BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF MASSACHUSETTS EXPEDITES ACCESS TO CARE FOR HAWAII AND TEXAS MEMBERS AFFECTED BY WILDFIRES

BOSTON, August 15, 2023 – In response to wildfires in Hawaii and Texas, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts (Blue Cross) is expediting access to care for members who may be affected.

Blue Cross has more than 46,000 members living in areas under states of emergency. The company is working to ensure those members can access health services and medications quickly and in locations convenient to them.

Effective now and for the duration of the emergency declarations, Blue Cross is allowing:

- Early refills of any prescription medication
- Affected members to use Well Connection, the health plan's dedicated telehealth platform, to access medical and mental health services free of cost, with no copayments or deductible with the codes **BCBSMA 166 (Hawaii members)** and **BCBSMA170 (Texas members)**.

(*Note: Only members with Blue Cross' telehealth benefit will be able to access Well Connection and only via My Blue*)

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