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## **Empire BlueCross BlueShield HealthPlus waives cost share for COVID-19 treatment**

As the COVID-19 pandemic continues to spread throughout the United States, we appreciate that care providers across the country on the front line are committed to providing care to our members and communities.

During these challenging times, Empire BlueCross BlueShield HealthPlus (Empire) remains committed to living our values and supporting those we serve, which includes making it as easy as possible for care providers to focus on what's important right now — keeping the country healthy. In addition to proactive actions, Empire] has already taken steps to support care providers and protect our members, associates and communities against COVID-19. Empire announced that effective April 1, 2020, we will expand coverage for our members undergoing treatment related to COVID-19 diagnosis.

The expansion covers the waiver of cost shares for COVID-19 treatment received through May 31, 2020. Empire will reimburse health care providers at in-network rates, as applicable, for Empire's affiliated health plan Medicaid members.

Empire continues to closely monitor COVID-19 developments and listen to the needs of our communities, Empire associates, and all of the members and care providers we serve. We will continue to update you as we receive new information and guidance.

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