



How Independence Blue Cross and FutureScripts helped members save **\$207,000** in prescription costs in 2020

Background

Independence Blue Cross (Independence) wanted a solution to drive providers and members to the most cost-effective medications. Independence enlisted FutureScripts to help improve point-of-prescribing decisions.

Goals

FutureScripts worked with Independence to:

- Help members and plan sponsors save money
- Improve medication adherence
- Ease administrative burdens and costs for providers

Solution

Independence implemented the PreCheck MyScript® benefit lookup tool to a large portion of its provider network. Integrated within electronic medical record systems' prescribing workflow, the tool lets providers view members' coverage and out-of-pocket costs and then prescribe the most clinically appropriate, cost-effective medication.

Using PreCheck MyScript, providers can:

- Where appropriate, see alternative medications and their costs to the patient
- See which medications require prior authorization
- Discuss options and anticipated costs with the patient
- Initiate a prior authorization request online or avoid it by choosing a drug that does not require it
- Prescribe the most clinically appropriate, cost-effective medication for the patient that will facilitate adherence to therapy

Results in 2020

In more than **379,000** of prescription drugs reviewed, PreCheck MyScript presented lower-cost medication options

Members saved more than **\$207,000** in out-of-pocket costs when prescribers chose one of the lower-cost alternatives presented

Members saved an average of **\$95** per prescription switch

Providers avoided prior authorization **9%** of the time when an alternative medication was identified

Want to learn more? Contact your Independence representative today.

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