



Knowing The Costs

Most people compare costs before making a purchase. Whether it's groceries or appliances or cars, knowing the cost in advance helps make purchasing decisions easier.

Shouldn't making decisions about where to get common medical tests, procedures and services be the same? At BlueChoice®, we think it should. We stay focused on helping our members. That's why we offer members our Treatment Cost Estimator — an online tool available through My Health Toolkit®.

The Treatment Cost Estimator gives members important information so they can make informed decisions about health care treatment options. When members search for treatments, the costs they see are personalized. The results show dollar amount estimates that are specific to their benefits and the treatments they researched. They can also sort the information based on features that are important to them, such as:

- Average cost of a particular treatment or service
- Total out-of-pocket costs
- Distance from home to facility
- Whether a facility is a Blue Distinction Center® — a designation by the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association for medical facilities that have demonstrated expertise in delivering quality health care

Focus on life. Focus on health. *Stay focused.*



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Here's an example of a search for repairing a torn ACL.

Sports Injury Medical Center

\$10,045 – \$12,595

Total Cost Estimate

YOUR COST:

\$2,009 – \$2,519

0.8 miles away

Surgery Center

\$8,492 – \$11,943

Total Cost Estimate

YOUR COST:

\$1,698 – \$2,389

5.1 miles away

Community Hospital

\$10,675 – \$11,921

Total Cost Estimate

YOUR COST:

\$2,135 – \$2,384

10.5 miles away

Members can access the Treatment Cost Estimator through My Health Toolkit at www.BlueChoiceSC.com.