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2019 FLU SHOTS: OTHER OPTIONS AVAILABLE TO YOU

If you do not want to obtain your flu shot at one of the District Health & Wellness Centers (HWCs), here is a summary of how to obtain a flu shot using your District's insurance benefits:

Florida Blue members enrolled on the BlueCare HMO and BlueOptions PPO plans have \$0 copay for Preventive Services. The flu shot vaccine falls under preventive services. Here are some options for flu shots that members have other than going to a HWC:

- 1. Make an appointment with your **Primary Care Physician (PCP)** to administer the flu shot. If the provider is **only billing for the vaccine and administration there will be no copay to the member.** If the member sees the doctor for a health condition at the same visit that they are getting the flu shot, the provider may bill an office visit and then the member will have to pay a copay for that visit because of the health condition not for the flu shot.
- 2. Since you have pharmacy benefits through Florida Blue, flu shots may be administered by a pharmacist at a local in-network pharmacy, such as Walgreens or Publix at no cost to you. Just provide the pharmacy with your Member Contract ID card and they will bill it under your pharmacy benefits.

If you have any questions, please contact me at one of the above phone numbers or email me at Patricia.Nguyen@floridablue.com.