- 20. Services or expenses for treatment of injury sustained in the commission of a crime or for treatment while confined in a prison, jail, or other penal institution.
- 21. Services or expenses for which a claim is not properly submitted to Blue Cross.
- 22. Services or expenses for treatment of any condition including, but not limited to, obesity, diabetes, or heart disease, which is based upon weight reduction or dietary control or services or expenses of any kind to treat obesity, weight reduction or dietary control. This exclusion does not apply to surgery for morbid obesity if medically necessary and in compliance with guidelines of the Claims Administrator. Benefits will only be provided for one surgical procedure for obesity (morbid) in a lifetime. Benefits will not be provided for subsequent surgery for complications related to a covered surgical procedure for obesity (morbid) if the complications arise from non-compliance with medical recommendations regarding patient activity and lifestyle following the procedure.
- 23. Services or expenses which you are not legally obligated to pay, or for which no charge would be made if you had no health coverage.
- 24. Services or expenses for or related to organ, tissue or cell transplantations except specifically as allowed by this plan.
- 25. Dental treatment for or related to temporomandibular joint (TMJ) disorders. This includes Phase II, according to the guidelines approved by the Academy of Craniomandibular Disorders. These treatments permanently alter the teeth or the way they meet and include such services as balancing the teeth, shaping the teeth, reshaping the teeth, restorative treatment, treatment involving artificial dental structures such as crowns, bridges or dentures, full mouth rehabilitation, dental implants, treatment for irregularities in the position of the teeth or a combination of these treatments.
- 26. Services or expenses for or related to Assisted Reproductive Technology (ART). ART is any process of taking human eggs or sperm or both and putting them into a medium or the body to try to cause reproduction. Examples of ART are in vitro fertilization and gamete intrafallopian transfer.
- 27. Eyeglasses or contact lenses or related examination or fittings. One pair of eyeglasses, contact lenses or one pair of each will be covered under Major Medical if they replace the lens of the eye after eye surgery or injury or defect.
- 28. Services or expenses for eye exercises, eye refractions, visual training orthoptics, shaping the cornea with contact lenses, or any surgery on the eye to improve vision including radial keratotomy.
- 29. Services or expenses for personal hygiene, comfort or convenience items such as air-conditioners, humidifiers, whirlpool baths, and physical fitness or exercise apparel. Exercise equipment is also excluded. Some examples of exercise equipment are shoes, weights, exercise bicycles or tracks, weights or variable resistance machinery, and equipment producing isolated muscle evaluations and strengthening. Treatment programs, the use of equipment to strengthen muscles according to preset rules, and related services performed during the same therapy session are also excluded.
- 30. Services or expenses for speech, recreational, educational, or occupational (except as stated covered previously) therapy.
- 31. Services or expenses for acupuncture, biofeedback and other forms of self-care or self-help training.
- 32. Hearing aids or examinations or fittings for them.