



## **Benefit changes regarding Coronavirus (COVID-19)**

Health Choices continues to monitor the COVID-19 pandemic. The changes outlined below will apply to participants covered through employer-sponsored plans administered by Health Choices.\*

- **Diagnostic tests for COVID-19**
  - Appropriate testing to establish a COVID-19 diagnosis will be paid at 100%
  - Items and services furnished during an office visit to establish a COVID-19 diagnosis (which includes in-person visit or telehealth visit), urgent care center visit, and emergency room visit will be paid at 100%
  - Includes High Deductible Health Plans with Health Savings Accounts (HSAs) per IRS guidance
  - Antibody testing is covered when ordered by a healthcare provider, pursuant to and consistent with federal requirements
  
- **COVID-19 Vaccinations**
  - Funding for COVID-19 vaccinations is initially being provided by the federal government. When this funding expires, vaccinations will be paid at 100% as a preventive service.
  
- **Early refill of medications**
  - Early refill of medications will be allowed
  - Your pharmacist will need to contact Health Choices at the phone number on the back of your ID card
  - Should a medication you are taking be affected by a shortage, the formulary will be flexible to allow for coverage of non-preferred and non-formulary medications and you will not be liable for any additional charges related to your medications
  
- **Prior Authorization is not required**
  - Prior authorization for medically-appropriate COVID-19 testing or treatment is not required.
  
- **24-Hour Help Nurse**
  - Health Choices offers a 24/7 Help Nurse line to every participant. If you have questions about whether you should see your physician or stay home, contact a Help Nurse for advice.
  - (800) 325-7442 or (563) 556-HELP

*\*Changes are in full alignment with the FFCRA and Cures Act, and are subject to change in accordance with federal and state rules and guidelines*