



# **How to Locate a Provider or Facility in CALIFORNIA**

Steps to locate a California provider or facility for Medical Benefits – All Otay Blue Shield Plans (Access+ HMO, Gold PPO, and EPO)

1) Visit the Blue Shield website – www.blueshieldca.com/csac, scroll down and click on "Find a Doctor" to find a network, doctor or hospital.

# Discover your Blue Shield plan benefits

We're proud to serve you and those who depend on your for healthcare coverage

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2) Select your plan to view more options. For Gold and EPO, select "PPO, EPO, or HDHP plans".



## Find a network, doctor or hospital

Access+ HMO plans

Find providers within California

To search by primary care physician (PCP) by doctor name, select "Doctors". To search by specialty, click on "Primary Care Physician". You may need your selected PCP's provider number and medical group/Independent Practice Association (IPA) number when you enroll in the HMO plan for the first time. To find these numbers click on the doctor's address. The Medical Group/IPA ID number can be found by clicking on the physician's medical group/IPA name.

#### Traveling outside of California?



PPO, EPO, or HDHP plans

Find providers within California

A PPO plan lets you continue seeing your current doctor for most covered services even if your doctor isn't part of Blue Shield's extensive network. Keep in mind that you if you seek care from a physician that is not part of the Blue Shield PPO network, you will pay more for each visit.

#### Traveling outside of California?

Find providers in all other States

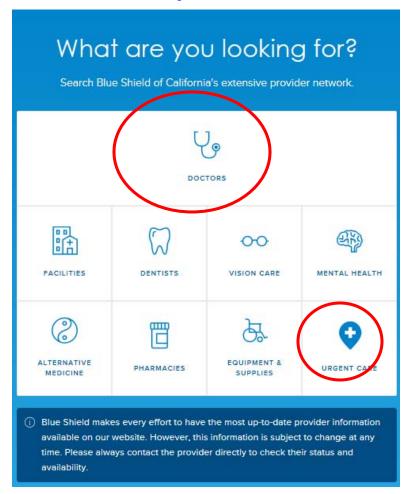
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Find provider outside of the United States

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3) You will be taken to this page. Select your option to search. For example, for "Doctors", search by zip code, then select "Doctor Type" or "Doctor Name". Once you enter your desired information, click on "search".

You can also search for "Urgent Care Centers".



4) **HMO Plan Participants**: For the "Mental Health Clinician" option, you will have the window below pop up. Select "Visit the MHSA Network".

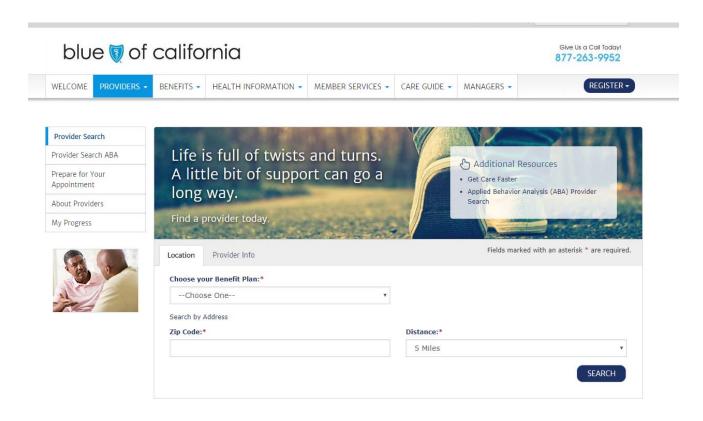
### MENTAL HEALTH CAREGIVERS INFORMATION

If your Evidence of Coverage or Certificate of Insurance states that mental health services are available through the Mental Health Services Administrator (MHSA) network, you can search for providers in the MHSA network.

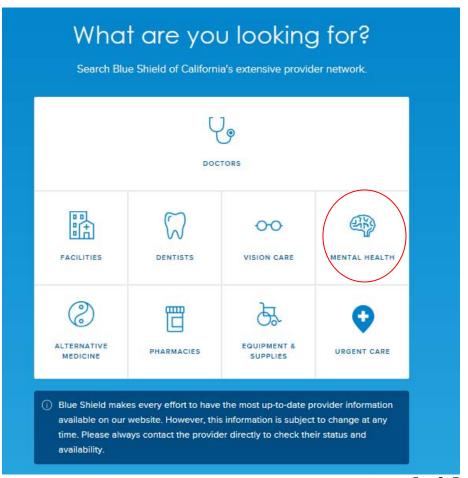
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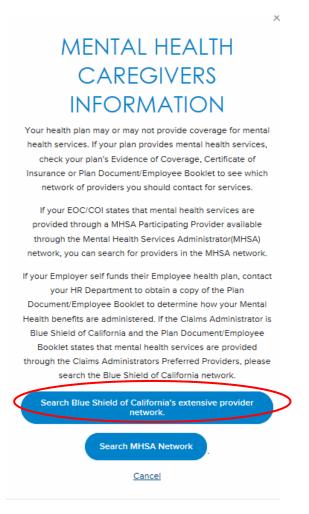
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5) On the "Choose Your Benefit Plan" option, select "BSC MHSA" then enter the rest of the required options.



- 6) **Gold PPO/EPO Participants**: For the "Mental Health Clinician" option, you will be taken to the page below. Click on "Mental Health".
- 7) Once you select this option, you will be directed to the screen below. Click on "Search Blue Shield of California's Extensive Provider Network".



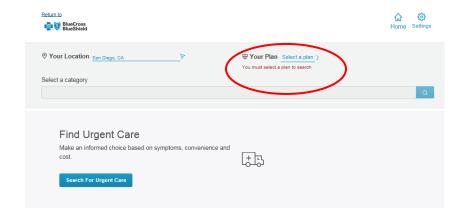


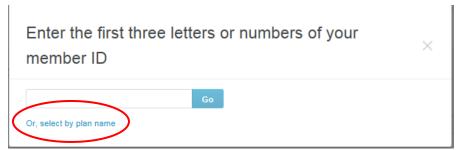
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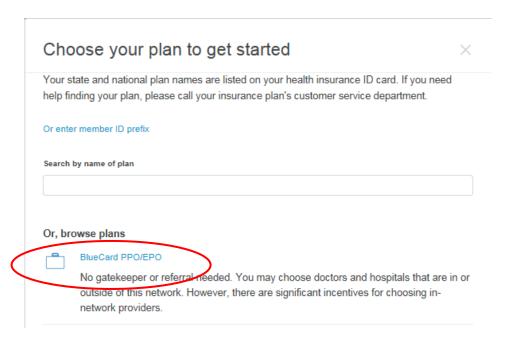
Blue Cares – For Members located Outside of California

Steps to locate a provider or facility outside of California for Medical Benefits - Otay Blue Shield PPO/EPO program

- 1. Go to the Blue Shield Blue Care's website <a href="http://provider.bcbs.com/">http://provider.bcbs.com/</a>
- 2. Under "Your Plan", click on "Select Plan". If you have your member ID available, it will ask you to enter the first three letters of your ID or you may click on "Or, Select by Plan Name", and select BlueCard PPO/EPO.







3. From there, you'll be able to select a doctor by name or specialty, hospitals and urgent care facilities.