BLUE SHIELD BLUE CARD PROGRAM

Blue Shield has a program available to all CVT subscribers and their eligible, enrolled family members for medical care when you are out of the State of California. The Blue Card Program works if you are traveling out of state _or_ if you are living outside of the State of California. This Program is world-wide.

When you are out of California, you can call Blue Shield at **1-800-810-BLUE (2583)** for referral to a participating provider in that area. You will need to give Blue Shield your member ID number _exactly as it is on your Blue Shield Card_.

You visit a participating Blue Shield provider and present your CVT ID card. The provider quickly verifies your membership and coverage through Blue Shield of California. After you receive medical attention your claim is electronically routed to Blue Shield of California who processes the claim and applies all coverage benefits and savings. You are only responsible for any deductible and/or copayments. Blue Shield of California will send you a detailed Explanation of Benefit Report.

Following these simple steps will not only make life outside of California easier, but it will **save you money**. These providers have a contract in place with Blue Shield and have agreed to a certain fee for service. Save yourself time, money and headaches, call the number for the Blue Card Program.

Of course, if your need for medical care is an emergency situation (life threatening), get to the nearest facility that can safely treat you. Those claims are paid differently, even if the provider is not part of the Blue Shield network. This is true in California, outside of California or out of the country.

For your convenience, you can access Blue Card providers via CVT's Web Page. Our website address is **www.cvtrust.org**. When you access CVT's Web Page, select Phone Numbers and Reference. Then select Blue Card Provider Directory. You will be able to locate a Blue Card provider anywhere in the world.

Questions? Call the Trust at **1-800-288-9870**