



Summary of Benefit Changes starting January 1, 2019 for Standard Medicaid and Granite Advantage Health Care Program members

On January 1, 2019, Well Sense Health Plan began receiving members through the new Granite Advantage Health Care Program. Members who were in the New Hampshire Health Protection Program (NHHPP) were moved to Granite Advantage as of January 1, 2019. At that point, the NHHPP program ended.

Standard Medicaid and Granite Advantage members have the same benefits and limits.

Well Sense Benefit Changes, effective January 1, 2019

Well Sense standard policies, procedures and prior authorization requests apply.

Benefit/Service	Summary of Changes that were effective January 1, 2019
Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA) for Autism	Covered for members of both plans under age 21. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Available to all Medicaid members under age 21 under EPSDT. This benefit is managed by Beacon Health Strategies.
Chiropractic Services	Not a covered benefit for Standard and Granite Advantage members.
Adult Medical Day Care (ADMC)	Covered for all members age 18 and over. <i>Was previously only covered for NHHPP members age 19-20.</i>
Personal Care Attendants (PCA)	Covered for members age 18 and over if they are chronically wheelchair-only mobile and if they can self-direct. Coverage will be determined through Prior Authorization review. <i>Was previously only covered for NHHPP members age 19-20.</i>
Podiatry (routine)	No limits on the number of visits' limits for all Well Sense members. However, the benefit is limited to routine foot care such as trimming and burring, and prevention and reduction of corns, calluses, and warts by cutting or surgical means. Additionally, the benefit is covered for pathological conditions of the foot due to localized illness, injury, or symptoms involving the foot. <i>Previously we limited this benefit to 12 visits per Benefit Year for both Standard and NHHPP products. Additional visits may be requested and are subject to prior authorization.</i>
Podiatry (non-routine)	No limits on the number of visits for Well Sense members. Non-routine foot care includes casting, strapping, and taping for treatment of fractures, dislocations, sprains, strains, and open wounds of the ankle, foot, and toes. <i>Previously we limited this benefit to 4 visits per Benefit Year for both Standard and NHHPP products. Additional visits may be requested and are subject to prior authorization.</i>
Private Duty Nursing (PDN)	Covered for all Well Sense members. Prior authorization is required. <i>PDN was previously covered only for NHHPP members ages 19-20.</i>



Routine Eye Exams	Covered every 12 months for all Well Sense members. <i>Routine eye exams were previously limited to every 24 months for NHHPP members.</i>
Smoking Cessation	No change to benefit; all Well Sense members may have 18 visits per benefit year. (Exception: Limit does not apply to pregnant members.)
TMJ medical services only	Covered for all Well Sense members. <i>Previously not covered for NHHPP members.</i>

Status of DHHS Covered WRAP Benefits as of January 1, 2019

State WRAP Benefits	Status of Benefit as of January 1, 2019
Early Intervention <i>(now Early Supports and Services for Infants and Children Aged Birth to 3 Years)</i>	Remains a DHHS-covered benefit. Therefore, this will not be covered by Well Sense.
Dental Services: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Including routine, non-routine, and emergency care, oral surgery, and orthodontia for members under 21. Limited to the treatment of acute pain or infections for members aged 21 years and over 	Remains a DHHS-covered benefit. Therefore, this will not be covered by Well Sense. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Well Sense covers only the facility and ancillary services associated with these services. Well Sense also covers nurse anesthetist services in a dentist office when authorized by DHHS.
Glencliff Home Services	Remains a DHHS-covered benefit. Therefore, this will not be covered by Well Sense.
Hepatitis C and Hemophilia drugs (when billed as a pharmacy claim), and prescription (drugs Carbaglu® and Ravicti® when billed through a pharmacy	Remains a DHHS-covered benefit. Therefore, this will not be covered by Well Sense.
Intermediate care facility services (includes nursing homes and acute care swing beds)	Remains a DHHS-covered benefit. Therefore, this will not be covered by Well Sense.
School-based services (Medicaid to school services)	Remains a DHHS-covered benefit. Therefore, this will not be covered by Well Sense.
Skilled nursing facility services (includes nursing home and nursing facility services)	Remains a DHHS-covered benefit. Therefore, this will not be covered by Well Sense.

Changes to Benefit Limits as of January 1, 2019

When the Granite Advantage program began on January 1, 2019, we reset our benefit accumulator, and will do so again on July 1 and every July 1 thereafter as required by law. The following benefits will be reset:

- Routine Eye Exams**- Every 12 months
- Wheelchair Van**- 24 visits per benefit year, the limit may only be overridden with Prior Authorization.



- **Physical and Occupational Therapy and Habilitation**- 20 visits per benefit year. One visit per day regardless of length of time/number of 15 minute units. The limit may only be overridden with Prior Authorization approval.
- **Speech Therapy** -20 visits per benefit year. One visit per day regardless of length of time/number of 15 minute units. The limit may only be overridden with Prior Authorization approval.

For example, if members received a routine eye exam in December 2018, they would have been eligible for another in January 2019, and then another in July 2019. They would be eligible for one every July thereafter.

Eligibility of Granite Advantage members for Home and Community Based (HCBS) Waivered Programs

As of January 1, 2019, Granite Advantage members became eligible for services under the following HCBS waiver programs. NHHPP members previously were not eligible for these programs. The same eligibility criteria apply to both Granite Advantage members and Standard members for these programs.

- Acquired Brain Disorder Waiver Services
- Choices for Independence Waiver Services
- DCYF (Division of Child, Youth and Families) Related Services
- Developmentally Disabled Waivered Services
- In Home Supports Waiver Services
- Home and Community-based Waivered Services