

Member Alert - August 8, 2019

Clear Pricing Project Update Network Maintains Full State Coverage for 2020

Today, the State Health Plan announced that the North Carolina State Health Plan Network will consist of the more than 28,000 providers that signed on to the Clear Pricing Project **in addition** to the Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Carolina's (Blue Cross NC) Blue Options Network.

For members, this means you will continue to have access to the provider network you utilize today along with some new providers that were not previously part of the Blue Options Network.

This decision was made to comply with access to care requirements for hospital coverage.

The new network begins January 1, 2020, and will be offered to members enrolled in the 70/30, 80/20 and High Deductible Health Plans. **As a reminder, this network does not affect members on the UnitedHealthcare Medicare Advantage plans.**

The State Health Plan developed the Clear Pricing Project to secure the Plan's financial future. This project sought to ensure that members have this valuable benefit for years to come, bring transparency to health care costs and address the rising health costs that you and your families face every day; for example, the average starting state worker has to work one week out of the month to pay for the family premium.

The Plan will continue its mission to fight for transparency in health care on behalf of our members.

Open Enrollment for the 2020 benefit year will be held later in the fall at a date that will be announced soon.

For more information, see the press release.