

# **Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998 Notice**

## Important Notice

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If you have had or are going to have a mastectomy, you may be entitled to certain benefits under the Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998 (WHCRA).

For individuals receiving mastectomy-related benefits, coverage will be provided in a manner determined in consultation with the attending physician and the patient, for:

- All stages of reconstruction of the breast on which the mastectomy was performed;
- Surgery and reconstruction of the other breast to produce a symmetrical appearance;
- Prostheses; and
- Treatment of physical complications of the mastectomy, including lymph edema.

The plan will determine the manner of coverage in consultation with you and your attending doctor. These benefits will be provided subject to the same deductibles and coinsurance applicable to other medical and surgical benefits provided under your plan.

If you would like more information about the benefits available for mastectomy-related services, please refer to your Blue Cross ID card and contact customer service.