

#### **BCBSVT Vermont Preferred Bronze Plan Al-AN**

\$9,950/\$19,900 deductible, 0% coinsurance

Wellness Drugs: \$15 copayment/\$50 copayment/60% coinsurance

Summary of Benefits and Coverage: What this Plan Covers & What You Pay for Covered Services

Coverage Period Begins: 01-01-2026 Coverage For: All Plan Type: EPO



The Summary of Benefits and Coverage (SBC) document will help you choose a health <u>plan</u>. The SBC shows you how you and the <u>plan</u> would share the cost for covered health care services. NOTE: Information about the cost of this <u>plan</u> (called the <u>premium</u>) will be provided separately. This is only a summary. For more information about your coverage, or to get a copy of the complete terms of coverage, <u>www.bluecrossvt.org/preferred-cert-2026</u>. For general definitions of common terms, such as <u>allowed amount</u>, <u>balance billing</u>, <u>coinsurance</u>, <u>copayment</u>, <u>deductible</u>, <u>provider</u>, or other underlined terms, see the Glossary. You can view the Glossary at <u>www.healthcare.gov/sbc-glossary</u> or call (800) 255-4550 to request a copy.

Important Questions	Answers	Why This Matters:
What is the overall deductible?	\$9,950 individual / \$19,900 family aggregate. <u>Coinsurance</u> and <u>copayments</u> do not apply to the <u>deductible</u> . This benefit combines your prescription drug and medical deductibles.	Generally, you must pay all of the costs from providers up to the <u>deductible</u> amount each <u>plan</u> year before this <u>plan</u> begins to pay. If you have other family members on the policy, the overall family <u>deductible</u> must be met before the <u>plan</u> begins to pay. Your plan year: 01-01-2026 through 12-31-2026.
Are there services covered before you meet your deductible?	Yes, preventive care, dental class I, the first four primary care, mental health and substance use office visits (including routine lab services) combined up to a total of twelve visits per family, wellness drugs, pediatric vision	This <u>plan</u> covers some items and services even if you haven't yet met the <u>deductible</u> amount. But a <u>copayment</u> or <u>coinsurance</u> may apply. For example, this <u>plan</u> covers certain <u>preventive services</u> without <u>cost-sharing</u> and before you meet your <u>deductible</u> . See a list of covered <u>preventive services</u> at <a href="https://www.healthcare.gov/coverage/preventive-care-benefits/">https://www.healthcare.gov/coverage/preventive-care-benefits/</a> .
Are there other deductibles for specific services?	No. There are no other specific deductibles.	You don't have to meet <u>deductibles</u> for specific services.
What is the <u>out-of-pocket</u> <u>limit</u> for this <u>plan</u> ?	\$9,950 individual plan. Family plans have an individual out-of-pocket limit of \$10,150 and \$19,900 family aggregate.	The <u>out-of-pocket limit</u> is the most you could pay in a <u>plan</u> year for covered services. If you have other family members in this <u>plan</u> , the overall family <u>out-of-pocket limit</u> must be met.
What is not included in the out-of-pocket limit?	Premiums, <u>balance-billing</u> charges, adult vision care, adult dental services and health care this <u>plan</u> doesn't cover.	Even though you pay these expenses, they don't count toward the <u>out-of-pocket</u> <u>limit</u> .
Will you pay less if you use a <u>network provider</u> ?	Yes. See <a href="https://www.bluecrossvt.org/find-doctor">www.bluecrossvt.org/find-doctor</a> or call (800) 255-4550 for a list of <a href="https://network.org/network">network</a> providers.	This <u>plan</u> uses a <u>provider network</u> . You will pay less if you use a <u>provider</u> in the <u>plan</u> 's <u>network</u> . You will pay the most if you use an <u>out-of-network provider</u> , and you might receive a bill from a <u>provider</u> for the difference between the <u>provider</u> 's charge and what your <u>plan</u> pays ( <u>balance billing</u> ). Be aware, your <u>network provider</u> might use an <u>out-of-network provider</u> for some services (such as lab work). For certain <u>emergency services</u> and/or services at an in-network hospital or surgical center (as explained below), the maximum amount you may pay is the <u>plan</u> 's in <u>network cost-sharing</u> amount. In these circumstances, the providers cannot balance bill you. Check with your <u>provider</u> before you get services.

Important Questions	Answers	Why This Matters:
Do you need a referral to	No.	You can see the specialist you choose without a referral.
see a specialist?		

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All <u>copayment</u> and <u>coinsurance</u> costs shown in this chart are after your <u>deductible</u> has been met, if a <u>deductible</u> applies.

	What You Will Pay				
Common Medical Event	Services You May Need	Native American# Provider (You will pay the least)	Network Provider (You will more)	Out-of-Network Provider (You will pay the most)	Limitations, Exceptions, & Other Important Information
	Primary care visit to treat an injury or illness	No charge	No charge* for primary care physician and mental health / substance use	Not covered	Some services require <u>prior approval</u> . <u>Deductible</u> and <u>copayments</u> do not apply to some services see <u>www.bluecrossvt.org/preferred-cert-2026</u> for more information. For clarification on mental health services visit <u>www.bluecrossvt.org/members/coverage</u> .
lf vou vioit a boolth	<u>Specialist</u> visit	No charge	No charge*	Not covered	Some services require <u>prior approval</u> . Four specialist office visits per member at no cost-sharing for treatment of diabetes or heart disease. For details visit <u>www.bluecrossvt.org/preferred-cert-2026</u> .
If you visit a health care provider's office or clinic	Other practitioner office visit	No charge	No charge* for chiropractic care, nutritional counseling, outpatient physical, speech and occupational therapy	Not covered	Some services require <u>prior approval</u> . Outpatient physical, speech and occupational therapy benefits are covered up to 30 visits combined.
	Preventive care/Screening/immunization	No charge	No charge	Not covered	You may have to pay for services that aren't preventive. Ask your <u>provider</u> if the services needed are preventive. Then check what your <u>plan</u> will pay for. For clarification on <u>preventive services</u> visit <u>www.bluecrossvt.org/members/coverage</u> .

<sup>\*</sup>Deductible applies to these services.

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If you have a test	Diagnostic test (x-ray, blood work)	No charge	No charge* for office based and outpatient hospital	Not covered	Some services require <u>prior approval</u> . <u>Deductible</u> and <u>copayments</u> do not apply to some services see <u>www.bluecrossvt.org/preferred-cert-2026</u> for more information.
	Imaging (CT/PET scans, MRIs)	No charge	No charge*	Not covered	Most services require <u>prior approval</u> .
If you need drugs	Generic drugs	No charge	No charge*	Not covered	Covers up to a 30-day supply for most prescription drugs. Some prescriptions require prior approval.
to treat your illness or condition  More information about prescription	Preferred brand drugs	No charge	No charge*	Not covered	Covers up to a 30-day supply for most prescription drugs. Some prescriptions require prior approval.
drug coverage is available at www.bluecrossvt.org	Non-preferred brand drugs	No charge	No charge*	Not covered	Covers up to a 30-day supply for most prescription drugs. Some prescriptions require prior approval.
/ pharmacies- medications. This plan follows the National Performance Formulary (NPF).	Wellness drugs	No charge	\$15 copayment per prescription generic, \$50 copayment per prescription preferred, 60% coinsurance preferred.	Not covered	Covers up to a 30-day supply for most prescription drugs. Some prescriptions require prior approval.
If you have	Facility fee (e.g., ambulatory surgery center)	No charge	No charge*	Not covered	Some services require <u>prior approval</u> . If you see an <u>out-of-network provider</u> at an in-network facility, the most the <u>provider</u> may bill you is the in-network <u>cost-sharing</u> amount.
outpatient surgery	Physician/surgeon fees	No charge	No charge*	Not covered	Some services require <u>prior approval</u> . If you see an <u>out-of-network provider</u> at an in-network facility, the most the <u>provider</u> may bill you is the in-network <u>cost-sharing</u> amount.

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Common Medical Event	Services You May Need	Native American# Provider (You will pay the least)	Network Provider (You will more)	Out-of-Network Provider (You will pay the most)	Limitations, Exceptions, & Other Important Information
	Emergency room care	No charge	No charge* for facility and physician services	No charge* for facility and physician services	Must meet emergency criteria. If you have an emergency medical condition, and get emergency services from an <u>out-of-network provider</u> or facility, the maximum you may pay is the standard in-network <u>cost-sharing</u> amount and you cannot be balance billed.
If you need immediate medical attention	Emergency medical transportation	No charge	No charge*	No charge*	Must meet emergency criteria. If you have an emergency medical condition, and get emergency services from an <u>out-of-network provider</u> or facility, the maximum you may pay is the standard in-network <u>cost-sharing</u> amount and you cannot be balance billed.
	<u>Urgent care</u>	No charge	No charge*	No charge*	Applies to urgent care facilities. If you have an emergency medical condition, and get emergency services from an <u>out-of-network provider</u> or facility, the maximum you may pay is the standard in-network <u>cost-sharing</u> amount and you cannot be balance billed.
If you have a	Facility fee (e.g., hospital room)	No charge	No charge*	Not covered	Out-of-state inpatient care requires prior approval. If you receive care from an out-of-network provider at an in-network hospital or ambulatory surgical center, the most the provider may bill you is the in-network cost-sharing amount and the provider cannot balance bill you.
hospital stay	Physician/surgeon fees	No charge	No charge*	Not covered	Some services require <u>prior approval</u> . If you receive care from an <u>out-of-network provider</u> at an in-network hospital or ambulatory surgical center, the most the <u>provider</u> may bill you is the in-network <u>cost-sharing</u> amount and the <u>provider</u> cannot balance bill you.

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Common Medical Event	Services You May Need	Native American# Provider (You will pay the least)	Network Provider (You will more)	Out-of-Network Provider (You will pay the most)	Limitations, Exceptions, & Other Important Information
If you need mental health, behavioral	Outpatient services	No charge	No charge*	Not covered	Some services require <u>prior approval</u> .
health, or substance abuse services	Inpatient services	No charge	No charge*	Not covered	Includes facility and physician fees. Requires prior approval.
If you are pregnant	Office visits	No charge	No charge*	Not covered	Cost sharing does not apply for preventive services. Depending on the type of services, a copayment, coinsurance, or deductible may apply. Maternity care may include tests and services described elsewhere in the SBC (i.e. ultrasound.). For a list of services visit www.bluecrossvt.org/members/coverage.
	Childbirth/delivery professional services	No charge	No charge*	Not covered	Out-of-state inpatient care requires <u>prior</u> <u>approval</u> .
	Childbirth/delivery facility services	No charge	No charge*	Not covered	Out-of-state inpatient care requires <u>prior</u> <u>approval</u> .
	Home health care	No charge	No charge*	Not covered	Home infusion therapy requires <u>prior approval</u> . Outpatient physical, speech and occupational therapy benefits are covered up to 30 visits combined.
If you need help recovering or have other special health	Rehabilitation services	No charge	No charge* inpatient; no charge cardiac; no charge* pulmonary services	Not covered	Inpatient rehabilitation services require <u>prior</u> <u>approval</u> .
needs	Habilitation services	No charge	No charge* for inpatient services	Not covered	Requires <u>prior approval</u> . Outpatient physical, speech and occupational therapy benefits are covered up to 30 visits combined.
	Skilled nursing care (facility)	No charge	No charge*	Not covered	Requires prior approval.
	<u>Durable medical equipment</u> (including supplies)	No charge	No charge*	Not covered	May require <u>prior approval</u> .

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	Hospice services	No charge	No charge*	Not covered	None
	Eye exam	No charge	\$20 copayment per child exam; 100% of charges for adult exam	Not covered	One routine exam per calendar year.
If your child needs dental or eye care	Glasses	No charge	\$20 copayment for child glasses; 100% of charges for adult glasses	Not covered	One pair of exchange-level frames and lenses for prescription glasses or one pair of equivalent contact lenses per calendar year.
	Dental check-up	No charge	Child: Class I: No charge, Class II: No charge*, Class III: No charge* Adult: 100% of charges	Not covered	Some services require <u>prior approval</u> . <u>Deductible</u> does not apply to Preventive fluoride supplements for children with non-fluoridated drinking water

#### **Excluded Services & Other Covered Services:**

## Services Your Plan Generally Does NOT Cover (Check your policy or plan document for more information and a list of any other excluded services.)

- Acupuncture
- Cosmetic Surgery (except with prior approval for reconstruction)
- Dental care (age 21 and older)

- Infertility Medications
- Long-term care

- Routine eye care (age 21 and older)
- Weight loss programs

## Other Covered Services (Limitations may apply to these services. This isn't a complete list. Please see your plan document.)

- Abortion
- Bariatric surgery
- Chiropractic Care (Requires prior approval after 12 visits)
- Hearing aids (covered up to one per ear every three years)
- Non-emergency care when traveling outside the U.S. (www.bluecrossvt.org/members/coverage)
- Private-duty nursing (covered up to 14 hours per plan year)
- Routine foot care

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#### **Your Rights to Continue Coverage:**

There are agencies that can help if you want to continue your coverage after it ends. The contact information for those agencies is: Department of Labor's Employee Benefits Security Administration at (866) 444-EBSA (3272) or <a href="www.dol.gov/ebsa/healthreform">www.dol.gov/ebsa/healthreform</a>, or the Department of Health and Human Services at (877) 267-2323 x61565 or <a href="www.cciio.cms.gov">www.cciio.cms.gov</a>. You may also contact the <a href="plan">plan</a> at (800) 247-2583. Other coverage options may be available to you, too, including buying individual insurance coverage through the <a href="health Insurance Marketplace">Health Insurance Marketplace</a>. For more information about the <a href="Marketplace">Marketplace</a>, visit <a href="www.HealthCare.gov">www.HealthCare.gov</a> or call (800) 318-2596.

#### **Your Grievance and Appeals Rights:**

There are agencies that can help if you have a complaint against your <u>plan</u> for a denial of a <u>claim</u>. This complaint is called a <u>grievance</u> or <u>appeal</u>. For more information about your rights, look at the explanation of benefits you will receive for that medical <u>claim</u>. Your <u>plan</u> documents also provide complete information on how to submit a <u>claim</u>, <u>appeal</u>, or a <u>grievance</u> for any reason to your <u>plan</u>. For more information about your rights, this notice, or assistance, contact: (800) 255-4550.

### Does this plan provide Minimum Essential Coverage? Yes.

Minimum Essential Coverage generally includes plans, <u>health insurance</u> available through the <u>Marketplace</u> or other individual market policies, Medicare, Medicaid, CHIP, TRICARE, and certain other coverage. If you are eligible for certain types of <u>Minimum Essential Coverage</u>, you may not be eligible for the premium tax credit.

### Does this plan meet the Minimum Value Standards? Yes.

If your plan doesn't meet the Minimum Value Standards, you may be eligible for a premium tax credit to help you pay for a plan through the Marketplace.

——————To see examples of how this plan might cover costs for a sample medical situation, see the next page.—————

#### **About these Coverage Examples:**



This is not a cost estimator. Treatments shown are just examples of how this <u>plan</u> might cover medical care. Your actual costs will be different depending on the actual care you receive, the prices your <u>providers</u> charge, and many other factors. Focus on the <u>cost sharing</u> amounts (<u>deductibles</u>, <u>copayments</u> and <u>coinsurance</u>) and <u>excluded services</u> under the <u>plan</u>. Use this information to compare the portion of costs you might pay under different health plans. Please note these coverage examples are based on self-only coverage.

**\$9 950** 

### Peg is Having a Baby

(9 months of in-network prenatal care and a hospital delivery)

■ The <u>plan's</u> overall <u>deductible</u>	\$9,950
■ Specialist	\$0
■ Hospital (facility)	<b>\$0</b>
■ Other	\$0

#### This EXAMPLE event includes services like:

Specialist office visits (prenatal care)
Childbirth/Delivery Professional Services
Childbirth/Delivery Facility Services
Diagnostic tests (ultrasounds and blood work)
Specialist visit (anesthesia)

Total Example Cost	\$12,700

## In this example, Peg would pay:

Cost Sharing		
Deductibles	\$9,950	
<u>Copayments</u>	\$0	
Coinsurance	\$0	
What isn't covered		
Limits or exclusions	\$60	
The total Peg would pay is	\$10,010	

## **Managing Joe's Type 2 Diabetes**

(a year of routine in-network care of a well-controlled condition)

- The plan o overall deduction	Ψ0,000
■ Specialist	\$0
■ Hospital (facility)	\$0
■ Other	\$0

#### This EXAMPLE event includes services like:

<u>Primary care physician</u> office visits (including disease education)

Diagnostic tests (blood work)

■ The plan's overall deductible

Prescription drugs

Durable medical equipment (glucose meter)

## Total Example Cost \$5,600

## In this example, Joe would pay:

Cost Sharing			
<u>Deductibles</u>	\$2,300		
<u>Copayments</u>	\$0		
Coinsurance	\$0		
What isn't covered			
Limits or exclusions	\$20		
The total Joe would pay is	\$2,320		

## **Mia's Simple Fracture**

(in-network emergency room visit and follow-up care)

■ The <u>plan's</u> overall <u>deductible</u>	\$9,950
■ Specialist	\$0
■ Hospital (facility)	\$0
■ Other	\$0

#### This EXAMPLE event includes services like:

Emergency room care (including medical supplies)

Diagnostic test (x-ray)

Durable medical equipment (crutches)

Rehabilitation services (physical therapy)

<b>Total Example Cost</b>	\$2,800

#### In this example, Mia would pay:

Cost Sharing		
<u>Deductibles</u>	\$2,300	
Copayments	\$0	
Coinsurance	\$0	
What isn't covered		
Limits or exclusions	\$0	
The total Mia would pay is	\$2,300	

The <u>plan</u> would be responsible for the other costs of these EXAMPLE covered services.

The prescription drug <u>out-of-pocket limit</u> might not be included in the above Coverage Examples.

\*Note: This plan has other deductibles for specific services included in the coverage example. See "Are there other deductible for specific services?" row above.

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# **DISCLAIMERS**

## **General Exclusions**

While your health plan covers a broad array of necessary services and supplies, it doesn't cover every possible medical expense. If you would like to review the list of general exclusions before enrolling, visit <a href="bluecrossvt.org/contracts">bluecrossvt.org/contracts</a>, click on the plan in which you are enrolling and read the chapter entitled "General Exclusions." Once you enroll, you will receive an Outline of Coverage and a link to your Certificate of Coverage. Please read both carefully as they govern your specific benefits.

# **How We Protect Your Privacy**

The law requires us to maintain the privacy of your health information by using or disclosing it only with your authorization or as otherwise allowed by law. You may find information about our privacy practices at <a href="mailto:bluecrossvt.org/privacypolicies">bluecrossvt.org/privacypolicies</a>.

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fax (802) 229-0511, or email <u>civilrightscoordinator@bcbsvt.com</u>. You can file a grievance in person, by mail, via fax, or by email. If you need help filing a grievance, the 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 or 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, 800-537-7697 (TDD)

Complaint forms are available at

https://www.hhs.gov/ocr/complaints/index.html

For free language-assistance service, call (800) 247-2583 (TTY/TDD: 711).

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Para servicios gratuitos de asistencia lingüística, llame al (800) 247-2583 (TTY/TDD: 711).

**TAGALOG** 

PAUNAWA: Kung nagsasalita ka ng Tagalog, maaari kang gumamit ng mga serbisyo ng tulong sa wika nang walang bayad. Tumawag sa (800) 247-2583 (TTY/TDD: 711).

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**UKRAINIAN** 

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VIETNAMESE

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