

# Help Members Learn Where to Get the Care They Need

#### MEMBERS HAVE MANY OPTIONS FOR SAME-DAY CARE OUTSIDE OF THE ER

It's important to get patients in for an appointment with their primary care physician (PCP) for proactive wellness, condition management and care. When a member's PCP is not available for immediate care, knowing the best option to get same-day health care services can save time, travel and unnecessary cost.

Compare needs	Available from the comfort of member's home		Options outside of member's home	
	Babylon Telehealth	Nurse Advice Line	Urgent care (centers)	Emergency Room (ER)
24/7 access	<b>~</b>	✓		$\checkmark$
Behavioral health	<b>~</b>		✓	✓
Can treat serious conditions (e.g. fractures, stitches, allergic reactions, asthma attacks)			V	~
Can triage to ER	×	✓	✓	
Emergency needs			✓	✓
Get prescriptions when medically needed	<b>v</b>		×	
Know what you pay upfront	✔ 1,4			
Receive labs and diagnostics	<b>v</b>		V	✓
Short wait times	<b>V</b>	✓	✓2	
Treat non-emergencies like UTI, allergies, upset stomach, rashes	<b>v</b>	~	~	~
Visit by phone or video from anywhere	<b>v</b>			

#### The guidelines below can help members make the right choice when they need same-day health care services.

<sup>1</sup>Health Net has teamed up with Babylon to give members access to telehealth care at no added cost through the Babylon app. <sup>2</sup>Average wait time for ER in the US is 5 ½ hours. Information varies by location. (continued)

### **Babylon telehealth**

Health Net\* teamed up with **Babylon Health** to offer more access to **no-cost telehealth services** through the Babylon app<sup>3</sup>.

Members can use the Babylon app to get the care they need when their PCP is not available. General medical appointments are available 24/7. This includes:

• Pediatrics • Urgent care • Women's health and more

Therapy and counseling appointments are also available weekdays from 7 a.m.–7 p.m. (Pacific time).

Members can book their first appointment in **three simple steps:** 

- Download the Babylon app in the App Store or Google Play.
- 2 Sign in using the code: HNCOM.
- Book a video appointment with a doctor or therapist for services at no cost.

#### **Urgent care centers**

For non-life-threatening concerns, urgent care centers are convenient, cost less than an ER visit and are staffed by doctors. Members can get same-day care for non-emergency illnesses or injuries. Some urgent care centers now provide X-rays and lab tests as well. Urgent care benefits include:

• After-hours care

• No appointment required

• Cost savings<sup>4</sup>

- Typically, shorter wait times than ER

#### **Nurse Advice Line**

Reach out to a registered nurse – 24 hours a day – and get instant support. Members can call the number on their member ID card and get answers to questions about:

- Bug bites, stings and more
- Cold and flu symptoms
- Minor burns
- Minor illness and injury



#### Don't forget!

After a member visits with a Babylon care provider, urgent care center, nurse or ER, the member must contact their PCP, so their follow-up care can be managed.

## **1** More information

If you have questions regarding telehealth services for members, please contact Provider Services Center at:

IFP EnhancedCare PPO 844-463-8188

Employer Group HMO, POS, HSP, PPO, & EPO **800-641-7761** 

IFP CommunityCare HMO, PPO, PureCare HSP, & PureCare One EPO **888-926-2164** 

Medi-Cal 800-675-6110

Medicare Advantage (HMO/PPO) 800-929-9224

Cal MediConnect Los Angeles County 855-464-3571

San Diego County **855-464-3572** 

#### For office use only. Do NOT post in a patient area.

Source: As ER Wait Times Grow, More Patients Leave Against Medical Advice, https://bit.ly/3Rgz7G2

<sup>3</sup>Babylon appointments are available at no cost to most Health Net members but some members may have a copay. Members can refer to their health coverage document for more information.

<sup>4</sup>Medi-Cal members do not incur copays/cost-share for this service.

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