



**BlueCross BlueShield  
of Illinois**

# Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois Provider Manual

## HMO Scope of Benefits Section

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois, a Division of Health Care Service Corporation, a Mutual Legal Reserve Company,  
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## Hyperalimentation (TPN)

### Benefit

Hyperalimentation is in benefit in inpatient or home settings. Benefit includes:

- Cost of the nutrients/solutions
- Cost of the infusion pump and heparin lock
- Supplies and equipment necessary for proper functioning and effective use of a TPN System
- Home visits by a physician or nurse in conjunction with TPN.

### Interpretation

**Total Parenteral Nutrition (TPN)** is the intravenous administration of a concentrated sterile solution containing prescribed amounts of dextrose (sugar), amino acids (protein), electrolytes (sodium, potassium), vitamins and minerals (calcium, zinc) needed for daily activities and health. Members who receive TPN have a non-functioning gastrointestinal tract and/or have caloric needs that cannot be met other than with TPN.

<b>Paid by</b>	Home Health, nutrients/solutions, supplies and equipment	<b>HMO</b>
	Professional Charges	<b>IPA</b>

**Note: See related benefits interpretation on Nutritional Supplements/Enteral Nutrition**