

# **2021 Benefit Guide**

## **CVT Preferred Provider Organization (PPO) Plans with Blue Shield of California and CVS Caremark**



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# **Learn about California's Valued Trust PPO Plan with Blue Shield of California, PhysMetrics and CVS Caremark™**

## **California's Valued Trust**

As one of California's largest self-funded public school trusts, California's Valued Trust (CVT) specializes in healthcare benefits for the education community. CVT is a leading healthcare benefits provider to more than 160,000 members, representing approximately 235 K-14 school districts, community colleges and county office of education offices throughout the state.

California's Valued Trust was established in 1984 by district superintendents and labor representatives of the California Teachers Association and the California School Employees Association. The purpose is to pool resources so that all districts have access to quality benefits and cost savings. CVT is a not-for-profit trust governed by a 12-member board of trustees and is composed equally of labor and management representatives.

CVT is committed to leveraging the latest technologies, partnering with the industry's leading carriers, and implementing creative and thoughtful program enhancements to control costs while simplifying our members' healthcare experience.

## Your Key CVT PPO Partners



**Blue Shield of California** – Provides members access to the Blue Shield of California PPO network of providers, eligibility and benefit information, claim history, Explanation of Benefits (EOB), cost estimator tools, condition management programs and a variety of health and wellness resources



**PhysMetrics** – Provides members access to physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, chiropractic and acupuncture network of providers



**CVS Caremark™** – Members receive their prescription drugs through the CVS Caremark network of providers and mail order



**AccordantCare™** – Support for members with rare, complex health conditions



**Beacon Health Options®** – Employee Assistance Program (EAP)



**Consumer Medical®** – Free, expert medical guidance for any condition — anywhere along your medical journey



**MDLIVE®** – 24/7/365 access to board-certified doctors, dermatologists, pediatricians, licensed therapists and psychiatrists



**TruHearing®** – TruHearing Select discount hearing aid program

## CVT Partnerships

CVT provides the best-of-the-best in healthcare. Being a member of CVT brings you many different partners who are leading carriers in the healthcare industry. By doing so, CVT is able to provide members the best products and services available at the most affordable prices. Multiple health and welfare benefits are available from CVT to meet the needs of our subscribers. As a result, you may see many different products and provider names associated with your benefits, but it's important to note they are your partners through CVT.



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## About this Publication

The 2021 Benefit Guide provides valuable information to help you better understand the health plan and healthcare providers available to you and your family. The guide provides a general overview of certain benefits—it does not include details of all covered expenses or exclusions and limitations.

In addition, an outline of your coverage and benefits called a Summary of Benefits and Coverage (SBC), as required by the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, is available at [cvtrust.org/sbc/blue-shield](https://cvtrust.org/sbc/blue-shield).

Information contained in this guide is effective from **January 1, 2021 to September 30, 2021**.

For additional information about your benefits, required forms and resources available to you, visit the California's Valued Trust website, [cvtrust.org](https://cvtrust.org).

### You Will Find Important Information such as:

- Notice of Privacy Practices
- COBRA Notice
- Summary Plan Documents (SPD)
- Active Employee Eligibility Policy Overview
- CVT member newsletters, useful forms and contact information
- Health education and decision-making tools – health benefit calculator, definitions, etc.

## 2021 Benefit Highlights

### MDLIVE \$0 Copays for CVT Members

CVT partnered with MDLIVE in 2013 to provide around the clock, on demand access to a network of therapists, psychiatrists and board-certified doctors who can diagnose, recommend treatment and prescribe medication (if appropriate).

CVT is pleased to say that copayments are waived for MDLIVE services for PPO plans. This includes medical, dermatology and behavioral health consultations. HDHP plans will continue to pay according to deductible and coinsurance.

Save time and money by using MDLIVE with mobile app, video or phone—day or night. Call **(888) 632-2738** or register at [mdlive.com/cvt](https://mdlive.com/cvt).

### Use MyCVT as Your One-Stop-Shop Resource

MyCVT, CVT's member online portal, provides you access to your personal plan benefits and other valuable resources. New enhancements are continually being made and most recently a new feature called Single Sign-On (SSO) has been added. With SSO, members can conveniently connect directly to most CVT benefit partners without having to sign into multiple sites. Don't forget, you can also print your ID card (non-Medicare only), view personal CVT plan information, dependent coverage and other valuable information anytime; from home or any place where you have Internet access. Visit MyCVT for your one stop shop directly to your benefits, day or night, at [mycvt.cvtrust.org](https://mycvt.cvtrust.org).

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# About the CVT PPO Plan

The CVT Preferred Provider Organization (PPO) plan lets you access providers through the Blue Shield of California and PhysMetrics PPO networks. This plan gives you the freedom to select any doctor and hospital inside or outside the plan's network.

**Important!** Your out-of-pocket costs will be lower by choosing a provider in your network. If your doctor is not part of the Blue Shield and PhysMetrics networks, you will have to pay more for each service.

## Blue Shield of California

### Connect — Member Services

CVT members get an integrated, holistic and personalized experience based on their personal needs when they connect with Blue Shield. Blue Shield team members can help with:

- Finding a doctor
- Managing a chronic or acute health condition
- Understand their plan benefits
- Coordinate with CVT plan programs
- Answer questions about doctor's instructions

Blue Shield Connect team members are available Monday–Friday, 5AM to 8PM, at **(888) 499-5532**.

### Creating a Blue Shield Account

Make sure to register for your online account at **blueshieldca.com/register**. You'll need your Blue Shield member ID card number handy and a current email address. Once you log in to your online account, you will be able to find a doctor. If you need assistance, visit **blueshieldca.com/contact** or technical support.

## Finding a Blue Shield PPO Network Provider

### To search for a network provider in California:

- Go to **blueshieldca.com/networkppo**.
- Select the type of provider that you need.
- Enter your City, State or ZIP code and click *Continue*.

### To search for a network provider outside of California:

1. Go to **provider.bcbs.com**.
2. Enter your location.
3. Enter XEA, the first three letters of your ID number.
4. Search by category.
5. Click on the magnifying glass.

If you do not have access to the internet or need help, contact **Connect—Member Services** at **(888) 499-5532**, Monday–Friday, 5AM to 8PM.

## PhysMetrics

Blue Shield of California PPO members receive their physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, chiropractic and acupuncture coverage through PhysMetrics. PhysMetrics is a team of experienced physical medicine benefit administrators specializing in school districts throughout California.

### Finding a PhysMetrics PPO Network Provider

To search for a network provider:

- Go to **cvt.physmetrics.com**.
- Select *Click here to search for a contracted provider* under the Benefits heading.

For more information or questions regarding coverage, contact PhysMetrics at **(877) 519-8839** or visit **cvt.physmetrics.com**.

## Blue Shield Plan Highlights

**Preventive Care** – Provides access to services defined as routine preventive care at no additional charge and without having to pay a copayment or meet the plan's deductible. You can download a list of recommended screenings and immunizations by going to **blueshieldca.com/preventive**.

**Specialty Care** – You can access care through a specialist without a referral from your primary care physician.

**Urgent Care** – Save time and money by going to an urgent care center instead of the emergency room. To find an urgent care center near you, please follow the steps in the *Finding a Blue Shield PPO Network Provider* section.

**Emergency Care** – You're covered for emergency care around the world whether or not the provider is in your plan's network.

**Accessing Care Away from Home** – Through the BlueCard Program®, you have access to care across the United States, and urgent and emergency care worldwide. You can receive services from any provider, however, using a provider in the BlueCard network may save you money and eliminate the need for you to pay for services up front. For complete information on covered services while traveling, please see your plan's benefit booklet.

**Coordination of Benefits** – If you have other benefit coverage in addition to your CVT plan, it is important to provide that insurance information to CVT as well as any medical provider, so that claims are paid correctly for you and your dependents. Contact the claims administrator of your secondary insurance for specific details regarding coordination of benefits.



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# CVS Caremark™

## Prescription Drug Coverage

California's Valued Trust (CVT) and our prescription benefit provider, CVS Caremark, provide prescription drug benefits for plan participants and their eligible dependent(s) enrolled in either a CVT High Deductible Health Plan (HDHP) or a Preferred Provider Organization (PPO) Plan. A combination medical and pharmacy identification card (ID) is mailed to new plan participants by CVS Caremark upon enrollment.

## Maximize Your Prescription Benefits

### Prescription Access

**Excellent Retail Coverage** – Designed to provide maximum geographic coverage, CVS Caremark's comprehensive national network contains most drug store chains and other large retail merchandisers, grocery chains and independent pharmacies, providing broad national coverage and excellent access throughout the United States, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. Your prescription should be filled at a CVS Caremark participating retail pharmacy. For a complete pharmacy listing in your area please visit [caremark.com](https://www.caremark.com) or call **CVS Caremark** at **(888) 354-6390**.

**Convenient Mail Order** – Getting started with mail order is quick and easy by contacting the **FastStart Program** at **(800) 875-0867**. A representative will contact your physician for your mail order prescriptions; all you need to provide is your ID number, mailing address, drug name, physician name and phone number. Mail order service provides the convenience of free standard shipping to your home. As an alternative to traditional mail order, CVT participates in CVS Caremark's Maintenance Choice program.

**Maintenance Choice Program** – Maintenance Choice offers you choices and savings when it comes to filling long-term prescriptions. A long-term medication is taken regularly for chronic conditions or long-term therapy. Plan participants and their families must choose to receive 90-day supplies of their long-term medications either by mail through CVS Caremark Mail Service Pharmacy or to pick them up at a CVS Pharmacy near them. Either way, the copay remains the same for both services and will be a 90-day supply which translates to a savings of one retail copay.

### Drug Coverage Overview

CVT works closely with CVS Caremark to manage the prescription drug benefit programs to combat rising costs for all plan participants. The CVS Caremark pharmacy staff continually reviews drugs, products and prices on behalf of CVT.

The following is a list of pharmacy programs designed to ensure you receive clinically-appropriate medications at the best cost:

**Prior Authorizations (PA)** – In order for some prescription medications to be covered as a part of your benefit, a Prior Authorization (PA) evaluation will be conducted to determine if the medications' prescribed use meets defined clinical criteria. Through this process, your doctor and CVS Caremark pharmacists will work together to ensure that the drug you are prescribed is the most appropriate for your condition. The **CVS Caremark Prior Authorization** number is **(800) 294-5979**.

**Saving with Generics** – Just because medicine costs more doesn't mean it is more effective. Many lower-cost medicines like generics provide great health benefits while saving you money. Today, approximately 83% of all prescription drugs dispensed for CVT plan participants are in generic form. FDA approved generic medicines are often just as effective in treating your disease. To gain FDA approval, generic drugs must meet rigorous standards for safety, purity, strength and quality.

**Generic versus Brand Drugs** – For any brand drug with a generic equivalent available, the pharmacy will dispense the generic. The physician or plan participant can request the branded version be dispensed, BUT the participant will pay the generic copay plus the cost difference between the brand and generic.

**Generic Step Therapy** – Generic Step Therapy is designed to help encourage evidence-based utilization of generics and low net cost brands in key therapeutic classes. As part of the program, you may be required to use generic alternative(s) prior to obtaining a branded drug in certain therapeutic classes.

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## Pharmacy Programs

**Specialty Pharmacy** – CVS Caremark and its affiliates provide clinical management and distribution of injectable, biotech and other specialty drugs from their network of 43 specialty pharmacies throughout the United States and Puerto Rico. The Specialty program offers individuals personalized pharmacy care management and is assigned a pharmacist-led CareTeam who effectively manages your condition. This program must be used to fill your specialty medications. For **Specialty Services/Admissions** please call **(800) 237-2767**.

**Specialty Drug Cost Effectiveness Program** – Managing specialty pharmacy trend is a priority for CVS Caremark and CVT as specialty medications continue to be a major cost driver for plans. New to market specialty medications are a key factor in the increased trend. When a specialty medication is launched the price is set by the manufacturer based on the manufacturer's perception of value. That price may not reflect the effectiveness of the medication causing the plan to pay an inflated price for the clinical value the member receives.

This program evaluates specialty medications new to the market to assess a drug's clinical benefit relative to its cost. Drugs determined to exceed the cost-effectiveness threshold will not be covered by the plan benefit and ensures only effective medications are covered.

**Quantity Limits** – Quantity limits are defined as the maximum number of tablets, capsules or units (i.e. injections or nasal spray bottles) covered by the plan per copayment or coinsurance amount. For more information on managed drug limitations, please call **CVS Caremark Customer Service** at **(888) 354-6390**.

## More Plan Features

**Insulin, disposable needles, syringes, lancets and test strips** are available through your CVS Caremark prescription plan. Glucometers are not a covered item under the CVS Caremark prescription plan, however, CVS Caremark does offer the **DiabeticMeter Program**. This program offers a new, free meter every two years to eligible members—just call **(800) 588-4456** to receive your free meter.

**Reduced Pharmacy Copayments** – A PPO participant, spouse or domestic partner may be eligible for reduced pharmacy copayments for certain condition-related prescriptions when enrolled or engaged with a nurse in an approved health management program. Connect is for participants with certain common chronic conditions (e.g. Asthma or Diabetes) and the Accordant Health Management program is designed for certain rare conditions (e.g. HIV and Lupus). For more information, confirm eligibility and enrollment, contact **Connect-Member Services** at **(888) 499-5532** or **AccordantCare** at **(800) 948-2497**.

**Condition Alerts** – CVS Caremark is working with ActiveHealth to help you and your doctor make more informed decisions on your healthcare by making suggestions such as a different medicine, test or treatment. These are called Care Considerations. This service is provided at no cost to you. Your medical, pharmacy and lab information is checked against best practices to determine if there is a Care Consideration you and your doctor should consider. Your privacy is important to both CVS Caremark and ActiveHealth. Be assured—all of your healthcare information is kept confidential.

**Spouse or Other Dependent Coverage** – If your spouse or other dependent has prescription drug coverage under his/her own CVT group number or from another carrier, that coverage must be used first for those individuals that have this as the primary coverage. Any balances should be submitted to CVS Caremark for consideration of payment.



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## Stay Connected to Your Prescription Benefits

Log on to the CVS Caremark mobile site at [caremark.com](https://www.caremark.com) or through your Apple® or Android™ mobile app for real-time, secure access to your prescriptions and pharmacy information:

- Request mail service prescriptions
- Request a new prescription with FastStart®
- Check your order status
- Check your drug coverage
- Check drug costs and see lower-cost options with Check Drug Cost Tool
- Find pharmacies in your network
- View your prescription history

The CVS Caremark website requires that you register on the site before you can use their search pharmacies tool. This means a CVT member will need to have received their card prior to registering online at [caremark.com](https://www.caremark.com).

This is a summary only. Please refer to the Benefit Booklet for Prescription Benefits located at [cvtrust.org/plan-documents](https://www.cvtrust.org/plan-documents) for additional information.

## Medicare Pharmacy Coverage

For CVT members enrolled in Medicare, you are enrolled in SilverScript Employer PDP sponsored by California's Valued Trust (SilverScript) for prescription drug coverage. SilverScript is a Medicare Part D prescription drug plan with additional coverage provided by CVT. It is administered by SilverScript® Insurance Company and is affiliated with CVS Caremark. It is important to remember that you cannot enroll in another Medicare Part D Plan. If you enroll in another Medicare Part D Plan, you will be disenrolled from this plan and you will lose your CVT medical and prescription drug coverage.

Call **SilverScript Customer Care** at **(888) 620-1756** for more information. Check your materials from SilverScript for your plan details or visit [cvtrust.org/resources/silverscript](https://www.cvtrust.org/resources/silverscript) for more information.

## CVT ValuRx Prescription Plan Coverage

The CVT ValuRx Prescription Plan is distinctive from CVT's other prescription plans in that it is heavily geared towards generic medications as a means to drive savings and offer groups real consumer choice. The plan includes the prescription features highlighted above with the following differences.

**Proximity Network** – Designed to save money for you and your plan while maintaining access for all, the pharmacies where you can fill your prescriptions have certain restrictions. If you live within 5 miles\* of a CVS Pharmacy, you must use CVS Pharmacy or Caremark Mail Service for all maintenance and non-maintenance prescriptions to avoid paying the full cost of your medication. CVS Pharmacy has over 9,600 stores nationwide, including those located inside Target stores.

If you do not live within 5 miles\* of CVS Pharmacy, you will continue to have access to the national network of pharmacies, including most large drug store and grocery chains, along with many independent pharmacies.

For a complete pharmacy listing in your area, please visit [caremark.com](https://www.caremark.com) or call **CVS Caremark** at **(888) 354-6390**.

\*Note: Proximity to CVS Pharmacy is based on member's home zip code and geographical mileage, not driving directions.

**Value Formulary** – Value Formulary is a clinically comprehensive formulary covering all disease states. It is a two-tier benefit plan that primarily covers generic medications and the most clinically effective brands as determined through robust clinical evidence. In addition to changes to the medications covered, this plan may also have prior authorizations, quantity limits and/or step therapy requirements that differ from the standard formulary options.

Lifestyle medications such as those used for erectile dysfunction, anti-obesity and cosmetic agents are covered at 100% member cost share. Infertility medications are excluded from this prescription plan coverage.

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## Programs and Services

CVT is dedicated to providing up-to-date healthcare information and services in addition to its comprehensive plan benefits. Our health programs are designed to improve the overall health of our participants. We provide a wide range of resources to promote a better quality of life for you and your family, including:

### AccordantCare™ Health Management Program

AccordantCare is a care management program that offers 24-hour support from a nurse who specializes in providing the support described below for covered conditions. It is open to covered plan members and their dependents who have certain chronic, complex or rare conditions (listed below).

Covered conditions:

- Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS)
- Chronic Inflammatory Demyelinating Polyradiculoneuropathy (CIPD)
- Crohn's Disease – Cystic Fibrosis
- Chronic Kidney Disease (Stage IV and V non-dialysis)
- Dermatomyositis
- Epilepsy (Seizures)
- Gaucher's Disease
- Hemophilia
- Hereditary Angioedema
- Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)
- Multiple Sclerosis
- Myasthenia Gravis
- Parkinson's Disease
- Polymyositis
- Rheumatoid Arthritis
- Scleroderma
- Sickle Cell Disease
- Systemic Lupus Erythematosus (SLE or Lupus)
- Ulcerative Colitis

By phone or through a secure online messaging portal, AccordantCare nurses provide education, answer questions, help patients set and achieve goals, and advise on lifestyle changes that can improve health. Nurses also serve as healthcare advocates, working with the member's doctor and entire healthcare team.

To learn more and find out if you're eligible, visit [accordant.com](https://accordant.com) or call **(800) 948-2497**.

### Beacon Health Options Employee Assistance Program (EAP)

The Beacon Health Options EAP is provided at no cost to all CVT subscribers with medical coverage. Employees and their family members can receive free, confidential assistance to help manage daily stresses, develop fulfilling relationships and work on personal and professional goals.

The benefits of the EAP include:

- **Counseling Services** – Talk one-on-one with an experienced, licensed counselor for support with stress management, strengthening relationships, work/life balance, grief and loss, and more. You can access a counselor face-to-face, online or by phone —whichever is most convenient for you. As with all EAP services, your conversation will be strictly confidential.
- **Legal Services** – Legal support for divorce, landlord and tenant issues, real estate transactions, wills and power of attorney, identity theft recovery and more.
- **Financial Services** – Talk to a financial coach for guidance on saving for college, debt consolidation, mortgage issues, estate planning, general tax questions, retirement planning and family budgeting.

**Online Resources** – The Achieve Solutions website [achievesolutions.net/cvt](https://achievesolutions.net/cvt) can assist in making informed decisions on your health and wellbeing and can connect you to supportive services. There are over 3,000 topical articles, self-assessments and trainings, videos, webinars, audio files and information on providers and community resources available to you. You can also request a Beacon clinically trained professional to contact you for added guidance or assistance via this website.

Call for confidential support or information any time, day or night at **(877) 397-1032** to be connected to an EAP counselor. Members must call Beacon Health Options for a referral and authorization prior to receiving services. Claims will not be paid without an authorization.

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## Blue Shield of California Wellness Discount Programs

Blue Shield offers a wide range of discount programs to help you save money and get healthier. These include discounts for:

- Fitness and exercise
- Acupuncture, chiropractic services, massage therapy and more
- Eye exams, frames, contact lenses and LASIK surgery

To find the discounts that are available to you, visit [blueshieldca.com/wellnessdiscounts](https://blueshieldca.com/wellnessdiscounts).

## Blue Shield of California Fitness Your Way™

Fitness Your Way gives you access to more than 800 participating network fitness centers in California and more than 10,000 nationwide for just \$25 per month.\* This program is available through Tivity Health.® Visit [fitnessyourway.tivityhealth.com/bsc](https://fitnessyourway.tivityhealth.com/bsc) for more information.

\*Taxes may apply. Individuals must be at least 18 years old to purchase a membership.

## Blue Shield of California Wellvolution®

Wellvolution is your all-new digital platform for health and wellbeing. It offers apps and programs to help you achieve your health goals at no extra cost. You choose the areas to focus on:

- **Prevent and reverse disease** – Prevent diabetes and reverse cardiovascular disease and other conditions.
- **Eat better** – Get help with meal planning, use nutritional calculators and lose weight.
- **Exercise more** – Get support with movement tracking, workout routines and coaching.
- **Manage stress** – Meditate, practice mindfulness and more.
- **Sleep better** – Track sleep patterns and enjoy relaxation exercises for better rest.
- **Quit smoking** – Get the support you need to stop smoking with nicotine replacement therapy and other methods.

Get started and visit [blueshieldca.com/wellvolution](https://blueshieldca.com/wellvolution).

## Blue Shield of California's Treatment Cost Estimator Tool

The Treatment Cost Estimator tool can help you have more control over your healthcare costs. You and your family can compare costs for more than 1,600 procedures and treatments between different hospitals and surgical centers. Plus, you can get an idea of how long your treatment time will be. Access the Treatment Cost Estimator tool in your online account.

These discount program services are not a covered benefit of Blue Shield health plans, and none of the terms or conditions of Blue Shield health plans apply.

## ConsumerMedical®

As active members or non-Medicare retirees, you and your eligible dependents have access to ConsumerMedical for free, confidential, one-on-one support for any medical condition. ConsumerMedical provides information to help you better understand your diagnosis and treatment options. You will have access to books, videos and articles that are catered to your medical needs, all hand-selected by a dedicated team of doctors, nurses and other healthcare professionals. ConsumerMedical also offers recommendations for the best local, in-network doctors and hospitals and can help you get a second opinion when you need one.

If your doctor has recommended surgery (knee or hip replacement, weight loss surgery, lower back surgery or hysterectomy), you could receive a **\$400 prepaid card** for participating in ConsumerMedical's Surgery Decision Support program. To be eligible for the prepaid card, start the program at least 30 days before your scheduled surgery and complete a survey at the end.

For more information please call **ConsumerMedical** at **(888) 361-3944** or visit [myconsumermedical.com](https://myconsumermedical.com) and enter the company code **CVT**.

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## Fit for Life Wellbeing Program



Fit for Life is a CVT initiative designed to help districts and members achieve healthier lifestyles. Promoting wellbeing is at the forefront of our program offerings in providing quality health benefits to our districts and members.

CVT, in partnership with our vendors, provides health and wellness services including district-wide, on-site biometric health screenings, flu shot clinics and seminars on various topics ranging from stress management to financial strategies. These events provide members with valuable medical information, promote healthy lifestyles, work-life balance and offer preventive education to members who want to continue improving their health.

Fit for Life also provides wellbeing grants and supports wellbeing champions and their efforts at CVT districts. Wellbeing grants are available to support activities including blood pressure self-monitoring stations, fitness walking challenges, healthy eating or relaxation activities and more. Wellbeing champions are nominated by district leaders to promote and encourage participation in Fit for Life offerings in addition to organizing wellbeing activities at their districts for the goal of building cultures of wellness at their districts.

Visit [cvtrust.org/fit-for-life](http://cvtrust.org/fit-for-life) for more information or contact CVT Member Services at **(800) 288-9870** to learn more about program offerings for you and your school district.

### MDLIVE®

As a PPO plan member, you can use MDLIVE for around-the-clock, on-demand access to a national network of board-certified doctors, dermatologists and pediatricians who can diagnose, recommend treatment and prescribe medication (if appropriate). With MDLIVE, you can speak to a doctor anytime, anywhere through secure video or phone.

You can turn to MDLIVE if you are considering the emergency room or urgent care for non-emergency issues when your primary care physician is not available. MDLIVE can help you when you're at home, at work or on-the-go.

You can also turn to MDLIVE for teledermatology assistance. This service gives members access to the largest national network of leading, board-certified dermatologists. Members receive a full consultation, complete with a diagnosis, personalized treatment plan and appropriate prescriptions. Dermatologists can diagnose and treat more than 3,000 skin, hair and nail conditions online including: acne, rashes, eczema, suspicious spots and moles, warts and other abnormal bumps, rosacea, psoriasis, alopecia, insect bites, cold sores and more.

Non-Medicare members can use MDLIVE for Behavioral Health services. We all have rough patches. It's just part of living. Managing stress or life changes can be overwhelming, but it's easier than ever to get help right in the comfort of your own home. Behavioral Health services provide access to caring, compassionate counselors and psychiatrists. These services can help address depression, anxiety, life transitions, trauma and loss, substance use, relationships and more.

There is no fee for PPO members and HDHP members are subject to their deductible/coinsurance for any of the valuable consultations MDLIVE provides. That means PPO members can access medical, dermatology and behavioral health visits for no charge.

Start today by calling **(888) 632-2738** or registering at [mdlive.com/cvt](http://mdlive.com/cvt). The MDLIVE App is now available at [mdlive.com/getapp](http://mdlive.com/getapp) for iPhone and Android OS.

### Shop4Care

To assist members with price variability and choosing the least expensive site of care for certain shoppable procedures, a new consumer awareness and educational program called Shop4Care has been created with details available at [cvtrust.org/shop4care](http://cvtrust.org/shop4care).

### Solera4Me Program

Solera4Me is a lifestyle change program that can help you lose weight, adopt healthy habits and reduce your risk of developing type 2 diabetes. The program meets weekly for 16 weeks and then monthly for the balance of a year, and is available at no charge to members who qualify.

Solera4Me helps participants make modest, incremental changes that can have a big impact on their health.

Programs Include:

- A focus on making healthier food choices and increasing activity levels
- Weekly sessions
- Interactions with a lifestyle coach
- Tools like a wireless scale or activity tracker

Find out if you qualify by visiting [solera4me.com/cvt](http://solera4me.com/cvt) and taking a 1-minute quiz. Want to speak to someone directly? Contact **Solera** at **(877) 486-0141**.

## TruHearing® Select Discount Hearing Aid Program

Good hearing helps you stay connected and involved in the moments that matter most. That's why California's Valued Trust (CVT) offers you a hearing aid program through TruHearing. Hearing aids can be expensive — an average of \$2,700 per aid<sup>1</sup> — but the TruHearing program lowers your out-of-pocket cost on hearing aids to fees of \$699 per aid for TruHearing Advanced or \$999 per aid for TruHearing Premium hearing aids. Program Details include:

- State-of-the-art technology
  - Enjoy natural, lifelike sound in virtually all listening situations
  - Hear speech clearly, even in noisy environments
  - Stream audio and phone calls directly to your ears from your smartphone<sup>2</sup>
  - Own Voice Processing (OVP®) recognizes your voice and makes it sound more natural
  - Device sensors automatically adjust for a natural sound, even while you're moving
- Personalized Care
  - Guidance and assistance from a TruHearing consultant
  - Local, professional care from an accredited provider in your area
  - An annual hearing exam for a \$45 fee plus three follow-up visits for fitting and adjustments
- Help Along Your Way
  - A worry-free purchase with a 45-day trial and 3-year warranty
  - 48 free batteries per aid included with non-rechargeable models
  - Rechargeable style options available with the purchase of a TruHearing Premium hearing aid for an additional \$50 fee per aid<sup>3</sup>
  - Guides to help you adapt to your new hearing aids

All exams and hearing aid purchases must be made through TruHearing.

To learn more or set up an appointment with a provider near you, contact a TruHearing Consultant at **(844) 300-0134** or go to **Truhearing.com/select**.

<sup>1</sup>Based on a 2018 third-party survey of nationwide provider and manufacturer retail pricing.

<sup>2</sup>Smartphone compatible hearing aids connect directly to iPhone®, iPad®, and iPod® Touch devices. Connectivity also available to many Android® phones with use of an accessory. TV streaming available through most TVs with use of an accessory.

<sup>3</sup>Rechargeable features may not be available in all models and styles. Rechargeable battery option available on the TruHearing Premium RIC Li, Slim RIC Li, Standard BTE Li, and CROS Li rechargeable styles. Additional fee for rechargeability is \$75 per hearing aid between 10/1/2020 and 12/31/2020. Slim RIC Li only available with rechargeable upgrade.



## Manage your Benefits with MyCVT.com

MyCVT is your online member benefit website, available to active and district-paid retirees, which provides a convenient way to manage your benefits. MyCVT provides on-demand information about your coverage, enrollment status, eligibility and links to CVT vendor partners through a single online service. The website is password-protected, secure and confidential.

You can print your ID card (non-Medicare only), view personal CVT plan information, dependent coverage and other valuable information anytime, from home or any place where you have internet access. Use MyCVT to make your benefit elections, update your personal information and link directly to CVT's vendor partners.

### Creating a MyCVT Account

Before you can use the online website, it is necessary to create an account on MyCVT. To set up your account directly from your computer, go to **mycv.t.vtrust.org**. The process is simple and easy to follow. If you need additional assistance, go to **cvtrust.org/mycv** for a copy of MyCVT Quick Start Guide or visit the CVT YouTube channel at **youtube.com/cvtinfo**.

Questions? Contact CVT Member Services at **(800) 288-9870**.



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# Membership Information

## Enrollment Period

Each year, an annual open enrollment period allows you to make new benefit elections for the following plan year. Once you make your benefit elections, you cannot change plans until the next year's open enrollment period. However, you may add or remove a dependent anytime if you experience a qualifying event. Examples of qualifying events include, but are not limited to the following:

- Marriage or divorce
- Birth or adoption of a child
- Death of a spouse or child
- A change in your dependent's eligibility status
- Loss of coverage from another health plan

## Enrolling Dependents

If you are planning to enroll a dependent in your plan, you must provide CVT with certain documents. These include county marriage license, birth certificate, court adoption papers, court-ordered legal guardianship papers and state registration for domestic partnerships.

If you are unable to locate these certificates, please order them now at:

- [usbirthcertificate.net](http://usbirthcertificate.net)
- [vitalcheck.com](http://vitalcheck.com)
- [sos.ca.gov/dpregistry](http://sos.ca.gov/dpregistry)

## Change of Address

To ensure the receipt of important documents regarding your benefits, please contact your district office and provide your updated contact information. The district office will then forward the changes to the CVT office. In addition to informing the district, you may send your changes in writing to our office by mail, fax or email to [changeofaddress@cvtrust.org](mailto:changeofaddress@cvtrust.org). Please include your name, ID number, new address, phone number (if applicable) and signature of the subscriber.

## CVT's Member ID Card

Your CVT member identification (ID) card is your ticket to accessing your medical and pharmacy benefits. You will receive a combination medical and pharmacy benefit card from CVT and CVS Caremark approximately 3–4 weeks after enrollment.

If you don't receive your card, you or your provider can call **CVT Member Services** at **(800) 288-9870** for assistance, or log on to [mycvtrust.org](http://mycvtrust.org) to print a copy of your ID card.

# Who do I Call?

## District Office

- Payroll deductions
- Plan coverage begins or ends
- Change address or phone number
- Enrolling dependent (family member, spouse, domestic partner, newborn, etc.)
- Removing family member due to divorce, an over-age dependent getting married or death in the family (Your district office will forward the paperwork to CVT, when applicable)

## California's Valued Trust

- Eligibility questions
- Replace or request an additional ID card
- Retiree health benefit coverage questions
- COBRA coverage (continuing benefit coverage through CVT, after terminating employment)
- Insurance carrier phone numbers, not listed on your insurance card(s) or in this booklet

## Blue Shield of California Connect-Member Services

- Explanation of Benefits (EOB)
- Deductibles
- Out-of-pocket maximum
- Billing or balance billing by a provider or service
- Claim status
- Coordination of benefits
- Prior authorization if required

## CVS Caremark™

- Prescription transfers
- Prior authorizations for medications
- Specialty medications

It is always a good practice to obtain the name of the person you spoke with when calling for assistance. If your request or question was not handled to your satisfaction, California's Valued Trust can help. Contact **CVT Member Services** at **(800) 288-9870**, Monday–Friday, 8AM to 5PM for assistance.

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# Getting Assistance with your Health Benefits

## California's Valued Trust (CVT)

Address ..... 520 E. Herndon Avenue, Fresno, CA 93720  
CVT Member Services ..... (800) 288-9870  
CVT Website ..... cvtrust.org  
MyCVT - Member benefit website ..... mycvt.cvtrust.org

## Blue Shield of California

Connect-Member Services ..... (888) 499-5532  
BlueCard – Find a provider outside of CA for members residing/traveling outside CA ..... (800) 810-2583  
Claim mailing address ..... P.O. Box 272540, Chico, CA 95927-2540  
PPO pre-admission/prior authorization (providers only) ..... (800) 541-6652  
Website ..... blueshieldca.com

## PhysMetrics

Provider network ..... (877) 519-8839  
Website ..... cvt.physmetrics.com

## CVS Caremark™ Prescription Drug Benefit (for active members and non-Medicare retirees)

CVS Caremark Customer Care and mail service ..... (888) 354-6390  
Submit prescription claims to ..... CVS Caremark Claims Department P.O. Box 52136, Phoenix, AZ 85072-2136  
Website ..... caremark.com

## SilverScript® Prescription Drug Benefit (for Medicare retirees)

Medicare Part D paper claims ..... P.O. Box 52066, Phoenix, AZ 85072-2066  
Customer Care ..... (888) 620-1756  
Website ..... silverscript.com

## Connect Health Management Program (for complex conditions)

Eligibility and enrollment ..... (888) 499-5532  
Website ..... blueshieldca.com

## AccordantCare™ (for rare, complex conditions)

Eligibility and enrollment ..... (800) 948-2497  
Website ..... accordant.com

## Beacon Health Options

Employee Assistance Program (EAP) ..... (877) 397-1032  
Website ..... achievesolutions.net/cvt

## ConsumerMedical

Free, expert medical guidance for any condition ..... (888) 361-3944  
Website (enter company code CVT) ..... myconsumermedical.com

## MDLIVE®

24/7 access to board certified doctors, dermatologists, pediatricians,  
licensed therapists and psychiatrists for nonemergency conditions ..... (888) 632-2738  
Website ..... mdlive.com/cvt

## Solera4Me Diabetes Prevention Program

Eligibility and enrollment ..... (877) 486-0141  
Website ..... solera4me.com/cvt

## TruHearing Select Discount Hearing Aid Program

Phone ..... (844) 300-0134  
Website ..... truhearing.com/select



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