

## Introducing lower cost Anthem Health Access Plans on June 1 in response to COVID-19 crisis

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Like many, Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield (Anthem) is closely monitoring COVID-19 developments and what it means for our customers and our health care provider partners. Anthem is working to help employers who are facing tough decisions on furloughing or reducing hours of their workforce. Anthem is doing this by creating health insurance options that provide continued access to care. We continue to seek ways to support our customers by offering affordable alternate products with more flexibility while ensuring members can continue to see their established physicians.

Beginning June 1, 2020, Anthem is introducing our Anthem Health Access Plans for certain large group employers currently enrolled in our commercial lines of business only.

Anthem Health Access Plans cover the diagnosis and treatment for COVID-19 at 100% in accordance with Anthem guidelines.

These benefit plans cover preventive care, unlimited telemedicine, office visits, prescriptions and more. In addition, members enrolled in these plans have digital ID cards and access to Sydney Health and Sydney Care (Anthem's mobile app that runs on intelligence – as part of our digital strategy).

These plans include some coverage exclusions or limitations. For information about eligibility, available benefits, and a list of exclusions, please visit Availity – our Web-based provider tool at [Availity.com](https://www.availity.com).

We are committed to working with our provider partners to help our members focus on their health and well-being. The new Health Access plans give your patients the needed coverage to manage their everyday health needs.

**NOTE:** As with all eligibility and benefits inquiries on Availity, providers must have the member ID number (including the three-character prefix) and one or more search options of date of birth, first name and last name.

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