# TRANSGENDER HEALTH INSURANCE GUIDE TO THE MARKETPLACE

#### Marketplace plans sold through HealthCare.gov can no longer:

**REFUSE TO INSURE or DENY COVERAGE** based on gender identity **HAVE BLANKET EXCLUSIONS** that deny gender-affirming care **LIMIT ACCESS** to "sex-specific" services (like hysterectomies or prostate exams) based on sex assigned at birth, gender identity, or gender marker You should **ALWAYS OBTAIN PRIOR AUTHORIZATION** from your health insurance company for any healthcare related to gender transition. (Prior authorization forms are available through your healthcare provider.)



#### CLEAR COVERAGE

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**Plans explicitly cover** medically necessary gender-affirming care if you meet plan-specific requirements. Check plan documents for more information.

Highmark Blue Cross Blue Shield\*

### SOME EXCLUSIONS

**Plans explicitly exclude some** gender-affirming care and may result in denials even if medically necessary. Call the insurer and check plan documents for more information.

CareSource\*

SILENT		BROAD EXCLUSIONS	
$\bigcirc$	<b>Plans may cover</b> gender-affirming care, but the plan documents are silent or unavailable. Call the insurer directly for more information.	$\textcircled{\textbf{C}}$	<b>Plans explicitly exclude all</b> gender-affirming care and may result in denials even if medically necessary. Check plan documents for more information.
None		None	

\*Under state law, gender-affirming care is not available for minors.

**Disclaimer: This information applies to gender-affirming care only.** These ratings were compiled by Out2Enroll through a review of silver marketplace plans. You should carefully **review each plan to ensure it meets your needs**, including plans that are listed as having clear coverage. This Guide is provided solely for informational purposes and should not be used as a substitute for a full review of each plan based on an individual's medical needs.

## EXPECT MORE, DEMAND MORE FROM ALL PLANS

Coverage denied? Appeal, appeal, appeal. Learn more at bit.ly/2hGFuWn

#### Exclusion in your plan?

File a complaint with your state insurance department at **wvinsurance.gov** 

Discrimination by your insurer or healthcare provider?

Contact a legal aid organization at **<u>bit.ly/3R9k1oF</u>** 

More info on choosing plans and navigating denials at transhealthproject.org

# **NEED MORE INFORMATION?**

For additional plan-specific information, please visit: **out2enroll.org/2024-cocs** 

To make a free appointment with a trans-friendly assister, visit: **out2enroll.org/enrollment-help** 

4 out of 5 people can find a plan for \$10/month or less! Only at **<u>HealthCare.gov</u>**