

Going above and beyond to support those who care for our members.

**Blue Cross VT Affirms Our Commitment to Primary Care Providers, the Foundation of Our Health Care System, With:**

- Value-based financial incentives for quality improvement, in addition to normal fee-for-service payments
- Fully funded lifestyle medicine certification scholarships with free continuing education credits
- Ongoing office staff education and training for programs and processes
- Opportunities for open dialogue to help bridge provider and patient needs

**Primary Care Quality Improvement Programs**

Blue Cross VT operates two primary care quality improvement programs that pay incentives to providers, add benefits for our members and track quality metrics to evaluate key successes and opportunities for our state’s health care system.

*Enhanced Community Primary Care (ECPC)*

**61,000**  
PATIENTS SERVED

**\$2.6M**  
IN INCENTIVES PAID IN 2024

**Participation:**

**97** INDEPENDENT PRACTICES

**11** FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTERS

**1,782** PRIMARY CARE PROVIDERS

**\$6.30** PER MEMBER PER MONTH (PMPM) IN VALUE-BASED PAYMENT INCENTIVES

available to providers who meet or exceed quality measure thresholds. *Average practice payment is \$2.78 PMPM.*

- Launched in 2024, building on VBIC successes
- Scorecards showing individual practice performance against the threshold and peer benchmarks are sent to practices annually
- Quality measures include percentages of patients receiving breast and colorectal cancer screenings, immunizations, and annual wellness exams
- No additional provider administration or reporting is required to participate in the program, as Blue Cross VT uses existing data

*Vermont Blue Integrated Care (VBIC)*

**7,800**  
PATIENTS SERVED

**\$581,356**  
IN INCENTIVES PAID IN 2024

**Participation:**

**2** INDEPENDENT PRACTICES

**2** FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTERS

**60** PRIMARY CARE PROVIDERS

**\$7** PER MEMBER PER MONTH (PMPM) IN VALUE-BASED PAYMENT INCENTIVES

available to providers who meet or exceed quality and utilization measures. *Average practice payment is \$6.70 PMPM.*

- Launched in 2022
- Quality measures focus on patients’ annual wellness exams, colorectal cancer screenings, and controlling diabetes and blood pressure
- Utilization measures include use of in-house or independent labs, avoidable ER use, and lower cost MRI/CT imaging facilities

**100%** OF QUALITY AND UTILIZATION METRIC THRESHOLDS MET OR EXCEEDED IN 2024

**Advancing Care for Vermonters**

In addition to direct assistance to primary care providers, Blue Cross VT funds other programs that help providers deliver better care:

- Vermont Program for Quality in Health Care (VPQHC)
- Vermont Information Technology Leaders (VITL)
- Vermont Blueprint for Health’s Patient Centered Medical Homes and Community Health Teams

**As Vermonters committed to the health of Vermonters, let’s continue the conversation.**

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