

Frequently Asked Questions about BCCTP Medicaid Coverage

Frequent Coverage Question Topics	U.S. citizens or Permanent Residents in the U.S. for ≥ 5 years Full CN Medicaid services for the duration of their treatment	Noncitizens or Permanent Residents in the U.S. < than 5 years Covers "Emergency and Related Services Only" (ERSO)
Transportation to physician's visits	✓	✓
Interpreter services	✓	✓
Reconstructive surgery	✓	Not covered. Not considered a "medically necessary" procedure.
Dental care	✓ Dentist must accept Medicaid	✓ Must be medically necessary for cancer treatment
Physical therapy (PT) or Occupational Therapy (OT)	✓ Requires a prescription by the physician	Not covered. Not considered a "medically necessary" procedure.
Home health	✓ Home meals and housekeeping need to be requested through another Medicaid program	Not covered
Support services, psychiatric services and visits to community mental health services	✓	Not covered
Breast prosthetics	✓ ordered by a physician, accepts Medicaid, 1 every 6 months	Not covered
Mastectomy bras, lymphedema sleeves, and camisoles	✓ through service providers that accept Medicaid	Not covered
Wigs or other head coverings	Not covered	Not covered
Genetic testing	✓ Prior authorization needed	Not covered
Alternative therapy	✓ Limited naturopathic and alternative care. Refusing standard medical care may disqualify from receiving Medicaid.	Not covered

Questions? Contact BCCTP, Stephany Diaz Favela at 206-263-8309 or Heather Fluegel 206-263-8174.

✓ = covered services

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Please note:

- Income guidelines are set by the BCCHP and must remain at or below 250-300% of FPL. The client must not have any other viable medical insurance coverage. Eligibility is evaluated annually by the BCCHP screening coordinator.
- All BCCHP clients who are U.S. citizens or Permanent Residents in the U.S. for 5 years or more and are diagnosed with breast cancer, cervical cancer or a pre-cancerous related condition are placed onto CN (Categorically Needy) Medicaid coverage (CNP). Most clients receive full CN Medicaid services for the duration of their treatment.
- Clients who are undocumented or are Permanent Residents in the U.S. for less than 5 years are eligible to receive treatment coverage, for their cancer diagnosis only, under a program that covers "Emergency and Related Services Only" (ERSO).