

Going above and beyond to support those who care for our members.

Blue Cross VT Affirms Our Commitment to Primary Care Providers, the Foundation of Our Health Care System, With:

- Value-based financial incentives for quality improvement, in addition to normal fee-for-service payments
- For some providers, fully funded lifestyle medicine board-certification scholarships with free continuing education credits
- Ongoing office staff education and training for programs and processes
- Opportunities for open dialogue to help bridge provider and patient needs

Primary Care Quality Improvement Programs

Blue Cross VT operates primary care quality improvement programs that pay incentives to providers, add benefits for our members, and track quality metrics to evaluate key successes and opportunities for our state's health care system.

67,000 PATIENTS
SERVED

\$3.2M IN INCENTIVES
PAID IN 2025

Participation:

97	11	1,864
INDEPENDENT PRACTICES	FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTERS	PRIMARY CARE PROVIDERS

\$6.30 PER MEMBER PER MONTH (PMPM) IN
VALUE-BASED PAYMENT INCENTIVES

available to providers who meet or exceed quality measure thresholds. *Average practice payment is \$3.46 PMPM.*

- Launched in 2022 and significantly expanded in 2024
- Quality measures focus on patients' annual wellness exams, immunizations, breast and colorectal cancer screenings, and controlling diabetes and blood pressure
- Other measures include total cost of care, use of in-house or independent labs, avoidable ER use, and lower cost MRI/CT imaging facilities
- Scorecards showing individual performance against threshold plus peer benchmarks are sent to practices on a monthly, quarterly, or annual cadence, depending on the program
- For most providers, no additional provider administration or reporting is required to participate in programs, as Blue Cross VT uses existing data

Advancing Care for Vermonters

In addition to direct assistance to primary care providers, Blue Cross VT funds other programs that help providers deliver better care:

- Vermont Program for Quality in Health Care (VPQHC)
- Vermont Information Technology Leaders (VITL)
- Vermont Blueprint for Health's Patient Centered Medical Homes and Community Health Teams

As Vermonters committed to the health of Vermonters, let's continue the conversation.

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