

# Patty's Points



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## 2015 FLU SHOTS: OTHER OPTIONS AVAILABLE TO YOU

If you do not want to obtain your flu shot at one of the District Health & Wellness Centers (HWCs), here is a summary of how to obtain a flu shot using your District's insurance benefits:

Florida Blue members enrolled on the BlueCare HMO and BlueOptions PPO plans have \$0 copay for Preventive Services. The flu shot vaccine falls under preventive services. Here are some options for flu shots that members have other than going to a HWC:

1. Make an appointment with your **Primary Care Physician (PCP)** to administer the flu shot. If the provider is **only billing for the vaccine and administration there will be no copay to the member.** If the member sees the doctor for a health condition at the same visit that they are getting the flu shot, the provider may bill an office visit and then the member will have to pay a copay for that visit because of the health condition – not for the flu shot.
2. Go to a **participating Convenience Care Center (CCC)**, such as, Take Care Health Services at Walgreens Pharmacy. If the CCC participates with the employee's Florida Blue Plan (BlueCare HMO or BlueOptions PPO Networks) and the CCC is **contracted** to administer the flu shot, members will not pay a copay for flu shot services only. Members may contact Patty Nguyen (On-site Florida Blue Rep.) or Florida Blue Customer Service or access the online provider directory to find a participating CCC. The Online Provider Directory will indicate that **flu shot services** are offered at that particular CCC. Look for it under the heading, "History/Credentials". Members need to call the specific CCC directly to check the availability of the preservative-free flu vaccine.
3. Go to a participating **Urgent Care Center (UCC)**, such as MedExpress Urgent Care for the flu shot if that location is **contracted** to administer the flu shot. Members will not pay a copay for flu shot services only. Members may contact Patty Nguyen or Florida Blue Customer Service or access the online provider

directory to find a participating UCC. The Online Provider Directory will indicate that **flu shot services** are offered at that particular UCC. Look for it under the heading, “History/Credentials”. Members need to call the specific UCC directly to check the availability of the preservative –free flu vaccine.

4. Contact Information:

- a. Patty Nguyen – extension 42492
- b. Florida Blue Customer Service-1.800.507.9820
- c. Online Provider Directory – [www.floridablue.com](http://www.floridablue.com), click on “Find A Doctor” on task bar.

**WARNING: Flu Shots administered by a pharmacist at a local pharmacy**, such as Walgreens or Publix are **NOT COVERED** under any of the District’s insurance plans. These claims are filed under pharmacy, not medical. Pasco Schools employees are not eligible because pharmacy coverage is through EnvisionRx Options, not Florida Blue.

If you have any questions, please email your Florida Blue On-site Representative, Patty Nguyen at [Patricia.Nguyen@bcbsfl.com](mailto:Patricia.Nguyen@bcbsfl.com).