

Locating a BlueDistinction Bariatric Facility

Bariatric Surgeries are covered under your St Johns County Health Plan if you meet medical necessity and eligibility guidelines*. In addition to those guidelines, services must be rendered by a BlueDistinction center in order to be covered. Follow the instruction below on how to locate a BlueDistinction center for Bariatric Surgery.

EVALUATING WHAT MATTERS

Blue Distinction Center and Blue Distinction Center+ designations are awarded to doctors and hospitals based on a thorough, objective evaluation of their performance in the areas that matter most—quality care and treatment expertise. Blue Distinction designated providers have a proven history of delivering better quality care than those without these recognitions.

FINDING A BLUE DISTINCTION CENTER NEAR YOU

Blue Distinction Centers and Blue Distinction Centers+ are available nationwide—and finding one is easy. To locate a provider:



- Visit the National Doctor and Hospital FinderSM (provider.bcbs.com)

- Visit the Blue Distinction Center FinderSM (bcbs.com/blue-distinction-center/facility)



- Call the toll-free number on your membership card

*Eligibility and Coverage for Bariatric Surgery:

- Initial Bariatric Surgery member cost share: \$1,500 Copay + DED + 50% Coinsurance for the facility claim, DED + 50% for related physician claims (copay does not apply to the out of pocket maximum)
- Employees and covered spouses are eligible if enrolled on the St Johns Health Plan for a minimum of three years with no lapse in coverage
- Revisions are covered will only be covered if the initial surgery was performed under this health plan
- Revision Surgery member cost share: \$2,000 Copay + DED + 50% Coinsurance for the facility claim, DED + 50% for related physician claims (copay does not apply to the out of pocket maximum)
- Both Initial and Revision Surgeries must also meet meet medical necessity and be pre-authorized by your BlueDistinction provider.

Blue Distinction Centers (BDC) met overall quality measures, developed with input from the medical community. A Local Blue Plan may require additional criteria for providers located in its own service area; for details, contact your Local Blue Plan. Blue Distinction Centers+ (BDC+) also met cost measures that address consumers' need for affordable healthcare. Each provider's cost of care is evaluated using data from its Local Blue Plan. Providers in CA, ID, NY, PA, and WA may lie in two Local Blue Plans' areas, resulting in two evaluations for cost of care; and their own Local Blue Plans decide whether one or both cost of care evaluation(s) must meet BDC+ national criteria. National criteria for BDC and BDC+ are displayed on www.bcbs.com. Individual outcomes may vary. For details on a provider's in-network status or your own policy's coverage, contact your Local Blue Plan and ask your provider before making an appointment. Neither Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association nor any Blue Plans are responsible for noncovered charges or other losses or damages resulting from Blue Distinction or other provider finder information or care received from Blue Distinction or other providers.