathway (HMO D-SNP) cumple con las leyes de derechos civiles federales vigentes y no discrimina por motivos de raza, color, nacionalidad, edad, discapacidad o sexo (incluido el embarazo, la orientación sexual y la identidad de género). BCBSAZ Health Choice Pathway no excluye a las personas ni las trata de manera diferente por su raza, color, nacionalidad, edad, discapacidad o sexo (incluido el embarazo, la orientación sexual y la identidad de género).

BCBSAZ Health Choice Pathway:

Ofrece material de ayuda y servicios sin cargo a las personas que tienen discapacidades que les impiden comunicarse de manera eficaz con nosotros, como los siguientes:

- Intérpretes de lenguaje de señas calificados
- Información escrita en otros formatos (letra grande, audio, formatos electrónicos accesibles, otros formatos)

Brinda servicios de idiomas sin cargo a las personas cuya lengua materna no es el inglés, como los siguientes:

- Intérpretes calificados
- Información escrita en otros idiomas

Si necesita estos servicios, comuníquese con nosotros:

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Dirección: PO Box 52033

Phoenix, AZ 85072

Teléfono: 1-800-656-8991, TTY: 711

de 8 a. m. a 8 p. m., los 7 días de la semana

Fax: 480-760-4739

Correo electrónico: HCHComments@azblue.com

Si considera que BCBSAZ Health Choice Pathway no ha logrado prestar estos servicios o ha discriminado de algún otro modo a una persona por su raza, color, nacionalidad, edad, discapacidad o sexo (incluido el embarazo, la orientación sexual y la identidad de género), puede presentar una queja formal por correo, fax o correo electrónico:

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Phoenix, AZ 85072

Teléfono: 1-800-656-8991

Fax: 480-760-4739

TTY: 711

Correo electrónico:

HCH.GrievanceForms@azblue.com

Puede presentar una queja formal por correo, fax o correo electrónico. Si necesita ayuda para presentar una queja formal, el administrador de quejas formales/coordinador de derechos civiles está a su disposición para ayudarlo.

También puede presentar una queja por violación a los derechos civiles ante la Oficina de Derechos Civiles del Departamento de Salud y Servicios Humanos de los EE. UU. de forma electrónica a través de su Portal de quejas, disponible en **<https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf>**, o por correo o teléfono:

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200 Independence Avenue, SW

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Los formularios de queja están disponibles en

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English: We have free interpreter services to answer any questions you may have about our health or drug plan. To get an interpreter, just call us at **1-800-656-8991**. Someone who speaks English can help you. This is a free service.

Spanish: Tenemos servicios de intérprete sin costo alguno para responder cualquier pregunta que pueda tener sobre nuestro plan de salud o medicamentos. Para hablar con un intérprete, por favor llame al **1-800-656-8991**. Alguien que hable español le podrá ayudar. Este es un servicio gratuito.

Navajo: T'áá hait'éeego da ats'íís baa'áhayá doodago azee' aanídaa'níí nihinaaltsoos bee hadadít'éhígíí bąqah na'ídikid nee hólóqogo da nihi éí ata' halne'í bee áka'anída'awo'í t'áá jíik'eh nihee hóló. Ata' halne'í ta' yíníkeedg kohjí **1-800-656-8991** nihich'í' hodílnih. T'áá háida Bilagáana Bizaad yee yáfti'ígíí ta' níká'iilyeed dooleet. Díí t'áá jíik'eh bee níká'iilyeed dooleet.

Chinese Mandarin: 我们提供免费^的翻译服务, 帮助您解答关于健康或药物保险的任何疑问。如果您需要此翻译服务, 请致电 **1-800-656-8991**。我们的中文工作人员很乐意帮助您。这是一项免费服务。

Chinese Cantonese: 您對我們的健康或藥物保險可能存有疑問, 為此我們提供免費的翻譯服務。如需翻譯服務, 請致電 **1-800-656-8991**。我們講中文的人員將樂意為您提供幫助。這是一項免費服務。

Tagalog: Mayroon kaming libreng serbisyo sa pagsasalang-wika upang masagot ang anumang mga katanungan ninyo hinggil sa aming planong pangkalusugan o panggamot. Upang makakuha ng tagasalang-wika, tawagan lamang kami sa **1-800-656-8991**. Maaari kayong tulungan ng isang nakakapagsalita ng Tagalog. Ito ay libreng serbisyo.

French: Nous proposons des services gratuits d'interprétation pour répondre à toutes vos questions relatives à notre régime de santé ou d'assurance-médicaments. Pour accéder au service d'interprétation, il vous suffit de nous appeler au **1-800-656-8991**. Un interlocuteur parlant Français pourra vous aider. Ce service est gratuit.

Vietnamese: Chúng tôi có dịch vụ thông dịch miễn phí để trả lời các câu hỏi về chương sức khỏe và chương trình thuốc men. Nếu quý vị cần thông dịch viên xin gọi **1-800-656-8991** sẽ có nhân viên nói tiếng Việt giúp đỡ quý vị. Đây là dịch vụ miễn phí.

German: Unser kostenloser Dolmetscherservice beantwortet Ihren Fragen zu unserem Gesundheits- und Arzneimittelplan. Unsere Dolmetscher erreichen Sie unter **1-800-656-8991**. Man wird Ihnen dort auf Deutsch weiterhelfen. Dieser Service ist kostenlos.

Korean: 당사는 의료 보험 또는 약품 보험에 관한 질문에 답해 드리고자 무료 통역 서비스를 제공하고 있습니다. 통역 서비스를 이용하려면 전화 **1-800-656-8991** 번으로 문의해 주십시오. 한국어를 하는 담당자가 도와 드릴 것입니다. 이 서비스는 무료로 운영됩니다.

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Russian: Если у вас возникнут вопросы относительно страхового или медикаментного плана, вы можете воспользоваться нашими бесплатными услугами переводчиков. Чтобы воспользоваться услугами переводчика, позвоните нам по телефону **1-800-656-8991**. Вам окажет помощь сотрудник, который говорит по-русски. Данная услуга бесплатная.

Arabic: إننا نقدم خدمات المترجم الفوري المجانية للإجابة عن أي أسئلة تتعلق بالصحة أو جدول الأدوية لدينا. للحصول على مترجم فوري، بمساعدتك. هذه خدمة مجانية. سيقوم شخص ما يتحدث العربية **1-800-656-8991** ليس عليك سوى الاتصال بنا على

Hindi: हमारे स्वास्थ्य या दवा की योजना के बारे में आपके किसी भी प्रश्न के जवाब देने के लिए हमारे पास मुफ्त दुभाषिया सेवाएँ उपलब्ध हैं। एक दुभाषिया प्राप्त करने के लिए, बस हमें **1-800-656-8991** पर फोन करें। कोई व्यक्ति जो हिन्दी बोलता है आपकी मदद कर सकता है। यह एक मुफ्त सेवा है।

Italian: È disponibile un servizio di interpretariato gratuito per rispondere a eventuali domande sul nostro piano sanitario e farmaceutico. Per un interprete, contattare il numero **1-800-656-8991**. Un nostro incaricato che parla Italiano fornirà l'assistenza necessaria. È un servizio gratuito.

Portugués: Dispomos de serviços de interpretação gratuitos para responder a qualquer questão que tenha acerca do nosso plano de saúde ou de medicação. Para obter um intérprete, contacte-nos através do número **1-800-656-8991**. Irá encontrar alguém que fale o idioma Português para o ajudar. Este serviço é gratuito.

French Creole: Nou genyen sèvis entèprèt gratis pou reponn tout kesyon ou ta genyen konsènan plan medikal oswa dwòg nou an. Pou jwenn yon entèprèt, jis rele nou nan **1-800-656-8991**. Yon moun ki pale Kreyòl kapab ede w. Sa a se yon sèvis ki gratis.

Polish: Umożliwiamy bezpłatne skorzystanie z usług tłumacza ustnego, który pomoże w uzyskaniu odpowiedzi na temat planu zdrowotnego lub dawkowania leków. Aby skorzystać z pomocy tłumacza znającego język polski, należy zadzwonić pod numer **1-800-656-8991**. Ta usługa jest bezpłatna.

Japanese: 当社の健康 健康保険と薬品 処方薬プランに関するご質問にお答えするために、無料の通訳サービスがあります。通訳をご用命になるには、**1-800-656-8991** にお電話ください。日本語を話す人者が支援いたします。これは無料のサービスです。

**Questions about our benefits?
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