

Blue Advantage (HMO) | Blue Advantage (PPO)

The purpose of this guide is to help Blue Advantage network providers reach the appropriate areas of service for our Blue Advantage (HMO) and Blue Advantage (PPO) members.

Provider Quick Reference Guide

Service	Contact Information	
Blue Advantage Customer Service	For inquiries that cannot be addressed through the Blue Advantage Provider Portal, you may contact Blue Advantage Customer Support at:	
	phone:	1-866-508-7145
	fax:	1-877-528-5820
	email:	customerservice@blueadvantage.bcbsla.com
	mail:	Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Louisiana/HMO Louisiana, Inc. P.O. Box 7003 Troy, MI 48007
Blue Advantage Provider Portal	For assistance with routine inquiries such as claim status checks, member eligibility, benefit verification or confirmation of prior authorization, use the Blue Advantage Provider Portal, located within iLinkBlue (www.BCBSLA.com/ilinkblue). Click on "Blue Advantage" under "Other Sites." For technical questions relating to registration or login access to the Blue Advantage Provider Portal:	
	phone: 1-866-397-2812	
Blue Advantage Provider Directory	For a list of providers in our Blue Advantage network, use the Provider Directory, located on the Blue Advantage Provider Portal, within iLinkBlue www.BCBSLA.com/ilinkblue .	
,	Click on "Blue Advantage" under "Other Sites," then "Find a Provider."	

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Service	Contact Information		
Authorizations	Inpatient Program:		
(including Part B Drugs, Case and	To request a prior authorization for inpatient services, please submit authorization requests to the Blue Advantage Authorizations department at:		
Medical Management)	fax:	1-877-528-5818 (please include all supporting clinical information)	
	phone:	1-866-455-8416, option 4, option 4	
	High-tech Imaging and Utilization Management Programs:		
	To request a prior authorization for High-tech Radiology, Office and Outpatient Cardiology, Outpatient Musculoskeletal (MSK) services and Radiation Oncology contact AIM Specialty Health _* (AIM):		
	online:	through the AIM <i>ProviderPortal</i> _{SM} , available 24 hours a day, seven days a week through iLinkBlue (www.BCBSLA.com/ilinkblue). It is fully interactive, processing requests in real-time.	
	phone:	1-866-455-8416	
	All other services that require an authorization:		
	from the Blue www.BCBSLA. For assistance	or authorization for these services, download the Prior Authorization Form Advantage Provider Portal. It is available on iLinkBlue at com/ilinkblue, then click on "Blue Advantage" under the "Other Sites" section. with case management, notification and benefit determinations, contact the e Medical Management team at:	
	phone:	1-866-508-7145, option 5, option 4	
	fax:	1-877-528-5816 1-877-528-5818 (for inpatient)	
Behavioral Health	Blue Advantage members use New Directions Behavioral Health for their behavioral health needs.		
	Authorizations (inpatient and outpatient) should be submitted through the Authorizations Portal , available on iLinkBlue (www.BCBSLA.com/ilinkblue) under the "Authorizations" menu option >Behavioral Health.		
	phone:	1-877-250-9167	
	(for customer service and non-facility authorizations)		
	mail:	Blue Cross and Blue Shield of LA/HMO Louisiana, Inc. P.O. Box 7003 Troy, MI 48007	

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Compliance/Fraud Waste and Abuse	To learn more about Blue Advantage's program, code of conduct and the provider's responsibility relative to the Compliance Program, including required training; reporting any suspected or actual violation of regulations, laws, policies or procedures or fraud, waste and abuse, go to the Blue Advantage Provider Portal at www.BCBSLA.com/ilinkblue >Blue Advantage (under Other Sites) >Helpful Links >Compliance Program:		
	Compliance a	nd Ethics Hotline:	
	phone:	1-800-973-7707	
	fax:	(225) 295-2599	
	email:	compliance.office@bcbsla.com	
	mail:	Blue Advantage Compliance P.O. Box 84656 Baton Rouge, LA 70884-4656	
	Fraud, Waste and Abuse Hotline:		
	phone:	1-800-392-9249	
Dental	Blue Advantage members use United Concordia Dental (UCD) for their preventive dental coverage. Providers must be contracted directly with UCD to be in-network for members:		
	phone:	1-866-445-5825	
	mail:	(claims address)	
		United Concordia Dental P.O. Box 69441 Harrisburg, PA 17106-9420	
Disputes	For assistance related to contract disputes:		
	phone:	1-866-508-7145	
	fax:	1-877-528-5820	
	mail:	Blue Cross and Blue Shield of LA/HMO Louisiana, Inc. Attn: Provider Disputes P.O. Box 7003 Troy, MI 48007	
Fitness Program	American Spe	Blue Advantage members may have fitness benefits (contingent on their plan type) through American Specialty Health (ASH). Members with this benefit can arrange for membership on their own for the following program:	
	Sliver & Fit		
	phone:	1-877-427-4788	

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Network Development	For questions on how to join the Blue Advantage provider networks:		
	phone:	1-800-716-2299, option 1	
	email:	network.development@bcbsla.com	
Pharmacy	Blue Advantag	ge members with Part D use the Express Scripts, Inc. pharmacy network:	
(for Part D	phone:	1-800-935-6103/TTY:711	
Prescriptions)	fax:	1-877-251-5896	
	mail:	ESI – Attn. Medicare Reviews	
		P.O. Box 66571 St. Louis, MO 63166-6571	
	online:	www.covermymeds.com	
		www.express-path.com	
	For a comprehensive list of participating pharmacies, refer to the provider/ pharmacy directory, www.BCBSLA.com/ilinkblue >Blue Advantage under "Other Sites" >Find a provider		
Provider Credentialing & Data Management	Provider Credentialing & Data Management handles demographic changes as well as credentialing or recredentialing.		
	_	your address, phone number, Tax ID number, etc., please us the Provider located on our Provider Page (www.BCBSLA.com/providers >Resources	
	Credentialing packets and criteria are available on our Provider Page at www.BCBSLA.com/providers >Provider Networks >Join Our Networks.		
	For all other in	nquires:	
	email:	network.administration@bcbsla.com	
	phone:	1-800-716-2299, option 2 (provider credentialing)	
		1-800-716-2299, option 3 (data management)	
	fax:	(225) 297-2750	
Provider Relations		with detailed and complex issues that have not been resolved through the al or by Customer Service:	
	phone:	1-800-716-2299, option 4	
	email:	provider.relations@bcbsla.com	

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Reference	Send Blue Advantage members to a Blue Advantage network reference laboratory:		
Laboratories	Clinical Patholo	pgy Labs (CPL)	
	phone:	1-800-595-1275	
	online:	www.cpllabs.com	
	Laboratory Cor	poration of America (LabCorp)	
	phone:	1-800-255-8279	
	online:	www.labcorp.com	
	Quest Diagnos	tics	
	phone:	1-866-MY-QUEST (1-866-697-8378)	
	online:	www.questdiagnostics.com	
Vision	Blue Advantage members use Davis Vision for their routine eye care and vision services coverage:		
	phone:	1-800-247-2814	
	mail:	(claims address)	
		Vision Care Processing Unit P.O. Box 1525 Latham, NY 12110	
Who Do I Contact if I Have Questions?	that cannot be	For claims status, member eligibility, benefit verification and care management questions that cannot be addressed through the Blue Advantage Provider Portal, Blue Advantage network providers may contact Blue Advantage Customer Service at 1-866-508-7145.	
	For questions about Accountable Delivery System Platform (ADSP) training, accessing panel reports, financial incentive reports or care gap and RAF scores, contact provider.relations@bcbsla.com. If you are a Quality Blue Primary Care (QBPC) or Quality Blue Value Partnership (QBVP) partner, our Quality Blue teams are accountable for engaging with your practice/entity to share Blue Advantage quality performance updates. For questions about our Quality Blue programs, contact clinicalpartnerships@bcbsla.com . For non QBPC and QBVP questions specific to the Blue Advantage quality program, you may contact your Provider Relations Representative or send an email to provider.relations@bcbsla.com .		
	If you are unsure of who your Provider Relations Representative is, please go to www.BCBSLA.com/providers >Provider Networks >Provider Support or call 1-800-716-2299, option 4.		

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Prior Authorization/Notification is required for these services:

Ambulance

Non-emergent Air or Ground

Behavioral Health*

- ECT*
- Mental Health and Substance Abuse Inpatient Treatment*
- Psychological Testing*
- Residential Treatment Center (RTC)*
- Intensive Outpatient Program (IOP)*
- Partial Hospital Program (PHP)*

Cardiology

- · Artificial Hearts and Related Devices
- Arterial Ultrasound**
- Coronary Ateriography**
- Life Vest External Defibrillator
- · Ventricular Assist Devices
- Stress Echocardiography**
- Transthoracic Echocardiography**
- Transesophageal Echocardiography**

High-tech Radiology

- CT**
- MRI, MRA**
- Nuclear Cardiology**
- PFT**

Inpatient (authorization required within 24-hours of admission)

- · Elective Hospital Admissions
- Hospital Admissions
- · Inpatient Rehabilitation
- LTAC
- Skilled Nursing (SNF)

Musculoskeletal (MSK) Program**

- Spine Surgery
- Interventional Spine Pain Management
- Joint Surgery

Radiation Oncology

- Brachytherapy**
- Intensity Modulated Radiation Therapy (IMRT)**
- Proton Beam Radiation Therapy (PBRT)**
- Stereotactic Radiosurgery (SRS)/Stereotactic Body Radiotherapy (SBRT)**
- 3-D Conformal Therapy* (EBRT) for bone metastases and breast cancer**

Review also included for:

- Hypo fractionation for bone metastases and breast cancer when requesting EBRT and IMRT**
- Special procedures and consultations associated with a treatment plan (CPT® codes 73370 and 77470)**
- Image Guidance Radiation Therapy (IGRT)**

Pain Management

- Inpatient Hospital Pain Rehabilitation
- Outpatient Hospital Pain Rehabilitation
- Pain Infusion Pumps
- * Blue Advantage members use New Directions Behavioral
 Health for their behavioral health needs. Facility authorizations
 (inpatient & outpatient) should be submitted through the

 Authorizations Portal, available on iLinkBlue.

Surgical Procedures

- Autologous Chrondrocyte Implantation Procedure
- Bariatric Procedure
- Blepharoplasty
- Breast Reduction/Reconstruction/Augmentation/Mastectomy for Gynecomastia
- Deep Brain Stimulator
- Eyelid Ptosis Repair/Brow Lift
- Facial Ostectomy Genioplasty, Orthagnathic Surgery,
 Maxillofacial Surgery Requiring Hospital Stay, Non-emergent
- Nasal Reconstruction/Rhinoplasty
- Otoplasty
- Panniculectomy/Abdominoplasty
- Spinal Cord Stimulators
- Uvulopalatopharyngoplasty (UPPP)
- Veins (Ablation Ligation, Stripping, Sclerotherapy)
- Vertebral Artery Surgery
- Vertebroplasty/Kyphoplasty/Spinal Fusion

Transplants

• All transplants require pre authorization

Other

- Aqua Therapy
- Bio-engineered Skin Substitute
- Bone Anchored Hearing Device/Cochlear Implant
- Cardiac Rehab
- Durable Medical Equipment (see DME and Orthotic & Prosthetic list)
- Emerging Technology (All CPT codes ending in "T")
- Genetic Testing
- Home Health Services
- Hyperbaric Oxygen
- Infertility Treatments
- Insulin Pumps
- Interstim/Peripheral Tibial Nerve Stimulation
- Investigational/Experimental Procedures and Treatment
- Medical Rehabilitation Day Program
- Nasal/Sinus Endoscopy
- Observation (notification required after 48 hours)
- Occupational Therapy, Outpatient (First 12 visits per discipline every 90 days before authorization is required)
- Out-of-network Providers
- Physical Therapy, Outpatient (First 12 visits per discipline every 90 days before authorization is required)
- Platelet Rich Plasma
- Pulmonary Rehab
- Routine Maternity
- Specialty Drugs (See drug list on next page)
- Speech Therapy
- Unlisted Procedure Codes
- Vacuum Wound Devices
- Wound Care Clinic
- ** To request a prior authorization request for cardiology, high-tech radiology, outpatient musculoskeletal and radiation oncology services, use AIM Specialty Health's ProviderPortal_{SM}, available on iLinkBlue.

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Part B drugs that require prior authorization:

- Actemra (tocilizumab) IV
- Advate
- Aldurazyme (laronidase)
- Alphanate (VWF Complex)
- AlphaNine SD
- Alprolix
- Aranesp (darbepoeitin)
- Bavencio (avelumab)
- Bebulin, Bebulin VH
- BeneFix
- Benlysta (belimumab)
- Bivigam
- Boniva Injection (ibandronate)
- Botox (onabotulinumtoxin A)
- Carimune NF
- Cerezyme (imiglucerase)
- Cingair
- Cinryze (C1 esterase inhibitor/human)
- Corifact
- Darzalex (daratumumab)
- Duopa
- Dysport (abobotulinumtoxinA)
- Elitek
- Elocate
- Empliciti (elotuzumab)
- Entyvio
- Epogen (erythropoietin, also see Procrit)
- Evenity
- Fabrazyme (agalsidase)
- Factor VIII, Fc Fusion Protient (recombinant)
- Fasenra
- Feiba NF, Feiba VH
- Feraheme
- Flebogamma and Flebogamma DIF
- Flolan (epoprostenol)
- GamaSTAN S/D
- Gammagard (liquid, S/D less IGA)Gammaked
- Gammaplex
- Gamunex-C
- Helixate FS
- Hemofil M
- Hemophilia clotting factor, NOC
- Hizentra
- Humate-P
- Hyaluroan Intra-articular knee injections (all)
- Ilaris (canakinumab)
- Idelvion
- Imfinzi
- Inflectra (infliximab biosimilar, infliximab-dyyb)
- Injectafer

- Ixinity
- Jevtana (cabazitaxel)
- Kcentra
- Keytruda (pembrolizumab)
- Koate, Koate-DVI
- Kogenate FS, Kogenate FS with BIO-SET
- Kovaltry
- Krystexxa (pegloticase)
- Lemtrada (alemtuzumab)
- Mircera
- Monoclate-P
- Mononine
- Mozobil (plerixafor) Myobloc (rimabotulinumtoxin B)
- NovoEight
- NovoSeven RT
- Nplate (romiplostim)
- Nuwiq
- Obizur
- Ocrevus (ocrelizumab)
- Octagam
- Opdivo (nivolumab)
- Orencia (abatacept)
- Polivy (effective 3/1/2020)
- Privigen
- Procrit (erythropoietin, also see Epogen)
- Profilnine SD
- Provenge (sipuleucel-T)
- Recombinate
- Remicade (infliximab)
- Remodulin (treprostinil)
- Renflexis (infliximab biosimilar)
- Revatio (sildenafil)
- RiaSTAP
- Rixubis
- Simponi Aria
- Soliris (eculizumab)
- Stelara (ustekinumab)
- Tecentriq Tretten
- Tysabri (natalizumab)Veletri (epoprostenol)
- Ventavis (iloprost) VPRIV (velaglucerase alfa)
- Wilate
- Xeomin (incobotulinumtoxin A)
- Xiaflex (collagenase clostridium histolyticum)Xofigo (radium RA 223)
- Xolair (omalizumab)
- Xyntha
- Yervoy (ipilimumab)Yescarta

Note: To request prior authorization for these services, download the appropriate prior authorization form from the Blue Advantage Provider Portal and follow the steps in the "Authorizations" section of this guide.

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