

# Blue High Performance Network®

# **National Network and Quality Care at a Lower Cost**

Blue High Performance Network® (BlueHPN®) is a national network of providers committed to enhancing care quality and delivering double-digit savings—on average—in 68+ major markets across the country, including New Orleans.

BlueHPN is designed for **self-funded businesses** with employees living in the BlueHPN service area. This innovative solution allows your eligible employees to have in-network-only access to high-quality care through a national network that offers total cost of care savings of 11% on average, compared to our industry leading PPO.

What makes Blue High Performance Network unique is that it is grounded by each Blue's local market expertise, deep data and strong provider relationships. By partnering with each market's local providers that are held accountable for improving care, BlueHPN is capable of delivering quality care at a lower cost. Performance data has shown that BlueHPN is 38% less likely to experience early elective deliveries and 36% less likely to experience readmission, compared to national industry benchmarks.\*\*

#### 11% COST SAVINGS!\*

We understand your need to stay committed to your employees while trying to optimize costs and improve health outcomes. BlueHPN is built to do more, providing national coverage for higher quality of care at a lower cost.

#### **BLUEHPN AT A GLANCE QUALITY SAVINGS ACCESS EXPERIENCE National network** Total cost of care savings of 11% on in-network-only easy to understand average compared access across to our industry 68+ major U.S. markets\*\*\* leading PPO\* **UP TO 20%** savings in some markets\*

\*Total cost of care savings based on Consortium Health Plans analysis, 2023. Savings are on average and assume 100% enrollment. Results will vary based on employer locations and implementation.

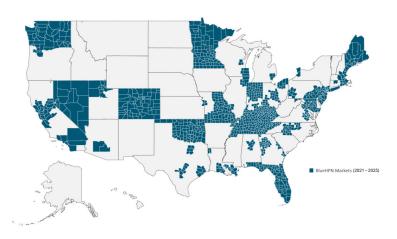
\*\*2022 Data Submission Year, results released December 2022. National benchmarks are sourced from CMS Care Compare and NCQA HEDIS Quality Compass.

\*\*\*Reflects market footprint for 1/1/2025. Urgent and emergent care benefits in non-BlueHPN markets. Subject to change.

# CONNECT YOUR EMPLOYEES TO QUALITY NATIONWIDE HEALTHCARE

Only self-funded groups with employees in the BlueHPN service area can offer BlueHPN. New Orleans is one of the markets where BlueHPN is available. It is ideal for groups that have local New Orleans employees, as well as employees living out of state in one or more of the 68+ major U.S. markets.

#### **BlueHPN Providers in the United States\***



BlueHPN offers seamless, in-network-only access to physicians, hospitals and specialists across

68+ major U.S. markets, including multiple parishes throughout LA.

\*BlueHPN "markets" generally include MSA (metropolitan statistical areas) service areas. Map reflects market footprint for 1/1/2025. Not all products are available in all markets. Please discuss specific product options with your local Louisiana Blue representative.

#### BlueHPN Providers in Louisiana

In Louisiana, BlueHPN is similar to our Blue Connect network. BlueHPN members can visit all participating BlueHPN providers in Louisiana and all other nationwide BlueHPN providers as in-network.

#### **Greater New Orleans/Northshore\***

Jefferson, Orleans, Plaquemines, St. Bernard, St. Charles, St. John the Baptist or St. Tammany parishes

#### Lafayette/Acadiana

Acadia, Evangeline, Iberia, Lafayette, St. Landry, St. Martin, St. Mary or Vermilion parishes

#### Shreveport/Bossier

Bossier or Caddo parishes

To search the complete provider directory for all BlueHPN participating providers, visit **www.lablue.com/blue-hpn**.

\*Self-funded groups with employees who live in the New Orleans service area can offer BlueHPN. Certain restrictions apply.

#### **In-Network-Only Access**

BlueHPN is an Exclusive Provider Organization (EPO). This means benefits are only covered for care by in-network providers. Out-of-network services within the BlueHPN markets are covered for emergent care only. Out-of-network services outside the BlueHPN markets are covered for emergent and urgent care only.

#### How Does BlueHPN Fit In With Other Network Options?

Self-funded groups with employees in one or more of BlueHPN's service areas should consider offering BlueHPN alongside a broader BlueCard PPO offering as a dual or triple option for their employees' choice. For all solutions offered, self-funded groups can customize plan designs to fit their needs.

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## VALUE-ADDED SERVICES PROVIDE EXTRA ADVANTAGES

Louisiana Blue offers self-funded groups the opportunity to add Care Management, Wellness and Pharmacy programs that will help your members on their journey to optimal health. Items marked with a  $\checkmark$  below are included for all groups that offer BlueHPN in Louisiana. All other services are optional and encouraged for maximum cost savings.

CARE MANAGEMENT WELLNESS	PHARMACY
Telehealth Coverage (opt-in required)	Diabetes Prevention Program***
Cost Estimator Tools*	\$0 Drug Copay Program
Rare Disease Management**	Generic Preventive Care/ Safe Harbor Drug Program
UM Sleep Management Program****	Select Retail Pharmacy Network
UM High-tech Imaging and Specialty Shopper Solution****	Exclusive Specialty Pharmacy
UM Cardiac Care Solution****	Covered Drug List (Closed Formulary)
UM Musculoskeletal Care Solution****	SaveOn SP
UM Radiation Oncology Solution****	
UM Chart Check Solution**** (requires High-tech Imaging AND Cardiac Care)	
Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Louisiana's utilization management (UM) programs review requests for services that are commonly overused and medically unnecessary to ensure quality care and patient safety, which keeps costs in line. All programs are based on Carelon Medical Benefits Management**** Clinical Appropriateness Guidelines.	

# PERFORMANCE BY LOCAL EXPERTS

To guarantee high-quality care, BlueHPN measures provider performance through nationally consistent clinical measures aligned with industry-recognized standards and market-specific clinical measures that address local care gaps. These measurements are divided into four main areas:

- 1. Administering care appropriately that is patient-centric, reduces waste and prevents harm.
- 2. Adhering to best practices that use evidence-based medicine to effectively treat your employees.
- 3. Managing member health to prevent illness and better manage chronic conditions.
- 4. Improving health outcomes, such as lower readmissions, to deliver better employee health.

<sup>\*</sup>Offered in partnership with Zelis, an independent company that administers the S365 tool for Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Louisiana and its subsidiaries.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Offered in partnership with Accordant, an independent health management company for chronic, complex or rare care management.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Omada Health is an independent company that provides a diabetes prevention program solution for Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Louisiana and its subsidiaries.

<sup>\*\*\*\*</sup>Carelon Medical Benefits Management is an independent specialty benefits company that provides utilization management programs for Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Louisiana and its subsidiaries.

All programs are subject to network and health plan limitations and exclusions.



To learn more about BlueHPN or other product options, please contact your local account representative or broker.

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