

## Terms

### Please Read This Important Information:

**If you currently have health coverage from an employer or union, joining Blue Cross Medicare Advantage could affect your employer or union health benefits. You could lose your employer or union health coverage if you join Blue Cross Medicare Advantage.** Read the communications your employer or union sends you. If you have questions, visit their website or contact the office listed in their communications. If there isn't any information on whom to contact, your benefits administrator or the office that answers questions about your coverage can help.

### **By completing this enrollment application, I agree to the following:**

Blue Cross Medicare Advantage is a Medicare Advantage plan and has a contract with the federal government. I will need to keep my Medicare Parts A and B. I can be in only one Medicare Advantage plan at a time, and I understand that my enrollment in this plan will automatically end my enrollment in another Medicare health plan or prescription drug plan. It is my responsibility to inform you of any prescription drug coverage that I have or may get in the future. Enrollment in this plan is generally for the entire year. Once I enroll, I may leave this plan or make changes only at certain times of the year when an enrollment period is available, (Example: October 15 – December 7 of every year), or under certain special circumstances.

Blue Cross Medicare Advantage serves a specific service area. If I move out of the area that Blue Cross Medicare Advantage serves, I need to notify the plan so I can disenroll and find a new plan in my new area. Once I am a member of Blue Cross Medicare Advantage, I have the right to appeal plan decisions about payment or services if I disagree. I will read the Evidence of Coverage document from Blue Cross Medicare Advantage when I get it to know which rules I must follow to get coverage with this Medicare Advantage plan. I understand that people with Medicare aren't usually covered under Medicare while out of the country except for limited coverage near the U.S. border.

I understand that beginning on the date Blue Cross Medicare Advantage coverage begins, I must get all of my health care from Blue Cross Medicare Advantage except for emergency or urgently needed services or out-of-area dialysis services. Services authorized by Blue Cross Medicare Advantage and other services contained in my Blue Cross Medicare Advantage Evidence of Coverage document (also known as a member contract or subscriber agreement) will be covered. Without authorization, **NEITHER MEDICARE NOR BLUE CROSS MEDICARE ADVANTAGE WILL PAY FOR THE SERVICES.**

I understand that if I am getting assistance from a sales agent, broker, or other individual employed by or contracted with Blue Cross Medicare Advantage, he/she may be paid based on my enrollment in Blue Cross Medicare Advantage.

Subscriber hereby expressly acknowledges its understanding this agreement constitutes a contract solely between Subscriber and BCBSIL, which is an independent corporation operating under a license from the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association, an Association of Independent Blue Cross and Blue Shield Plans (the "Association"), permitting BCBSIL to use the Blue Cross and/or Blue Shield Service Marks in the State of Illinois, and that BCBSIL is not contracting as the agent of the Association. Subscriber further acknowledges and agrees that it has not entered into this agreement based upon representations by any person other than BCBSIL and that no person, entity, or organization other than BCBSIL shall be held accountable or liable to Subscriber for any of BCBSIL's obligations to Subscriber created under this agreement. This paragraph shall not create any additional obligations whatsoever on the part of BCBSIL other than those obligations created under other provisions of this agreement.

### **Release of Information:**

By joining this Medicare health plan, I acknowledge that Blue Cross Medicare Advantage will release my information to Medicare and other plans as is necessary for treatment, payment and health care operations. I also acknowledge that Blue Cross Medicare Advantage will release my information, including my prescription drug

event data, to Medicare, who may release it for research and other purposes which follow all applicable federal statutes and regulations. The information on this enrollment form is correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that if I intentionally provide false information on this form, I will be disenrolled from the plan.

I understand that my signature (or the signature of the person authorized to act on my behalf under the laws of the state where I live) on this application means that I have read and understand the contents of this application. If signed by an authorized individual (as described above), this signature certifies that 1) this person is authorized under state law to complete this enrollment and 2) documentation of this authority is available upon request from Medicare.