

Extension of Coverage

Medical and prescription drug coverage for dependent children may be extended beyond age 26 (the university's Blue Cross Blue Shield plan's limiting age), or when a dependent no longer satisfies the group eligibility criteria. Extension of coverage is available to age 30 for a dependent who is unmarried, a resident of Nebraska, and not covered by any other health plan. Coverage ends when the dependent no longer meets the extension of coverage eligibility criteria or the parent separates from the University of Nebraska.

A dependent child must be enrolled in the university's medical plan to be eligible for the extension of coverage. At the time of initial eligibility, a dependent will be offered an opportunity to enroll for COBRA or extension of coverage. If extension of coverage is elected, the dependent will not be eligible for COBRA coverage at a later date. A dependent must enroll for the extension of coverage within 31 days of eligibility.

Blue Cross Blue Shield must be contacted to obtain the Extension of Coverage Request for Extended Eligibility to Age 30 enrollment form.