

# Instructions for Completing Blue Care Network of Michigan Individual Coverage Change of Status

This form is intended for use by current Blue Cross members to report changes to their contract during a qualifying life event. It is not an application for coverage.

If you enrolled in your Blue Care Network plan through the Health Insurance Marketplace, please contact 1-800-318-2596 to report all membership changes rather than fill out this form.

#### **Dental**

Under the health care reform law, every insurance plan needs to cover ten categories of essential health benefits including pediatric dental care for children up to age 19. On this change of status form, before any changes can be made to your current plan, you must identify whether you have already purchased a Marketplace-certified plan with pediatric coverage or will have purchased one with pediatric dental coverage that begins on or before the date your medical plan coverage starts.

#### Membership changes

A qualifying life event allows you to enroll in a new health care plan or make changes to your current coverage, generally within 60 days of the event. To complete your change of status request, some events require legal or specific documentation, while others require a signature to confirm the event. Use the chart below to determine what document you might be required to submit with your change of status form.

Event	Documentation requirement						
Birth, adoption, placement of foster child or children, guardianship, court-ordered dependent, marriage, divorce or legal separation, death of single policyholder, change in dependent status due to turning age 26, or death of a dependent	Complete this form to request change and confirm the membership change with a signature						
Move to another location within Michigan	Complete this form and submit a new driver's license or a rental lease or mortgage agreement.						
Loss of employer-sponsored health care coverage; loss of dependent status due to policy holder enrolling in Medicare; loss of coverage due to death of policy holder with dependents; change in full-time employment status resulting in a loss of coverage; COBRA coverage ending; or loss of Medicaid or Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)	Any loss of coverage will require you or your dependents to apply for a new health care plan rather than submit a change of status.						

#### **Coverage changes**

Coverage changes after the annual open enrollment period for individual plans are only allowed with a qualifying life event (for example, marriage, birth or loss of coverage).

### **Health savings account options**

Changes to your health saving account status can be done any time throughout the year. Please visit bcbsm.com/healthybluehsa for additional instructions.

# Other changes

## Address change:

An address change may result in a change in premium rates. Permanent address changes will require proof of residency (documentation requirement above).

In order for an address to be considered termporary, you must live there less than six months a year. An alternate address is for routing of mail only.

# Voluntary termination:

To terminate your entire contract with us, complete and sign the change of status form. Terminations must be requested and signed by the contract holder only; unless termination is due to death.

**Note:** Without a qualifying event to enroll in coverage, termination of a policy may not allow you to enroll in another plan until the next open enrollment period, which starts in the fourth quarter of each year.

## Mailing and fax instructions

Mail or fax change of status form along with the required supporting documentation to:

P.O. Box 5043 Southfield, MI 48086-5043

Fax: **1-877-218-1466** 

Premium payments sent to this address could delay access to your benefits.

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