

Flu & H1N1 Vaccines



Carrier	Vaccine / Rx	Benefit
Aetna carrier announcement	Seasonal Flu Vaccine:	Covered in all plans that include preventive benefits.
	H1N1 (Swine Flu) Vaccine:	The vaccine will be paid for by the U.S. Government. Aetna will cover the full cost for the provider to administer the vaccine. However, if the provider bills the encounter as an office visit typical copays, coinsurance and/or deductibles will apply.
	Tamiflu & Relenza:	Brand-name drugs as prescribed by physician. Covered under the brand-name drug benefit.
Anthem Blue Cross carrier announcement	Seasonal Flu Vaccine:	Covered in all health plans that offer vaccine coverage.
	H1N1 (Swine Flu) Vaccine:	The vaccine is paid for by the U.S. Government. Anthem Blue Cross will cover the full cost of administration for a member whose benefit plan provides coverage for vaccines.
	Tamiflu & Relenza:	These drugs will be available and moved to a more economical tier of plan formularies.
CHOICE Administrators	Seasonal Flu Vaccine:	BLUE SHIELD: Covered in all health plans that offer vaccine coverage. HEALTH NET: Reference Health Net section. KAISER: No charge when administered at Kaiser Flu Clinics.
	H1N1 (Swine Flu) Vaccine:	BLUE SHIELD: Prior authorization requirements, copays and deductibles for office visits will be waived when the H1N1 vaccine is administered by an in-network physician. Out-of-network not covered. HEALTH NET: Reference Health Net section. KAISER: No charge when administered at Kaiser Flu Clinics.
	Tamiflu & Relenza:	BLUE SHIELD: Available in Tier One. HEALTH NET: Reference Health Net section. KAISER: Coverage may vary but generally covered under brand name drugs.
Health Net carrier announcement	Seasonal Flu Vaccine:	Covered under the preventive services provisions of the members' policies. Reference the age appropriate guidelines for benefits. Note: Health Net PPO plans do not include flu vaccines under their preventive services.
	H1N1 (Swine Flu) Vaccine:	Health Net will cover the administration cost of the vaccine under the preventive services provisions of the members' policies. Prior authorizations, copays and deductibles for office visits will be waived when the H1N1 vaccine is administered by an in-network physician.
	Tamiflu & Relenza:	Limitations to these medications have been suspended and they are available under the third tier of their pharmacy benefit.
UHC / PacifiCare carrier announcement	Seasonal Flu Vaccine:	Covered in all plans that include preventive benefits.
	H1N1 (Swine Flu) Vaccine:	The vaccine will be paid for by the U.S. Government. UHC/PacifiCare will provide coverage for the administration of the H1N1 vaccine for all members covered by their insured plans.
	Tamiflu & Relenza:	Prior authorization requirements have been removed and they are available under the UHC / PacifiCare prescription benefit.
Other Resources		Seasonal Flu
		H1N1 (Swine Flu)
		Antiviral Drugs: Tamiflu & Relenza

*H1N1 vaccinations will be administered on a priority basis as defined by the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention.