



HEALTH INSURANCE OPEN ENROLLMENT May 23, 2017 through August 12, 2017

Please find attached the new combined insurance rates summary and election form for the period beginning October 01, 2017 through September 30, 2018. Rate changes will be in effect beginning with September, 2017 payroll.

Employees wishing to make a change must complete and return the Employee Benefit Selection Form by August 12, 2017 indicating the changes. Please be sure you receive confirmation from me that I have received all the required paperwork before the deadline. All paperwork is due no later than August 12, 2017. If I do not receive a response by the deadline, you will automatically renew in your current plans at the new rate.

You are only eligible to make changes or elect coverage during this open enrollment period for an effective October 01, 2017. If you do not do so during this time, you will not be able to enroll or make changes until October 2018 unless you have a qualifying event.

Important Changes:

- **New Provider for SISC Expert Second Opinion.** (previously Grand Rounds) In order to further enhance the program, SISC has obtained **Advance Medical** as the new provider for this service effective April 1, 2017. With the new provider, members receiving a medical opinion will have unlimited concierge access to a specialist as an additional benefit at no cost to the employee.
- **SISC Employee Assistance Program** is available for all Employees of the District regardless of insurance coverage, and covered family members. This will provide 6 visits per incident of counseling services. (No charge to employee). Also provides resources for Elder/Child Care, Legal and Financial consultations and online services to help balance work and family responsibilities. Phone 800-999-7222 or access via the internet at www.anthemep.com Login Company Code: SISC See Flyer
- **MDLIVE expanded** to include behavioral health therapy and psychiatrist visits The behavioral health office visits will match the office visit co-pay of the members' Blue Shield health plan
 - MDLive provides members with on-demand access to board certified physicians by phone, online video or secure email for a \$5.00 co-pay. (In order to remain IRS compliant MDLive visits became subject to the deductible on the HSA plans. The full cost of a medical visit is \$40.00 and is applied to the member's deductible.) This does not affect any other SISC plan. . This feature is currently available to all SISC Blue Shield members. See Flyer
- **Solera4me Diabetes Prevention Program** for Blue Shield HMO and PPO members. It is a 16-week cutting edge program that can help members with prediabetes lose weight, adopt healthy habits and significantly reduce their risk of developing diabetes. It is available at no cost to members that qualify. For more information visit www.solera4me.com
- **Prescriptions:** Blue Shield plans Option 1 and Option 2 pharmacy co-pay changed to \$9.00 Generic and \$35 Brand name.
 - **Costco offers a \$0.00 co-pay for most generic prescriptions. (not available for Kaiser, HSA or individual Retiree plans) See Flyer**

If you would like to meet with me to discuss the plan and/or enroll please contact me to schedule an appointment. Please do not wait until the last minute to schedule an appointment.

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