

IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING COVERAGE FOR SERVICES RECEIVED AT MOUNT SINAI FACILITIES AND HOSPITALS

Please read the following information pertaining to on-going contract negotiations between Anthem BlueCross BlueShield and the Mount Sinai Health System.

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Anthem Blue Cross Blue Shield, the provider of healthcare benefits for NYSNA Benefits Fund participants, is currently in on-going negotiations with the Mount Sinai Health System regarding their contract, which was officially terminated effective January 1, 2026. However, due to New York State law requirements, Anthem and Mount Sinai Health Systems have continued to abide by their existing contract and Anthem will remain paying healthcare claims as in-network until March 1, 2026.

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR BENEFITS FUND PARTICIPANTS?

If a new agreement between Anthem and the Mount Sinai Health System is not reached prior to March 1, 2026, all Mount Sinai Health System facilities and hospitals will be considered out-of-network for Benefits Fund participants for service dates starting March 1, 2026.

After that date, services provided within the Mount Sinai Health System will be considered out-of-network and participants will be required to pay the appropriate deductible and out-of-network coinsurance amount for services received from any Mount Sinai facility or hospital, except emergency services.

The deductible must be paid by the participant before the Fund provides out-of-network coverage.

WILL EXCEPTIONS BE MADE FOR PARTICIPANTS RECEIVING ONGOING TREATMENT?

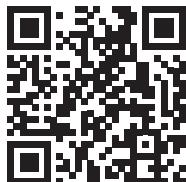
In the event an agreement isn't reached prior to March 1, 2026, Benefits Fund participants who are currently receiving qualifying care or a course of treatment within the Mount Sinai Health System, including facilities, hospitals, or providers, will be able to continue receiving care and the services will be covered by the Fund on an in-network basis until March 31, 2026. Participants who are pregnant may continue to be covered on an in-network basis through delivery and post-partum care.

If you have questions regarding your potential eligibility for continuation of care should an agreement not be reached by March 1, please contact the Benefits Fund at (518) 869-9501.

WHAT SHOULD BENEFITS FUND PARTICIPANTS DO NOW?

If you've recently received or are currently receiving healthcare services from a provider, hospital or facility within the Mount Sinai Health System, please watch your mail for a letter from Anthem that provides further information about your healthcare choices moving forward. If you're scheduled for treatment at a Mount Sinai facility in the coming weeks, please call a participant service representative at the Benefits Fund as soon as possible. Our representative will be happy to answer any questions you may have and assist you in taking the next best steps for your situation. Benefits Fund representatives are available Monday through Friday, 7:30 am to 5:30 pm by calling (518) 869-9501.

This remains an ongoing situation and we will provide Benefits Fund participants with more information as it is received in our office. Keep an eye on our website at rnbenefits.org, our Facebook page at facebook.com/NYSNAPPBF and your emails and texts. If you don't already follow us on Facebook scan the QR code below and "like" us today.



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