

Blue Options v.5

Hospital Tiering

Presented below are the Blue Options v.5 tiering levels for hospitals in Massachusetts, effective January 1, 2018.

Listed in the same row as each hospital's name is the overall benefit tier for that facility and the basis for the placement in the tier in terms of meeting quality and cost benchmarks. For more detail on how a hospital performed on our cost and quality benchmarks, visit www.bluecrossma.com/findadoctor.

- **Enhanced Benefits Tier**—Includes Massachusetts hospitals and PCPs that meet the standards for quality and low cost relative to our benchmark.
- **Standard Benefits Tier**—Includes Massachusetts hospitals and PCPs that meet the standards for quality and are moderate cost relative to our benchmark and hospitals that do not meet the standards for quality but are low or moderate cost relative to our benchmark. Also includes providers without sufficient data for measurement on one or both benchmarks. To ensure members have provider access in certain geographic areas, the Standard Benefits Tier includes some providers whose scores would otherwise put them in the Basic Benefits Tier.
- **Basic Benefits Tier**—Includes Massachusetts hospitals that are high cost relative to our benchmark and PCPs that do not meet the standards for quality or are high cost relative to our benchmark.

Hospital Name	City	State	Benefits Tier	Quality	Cost
Addison Gilbert Hospital	Gloucester	MA	Enhanced		
Anna Jaques Hospital	Newburyport	MA	Enhanced		
Athol Memorial Hospital	Athol	MA	Standard		
Baystate Franklin Medical Center	Greenfield	MA	Standard		
Baystate Medical Center	Springfield	MA	Basic		
Berkshire Medical Center	Pittsfield	MA	Standard		
Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital—Milton	Milton	MA	Enhanced		
Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital—Needham Campus	Needham	MA	Enhanced		

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This document gives general information about our tiered network plan designs. There are currently three tiered provider networks called HMO Blue Options v.5SM, HMO Blue New England Options v.5SM and Preferred Blue PPO Options v.5SM. In our tiered plans, members pay different levels of cost share (copayments, coinsurance, and/or deductibles) depending on the benefits tier of the provider furnishing the services. A provider's benefits tier may change. Overall changes to the benefits tiers of providers will happen no more than once each calendar year. For help in finding the benefits tier of a provider, visit the online provider search tool at www.bluecrossma.com and search for the appropriate network.

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Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital—Plymouth	Plymouth	MA	Enhanced		
Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center	Boston	MA	Standard		
Beverly Hospital	Beverly	MA	Enhanced		
Boston Children's Hospital (Specialty Hospital)	Boston	MA	Basic		
Boston Children's at Lexington (Specialty Hospital)	Lexington	MA	Standard		
Boston Children's at Peabody (Specialty Hospital)	Peabody	MA	Standard		
Boston Children's at Waltham (Specialty Hospital)	Waltham	MA	Standard		
Boston Medical Center	Boston	MA	Enhanced		
Brigham and Women's Hospital	Boston	MA	Basic		
Brigham and Women's/Mass General Health Care Center at Patriot Place	Foxborough	MA	Enhanced		
Cambridge Health Alliance—Cambridge Campus	Cambridge	MA	Enhanced		
Cambridge Health Alliance—Somerville Campus	Somerville	MA	Enhanced		
Cambridge Health Alliance—Whidden Campus	Everett	MA	Enhanced		
Cape Cod Hospital	Hyannis	MA	Basic		
Carney Hospital	Dorchester	MA	Enhanced		
Clinton Hospital	Clinton	MA	Enhanced		
Cooley Dickinson Hospital	Northampton	MA	Enhanced		
Dana-Farber Cancer Institute (Specialty Hospital)	Boston	MA	Basic		
Emerson Hospital	Concord	MA	Enhanced		
Fairview Hospital	Great Barrington	MA	Basic		
Falmouth Hospital	Falmouth	MA	Standard		
Faulkner Hospital	Jamaica Plain	MA	Enhanced		
Good Samaritan Medical Center	Brockton	MA	Enhanced		
Harrington Memorial Hospital	Southbridge	MA	Standard		
HealthAlliance Hospitals—Burbank Campus	Fitchburg	MA	Enhanced		
HealthAlliance Hospitals—Leominster Campus	Leominster	MA	Enhanced		
Heywood Hospital	Gardner	MA	Enhanced		
Holy Family Hospital	Methuen	MA	Standard		
Holy Family Hospital at Merrimack Valley	Haverhill	MA	Standard		

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Holyoke Medical Center	Holyoke	MA	Enhanced		
Lahey Clinic	Burlington	MA	Enhanced		
Lawrence General Hospital	Lawrence	MA	Enhanced		
Lawrence Memorial Hospital	Medford	MA	Enhanced		
Lowell General Hospital (includes the campus formerly known as Saints Medical Center)	Lowell	MA	Enhanced		
Marlborough Hospital	Marlborough	MA	Standard		
Martha's Vineyard Hospital	Oak Bluffs	MA	Standard		
Massachusetts Eye and Ear [®] Infirmary	Boston	MA	Enhanced		
Massachusetts General Hospital	Boston	MA	Basic		
Mass General/North Shore Center for Outpatient Care	Danvers	MA	Enhanced		
Melrose-Wakefield Hospital	Melrose	MA	Enhanced		
Mercy Medical Center	Springfield	MA	Enhanced		
MetroWest Medical Center—Framingham Union	Framingham	MA	Enhanced		
MetroWest Medical Center—Leonard Morse	Natick	MA	Enhanced		
Milford Regional Medical Center	Milford	MA	Standard		
Morton Hospital and Medical Center	Taunton	MA	Enhanced		
Mount Auburn Hospital	Cambridge	MA	Enhanced		
Nantucket Cottage Hospital	Nantucket	MA	Standard		
Nashoba Valley Medical Center	Ayer	MA	Enhanced		
New England Baptist [®] Hospital	Boston	MA	Enhanced		
Newton-Wellesley Hospital	Newton	MA	Enhanced		
Noble Hospital	Westfield	MA	Enhanced		
North Shore Medical Center—Salem Campus	Salem	MA	Enhanced		
North Shore Medical Center—Union Campus	Lynn	MA	Enhanced		
Norwood Hospital	Norwood	MA	Enhanced		
Saint Vincent Hospital	Worcester	MA	Enhanced		
Shriners Hospitals for Children [®] —Boston	Boston	MA	Standard		
Shriners Hospitals for Children—Springfield	Springfield	MA	Standard		
Signature Healthcare Brockton Hospital	Brockton	MA	Enhanced		

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South Shore Hospital	South Weymouth	MA	Enhanced		
Southcoast Hospitals Group—Charlton Memorial Hospital	Fall River	MA	Enhanced		
Southcoast Hospitals Group—St. Luke's Hospital	New Bedford	MA	Enhanced		
Southcoast Hospitals Group—Tobey Hospital	Wareham	MA	Enhanced		
Southwestern Vermont Medical Center ¹	Bennington	VT	Standard		
St. Anne's Hospital	Fall River	MA	Enhanced		
St. Elizabeth's Medical Center	Brighton	MA	Enhanced		
Sturdy Memorial Hospital	Attleboro	MA	Standard		
The Vernon Cancer Center at Newton-Wellesley	Newton	MA	Enhanced		
Tufts Medical Center	Boston	MA	Enhanced		
UMass Memorial Medical Center—Memorial Campus	Worcester	MA	Basic		
UMass Memorial Medical Center—University Campus	Worcester	MA	Basic		
Winchester Hospital	Winchester	MA	Enhanced		
Wing Memorial Hospital (includes campus formerly known as Baystate Mary Lane Hospital)	Palmer	MA	Enhanced		

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