

# Welfare & Pension Administration Service, Inc.

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**To:** All Participants

Fairbanks North Star Borough Employees and School District Employees

Re: IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR HEALTH PLAN

### Continued Eligibility for Disabled Dependent Children and Disabled Domestic Dependent Children

Effective January 1, 2011, Dependent Children and Domestic Dependent Children may be eligible for coverage under the plan up to age 26.

The age limitation may not apply for a mentally or physically Disabled Dependent Child. Mentally or Physically Disabled Children and Domestic Children must meet the following criteria:

- The disability existed prior to the Dependent child's 19<sup>th</sup> birthday.
- The child must be chiefly dependent on you for support and maintenance.
- The child has been continuously not capable of self-sustaining employment due to a physical or mental disability.
- The child is unmarried.
- The child is 19 years old or greater.

In order to obtain extended eligibility for a disabled child, you must complete an application. The application form and instructions may be obtained from the Claims Office by calling (800-331-6158, option 8). The completed application must be received by the Claims Office no later than 31 days before the child's 19<sup>th</sup> birthday.

### Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act

The Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act requires group health plans to make certain benefits available to participants who have undergone a mastectomy. In particular, a plan must offer mastectomy patients benefits for:

- All stages of reconstruction of the breast on which the mastectomy was performed;
- Surgery and reconstruction of the other breast to produce a symmetrical appearance;
- Prostheses; and
- Treatment of physical complications of the mastectomy, including lymphedema.

Our plan complies with these requirements. Benefits for these items generally are comparable to those provided under our plan for similar types of medical services and supplies. Of course, the extent to which any of these items is appropriate following mastectomy is a matter to be determined by consultation between the attending physician and the patient. Our plan neither imposes penalties (for example, reducing or limiting reimbursements) nor provides incentives to induce attending providers to provide care inconsistent with these requirements.

## Premium Assistance Under Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)

If you or your children are eligible for Medicaid or CHIP and you're eligible for health coverage from your employer, your state may have a premium assistance program that can help pay for coverage, using funds from their Medicaid or CHIP programs. If you or your children aren't eligible for Medicaid or CHIP, you won't be eligible for these premium assistance programs but you may be able to buy individual insurance coverage through the Health Insurance Marketplace. For more information, visit www.healthcare.gov.

If you or your dependents are already enrolled in Medicaid or CHIP and you live in a State listed below, contact your State Medicaid or CHIP office to find out if premium assistance is available.

If you or your dependents are NOT currently enrolled in Medicaid or CHIP, and you think you or any of your dependents might be eligible for either of these programs, contact your State Medicaid or CHIP office or dial 1-877-KIDS NOW or www.insurekidsnow.gov to find out how to apply. If you qualify, ask your state if it has a program that might help you pay the premiums for an employer-sponsored plan.

If you or your dependents are eligible for premium assistance under Medicaid or CHIP, as well as eligible under your employer plan, your employer must allow you to enroll in your employer plan if you aren't already enrolled. This is called a "special enrollment" opportunity, and **you must request coverage within 60 days of being determined eligible for premium assistance**. If you have questions about enrolling in your employer plan, contact the Department of Labor at www.askebsa.dol.gov or call 1-866-444-EBSA (3272).

If you live in one of the following states, you may be eligible for assistance paying your employer health plan premiums. The following list of states is current as of July 31, 2020. Contact your State for more information on eligibility –

ALABAMA – Medicaid	COLORADO – Health First Colorado (Colorado's Medicaid Program) & Child Health Plan Plus (CHP+)
Website: http://myalhipp.com/ Phone: 1-855-692-5447	Health First Colorado Website: https://www.healthfirstcolorado.com/ Health First Colorado Member Contact Center: 1-800-221-3943/ State Relay 711 CHP+: https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/hcpf/child-health-plan-plus CHP+ Customer Service: 1-800-359-1991/ State Relay 711 Health Insurance Buy-In Program (HIBI): https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/hcpf/health-insurance-buy-program HIBI Customer Service: 1-855-692-6442
ALASKA – Medicaid	FLORIDA – Medicaid
The AK Health Insurance Premium Payment Program Website: <a href="http://myakhipp.com/">http://myakhipp.com/</a> Phone: 1-866-251-4861 Email: <a href="mailto:CustomerService@MyAKHIPP.com">CustomerService@MyAKHIPP.com</a> Medicaid Eligibility: <a href="http://dhss.alaska.gov/dpa/Pages/medicaid/default.asp">http://dhss.alaska.gov/dpa/Pages/medicaid/default.asp</a> X	Website:

CALIFORNIA – Medicaid	INDIANA – Medicaid
Website:	Healthy Indiana Plan for low-income adults 19-64
https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/Pages/TPLRD_CAU_	Website: http://www.in.gov/fssa/hip/
<u>cont.aspx</u>	Phone: 1-877-438-4479
Phone: 916-440-5676	All other Medicaid
	Website: <a href="https://www.in.gov/medicaid/">https://www.in.gov/medicaid/</a>
	Phone 1-800-457-4584
IOWA – Medicaid and CHIP (Hawki)	MONTANA – Medicaid
Medicaid Website:	Website:

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Medicaid Website:  https://dhs.iowa.gov/ime/members  Medicaid Phone: 1-800-338-8366  Hawki Website: http://dhs.iowa.gov/Hawki Hawki Phone: 1-800-257-8563	Website: <a href="http://dphhs.mt.gov/MontanaHealthcarePrograms/HIPP">http://dphhs.mt.gov/MontanaHealthcarePrograms/HIPP</a> Phone: 1-800-694-3084
KANSAS – Medicaid	NEBRASKA – Medicaid
Website: http://www.kdheks.gov/hcf/default.htm Phone: 1-800-792-4884	Website: http://www.ACCESSNebraska.ne.gov Phone: 1-855-632-7633 Lincoln: 402-473-7000 Omaha: 402-595-1178
KENTUCKY – Medicaid	NEVADA – Medicaid
Kentucky Integrated Health Insurance Premium Payment Program (KI-HIPP) Website: <a href="https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dms/member/Pages/kihipp.aspx">https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dms/member/Pages/kihipp.aspx</a> Phone: 1-855-459-6328  Email: <a href="mailto:KIHIPP.PROGRAM@ky.gov">KIHIPP.PROGRAM@ky.gov</a> KCHIP Website: <a href="mailto:https://kidshealth.ky.gov/Pages/index.aspx">https://kidshealth.ky.gov/Pages/index.aspx</a> Phone: 1-877-524-4718	Medicaid Website: http://dhcfp.nv.gov Medicaid Phone: 1-800-992-0900
Kentucky Medicaid Website: https://chfs.ky.gov	
LOUISIANA – Medicaid	NEW HAMPSHIRE – Medicaid
Website: <a href="https://www.medicaid.la.gov">www.medicaid.la.gov</a> or <a href="https://www.medicaid.la.gov">www.ldh.la.gov/lahipp</a> Phone: 1-888-342-6207 (Medicaid hotline) or 1-855-618-5488 (LaHIPP)	Website: <a href="https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/oii/hipp.htm">https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/oii/hipp.htm</a> Phone: 603-271-5218  Toll free number for the HIPP program: 1-800-852-3345, ext 5218
MAINE – Medicaid	NEW JERSEY – Medicaid and CHIP
Enrollment Website: <a href="https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/ofi/applications-forms">https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/ofi/applications-forms</a> Phone: 1-800-442-6003 TTY: Maine relay 711  Private Health Insurance Premium Webpage: <a href="https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/ofi/applications-forms">https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/ofi/applications-forms</a> Phone: -800-977-6740. TTY: Maine relay 711	Medicaid Website:  http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/ dmahs/clients/medicaid/ Medicaid Phone: 609-631-2392 CHIP Website: http://www.njfamilycare.org/index.html CHIP Phone: 1-800-701-0710
MASSACHUSETTS – Medicaid and CHIP	NEW YORK – Medicaid
Website:	Website:
http://www.mass.gov/eohhs/gov/departments/masshealth/ Phone: 1-800-862-4840	https://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/ Phone: 1-800-541-2831
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MISSOURI – Medicaid	NORTH DAKOTA – Medicaid
Website: http://www.dss.mo.gov/mhd/participants/pages/hipp. htm Phone: 573-751-2005	Website: http://www.nd.gov/dhs/services/medicalserv/medicaid/ Phone: 1-844-854-4825
OKLAHOMA – Medicaid and CHIP Website: http://www.insureoklahoma.org Phone: 1-888-365-3742	WTAH – Medicaid and CHIP  Medicaid Website: https://medicaid.utah.gov/ CHIP Website: http://health.utah.gov/chip Phone: 1-877-543-7669
OREGON – Medicaid	VERMONT– Medicaid
Website: http://healthcare.oregon.gov/Pages/index.aspx http://www.oregonhealthcare.gov/index-es.html Phone: 1-800-699-9075	Website: http://www.greenmountaincare.org/ Phone: 1-800-250-8427
PENNSYLVANIA – Medicaid	VIRGINIA – Medicaid and CHIP
Website: https://www.dhs.pa.gov/providers/Providers/Pages/Medical/HIPP-Program.aspx Phone: 1-800-692-7462	Website: https://www.coverva.org/hipp/ Medicaid Phone: 1-800-432-5924 CHIP Phone: 1-855-242-8282
RHODE ISLAND – Medicaid and CHIP	WASHINGTON – Medicaid
Website: http://www.eohhs.ri.gov/ Phone: 1-855-697-4347, or 401-462-0311 (Direct RIte Share Line)	Website: https://www.hca.wa.gov/ Phone: 1-800-562-3022
SOUTH CAROLINA – Medicaid	WEST VIRGINIA – Medicaid
Website: https://www.scdhhs.gov Phone: 1-888-549-0820	Website: <a href="http://mywvhipp.com/">http://mywvhipp.com/</a> Toll-free phone: 1-855-MyWVHIPP (1-855-699-8447)
SOUTH DAKOTA - Medicaid	WISCONSIN – Medicaid and CHIP
Website: <a href="http://dss.sd.gov">http://dss.sd.gov</a> Phone: 1-888-828-0059	Website: <a href="https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/badgercareplus/p-10095.htm">https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/badgercareplus/p-10095.htm</a> Phone: 1-800-362-3002
TEXAS – Medicaid	WYOMING – Medicaid
Website: <a href="http://gethipptexas.com/">http://gethipptexas.com/</a> Phone: 1-800-440-0493	Website: <a href="https://health.wyo.gov/healthcarefin/medicaid/programs-and-eligibility/">https://health.wyo.gov/healthcarefin/medicaid/programs-and-eligibility/</a> Phone: 1-800-251-1269

To see if any other states have added a premium assistance program since July 31, 2020, or for more information on special enrollment rights, contact either:

U.S. Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administr

Employee Benefits Security Administration www.dol.gov/agencies/ebsa

1-866-444-EBSA (3272)

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

www.cms.hhs.gov

1-877-267-2323, Menu Option 4, Ext. 61565

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