



MASSACHUSETTS

Medex<sup>®</sup>

# DIRECT-BILLED MEDEX<sup>®</sup> WEIGHT-LOSS REIMBURSEMENT



If you're a member of a Medex Core, Medex Sapphire, or Medex Bronze plan, you can get reimbursed for costs associated with qualified weight-loss programs and classes.

## Qualified for Reimbursement:

- Traditional WW (formerly known as Weight Watchers<sup>®</sup>) meetings, the WW At Work program, and hospital-based weight-loss programs qualify for the Weight-Loss Benefit.
- WW online and other non-hospital programs (in-person or online) that combine healthy eating, exercise, and coaching sessions with certified health professionals such as nutritionists, registered dietitians, or exercise physiologists.

## Not Qualified for Reimbursement:

- One-time initiation or termination fees
- Food, supplements, books, scales, or exercise equipment
- Individual nutrition counseling sessions (see your health plan coverage)

## What do I need to do?

Enroll in a qualified weight-loss program. You must pay for the course or program first, and then submit a claim for the benefit. If you have any questions, call Member Service at the number on the front of your ID card.

*Be sure to talk with your doctor before starting any weight-loss program.*

## How to Get Reimbursed

Fill out the attached form, then send the completed form to the address listed at the top of the form.

## Important Information

- The reimbursement can only be submitted once each calendar year, and must be filed by March 31 of the following year.
- Keep copies of all your paperwork and proof of payment in case you're denied reimbursement. Proof of payment includes:
  - » Receipts (cash/check/credit/electronic) for membership or class fees clearly documenting your name, the weight-loss program name, and individual amounts charged with date paid
  - » Your weight-loss program membership or participation agreement clearly documenting your name and date signed
- Reimbursements may be considered taxable income, so consult a tax advisor.

## Questions?

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# DIRECT-BILLED MEDEX® WEIGHT-LOSS REIMBURSEMENT REQUEST

PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION CLEARLY

Complete this form and mail it to:  
Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts  
Local Claims Department  
P.O. Box 986030  
Boston, MA 02298

## Member Information

Identification Number on Member ID Card (including first 3 letters)

Date of Birth:

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Member's Last Name

First Name

Middle Initial

Address—Number and Street

City

State

ZIP Code

### When to submit this form:

- You can submit your claim once per calendar year.
- You must submit your claim by March 31 of the following calendar year.

## Class/Program Information Required

Name, Address, and Phone Number of Qualified Weight-Loss Program

Calendar Year

Total Amount Submitted: \$\_\_\_\_\_

## Certification and Authorization (This form must be signed and dated below.)

I certify that the information provided in support of this submission is complete and correct and that I have not previously submitted for these services. I understand that Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts may require proof of payment for a reimbursement decision. I authorize the release of any information about my qualified weight-loss program to Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts.

Member's Signature:

Date:

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ATENCIÓN: Si habla español, tiene a su disposición servicios gratuitos de asistencia lingüística. Llame al **1-800-678-2265** (TTY: **711**).

ATENÇÃO: Se fala português, encontram-se disponíveis serviços linguísticos, grátis. Ligue para **1-800-678-2265** (TTY: **711**).

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