# BRIDGING THE GAP TO MEDICARE

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Destination 65 Silver<sup>™</sup>



# **UNDERSTANDING THE** DESTINATION 65 GOLD<sup>®</sup> PLAN

Destination 65 Silver may work a little differently than other health insurance plans you've had in the past. It's modeled after one of our popular Medicare Advantage plans, which is intended to help make your future transition to Medicare a little easier. Plus, it's Health Spending Account (HSA) qualifed, allowing you to pay for medical expenses with pretax dollars.

#### This plan might be a good fit for you if:

• You retired early and need coverage while waiting to age into Medicare

#### You'll have coverage for things like:

- No-cost preventive care •
- Doctor visits
- Specialty care
- Urgent care visits
- Hospitalization
- Prescription drugs

- Your spouse/domestic partner is still Your spouse/domestic partner is • working, and you are not
- Telemedicine & Telehealth visits
- Mammograms
- Flu shots, pneumonia & shingles vaccines
- Colorectal, prostate, & cervical cancer screenings

- already on Medicare, but you are not
- Laboratory coverage
- Diabetes & bone density screenings
- ExerciseRewards<sup>®</sup> & Active&Fit Direct<sup>®</sup> fitness benefits
- Adult eye exams
- \$50 eyewear allowance
- To help you understand how the plan works, this brochure provides explanations and examples.



# **ABOUT THE PLAN:**



Preventive care can help you avoid getting sick and improve your health. Most preventive services such as routine physicals, screenings and vaccinations are covered in full. The deductible does not apply to preventive services or preventive drugs.



Your plan includes a deductible. For services other than preventive care, you are responsible for paying out of your pocket until you meet your deductible. The deductible amount will vary based on your plan, so make sure you know what that amount is. The deductible does apply to most prescription drugs.



**Once you reach your deductible,** you will pay a copay for some services and coinsurance for others. Coinsurance is your share of the costs of a covered health service, calculated as a percent. You will have to pay a percentage of that service and the health insurance company will pay the rest.



**To help protect you from high costs,** there is an out-ofpocket maximum. This is a specific dollar amount that limits how much you have to pay out of your own pocket for health care services during a particular time period.



### IMPORTANT TERMS TO KNOW

**Deductible** - The amount of money you have to pay before we will make any payments toward health care services. Your deductible amount varies and is based on which of these plans you have.

**Copay -** This is a fixed dollar amount you pay for covered health care services. We cover the rest. **For example,** your doctor visit costs \$100. You pay \$20 for the visit. We cover the remaining \$80. If you haven't met your deductible: You pay the full \$100.

**Please note:** Copay amounts can vary for different services depending on your plan.

**Coinsurance** - Your share of the costs of a covered health care service, calculated as a percent. Coinsurance is similar to a copay, but instead of a fixed dollar amount, it is a percentage of the total bill. **For example,** if your eyeglasses are \$100 and you've met your deductible, your coinsurance payment of 50% would be \$50. We would pay the rest, or \$50.

**Covered in full -** 100% of the total cost is covered by us and you do not have to pay anything.

#### **Out-of-pocket maximum -**

An annual limit on the amount of money that you would have to pay for health care services, not including your monthly premiums.

### FOR EXAMPLE:



Let's say your deductible is **\$3,000**.

You go to your doctor for low back pain. You pay \$100 for the visit. You still have to pay \$2,900 more to reach your deductible.





Your doctor orders an MRI of your lower back.You pay \$1,000 for the MRI. You still have to pay \$1,900 more to reach your deductible.

After a series of visits to your doctor and a chiropractor, you have **\$0** left to reach your deductible. Now you will pay a percentage of cost, **called coinsurance, or fixed copays** depending on the service.

Remember preventive care is covered in full and is not subject to the deductible.

# THE TOP 4 THINGS TO KNOW



### What benefits are free?

• Preventive care for you and your family is covered in full on the first day your coverage begins.

### Does my plan have a deductible? If so, when does it apply?

- Yes, this plan has a deductible.
- The deductible will apply to all medical care and to most prescription drugs.
- **NEW for 2022:** The deductible does NOT apply to preventive prescription drugs including insulin and glucometers nor to some additional medical preventive services for chronic conditions including diabetes, asthma, heart disease, liver disease, and bleeding disorders. Coinsurance will apply from day one; you do not need to meet your deductible first.



#### How does the money I pay toward my deductible add up (or aggregate)?

- When only covering yourself, you will pay the single deductible amount.
- When covering more than one person, the family deductible is met for everyone on the plan when one or any combination of members reaches the family deductible amount.
- Once you meet your deductible, the plan begins paying on your claims. Depending on the service, the plan may cover the claim in full or you may be responsible for a copay or coinsurance, while the plan covers the rest.



#### How much will I pay out-of-pocket for this plan? And how does it add up (or aggregate)?

- All of our plans have a limit on the amount any one person will pay. This is called an out-of-pocket maximum. This amount varies, depending on the plan you have. You will want to know what that amount is.
- If you are covering more than one person (similar to the deductible), one or any combination of family members will need to pay the full family maximum. Once this amount is met, care is covered in full for everyone on the plan. Any individual on a plan covering more than one person will not pay more than \$7,000.

### **TAX-FREE FUNDING ACCOUNT**

If you enroll in Silver Select or Bronze Select, you are eligible to open a tax-free health savings account (HSA) which will help you cover the costs associated with your plan.



### What is an HSA?

- An HSA is a tax-free funding account owned by you that helps you pay for qualified medical expenses such as lab fees, prescription drugs, contact lenses, chiropractor visits and more.
- The money you put into your HSA is not subject to federal income tax when you make the deposit.
- There are limits to how much you can contribute. In 2022 the maximum is:
- If you're under 65 and you withdraw money from your HSA for non-qualified medical expenses, you will be taxed at your income tax rate plus have to pay a tax penalty.

## To learn more about how to set up an HSA, visit ExcellusBCBS.com

### Health Savings Account (HSA)

Overview	A tax-free account owned by you that works with a high deductible health plan to help you pay for qualified medical expenses
Who owns the account?	You
Who funds the account?	You
Are there contribution limits?	In 2022, the maximum is \$3,650 for single coverage and \$7,300 for family
Can I transfer the account?	Yes, you own the account

### HOW DO I USE MY HSA WHEN I NEED HEALTH CARE SERVICES?



## What do I do when I go to the doctor's office?

When you go to the doctor's office, let them know you are using an HSA. The doctor will bill Excellus BCBS. Once the bill has been processed, you and your doctor will get a letter that summarizes the costs associated with that visit. It will also show how much goes towards your deductible and how much you have to pay your doctor. Your doctor will send you a bill for the balance. You can use money from your HSA to pay that bill. If you have an HSA debit card, which works like a credit card, you can use it at the doctor's office.

**Please note:** Your physician may bill you, up front, at the time of service if the deductible is not met.



### What do I do when I need a prescription?

The pharmacy system processes in real-time so the pharmacist will be able to tell you exactly what you owe when you pick up your prescription. You can also use your HSA debit card at the pharmacy.



Our plans come with access to programs and online resources to help you stay healthy and get the most value for your dollar.

### You can manage your health care costs online at Member.ExcellusBCBS.com

View and order member cards, track deductibles and out-of-pocket spending, find a health care provider, access your benefits and claims information, estimate medical costs, pay your premium bill, and more.



#### **Download Our Mobile App**

24/7 access to your member card, claims, account information, pay your bill, and more.



### **MEMBER BENEFITS AND HEALTHY PERKS:**

**Our Network -** Access more top-quality doctors, hospitals and pharmacies, locally and nationwide.

**BlueCard®** - Access to care when you travel in the United States, Canada, Mexico, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, and the Mariana Islands.

**Preventive Care -** Free preventive care screenings, immunizations and more to help keep you healthy.

**Telehealth and Telemedicine -** See a doctor by phone or video from the comfort of your home. Telehealth services through your in-network provider, as well as 24/7 telemedicine through MDLIVE, are covered in full after deductible.

**Wellframe® App -** Text with health professionals for advice and guidance, create medication reminders, make daily "to-do" lists, access educational materials, and more.

**ExerciseRewards**<sup>®</sup> **Program**<sup>†</sup> - You and your spouse can earn a maximum total of \$600 annually just for working out

at a qualifying fitness facility. Simply complete at least 50 workouts each 6-month reward period to earn your rewards. Online fitness and wellness tools are also available at no additional cost.

Active&Fit Direct<sup>®</sup> Program<sup>†</sup> - Offers fitness center memberships to 13,000+ fitness centers nationwide for just \$25 a month (plus a \$25 enrollment fee and tax, where applicable).

**24/7 Nurse Call Line** - Get answers to your health care questions anytime day or night.

**Pharmacy Home Delivery** - Save time and money by having your prescriptions delivered to your home.\*

**Health Risk Assessment -** Our secure online health assessment will help you identify potential health risk factors and identify areas for improvement.

**Blue365**<sup>®</sup> - Receive exclusive member discounts on fitness gear, gym memberships, healthy eating options and more.

### Enroll Today! Visit ChooseExcellus.com or call 1-888-669-3913

\*Certain Prescription Drugs may be ordered through pharmacy home delivery supplier at two and a half copays for a 90 day supply.

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The Health Plan:

- Provides free aids and services to people with disabilities to communicate effectively with us, such as:
  - Qualified sign language interpreters
  - Written information in other formats (large print, audio, accessible electronic formats, other formats)
- Provides free language services to people whose primary language is not English, such as:
  - Qualified interpreters
  - Information written in other languages

If you need these services, please refer to the enclosed document for ways to reach us.

If you believe that the Health Plan has failed to provide these services or discriminated in another way on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex, you can file a grievance with:

Advocacy Department Attn: Civil Rights Coordinator PO Box 4717 Syracuse, NY 13221 Telephone number: 1-800-614-6575 TTY number: 1-800-421-1220 Fax: 1-315-671-6656

You can file a grievance in person or by mail or fax. If you need help filing a grievance, the Health Plan's 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 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, 1-800-537-7697 (TDD) Complaint forms are available at <u>http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html</u>. Attention: If you speak English free language help is available to you. Please refer to the enclosed document for ways to reach us.

Atención: Si habla español, contamos con ayuda gratuita de idiomas disponible para usted. Consulte el documento adjunto para ver las formas en que puede comunicarse con nosotros.

注意:如果您说中文,我们可为您提供免费的语言协助。 请参见随附的文件以获取我们的联系方式。

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Atansyon: Si ou pale Kreyòl Ayisyen gen èd gratis nan lang ki disponib pou ou. Tanpri gade dokiman ki nan anvlòp la pou jwenn fason pou kontakte nou.

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