





Hurricane Helene Resources

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Resources

- Virtual State Health Plan ID cards are available and can be accessed by logging into Blue Connect via <u>eBenefits</u>. This is also available via the Blue Connect app. For assistance with medical benefits, members can call Blue Cross NC Customer Service at 888-234-2416.
- CVS Caremark, the Plan's Pharmacy Benefit Manager is also available to help those that have been impacted. If members need assistance with their medications, they can call 888-321-3124.
- Aetna, the Plan's TPA as of Jan. 1, 2025, has offered our members the use of Teladoc services for free during this time. Please see the flyer below and share with employees in the impacted areas.

Affected by a natural disaster?

Teladoc Health® is here for you.



Scan the code to learn more and schedule your free visit.



Teladoc HEALTH

We hope you are safe following the recent crisis. Please know you and your neighbors can get free, non-emergency healthcare for conditions like colds, flu and other common conditions through a telehealth visit.

Use your free telehealth visit for:

• Secure access to a board-certified doctor or licensed provider 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

• Prescriptions, if needed, sent to a pharmacy of your choice

Frequently asked questions

What can Teladoc Health providers treat?

They can diagnose, treat and prescribe medication for non-urgent, common conditions. Get help for the flu, allergies, sinus infections, headaches, stomach issues and more.

Can I get a prescription?

Our providers can write prescriptions for new conditions, if needed, as well as refills of ongoing medications. Prescriptions can be sent to a pharmacy of your choice.

To request your free visit, call the Teladoc Health natural disaster hotline at 1-855-225-5032 TTY: 1-855-636-1578

You will need to call the hotline even if you already use a Teladoc Health account to receive free care. Learn more at TeladocHealth.com/Disaster-Hotline

Open Enrollment

- Open Enrollment is currently underway and ends Oct. 25, 2024. For the members located in the impacted North Carolina counties the Plan will be extending Open Enrollment by one week.
- This means impacted members will have until Nov. 1, 2024, to complete their enrollment. To ensure all
 members receive new ID cards in a timely manner, the Plan is unable to extend Open Enrollment past
 this date.
- The Plan will, however, continue to assist members impacted by Helene via the <u>enrollment exceptions</u> process. As a reminder, members can call the Eligibility and Enrollment Support Center at 855-859-0966 to enroll by phone.
- **Tobacco Credit:** For the members in the counties listed below that do not take action during Open Enrollment, the Plan will be placing them in the Base PPO Plan (70/30) for the 2025 benefit year with the tobacco credit applied. In other words, they will not be charged the tobacco surcharge.
- Enrollment Changes: After November 1, 2024, members that would like to enroll in the Enhanced PPO Plan (80/20), add or remove dependents or cancel their enrollment for 2025, can make that request through their HBR who can submit an exception. This is the only way to process updates after the enrollment window has closed.
- 2025 ID Cards: 2025 ID cards will be mailed at the end of November-early December. We realize that some members have been displaced and/or currently do not have access to receive mail. These members will also have access to a virtual ID card through Aetna. They can access their ID card via the Aetna member portal or through Aetna's app. For assistance, members can call Aetna at 833-690-1037.



Impacted Counties

- Based on FEMA Disaster Designation & Subscriber residential address.
- Alexander, Alleghany, Ashe, Avery, Buncombe, Burke, Cabarrus, Caldwell, Catawba, Cherokee, Clay, Cleveland, Forsyth, Gaston, Graham, Haywood, Henderson, Iredell, Jackson, Lincoln, Macon, Madison, McDowell, Mecklenburg, Mitchell, Polk, Rowan, Rutherford, Stanly, Surry, Swain, Transylvania, Union, Yadkin, Yancey, Watauga, and Wilkes.
- There are areas outside of North Carolina that are also included in the Helene exception. These areas are designated by the FEMA Disaster Designation & Subscriber residential address as well.



Open Enrollment

- While the focus is currently on 2025 Open Enrollment, we have not forgotten that there are other enrollment transactions with timelines that may be difficult to complete because of Helene.
- Impacted employing units and/or members should submit delayed qualifying life event (QLE) exceptions
 or employment status changes via an <u>exception</u>.
- The Eligibility and Enrollment Support Center continue to see low call volume.



Communication

- The State Health Plan has posted information to its website and sent out a Member Alert to all members that we have email addresses for.
- Teladoc services for members in impacted areas.



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The State Health Plan is here for our members impacted by Hurricane Helene. Click here for a list of resources available to assist members in the impacted areas.

Thank You! Questions?

This presentation and the recording are posted on the State Health Plan's website at <u>www.shpnc.org</u>. Click 2025 Open Enrollment!

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