BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF MASSACHUSETTS RELEASES STATEMENT ON SUPREME COURT DECISION REGARDING ABORTION ACCESS

BOSTON, June 24, 2022 /PRNewswire/ -- In response to today's Supreme Court decision in the case of Dobbs vsJackson Women's Health Organization, Blue Cross Blue Shield ofMassachusetts (BCBSMA) released the following statement:

"As a health care organization, we believe strongly that our members should have access to the care they need and want. While abortion services will remain legal in Massachusetts based on a 2020 state law, we will work closely with our employer customers to evaluate the potential impact to our members in other states and determine how we can best support them.

Among the steps we're taking to support our members in states where abortion access is legally restricted, we have developed a travel benefit that employers may choose to offer to employees who need to travel 100+ miles to obtain access to abortion services (either surgical or medication-assisted). This will enable reimbursement of certain travel and lodging expenses related to obtaining care. This benefit also will be available to BCBSMA employees who live in states where abortion access is legally restricted.

Our team at BCBSMA is already carefully reviewing today's ruling to ensure that we are doing everything we can to support members and employees who may be affected."

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