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# Reproductive Health Benefits for Essential Plan Enrollees


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## Does my Essential Plan coverage include reproductive health benefits?

Yes. NY State of Health's Essential Plan coverage includes comprehensive reproductive health services.

## What benefits are covered?

The Essential Plan covers the following reproductive health benefits\*:

- Birth Control
- Emergency Contraception
- Abortion
- Sterilization
- Testing and Treatment for Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs)
- HIV Testing
- Preventive Care and Well-Woman Examinations
- Infertility Treatment
- Pregnancy Tests

*\*Coverage may be subject to certain medical criteria, which may be determined by your provider.*

**Benefits are described in detail in the table on the back page.**

## How much does it cost?

The cost of these benefits varies by Essential Plan level, but services are either free or low-cost.

## The Essential Plan Reproductive Health Benefits

Reproductive Health Benefit Category	Benefits Covered
<b>Birth Control</b>	<p>Includes pills, intrauterine device (IUD), Depo Provera, Norplant, and other contraceptive forms, as well as select over-the-counter contraceptive products as prescribed by a provider. Also includes patient education and counseling on their use, follow up services, and device insertion and removal.</p> <p>Beginning in late 2024 pharmacists are authorized to dispense birth control over the counter under a standing order from a physician or nurse practitioner.</p>
<b>Emergency Contraception</b>	<p>Includes emergency contraception prescribed by a doctor, such as an IUD or Ella, or over-the-counter emergency contraception at a pharmacy.</p>
<b>Abortion</b>	<p>Includes coverage of abortion.</p>
<b>Sterilization</b>	<p>Includes sterilization procedures for women and vasectomies for men.</p>
<b>Testing and Treatment for Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs)</b>	<p>Includes testing methods, such as colposcopy, and treatment methods such as cryotherapy and antibiotics.</p>
<b>HIV Testing</b>	<p>Includes testing as well as pre-test and post-test counseling.</p>
<b>Preventive Care and Well-Woman Examinations</b>	<p>Includes pap smears, testing for cervical cancer, pelvic problems, breast disease, anemia, and high blood pressure screening among others.</p>
<b>Infertility Treatment</b>	<p>Includes initial evaluation and analysis, such as laboratory evaluation and pelvic ultrasound, as well as medically appropriate treatment of ovulatory dysfunction.</p> <p>Fertility Preservation services may be covered in the case of impairment of fertility due to surgery, radiation, chemotherapy or other medical treatment affecting reproductive organs or processes.</p> <p>Advanced infertility services are not covered.</p>
<b>Pregnancy Tests</b>	<p>Includes blood-based pregnancy test as ordered by a doctor.</p> <p>Does not cover over-the-counter tests.</p>