

BLUE DISTINCTION[®] SPECIALTY CARE BENEFITS

THE SIGN OF QUALITY SPECIALTY CARE



Blue
Distinction[®]
Center

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Center+

OVERALL, PATIENTS TREATED AT BLUE DISTINCTION CENTERS HAVE:

- Better outcomes
- Fewer complications and readmissions
- Higher survival rates

SPECIALIZING IN SPECIALTY CARE

Blue Distinction Centers for Specialty Care are recognized for expert care. Your medical plan has a special benefit linked to utilizing Blue Distinction Centers for services in bariatric and cardiac care, complex and rare cancers, knee and hip replacement, spine surgery, and transplants.

CHOOSE BLUE AND SAVE SOME GREEN

Choosing a high-quality hospital can lower your chance for complications and shorten your stay, which can help lower the total cost of care. That means you'll likely pay less out of your own pocket!

FIND A LOCATION

To find a Blue Distinction Center or Blue Distinction Center+, call the Member Service number on the back of your member ID card, use the Provider Search tool on your member website and look for the Blue Distinction logos or go to the Blue Distinction Finder at bcbs.com/bluedistinction/bdcfinder.

CHOOSE A HOSPITAL WISELY

If you're facing a serious medical procedure, it's important to have it performed by experienced providers at hospitals where patients have better results when compared to other facilities. How can you choose the right one? Look for the Blue Distinction Center designation of quality and the Blue Distinction Center+ designation of quality and efficiency.

A NATIONWIDE QUALITY DESIGNATION

Blue Distinction is a designation awarded by the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association to hospitals proven to deliver superior results for complicated, costly procedures. Blue Distinction Centers have been evaluated to meet strict criteria set by expert doctors and medical certifying organizations.

BLUE DISTINCTION SPECIALTY CARE BENEFITS

Your health plan provides special benefit levels for these selected procedures and conditions:

BARIATRIC SURGERY

- Roux-en-Y gastric bypass
- Vertical banded gastroplasty
- Biliopancreatic bypass
- Biliopancreatic bypass with duodenal switch
- Adjustable gastric banding
- Gastric sleeve resection
- Revision of gastric restrictive procedures

KNEE AND HIP REPLACEMENT

- Total knee replacement
- Total hip replacement

SPINE SURGERY

- Discectomy
- Fusion
- Decompression procedures

TRANSPLANTS

- Heart
- Lung (deceased and living donor)
- Combination heart/lung
- Liver (deceased and living donor)
- Simultaneous pancreas kidney (SPK)
- Pancreas (PAK/PTA)
- Bone marrow/stem cell (autologous and allogenic)

LOCATIONS

Alfred I Dupont Hospital for Children
1600 Rockland Road
Wilmington, DE 19803
Transplants — Pediatric Liver — BDC

Beebe Medical Center
424 Savannah Road
Lewes, DE 19958
Spine Surgery — BDC+

Christiana Care Health Services
4755 Ogletown Stanton Road
Newark, DE 19718
Bariatric Surgery — BDC+
Knee and Hip Replacement — BDC+
Spine Surgery — BDC

Kent General Hospital
640 S State Street
Dover, DE 19901
Bariatric Surgery — BDC

Milford Memorial Hospital
21 W Clarke Avenue
Milford, DE 19963
Bariatric Surgery — BDC+

Nanticoke Memorial Hospital
801 Middleford Road
Seaford, DE 19973
Bariatric Surgery — BDC

St. Francis Hospital Inc
701 N Clayton Street
Wilmington, DE 19805
Bariatric Surgery — BDC+

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