

Orthopedic and Prosthetic Devices

2025 Blue Cross and Blue Shield Service Benefit Plan - FEP Blue Focus Section 5(a). Medical Services and Supplies Provided by Physicians and Other Healthcare Professionals Orthopedic and Prosthetic Devices

Note: We state whether or not the calendar year deductible applies for each benefit listed in this section.

Benefit Description

Orthopedic and Prosthetic Devices

Orthopedic braces and prosthetic appliances such as:

- Artificial limbs and eyes
- Functional foot orthotics when prescribed by a physician
- Rigid devices attached to the foot or a brace, or placed in a shoe
- Replacement, repair, and adjustment of covered devices
- Following a mastectomy, breast prostheses and surgical bras, including necessary replacements
- Surgically implanted penile prostheses limited to treatment of erectile dysfunction or as part of an approved plan for gender affirming surgery
- Surgical implants

Note: A **prosthetic appliance** is a device that is surgically inserted or physically attached to the body to restore a bodily function or replace a physical portion of the body.

We provide hospital benefits for internal prosthetic devices, such as artificial joints, pacemakers, cochlear implants, and surgically implanted breast implants following mastectomy; see Section 5(c) for payment information. Insertion of the device is paid as surgery; see Section 5(b).

You Pay

Preferred: 30% of the Plan allowance (deductible applies)

Non-preferred (Participating/Non-participating): You pay all charges

Benefit Description

Not covered:

- *Shoes (including diabetic shoes)*
- *Over-the-counter orthotics*
- *Arch supports*
- *Heel pads and heel cups*
- *Wigs (including cranial prostheses)*
- *Hearing aids, including bone anchored hearing aids, accessories or supplies (including remote controls and warranty packages) and all associated services*

You Pay

All charges