

PROVIDER QUICK POINTS

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June 8, 2022

Blue Cross Preferred Genetic Laboratory Program

As previously communicated in Provider Quick Points QP102-21, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota and Blue Plus (Blue Cross) has partnered with Concert Genetics to implement a Preferred Genetic Laboratory Program. Blue Cross selected genetic testing providers to be included in this program following a rigorous review of cost and quality metrics. Participating labs offer referring providers and patients the highest quality care at a lower overall cost. The program features independent, free-standing laboratories that have met higher standards for improving the quality of care and the patient experience, while also reducing costs.

There is no change in lab access for Blue Cross members or referring health care providers. Members can still receive in-network care from any lab included in their health plan's network, even if that lab isn't in the Preferred Genetic Laboratory Program. However, referring providers are encouraged to order genetic testing services from labs in this program whenever possible to ensure members are receiving the highest quality care at a fair price.

Effective July 1, 2022, the following labs will be a part of the Blue Cross Preferred Genetic Laboratory Program:

- Ambry Genetics: <https://www.ambrygen.com/>
- Foundation Medicine: <https://www.foundationmedicine.com/>
- Invitae: <https://www.invitae.com/en>
- LabCorp: <https://www.labcorp.com/>
- Mayo Clinic Laboratories: <https://www.mayocliniclabs.com/>
- MDxHealth: <https://mdxhealth.com/>
- Natera: <https://www.natera.com/>
- Quest Diagnostics: <https://www.questdiagnostics.com/>

For more information about the Preferred Genetic Laboratory Program, please visit the following web page: bluecrossmn.com/providers/provider-priorities/preferred-genetic-lab-program

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- All Commercial Products
- Medicare Advantage
- Minnesota Health Care Programs
 - Blue Advantage Families and Children (F&C)
 - MinnesotaCare (MNCare)
 - Minnesota Senior Care Plus (MSC+)
 - SecureBlue (MSHO)

Questions?

If you have questions for a member enrolled in a Minnesota Health Care Programs (MHCP) plan, please contact provider services at **1-866-518-8448**. Please contact provider services at **(651) 662-5200** or **1-800-262-0820** for all other questions.

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