Alliance/BlueHPN service area expands to Pinal County

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Blue Cross® Blue Shield® of Arizona (BCBSAZ) has expanded the Alliance/BlueHPN service area to include Pinal County, giving national employer groups an exclusive network option that includes both

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Maricopa and Pinal counties. The national Blue High Performance NetworkSM (BlueHPNSM) will also have this extended reach. In Arizona, the BlueHPN includes only providers participating in the Alliance Network.

Pinal County providers in Alliance/BlueHPN

In addition to the Alliance/BlueHPN providers in Maricopa County, the network includes the following Pinal County providers:

- Banner Casa Grande Medical Center facilities and professional medical group
- Cobre Valley Regional Medical Center facilities and professional medical group

Benefit plans available with Alliance/BlueHPN

Employers may opt for the following types of benefit plans that can be paired with the Alliance Network.

- PPO plans (Alliance Network; prefix XBN)
- PCP Coordinated Care HMO plans (Alliance Network: prefix XAH)
- BlueHPN EPO plans (BlueHPN=Alliance Network; prefixes Z5M, Z4N)

Remember, members with EPO and HMO plans using an exclusive network have no coverage outside the member's network except for emergency situations and other limited circumstances, such as when BCBSAZ preauthorizes care because the services cannot be provided in-network.

BlueHPN plans also have unique coverage rules for urgent care based on whether the care is provided within or outside of the BlueHPN service area. See our <u>April newsletter</u> for more information.

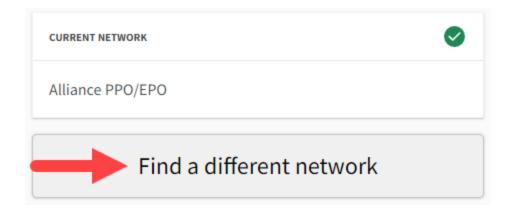
How to find providers within Alliance/BlueHPN for referrals

Taking a moment to check the network status of your referrals can make all the difference in helping members avoid out-of-network costs. The <u>provider directory</u> is updated regularly. From the directory dashboard you can easily select a different network. Here's how to navigate to various networks:

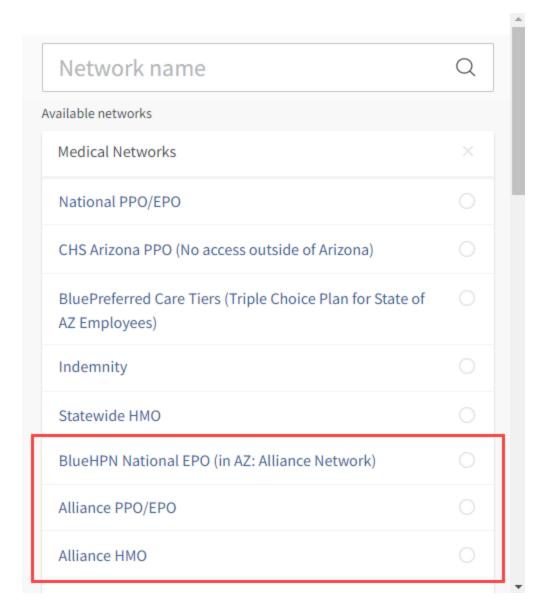
STEP 1



STEP 2



STEP 3



- BlueHPN National EPO (in Arizona: Alliance Network)
- Alliance PPO/EPO
- Alliance HMO

Questions?

For more information about exclusive networks and associated benefit plans, please see the <u>2022</u> <u>Provider Operating Guide</u>, Section 8. If you have questions, contact your <u>provider liaison</u>. We appreciate your help in checking to be sure you're in-network for the member's plan and ensuring all patient referrals are always directed to in-network providers.

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BCBSAZ member ID cards are available for download via eligibility and benefits search results.