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Applies to: Fully and self-insured groups with medical benefits through Horizon BCBSNJ (excluding Medicare Advantage)

No cost flu shots and other immunizations

Immunizations are an important step in preventing illnesses and staying healthy. They are a covered service under members' medical benefits.

To provide greater access to this service, Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Jersey has many participating pharmacies in our medical networks that can provide these services. These pharmacies can administer vaccines, including flu, shingles, hepatitis A and B, pneumococcal and human papillomavirus (HPV), and submit medical claims for these services.

The New Jersey locations of the participating pharmacies that can administer vaccines are listed below.

Pharmacy	Location
A&P	Locate A&P pharmacies at apsupermarket.com .
CVS	Locate CVS pharmacies at cvs.com .
Kmart*	Locate Kmart pharmacies at kmart.com .
Park Plaza Pharmacy	343 State Route 34, Matawan, NJ 07747; 1-732-290-9111
Quick Chek**	Locate Quick Chek pharmacies at qchek.com .
Rite Aid	Locate Rite Aid pharmacies at riteaid.com .
ShopRite	Locate ShopRite pharmacies at shoprite.com .
Walgreens	Locate Walgreens pharmacies at walgreens.com .
Wickapecko Pharmacy	1409 Wickapecko Drive, Asbury Park, NJ 07712; 1-732-776-6070

View answers to frequently asked questions on Horizon BCBSNJ's in-state pharmacy immunization network *here*. You can also learn more by viewing the *attached flyer* and visiting HorizonBlue.com/flu.

If you have questions, please contact your Horizon BCBSNJ sales executive or account manager.

*Kmart is part of the network effective September 1, 2014.

**Quick Chek is part of the network effective September 15, 2014.

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Horizon BCBSNJ In-State Pharmacy Immunization Network Q&As

Please read the following questions and answers to learn more about the Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Jersey in-state pharmacy immunization network.

Q1: Can members use any pharmacy in the United States?

A1: No. Members are required to use in-state pharmacies contracted with Horizon BCBSNJ's medical networks to receive the highest level of benefits. The pharmacies that are contracted in New Jersey to administer immunizations are: A&P, CVS, Kmart*, Park Plaza Pharmacy, Quick Check**, Rite Aid, ShopRite, Walgreens and Wickapecko Pharmacy. Please note that A&P owns Drug Basics, Live Better, Pathmark and Super Fresh, which also participate in Horizon BCBSNJ's in-state immunization network.

Q2: How much will members pay if they use a contracted pharmacy?

A2: The member cost share is determined by the immunization benefit on the medical plan. In most cases, it is covered at 100 percent in accordance with the Affordable Care Act requirements.

Q3: What about members who do not live in New Jersey?

A3: Pharmacies located outside of New Jersey are not contracted with Horizon BCBSNJ. Members living outside of New Jersey may receive immunizations from their network doctors, a MinuteClinic®, at select CVS locations, or a Healthcare Clinic, at select Walgreens locations.

Q4: Does Horizon BCBSNJ sponsor flu clinics or immunization clinics for groups through these pharmacies?

A4: The contracts with the pharmacies allow for immunizations to be performed at the retail pharmacy location. There is no provision for clinics or employer-on-site activities. Clinics and on-site activities are the responsibility of the group.

Q5: Who can get immunized through the Horizon BCBSNJ's in-state immunization network?

A5: In New Jersey, state law allows pharmacists to be trained and certified to administer flu shots to people ages 18 years and older. Children under age 18 must obtain parental consent, and pharmacists may give flu shots to children ages 7 to 11 who have a prescription from an authorized prescriber. For immunizations other than flu, there may be other considerations, such as a doctor's prescription being needed. Members are advised to consult with their doctors about which immunizations are right for them and whether a prescription is required.

Q6: Which vaccines are covered at these pharmacies?

A6: Standard three-strain (trivalent), standard four-strain (quadrivalent), high-dose and nasal-spray are the common flu vaccines covered. Members may wish to check with the pharmacy to be sure which vaccines are available at a pharmacy location. Other common vaccines include shingles, hepatitis A and B, pneumococcal and human papillomavirus (HPV).

Q7: What if a member goes to a pharmacy that is not contracted with Horizon BCBSNJ's medical network?

A7: Members pay more and can submit an out-of-network medical claim.

**Kmart is part of the pharmacy immunization network effective September 1, 2014.*

***Quick Chek is part of the pharmacy immunization network effective September 15, 2014.*

Flu season is a sneeze away.

Get the flu vaccination today
and protect yourself all year long.



As a Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Jersey member, we make it easy and cost-effective for you and your family to get flu vaccinations. When you go to a participating pharmacy, the pharmacy takes care of submitting your claim. The following New Jersey pharmacies can administer no-cost flu shots and other vaccines, including shingles, hepatitis A and B, pneumococcal and humanpapilloma virus (HPV).

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Need another option?

Many doctors offer immunizations. Be aware that if the doctor provides services in addition to the immunization, you may have to pay a copayment. MinuteClinic®, at select CVS locations, and Healthcare Clinic, at select Walgreens locations, also offer this service.

Visit HorizonBlue.com/flu for more information.

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Remember: The flu can affect everyone.

Influenza (flu) is a contagious disease that affects the lungs and can lead to serious illness, including pneumonia. Even healthy people can get sick enough to miss work or school and even be hospitalized.

Everyone 6 months of age and older should get the flu vaccine. Pregnant women, young children, older people and people who have certain chronic medical conditions like asthma, diabetes and heart disease, are at increased risk of serious flu-related complications, so getting a yearly flu vaccine is especially important for them.



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