



Student Health Insurance Plan

for Houston City College

2025 – 2026

Welcome to AcademicBlue, your Student Health Insurance Plan offered by Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas (BCBSTX).

Enrollment and eligibility information

All International students holding an "F-1" or "J-1" visa and enrolled at Houston City College will be automatically enrolled in and billed each semester for coverage under the Plan unless a waiver of coverage has been submitted and approved online at hccs.myahpcare.com/waiver by the waiver deadline date each semester. No waivers will be accepted after the waiver deadline date. Dependent coverage is no longer available under this plan.

An eligible student must actively attend classes at the college for at least the first 45 days of the period for which he or she is enrolled. Students who fully withdraw after 45 days will remain covered under the Plan and no refund will be made. Eligibility requirements must be met each time premium is paid to continue coverage. We maintain the right to investigate student status and attendance records to verify that the Plan eligibility requirements have been met. If it is discovered that the Plan eligibility requirements have not been met, Our only obligation is to refund premium, less any claims paid.

Please refer to the plan's medical policy to review all eligible criteria. The medical policy and additional information can be found at hccs.myahpcare.com.

Waiver information

If you have other adequate health insurance and would like to waive out of the Student Health Insurance Plan, you must go online to complete an online waiver at hccs.myahpcare.com by the deadline dates each semester.

Deadlines to Waive:

Fall: 09/19/2025

Spring/Summer: 02/13/2026

Summer: 06/05/2026



Advantages of Membership

- Affordable, quality coverage compatible with the Affordable Care Act
- Coverage when traveling
- Access to a broad Participating Provider Option (PPO) network from BCBSTX
- Bilingual 24/7 Nurseline, telehealth and behavioral health program
- Discounts on vision, fitness and many more products and services

Premium Costs and Coverage Periods*

	FALL 08/18/2025 - 01/11/2026	SPRING/SUMMER 01/12/2026 - 08/16/2026	SUMMER (New Students Only) 06/01/2026 - 08/16/2026
Student	\$955	\$1,417	\$501

*A \$19 AES/ASAP/ALC fee is included in the Fall rates.
A \$29 AES/ASAP/ALC fee is included in the Spring/Summer rates.
A \$10 AES/ASAP/ALC fee is included in the Summer rates.

To see all enrollment and coverage periods available, please visit hccs.myahpcare.com.

Benefit Maximums and Deductibles	In-Network Provider	Out-of-Network Provider
Benefit Maximum	Unlimited	Unlimited
Deductible (Individual)	\$500	\$1,500
Out-of-Pocket Maximum (Individual)	\$8,300	\$30,000
Benefits (Deductible applies unless notes below)	In-Network Provider	Out-of-Network Provider
Hospital Expenses	80%	50%
Surgical Expenses	80%	50%
Doctor's Visits	100% (deductible waived) \$35 Primary Care Copayment per visit \$35 Specialist Copayment per visit	50%
Emergency Care and Accidental Injury Facility Services - Copayment is waived if the insured is admitted, inpatient hospital expenses will apply	80% after \$300 Copayment (deductible waived)	80% after \$300 Copayment (deductible waived)
Physician Services	80%	50%
Lab and X-ray Charges	100% (deductible waived)	50%
Preventive Care Services	100% (deductible waived)	50%
Prescription Drug Per 30-day Retail Supply (deductible waived) **Copayment plus the cost difference between the brand- name drug or supplies per prescription for which there is a generic drug or supply available.	At pharmacies contracting with Prime Therapeutics**, 100% after: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$20 copayment for each preferred generic drug \$20 copayment for each non-preferred generic drug 20% of allowable amount for each preferred brand-name drug** 30% of allowable amount for each non-preferred brand-name drug** 	70% after: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$20 copayment for each preferred generic drug \$20 copayment for each non-preferred generic drug 20% of allowable amount for each preferred brand-name drug** 30% of allowable amount for each non-preferred brand-name drug** <p>Please note: You are required to pay the full amount charged at the time of service for all prescriptions dispensed at an out-of-network provider and must file a claim for reimbursement.</p>

Academic HealthPlans, Inc. (AHP), a Risk Strategies Company, is an independent company that provides program management and administrative services for the student health plans of Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas.

This document is for informational purposes only and is neither an offer of coverage nor medical advice. It contains only a partial, general description of plan benefits and programs and does not constitute a contract. Covered expenses are subject to plan maximums, limitations and exclusions as described in the policy. The PPO network is BCBSTX Participating Provider Option (PPO) Network.

*Covered charges at in-network and out-of-network providers are based on the allowable amount. For more information, please see your school's policy.

**The relationship between Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas (BCBSTX) and contracting pharmacies is that of independent contractors, contracted through a related company, Prime Therapeutics LLC. Prime Therapeutics LLC is a separate company that also administers the pharmacy benefit program. BCBSTX, as well as several other independent Blue Cross and Blue Shield Plans, has an ownership interest in Prime Therapeutics.

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas complies with applicable Federal civil rights laws and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, gender identity, age, sexual orientation, health status or disability. To get help and information in your language at no cost, please call us at 855-710-6984.

ATENCIÓN: Si habla español, tiene a su disposición servicios gratuitos de asistencia lingüística. Llame al 855-710-6984 (TTY: 711).
CHÚ Ý: Nếu bạn nói Tiếng Việt, có các dịch vụ hỗ trợ ngôn ngữ miễn phí dành cho bạn. Gọi số 855-710-6984 (TTY: 711).

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Health care coverage is important for everyone.

If you, or someone you are helping, have questions, you have the right to get help and information in your language at no cost. To talk to an interpreter, call 855-710-6984. We provide free communication aids and services for anyone with a disability or who needs language assistance.

We do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, gender identity, age, sexual orientation, health status or disability. If you believe we have failed to provide a service, or think we have discriminated in another way, contact us to file a grievance.

Office of Civil Rights Coordinator
300 E. Randolph St., 35th Floor
Chicago, IL 60601

Phone: 855-664-7270 (voicemail)
TTY/TDD: 855-661-6965
Fax: 855-661-6960

You may file a civil rights complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights, at:

U.S. Dept. of Health & Human Services
200 Independence Avenue SW
Room 509F, HHH Building 1019
Washington, DC 20201

Phone: 800-368-1019
TTY/TDD: 800-537-7697
Complaint Portal: <https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/smartscreen/main.jsf>
Complaint Forms: <https://www.hhs.gov/civil-rights/filing-a-complaint/complaint-process/index.html>

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Español	Llámenos al 855-710-6984 para recibir asistencia lingüística o comunicación en otros formatos sin costo.
العربية	لتلقي المساعدة اللغوية أو التواصل مجاًاً، يرجى الاتصال بنا على الرقم 855-710-6984.
繁體中文	如欲獲得免費語言或溝通協助，請撥打855-710-6984與我們聯絡。
Français	Pour bénéficier gratuitement d'une assistance linguistique ou d'une aide à la communication, veuillez nous appeler au 855-710-6984.
Deutsch	Um kostenlose Sprach- oder Kommunikationshilfe zu erhalten, rufen Sie uns bitte unter 855-710-6984 an.
ગુજરાતી	આપા અથવા સંચાર સહાય મફતમાં મેળવવા માટે, કૃપા કરીને અમને 855-710-6984 પર કોલ કરો.
हिंदी	निःशुल्क भाषा या संचार सहायता प्राप्त करने के लिए, कृपया हमें 855-710-6984 पर कॉल करें।
Italiano	Per assistenza gratuita alla lingua o alla comunicazione, chiami il numero 855-710-6984.
한국어	언어 또는 의사소통 지원을 무료로 받으려면 855-710-6984번으로 전화해 주세요.
Navajo	Niná: Doo bilagáana bizaad dinits'á'góó, shá ata' hodooni nínízingo, t'áájíík'eh bee náhaz'á. 1-866-560-4042 jì' hodíilni.
فارسی	برای دریافت کمک زبانی یا ارتباطی رایگان، لطفاً با شماره 855-710-6984 تماس بگیرید.
Polski	Aby uzyskać bezpłatną pomoc językową lub komunikacyjną, prosimy o kontakt pod numerem 855-710-6984.
Русский	Чтобы бесплатно воспользоваться услугами перевода или получить помощь при общении, звоните нам по телефону 855-710-6984.
Tagalog	Para makatanggap ng tulong sa wika o komunikasyon nang walang bayad, pakitawagan kami sa 855-710-6984.
اردو	مفت میں زبان یا مواصلت کی مدد موصول کرنے کے لیے، براہ کرم ہمیں 855-710-6984 پر کال کریں۔
Tiếng Việt	Để được hỗ trợ ngôn ngữ hoặc giao tiếp miễn phí, vui lòng gọi cho chúng tôi theo số 855-710-6984.