



**Women’s Preventive Services under the Affordable Care Act
Contraceptive Methods and Counseling
Coverage for Members of Religious-Affiliated Employers**

The Affordable Care Act (ACA) expanded coverage for women’s preventive services to include FDA-approved contraceptive services, devices and prescription drugs.

<p>Overview – What’s covered</p>	<p>All Food and Drug Administration approved contraceptive methods, sterilization procedures, and patient education and counseling for all women with reproductive capacity, such as:</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">Sterilization Surgery</td> <td style="width: 50%;">Vaginal Contraceptive Ring</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sterilization Implant</td> <td>Cervical Cap</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Implantable Rod</td> <td>Diaphragm</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Intrauterine Device (IUD)</td> <td>Sponge</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Injections</td> <td>Female Condom</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Oral Contraceptives</td> <td>Emergency Contraceptive Pills</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Contraceptive Patch</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	Sterilization Surgery	Vaginal Contraceptive Ring	Sterilization Implant	Cervical Cap	Implantable Rod	Diaphragm	Intrauterine Device (IUD)	Sponge	Injections	Female Condom	Oral Contraceptives	Emergency Contraceptive Pills	Contraceptive Patch	
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<p>Patient Cost-Share</p>	<p>For services rendered at physician’s office or at a facility: Medical services and devices provided by a participating provider do not require a copay.</p> <p>To verify eligibility for these services in HEALTHeNET, enter the patient’s ID number that appears on her Women’s Wellness card to view plan benefits.</p> <p>At the pharmacy: Generic drugs and brand-name drugs without a generic equivalent will be covered in full. Tier 3 brand name drugs with a generic alternative will be subject to the applicable plan participant copay. All prescriptions need to be filled at a participating pharmacy.</p>														
<p>Claims Processing and Submission</p>	<p>For religiously affiliated organizations that have declined coverage for contraceptive services, devices and prescriptions, Independent Health has issued a separate Women’s Wellness ID card. This ID card has a <u>separate</u> member ID number for the female members.</p> <p>Facilities, physicians and providers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Submit claims using the member’s ID number that appears on the card labeled Women’s Wellness <p>Note: Services related to women’s preventive care, such as annual physicals, preventive screenings (mammograms, lab screenings, etc.) are covered by the female member’s health plan. Submit claims for these types of services using the member’s ID number that appears on her regular plan ID card.</p> <p>Pharmacists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Submit claims for covered contraceptive drugs and devices using the patient’s Plan ID number that appears on the card labeled “Women’s Wellness” • All other prescriptions should continue to be processed using the patient’s Plan ID number on her regular plan ID card • Patients with current prescriptions for contraceptive drugs that have refills remaining do not need a new prescription. • A prescription is required for all contraceptive drugs and devices, including covered over-the-counter items. 														
<p>Questions?</p>	<p>Provider Services: Call (716) 631-8071 or 800-862-4728, Mon. through Fri., 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.</p> <p>Pharmacies: Call 800-993-9898, Mon. through Fri. 8 a.m. to 11 p.m.; Sat. & Sun. 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. BIN # 004626</p> <p>Submit claims to: Independent Health, P.O. Box 9066, Buffalo, NY 14231</p>														