

A message for your provider

CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield Group Advantage will provide coverage for this retiree under a group (or an employer-sponsored) Medicare employer preferred provider organization (PPO) plan.

This retiree's in-network and out-of-network benefits and cost shares are the same. This means you can provide services to this retiree or **any member of this plan if you are a Medicare provider** without a concern about having a large out-of-network deductible or cost share.

Contracted healthcare providers – If you're a CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield Group Advantage PPO-contracted healthcare provider, **you'll receive your contracted rate.**

Out-of-network healthcare providers – CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield Group Advantage is dedicated to an easy transition. If you're a Medicare provider, you can treat and receive payment for your CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield Group Advantage -covered patients who have this plan. CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield Group Advantage pays providers according to the Original Medicare fee schedule less any member plan responsibility.

Healthcare providers in Maryland, Washington, D.C. and Northern Virginia who want information about our claims processes or about becoming a CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield Group Advantage PPO-contracted provider can call provider services at **1-855-290-5744.**

Healthcare providers outside the CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield service area who want information about claims processes can call the local Blue Cross and/or Blue Shield plan. Or call BlueCard *Eligibility* at 1.800.676.BLUE (2583) and provide the member's prefix located on the ID card.

NOTE: This number is not for patient use. Patients, please call the Member Services number on the back of your CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield Group Advantage member ID card.

The in-network and out-of-network benefits are the same for any member of this plan if you are a Medicare provider.

CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield Medicare Advantage is a PPO with a Medicare contract. Enrollment in CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield Medicare Advantage depends on contract renewal.

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