Retiree Open Enrollment 2021
Changing From BCBSIL to Medicare Advantage

If you are currently enrolled in the BCBSIL Retiree Premier PPO or BCBSIL Retiree HMO Illinois and wish to enroll in the Medicare Advantage plan administered by United Healthcare, please follow these steps:

- Complete the [Open Enrollment Change Form](mailto:benefits@northwestern.edu) to drop your current coverage effective 12/31/2020. Email the form to benefits@northwestern.edu or mail to the address on the form.

- Contact United Healthcare at **877-714-0178** and ask to enroll in Northwestern’s Group Medicare Advantage plan effective 1/1/2021.

The group Medicare Advantage Plan—administered by UnitedHealthcare—now covers dental care, eye glasses and contacts, and non-emergency care while traveling abroad. For a monthly premium of $396.18, you receive UnitedHealthcare Medicare Advantage health coverage and all of these expanded benefits.

**Remember**, the health, dental, and vision benefits of the UnitedHealthcare Medicare Advantage plan are only offered as a bundle. For example, you cannot combine the BCBSIL health plan with the UnitedHealthcare dental plan. The BCBSIL health and dental plans, as well as the Guardian DHMO dental and EyeMed vision plans, can be selected a la carte. After enrolling in the Medicare Advantage Plan, you will receive an invoice directly from United Healthcare.

If you have additional questions or concerns please contact the Benefits Office at (847) 491-7513 or benefits@northwestern.edu.