

Chapter 4: Member Identification Cards

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Chapter Summary

All members receive their own personal member identification (ID) card. Our New York City GHI PPO members are issued two ID cards, one from EmblemHealth and one from Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield (formerly known as Empire BlueCross BlueShield). Physical cards are mailed to members and are available virtually from the Member Management Eligibility look-up results in the [provider portal](#).

A member ID card does not guarantee eligibility or payment. Providers should [verify member eligibility](#) in the secure provider portal on emblemhealth.com/providers in addition to asking to see an ID card at each visit.

Cards show important health plan information, including the network the member may access, who is responsible for managing the member's care, where to submit claims and ER admission/newborn notifications, covered riders, and copayments. Diagrams in the "Sample ID Cards" section of this chapter show how to quickly locate key coverage details and contact information.

Member ID Numbers

EmblemHealth uses unique non-Social Security, number-based identification numbers. For most members, this will be an 11-digit alphanumeric member ID. The IDs start with the letter "K" followed by a unique 8-digit number (a "K-ID"). The final two digits distinguish the subscriber from each dependent (01, 02, 03, etc.). Effective January 1, 2021, EmblemHealth will issue Medicare subscribers' dependents new unique member IDs that are not derived from the Medicare subscriber's ID. Medicaid members receive a unique Medicaid Client Identification Number. This practice protects our members' confidentiality and deters identity theft and fraud.

Note: [GHI PPO members \(other than City of New York\) are migrating](#) upon plan renewal to our new claims platform through the end of 2020. You will know a member has been migrated when you see the K-ID.

Effective July 1, 2020, [GHI PPO City of New York members will use K-IDs](#). EmblemHealth ID cards will display the full 11 digits. Empire BCBS will adopt the same K-ID but will only use and display the first 9 digits on their member ID cards. City of New York members who are also eligible for Medicare benefits will have member ID cards issued to all family members individually in compliance with CMS regulations. Effective July 1, 2020, GHI PPO City of New York members will use K-IDs. EmblemHealth ID cards will display the full 11 digits. Empire BCBS will adopt the same K-ID but will only use and display the first 9 digits on their member ID cards. City of New York members who are also eligible for Medicare benefits will have member ID cards issued to all family members individually in compliance with CMS regulations.

Remember: Please submit preauthorization requests and claims using the member ID in effect on the date of service.

Sample ID Cards

This section shows generic examples of the ID cards you may see. The diagrams point out where to find key coverage details and contact information. Actual cards will be customized based on the member's policy.. The first section of card images shows the standard templates used for most members. The second section of card images shows the templates used for our City of New York members.

Key to Logos Used on Cards

Member ID cards may have logos for managing entities or extended networks that affect utilization management, claims submission, ER admission/newborn notification, member access to specific networks, and more. A key to these networks and entities appears below the Member ID diagrams.

SECTION 1: Standard Templates

This first two examples are the ID card templates used for most [2025 Summary of Companies, Lines of Business, Networks, and Benefit Plans](#) and [2024 Summary of Companies, Lines of Business, Networks & Benefit Plans](#). These are the most common designs you will see.

The third example is the ID card template used for Child Health Plus members. Child Health Plus members access the Prime Network.

Variations of the standard templates are used for the Bridge Program. See our [Bridge Program page](#) for sample ID cards and instructions on how to use them to identify program members and the administrative processes they follow.

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Plan name

Member name →  **VIP Reserve (HMO)
No Referral Required**

Member ID number → MEMBER: **Sample Member**
ID NUMBER: **KXXXXXXXX01**

Network name → Network: **VIP Reserve**

Copays → Copay: **PCP \$XX SPEC \$XX**
Urgent: \$XX ER \$XX

MedicareRx
Prescription Drug Coverage 

Rx BIN#: 400023
Rx PCN#: 0020050403
Rx GRP#: KHYA
CMS#: H5991-009

Comprehensive Dental

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Customer service phone number → Customer Service: **877-344-7364** (TTY: 711)
Behavioral Health: **888-447-2526**
Pharmacy: **877-444-7097**
Dental (Healthplex): **855-933-4033**
Vision (CPS-EyeMed): **844-790-3878**

emblemhealth.com/medicare

PROVIDERS: Use emblemhealth.com/providers to check eligibility, find network providers, and see all preauthorization requirements and UM programs.

Provider Service: **866-447-9717**

Claims address → Medical/Hospital Claims: EmblemHealth, PO Box 2845, New York, NY 10116-2845. Payor ID: 55247.
Behavioral Health Claims: Emblem Behavioral Health Services, PO Box 1850, Hicksville, NY 11802.

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EmblemHealth
EH Gold Premier HMO
No Referral Required
MEMBER: Sample Member
ID NUMBER: K1234567801
NETWORK: Select Care

Rx BIN#: 400023

PCN: 01071998

Formulary: 2161

Dental / Vision: Y

Copays: PCP \$XX (3 \$0 PCP Visits) SPEC \$XX

Urgent Care \$XX ER \$XXX

Rx \$XX / \$XX NF \$XX

In-Network

MOOP: \$XXXXX / \$XXXXX

Deductible: \$XXXXX / \$XXXXX

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MEMBERS AND PROVIDERS: Network providers must provide or arrange nonemergency care. Providers call 866-447-9717 to request prior approval of a hospital admission.

Customer Service: 888-447-7703 (TTY: 711)

Emblem Behavioral Health Services: 888-447-2526

EmblemHealth Pharmacy Services: 855-283-2150

24-Hour Nurse Advice Line: 877-444-7988

Dental (Healthplex): 855-932-3292

Vision (EyeMed): 877-324-6211

Behavioral Health claims to: Emblem Behavioral Health Services, PO Box 1850, Hicksville, NY 11802

All other claims to: EmblemHealth, PO Box 2845, New York, NY 10116-2845

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CHILD



Member name → MEMBER: **MEMBER NAME**

Member ID number → ID NUMBER: **K6000000001**

PCP name → PCP Name: **Not Selected** **PCP Phone: 800-447-8255**

Copays → Copay: **PCP \$0 SPEC \$0 ER \$0 Rx \$0**
 Dental: **\$0**
 BIN#: 400023



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MEMBERS AND PROVIDERS: Network providers must provide or arrange nonemergency care. Call **866-447-9717** to request prior approval and confirm eligibility.

Customer service phone number → Customer Service: **855-283-2146** (TTY: 711)
 Claims Questions: **866-447-9717**
 Emblem Behavioral Health Services: **888-447-2526**
 Dental (**Healthplex**): **855-910-2406**
 Vision (EyeMed): **877-324-2791**

Claims address → Emblem Health Customer Service, 55 Water St, New York, NY 10041
 Claims Submission, EmblemHealth, PO Box 2845, New York, NY 10116
 Behavioral Health claims to: Emblem Behavioral Health Services, PO Box 1850, Hicksville, NY 11802

Underwritten by Health Insurance Plan of Greater New York



Section 2: City of New York ID Card Templates

The next three images are examples of the ID cards used by City of New York members. City members with a GHI PPO plan are sent two ID cards – one from EmblemHealth and the other from Empire. Both companies use the same member ID number; however, Empire adds the prefix NYC and only uses the first 9 digits of the EmblemHealth ID #, example: NYC K10000000. Please be aware of this when switching between EmblemHealth and Empire systems.

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Member name
Member ID number

Plan name

EmblemHealth®

**THE CITY OF NEW YORK
HIP HMO BENEFITS PROGRAM**

MEMBER: **SAMPLENAME**
ID NUMBER: **00000000** Customer Service: **833-CNY-Gold**

Network: **Prime**
PCP Name: **Dr. Sample Card**
PCP Phone: **000-000-0000**
Copay: **PCP \$10 SPEC \$10 Urgent Care \$50 ER \$150 Rx N**
Rx BIN#: **400023**

ConnectiCare. 

Network name

PCP name

PCP phone

Copays

Managing Entity or
Extended Network

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Customer service
phone number

Claims address

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MEMBERS
Customer Service: **833-CNY-GOLD** (833-269-4653)
Behavioral Health Services: **888-447-2526**

PROVIDERS
Provider Services: **866-447-9717**
Behavioral Health claims: EmblemHealth Behavioral Health Services,
PO Box 1850, Hicksville, NY 11802
All other claims: emblemhealth.com

For TTY: **711**

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Network name

Member name

Member ID number

Copays

	 <p>THE CITY OF NEW YORK HEALTH BENEFITS PROGRAM</p>
<p>Sample Member ID: K0000000000 HEALTH PLAN: MEDICAL</p>	<p>NETWORK: GHI CBP</p>
<p>Preventive Care Copay: \$0 ACPNY* Copay: Other Providers Copay: Lab/Radiology Copay: \$20 Urgent Care Copay: \$50 Rx BIN#: 003858 Rx PCN: A4 RX Plan: Express Scripts</p> <p><small>*AdvantageCare Physicians</small></p>	<p>Preventive Care Rx Copay: \$0 PCP \$0 SPEC \$0 PCP \$15 SPEC \$30 MRI/CT Hi-Tech Radiology: \$50 Physical Therapy Copay: \$20 RxGRP: GH3A</p> <p>Underwritten by GHI</p>

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Customer service
phone number

Claims address

	<p>emblemhealth.com</p>
	<p>EmblemHealth Member Services: 212-501-4444 Express Scripts Customer Services: 877-534-3682</p> <p>Submit Medical Claims to: EmblemHealth (Payer ID No.13551) P.O. Box 3000, New York, NY 10116-3000 Emblem Behavioral Health Services: 888-447-2526 Behavioral Health claims to: Emblem Behavioral Health, PO Box 1850 Hicksville, NY 11802</p> <p>NYC Healthline Number: 800-521-9574 Call NYC Healthline for precertifications including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inpatient admissions • Within 48 hours of an emergency admission • Ambulatory surgery • Physical and speech therapy after the 16th visit <p>Full list of services requiring precertification available at emblemhealth.com/city</p> <p>Possession of this card does not guarantee payment.</p>
	

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Member name

Member ID number

Network name

Plan name

Copays

 An Anthem Company	
Sample Member Identification Number NYC K00000000	ER copay*: \$150 Hospital copay: \$300 per admission
The City of New York Health Benefits Program	Call NYC HEALTHLINE for hospital admissions and Empire member services for benefit information (see details on back).
Health Plan: Hospital BC Plan 754	
	

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Customer service
phone number

 An Anthem Company	www.empireblue.com/nyc
Possession of this card is not a guarantee of payment. Call Empire member services for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hospital benefit and claims information • Participating inpatient, ambulatory surgical, cardiac and physical rehab facilities Call NYC Healthline for precertifications, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inpatient admissions • Within 48 hours of an emergency admission • Ambulatory surgery • Physical and speech therapy after the 16th visit Full list of services requiring pre-certification available at www.empireblue.com/nyc	Empire Member Services: 1-800-433-9592 NYC Healthline 1-800-521-9574 (for precertification)
	*ER copay waived upon admission. Providers: Submit all claims to your local BlueCross and/or BlueShield Plan. When Medicare is primary, file claims with Medicare. Services provided by Empire HealthChoice Assurance, Inc., a licensee of the Blue Cross Blue Shield Association, an association of Independent Blue Cross and Blue Shield plans.
	

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Member name

Product name (see list)

Member ID number

Group number

Rx number

Coverage date

connecticare.com	
ConnectiCare	
Jonathan Q Sample	Product Name
ID#: 123456789	This is a high-deductible health plan.
Group#: 45678	Your benefit summary has information on deductibles, out-of-pocket limits and more.
Rx group: 9876	
Coverage effective: 2/2/16	

Managing Entity or Extended Network

ConnectiCare	EmblemHealth
Jonathan Q Sample	FlexPOS
ID#: 123456789	
Group#: 45678	
Rx group: 9876	
Coverage effective: 2/2/16	
PHCS Healthy Directions	
Coverage provided by ConnectiCare, an EmblemHealth company. Connecticare.com	

EXTENDED NETWORK

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Customer service
phone number

Claims address

Phone Numbers
 Member services: 860.674.5757 or 800.251.7722
 TTY users: 800.833.8134
 Mental health and substance abuse: 888.946.4658
 MDLIVE telemedicine: 888.995.0217

Find a Doctor: at [ConnectiCare.com](https://www.connecticare.com).

Send claims to:
 ConnectiCare, P.O. Box 546, Farmington, CT 06034-0546
 Payer number: 06105
 860.674.5850 or 800.828.3407

EmblemHealth Prime Network

This card is for identification only and does not guarantee eligibility.

Managing Entities

HealthCare Partners: The member is assigned to an HCP primary care physician. The managing entity is responsible for utilization management, claims processing, and ER admission/newborn notifications for assigned members. Members are exempt from many of our special utilization management programs. See program descriptions to determine if HPC's members are excluded.

SOMOS: The member is assigned to a SOMOS primary care physician. The managing entity is responsible for most utilization management, claims processing, and ER admission/newborn notifications for assigned members. SOMOS members, however, participate in EmblemHealth's special utilization management programs.

Extended Networks

Bridge Program: Members who have the [Bridge Program](#) on their member ID cards belong to fully insured large groups and self-funded employer groups for which EmblemHealth and ConnectiCare are providing administrative services and access to five of our commercial networks (EmblemHealth Insurance Company's (formerly HIPIC) Prime Network, EmblemHealth Plan Inc.'s (formerly GHI) National Network, ConnectiCare, Inc.'s Choice Network, QualCare Network, and First Health Network).

See our [Bridge Program page](#) for sample ID cards and instructions on how to use them.

ConnectiCare: Some members who access care through the EmblemHealth Prime Network may also access care through ConnectiCare in Connecticut. Similarly, some ConnectiCare members may access care through EmblemHealth's Prime Network. See the [Provider Networks and Member Benefit Plan chapter](#) for applicable plan.

First Health Network: A nationwide network for members to receive in-network coverage outside of the tristate area.

PHCS/MultiPlan: Members with access to EmblemHealth Plan, Inc.'s National Network have access to PHCS/MultiPlan outside of New York.

QualCare: Certain members with access to the Prime Network also have access to QualCare's network in New Jersey. See the [Provider Networks and Member Benefit Plan chapter](#) for applicable plans.
