



Nebraska Tobacco Quitline

English:

1-800-QUIT-NOW (784-8669)

Spanish:

1-855-DÉJELO-YA (335-3569)

TTY/TDD:

877-777-6534

Web Coaching:

www.QuitNow.ne.gov

Quitline Services Offered free of charge to all Nebraskans:

- Web coaching
- Phone Coaching
- CME/CNE for providers
- Nicotine Replacement Therapy
- Free clinic resources

Three Ways to Refer Patients:

- Fax Referral Form
- Provider Web Referral
- Live Referral

For more information on how to refer a patient to the Quitline, visit:

www.QuitNow.ne.gov/providers

Medicaid Tobacco Cessation Benefits

The Nebraska Medicaid tobacco cessation program covers certain counseling and products to help patients voluntarily quit tobacco.

All seven FDA-approved nicotine replacement therapies are available to Medicaid patients when prescribed by their health care provider. Covered nicotine replacement therapies include:

- Nicotine Transdermal Patches
- Nicotine Gum
- Nicotine Lozenge
- Nicotine Inhaler
- Nicotine Nasal Spray
- Bupropion
- Varenicline*

Summary of Tobacco Cessation Coverage ([Provider Bulletin 22-06](#))

- Effective December 26, 2021, clients are **no** longer required to enroll in the free Nebraska Tobacco Quitline to be able to receive tobacco cessation products; enrollment is still encouraged, but it is no longer required.
- Beneficiary must be 18 years or older
- Products must be FDA-approved and used according to FDA dosing and age guidelines
- Prescription is required
- A maximum of eight counseling sessions per calendar year is allowed
- Licensed pharmacists who are trained as department-approved tobacco cessation councilors in Nebraska may bill for Tobacco Cessation Counseling (Title 471 NAC 16 Nebraska Medicaid Program Services)

Tobacco Cessation Benefits Information

NEBRASKA MEDICAID PROVIDERS

Billing Guide for Tobacco Screening and Cessation**



844-385-2192

TTY/TDD: 711

www.nebraskatotalcare.com



United Healthcare Community
Plan of Nebraska

800-641-1902

TTY/TDD: 711

www.uhcommunityplan.com/ne



Healthy Blue

Customer service 1-833-388-1406

TTY: 711

<https://provider.healthybluene.com>



Pharmacy Help Desk

800-368-9695

<https://nebraska.fhsc.com>

**Providers should review specific Health Plans for quantity limits and copays which vary and are subject to change. This chart should only be used as a guide.

HCP/CS/CPT Type of service Description

99406	Intermediate Counseling Cessation treatment	Smoking and tobacco use intensive counseling visit 4-10 minutes long.
99407	Intensive counseling	Smoking and tobacco use intensive counseling visit more than 10 minutes.
99241-99245	Office consultation E/M	Time-based E/M, Levels 1 – 5 based on minutes, which can include tobacco E/M.
99201-99205	New patient	Time-based E/M, Levels 1 – 5 based on minutes, which can include tobacco E/M.
99211-99215	Established patient	Time-based E/M, Levels 1 – 5 based on minutes, which can include tobacco E/M.

Diagnosis Coding Guide ICD-10 Diagnosis Code**:

- F17.200 Product unspecified, uncomplicated
- F17.201 Product unspecified, in remission
- F17.203 Product unspecified, with withdrawal
- F17.209 Product unspecified, with unspecified nicotine-induced disorders
- F17.210 Cigarettes, uncomplicated
- F17.211 Cigarettes, in remission
- F17.213 Cigarettes, with withdrawal
- F17.218 Cigarettes, with other nicotine-induced disorders
- F17.221 Chewing tobacco, in remission
- F17.223 Chewing tobacco, with withdrawal
- F17.228 Chewing tobacco, with other nicotine-induced disorder

Varenicline Coverage*

	Prior Authorization	Quantity Limit	Age Requirement	Note
Healthy Blue	Yes	2 tablets/day	16 years of age	Maximum duration of therapy 24 months
Total Care	No	2 tablets/day	18 years of age	Maximum day supply of 180 per 365 days
United Health Care	Yes	2 tablets/day	18 years of age	Maximum day supply of 180 per 365 days
Fee-for-Service Magellan	No	2 tablets/day	18 years of age	Maximum day supply of 180 per rolling 365 days

Some Varenicline products may not be rebate certified with CMS and may reject at the point of sale based on the NDC number submitted.