

Legal Notices



Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act Enrollment Notice

If you have had or are going to have a mastectomy, you may be entitled to certain benefits under the Woman's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998 (WHCRA). For individuals receiving mastectomy-related benefits, coverage will be provided in a manner determined in consultation with the attending physician and the patient, for:

1. All stages of reconstruction of the breast on which mastectomy was performed;
2. Surgery and reconstruction of the other breast to produce a symmetrical appearance;
3. Prostheses; and
4. Treatment of physical complications of the mastectomy, including lymphedema.

These will be provided subject to the same deductibles and coinsurance applicable to other medical and surgical benefits provided under this benefits plan. If you would like more information on WHCRA benefits, please contact your health plan administrator at **802-748-9405**.

HIPAA Notice of Privacy Practices

The Plan's HIPAA Notice of Privacy Practices is available upon request. To obtain a copy of the Plan's HIPAA Notice of Privacy Practices, please contact the HR Department. For more information on the Plan's privacy policies or your rights under HIPAA, contact HR at **802-748-9405**.

HIPAA Special Enrollment Rights

HIPAA requires we notify you about your right to later enroll yourself and eligible dependents for coverage in Northern Counties Health Care's health plan under "special enrollment provisions" briefly described below.

- Loss of Other Coverage. If you decline enrollment for yourself or for an eligible dependent because you have other group health plan coverage or other health insurance, you may be able to enroll yourself and your dependents under Northern Counties Health Care's health plan if you or your dependents lose eligibility for that other coverage, or if the other employer stops contributing toward your or your dependents' other coverage. You must request enrollment within 30 days after your or your dependents' other coverage ends, or after the other employer stops contributing toward the other coverage.
- New Dependent by Marriage, Birth, Adoption, or Placement for Adoption. If you gain a new dependent as a result of a marriage, birth, adoption, or placement for adoption, you may be able to enroll yourself and your new dependents under Northern Counties Health Care's health plan. You must request enrollment within 30 days after the marriage, birth, adoption, or placement for adoption. In the event you acquire a new dependent by birth, adoption, or placement for adoption, you may also be able to enroll your spouse, if your spouse was not previously covered.
- Enrollment Due to Medicaid/CHIP Events. If you or your eligible dependents are not already enrolled in Northern Counties Health Care's health plan, you may be able to enroll yourself and your eligible dependents if: (i) you or your dependents lose coverage under a state Medicaid or children's health insurance program (CHIP), or (ii) you or your dependents become eligible for premium assistance under state Medicaid or CHIP. You must request enrollment within 60 days from the date of the Medicaid/CHIP event. The CHIP Model Notice containing additional information about this right as well as contact information for state assistance is included below. You may also request a copy from the Plan Administrator.

Please contact the Plan Administrator at **802-748-9405** for details, including the effective dates of coverage applicable to each of these special enrollment provisions. Additional information regarding your rights to enroll in group health coverage is found in the applicable group health plan summary plan descriptions or insurance contract.