



BlueCross BlueShield
of Texas

Services Not Covered in the Texas Medicaid State Plan

Reminder

[Health and Human Service Commission \(HHSC\)](#) is reminding our Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas (BCBSTX) providers of services not covered in Texas Medicaid state plan. Please note in some cases BCBSTX may cover services that are not included in the Texas Medicaid State Plan. For more information regarding what services are not covered by the Texas Medicaid state plan but are covered by BCBSTX please contact your provider network representative.

BCBSTX may cover services through specific processes, that are not included in the Medicaid State Plan (i.e. Intensive Outpatient Program (IOPs) and Partial Hospitalization Programs (PHPs).

Items Not included in the Texas Medicaid State Plan

There are specific categories of allowable coverage of services not included in the Texas Medicaid State Plan.

Here are the categories:

- Services covered due to Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment (EPSDT)
- In-lieu-of services
- Cases-by-case services
- Value- added services
- Medically necessary Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) covered outpatient drugs not yet on the Texas Medicaid formulary
- Durable medical equipment (DME) covered under the Home Health DME and Supplies Exceptional Circumstances provision. Please visit "[Home Health Durable Medical Equipment and Supplies Exceptional Circumstances Provision.](#)"

Update on In-Lieu-of Services

HHSC is evaluating additional evidence-based behavioural health services for cost-effectiveness to be offered in-lieu-of existing state plan services when medically appropriate. Texas Medicaid anticipates that 2021 managed care contracts will reflect updated in-lieu-of service offerings.

Have questions?

Contact our BCBSTX Medicaid Provider Service Center at 1-877-560-8055 or contact your BCBSTX Medicaid Provider Network Representative at 1-855-212-1615.

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