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Introducing the New PIBT Freedom Plans

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PIBT Freedom Plans

- Go to virtually any doctor or facility
- Benefits mirror PPO in-network
- Nurse Navigator personal health concierge service
- Lowers your out-of-pocket costs (e.g., co-pay and deductibles)
- Controls claims costs to control future rate increases
- Facility bills are reviewed to catch
 overcharging



PIBT is self-funding these plans which means we balance premium payments, claims and administrative costs



Why did PIBT make this change?



COST

 Blue Shield rates were set to increase 20% – 25% *

* Lowers out-of-pocket costs for members 1

- FLEXIBILITY & SUPPORT
- Universal Provider Access
- Personal support via Nurse Navigator

The new Freedom Plans control costs with same or better benefits and work to control future rate increases.

PIBT Freedom Plans available December 1, 2020



PIBT has hired GPA

GPA is a national health plan administrator that will be administering claims for the new PIBT Freedom Plans

- Headquartered in Dallas, TX
- 400+ Employees
- 350,000 lives under management
- Provide bi-lingual support to:
 - Pay claims timely
 - Answer benefit and claim questions
 - Advocate for any issues that may arise
- Facilitate claim cost control

Since their founding 50 years ago, GPA has grown to be the largest independently owned third-party administrator in the Southwest



Cost Savings Example

Major Hip and Knee Joint Replacement (DRG470)

Hospital Billed charges of \$209k





Source: American Hospital Directory

CT Scan Charges Across Bay Area Facilities







Example of Out of Control Markups







PIBT Freedom Service Flow

Partnering with GPA and ELAP





Nurse Navigator

Your Personal Healthcare Concierge that will:

- Assist with transition
- Locate provider options for medical services
- Schedule appointments
- Obtain medical records for appointments
- Provide guidance & education
- Assist with plan benefits and more!



What Doctors & Facilities Can You Visit?

- Universal Provider Access Virtually all healthcare
 providers accept this plan
 - Plans offer the PHCS PPO Practitioner & Ancillary network for doctor visits
 - You are **not restricted** to this network
- If you are looking for a new doctor
 - Check the PHCS PPO network and select a doctor
- If your preferred doctor is out-of-network
 - Bring your ID card and the *"Practitioner Guidance Flyer"* with you
- There is no Facility network
 - You may go to virtually any facility you choose
 - They may need to contact GPA to confirm your coverage.

PIBT Relationship Keepers & Nurse Navigators are always available to help you!



PIBT Freedom Plan Pharmacy Benefits

PIBT Freedom Plan prescription drug benefits are administered by Magellan Rx Management.

- For subscribers currently in the PIBT Blue Shield Plans, most will not have to go through pre-authorization or step-therapy again.
- Allows 90-day prescriptions for maintenance Medications to be filled at local pharmacies
- Simply present your medical ID card when picking up prescriptions.
- If you have questions about your prescription drug coverage, contact PIBT/GPA.



Will New ID Cards Be Issued?

Yes!

ID card(s) will be mailed to employees' home. Prior to receiving the card or if card is misplaced, please contact your PIBT Relationship Keeper.



Accessing Care after December 1st



Question	Answer
What should I communicate to my doctor, and/or pharmacy?	Let the doctor's office know that your insurance has changed. Provide your new ID card and the Practitioner Guidance Flyer.
What if I haven't received my ID card by December 1 st ?	You can still visit the doctor/pharmacy and they will verify eligibility by calling GPA. You can also provide the temporary member ID letter, print out an ID card on <u>www.gpatpa.com</u> or access a virtual ID card on the GPA Mobile app.
Do I need to request a new prescription if I have remaining refills?	Generally no. Give your pharmacy your new ID card.
How do I transfer my mail order prescriptions?	Call PIBT or visit the PIBT Portal after December 1 st and we will walk you through your options including what forms you will need to fill out. You will need a new prescription from your doctor.
What if I have ongoing treatment, or have a procedure scheduled for December?	Call PIBT and ask for a Transition of Care form. Your Relationship Keeper will guide you on the next steps.

Sample Scenarios Q&A



Scenario	Answer
I am currently in my 3 rd trimester of pregnancy. How will this affect me?	It should not. Contact PIBT Relationship Keeper. They will ask you to fill out a Transfer of Care form and will get you in touch with the Nurse Navigator.
I went to my doctor and they did not recognize the healthcare provider through my ID card. What should I do?	Provide your ID card and the Practitioner Guidance Flyer.
I went to my specialist and they do not deal with insurance and told me that I have to pay and file a claim on my own.	In this case, contact your PIBT Relationship Keeper who can help connect you with Nurse Navigator. Nurse Navigator will reach out to the physician's office to explain how the plan works and will facilitate the best possible solution.
I am currently in remission from cancer. What do I need to do to continue at my currently medical care facility?	Contact your PIBT Relationship Keeper who will assist with transition of care and get you in touch with Nurse Navigator
My son broke his arm. I am at ER. The hospital does not recognize my ID card.	Ask the hospital's intake person or whoever you are talking to, to call the GPA number on the back of the ID Card.



PIBT Freedom Plans Apply Cost Containment Practices to Control Future Rate Increases

PIBT has hired ELAP Services

ELAP Services works with health plans just like ours across the country to ensure we pay a fair price for healthcare.

ELAP Expertise:



Claim Review and Audit



Member Support and Advocacy



Expert Legal Services





How it works



Member receives care. Provider/Facility sends claim to GPA. GPA sends ELAP large claims to review for errors & incorrect charges. GPA sends adjusted payment to provider.





What Happens Next?

After the provider receives an adjusted payment, they have two options:



Provider accepts payment 99% of the time



Provider **does not accept payment** and they appeal to PIBT **or** "Balance Bill" the member

What is a Balance Bill? A facility may not accept PIBT's payment for services and they elect to send a bill to you for the remaining balance



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How to Identify a Balance Bill

Make sure your EXPLANATION OF BENEFITS (EOB)...



From PIBT (this is not a bill)

...Matches your BILL



From the Provider

A member's financial responsibility is ONLY the amount shown on the EXPLANATION OF BENEFITS





What the PIBT/ELAP team does!

When you send a balance bill to the team, they get to work.



A dedicated Member Services Advocate from ELAP will contact you and serve as your main contact.



An expert legal representative will work on your behalf to resolve the Balance Bill.



Continue to send any balance bills or communications you receive regarding this amount to PIBT/ELAP who will advocate on your behalf until the bill is resolved.







Enhances your Primary Care Experience:

- Anytime, anywhere non-emergent
 medical care
- Average response time is within 30 minutes —if you're not contacted in 3 hours, your consult is free
- Qualified HSA and FSA expense
- Phone only No internet access required
- 1-800-TELADOC



GPA Portal & Mobile App

Catalog of resources available via the GPA member portal and mobile app, including:

- Ability to access ID Card
- Ability to track message responses and check claims status
- Integrated messaging directly with ELAP
- Balance bill forms and reminders
- Helpful hints and support videos for balance bills







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