2026 Blue Cross and Blue Shield Service Benefit Plan - Standard and Basic Option
Section 5. Benefits
Section 5(c). Services Provided by a Hospital or Other Facility, and Ambulance Services
Residential Treatment Center

Note: The calendar year deductible applies to almost all benefits in this Section. We say "(No deductible)" when it does not apply.

Benefit Description

Residential Treatment Center
Precertification prior to admission is required.

We cover inpatient care provided and billed by an RTC when the care is medically necessary for the treatment of a medical, mental health, and/or substance use disorder:

- Room and board, such as semiprivate room, nursing care, meals, special diets, ancillary charges, and covered therapy services when billed by the facility.

Note: RTC benefits are not available for facilities licensed as a skilled nursing facility, group home, halfway house, or similar type facility.

Note: Benefits are not available for noncovered services, including: respite care; outdoor residential programs; services provided outside of the provider's scope of licensure; recreational therapy; educational therapy; educational classes; biofeedback; Outward Bound programs; equine/hippotherapy provided during the approved stay; personal comfort items, such as guest meals and beds, phone, television, beauty and barber services; custodial or long term care (see Definitions); and domiciliary care provided because care in the home is not available or is unsuitable.

Note: For outpatient residential treatment center services, see Section 5(e).

Standard Option - You Pay
Preferred facilities: $350 per admission copayment for unlimited days (no deductible)

Member facilities: $450 per admission copayment for unlimited days, plus 35% of the Plan allowance (no deductible)

Non-member facilities: 35% of the Plan allowance (no deductible), and any remaining balance after our payment

Basic Option - You Pay
Preferred facilities: $425 per day copayment up to $2,975 per admission

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Member/Non-member facilities: You pay all charges