



## BlueCross BlueShield of Montana

### Third-Party Premium Payments

The BCBSMT Medical Provider Manual has been updated to include the following language in Chapter 13, Page 12:

#### Premium Payments for Individual Qualified Health Plans (QHP) on the Health Insurance Exchange (HIE)

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**Scope**

This policy applies to the following network:

- Montana HealthLink (PPO) – includes HealthLink PPO network with the traditional provider network wrapped around it for BlueCard purposes
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**Purpose**

The purpose of this policy is to document that the premium payments for individual QHP are a personal expense to be paid for directly by individual and family plan subscribers.

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**Policy**

In compliance with Federal guidance, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Montana will accept third-party payment for premium directly from the following entities:

(1) the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program under title XXVI of the Public Health Service Act; (2) Indian tribes, tribal organizations or urban Indian organizations; and (3) state and federal Government programs.

BCBSMT may choose, in its sole discretion, to allow payments from not-for-profit foundations, provided those foundations meet nondiscrimination requirements and pay premiums for the full policy year for each of the Covered Persons at issue. Except as otherwise provided above, third-party entities, including hospitals and other health care providers, shall not pay BCBSMT directly for any or all of an enrollee's premium.

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