



## COVID-19 update

Keeping you informed

### **Blue Shield is committed to helping California get vaccinated equitably and safely**

We understand the urgency that Californians feel in receiving the COVID-19 vaccine and urge everyone to continue following the federal, state and local health guidelines already in place for vaccinations and preventive measures.

Today, [Blue Shield shared additional information](#) on our partnership with the state as a third party administrator (TPA) to support the vaccination effort. Through an enhanced COVID-19 vaccine provider network, we will work in partnership with healthcare professionals and others who can help us ensure COVID-19 vaccinations are made available efficiently and equitably for everyone. This is consistent with our commitment as a nonprofit health plan to help all Californians have access to quality, affordable health care.

### **Understanding Blue Shield's TPA role**

We will continue to share more information on our work as a TPA and the COVID-19 vaccine network as it becomes available. Here are some of the essentials:

- Blue Shield of California has entered into a contract with the state as the Third-Party Administrator (TPA) to build a statewide vaccine network to ensure the equitable delivery of current and anticipated supply to Californians.
- Blue Shield of California will do this work at cost, without making a profit from our contract with the state. We are committing our company resources to help the state manage what we believe is the most significant issue facing the health and well-being of Californians and our state.
- The state will be responsible for determining eligibility and priority, as they have been.
- In this partnership, Blue Shield will serve all Californians without any prioritization for our own customers or employees.

- All Californians will be able to register for updates and to schedule vaccination appointments on this network through [My Turn](#).

## Stay up to date with tools for the trusted advisor

COVID-19 vaccine information is changing daily, with updates from federal, state, and local authorities. Blue Shield is keeping up with these changes, providing relevant information and resources to our respective member, employer, broker, and public audiences.

- [Our COVID-19 resources site](#) for brokers and employers contains articles, FAQs, member support materials, and a county and state lookup tool to connect you with a broad suite of information. We encourage you to bookmark this page to keep up with the latest on COVID-19 and Blue Shield's response.
- Information for members can be found on the main Blue Shield of California page, [here](#).
- Our [News Center](#) will continue to lead with announcements regarding the TPA work. Subscribe for updates to your inbox [here](#).

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