

# Women's preventive health services



## Expanded list of covered in-network services effective August 1, 2012

As required by the Affordable Care Act, Independence Blue Cross (IBC) is updating all non-grandfathered, fully-insured commercial medical and prescription drug plans to eliminate member cost-sharing for an expanded list of women's preventive health services when they are received by network participating providers.

IBC commercial medical and prescription drug plans provide coverage with no cost-sharing for the following preventive services:

- well-woman visits;
- screening for gestational diabetes;
- counseling for sexually transmitted diseases;
- screening and counseling for HIV;
- screening for human papillomavirus (HPV);
- screening and counseling for interpersonal and domestic violence;
- breastfeeding support, supplies, and counseling;
- all FDA-approved methods of contraception.\*



Questions? Contact your broker or IBC account executive.

\*Medical procedures, including implantable contraceptive devices and injectable contraceptives, are covered with no cost-sharing when performed by network participating providers. For customers with an IBC prescription drug plan, generic prescription oral contraceptives are covered with no cost-sharing at retail and mail order participating pharmacies. Cost-sharing applies to brand and non-formulary prescriptions. For customers who are eligible for a temporary safe harbor, the effective date for contraceptive services is for plan years on or after August 1, 2013. If a customer is a "religious employer" as defined by the interim final rules issued by the Departments of Health and Human Services, Labor, and Treasury, they may be exempt from the requirement of providing contraceptive coverage in their medical and/or prescription drug plans.

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