2027 Blue Cross and Blue Shield Service Benefit Plan
FEP Blue Standard and FEP Blue Basic
Section 5(b). Surgical and Anesthesia Services Provided by Physicians and Other Healthcare Professionals

Note: For Standard Option, we state whether or not the calendar year deductible applies for each benefit listed in this Section. There is no calendar year deductible under Basic Option.

Benefit Description

Anesthesia
Anesthesia (including acupuncture) for covered medical or surgical services when requested by the attending physician and performed by:

- A certified registered nurse anesthetist (CRNA), or
- A physician other than the physician (or the assistant) performing the covered medical or surgical procedure

Professional services provided in:

- Hospital (inpatient)
- Hospital outpatient department
- Skilled nursing facility
- Ambulatory surgical center
- Residential treatment center
- Office

Anesthesia services consist of administration by injection or inhalation of a drug or other anesthetic agent (including acupuncture) to obtain muscular relaxation, loss of sensation, or loss of consciousness.

Note: Anesthesia acupuncture services do not accumulate toward the member's annual maximum.

Note: See Section 5(c) for our payment levels for anesthesia services billed by a facility.

Standard Option - You Pay
Preferred: 15% of the Plan allowance (deductible applies)

Participating: 35% of the Plan allowance (deductible applies)

Non-participating: 35% of the Plan allowance (deductible applies), plus any difference between our allowance and the billed amount

Basic Option - You Pay
Preferred: Nothing

Participating/Non-participating: You pay all charges

Benefit Description

Not covered:

- *Anesthesia related to noncovered surgeries or procedures*

Standard Option - You Pay
All charges

Basic Option - You Pay
All charges