



## EGYPTIAN AREA SCHOOLS EMPLOYEE BENEFIT TRUST

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DATE: March 20, 2020

TO: All Egyptian Trust Covered Members

RE: UPDATE ON COVERAGE OF COVID-19 TESTING

The Egyptian Trust is committed to our members and maintaining your health is important to us. We are closely monitoring activity and updates regarding the 2019 Coronavirus (COVID-19). Effective immediately, all Trust health plans (including HSA-qualified high deductible plans) will be covering testing to diagnose COVID-19 with no member cost share. If you require this test as medically necessary and in compliance with CDC guidelines, there will be no deductible, copayment, nor coinsurance assessed to these charges. With regard to treatment for COVID-19, Egyptian Trust will cover medically necessary treatment options, including physician services, hospitalization, and emergency services consistent with the terms of your selected benefit plan.

Per CDC recommendations, if you develop symptoms such as fever, cough, and/or difficulty breathing, and have been in close contact with a person known to have COVID-19, or have recently traveled from an area with ongoing spread of COVID-19, please stay home and call your healthcare provider. Older patients and individuals who have severe underlying medical conditions or are immunocompromised should contact their healthcare provider early, even if their illness is mild. If you have severe symptoms, such as persistent pain or pressure in your chest, new confusion or inability to arouse, or bluish lips or face, contact your healthcare provider to seek care immediately. Your doctor will determine if you have signs and symptoms of COVID-19 and whether you should be tested.

For more information on COVID-19 please visit the following website:  
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/faq.html>

If you have any questions concerning your health plan benefits, please contact a BCBSIL Benefits Value Advisor (BVA) Customer Service Representative at 855-686-8517 weekdays from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. CST.